#### SC Partner's Roundtable Discussion



MAY 7, 2024



# Welcome

HUD Field Office

Public Housing

Continuums of Care

State Agencies

SCICH Members



# Today's Agenda

About the SC Interagency Council on Homelessness

A Message from SC Office of Public & Indian Housing

PHA/COC/SCICH Survey Results

Homelessness In SC - By the Numbers

Collaborative Opportunities

Supportive Services Making a Difference

Working Together

Suzanne Sanders, SCICH Vice Chair

Randy Dyal, SC PIH Director

Alexis Humm, SC HUD Field Office

Bruce Forbes, SCICH Sec'Y/Treas.

Angie Hall, SC Hud Field Office

Lorain Crowl, Owner Leadwell, 360, LLC

A Group Roundtable Discussion

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# ABOUT SCICH

## Suzanne Sanders

SCICH Vice Chair - SC Dept of Health & Environmental Control

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# Who We Are

SCICH is a statewide network of collaborative champions building working relationships to reduce homelessness and create affordable and attainable housing in SC.



# What We Do

SCICH was incorporated in 2002 as a non-profit organization that works closely with SC Continuums of Care, State Agencies, Municipalities, and Funders to develop strategies focused on reducing homelessness and housing insecurity in our state.



# Our Goals Today

#### Are to:

- begin opening channels of communication between and among all the great organizations represented here,
- find areas of commonality in this work, and
- discover ways we can work together to support each other in promoting housing stability to prevent homelessness.



# A MESSAGE FROM THE SC OFFICE OF PUBLIC & INDIAN HOUSING

Director Randy Dyal

SC Department of Public & Indian Housing

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## SCICH/PHA/COC SURVEY RESULTS

Alexis Humm

HUD SC Field Office Representative

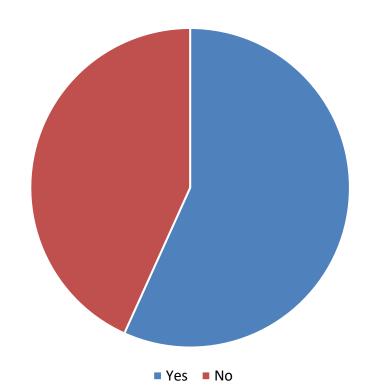
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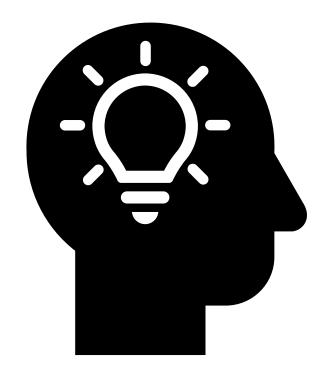


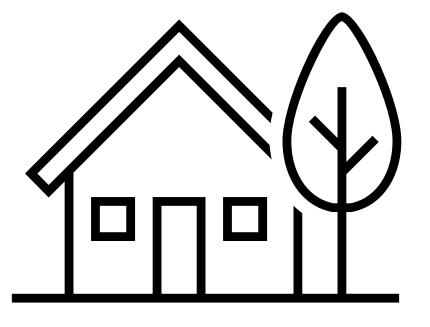
The SCICH was founded to build collaborative relationships with housing champions to reduce homelessness and increase attainable housing for low-income people across SC. Our goals are to facilitate statewide strategic planning and training to meet that goal, to provide education and training to further our common agenda, and to compile and deliver an annual state of homelessness and housing instability report on the outcomes of our shared initiatives.

1. Is your agency or organization currently involved/engaged in the South Carolina Interagency Council on Homelessness (SCICH)?

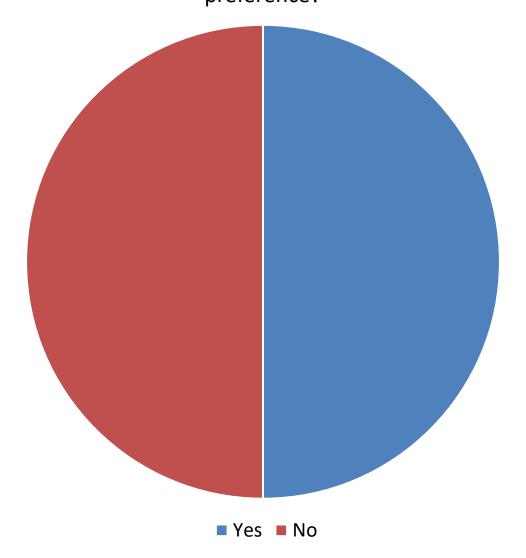
- 2. Understanding of SCICH:
- Many have never heard of it.
- Many would like to know more.
- Many would like to gain a better understanding.
- 3. Do you believe these goals are meaningful and can support you in your efforts to address homelessness?
- Majority said yes.







