### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

### FORM 10-Q

### [X] QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(D) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 For the quarterly period ended March 31, 2012.

or

[ ] TRANSITION PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(D) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

**Commission file number 1-12616** 

# SUN COMMUNITIES, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Maryland (State of Incorporation)

27777 Franklin Rd. Suite 200 Southfield, Michigan

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

38-2730780 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

48034

(Zip Code)

(248) 208-2500

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the Registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes [ ] No [ X ]

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes [X] No []

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. (Check one):

Large accelerated filer [X]

Accelerated filer []

Non-accelerated filer [ ]

Smaller reporting company [ ]

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes [ ] No [ X ]

> Number of shares of Common Stock, \$0.01 par value per share, outstanding as of March 31, 2012: 26,467,283

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# PART I – FINANCIAL INFORMATION

# **ITEM 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

# SUN COMMUNITIES, INC. CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS AS OF MARCH 31, 2012 AND DECEMBER 31, 2011 (In thousands, except per share amounts)

	(Una	udited) March 31, 2012	December 31, 2011		
ASSETS					
Investment property, net	\$	1,229,208	\$	1,196,606	
Cash and cash equivalents		15,975		5,857	
Inventory of manufactured homes		5,750		5,832	
Notes and other receivables		112,932		114,884	
Other assets		44,151		44,795	
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	1,408,016	\$	1,367,974	
LIABILITIES					
Debt	\$	1,287,571	\$	1,268,191	
Lines of credit		5,984		129,034	
Other liabilities		69,085		71,404	
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$	1,362,640	\$	1,468,629	
Commitments and contingencies					
STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)					
Preferred stock, \$0.01 par value, 10,000 shares authorized, none issued	\$	—	\$	_	
Common stock, \$0.01 par value, 90,000 shares authorized (March 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011, 28,269 and 23,612 shares issued respectively)		283		236	
Additional paid-in capital		713,854		555,981	
Accumulated other comprehensive loss		(1,041)		(1,273)	
Distributions in excess of accumulated earnings		(629,230)		(617,953)	
Treasury stock, at cost (March 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011, 1,802 shares)		(63,600)		(63,600)	
Total Sun Communities, Inc. stockholders' equity (deficit)		20,266		(126,609)	
Noncontrolling interests:					
Preferred OP units		45,548		45,548	
Common OP units		(20,438)		(19,594)	
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)		45,376		(100,655)	
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	\$	1,408,016	\$	1,367,974	

See accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

# SUN COMMUNITIES, INC. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS FOR THE PERIODS ENDED MARCH 31, 2012 AND 2011 (In thousands, except per share amounts) (Unaudited)

	Three	Three Months Ended March 3		
	2012		2011	
REVENUES				
Income from real property	\$	64,296 \$	53,836	
Revenue from home sales		9,613	8,235	
Rental home revenue		6,291	5,330	
Ancillary revenues, net		263	294	
Interest		2,405	2,068	
Other income (loss), net		260	(49)	
Total revenues		83,128	69,714	
COSTS AND EXPENSES				
Property operating and maintenance		16,026	13,458	
Real estate taxes		4,872	4,115	
Cost of home sales		7,773	6,491	
Rental home operating and maintenance		3,824	3,673	
General and administrative - real property		5,058	4,478	
General and administrative - home sales and rentals		2,209	1,973	
Acquisition related costs		164	249	
Depreciation and amortization		19,868	16,679	
Interest		16,797	15,406	
Interest on mandatorily redeemable debt		841	826	
Total expenses		77,432	67,348	
Income before income taxes and distributions from affiliates		5,696	2,366	
Provision for state income taxes		(53)	(131)	
Distributions from affiliates		750	350	
Net income		6,393	2,585	
Less: Preferred return to Preferred OP units		579	_	
Less: Amounts attributable to noncontrolling interests		437	185	
Net income attributable to Sun Communities, Inc. common stockholders	\$	5,377 \$	2,400	
Weighted average common shares outstanding:				
Basic		25,587	20,808	
Diluted		25,605	22,902	
Earnings per share:				
Basic	\$	0.21 \$	0.12	
Diluted	\$	0.21 \$	0.11	
Dividends per common share:	\$	0.63 \$	0.63	

See accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

# SUN COMMUNITIES, INC. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE PERIODS ENDED MARCH 31, 2012 AND 2011 (In thousands) (Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended March 31,			
	 2012		2011	
Net income	\$ 6,393	\$	2,585	
Unrealized gain on interest rate swaps	256		403	
Total comprehensive income	6,649		2,988	
Less: Comprehensive income attributable to the noncontrolling interests	461		222	
Comprehensive income attributable to Sun Communities, Inc. common stockholders	\$ 6,188	\$	2,766	

See accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

# SUN COMMUNITIES, INC. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT) FOR THE THREE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 2012 (In thousands) (Unaudited)

	ommon Stock	A	Additional Paid-in Capital	ccumulated Other Comprehensive (Loss) Income	istributions in Excess of Accumulated Earnings		Treasury Stock																																																								Total Sun Communities Stockholders' quity (Deficit)	No	Non-controlling Interest		Total Stockholders' Equity (Deficit)
Balance as of December 31, 2011	\$ 236	\$	555,981	\$ (1,273)	\$ (617,953)	\$	(63,600)	\$	(126,609)	\$	25,954	\$	(100,655)																																																						
Issuance of common stock from exercise of options, net	_		150	_	_		_		150		_		150																																																						
Issuance and associated costs of common stock, net	47		157,414	_	_		_		157,461		_		157,461																																																						
Share-based compensation - amortization and forfeitures	_		309	_	22		_		331		_		331																																																						
Net income			_	_	5,377		_		5,377		437		5,814																																																						
Unrealized gain on interest rate swaps	_		_	232	_		_		232		24		256																																																						
Cash distributions	—		—	_	(13,742)		—		(13,742)		(1,305)		(15,047)																																																						
Distributions declared	 —		—	_	(2,934)		—		(2,934)		—		(2,934)																																																						
Balance as of March 31, 2012	\$ 283	\$	713,854	\$ (1,041)	\$ (629,230)	\$	(63,600)	\$	20,266	\$	25,110	\$	45,376																																																						

See accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

### SUN COMMUNITIES, INC. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE THREE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 2012 AND 2011 (In thousands) (Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended Mare			March 31,
		2012		2011
OPERATING ACTIVITIES:				
Net income	\$	6,393	\$	2,585
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:		()		
Gain from land disposition		(65)		
Gain on valuation of derivative instruments		(3)		(4)
Stock compensation expense		345		215
Depreciation and amortization		19,573		16,345
Amortization of deferred financing costs		437		453
Distributions from affiliates		(750)		(350)
Change in notes receivable from financed sales of inventory homes, net of repayments		(2,078)		(1,231)
Change in inventory, other assets and other receivables, net		4,316		(1,673)
Change in accounts payable and other liabilities		(7,116)	_	(23)
NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES		21,052		16,317
INVESTING ACTIVITIES:				
Investment in properties		(28,966)		(15,200)
Acquisitions		(24,482)		
Proceeds related to affiliate dividend distribution		750		350
Proceeds related to disposition of land		88		
Proceeds related to disposition of assets and depreciated homes, net		543		405
Reduction of notes receivable, net		327		352
NET CASH USED IN INVESTING ACTIVITIES		(51,740)		(14,093)
FINANCING ACTIVITIES:				
Issuance and associated costs of common stock, OP units, and preferred OP units, net		157,461		29,799
Net proceeds from stock option exercise		149		45
Distributions to stockholders, OP unit holders, and preferred OP unit holders		(15,626)		(14,435)
Borrowings on lines of credit		25,375		11,919
Payments on lines of credit		(148,425)		(43,557)
Proceeds from issuance of other debt		33,959		119,779
Payments on other debt		(11,549)		(107,888)
Payments for deferred financing costs		(538)	_	(1,449)
NET CASH PROVIDED BY (USED IN) FINANCING ACTIVITIES		40,806		(5,787)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		10,118		(3,563)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period		5,857		8,420
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$	15,975	\$	4,857
SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION:				
Cash paid for interest	\$	15,010	\$	12,893
Cash paid for interest on mandatorily redeemable debt	\$	841	\$	828
Cash paid for state income taxes	\$	90	\$	65
Noncash investing and financing activities:				
Unrealized gain on interest rate swaps	\$	256	\$	403
Reduction in secured borrowing balance	\$	3,030	\$	2,537
Receivable for issuance of stock	\$	_	\$	2,092
Change in dividends declared and outstanding	\$	2,934	\$	—

See accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

### 1. Basis of Presentation

These unaudited interim Consolidated Financial Statements of Sun Communities, Inc., a Maryland corporation, and all wholly-owned or majority-owned and controlled subsidiaries, including Sun Communities Operating Limited Partnership (the "Operating Partnership"), SunChamp LLC ("SunChamp"), and Sun Home Services, Inc. ("SHS"), have been prepared pursuant to the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") rules and regulations and in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP"). Certain information and footnote disclosures required for annual financial statements have been condensed or excluded pursuant to SEC rules and regulations. Accordingly, the interim financial statements do not include all of the information and footnotes required by GAAP for complete financial statements and should be read in conjunction with the Consolidated Financial Statements and accompanying notes included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2011 as filed with the SEC on February 24, 2012, as amended on March 23, 2012 (the "2011 Annual Report").

Reference in this report to Sun Communities, Inc., "we", "our", "us" and the "Company" refer to Sun Communities, Inc. and its subsidiaries, unless the context indicates otherwise.

The accompanying Consolidated Financial Statements reflect, in the opinion of management, all adjustments necessary for a fair presentation of the interim financial statements. All such adjustments are of a normal and recurring nature.

The following Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements present interim disclosures as required by the SEC. These statements have been prepared on a basis that is substantially consistent with the accounting principles applied in our 2011 Annual Report.

Certain reclassifications have been made to prior periods' financial statements in order to conform to current period presentation.

### 2. Real Estate Acquisitions

In May 2011, we acquired Orange City RV Resort ("Orange City"), a Florida recreational vehicle community comprising 525 developed sites. In June 2011, we closed on the acquisition of Kentland Communities ("Kentland"), comprising 17 manufactured home communities and one recreational vehicle community. The 18 communities acquired are located in western Michigan and comprise 5,434 developed sites. In November 2011, we acquired Cider Mill Crossings ("Cider Mill"), a Michigan manufactured home community comprising 262 developed sites through an auction. In December 2011, we acquired three Florida RV communities, Club Naples RV Resort, Kountree RV Resort, and North Lake RV Resort (collectively the "Florida Properties"), two of which are in Naples, Florida and one of which is in Moore Haven, Florida, comprised of 740 developed sites. These acquisitions complement our existing portfolio and create both short-term and long-term growth opportunities.

In February 2012, we acquired three additional Florida RV communities, Three Lakes RV Resort, Blueberry Hill RV Resort and Grand Lake Estates (collectively, the "Additional Florida Properties"), one of which is located in Hudson, Florida, one of which is located in Bushnell, Florida and one of which is located in Orange Lake, Florida, comprised of 1,114 RV sites in the aggregate. We believe this portfolio provides for growth from both rental increases and through improved seasonal occupancy.

Acquisition related costs of approximately \$0.2 million have been incurred for the three months ended March 31, 2012 and 2011 and are presented as "Acquisition related costs" in our Consolidated Statements of Operations.

During the third quarter of 2011, we completed the purchase price allocation for Kentland and Orange City.

Some of the amounts previously estimated have changed during the measurement period. The changes in estimates included a decrease in other assets of \$0.8 million and a decrease in cash consideration of \$0.8 million for the Florida Properties. The measurement period adjustments represent updates made to the purchase price allocation based on the escrow amount required for the Additional Florida Properties which is reflected in the purchase price allocation for the Additional Florida Statements of Operations.

