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MAGNUSSON ARCHITECTURE AND PLANNING ANNOUNCE CONSTRUCTION OF “THE BRYANT,” A 100% AFFORDABLE-HOUSING DEVELOPMENT IN THE BRONX

Located in the Bronx, New York, The Bryant will services for families who are homeless due to domestic violence



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New York (July 30, 2019) – Magnusson Architecture and Planning (MAP) recently announced the start of construction for The Bryant, a 62-unit affordable and supportive development in the Bronx. This is MAP’s second collaboration with the nonprofit developer New Destiny Housing, which will also provide support services on-site that foster housing stability. All 62 units will be affordable to low-income households; and 37 will be reserved for families coming from New York City’s domestic violence shelters. According to New Destiny Housing, at least 30% of families using New York City Shelters are fleeing domestic abuse.

Designed to create a safe, stable community for all tenants, The Bryant will offer several spaces for shared use including, a multi-purpose room for resident meetings and events, a children’s room, a landscaped backyard

with a children's play area, a laundry room, and a library overlooking a green roof. Large windows will fill apartment interiors with natural light, making the homes calming, restorative and inspiring.

On-site services provided by New Destiny Housing are funded by the Empire State Supportive Housing Initiative and are tailored to the needs of domestic violence survivors and their children. Services will include safety planning, counseling, job readiness assistance, financial planning, and children and family programming, to help families heal and move forward with their lives.

The building will meet the requirements of Enterprise Green Communities with EPA Energy Star Multifamily High Riser Program compliance.

Funding for The Bryant is provided by New York State Homes and Community Renewal, New York State Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance, New York City Dept. of Housing Preservation and Development, New York City Housing Authority, Hudson Housing Capital, Bank of America, Deutsche Bank, and the Corporation for Supportive Housing.

ABOUT MAP

For over three decades, Magnusson Architecture and Planning (MAP) has worked with non-profit groups, municipalities, and for-profit developers to improve the lives of those who live and work in their communities. MAP's award-winning buildings and urban revitalization projects serve as the foundation for vibrant and sustainable neighborhoods. Since our founding in 1986, we have been at the forefront of quality housing, green building and urban design.

MAP offers comprehensive architectural and planning services that blend design excellence with technical and planning expertise. The firm specializes in mixed-use developments including: affordable, supportive, senior, mixed-income, and market-rate housing; schools; community facilities; urban design projects; and, community planning.

In 2015 MAP established a Volunteer Program. Every month a team of staff, friends, and family donate personal time to projects that serve residents of the buildings the firm has designed, improve features in those buildings or support the clients of MAP's nonprofit partners.

ABOUT NEW DESTINY HOUSING CORPORATION

New Destiny Housing Corporation promotes the long-term safety and stability of low-income families and individuals at risk of domestic violence and homelessness. Their work focuses on breaking the cycle of violence by developing and operating service-enriched, affordable housing; offering programs to help domestic violence survivors find and retain permanent housing; and advocating for more housing resources for low-income homeless families. Over 25 years, they have developed 16 buildings that house over 400 families. For additional information visit New Destiny's website at www.newdestinyhousing.org and follow the organization on [facebook](#) or [twitter](#).

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