If you are a PHA, has your PHA established a homeless preference?

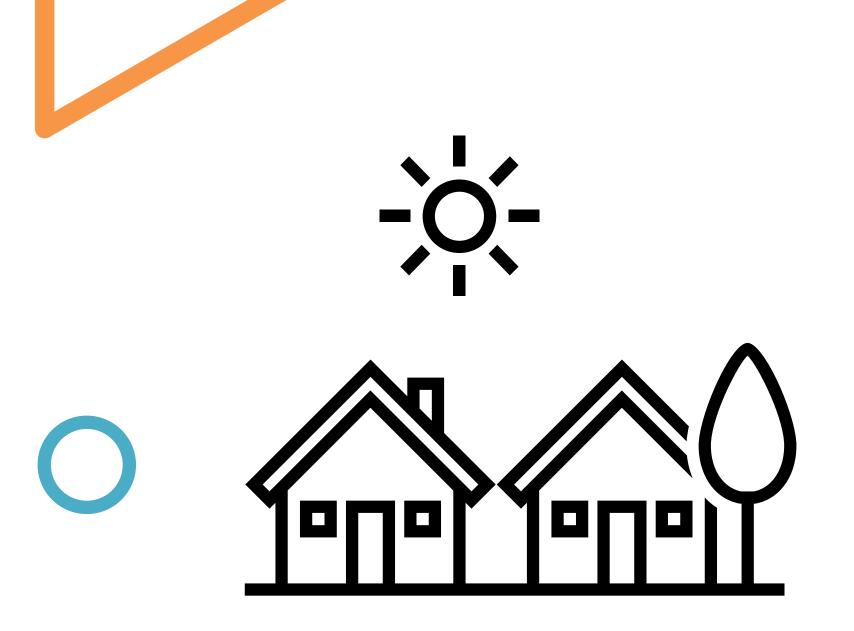


#### Barriers:

- Homeless families need supportive services to be a successful tenant.
- Many PHA have working preferences many homeless would not be in this category.
   Board also has input on our preferences.

### **Next Steps**

- PHA/COC want training, initiatives, and collaboration.
- Better understanding of Funding opportunities.
- Program flexibility.