The purchase price allocation for Cider Mill, the Florida Properties, and the Additional Florida Properties is preliminary and may be adjusted as final costs and final valuations are determined.



### 2. Real Estate Acquisitions, continued

Fair value of total consideration transferred

The following table summarizes the amounts of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed recognized at the acquisition dates and the consideration paid for Kentland, Orange City, Cider Mill, the Florida Properties, and the Additional Florida Properties (in thousands):

At Acquisition Date	Kentland	c	)range City		Cider Mill		Florida Properties	 ddtl Florida Properties	Total
Investment in property	\$ 131,228	\$	6,460	\$	2,088	\$	24,027	\$ 25,384	\$ 189,187
Inventory of manufactured homes	1,150		_		_		36	112	1,298
Notes	3,542								3,542
In-place leases	9,200		10		_		190	180	9,580
Other assets	1,269		—		_		97	_	1,366
Other liabilities	(2,067)		_		(1,678)		(1,237)	(1,194)	(6,176)
Assumed debt	(52,398)		_		_		_	_	(52,398)
						_			
Total identifiable assets and liabilities assumed	\$ 91,924	\$	6,470	\$	410	\$	23,113	\$ 24,482	\$ 146,399
				-					
Consideration									
Cash <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 27,383	\$	2,533	\$	410	\$	6,113	\$ 24,482	\$ 60,921
Preferred OP units	45,548				_		_	_	45,548
New debt proceeds	18,993		3,937		_		17,000	_	39,930

<sup>(1)</sup> Subsequent to the acquisition, on March 30, 2012, the Additional Florida Properties were encumbered with a \$19.0 million loan through Bank of America and The PrivateBank (See Note 8).

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As of March 31, 2012, the total residual value of the acquired in-place leases above is \$8.6 million. The amortization period is 7 years.

91,924

\$

The results of operations of Kentland, Orange City, Cider Mill, the Florida Properties, and the Additional Florida Properties are included in the Consolidated Statements of Operations beginning on their acquisition dates of June 2011, May 2011, November 2011, December 2011, and February 2012, respectively. The following unaudited pro forma financial information presents the results of our operations for the three months ended March 31, 2012 and 2011 as if the properties were acquired on January 1, 2011. The unaudited pro forma results have been prepared for comparative purposes only and do not purport to be indicative of either the results of operations that would have actually occurred had these transactions occurred on January 1, 2011 or the future results of operations (in thousands, except per-share data) <sup>(1)</sup>.

	Three Months Ended March 31,				
	 (unaudited)				
	 2012		2011		
Total revenues	\$ 83,619	\$	76,802		
Net income attributable to Sun Communities, Inc. shareholders	\$ 5,746	\$	2,602		
Net income per share attributable to Sun Communities, Inc. shareholders - basic	0.22		0.13		
Net income per share attributable to Sun Communities, Inc. shareholders - diluted	0.22		0.13		

<sup>(1)</sup> Below are nonrecurring expenses that have been adjusted for the pro forma results above:

(a) The sellers had management fees of \$0.4 million for the three months ended March 31, 2011 that have been excluded from above as these fees will not continue going forward.

(b) Transaction costs related to the acquisitions are not expected to have a continuing impact and therefore have been excluded from 2012 and included in 2011.

### 2. Real Estate Acquisitions, continued

The amount of Kentland's, Orange City's, Cider Mill's, the Florida Properties', and the Additional Florida Properties' revenue and net income included in the Consolidated Statements of Operations for the three months ended March 31, 2012 is set forth in the following table (in thousands):

	Rever	ue	 Net Income
Three Months Ended March 31, 2012	\$	8,175	\$ 1,680

### 3. Investment Property

The following table sets forth certain information regarding investment property (in thousands):

	 March 31, 2012	December 31, 2011
Land	\$ 153,412	\$ 140,230
Land improvements and buildings	1,358,006	1,342,325
Rental homes and improvements	263,549	246,245
Furniture, fixtures, and equipment	41,826	41,172
Land held for future development	25,606	24,633
Investment property	1,842,399	 1,794,605
Accumulated depreciation	(613,191)	(597,999)
Investment property, net	\$ 1,229,208	\$ 1,196,606

Land improvements and buildings consist primarily of infrastructure, roads, landscaping, clubhouses, maintenance buildings and amenities.

# See Note 2 for details on recent acquisitions.

In September 2009, a flood caused substantial damage to our property, Countryside Village of Atlanta, located in Lawrenceville, Georgia, which included the destruction of 109 home sites. We have comprehensive insurance coverage for both the property damage and business interruption, subject to deductibles and certain limitations. In December 2011, we settled our insurance claim, which resulted in total proceeds of \$4.8 million. We are currently in the process of investigating the feasibility of, and seeking approval from FEMA for, rebuilding the damaged home sites, and have commenced discussions with our lender relative to the potential use of the insurance proceeds for such purpose.

In December 2011, we recorded impairment charges of \$1.4 million associated with a long-lived asset for our manufactured housing community in Reidsville, North Carolina. This community consists of 45 developed sites with expansion potential of 145 sites. We reviewed the carrying value of the long-lived asset to be held and used for a possible impairment and based on our analysis, it indicated a possible impairment existed. Circumstances that prompted this test of recoverability included a decrease in the net operating income and an adverse judgment that limits the number of rental homes in the community. We considered both of these factors and determined that we will not be expanding the community. We recognized the impairment loss because the long-lived asset's carrying value was deemed not recoverable and exceeded estimated fair value. We estimated the fair value of these long lived assets based on future cash flows and any potential disposition proceeds for the given asset. We used variables such as estimated holding period, rental rates, occupancy and operating expenses during the holding period, as well as disposition proceeds to forecast future cash flows.

# 4. Transfers of Financial Assets

We completed various transactions with an unrelated entity involving our notes receivable during 2012 under which we received a total of \$5.0 million of cash proceeds in exchange for relinquishing our right, title and interest in certain notes receivable. We have no further obligations or rights with respect to the control, management, administration, servicing, or collection of the installment notes. However, we are subject to certain recourse provisions requiring us to purchase the underlying homes collateralizing such notes, in the event of a note default and subsequent repossession of the home by the unrelated entity. The recourse provisions are considered to be a form of continuing involvement, and therefore these transferred loans did not meet the requirements for sale accounting. We continue to recognize these transferred loans on our balance sheet and refer to them as collateralized receivables as a transfer of financial assets. The proceeds from the transfer have been recognized as a secured borrowing.

In the event of note default, and subsequent repossession of a manufactured home by the unrelated entity, the terms of the agreement require us to repurchase the manufactured home. Default is defined as the failure to repay the installment note according to contractual terms. The repurchase price is calculated as a percentage of the outstanding principal balance of the collateralized receivable, plus any outstanding late fees, accrued interest, legal fees, and escrow advances associated with the installment note. The percentage used to determine the repurchase price of the outstanding principal balance on the installment note is based on the number of payments made on the note. In general, the repurchase price is determined as follows:

Number of Payments	Repurchase %
Less than or equal to 15	100%
Greater than 15 but less than 64	90%
Equal to or greater than 64 but less than 120	65%
120 or more	50%

The transferred assets have been classified as collateralized receivables in Notes and Other Receivables (see Note 5) and the cash proceeds received from these transactions have been classified as a secured borrowing in Debt (see Note 8) within the Consolidated Balance Sheets. The balance of the collateralized

receivables was \$83.1 million (net of allowance of \$0.5 million) and \$81.2 million (net of allowance of \$0.5 million) as of March 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011, respectively. The outstanding balance on the secured borrowing was \$83.6 million and \$81.7 million as of March 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011, respectively.

The balances of the collateralized receivables and secured borrowings fluctuate. The balances increase as additional notes receivable are transferred and exchanged for cash proceeds. The balances are reduced as the related collateralized receivables are collected from the customers, or as the underlying collateral is repurchased. The change in the aggregate gross principal balance of the collateralized receivables is as follows (in thousands):

	Three	Months Ended	Year Ended
	Ма	urch 31, 2012	 December 31, 2011
Beginning balance	\$	81,682	\$ 71,278
Financed sales of manufactured homes		4,959	21,509
Principal payments and payoffs from our customers		(1,107)	(4,425)
Principal reduction from repurchased homes		(1,922)	(6,680)
Total activity		1,930	10,404
Ending balance	\$	83,612	\$ 81,682

The collateralized receivables earn interest income and the secured borrowings accrue interest expense at the same interest rates. The amount of interest income and expense recognized was \$2.1 million and \$1.9 million for the three months ended March 31, 2012 and 2011, respectively.

### 5. Notes and Other Receivables

The following table sets forth certain information regarding notes and other receivables (in thousands):

	Ma	rch 31, 2012	Dece	ember 31, 2011
Installment notes receivable on manufactured homes, net	\$	14,191	\$	13,417
Collateralized receivables, net (see Note 4)		83,098		81,176
Other receivables, net		15,643		20,291
Total notes and other receivables	\$	112,932	\$	114,884

### Installment Notes Receivable on Manufactured Homes

The installment notes of \$14.2 million (net of allowance of \$0.1 million) and \$13.4 million (net of allowance of \$0.1 million) as of March 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011, respectively, are collateralized by manufactured homes. The notes represent financing provided by us to purchasers of manufactured homes primarily located in our communities and require monthly principal and interest payments. This also includes the notes receivable that were purchased in the Kentland acquisition. See Note 2 for more information. The notes have a net weighted average interest rate and maturity of 8.1 percent and 10.4 years as of March 31, 2012, and 7.9 percent and 10.3 years as of December 31, 2011.

The change in the aggregate gross principal balance of the installment notes is as follows (in thousands):

	Three	Months Ended	 Year Ended
	Ma	arch 31, 2012	 December 31, 2011
Beginning balance	\$	13,545	\$ 9,466
Financed sales of manufactured homes		1,492	3,362
Acquired notes (see Note 2)		—	3,542
Principal payments and payoffs from our customers		(542)	(1,728)
Principal reduction from repossessed homes		(194)	(1,097)
Total activity		756	 4,079
Ending balance	\$	14,301	\$ 13,545

### Collateralized Receivables

Collateralized receivables represent notes receivable that were transferred to a third party, but did not meet the requirements for sale accounting (see Note 4). The receivables have a balance of \$83.1 million (net of allowance of \$0.5 million) and \$81.2 million (net of allowance of \$0.5 million) as of March 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011, respectively. The receivables have a net weighted average interest rate and maturity of 11.2 percent and 13.1 years as of March 31, 2012, and 11.2 percent and 13.2 years as of December 31, 2011.

### Allowance for Losses for Collateralized and Installment Notes Receivable

The allowance for losses for collateralized and installment notes receivable was \$0.6 million and \$0.6 million as of March 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011, respectively.

	Three Mo	onths Ended	Y	ear Ended
	March	31, 2012	Dece	mber 31, 2011
Beginning balance	\$	(635)	\$	(303)
Lower of cost or market write-downs		23		84
Increase to reserve balance		(11)		(416)
Total activity		12		(332)
Ending balance	\$	(623)	\$	(635)

### 5. Notes and Other Receivables, continued

### Other Receivables

Other receivables were comprised of amounts due from residents for rent and water and sewer usage of \$2.6 million (net of allowance of \$0.3 million), home sale proceeds of \$3.8 million, insurance receivables of \$0.8 million, insurance settlement (see Note 3) of \$3.7 million, note receivable related to Kentland acquisition of \$0.9 million (see Note 2), and other receivables of \$3.8 million as of March 31, 2012. Other receivables were comprised of amounts due from residents for rent and water and sewer usage of \$3.0 million (net of allowance of \$0.4 million), home sale proceeds of \$3.3 million, insurance receivables of \$0.8 million, insurance settlement (see Note 3), note receivables of \$3.0 million (net of allowance of \$0.4 million), home sale proceeds of \$3.3 million, insurance receivables of \$0.8 million, rebates receivable in association of FNMA agreement of \$4.9 million, insurance settlement of \$3.7 million, note receivable related to Kentland acquisition of \$0.9 million (see Note 2), and rebates and other receivables of \$3.7 million as of December 31, 2011.

