SENIOR HOUSING PROPERTIES TRUST Form 8-K January 22, 2013

UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT PURSUANT

TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE

SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): January 22, 2013

SENIOR HOUSING PROPERTIES TRUST

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Maryland

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

001-15319 (Commission File Number)

04-3445278 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

Two Newton Place, 255 Washington Street, Suite 300, Newton, Massachusetts (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

02458-1634 (Zip Code)

617-796-8350

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(Registrant s Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d)	Exhibits.	
4.1		Form of Common Share Certificate.
10.1		Representative form of Accession Agreement, dated as of November 1, 2012, by SNH SE Tenant TRS, Inc. in favor of FVE Managers, Inc., relating to Pooling Agreement No. 2, dated as of October 30, 2012, between FVE Managers, Inc. and certain subsidiaries of the Senior Housing Properties Trust.

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SIGNATURES

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

SENIOR HOUSING PROPERTIES TRUST

By: Name: Title: /s/ Richard A. Doyle Richard A. Doyle Treasurer & Chief Financial Officer

Date: January 22, 2013

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