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HIGH DESIGN

Architects raise the bar to create
innovative affordable developments

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FEATURED ARTICLES



Uphams Crossing, Dorchester, Mass., winner of the 2016 Readers' Choice Award in the Family category. See page 38.

RAISING THE BAR

27 In the past, the words “affordable housing” and “architectural design” didn’t exactly seem to go together. But times have changed and, with them, the industry has evolved, with today’s affordable housing developments often appearing indistinguishable from their high-end, market-rate counterparts. We look at five new communities that not only meet this criterion but do so within a limited budget, as well.

READERS’ CHOICE WINNERS

38 Our readers have spoken and their decisions are in: AHF presents the recipients of this year’s Readers’ Choice Awards in nine categories plus an overall winner. Subscribers to AHF’s magazine and newsletter voted for the chosen developments from a list of 34 finalists. An Editors’ Choice winner was also selected. See what your peers consider the best projects in the industry.

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COMING NEXT MONTH

Native American and Rural Housing
A look at how affordable housing developers are meeting the needs of Native American and rural communities.

SPECIAL FOCUS | READERS' CHOICE WINNERS



FAMILY

Uphams Crossing

Dorchester, Mass.

Planning Office for Urban Affairs



GREEN

Orchards at Orenco

Hillsboro, Ore.

REACH Community Development



HISTORIC REHAB

The Lofts at Loomworks

Worcester, Mass.

The Community Builders



PUBLIC HOUSING REDEVELOPMENT

San Francisco RAD

San Francisco

San Francisco Mayor's Office of Housing and Community Development and San Francisco Housing Authority

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