### 6. Intangibles

Our intangible assets are in-place leases from acquisitions and capitalized costs in relation to leasing costs. These intangible assets are recorded within Other Assets on the Consolidated Balance Sheets. They are amortized over a seven year amortization period. The gross carrying amount is \$23.4 million and \$25.3 million at March 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011, respectively. The accumulated amortization is \$10.4 million and \$10.8 million at March 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011, respectively. The accumulated to intangible assets was \$1.0 million and \$0.5 million for the three months ended March 31, 2012 and 2011, respectively.

### 7. Investment in Affiliates

### Origen Financial Services, LLC ("OFS LLC")

At March 31, 2012 and 2011, we had a 22.9 and 25.0 percent ownership interest, respectively, in OFS LLC, an entity formed to originate manufactured housing installment contracts. We have suspended equity accounting as the carrying value of our investment is zero.

### Origen Financial, Inc. ("Origen")

Through Sun OFI, LLC, a taxable REIT subsidiary, we own 5,000,000 shares of common stock of Origen which approximates an ownership interest of 19 percent. We have suspended equity accounting for this investment as the carrying value of our investment is zero. We do, however, receive income from dividend payments on our investment. Our investment in Origen had a market value of approximately \$6.3 million based on a quoted market closing price of \$1.26 per share from the "Pink Sheet Electronic OTC Trading System" as of March 31, 2012.

The unaudited revenue and expense amounts in the table below represent actual results through February 2012 and budgeted March 2012 results.

The following table sets forth certain summarized unaudited financial information for Origen (amounts in thousands):

	Three Months	Ended N	March 31,
	 (unai	dited)	
	 2012		2011
Revenues	\$ 15,845	\$	17,729
Expenses	(18,657)		(21,088)
Net loss	\$ (2,812)	\$	(3,359)

### 8. Debt and Lines of Credit

The following table sets forth certain information regarding debt (in thousands):

			ıcipal tandin	g		l Average Maturity	Weighted Average Interest Rates				
	Μ	larch 31, 2012	Dec	ember 31, 2011	March 31, 2012	December 31, 2011	March 31, 2012	December 31, 2011			
Collateralized term loans - CMBS	\$	627,016	\$	629,229	4.8	5.0	5.5%	5.5%			
Collateralized term loans - FNMA		373,400		364,581	11.1	11.3	4.2%	3.6%			
Aspen and Series B-3 Preferred OP Units		48,822		48,822	8.9	9.2	6.9%	6.9%			
Secured borrowing (see Note 4)		83,611		81,682	13.1	13.2	11.2%	11.2%			
Mortgage notes, other		154,722		143,877	3.2	3.2	3.6%	3.8%			
Total debt	\$	1,287,571	\$	1,268,191	7.1	7.3	5.3%	5.3%			

### Collateralized Term Loans

In March 2011, we completed a collateralized mortgage backed security "CMBS" financing with JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association for \$115.0 million bearing an interest rate of 5.837% and a maturity date of March 1, 2021. This loan is secured by 11 properties. The loan refinanced \$104.8 million of CMBS debt which was scheduled to mature in July 2011 and was collateralized using the same property pool.

In May 2011, we completed a refinancing agreement with Bank of America N.A., for \$23.6 million. This debt bears an interest rate of 5.38% and has a maturity of June 1, 2021. This loan is secured by three properties. The loan refinanced \$17.9 million of debt which was scheduled to mature in June 2012 and was collateralized using the same property pool.

In July 2011, we reached an agreement with Fannie Mae ("FNMA") and PNC Bank, National Association, regarding the settlement of the litigation we commenced in November 2009 over certain fees charged when the variable rate loan facility was extended in April 2009. The agreement became effective January 3, 2012 and the litigation was dismissed. In accordance with the terms of the agreement, we have the option to extend the maturity date of our entire \$367.0 million credit facility with PNC Bank and FNMA from 2014 to 2023, subject to compliance with certain underwriting criteria. This agreement also provided a reduction in the facility fee charged on our variable rate facility for 2011. In addition we drew a \$10.0 million variable rate facility, which matures on May 1, 2023 and provides for interest-only payments until May 1, 2014, after which principal and interest payments will be due based on a 30-year amortization. The interest rate for the \$10.0 million variable rate facility is equal to the 90-day LIBOR index, plus an investor spread equal to 95 basis points, plus a variable facility fee equal to 172 basis points through maturity.

The collateralized term loans totaling \$1.0 billion as of March 31, 2012, are secured by 96 properties comprised of 35,176 sites representing approximately \$580.2 million of net book value.

### Aspen Preferred OP Units

The Aspen Preferred OP Units are convertible into 526,212 common shares based on a conversion price of \$68 per share with a redemption date of January 1, 2024. The minimum and maximum annual preferred rate is 6.5 percent and 9.0 percent, respectively. The current preferred rate is 6.5 percent.

### Secured Borrowing

See Note 4 for additional information regarding our collateralized receivables and secured borrowing transactions.

#### Mortgage Notes

In June 2011, we assumed secured debt with a principal balance \$52.4 million, as a result of the Kentland acquisition (see Note 2 for acquisition details), that had a weighted average maturity of 4.4 years and weighted average annual interest rate of 5.70% at the date of acquisition. This secured debt was recorded at fair value on the date of the acquisition which was equal to the assumed principal balance. This debt is secured by 12 properties. The current weighted average maturity is 4.2 years with the current weighted average annual variable interest rate of 5.60%.

### 8. Debt and Lines of Credit, continued

In June 2011, we entered into a \$22.9 million variable financing agreement with Bank of America N.A., to fund the Kentland and Orange City acquisition (see Note 2 for acquisition details). The agreement has a weighted average maturity of 3.7 years and weighted average annual variable interest rate of 3.10% at the date of acquisition. The debt was collateralized by six properties – five Kentland properties and Orange City. On February 1, 2012, we paid off \$4.5 million of this agreement which was collateralized by Orange City. The current weighted average maturity is 3.2 years with the current weighted average annual variable interest rate of 3.09%.

In December 2011, we entered into a \$17.0 million variable financing agreement with Bank of America, N.A. and The Private Bank to fund the Florida Properties acquisition (see Note 2 for acquisition details). The agreement has a weighted average maturity of 5.0 years and had an effective interest rate of 2.78% at the date of acquisition. The debt was collateralized by all three of the properties acquired in the Florida Properties acquisition. The current weighted average maturity is 4.7 years with the current weighted average annual variable interest rate of 2.74%.

In March 2012, we entered into an amended and restated variable financing agreement with Bank of America, N.A. and The PrivateBank which added an additional \$19.0 million to the December 2011 variable financing agreement. The agreement has a weighted average maturity of 4.7 years and had an effective interest rate of 2.74% at March 31, 2012. The debt is collateralized by the three properties acquired in the Additional Florida Properties acquisition.

In March 2012, we paid off the entire \$2.7 million mortgage agreement secured by Leisure Village which was due to mature on April 1, 2012.

The mortgage notes totaling \$154.7 million as of March 31, 2012, are collateralized by 32 properties comprised of 8,453 sites representing approximately \$266.5 million of net book value.

### Lines of Credit

In September, 2011, we entered into a senior secured revolving credit facility with Bank of America, N.A., and certain other lenders in the amount of \$130.0 million (the "Facility"), which replaced our \$115.0 million revolving line of credit. The Facility is secured by a first priority lien on all of our equity interests in each entity that owns all or a portion of the properties constituting the borrowing base and collateral assignments of our senior and mezzanine debt positions in certain borrowing base properties. The Facility has a built-in accordion feature allowing up to \$20.0 million in additional borrowings and a one-year extension option, both at our discretion. The Facility matures on October 1, 2015, assuming the election of the extension. The Facility bears interest at a floating rate based on Eurodollar plus a margin that is determined based on our leverage ratio calculated in accordance with the Facility, which can range from 2.25% to 2.95%. Based on our calculation of the leverage ratio as of March 31, 2012, the margin is 2.50% . The outstanding balance on the line of credit was zero and \$107.5 million as of March 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011, respectively. In addition, \$4.0 million of availability was used to back standby letters of credit as of March 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011. As of March 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011, \$126.0 million and \$18.5 million, respectively, were available to be drawn under the facility based on the calculation of the borrowing base at each date.

We have a \$20.0 million secured line of credit agreement collateralized by a portion of our rental home portfolio. The net book value of the rental homes pledged as security for the loan must meet or exceed 200 percent of the outstanding loan balance. The terms of the agreement require interest only payments for the first 5 years, with the remainder of the term being amortized based on a 10 year term. The current effective interest rate is Prime plus 200 basis points, or 5.5 percent at March 31, 2012. Prime shall mean the prime rate published in the *Wall Street Journal* adjusted the first day of each calendar month. The outstanding balance was zero as of March 31, 2012. The outstanding balance was \$16.0 million as of December 31, 2011.

We have a \$12.0 million manufactured home floor plan facility renewable indefinitely until our lender provides us 12 month notice of their intent to terminate the agreement. The interest rate is 100 basis points over the greater of Prime or 6.0 percent (effective rate 7.0 percent at March 31, 2012). Prime means the prevailing "prime rate" as quoted in the *Wall Street Journal* on the first business day of each month. The outstanding balance was \$6.0 million and \$5.5 million as of March 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011, respectively.

### 8. Debt and Lines of Credit, continued

					Maturities	and	Amortization	By Y	ear								
	 Total Due	Apr 2012 - Dec 2012								2013	_	2014		2015	2016	A	fter 5 years
Lines of credit	\$ 5,984	\$	5,984	\$		\$	_	\$	_	\$ _	\$	_					
Mortgage loans payable:																	
Maturities	1,003,025		13,961		33,754		185,774		16,622	299,706		453,208					
Principal amortization	152,113		12,636		17,932		17,594		16,883	15,293		71,775					
Aspen and Series B-3 Preferred OP Units	48,822		4,670		4,145		4,225		_	_		35,782					
Secured borrowing	83,611		2,661		3,844		4,206		4,656	5,160		63,084					
Total	\$ 1,293,555	\$	39,912	\$	59,675	\$	211,799	\$	38,161	\$ 320,159	\$	623,849					

As of March 31, 2012, the total of maturities and amortization of debt and lines of credit during the next five years, are as follows (in thousands):

The most restrictive of our debt agreements place limitations on secured borrowings and contain minimum fixed charge coverage, leverage, distribution and net worth requirements. As of March 31, 2012, we were in compliance with all covenants.

# 9. Equity Transactions

In November 2004, our Board of Directors authorized us to repurchase up to 1,000,000 shares of our common stock. We have 400,000 common shares remaining in the repurchase program. No common shares were repurchased during 2012 or 2011. There is no expiration date specified for the buyback program.

Common OP Unit holders can convert their Common OP units into an equivalent number of shares of common stock at any time. During the three months ended March 31, 2011, holders of Common OP Units converted 3,370 units to common stock. There were no conversions of Common OP units in the three months ended March 31, 2012.

Our shelf registration statement on Form S-3 for a proposed offering of up to \$300.0 million of our common stock, preferred stock and debt securities was declared effective with the SEC in May 2009. We have an "at-the-market" sales agreement with Brinson Patrick to issue and sell shares of common stock from time to time pursuant to our effective shelf registration statement on Form S-3. The current authorization allows for the sale of up to 1,600,000 shares. We issued 40,524 shares of common stock during the three months ended March 31, 2012. The shares of common stock were sold at the prevailing market price of our common stock at the time of each sale with a weighted average sale price of \$37.22 and we received net proceeds of approximately \$1.5 million. The proceeds were used to pay down our line of credit.

