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## **Beyond Housing To Break Ground On 42 Unit Senior Residential Complex That Will House The First Banking Facility In Pagedale History**

(St. Louis, MO) – Beyond Housing is set to break ground on a 42 unit senior residential complex that will incorporate amenities such as a beauty parlor/barber shop and community space for senior programming which will include other seniors who live in the area. The Senior Housing & Retail Development is the second venture in the Pagedale TIF Redevelopment District and sits adjacent to the first development in the TIF District, a Save-A-Lot Grocery Store. The development includes:

- 49,906 sq ft of interior space: 3,000 sq ft commercial & community space
- 8,500 sq ft of total community space for building residents to include library/computer room, three laundry rooms, an exercise room & two community living rooms, one with a fireplace
- 38 one bdrm/one bath units, 4 two bdrm/one bath units
- Beyond Housing will seek Enterprise Green Communities Certification.

Beyond Housing has partnered with Midwest BankCentre, who will occupy 1525 sq ft on first floor, making it the first bank in Pagedale history.

“Nearly ten years ago, we made a promise to the leadership and residents of Pagedale to help revitalize this community,” states Chris Krehmeyer, President/CEO of Beyond Housing. He continues, “We are excited to contribute to the transformation by attracting businesses like Midwest BankCentre that residents feel are vital for thriving communities. We look forward to continuing to grow and fulfill our mission of strengthening neighborhoods, one family at a time.”

The Pagedale Senior Housing & Retail Development will place top priority on providing socialization, education and other enhanced services for the residents. The community space will be made available for all seniors in the surrounding area (including Mt Beulah Senior Residences) by creating a hub of activity with high quality programs and events including financial and health literacy education, dance lessons, organized games, social events and more.

In addition to the interior community space, the first floor indoor space opens up to a 3,000 sq ft secured green area and garden space allowing residents to walk, garden and socialize in an attractive outdoor setting.

Funding for the development was provided by loans and investments from Missouri Housing Development Commission, St. Louis Equity Fund and Midwest BankCentre.

“We are pleased to be an equity investor in this wonderful project for the elderly of this neighborhood. This is the fifteenth project we have invested in with Beyond Housing and greatly value our relationship,” states John Wuest, President/CEO of St. Louis Equity Fund, Inc.

Among the elected officials expected are US Congressman Lacy Clay; Mattie Moore, representing US Senator Claire McCaskill; a representative from the Office of the County Executive; Pagedale Mayor Mary Carter, as well as Ron Barnes of Midwest BankCentre and St. Louis Equity Fund, Inc President/CEO John Wuest.

**Location:** 6810 Page Ave (adjacent to the new Save-A-Lot grocery store)

**Time:** 2:00 p.m.

Beyond Housing, the region's leading housing organization, is expanding the work in Pagedale through the 24:1 Initiative, an innovative community building partnership that includes the 24 municipalities served by Normandy School District as well as the school district and other stakeholder groups serving the area. The 24:1 Initiative includes improving housing options, attracting economic development opportunities to the area, increasing community engagement and improving the health of community residents. This project supports employment objectives through construction jobs as well as the 3.5 staff that will be needed to operate the facility.

*Other entities involved in completion of the development are:*

*Architect:* [Gray Design Group, Inc.](#) *Contractor:* [E.M. Harris Construction Co.](#)

*MEP Engineer:* [G&W Engineering Corp](#) *Civil & Structural Engineer:* [kpff Consulting Engineers](#)

For more information about the project, please contact Gloria Trice at (314) 533-0600 x18 or [gtrice@beyondhousing.org](mailto:gtrice@beyondhousing.org).

## **ABOUT BEYOND HOUSING**

Beyond Housing's mission is to strengthen neighborhoods, one family at a time. We do this by providing support services to families, children and seniors; being a catalyst for community-wide rebuilding efforts; empowering residents to be leaders of their own neighborhood revitalization efforts; and promoting individual and community asset building.

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