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NEWS FROM BEACON HOUSING



Garfield ADU Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

A Milestone in Recovery and Resilience

On December 19, we welcomed three fire survivors into their new homes with a ribbon-cutting ceremony celebrating resilience, partnership, and community support. Our team, along with dedicated volunteers and community partners, came together to make this milestone a meaningful one for our incoming families. With funding support from the Pasadena Community Foundation, these new units were made possible, and through the YMCA of the Foothills, residents will receive a two-year rental subsidy to help reduce housing costs as they work toward recovery. This project was truly a community effort, with special thanks to Neighborhood Servants, My Love Tap, From House to Home, the YMCA of the Foothills, and many others who generously helped furnish the homes. The ribbon-cutting ceremony was attended by more than 50 community members, including Assemblymember John Harabedian; Darla Dyson, representing Senator Pérez; community partners; Beacon's board members; as well as Vince Luculano and Khanh Russo, CEOs of YMCA of the Foothills and the Pasadena Community Foundation respectively. Thank you to all those whose hard work made this project a success.

A Message From Our Executive Director

Hello Friends!

It has been an emotional and eventful few months as we closed out 2025. Since our last newsletter we held our third annual Charity Pickleball Tournament, announced multiple housing projects in El Serno, Pasadena and Altadena, held our very first ribbon cutting ceremony and welcomed home 5 families affected by the Eaton fire while also remembering how much remains to be done to help our community recover, one year after the fire.

These milestones were made possible thanks to the generosity and dedication of our volunteers, donors, and community partners. Thank you for walking alongside us as we look toward the upcoming year or rebuilding both homes and hope.

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Celebrating 30 Years of Serving Our Community

What an amazing blessing to say we have been able to serve our community for 30 years! We are beyond grateful and amazed at the strength of our community and the amount of support we've received over the years. This year we have many plans to celebrate the work we have done together. If you would like to share a story you have of Beacon Housing please reach out to us at hello@beaconhousing.org. We want to hear from you! Thank you for 30 years of support, check out our 30 year anniversary page here: beaconhousing.org/30th-page/



Building Housing And Hope For Eaton Fire Survivors

A lot has happened in the past few months! We've welcomed a total of eight new families into our housing at Garfield Agape Court and Matthew House, including five survivors of the Eaton Fire. At Garfield, we added three new units, increasing its capacity from 43 to 46 units. Construction has also begun on two new houses in El Sereno, which will bring four additional units to the market later this year. Our biggest announcement is our Pine Street Bungalow Court project in Altadena, funded by the Altadena Builds Back Foundation, which will add 14 new units by the end of 2026. This project will feature 12 one-bedroom bungalows and 2 one-bedroom duplexes, all available to very low-income households displaced by the Eaton Fire. To support Altadena residents and help the community remain affordable, these units will be offered first to former residents of the Pine property. A special thanks to Tiprin Mandalay Follett for her commitment to affordable housing and for entrusting us with her family's property. We look forward to sharing more updates as these projects progress!

If you have any questions about our upcoming projects, please email us at hello@beaconhousing.org
Read the press release for our Pine project here: beaconhousing.org/news/

Charity Pickleball Tournament

We were thrilled to host our 3rd Annual Charity Pickleball Tournament in October—our biggest year yet, with 21 teams participating! This year's tournament raised critical funds to support another year of our Tenant Support Project, allowing us to continue providing one-on-one case management, budgeting tools, personalized financial plans, free workshops, and other resources to help our tenants achieve long-term stability. Thank you to all of our sponsors who made it possible and to our Auction Donors: Dear Naura Skincare, Mark Gibson Magic, Magic Castle, Door of Hope, Total Wine, Kendra Scott, Pasadena Symphony, A Noise Within, San Diego Crawling, The Broad, Trader Joe's and Universal Studios.

We are also excited to announce that we are holding our fourth pickleball tournament! The 2026 tournament will be held on May 31st at the YMCA of the Foothills. We hope to see some familiar faces there. Learn more at tinyurl.com/26Pickleball.



Upcoming Events, Announcements & Reminders

February 14: Tax and Healthcare Day with Kaimore and Altamed

May 31: Charity Pickleball Tournament

Ways You Can Help



Donate money or in-kind goods



Spread the word to your networks



Volunteer your skills & time with us