In August 6, 2010, we entered into a Common Stock Purchase Agreement (the "Purchase Agreement") with REIT Opportunity, Ltd. ("REIT Ltd."), which provides that, upon the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in the Purchase Agreement, REIT Ltd. is committed to purchase up to the lesser of \$100.0 million of our common stock, or 3,889,493 shares of our common stock, which is equal to one share less than twenty percent of our issued and outstanding shares of common stock on the effective date of the Purchase Agreement. From time to time over the two year term of the Purchase Agreement, and at our sole discretion, we may present REIT Ltd. with draw down notices to purchase our common stock. Any and all issuances of shares of common stock to REIT Ltd. pursuant to the Purchase Agreement will be registered on our effective shelf registration statement on Form S-3. In January, 2011 we sold 915,827 shares of common stock at a weighted average sale price of \$32.76 and received net proceeds of \$30.0 million. The funds were used to pay down our line of credit.

In June 2011, we issued \$45.5 million of Series A-1 preferred operating partnership ("Preferred OP") units as a result of the Kentland acquisition (see Note 2 for details). Preferred OP unit holders can convert the Preferred OP units into shares of common stock at any time after December 31, 2013 based on a conversion price of \$41 per share with \$100 par value. These Preferred OP units are convertible, but not redeemable. The Preferred OP unit holders receive a preferred return of 5.1% until June 23, 2013 and 6.0% thereafter.

# 9. Equity Transactions, continued

In January 2012, we closed an underwritten registered public offering of 4,600,000 shares of common stock at a price of \$35.50 per share. The net proceeds from the offering were \$156.0 million after deducting the underwriting discounts and expenses related to the offering. We used the net proceeds of the offering to repay \$123.5 million of outstanding debt and we used \$25.0 million to fund a portion of the Additional Florida Properties (See Note 2 for additional information), which were subsequently encumbered with a loan of \$19.0 million. We expect to use any remaining net proceeds of the offering to fund possible future acquisitions of properties and for working capital and general corporate purposes.

Cash dividends of \$0.63 per share were declared for the quarter ended March 31, 2012. Cash payments of approximately \$18.0 million for aggregate dividends, distributions and dividend equivalents will be made to common stockholders, common OP unitholders, and restricted stockholders of record on April 16, 2012, payable on April 27, 2012.

### 10. Share-Based Compensation

In February 2012, we granted 15,000 shares of restricted stock to our executive officers under the 2009 Equity Plan. The awards vest ratably over an eight year period beginning on the fourth anniversary of the grant date, and have a fair value of \$40.80 per share. The fair value was determined by using the closing share price of our common stock on the date the grant was issued.

During the three months ended March 31, 2012, 5,430 shares of common stock were issued in connection with the exercise of stock options and the net proceeds received were \$0.1 million.

The vesting requirements for 8,750 restricted shares granted to our employees were satisfied during the three months ended March 31, 2012.

# 11. Other Income

The components of other income are summarized as follows (in thousands):

	 Three Months	Ended	March 31,
	 2012		2011
Brokerage commissions	\$ 205	\$	148
Other income (loss), net	55		(197)
Total other income (loss), net	\$ 260	\$	(49)

### 12. Segment Reporting

Our consolidated operations can be segmented into Real Property Operations and Home Sales and Rentals. Transactions between our segments are eliminated in consolidation. Seasonal RV revenue is included in Real Property Operations' revenues and is approximately \$9.8 million annually. This seasonal revenue is recognized 45% in the first quarter, 18% in the second, 13% in the third quarter and 24% in the fourth quarter of each fiscal year.

A presentation of segment financial information is summarized as follows (amounts in thousands):

	Three Mo	onth	s Ended Ma	rch 3	Three Months Ended March 31, 2011						
	eal Property Operations	Home Sales and Home Rentals			Consolidated		al Property perations	Home Sales and Home Rentals		С	onsolidated
Revenues	\$ 64,296	\$	15,904	\$	80,200	\$	53,836	\$	13,565	\$	67,401
Operating expenses/Cost of sales	20,898		11,597		32,495		17,573		10,164		27,737
Net operating income/Gross profit	43,398		4,307		47,705		36,263		3,401		39,664
Adjustments to arrive at net income (loss):											
Other revenues	2,665		263		2,928		2,019		294		2,313
General and administrative	(5,058)		(2,209)		(7,267)		(4,478)		(1,973)		(6,451)
Acquisition related costs	(164)				(164)		(249)		—		(249)
Depreciation and amortization	(12,961)		(6,907)		(19,868)		(11,121)		(5,558)		(16,679)
Interest expense	(17,561)		(77)		(17,638)		(16,022)		(210)		(16,232)
Distributions from affiliates, net	750		_		750		350		_		350
Provision for state income tax	(53)				(53)		(131)		—		(131)
Net income (loss)	 11,016	_	(4,623)	_	6,393		6,631	_	(4,046)		2,585
Less: Preferred return to Preferred OP units	579				579		—		—		—
Less: Net income (loss) attributable to noncontrolling interests	857		(420)		437		555		(370)		185
Net income (loss) attributable to Sun Communities, Inc.	\$ 9,580	\$	(4,203)	\$	5,377	\$	6,076	\$	(3,676)	\$	2,400

		Ma	arch 31, 2012		December 31, 2011							
	eal Property Operations		Home Sales and Home Rentals Consolidated		I	Real Property Operations	Home Sales and Home Rentals		(	Consolidated		
Identifiable assets:												
Investment property, net	\$ 1,046,253	\$	182,955	\$	1,229,208	\$	1,028,575	\$	168,031	\$	1,196,606	
Cash and cash equivalents	16,228		(253)		15,975		5,972		(115)		5,857	
Inventory of manufactured homes	_		5,750		5,750		_		5,832		5,832	
Notes and other receivables	107,281		5,651		112,932		109,436		5,448		114,884	
Other assets	40,579		3,572		44,151		41,843		2,952		44,795	
Total assets	\$ 1,210,341	\$	197,675	\$	1,408,016	\$	1,185,826	\$	182,148	\$	1,367,974	

# 13. Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities

Our objective in using interest rate derivatives is to manage exposure to interest rate movements thereby minimizing the effect of interest rate changes and the effect it could have on future cash flows. Interest rate swaps and caps are used to accomplish this objective. We require hedging derivative instruments to be highly effective in reducing the risk exposure that they are designated to hedge. We formally designate any instrument that meets these hedging criteria as a hedge at the inception of the derivative contract.

### 13. Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities, continued

As of March 31, 2012, we had four derivative contracts consisting of two interest rate swap agreements with a total notional amount of \$45.0 million and two interest rate cap agreements with a notional amount of \$162.4 million. We generally employ derivative instruments that effectively convert a portion of our variable rate debt to fixed rate debt and to cap the maximum interest rate on certain variable rate borrowings. We do not enter into derivative instruments for speculative purposes.

The following table provides the terms of our interest rate derivative contracts that were in effect as of March 31, 2012:

Туре	Purpose	Effective Date	Maturity Date	Notional (in millions)	Based on	Variable Rate	Fixed Rate	Spread	Effective Fixed Rate
Swap	Floating to Fixed Rate	09/01/02	07/01/12	25.0	3 Month LIBOR	0.5810%	4.7000%	1.8700%	6.5700%
Swap	Floating to Fixed Rate	01/01/09	01/01/14	20.0	3 Month LIBOR	0.5810%	2.1450%	1.8700%	4.0150%
Cap	Cap Floating Rate	04/28/09	05/01/12	152.4	3 Month LIBOR	0.4680%	11.0000%	%	N/A
Cap	Cap Floating Rate	10/03/11	10/03/16	10.0	3 Month LIBOR	0.4680%	11.0200%	%	N/A

Subsequent to March 31, 2012, we entered into a new cap agreement for the notional amount of \$152.4 million which is effective April 1, 2012 with a maturity date of April 1, 2015. The fixed rate is 11.265% with a variable rate based on 90-Day LIBOR.

Generally, our financial derivative instruments are designated and qualify as cash flow hedges and the effective portion of the gain or loss on such hedges are reported as a component of accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) in our Consolidated Balance Sheets. To the extent that the hedging relationship is not effective or do not qualify as a cash flow hedge, the ineffective portion is recorded in interest expense. Hedges that received designated hedge accounting treatment are evaluated for effectiveness at the time that they are designated as well as through the hedging period.

In accordance with ASC Topic 815, Derivatives and Hedging, we have recorded the fair value of our derivative instruments designated as cash flow hedges on the balance sheet. See Note 16 for information on the determination of fair value for the derivative instruments. The following table summarizes the fair value of derivative instruments included in our Consolidated Balance Sheets as of March 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011 (in thousands):

	Asset	Derivativ	res			Liability Derivatives						
	<b>Balance Sheet Location</b>	Fair Value				<b>Balance Sheet Location</b>	Fair	Fair Value				
Derivatives designated as hedging instruments		Marcl	h 31, 2012	Dec	ember 31, 2011		Marc	h 31, 2012	De	cember 31, 2011		
Interest rate swaps and cap agreement	Other assets	\$		\$	_	Other liabilities	\$	847	\$	1,106		
Total derivatives designated as hedging instruments		\$		\$	_		\$	847	\$	1,106		

These valuation adjustments will only be realized under certain situations. For example, if we terminate the swaps prior to maturity or if the derivatives fail to qualify for hedge accounting, we would need to amortize amounts currently included in other comprehensive income (loss) into interest expense over the terms of the derivative contracts. We do not intend to terminate the swaps prior to maturity and, therefore, the net of valuation adjustments through the various maturity dates will approximate zero, unless the derivatives fail to qualify for hedge accounting.

### 13. Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities, continued

Our hedges were highly effective and had minimal effect on income. The following table summarizes the impact of derivative instruments for the three months ended March 31, 2012 and 2011 as recorded in the Consolidated Statements of Operations (in thousands):

Derivatives in cash flow hedging	_		ecogn ctive	ized in	Location of Gain or (Loss) Reclassified from Accumulated OCI into Income (Effective Portion)	(L A Inco	Amount of Gain or (Loss) Reclassified from Accumulated OCI into Income (Effective Portion) Three Months Ended March 31.		ed from CI into Portion) Ended	Location of Gain or (Loss) Recognized in Income on Derivative (Ineffective Portion and Amount Excluded from Effectiveness Testing)	Amount of Gain or (Loss) Recognized in Income on Derivative (Ineffective Portion and Amount Excluded frou- Effectiveness Testing) Three Months Ended Marc 31,			zed in ivative ortion ided from esting)
		2012	51,	2011			2012		2011		20	)12	51,	2011
Interest rate swaps and	_													
cap agreement	\$	256	\$	403	Interest expense	\$	—	\$	—	Interest expense	\$	3	\$	4
Total	\$	256	\$	403	Total	\$	—	\$	_	Total	\$	3	\$	4

Certain of our derivative instruments contain provisions that require us to provide ongoing collateralization on derivative instruments in a liability position. As of March 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011, we had collateral deposits recorded in other assets of approximately \$2.0 million and \$3.1 million, respectively.

### 14. Income Taxes

We have elected to be taxed as a real estate investment trust ("REIT") as defined under Section 856(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 ("Code"), as amended. In order for us to qualify as a REIT, at least ninety-five percent (95%) of our gross income in any year must be derived from qualifying sources. In addition, a REIT must distribute at least ninety percent (90%) of its REIT ordinary taxable income to its stockholders.

Qualification as a REIT involves the satisfaction of numerous requirements (some on an annual and quarterly basis) established under highly technical and complex Code provisions for which there are only limited judicial or administrative interpretations, and involves the determination of various factual matters and circumstances not entirely within our control. In addition, frequent changes occur in the area of REIT taxation which requires us to continually monitor our tax status. We analyzed the various REIT tests and confirmed that we continued to qualify as a REIT for the quarter ended March 31, 2012.

