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This house in North Portland is part of another project with PCLT as lead developer: complete – and green! - renovation of nine homes acquired from the Housing Authority of Portland's portfolio. These homes are truly a rarity: single family, detached homes with private yards in inner N/NE Portland. Average sales price: \$148,000.

## Building, renovating, moving in 2008

Portland Community Land Trust enters 2008 with a wide variety of housing options all over town.

Watch for Woolsey Corner in New Columbia, eight units with community space and a shared courtyard. Developed by Orange Splot LLC, these units will be permanently affordable through PCLT, and thanks to \$625,000 in investment from the Portland Development Commission.

There's more in North Portland, thanks again to PDC and \$500,000 in homeowner assistance. These funds will buy down the price of five existing homes in the neighborhoods surrounding Interstate light rail.

And then there's the east side: PCLT is

involved in a number of new construction projects in the Lents Urban Renewal Area. Tom Walsh & Co. is building 10 homes; a short distance away, ROSE Community Development has three homes under development. PCLT will ensure these homes are permanently affordable, thanks again to investment from PDC.

Finally, Dahlia Commons, PCLT's first new construction project as lead developer. Dahlia Commons will be 16 cottage-style condominium homes ready for sale in 2009. Low-interest construction loans for this project are provided by Enterprise Community Investments; the Sisters of Charity, OH; and Al Jubitz. 🏠

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## From our home to yours



The National Community Land Trust Network board of directors just met in Austin, Texas. I sat with colleagues from across the country to help chart the Network's path – providing training and support for CLTs; increasing investments in CLTs; building public awareness and advocating for public policies that support CLT work.

The CLT "model" is going on 40. The idea was pioneered by African American farmers in 1969 in Georgia, who wanted secure access to farmland. Slater King and Charles Sherrrod led the effort to put 4,800 acres of farmland into a community-controlled trust. That beautiful idea – protecting land for generations – was later adapted to housing. Today, there are 200 CLTs nationwide.

More than 6,000 families own CLT houses.

Consider: on average, American families sell their homes every seven years – so over fifty years, 6,000 CLT homes will offer affordable homeownership opportunities for over 40,000 families.

Add a couple of zeroes: 600,000 CLT homes would bring homeownership within reach of 4 million families over fifty years.

Now that would be worth a little Texas Two-step.

*Alison*

## The PCLT and NAYA partnership

by Sara Libby,  
Homeownership and  
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Coordinator, NAYA Family  
Center

Greetings from the Native American Youth and Family Center! We work with PCLT's dedicated staff to make the land trust a path to homeownership for Portland's Urban Indian community.

Our partnership includes hosting PCLT orientations at NAYA Family Center and PCLT's collaboration in our annual Native American Housing to Homeownership Fair. Our partnership also involves four buyer initiated homeownership grants.

NAYA Family Center serves 1,400 youth and 600 families annually, with



Dance class participants at the 2006 Native American Housing to Homeownership Fair. Courtesy of NAYA.

comprehensive programming ranging from student tutoring to homeownership support. For grant information and referrals, or to learn more about NAYA Family Center, visit NAYA on the web at [www.nayapdx.org](http://www.nayapdx.org) or contact Sara Libby at 503-288-8177 x232.

## Welcome new PCLT Homeowner Lanesheia

by Katie Ullrich

When Lanesheia's rent increased, she decided it was time to buy a home. Lanesheia and her family are now enjoying life in a beautiful new home built by HOST Development and purchased in May 2007 through a buyer-initiated grant from PCLT.

"As a single mom with three kids on a limited income," Lanesheia explains, "a lot of people told me I'd

never own my own home. But they were wrong!"

Lanesheia did her homework and explored all her options – and PCLT was a perfect fit.

"The best part," she says, "is that my new house payment is less than I paid for rent!"

Lanesheia's advice to renters hoping to own a home? "Never give up!"



Lanesheia is one of 18 new homeowners PCLT welcomed in 2007.



## PCLT Profile

We took a minute this month to catch up with PCLT homeowner and board member, Jorden Leonard (with his wife, Yuka, left).

**PCLT:** When you're not busy with PCLT, what else occupies your time?

**JL:** I work as a lowly page at the Multnomah County Library. In my free time I write stories. Or if I want to battle I fence with my brother or play first person shooters. When I'm feeling social I like poker, movies, or dancing.

**PCLT:** What are your three favorite things about Portland?

**JL:** The parks, the relatively dry summers, and the subculture diversity.

**PCLT:** What one thing would you tell our community about PCLT?

**JL:** It's not a hand out, it's affordable housing for the working class.