Accessible Housing Fact Sheet

Inglis Foundation, based in Philadelphia, PA, has 139 years’ experience providing housing and services for people with physical disabilities. Inglis serves nearly 1,000 people daily by providing nearly 300 accessible and affordable apartments, community services and long-term care for 252 residents. Currently, there is a four year waiting list for the accessible, affordable housing units administered by Inglis Housing Corporation (IHC).

In formulating its strategic plan and financial priorities through 2020, the Inglis Board of Directors focuses on the creation of safe, accessible and affordable housing as a top priority. The Board has allocated a multi-million dollar fund to invest in housing development and the staff are actively engaged in dialogues to create new opportunities with community partners.

Inglis supports the concept of visitability - the belief that including basic architectural access features in all new homes is a civil and human right. Visitability is not just for people with physical disabilities – it’s for anyone whose mobility may be impaired now or in the future.

• By 2020, there will be 53.7 million Americans over 65 and 6.8 million over 85
• By 2050, there will be 82 million Americans over 65 and 19.4 million over 85

In 2013, IHC partnered with the Medical Mission Sisters (MMS) on the development of Mission Green, a 61-unit fully accessible, 55+ LIHTC project located within a 69 acre MMS park-like campus in Montgomery County which opened fall, 2014. The PA Housing Finance Agency awarded tax credits to enable Inglis to develop those properties following green building standards.

In July 2016, Inglis opened its newest building, Inglis Gardens at Belmont - 80 accessible, affordable apartments on the 3.8 acres next to Inglis House, including 40 enhanced accessibility units and 40 units for qualified families. The $26M project was financed through tax credits from the PA Housing Finance Agency as well as funding from Inglis and other donors. Inglis Gardens at Belmont was developed in partnership with Regan Development Corporation.

Snapshot of a Typical Inglis Accessible Housing Consumer

• Has multiple disabilities that require specialized adaptive equipment for moving their wheelchair, accessing household appliances, light switches, faucets, etc.
• Needs from 4 - 10 hours of assistance with daily living activities
  o Health-related such as tube feeding, catheterization, wound care
  o Personal care-related such as bathing, dressing, feeding, meal preparation
• Uses a power wheelchair with a much wider wheelbase and turning radius than a manual chair - entries, doorways and hallways must be wider and space in bathrooms must be maneuverable to accommodate the bigger wheelchair
• Experiences frequent hospitalizations and emergency room visits due to fragile health
• Lives on low or very low income, usually with SSI disability payments; can only afford rent/utilities at $150/month or less
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ACCESSIBLE HOUSING SITES

Owned and Managed by Inglis Housing Corporation

Inglis Apartments at Elmwood
Inglis Cottages at Berks County
Inglis Gardens at Belmont (opened, summer 2016)
  Inglis Gardens at Eastwick I
  Inglis Gardens at Eastwick II
  Inglis Gardens at Evesham
  Inglis Gardens at Germantown
  Inglis Gardens at Washington Lane
Morris/Klein Apartments
  Mission Green
  Pennypack Crossing (construction, winter 2016)

Inglis Housing Corporation Affiliated Communities

  1260 Belmont Gardens
  1260 Monument Village
  1260 Northeast
  1260 Parkside
  1260 Powelton Heights
  Cloisters III
  SACH V Apartments

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