As a REIT, we generally will not be subject to U.S. federal income taxes at the corporate level on the ordinary taxable income we distribute to our stockholders as dividends. If we fail to qualify as a REIT in any taxable year, our taxable income could be subject to U.S. federal income tax at regular corporate rates (including any applicable alternative minimum tax). Even if we qualify as a REIT, we may be subject to certain state and local income taxes and to U.S. federal income and excise taxes on our undistributed income.

SHS, our taxable REIT subsidiary, is subject to U.S. federal income taxes. Our deferred tax assets and liabilities reflect the impact of temporary differences between the amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and the bases of such assets and liabilities as measured by tax laws. Deferred tax assets are reduced, if necessary, by a valuation allowance to the amount where realization is more likely than not assured after considering all available evidence. Our temporary differences primarily relate to net operating loss carryforwards and depreciation. A federal deferred tax asset of \$1.0 million is included in other assets in our Consolidated Balance Sheets as of March 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011.

We had no unrecognized tax benefits as of March 31, 2012 and 2011. We expect no significant increases or decreases in unrecognized tax benefits due to changes in tax positions within one year of March 31, 2012.

We classify certain state taxes as income taxes for financial reporting purposes. We record the Michigan Business Tax and Texas Margin Tax as income taxes in our financial statements. We recorded a provision for state income taxes of approximately \$0.1 million and \$0.1 million for the three months ended March 31, 2012 and 2011, respectively.

### **15. Earnings Per Share**

We have outstanding stock options and unvested restricted shares, and our Operating Partnership has Common OP Units, and convertible Preferred OP Units and Aspen Preferred OP Units, which if converted or exercised, may impact dilution. Although our unvested restricted shares qualify as participating securities, we do not include them in the computation of basic earnings (loss) per share under the two-class method in periods we report net losses, as the result would be anti-dilutive.

Computations of basic and diluted earnings per share from continuing operations were as follows (in thousands, except per share data):

	Three Months Ended March 31,				
Numerator	2012		2011		
Basic earnings: net income attributable to common stockholders	\$ 5,377	\$	2,400		
Add: amounts attributable to noncontrolling interest			185		
Diluted earnings: net income available to common stockholders and unitholders	\$ 5,377	\$	2,585		
Denominator					
Weighted average common shares outstanding	25,310		20,661		

Weighted average unvested restricted stock outstanding	277	147
Basic weighted average common shares and unvested restricted stock outstanding	25,587	 20,808
Add: dilutive securities	18	2,094
Diluted weighted average common shares and securities	25,605	22,902
Earnings per share available to common stockholders:		 
Basic	\$ 0.21	\$ 0.12
Diluted	\$ 0.21	\$ 0.11

We excluded certain securities from the computation of diluted earnings per share because the inclusion of these securities would have been anti-dilutive for the periods presented. The following table presents the number of outstanding potentially dilutive securities that were excluded from the computation of diluted earnings per share for the three months ended March 31, 2012 and 2011 (amounts in thousands):

	Three Month	s Ended March 31,
	2012	2011
Stock options		52
Common OP units	2,072	
Preferred OP units	1,111	
Aspen Preferred OP units	526	526
Total securities	3,773	578

The figures above represent the total number of potentially dilutive securities, and do not reflect the incremental impact to the number of diluted weighted average shares outstanding that would be computed if the impact to us had been dilutive to the calculation of earnings per share available to common stockholders.

### **16.** Fair Value of Financial Instruments

Our financial instruments consist primarily of cash and cash equivalents, accounts and notes receivable, accounts payable, derivative instruments, and debt. We utilize fair value measurements to record fair value adjustments to certain assets and liabilities and to determine fair value disclosures. The following methods and assumptions were used to estimate the fair value of each class of financial instruments for which it is practicable to estimate that value:

#### Derivative Instruments

The derivative instruments held by us are interest rate swaps and cap agreements for which quoted market prices are indirectly available. For those derivatives, we use model-derived valuations in which all observable inputs and significant value drivers are observable in active markets provided by brokers or dealers to determine the fair values of derivative instruments on a recurring basis.

#### Installment Notes on Manufactured Homes

The net carrying value of the installment notes on manufactured homes estimates the fair value as the interest rates in the portfolio are comparable to current prevailing market rates.

#### Long Term Debt and Lines of Credit

The fair value of long term debt (excluding the secured borrowing) is based on the estimates of management and on rates currently quoted and rates currently prevailing for comparable loans and instruments of comparable maturities.

#### Collateralized Receivables and Secured Borrowing

The fair value of these financial instruments offset each other as our collateralized receivables represent a transfer of financial assets and the cash proceeds received from these transactions have been classified as a secured borrowing in the Consolidated Balance Sheets. The net carrying value of the collateralized receivables estimates the fair value as the interest rates in the portfolio are comparable to current prevailing market rates

#### Other Financial Instruments

The carrying values of cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable, and accounts payable approximate their fair market values due to the short-term nature of these instruments.

The table below sets forth our financial assets and liabilities that required disclosure of their fair values on a recurring basis as of March 31, 2012. The table presents the carrying values and fair values of our financial instruments as of March 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011 that were measured using the valuation techniques described above. The table excludes other financial instruments such as cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable, and accounts payable because the carrying values associated with these instruments approximate fair value since their maturities are less than one year.

		March	31, 2	012	December 31, 2011			
Financial assets	С	Carrying Value Fair Value		Carrying Value			Fair Value	
Derivative instruments	\$	_	\$	—	\$	—	\$	—
Installment notes on manufactured homes, net		14,191		14,191		13,417		13,417
Collateralized receivables, net		83,098		83,098		81,176		81,176
Financial liabilities	_							
Derivative instruments	\$	847	\$	847	\$	1,106	\$	1,106
Long term debt (excluding secured borrowing)		1,203,960		1,193,100		1,186,509		1,175,261
Secured borrowing		83,611		83,611		81,682		81,682
Lines of credit		5,984		5,984		129,034		129,034

ASC Topic 820, Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures, establishes guidance fair value hierarchy established by FASB guidance that requires the use of observable market data, when available, and prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value in the following categories:

Level 1—Quoted unadjusted prices for identical instruments in active markets.

### 16. Fair Value of Financial Instruments, continued

Level 2—Quoted prices for similar instruments in active markets, quoted prices for identical or similar instruments in markets that are not active and modelderived valuations in which all observable inputs and significant value drivers are observable in active markets.

Level 3—Model derived valuations in which one or more significant inputs or significant value drivers are unobservable, including assumptions developed by us.

The table below sets forth, by level, our financial assets and liabilities that were required to be carried at fair value in the Consolidated Balance Sheets as of March 31, 2012.

Assets	Total Fair Value	Level 1		Level 2		Level 3	
Derivative instruments	\$ —	\$	—	\$	—	\$	—
Total assets	\$ _	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_
Liabilities							
Derivative instruments	\$ 847	\$		\$	847	\$	
Debt	\$ 1,193,100	\$	_	\$	1,193,100	\$	
Total liabilities	\$ 1,193,947	\$	_	\$	1,193,947	\$	_

### 17. Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In April 2011, the FASB issued ASU 2011-03, "Reconsideration of Effective Control for Repurchase Agreements" (ASU 2011-03) which amends ASC Topic 860, Transfers and Servicing. The updated guidance in ASC Topic 860 removes from the assessment of effective control (1) the criterion requiring the transferor to have the ability to repurchase or redeem the financial assets on substantially the agreed terms, even in the event of default by the transferee, and (2) the collateral maintenance implementation guidance related to that criterion. The updated guidance in ASC Topic 860 is effective for the first interim or annual period beginning on or after December 15, 2011. Early adoption was not permitted. The adoption of this guidance did not have any impact on our results of operations or financial condition.

In May 2011, the FASB issued ASU 2011-04, "Amendments to Achieve Common Fair Value Measurement and Disclosure Requirements in U.S. GAAP and IFRSs" (ASU 2011-04) which amends ASC Topic 820, Fair Value Measurement. The updated guidance in ASC Topic 820 changes the wording used to describe the requirements in U.S. GAAP for measuring fair value and for disclosing information about fair value measurements. The updated guidance in ASC Topic 820 is effective during interim and annual period beginning after December 15, 2011. Early adoption was not permitted. The adoption of this guidance did not have any impact on our results of operations or financial condition.

### 18. Commitments and Contingencies

On or about November 19, 2009, we, Sun Secured Financing LLC, Aspen-Ft. Collins Limited Partnership, Sun Secured Financing Houston Limited Partnership, Sun Communities Finance, LLC, Sun Holly Forest LLC and Sun Saddle Oak LLC (collectively, the "Plaintiffs") filed suit against ARCS Commercial Mortgage Co., L.P., PNC ARCS, LLC, and the Federal National Mortgage Association (collectively, the "Defendants") in the United States District Court for the District of Columbia as Case No. 1:09-cv-02162. The essence of the dispute was whether the terms of a commercial credit facility permitted Defendants to increase the Variable Facility Fee applicable to the outstanding variable rate loans in conjunction with an extension of the credit facility (and, if so, whether the Defendants properly exercised that right). On March 31, 2011, the parties entered into an Agreement and Release, pursuant to which the parties agreed to stay the litigation. As part of the settlement, on July 27, 2011, we, PNC Bank, National Association (as successor in interest to ARCS Commercial Mortgage Co., L.P., and PNC ARCS, LLC), and Fannie Mae entered into a Second Amended and Restated Master Credit Facility Agreement, as amended on October 3, 2011 (the "Restated Credit Agreement") which amended and restated in its entirety the prior credit agreement. On January 3, 2012, the Restated Credit Agreement became effective in its entirety and the litigation was dismissed.

### 18. Commitments and Contingencies, continued

On June 4, 2010 we settled all of the claims arising out of the litigation filed in 2004 by TJ Holdings, LLC in the Superior Court of Guilford County, North Carolina and the associated arbitration proceeding commenced by TJ Holdings in Southfield, Michigan. Under the terms of the settlement agreement, in which neither party admitted any liability whatsoever, we paid TJ Holdings \$360,000. In addition, pursuant to this settlement, TJ Holdings' percentage ownership interest in Sun/Forest, LLC will be increased on a one time basis, in the event of a sale or refinance of all of the SunChamp Properties, to between 9.03% and 28.99% depending on our average closing stock price as reported by the NYSE during the 30 days preceding the sale or refinance of all the SunChamp Properties. Once this percentage ownership interest has been adjusted, there will be no further adjustments from subsequent sales or refinances of the SunChamp Properties. The likelihood of a sale or refinancing of all of the SunChamp properties is not probable as these properties continue to see growth potential nor do we have a need to refinance all of the properties, so we do not expect it to have a material adverse impact on our results of operations or financial condition.

In 2011, we discovered that we did not register with the SEC shares of our common stock purchased in the open market by our 401(k) plan for the benefit of participants in the plan. We intend to file a registration statement on Form S-3 offering to rescind the purchase of shares of our common stock by persons who acquired such shares through our 401(k) plan from September 16, 2010 through September 15, 2011. We do not expect this to have a material adverse effect on our financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

We are involved in various other legal proceedings arising in the ordinary course of business. All such proceedings, taken together, are not expected to have a material adverse impact on our results of operations or financial condition.

### ITEM 2. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

The following discussion and analysis of the consolidated financial condition and results of operations should be read in conjunction with the Consolidated Financial Statements and the notes thereto, along with our 2011 Annual Report. Capitalized terms are used as defined elsewhere in this Form 10-Q.

