



To develop a welcoming space where seniors within the Carbon Valley can live affordably in community while maintaining their independence

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Brigit's Village is a 501 (c)(3) senior housing project spanning two acres on the property of St. Brigit Episcopal Church in Frederick, Colorado. Established in 2014, Brigit's Village began as a way to serve the surrounding community of the Carbon Valley while addressing the very specific growth of seniors within the area. In the state of Colorado, one hundred fifty-five people turn sixty-five every day and the senior population within the Front Range area grew by thirty-two percent in between 2000-2010.

As there is no planned senior housing within the Carbon Valley region, Brigit's Village seeks to house seniors 55 years of age and older in independent living apartments. The goal of Brigit's Village is to offer rents at 50% of the market rate to eligible applicants regardless of religious affiliation, ethnic origin, or sexual orientation. The site will have 50 one and two bedroom handicap-adaptable units, a commercial kitchen, and community room. Brigit's Village will not only be a building where seniors can live but also a space where community members and organizations can host events and educational programming.

The Standing Committee approved Brigit's Village as a Diocesan Institution on Tuesday, August 26, 2014. Due to the fact that the organization has not existed for a full year, no annual report is provided within this documentation.