



October 22, 2025 Update

Population Served Update: New Roots Village will be a referral only site for people who are in a stable situation in an emergency shelter and prepared to live autonomously with the support of a broader community. Village residents will work towards goals for housing, employment, and health.

The operator will work with Waters Meet Foundation staff to build community with Ascenda residents, the extended service provider community, and the West Hills neighborhood to promote mutual goals of health and wellness. This will be done through a combination of advisory groups, a Good Neighbor Agreement, regular daily staff support and guidance, and compliance with community agreements.

Here is our most recent site development calendar

Please Note: This represents our best effort to offer shelter as quickly as possible ahead of winter, while following applicable planning and development processes that may create additional delays.

October

- An Operator for the site will be recommended to the Community Housing, and Human Services Board and City Council



- The site will be reviewed under the State Environmental Protection Act (SEPA). This includes a public feedback process.
- Weekly Neighborhood Advisory Group Meetings will continue at Ascenda
- Waters Meet will host final site design input meeting for community
- Waters Meet will request permits (can be requested but not issued)
- Waters Meet will recruit a General Contractor

November

- SEPA Process Concludes
- Earliest permits can be issued by City
- Earliest site build can begin

December

- Goal: Earliest operator can be on site and residents can start moving in