#### **OVERVIEW**

We are a self-administered and self-managed real estate investment trust, or REIT. We own, operate, and develop manufactured housing communities concentrated in the midwestern, southern, and southeastern United States. We are fully integrated real estate companies which, together with our affiliates and predecessors, have been in the business of acquiring, operating, and expanding manufactured housing communities since 1975. As of March 31, 2012, we owned and operated a portfolio of 162 properties located in 18 states (the "Properties" or "Property"), including 141 manufactured housing communities, 11 recreational vehicle communities, and 10 properties containing both manufactured housing and recreational vehicle sites. As of March 31, 2012, the Properties contained an aggregate of 55,921 developed sites comprised of 47,934 developed manufactured home sites and 7,987 recreational vehicle sites ("RV") and approximately 6,500 manufactured home sites suitable for development. We lease individual parcels of land ("sites") with utility access for placement of manufactured homes and recreational vehicles to our customers. The Properties are designed to offer affordable housing to individuals and families, while also providing certain amenities.

We are engaged through a taxable subsidiary, SHS, in the marketing, selling, and leasing of new and pre-owned homes to current and future residents in our communities. The operations of SHS support and enhance our occupancy levels, property performance, and cash flows.

# SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

We have identified significant accounting policies that, as a result of the judgments, uncertainties, and complexities of the underlying accounting standards and operations involved could result in material changes to our financial condition or results of operations under different conditions or using different assumptions. Details regarding significant accounting policies are described fully in our 2011 Annual Report.

### SUPPLEMENTAL MEASURES

In addition to the results reported in accordance with GAAP, we have provided information regarding Net Operating Income ("NOI") in the following tables. NOI is derived from revenues minus property operating expenses and real estate taxes. We use NOI as the primary basis to evaluate the performance of our operations. A reconciliation of NOI to net loss attributable to Sun Communities, Inc. is included in "Results of Operations" below.

We believe that NOI is helpful to investors and analysts as a measure of operating performance because it is an indicator of the return on property investment, which provides a method of comparing property performance over time. We use NOI as a key management tool when evaluating performance and growth of particular properties and/or groups of properties. The principal limitation of NOI is that it excludes depreciation, amortization, interest expense, and non-property specific expenses such as general and administrative expenses, all of which are significant costs, and therefore, NOI is a measure of the operating performance of our properties rather than of the Company overall. We believe that these costs included in net income often have no effect on the market value of our property and therefore limit its use as a performance measure. In addition, such expenses are often incurred at a parent company level and therefore are not necessarily linked to the performance of a real estate asset.

NOI should not be considered a substitute for the reported results prepared in accordance with GAAP. NOI should not be considered as an alternative to net income as an indicator of our financial performance, or to cash flows as a measure of liquidity; nor is it indicative of funds available for our cash needs, including our ability to make cash distributions. NOI, as determined and presented by us, may not be comparable to related or similarly titled measures reported by other companies.

We also provide information regarding Funds From Operations ("FFO"). A definition of FFO and a reconciliation of FFO to net income are included in the presentation of FFO in "Results of Operations" following the "Comparison of the Three Months Ended March 31, 2012 and 2011".

### **RESULTS OF OPERATIONS**

We report operating results under two segments: Real Property Operations and Home Sales and Rentals. The Real Property Operations segment owns, operates, and develops manufactured housing communities and RV communities concentrated in the midwestern, southern, and southeastern United States and is in the business of acquiring, operating, and expanding manufactured housing and RV communities. The Home Sales and Rentals segment offers manufactured home sales and leasing services to tenants and prospective tenants of our communities. We evaluate segment operating performance based on NOI and Gross Profit.

The accounting policies of the segments are the same as those applied in the Consolidated Financial Statements, except for the use of NOI. We may allocate certain common costs, primarily corporate functions, between the segments differently than we would for stand alone financial information prepared in accordance with GAAP. These allocated costs include expenses for shared services such as information technology, finance, communications, legal, and human resources. We do not allocate interest expense and certain other corporate costs not directly associated with the segments' NOI and Gross Profit.

### COMPARISON OF THE THREE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 2012 AND 2011

### **REAL PROPERTY OPERATIONS – TOTAL PORTFOLIO**

The following tables reflect certain financial and other information for our Total Portfolio as of and for the three months ended March 31, 2012 and 2011:

	Three Months Ended March 31,								
Financial Information (in thousands)		2012		2011	Change		% Change		
Income from Real Property	\$ 64,296		\$	53,836	\$	10,460	19.4%		
Property operating expenses:									
Payroll and benefits		4,715		3,965		750	18.9%		
Legal, taxes, & insurance		704		701		3	0.4%		
Utilities		7,396		6,302		1,094	17.4%		
Supplies and repair		1,747		1,443		304	21.1%		
Other		1,464		1,047		417	39.8%		
Real estate taxes		4,872		4,115		757	18.4%		
Property operating expenses		20,898		17,573		3,325	18.9%		
Real Property NOI	\$	43,398	\$	36,263	\$	7,135	19.7%		

		As of March 31,						
Other Information	2012	2011	Change					
Number of properties	162	136	26					
Developed sites	55,921	47,684	8,237					
Occupied sites <sup>(1) (2)</sup>	44,691	38,641	6,050					
Occupancy % <sup>(1)</sup>	86.0%	84.6%	1.4%					
Weighted average monthly rent per site <sup>(3)</sup>	\$ 427	\$ 418	\$ 9					
Sites available for development	6,451	5,937	514					

<sup>(1)</sup> Occupied sites and occupancy % include manufactured housing and permanent RV sites, and exclude seasonal RV sites.

<sup>(2)</sup> Occupied sites include 4,814 sites acquired during 2011 and 193 sites acquired in 2012.

<sup>(3)</sup> Average rent relates only to manufactured housing sites, and excludes permanent and seasonal RV sites.

Real Property NOI increased by \$7.1 million, from \$36.3 million to \$43.4 million or 19.7 percent. The growth in NOI is primarily due to \$4.5 million from the newly acquired properties and \$2.6 million from the same site properties as detailed below.

### **REAL PROPERTY OPERATIONS - SAME SITE**

A key management tool used when evaluating performance and growth of our properties is a comparison of Same Site communities. Same Site communities consist of properties owned and operated for the same period in both years for the three months ended March 31, 2012 and 2011. The Same Site data may change from time-to-time depending on acquisitions, dispositions, management discretion, significant transactions, or unique situations.

In order to evaluate the growth of the Same Site communities, management has classified certain items differently than our GAAP statements. The reclassification difference between our GAAP statements and our Same Site portfolio is the reclassification of water and sewer revenues from income from real property to utilities. A significant portion of our utility charges are re-billed to our residents. We reclassify these amounts to reflect the utility expenses associated with our Same Site portfolio net of recovery.

The following tables reflect certain financial and other information for our Same Site communities as of and for the three months ended March 31, 2012 and 2011:

	Three Months Ended March 31,							
Financial Information (in thousands)		2012		2011		Change	% Change	
Income from Real Property	\$	53,344	\$	50,664	\$	2,680	5.3 %	
Property operating expenses:								
Payroll and benefits		4,011		3,964		47	1.2 %	
Legal, taxes, & insurance		583		701		(118)	(16.8)%	
Utilities		2,984		3,131		(147)	(4.7)%	
Supplies and repair		1,528		1,443		85	5.9 %	
Other		1,288		1,047		241	23.0 %	
Real estate taxes		4,048		4,115		(67)	(1.6)%	
Property operating expenses		14,442		14,401		41	0.3 %	
Real Property NOI	\$	38,902	\$	36,263	\$	2,639	7.3 %	

		As of March 31,								
Other Information	2012	2011		Change						
Number of properties	136		136	_						
Developed sites	47,845	47,	684	161						
Occupied sites <sup>(1)</sup>	39,377	38,	641	736						
Occupancy % <sup>(1) (2)</sup>	86.1%	5 8	34.8%	1.3%						
Weighted average monthly rent per site <sup>(3)</sup>	\$ 431	\$	418 \$	\$ 13						
Sites available for development	5,255	5,	439	(184)						

(1) Occupied sites and occupancy % include manufactured housing and permanent RV sites, and exclude seasonal RV sites.

<sup>(2)</sup> Occupancy % excludes completed but vacant expansion sites.

<sup>(3)</sup> Average rent relates only to manufactured housing sites, and excludes permanent and seasonal RV sites.

Real Property NOI increased by \$2.6 million, from \$36.3 million to \$38.9 million or 7.3 percent. The growth in NOI is primarily due to increased revenues of \$2.7 million slightly offset by a minimal increase in expenses.

Income from real property revenue consists of manufactured home and recreational vehicle site rent, and miscellaneous other property revenues. Income from real property revenues increased \$2.7 million, from \$50.7 million to \$53.3 million, or 5.3 percent. The growth in income from real property was due to a combination of factors. Revenue from our manufactured home and recreational vehicle portfolio increased by \$3.0 million due to average rental rate increases of 2.9 percent and the increased number of occupied home sites and was partially offset by rent concessions offered to new residents and current residents who convert from home renters to home owners. Additionally, we had decreased revenue realized on cable television royalties of \$0.3 million.

Property operating expenses remained constant at \$14.4 million. Supplies and repairs increased by \$0.1 million due to increased water system, sewer, and clubhouse expenses. Other expenses increased \$0.2 million primarily due to increased meeting expenses, advertising costs, bank service charges, and bad debt expense. These increases were offset by decreased insurance expenses of \$0.1 million, decreased utilities expenses of \$0.1 million, and decreased real estate taxes of \$0.1 million.

### HOME SALES AND RENTALS

We acquire pre-owned and repossessed manufactured homes generally located within our communities from lenders and dealers at substantial discounts. We lease or sell these value priced homes to current and prospective residents. We also purchase new homes to lease and sell to current and prospective residents.

The following table reflects certain financial and other information for our Rental Program as of and for the three months ended March 31, 2012 and 2011 (in thousands, except for certain items marked with \*):

	Three Months Ended March 31,								
Financial Information		2012	2011		Change		% Change		
Rental home revenue	\$	6,291	\$	5,330	\$	961	18.0 %		
Site rent from Rental Program <sup>(1)</sup>		9,045		7,572		1,473	19.5 %		
Rental Program revenue		15,336		12,902		2,434	18.9 %		
Expenses									
Commissions		533		472		61	12.9 %		
Repairs and refurbishment		1,846		1,806		40	2.2 %		
Taxes and insurance		805		736		69	9.4 %		
Marketing and other		640		659		(19)	(2.9)%		
Rental Program operating and maintenance		3,824		3,673		151	4.1 %		
Rental Program NOI	\$	11,512	\$	9,229	\$	2,283	24.7 %		
Other Information									
Number of occupied rentals, end of period*		7,349		6,235		1,114	17.9 %		
Investment in occupied rental homes	\$	249,818	\$	203,280	\$	46,538	22.9 %		
Number of sold rental homes*		218		216		2	0.9 %		
Weighted average monthly rental rate*	\$	764	\$	741	\$	23	3.1 %		

(1) The renter's monthly payment includes the site rent and an amount attributable to the leasing of the home. The site rent is reflected in the Real Property Operations segment. For purposes of management analysis, the site rent is included in the Rental Program revenue to evaluate the incremental revenue gains associated with implementation of the Rental Program, and assess the overall growth and performance of Rental Program and financial impact to our operations.

Rental Program NOI increased \$2.3 million from \$9.2 million to \$11.5 million, or 24.7 percent due to increased revenues of \$2.4 million, offset by increased expenses of \$0.2 million. Revenues increased \$2.4 million primarily due to the increased number of residents participating in the Rental Program as indicated in the table above and from increased market rates for site rent.

The increase in operating and maintenance expenses of \$0.2 million was due to several factors. Commissions increased by \$0.1 million due to increased number of new leases and increased lease renewal rate. Personal property and use taxes increased \$0.1 million and repairs costs on occupied home rentals increased by \$0.2 million due to the increased number of homes in the Rental Program. These increases were partially offset by decreased renter turn-over costs of \$0.2 million.

