

Open house at Thankful Chase's affordable rentals

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The event will highlight the green aspects of construction and give prospective renters a chance to check out the housing development.

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HARWICH —

Thankful Chase's Pathway, the new 12-unit affordable rental housing development, will be participating in the NESEA's (Northeast Sustainable Energy Association) Annual Green Open House Tour on Oct. 2, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The Community Development Partnership, a non-profit located in Eastham, is the developer of these affordable homes and is urging potential applicants and those interested in solar technology, sustainable building practices, and the LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) rating system to come view the components that make these homes green.

The rental application and lottery process for the rental units has begun. The application deadline for income-eligible individuals and families is Oct. 11 and the Lottery is Oct. 21. People interested in renting the homes are invited to the open house for a look around. The development is off Main Street Extension, in Harwich Center.

Also, Cape Light Compact will be there to answer questions and provide information about its Energy Efficiency Programs, and visitors will be able to sign up for their own home's Energy Assessment conducted by the Cape Light Compact.

“The CDP has made energy efficiency a priority in many of our housing programs over the last 4 years. Participating in the Green Affordable Homes Program and working closely with the Cape Light Compact allowed us to express this commitment at the highest level possible by incorporating the latest “green” building techniques right from the beginning,” said Elizabeth Bridgewater, the CDP's executive director.

She added, “Thankful Chases Pathway is a great example of the kind of triple bottom line work that the CDP embodies. Everyone in our community benefits from the increase in affordable housing opportunities, contractors are put to work building the units and with the energy efficiency and energy production measures in place, Thankful Chases Pathway is making a meaningful environmental contribution as well,” added Bridgewater.

The Green Affordable Homes grant administered by the Cape Light Compact made the “green” components of this project possible, including the participation in the LEED for Homes program, the solar panel installation and the added sustainable building practices.

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