

Aurea Ester Martinez Apartments



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Top: Final view of building from Opp side of Diversey Ave.

Context: The City of Chicago and Alderman Reboyra's office have envisaged this affordable housing project in concert with Metropolitan Housing Development Corporation have undertaken this project on a prime location of Diversey Avenue.

Concept: The project envisages this as a welcoming and spacious facility designed for all, but encouraging occupation by senior citizens

The project provides 98 units with a mix of one bedroom, convertible and studio units. Each room of each unit is installed with large 3-bay windows that are more than 6ft in height and over 7.5ft in width, thus providing generous amounts of light into the interiors. Given the building's length we broke down the facade into a series of bays approximately with a ratio of 24ft is 11ft 8 inches. The play of a series of 4 bays then with an inset diminished the linearity of a 300ft long facade.

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Project Data:

Building type
Residential-Multi-family
Sustainability/LEED
Chicago Sustainable Development Program Certified

Location
Chicago IL

Site Area
@37,500 sf

Project Area
73,300 sf

Client
Metropolitan Housing Development Corporation w/ City of Chicago & Chicago Housing Authority

Completion Year
Completed May 2019

Construction Cost
\$14.68 Million

Client Satisfaction through Design Excellence

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Top: Frontal Views of Building

Team

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Top: Overall Diversey Avenue Views

Bottom: View of a few bays

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