The following table reflects certain financial and statistical information for our Home Sales Program for the three months ended March 31, 2012 and 2011 (in thousands, except for statistical information):

	Three Months Ended March 31,							
Financial Information		2012		2011	Change		% Change	
New home sales	\$	1,322	\$	81	\$	1,241	> 100%	
Pre-owned home sales		8,291		8,154		137	1.7 %	
Revenue from homes sales		9,613		8,235		1,378	16.7 %	
New home cost of sales		1,155		48		1,107	> 100%	
Pre-owned home cost of sales		6,618		6,443		175	2.7 %	
Cost of home sales		7,773		6,491		1,282	19.8 %	
NOI / Gross profit	\$	1,840	\$	1,744	\$	96	5.5 %	
Gross profit – new homes		167		33		134	> 100%	
Gross margin % – new homes		12.6%		40.7%			(28.1)%	
Gross profit – pre-owned homes		1,673		1,711		(38)	(2.2)%	
Gross margin % – pre-owned homes		20.2%		21.0%			(0.8)%	
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Statistical Information	_							
Home sales volume:								
New home sales		18		1		17	> 100%	
Pre-owned home sales		383		356		27	7.6 %	
Total homes sold		401		357		44	12.3 %	

Home Sales NOI increased by \$0.1 million, from \$1.7 million to \$1.8 million, or 5.5 percent due to increased gross profit from increased sales volume.

The gross profit on new home sales increased from \$0.1 million to \$0.2 million primarily due to the increase in sales volume as shown above. The gross margin on pre-owned home sales was relatively unchanged.

### OTHER INCOME STATEMENT ITEMS

**Other revenues** include other income, interest income, and ancillary revenues, net. Other revenues increased by \$0.6 million, from \$2.3 million to \$2.9 million, or 26.6 percent. This was primarily due to an increase in interest income of \$0.2 million from collateralized receivables, a \$0.1 million increase in installment note receivables, a \$0.1 million increase in the sale of property, a \$0.1 million increase in brokerage commissions and a \$0.1 million decrease in loan loss reserve.

**Real Property general and administrative** costs increased by \$0.6 million, from \$4.5 million to \$5.1 million, or 13.0 percent due to an increase in payroll expenses of \$0.2 million, an increase in human resource expenses of \$0.1 million and an increase of \$0.3 million in other expenses related to travel, software costs, and rent.

Home Sales and Rentals general and administrative costs increased by \$0.2 million, from \$2.0 million to \$2.2 million, or 12.0 percent due to increased salary and commission costs.

Acquisition related costs decreased by \$0.1 million (See Note 2).

**Depreciation and amortization** costs increased by \$3.2 million, from \$16.7 million to \$19.9 million, or 19.1 percent due to increased depreciation on investment property for use in our Rental Program of \$1.3 million and increased other depreciation and amortization of \$1.9 million primarily due to the newly acquired properties (See Note 2).

**Interest expense** on debt, including interest on mandatorily redeemable debt, increased by \$1.4 million, from \$16.2 million to \$17.6 million, or 8.7 percent due to an increase in expense associated with our secured borrowing arrangements of \$0.2 million, an increase of \$0.4 million in our mortgage interest and an increase of \$1.0 million due to interest expense for the debt associated with the acquired properties (see Note 2), offset by a decrease in interest on our lines of credit of \$0.3 million.

**Distributions from affiliates** increased by \$0.4 million, from \$0.4 million to \$0.8 million. We suspended equity accounting in 2010 as our investment balance is zero. The income recorded in 2012 and 2011 is dividend income.

The following table is a summary of our consolidated financial results which were discussed in more detail in the preceding paragraphs (in thousands):

	Th	Three Months Ended March 31,		
	20	012		2011
Real Property NOI	\$	43,398	\$	36,263
Rental Program NOI		11,512		9,229
Home Sales NOI/Gross Profit		1,840		1,744
Site rent from Rental Program (included in Real Property NOI)		(9,045)		(7,572)
NOI/Gross profit		47,705		39,664
Adjustments to arrive at net income:				
Other revenues		2,928		2,313
General and administrative		(7,267)		(6,451)
Acquisition related costs		(164)		(249)
Depreciation and amortization		(19,868)		(16,679)
Interest expense		(17,638)		(16,232)
Provision for state income taxes		(53)		(131)
Distributions from affiliates, net		750		350
Net income		6,393		2,585
Less: preferred return to Preferred OP units		579		—
Less: amounts attributable to noncontrolling interests		437		185
Net income attributable to Sun Communities, Inc. common stockholders	\$	5,377	\$	2,400

#### FUNDS FROM OPERATIONS

We provide information regarding FFO as a supplemental measure of operating performance. FFO is defined by the NAREIT as net income (loss) (computed in accordance GAAP), excluding gains (or losses) from sales of depreciable operating property, plus real estate-related depreciation and amortization, and after adjustments for unconsolidated partnerships and joint ventures. Due to the variety among owners of identical assets in similar condition (based on historical cost accounting and useful life estimates), we believe excluding gains and losses related to sales of previously depreciated operating real estate assets, impairment and excluding real estate asset depreciation and amortization, provides a better indicator of our operating performance. FFO is a useful supplemental measure of our operating performance because it reflects the impact to operations from trends in occupancy rates, rental rates, and operating costs, providing perspective not readily apparent from net income (loss). Management believes that the use of FFO has been beneficial in improving the understanding of operating results of REITs among the investing public and making comparisons of REIT operating results more meaningful. Management, the investment community, and banking institutions routinely use FFO, together with other measures, to measure operating performance in our industry. Further, management uses FFO for planning and forecasting future periods.

Because FFO excludes significant economic components of net income (loss) including depreciation and amortization, FFO should be used as an adjunct to net income (loss) and not as an alternative to net income (loss). The principal limitation of FFO is that it does not represent cash flow from operations as defined by GAAP and is a supplemental measure of performance that does not replace net income (loss) as a measure of performance or net cash provided by operating activities as a measure of liquidity. In addition, FFO is not intended as a measure of a REIT's ability to meet debt principal repayments and other cash requirements, nor as a measure of working capital. FFO only provides investors with an additional performance measure. FFO is compiled in accordance with its interpretation of standards established by NAREIT, which may not be comparable to FFO reported by other REITs that do not define the term in accordance with the current NAREIT definition or that interpret the current NAREIT definition differently.

The following table reconciles net income to FFO data for diluted purposes for the three months ended March 31, 2012, and 2011 (in thousands):

	 Three Months Ended March 31,		
	2012		2011
Net income attributable to Sun Communities, Inc. common stockholders	\$ 5,377	\$	2,400
Adjustments:			
Preferred return to Preferred OP units	579		—
Amounts attributable to noncontrolling interests	437		185
Depreciation and amortization	20,115		17,019
Benefit for state income taxes <sup>(1)</sup>	_		(9)
Gain on disposition of assets, net	(796)		(808)
Funds from operations ("FFO")	\$ 25,712	\$	18,787
Weighted average common shares outstanding - fully diluted	28,788		22,902

(1) The state income tax benefit for the period ended March 31, 2011 represents the reversal of the Michigan Business Tax provision previously recorded.

#### LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

Our principal liquidity demands have historically been, and are expected to continue to be, distributions to our stockholders and the unitholders of the Operating Partnership, capital improvements of properties, the purchase of new and pre-owned homes, property acquisitions, development and expansion of properties, and debt repayment.

We expect to meet our short-term liquidity requirements through working capital provided by operating activities and through borrowings on our lines of credit. We consider these resources to be adequate to meet our operating requirements, including recurring capital improvements, routinely amortizing debt and other normally recurring expenditures of a capital nature, payment of dividends to our stockholders to maintain qualification as a REIT in accordance with the Code, and payment of distributions to our Operating Partnership's unitholders.

We completed four acquisitions in 2011 in which we acquired 23 properties in total, 18 manufactured housing communities and 5 recreational vehicle communities. We completed one acquisition in 2012 in which we acquired three recreational vehicle communities. See Note 2 for details on the acquisitions. We will continue to evaluate acquisition opportunities that meet our criteria for acquisition. Should additional investment opportunities arise in 2012, we intend to finance the acquisitions through secured financing, debt and/or equity financings, the assumption of existing debt on the properties or the issuance of certain equity securities.

During the three months ended March 31, 2012, we have invested \$16.4 million in the acquisition of homes intended for the Rental Program net of proceeds from third party financing from homes sales. Expenditures for 2012 will be dependent upon the condition of the markets for repossessions and new home sales, as well as rental homes. We finance new home purchases with a \$12.0 million floor plan facility. Our ability to purchase homes for sale or rent may be limited by cash received from third party financing of our home sales, available floor plan financing and working capital available on our secured lines of credit.

Cash and cash equivalents increased by \$10.1 million from \$5.9 million as of December 31, 2011, to \$16.0 million as of March 31, 2012. Net cash provided by operating activities from continuing operations increased by \$4.7 million from \$16.3 million for the three months ended March 31, 2011 to \$21.1 million for the three months ended March 31, 2012.

Our net cash flows provided by operating activities from continuing operations may be adversely impacted by, among other things: (a) the market and economic conditions in our current markets generally, and specifically in metropolitan areas of our current markets; (b) lower occupancy and rental rates of our properties; (c) increased operating costs, such as wage and benefit costs, insurance premiums, real estate taxes and utilities, that cannot be passed on to our tenants; (d) decreased sales of manufactured homes and (e) current volatility in economic conditions and the financial markets. See "Risk Factors" in our 2011 Annual Report.

We have a secured revolving line of credit facility with a maximum borrowing capacity of \$130.0 million, subject to certain borrowing base calculations. As of March 31, 2012, we did not have a balance on the line of credit. The outstanding balance on the line of credit as of December 31, 2011 was \$107.5 million. \$4.0 million of availability was used to back standby letters of credit as of March 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011. Borrowings under the line of credit bear a floating interest rate based on Eurodollar plus a margin that is determined based on our leverage ratio calculated in accordance with the line of credit agreement, which can range from 2.25% to 2.95%. As of March 31, 2012, \$126.0 million was available to be drawn under the facility based on the calculation of the borrowing base. During 2012, the highest balance on the line of credit was \$107.5 million. The borrowings under the line of credit mature October 1, 2015, assuming the election of a one year extension that is available at our discretion, subject to certain conditions. Although the secured revolving line of credit is a committed facility, the financial failure of one or more of the participating financial institutions may reduce the amount of available credit for use by us.

The line of credit facility contains various leverage, fixed charge coverage, net worth maintenance and other customary covenants all of which we were in compliance with as of March 31, 2012. The most limiting covenants contained in the line of credit are the maximum leverage ratio and minimum fixed charge coverage ratios. The maximum leverage ratio covenant requires that total indebtedness be no more than 70 percent of total asset value as defined in the terms of the line of credit agreement. The minimum fixed charge coverage ratio covenant requires a minimum ratio of 1.45:1. As of March 31, 2012, the leverage ratio was 56.0 percent and the fixed charge coverage ratio was 1.89:1.

