



SCLT Review

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SCLT Website

The Sitka Community Land Trust creates home ownership opportunities for low and average income Sitkans.

Mission Accomplishments

- The Sitka Community Land Trust was established in 2014, funded by a Rasmuson Grant.
- Two parcels of City Land have been donated to the Trust.
- A cottage neighborhood design was completed, funded by a second Rasmuson Grant.
- Site work has begun on a cottage neighborhood on 1306 Halibut Point Road, formerly the location of city and state shops.
- A third Rasmuson Grant will pay for the site work and utility installation
- A three bedroom, 1360 ft² home has been built at 125 Lillian Drive.
- A Wells Fargo Foundation grant has paid for small home design work by Jill Hirai and NorthWind Architects. A revised master plan for 1306 Halibut Point Road is in the City Planning process.
- Worked to include affordable housing as a priority in Sitka's new comprehensive plan during planning workshops.



Old City Shops property

Organizational Accomplishments

- Public Involvement* Held public meetings to set goals and priorities for the land trust.
- Strong Board of Directors* The Sitka Community Land Trust board has been strengthened with experience and by the addition of people with needed skills
- Paid Executive Director* We paid our Executive Director, Mim McConnell, a quarter-time salary for 12 months of 2016.
- Executive Director Invited to Attend Governor's Housing Summit* Mim McConnell attended the first Governor's Housing Summit, held in Anchorage. Nearly 300 leaders from around the state with the goal to identify shared housing issues and find solutions.
- New Website and Domain Name* We changed our name to the Sitka Community Land Trust and so we built a new website and acquired a new domain name: www.sitkactl.org. The website serves those interested in the organization and prospective homebuyers.
- Plans to Increase Staff Identified* the need for a property development manager position to coordinate building projects.



Architect's rendering of the planned cottage neighborhood for the Old City Shops property at 1306 Halibut Pt Rd.

The work we will do in 2017

- Finalize designs for small, affordable, energy efficient homes for the 1306 HPR neighborhood
- Complete the site work and utility installation – fully funded by the Rasmuson Foundation
- Pre-sell one, two, and three bedroom homes in the range of \$160,000 to \$225,000
- Build three of these homes and move families in by Christmas
- Work on the next phase of building
- Identify a new land parcel to continue our mission.

What we need from our donors

- We need operating money to pay salaries for our part time Executive Director and Property Development Manager and for general office expenses. In order to cover these costs in 2017, we need to raise \$36,000.



125 Lillian Drive