



# LEADERSHIP COMMITTEE ON HOMELESSNESS & HOUSING

May 2023 Monthly Report

## UPCOMING EVENT

Leadership Committee on Homelessness and Housing (LCHH) Open Meeting  
July 5, 2023

Housing Creation Workgroup  
July 26, 2023

Rehousing Workgroup  
August 25, 2023

A web page dedicated to the work of the Leadership Committee on Homelessness & Housing is live: [Tackling Housing Insecurity – Baltimore’s Homelessness and Housing Initiative | Mayor’s Office of Homeless Services \(baltimorecity.gov\)](#).



## HOUSE AMERICA

The Leadership Committee on Homelessness and Housing (LCHH), in collaboration with the Continuum of Care (CoC), is committed to setting aggressive benchmarks that reflect the goal of ending homelessness in Baltimore City. The Housing Creation goal for 2023 includes increasing the number of housing units in the affordable housing pipeline by 540, 107 of which will be new Permanent Supportive Housing units. The 2023 Rehousing goal is to rehouse 1,350 individuals and families, of which 25% of the households, or 337 people, will meet the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) definition of chronic homelessness, which is based on the length of time or number of episodes of homelessness in a defined period, and having a documented disability.



## COMMITTEE UPDATES

### Committee Meeting Highlights

The Leadership Committee on Homelessness and Housing is scheduled to hold an open meeting on July 5, 2023, at 2:00 PM.

The following are updates to the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) initiatives:

#### Housing Coordination and Landlord Engagement

- Four Housing Navigators have been hired and the partnership to provide housing services to Baltimore City residents in Enoch Pratt Library branches has been launched.
- Two Housing Identification Specialists have been hired to support landlords and to ensure that people placed in supportive housing receive quality housing and supportive services.
- A new housing software, Padmission, has been acquired.
- The Landlord Engagement Plan has been developed and the Landlord Incentive Fund will be launched in July 2023, pending Board of Estimates (BOE) approval.

#### Rapid Rehousing

- The Rapid Rehousing programs funded by ARPA are accepting referrals and will house 155 Baltimore City residents.

#### Flex Fund and Shelter Diversion

- The Flex Fund will be launched in July 2023, pending BOE approval.
- Shelter Diversion training will be provided to MOHS staff in June and July 2023.

#### Housing Accelerator Fund

- The Housing Accelerator fund has been approved by the Mayor's Office of Recovery Programs (MORP) and an agreement has been executed with MOHS and DHCD.
- The HOME ARP Reallocation Plan has been approved by HUD.
- A NOFA will be released in the Summer of 2023 for the Housing Accelerator Fund and HOME ARP.
- A Supportive Housing Training Institute is being developed in partnership with Corporation for Supportive Housing and will be scheduled in the Fall of 2023.