



MAYOR'S OFFICE OF
HOMELESS SERVICES

Leadership Committee on Homelessness and Housing Meeting Minutes

Date and Time:

November 2, 2022

2:00 – 3:00 pm

Attendees:

Irene Agustin, Shontay Jackson, Alex Hoffman, Joe Savage, Christa Taylor, Jonathan Eckman, Anthony Williams, Mark Council, Lolah James, Dana Henson, Dr. Wendy Shaia, Chris Beegle, Janice Miller, Lolah James, Candice Treen, Christopher Busser, Christa Taylor, Kelleigh Eastman, Heang Tan

Topics Discussed:

- **House America Tracker Rehousing:** The goal to rehouse 1,000 households has been met. The new goal is to rehouse 350 additional individuals, families, and youth in the third quarter. As of November 1, Baltimore City has housed 1,188 households (88%); 551 singles (100%), 246 families (95%), 100 youth (71%), and 291 veterans (73%).
- **House America Tracker Housing Creation:** The House America goal of creating new units of affordable housing was initially defined as a project that has closed on financing in 2022. This number did not reflect the units that are currently in various other stages of development in the housing creation pipeline, including those that were occupied in 2022 or in predevelopment. Based on feedback from the Leadership Committee, the Housing Creation tracker will be updated to show a more comprehensive picture of the status of low-income housing that is under development in Baltimore City. The updated Housing Creation tracker is anticipated to be provided as part of the next Monthly Report.
- **Rehousing:** Rehousing Committee updates include:
 - Hospital Partnerships (ACIS, Medical Respite and Aging Services):
 - A meeting with the hospitals has occurred. There will be follow-up to ensure that the hospitals will contribute their portion of the match for ACIS and support medical respite in Baltimore City.



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- Flex Funds, Non-Congregate Shelter Acquisition, Shelter Demobilization/RR, Housing Navigation:
 - There was a Listening Session held with the community to obtain feedback on the Accelerator Fund. A second Listening Session will be held with the Youth Advisory Board this month.
 - A Listening Session will be held obtain feedback and to establish criteria for landlords. This Listening Session will occur in December.
 - The Job Descriptions are completed for the Housing Navigators and will be posted soon.
- Landlord Engagement:
 - Listening Sessions will be held with providers and landlords in December to obtain feedback and to establish criteria for landlords.
- Housing Creation: There are five potential allowable uses of the Housing Accelerator Fund. Listening Session will be held to solicit feedback from the community. These include:
 - Close financing gaps to allow potential projects to proceed to development.
 - Secure set-asides of supportive housing units within housing projects already under development through equity investments and/or operating & services reserves.
 - Provide financing to develop new projects and enable their competition for other financing, through acquisition and pre-development financing grants or loans.
 - Provide financing for rapid construction options that have been tested in other markets and offer cost-effective alternatives to traditional construction.
 - Finance operations and services delivery for a multi-year period, as an essential element of the creation of permanent supportive units, while long-term, ongoing rental assistance and services funding is secured through other public sector sources from Federal and State governments; support the development and 2 years of operations and services for SH.



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Additional Notes:

Votes:

No votes were taken at this meeting.