**Message from the President & CEO**

An email arrives in my inbox, a bright holiday season and a new year are on the horizon at the San Diego Housing Commission (SDHC).

I write to you today about SDHC's economic impact on our San Diego region, a report which we released in December.


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**SDHC Economic Impact Study**

SDHC recently released its 2016 Economic Impact Study, which examined the Commission's activities during fiscal year 2015 (July 1, 2015 – June 30, 2016). The study, which is the tenth consecutive SDHC economic impact study, shows that SDHC's activities and initiatives helped the region's economy grow by $316 million, resulting in the creation of nearly 3,100 jobs. Additionally, the study found that SDHC's direct and indirect economic impact totaled $316 million.

The study was conducted by ECONorthwest, an economics consulting firm, and included an analysis of the economic impact of SDHC's direct services, such as the provision of affordable housing and supportive services to individuals and families, as well as the economic impact of the federal and state funds that SDHC receives and distributes to its partners.

The study concluded that SDHC's economic impact is significant, with a direct economic impact of $279 million and an indirect economic impact of $37 million. The study also found that SDHC's activities and initiatives stimulated the local economy, revitalize neighborhoods, and impact the lives of individuals and families.

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**City's Permanent Indoor Facility Marks First Winter Serving Homeless Adults**

For the first Thanksgiving in nearly three decades, the City of San Diego's Permanent Indoor Facility (PIF) marked its first winter serving homeless adults.

The PIF is located at 1122 Broadway, Suite 300, San Diego, CA 92101. It provides emergency shelter and support services to homeless adults, with a capacity of 320 beds.

In addition, U.S. Representative Scott Peters, 52nd District, and Speaker of the California State Assembly Toni Atkins, Mayor Kevin Faulconer and City Councilmember Todd Gloria joined SDHC Chairman of the Board Gary Gramling as speakers to announce the progress of the City's Interim Housing Program.

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In addition, U.S. Representative Scott Peters, 52nd District, and Speaker of the California State Assembly Toni Atkins issued proclamations to honor the first-year anniversary of the City's Permanent Indoor Facility.

The proclamation recognizes the PIF as a critical resource for homeless adults in San Diego, providing emergency shelter and support services to those in need.

The PIF is administered by SDHC and is one of the few permanent indoor facilities in the region.

**SDHC Partnership – Grand Opening of Alpha Square**

The Alpha Square Apartments, San Diego's first permanent supportive housing complex for formerly homeless veterans, celebrated its grand opening on December 8th, 2016.

The complex is located at 2240 tiger Lily Way, San Diego, CA 92101. It provides permanent supportive housing and services to formerly homeless veterans, with a capacity of 240 units.

In addition, U.S. Representative Scott Peters, 52nd District, and SDHC Chairman of the Board Gary Gramling were in attendance at the grand opening.

The Alpha Square Apartments are operated by the San Diego Housing Commission, with support from the Department of Veterans Affairs, the Department of Housing and Urban Development, and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.