

HOUSING UP DEVELOPMENT PORTFOLIO



BEFORE



AFTER

PROPERTY: Webster Gardens

DATE ACQUIRED/COMPLETED: 2011

LOCATION: Ward 4

SERVICES PROVIDED: Affordable housing (52 units) and resident services

BACKGROUND:

Webster Gardens, a 52 unit apartment complex, is located in the Petworth neighborhood of Ward 4 near the Old Soldier's Home. This historic building was the first garden-style apartment building in Washington, DC, designed by Allen E. Walker in 1921. Housing Up's renovations restored and preserved the historic character of the four building complex, abated the extensive environmental hazards that previously existed and provided new community space to facilitate resident services. Additionally, Webster Gardens was updated with more efficient heating and cooling systems, kitchens and baths.

The project preserved affordable housing for the 28 original Webster Gardens households, many of whom are seniors, and secures affordability for them in the future. Clients at Webster Gardens have access to resident services, including: employment services, youth enrichment, community building, health & wellness, and tenant education. Youth tutoring is conducted every Tuesday and Thursday evening, with the help of a dedicated team of volunteers.

