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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): November 21, 2006

SENIOR HOUSING PROPERTIES TRUST

Maryland (State of organization)

001-15319 (Commission file number)

04-3445278

(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

400 Centre Street, Newton, Massachusetts 02458

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Item 8.01. Other Events.

On November 14, 2006, Senior Housing Properties Trust, or the Company, issued 5,000,000 of its common shares of beneficial interest, par value \$0.01 per share, or Common Shares, at \$22.06 per share in an underwritten public offering. In connection with this offering, the Company granted the underwriters an option to purchase up to an additional 750,000 Common Shares at \$22.06 per share to cover over-allotments, if any, within 30 days from the date of the related underwriting agreement. On November 21, 2006, the Company issued an additional 750,000 Common Shares pursuant to this over-allotment option. The estimated net proceeds from both issuances, after underwriting and other offering expenses, were \$120.8 million. The Company expects to use the net proceeds to reduce amounts outstanding on its revolving bank credit facility.

A final prospectus supplement relating to the Common Shares has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. This Current Report on Form 8-K shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any state in which such offer, solicitation or sale is not permitted.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

SENIOR HOUSING PROPERTIES TRUST

By: /s/ John R. Hoadley

John R. Hoadley
Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer

Date: November 27, 2006