Although the U.S. economy has started to recover from the 2008-2010 recession, the rate of recovery has been much slower than anticipated. Forecasts for economic growth over the next year have been downsized, due in large part to the recent turbulence in the US and global markets. While bank earnings and liquidity are on the rebound, the potential of significant future credit losses clouds the lending outlook. Credit availability has improved, but the turbulence in the US and global markets cause capital markets and credit availability to wax and wane unpredictably making certainty of access to specific forms of capital products tenuous. For us, this is the most relevant consequence of financial market volatility. We believe this risk is somewhat mitigated because we are able to utilize various forms of capital to fund our operations making availability to one specific form of capital less vital and have adequate working capital provided by operating activities as noted above. We anticipate meeting our long-term liquidity requirements, such as scheduled debt maturities, large property acquisitions, and Operating Partnership unit redemptions through the issuance of certain debt or equity securities and/or the collateralization of our properties. We currently have 32 unencumbered properties with an estimated market value of \$244.6 million, most of which support the borrowing base for our \$130.0 million secured line of credit. From time to time, we may also issue shares of our capital stock or preferred stock, issue equity units in our Operating Partnership, obtain debt financing, or sell selected assets. Our ability to finance our long-term liquidity requirements in such a manner will be affected by numerous economic factors affecting the manufactured housing community industry at the time, including the availability and cost of mortgage debt, our financial condition, the operating history of the properties, the state of the debt and equity markets, and the general national, regional, and local economic conditions. When it becomes necessary for us to approach the credit markets, the volatility in those markets could make borrowing more difficult to secure, more expensive, or effectively unavailable. See "Risk Factors" in Item 1A of our 2011 Annual Report. If we are unable to obtain additional debt or equity financing on acceptable terms, our business, results of operations and financial condition would be adversely impacted.

As of March 31, 2012, our debt to total market capitalization approximated 51.1 percent (assuming conversion of all Common Operating Partnership Units to shares of common stock). Our debt has a weighted average maturity of approximately 7.1 years and a weighted average interest rate of 5.3 percent.

Capital expenditures for the three months ended March 31, 2012 and 2011 included recurring capital expenditures of \$1.3 million and \$1.1 million, respectively. We are committed to the continued upkeep of our Properties and therefore do not expect a significant decline in our recurring capital expenditures during 2012.

Net cash used in investing activities was \$51.7 million for the three months ended March 31, 2012, compared to \$14.1 million for the three months ended March 31, 2011. The difference is primarily due to increased acquisitions of \$24.5 million, increased investment in property of \$13.8 million primarily due to homes purchased intended for the Rental Program, offset by an increase in proceeds from the disposition of homes and assets of \$0.1 million, and an increase in proceeds from affiliate dividend distribution of \$0.4 million. See Note 2 for details on the acquisition.

Net cash provided by financing activities was \$40.8 million for the three months ended March 31, 2012, compared to net cash used of \$5.8 million for the three months ended March 31, 2011. The difference is due to increased net proceeds received from the issuance of additional shares of \$127.7 million, increased proceeds from issuance of other debt net of repayments on other debt of \$10.5 million, decreased payments of deferred financing costs of \$0.9 million, partially offset by decreased net borrowings on the line of credit of \$91.5 million and increased distributions to our stockholders and OP unitholders of \$1.2 million.

#### FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This Form 10-Q contains various "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and the United States Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended and we intend that such forward-looking statements will be subject to the safe harbors created thereby. Forward-looking statements can be identified by words such as "believes," "forecasts," "anticipates," "intends," "plans," "expects," "may", "will," "guidance," "could," "should," "estimates," "approximate," and similar expressions in this Form 10-Q that predict or indicate future events and trends and that do not report historical matters. These forward-looking statements reflect our current views with respect to future events and financial performance, but involve known and unknown risks and uncertainties, and other factors, some of which are beyond our control. These risks, uncertainties, and other factors may cause our actual results to be materially different from any future results expressed or implied by such forward looking statements. Such risks and uncertainties include the national, regional and local economic climates, the ability to maintain rental rates and occupancy levels, competitive market forces, changes in market rates of interest, the ability of manufactured home buyers to obtain financing, the level of repossessions by manufactured home lenders and those risks and uncertainties referenced under the headings entitled "Risk Factors" contained in our 2011 Annual Report, and our other periodic filings with the SEC. The forward-looking statements contained in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q speak only as of the date hereof and we expressly disclaim any obligation to provide public updates, revisions or amendments to any forward-looking statements made herein to reflect changes in our assumptions, expectations of future events, or trends.

### ITEM 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

Our principal market risk exposure is interest rate risk. We mitigate this risk by maintaining prudent amounts of leverage, minimizing capital costs and interest expense while continuously evaluating all available debt and equity resources and following established risk management policies and procedures, which include the periodic use of derivatives. Our primary strategy in entering into derivative contracts is to minimize the variability interest rate changes could have on our future cash flows. We generally employ derivative instruments that effectively convert a portion of our variable rate debt to fixed rate debt. We do not enter into derivative instruments for speculative purposes.

We have four derivative contracts consisting of two interest rate swap agreements with a total notional amount of \$45.0 million, and two interest rate cap agreements with a notional amount of \$162.4 million as of March 31, 2012. The first swap agreement fixes \$25.0 million of variable rate borrowings at 6.57 percent through July 2012. The second swap agreement fixes \$20.0 million of variable rate borrowings at 4.02 percent through January 2014. The first interest cap agreement has a cap rate of 11.00 percent, a notional amount of \$152.4 million, and a termination date of May 1, 2012. Subsequent to March 31, 2012, we entered into a new cap agreement to replace the aforementioned cap. Effective April 1, 2012 the cap has a cap rate of 11.27 percent, a notional amount of \$152.4 million, and a termination date of April 1, 2015. The second interest rate cap agreement has a cap rate of 11.02 percent, a notional amount of \$10.0 million, and a termination date of October 3, 2016. Each of these derivative contracts is based upon 90-day LIBOR.

Our remaining variable rate debt totals \$223.9 million and \$235.4 million as of March 31, 2012 and 2011, respectively, which bear interest at Prime or various LIBOR rates. If Prime or LIBOR increased or decreased by 1.0 percent during the three months ended March 31, 2012 and 2011, we believe our interest expense would have increased or decreased by approximately \$0.6 million and \$0.6 million based on the \$224.0 million and \$235.9 million average balances outstanding under our variable rate debt facilities for the three months ended March 31, 2012 and 2011, respectively.

### **ITEM 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES**

- (a) Under the supervision and with the participation of our management, including the Chief Executive Officer, Gary A. Shiffman, and Chief Financial Officer, Karen J. Dearing, we evaluated the effectiveness of the design and operation of our disclosure controls and procedures as of the end of the period covered by this quarterly report, pursuant to Rule 13a-15 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act"). Based upon that evaluation, our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures as of the end of the period covered by this report were effective to ensure that information we are required to disclose in our filings with the SEC under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported, within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms, and to ensure that information we are required to disclose in the reports that we file under the Exchange Act is accumulated and communicated to our management, including our principal executive officer and principal financial officer, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.
- (b) There have been no changes in our internal control over financial reporting during the quarterly period ended March 31, 2012 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

### PART II - OTHER INFORMATION

### **ITEM 1. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS**

See Note 18 of the Consolidated Financial Statements contained herein.

### **ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS**

You should review our 2011 Annual Report, which contains a detailed description of risk factors that may materially affect our business, financial condition, or results of operations. There are no material changes to the disclosure on these matters set forth in the 2011 Annual Report.

# ITEM 2. UNREGISTERED SALES OF EQUITY SECURITIES AND USE OF PROCEEDS

### **Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities**

In November 2004, the Board of Directors authorized us to repurchase up to 1,000,000 shares of our common stock. We have 400,000 common shares remaining in the repurchase program. No common shares were repurchased under this buyback program during the three months ended March 31, 2012. There is no expiration date specified for the buyback program.

### **Recent Sales of Unregistered Securities**

Holders of our Common OP Units have not converted any units to common stock during the three months ended March 31, 2012.

# **ITEM 6. EXHIBITS**

Exhibit No.	Description	
2.1	First Asset Purchase Agreement entered into on February 16, 2012 but effective as of January 1, 2012, among Grand Lake RV and Golf Resort LLC, Three Lakes RV Park, LLC, Blue Berry Hill RV LLC, Sun Blueberry Hill LLC, Sun Grand Lake LLC, and Sun Three Lakes LLC	(1)
2.2	Second Asset Purchase Agreement entered into on February 16, 2012 but effective as of January 1, 2012, among Morgan RV Park Management, LLC, Ideal Cottage Sales LLC, Robert C. Morgan, Robert Moser and Sun Home Services, Inc.	(1)
10.1	Variable Facility Note dated January 3, 2012 made by Sun Secured Financing LLC, Aspen-Ft. Collins Limited Partnership, Sun Secured Financing Houston Limited Partnership, Sun Communities Finance, LLC, Sun Holly Forest LLC, and Sun Saddle Oak LLC in favor of PNC Bank, National Association, in the original principal amount of \$152,362,500	(2)
10.2	Variable Facility Note dated January 3, 2012 made by Sun Secured Financing LLC, Aspen-Ft. Collins Limited Partnership, Sun Secured Financing Houston Limited Partnership, Sun Communities Finance, LLC, Sun Holly Forest LLC, and Sun Saddle Oak LLC in favor of PNC Bank, National Association, in the original principal amount of \$10,000,000	(2)
10.3	BGT Non-Compete Agreement dated February 16, 2012 among Sun Communities Operating Limited Partnership, Robert C. Morgan and Robert Moser	(1)
10.4	Amended and Restated Promissory Note, dated March 29, 2012, in the original principal amount of \$21,000,000, made by Sun Blueberry Hill LLC, Sun Grand Lake LLC, Sun Three Lakes LLC, Sun Club Naples LLC, Sun Naples Gardens LLC, and Sun North Lake Estates LLC, in favor of Bank of America, N.A.	(3)
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32.1	Certification pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002	(4)
101(5)	The following Sun Communities, Inc. financial information for the quarter ended March 31, 2012, formatted in XBRL (eXtensible Business Reporting Language): (i) Consolidated Balance Sheets (unaudited), (ii) Consolidated Statements of Operations (unaudited), (iii) Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive (Loss) Income (unaudited), (iv) Consolidated Statements of Stockholders' Deficit (unaudited), (v) Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (unaudited) and (vi) Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (unaudited)	(4)

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Incorporated by reference to Sun Communities, Inc.'s Current Report on Form 8-K dated February 21, 2012 Incorporated by reference to Sun Communities, Inc.'s Current Report on Form 8-K dated January 6, 2012 Incorporated by reference to Sun Communities, Inc.'s Current Report on Form 8-K dated March 29, 2012

Filed herewith.

<sup>(1)</sup> (2) (3) (4) (5) Users of this data are advised that pursuant to Rule 406T of Regulation S-T, the Interactive Data Files on Exhibit 101 hereto are deemed not filed or part of a registration statement or prospectus for purposes of Sections 11 or 12 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, are deemed not filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and otherwise are not subject to liability under those sections.

# 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 thereunto duly authorized.

Dated: April 26, 2012

By: /s/ Karen J. Dearing

Karen J. Dearing, Chief Financial Officer and Secretary (Duly authorized officer and principal financial officer)

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### <u>CERTIFICATIONS</u> (As Adopted Under Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002)

I, Gary A. Shiffman, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Sun Communities, Inc.;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
  - a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
  - b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent function):
  - a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Dated: April 26, 2012

/s/ Gary A. Shiffman Gary A. Shiffman, Chief Executive Officer

### CERTIFICATIONS (As Adopted Under Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002)

I, Karen J. Dearing, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Sun Communities, Inc.;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
  - a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
  - b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent function):
  - a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Dated: April 26, 2012

/s/ Karen J. Dearing

Karen J. Dearing, Chief Financial Officer

### CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350 (Adopted Under Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002)

The undersigned officers, Gary A. Shiffman and Karen J. Dearing, hereby certify that to the best of their knowledge: (a) this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Sun Communities, Inc., for the quarter ended March 31, 2012, fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended; and (b) the information contained in this Form 10-Q fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the issuer.

<u>Signature</u>

/s/ Gary A. Shiffman

Gary A. Shiffman, Chief Executive Officer

/s/ Karen J. Dearing

Karen J. Dearing, Chief Financial Officer

A signed original of this written statement required by Section 906 has been provided to Sun Communities, Inc. and will be retained by Sun Communities, Inc. and furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission or its staff upon request.

<u>Date</u> April 26, 2012

April 26, 2012