

# Project Overview

## What's happening at Hillside Terrace?

The Tacoma Housing Authority (THA) wants to revitalize the 1800 and 2500 blocks of Hillside Terrace. The aging buildings are falling apart and need to be repaired.



## Timeline

2009

- Initial design
- Community meetings
- Submit HOPE VI application for funding

2010

- HOPE VI award notification
- Final design
- Select construction contractor

2011

- Construction begins

2012

- Construction
- Occupancy

## How to Get Involved

### ► *Attend a community meeting*

- **Resident Training – Tuesday, August 25, 2009:** Learn about the revitalization process and the HOPE VI grant. Share your ideas and priorities. Only for current Hillside Terrace residents.
- **Community and Supportive Services – Tuesday, September 8, 2009:** Share your ideas for the community services to be provided during construction and after residents return.
- **Community Design Workshop 2 – September 15, 2009:** Share your ideas about the design of individual units.
- **Relocation and Reoccupancy – Tuesday, September 29, 2009:** Learn about temporary relocation during the development process and reoccupancy once the project is complete.
- **Final Community Meeting and Public Hearing – Date to be determined:** See the outcomes of the planning and design process.

### ► *View the information kiosk at the 2500 Hillside Terrace Office*

### ► *Look for notices in the mail.*

### ► *Visit the project website at [www.tacomahousing.org](http://www.tacomahousing.org)*

### Questions?

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# What could the new Hillside Terrace look like?

*The new Hillside Terrace will provide high quality, healthy and environmentally friendly homes. Shown are some examples of revitalized housing from the Puget Sound area.*



## **What is the HOPE VI Program?**

THA is applying for a grant from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) HOPE VI grant program to fund the revitalization of Hillside Terrace. The purpose of the HOPE VI program is to:

- Improve the living environment for public housing residents of severely distressed public housing projects through the demolition, rehabilitation, reconfiguration, or replacement of obsolete public housing projects;
- Revitalize sites (including remaining public housing dwelling units) on which such public housing projects are located and contribute to the improvement of the surrounding neighborhood;
- Provide housing that will avoid or decrease the concentration of very low-income families; and
- Build sustainable communities.



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# What will revitalization address?

*Replace buildings to create more comfortable living spaces that address the needs of residents*



*Replace narrow pathways to create safer, more pleasant walkways*



*Replace crumbling infrastructure*



*Improve accessibility and create a walkable community*



*Revitalize common spaces with community gathering places and play areas that are more inviting*



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# Relocation/Return FAQ

**Q Will I have to move?**

A Yes, everyone will have to be moved in order for the construction activities to take place.

**Q Will I have to pay for my own move expenses?**

A No, moving costs will be covered by THA.

**Q How will I find a new place to live?**

A THA's Relocation Specialist will work closely with you to find a comparable unit that will fit your household's needs.

**Q Will all residents be able to return to the new community?**

A THA will make every effort to accommodate residents during re-occupancy. Hillside Terrace residents will have first priority to return to the community. Details regarding relocation and re-occupancy will be available at the relocation and re-occupancy meeting on September 29 and future meetings.

**Q How long before we have to move?**

A If THA is successful receiving the 2009 HOPE VI Grant, relocation could be within 12-18 months from the time of the award of funding. THA will provide multiple notices and personalized assistance before relocation occurs.

**Q How long will it take to finish construction?**

A The construction will be completed approximately 18 months after relocation of the residents and demolition of the buildings.

**Q Will there be opportunity to purchase a new home when the project is complete?**

A THA will be offering homeownership opportunities within the Hillside Terrace HOPE VI project. More information will become available at future meetings.



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