

Application process begins soon for new subsidized housing project

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Those currently living in subsidized housing or wanting an opportunity to gain access will have the opportunity to do so in the near future.

The 266 Linden Project was unveiled to the public in September and the process is currently underway to take applications to live in the new housing complex. The purpose of the development is to create permanent, supportive housing for homeless families and individuals.

Shannon Judd, CEO Sanford Housing Authority, said she is very excited about the project and how it has progressed, creating homes for homeless families in Lee County.

Currently there are five units available, four of which will be rented to applicants earning at or below 30% of the area median income. One unit will be rented to an applicant earning between 30 and 50% of area median income. One unit is a two bedroom, while all the rest are one-bedroom units.

The Sanford Housing Authority (SHA) will open a waitlist for these units on Feb.7 and close on Feb. 21. Waitlist applications can be picked up at the SHA headquarters, 1000 Carthage St. although access inside the building will not be allowed due to COVID-19.

“We work every day, but we are not open to the public,” she said.

Applications can also be accessed on the organization’s website as well. Applicants are encouraged to have some way to be contacted by representatives with the SHA preferably via email or cell phone.

Currently all waitlists are open for SHA.

Judd said that if and when they can get more funds, she believes there is still room at that location to build more units. Along with being CEO, Judd is in charge of the development arm for the units, Central Carolina Strategic Developers.

“My vision is to hopefully create additional housing on that site,” she said. “Hopefully this is only the first phase that we build. There is land in the back (of the current units) and we could build units in a u-shape and get a few more units on that site. We just need the funding.”

For more information and how to apply call SHA at 919-776-7655 or visit [www.sha-nc.org](http://www.sha-nc.org).