

## **Catholic Human Services Foundation Awards Build with Purpose \$5,500 Grant**

*Funds will help to further develop The Senior Residence at St. Peter the Apostle*

METUCHEN, NJ (June 2014) – The Catholic Human Services Foundation has awarded Build with Purpose a \$5,500 grant as part of its continued development of The Senior Residence at St. Peter the Apostle (The Senior Residence), a 24 unit affordable senior housing community. Located in a former convent on the campus of St. Peter the Apostle church in River Edge, NJ Build with Purpose developed, owns and operates the residence which opened in September 2013.



Grant funds will support improvements to The Senior Residence, including the purchase and installation of a security system for the building. A security system will provide a higher level of safety for the residence and will aid in monitoring those entering and leaving the building. “This is a great way to ensure a safe and secure environment and peace of mind for

our residents and their families,” said Brian Keenan, Director and President at Build with Purpose. Since opening in September of 2013, Build with Purpose has seen the residence reach near full capacity. With this system in place the residents’ daily movements can be supervised to ensure the most pleasant and safest service possible.

The project supports the mission of the Catholic Human Services Foundation of promoting and enhancing the quality of life to those in need as The Senior Residence provides an affordable housing option to low-income seniors and also offers 24 hour on site staff. The Senior Residence is the first project within a larger Build with Purpose initiative to repurpose vacant convents and other religious properties into affordable housing for seniors.

For more information regarding this project or Build with Purpose please contact Brian Keenan at 732 635-1000 extension 153 or [bkeenan@bwpurpose.org](mailto:bkeenan@bwpurpose.org).

### ***About the Catholic Human Services Foundation (CHSF)***

CHSF’s mission is to promote and enhance the quality of life to those in need. To achieve this goal, the Foundation’s primary focus is to support organizations providing health and human services; including hospitals, medical research facilities, innovative educational programs and specialized programs for the disabled.

### ***About Build with Purpose***

Build with Purpose has facilitated over \$120 million in real estate development financing for more than 25 community organizations over the course of its first ten years and has an established track record directly developing real estate, managing real estate projects for other nonprofits and bringing a variety of community real estate assets back to life. These projects have positively impacted over 6,000 people and helped to make the surrounding communities healthier and more vibrant.