

Leadership Committee on Homelessness and Housing Meeting Minutes

Date and Time:

December 7, 2022

2:00 - 3:00 pm

Attendees:

Irene Agustin, A. Smith, Alex Hoffman, Joe Savage, Christa Taylor, Anthony Williams, Mark Council, Lolah James, Amy Kleine, Kevin Lindamood, Dr. Wendy Shaia, Chris Beegle, Janice Miller, Lolah James, Candice Treen, Christopher Busser, Kelleigh Eastman

Topics Discussed:

- 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 was updated to show a more comprehensive picture of the status of low-income housing that is under development in Baltimore City. It was reported that the Affordable Housing Pipeline Tracker reports 2,528 (158%) total units in the pipeline, 232 completed and 329 that are projected to be closed by December 31, 2022. There are 832 Extremely Low-Income Units in the Pipeline, of which 107 are Permanent Supportive Housing Units.
- House America Tracker Rehousing: It was reported that Baltimore had met its 2022 House America goal to rehouse 1,000 households in September 2022. A new goal to house an additional 350 individuals, families, and youth was set for the fourth quarter of 2022. As of November 30, 2022, Baltimore has housed 1,343 households towards the new goal (99%); 603 individuals (110%), 289 families (111%), 103 youth (74%), and 348 veterans (87%).
- **Housing Creation:** Three of the five uses of the Housing will be included in the application to the Mayor's Office of Recovery Programs (ARPA). They include:
 - o Close financing gaps to allow potential projects to proceed to development.



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- 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.

Rehousing:

- Hospital Partnerships (ACIS, Medical Respite, and Aging Services): The
 majority of the hospitals have committed to the funding match for ACIS. This
 will be a one-year commitment, with the opportunity for additional funding
 in future years.
- Flex Funds, Non-Congregate Shelter Acquisition, Shelter Demobilization/RR, Housing Navigation:
 - There have been two Listening Sessions held to discuss the Flex Fund, one with the community and one with the Youth Action Board. The Civic Fund will administer the Flex Fund.
 - The Housing Coordinator and Housing Identification positions are in the process of being hired. The collaboration with Enoch Pratt Library has been established. In March 2023 the Housing Coordinators will be placed in Enoch Pratt Libraries and will work in collaboration with the library staff to ensure that people experiencing, or at risk of, homelessness have access to community-based Coordinated Access Intakes, services delivery, and case management services.
- <u>Landlord Relations:</u> There will be three Listening Sessions held to discuss Landlord Relations, two with Providers and one with Landlords in December 2022.

Additional Notes:

Votes:

No votes were taken at this meeting.