

The Jourdain: South Quarter - Phase II



What The Jourdain is the second phase of the South Quarter development, which will transform a formerly blighted and vacant urban intersection into a vibrant place to live and work. The South Quarter development is a partnership between Aeon and Hope Community, Inc.

Where 2006 Portland Avenue, Minneapolis

Who The Jourdain features 41 units of quality affordable housing in the Phillips community of Minneapolis. Homes range from studios to three-bedroom, townhome-style family units. Underground parking helps preserve the grounds for green space and a playground.

- Impact** As the second phase of the South Quarter development, The Jourdain has successfully:
- Catalyzed further development of the area.
 - Ensured long-term affordable housing options in a changing community.
 - Implemented the Phillips community neighborhood plans for a quality mixed-income, mixed-use development that is family-, pedestrian-, and transit-friendly.
- Affordability** The Jourdain offers a total of 41 rental units with 24 homes reserved for people earning 50% of the area median income (AMI). The remaining 17 apartments are market-rate units.
- Building** The building's name honors Winifred Jourdain, “Godmother of the White Earth Reservation.” Winnie Jourdain, bought a home at the corner of Franklin and Portland Avenues in 1944. Her home became a refuge for hundreds of American Indians who needed community connections to help navigate life in the city.
- In addition to apartment homes, The Jourdain features 4,000 square feet of neighborhood-scale commercial space with a mini-market grocery store.
- Awards** Best Community Impact Award - Minneapolis/St. Paul Business Journal (2006)
- Timeline** The Jourdain opened in 2006.

Aeon is a nonprofit developer, owner and manager of high-quality affordable homes in the Minneapolis St. Paul area. Established in 1986, the award-winning nonprofit has built or renovated more than 2,000 apartments and townhomes, which provide stability to more than 3,500 people each year – including individuals and families with low to moderate incomes and formerly homeless individuals. The organization’s inspiration to create community assets that last for generations stems from its name “Aeon,” which means “forever.” Its vision is that every person has a home and is interconnected within community.

With 34 years of history in the neighborhood, Hope Community stayed through devastation and acted on opportunity. Hope’s vision led to the South Quarter development done in partnership with Aeon, as well as other housing developments. At the heart of Hope’s mission is the belief that an engaged community creates a strong neighborhood. Community dialogues with over 2,000 people feed the vision; over 500 adults and youth are involved each year at Hope in learning, leadership, art, community building and civic engagement. For more information about Hope Community, please visit www.hope-community.org.