

Jim Silverwood Joins University of California, San Diego's Real Estate and Development Advisory Board

University taps affordable housing developer for advisory role

SAN DIEGO, Calif.; Dec. 21, 2022: Affirmed Housing is pleased to announce that Chief Executive Officer Jim Silverwood has been appointed to the University of California, San Diego's Real Estate and Development (RED) Advisory Board.

"I'm honored to join UC San Diego's Real Estate and Development Advisory Board with esteemed fellow board members who are some of the top level real estate and development professionals in the region," said Jim Silverwood, CEO, Affirmed Housing. "I look forward to sharing my affordable housing-focused perspective and experience to guide the next generation of undergrad and graduate students as they embark on careers in the exciting world of real estate development."

The Advisory Board is comprised of more than two dozen real estate experts dedicated to raising the stature and reputation of the university's RED program. Board members provide financial support to the program, as well as contribute time to boost students' professional development through an array of avenues that include mentoring, speaking at guest lectures and panel discussions, organizing job site visits, providing case studies, fostering partnerships and networking opportunities, offering internships and other engagements that enhance the educational experience and curriculum of its students.

Silverwood has served at the helm of Affirmed Housing since its inception, successfully positioning the company as a leading resource in delivering highly functional, safe, affordable housing for families, veterans, seniors and formerly unhoused individuals. Under Silverwood's leadership, Affirmed Housing has developed projects throughout Southern California and expanded its presence in Northern California, completing multiple supportive housing developments through the pandemic and with more underway. Pioneering supportive housing development, the company was an early advocate of the Housing First method that combines on-site social services with permanent, affordable rental homes. The holistic, data-driven approach to providing both housing and care helps break chronic homelessness cycles and serves as a platform from which residents can improve their quality of life and pursue personal goals. Among the company's most notable projects are San Diego County's first affordable high rise and first supportive housing development, Southern California's first virtually net-zero affordable housing development, and the City of Oakland's first 100% supportive housing development.

In addition to serving on the RED Advisory Board, Silverwood sits on the California Housing Consortium's Board of Directors. Active in the community, Silverwood is involved with the nonprofit organizations Compass for Affordable Housing, People Assisting the Homeless and the Boys & Girls Club.

About Affirmed Housing

Affirmed Housing is a leader in affordable, multifamily housing development, delivering safe, sustainable, high-quality communities for families, veterans, seniors and people experiencing homelessness. The company works with municipalities and private owners throughout California to promote housing stability and neighborhood well-being by leveraging deep expertise in public finance, low-income housing tax credits, and tax-exempt bond finance, as well as site selection, engineering, architecture, construction, relocation and marketing. Since 1992, Affirmed Housing has financed more than \$2.8 billion in affordable and supportive development, with 5,800 units developed or under development in 70 communities. The company has offices in San Diego and San Jose. Visit: www.affirmedhousing.com.

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