LAKEWOOD, Colo. — Metro West Housing Solutions (MWHS) is thrilled to announce that Indy Street Flats—a 115-unit affordable housing community—was awarded Housing Colorado’s 2020 Eagle Award. Indy Street Flats was selected as one of four winners in the Project category, which recognizes outstanding projects that add to and preserve the affordable housing stock in Colorado. Winners were chosen based on a wide range of criteria, including resident-focused design, positive community impact, innovation in design and developments, and environmentally sustainable methods and materials.

The Eagle Award represents one of the highest achievements and honors in Colorado’s housing community and winners are chosen by an industry-diverse community.

Indy Street Flats is a unique development in Lakewood’s Eiber Neighborhood, blending the beloved 67-year-old Masonic Temple, portions of Belmont Manor—an existing affordable apartment community—and a new building that architecturally unites these disparate building styles. Occupying an entire city block, Indy Street Flats provides 115 units of affordable living to local residents. It was created by an innovative team whose desires were collectively brought together to help bring to fruition a project that both honors Colfax Avenue’s historic past and contributes to Lakewood’s promising future.

In total, the apartment community features 14 studios, 41 one-bedroom, 46 two-bedroom and 14 three-bedroom apartments. A majority of the units serve residents earning 60 percent of the area median income (AMI), with the remainder serving those who earn between 30 and 50 percent AMI. The rejuvenated Masonic Temple also features the first micro-units in Lakewood and beautiful lofts that showcase the building’s historic ceiling features.

“Indy Street Flats is a truly collaborative effort on the part of MWHS, Shopworks, Taylor Kohrs, and the Lakewood community,” said Tami Fischer, Executive Director and CEO of MWHS. “We are thrilled to be recognized by Housing Colorado for its innovative design and vision, and we are grateful to be able to provide 115 hardworking individuals and families with a beautiful place to call home.”

The $37 million project was supported through public-private partnership and used more than $2 million in state and federal tax credit equity. Shopworks served as architect on the project with general contracting through Taylor Kohrs.

For more information about the event and the award, please visit the Housing Colorado.
About Metro West Housing Solutions
Metro West Housing Solutions (MWHS), established in 1974, is a non-profit affordable housing agency and property developer that owns and manages apartment communities in Lakewood and Denver, administers Housing Choice Vouchers (HCV) to eligible Lakewood residents, and facilitates a wide range of resident services for clients. In addition to the 1,407 affordable and LIHTC units MWHS has acquired and developed, MWHS also manages 1,411 HCVs and has housed over 30,000 individuals and families.