

## 2008 – 2009 CDBG/HOME APPLICANT QUESTIONS AND RESPONSES

Name of Organization: **CA House**  
Project Title: ADA Facility Improvements

**1. If we are unable to fully fund the project will you be able to do the project with other monies? If so, how much money can you get and from where?**

Our request to CDBG was for a rear accessible entrance to the current CA House. If we do not receive that CDBG grant, I do not expect we will pursue an accessible entrance in the rear at this time due to lack of funds.

We currently have a 2.18 million dollar bank loan on a 2.4 million dollar construction project. We are in the silent phase of a capital campaign, scheduled to run through the end of the summer, to close the gap on the total project cost. To date, we have used 38,000 of unrestricted reserve funds, raised an additional 40,000 in personal loans and 77,000 in community donations to support our current construction project. This is in addition to the funds we raise each year for our operating budget. All of this is to say that we have tapped, or will be tapping, every available source for our current operating and construction budgets, and do not expect to be able to raise further funds to do the rear accessibility project.

We still very much believe in making the rear accessible, and believe that doing so will have a great impact on the quality of life and ability to access programming and groups available through the main public house. This accessibility project is separate from our construction of new housing. In time, perhaps after a number of years, making the rear accessible could become a reality as we pay back loans and raise more funding.

I do want to note that though CA House has served the community of Davis and opened the our main house at no cost to the public and university for a variety of community groups and events, and has served as the incubation meeting place for many community groups and institutions including California Alliance for Family Farms, the Davis Food Co-op, the LGBT resource center on campus, just to name a few, we have never received funding from the city of Davis. I also want to clarify that we are not a church and rely on fundraising to raise our budget through methods including special events, community donations, and special grants.