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Ribbon Cutting Celebrates Affordable Housing

Mayor Timothy Dougherty applauds Homeless Solutions's renovation of The Mount Kemble House and affirms commitment to affordable housing

MORRISTOWN, NJ- On Wednesday, January 18 Morristown Mayor Timothy Dougherty joined board members and staff of Homeless Solutions Inc for a ribbon cutting event celebrating the completion of The Mount Kemble Home renovation project, which creates 21 new affordable housing units in Morristown.

Homeless Solutions, Inc. is a non-profit organization that provides shelter, services, and supportive housing to the homeless and working poor in Morris County, New Jersey.

The Mt. Kemble Home was founded in 1883 to provide affordable housing for elderly single women of very limited means, and it has been placed on national and state historic registers, according to Homeless Solutions, which has operated the facility since 2013. In 2015, HSI received a substantial grant to support a 21-unit renovation project at the facility, which will now provide housing and supportive services to elderly women of limited means. The renovation included an increase in the number of residential rooms, elevator replacement, a new fire escape, replacing the roof, as well as upgrading electrical, plumbing, heating and sprinkler systems.

During the event, Mayor Dougherty added "Since I first took office in January 2010, I have made affordable housing a top priority for my administration. As a long-time Morristown resident, I feel a personal responsibility to help our families find safe and decent housing so that they can continue to live here, work here, and remain here as an integral part of our community".

Mayor Dougherty continued, "As I see it, affordable housing also provides broader benefits to Morristown at large, by revitalizing distressed areas, increasing jobs, and promoting economic and social integration while building a strong community."

The Mount Kemble House is located at 1 Mount Kemble Avenue, Morristown and more information on Homeless Solutions Inc can be found at homelesssolutions.org.

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