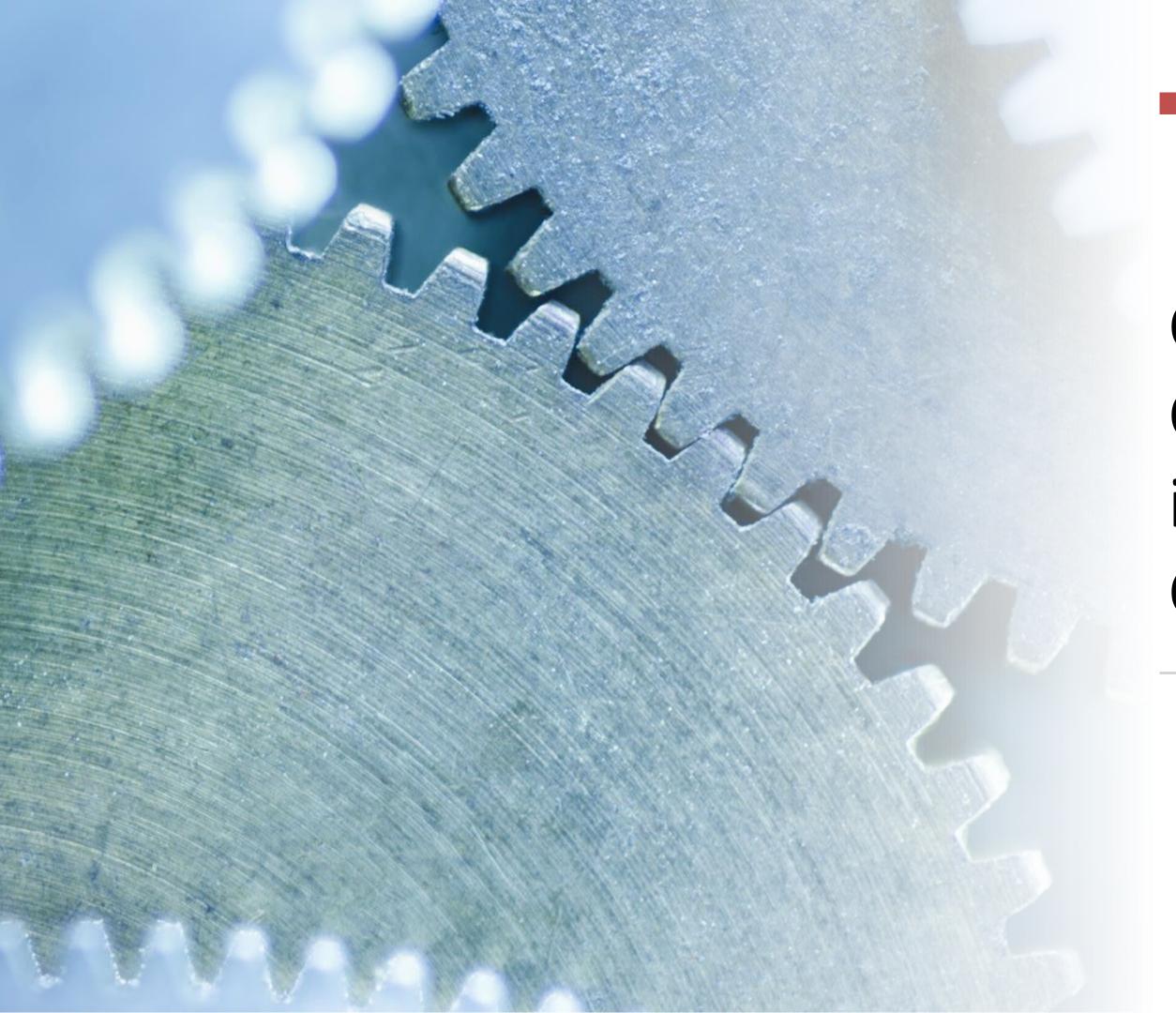


# PHA/COC SURVEY COLLABORATIVE OPPORTUNITIES

Angie Hall

HUD SC Field Office Representative

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CoC and PIH
Coordination when
it comes to a CoC
Competition

## **CoC Competition**

- Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO)
- Competitive process
- Open to Non-profit organizations, states, local governments, Indian Tribes and Public Housing Authorities.
- Each individual project application is submitted as part of the Collaborative Application. Up to 50 points is in direct proportion to the score received on the CoC application.

 CoC Coordination and Engagement

 Total of 85 points or 11.76% g. Public Housing Agencies.

Coordinates with the Public Housing Agencies (PHAs) located in their geographic area that resulted in admission preferences for households experiencing homelessness, including move-on strategy-which is a partnership between the CoC and one or more PHAs who have an admission preference for clients in PH-PSH who are able and want to move out of supportive housing with a rental subsidy.

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CoCs must demonstrate how they work with the PHA(s) in their geographic area to:

- coordinate with a PHA to apply for or implement Housing Choice Voucher funding that is statutorily dedicated to people experiencing homelessness;
- coordinate with a PHA to apply for or implement existing funding for people experiencing homelessness (e.g. Mainstream vouchers, FUP, or other programs);

 CoC Coordination and Engagement

- established PHA(s) admission preferences for households experiencing homelessness which may include a preference for formerly homeless households residing in units of housing for persons experiencing homelessness (e.g., Move-on Program), or project-basing vouchers for households experiencing homelessness;
- ensure at least 20 percent of new PHA admissions were individuals or families experiencing homelessness at admission; and
- Include PHA(s)-funded units described above in the CoC's coordinated entry.

Project Capacity Review and Ranking

 Total of 27 Points or 7.4%

#### a. Leveraging Housing Resources.

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These points are available for CoCs that apply for at least one new PSH or RRH project that utilizes housing subsidies or subsidized housing units not funded through the CoC or ESG programs. Housing subsidies or subsidized housing units may be funded through any of the following sources:

- Private organizations;
- State or local government, including through the use of HOME funding provided through the American Rescue Plan;
- Public Housing Agencies, including through the use of a general or limited preference;
- Faith-based organizations; or
- Federal programs other than the CoC or ESG programs.

CoC's will receive full points by demonstrating that they have applied for at least one PSH or RRH project that utilizes housing subsidies or subsidized housing units not funded through the CoC or ESG programs. The CoC must demonstrate that these housing units will:

(i) in the case of a PSH project,provide at least 25 percent of the units included in the project; or(ii) in the case of a RRH project,serve at least 25 percent of the program participants anticipated to be served by the project.

CoCs must attach letters of commitment, contracts, or other formal written documents that demonstrate the number of subsidies or units being provided to support the project.

CoCs can receive less than full points for demonstrating commitments less than the threshold described above.

# CoC-PHA Crosswalk Report

A Print

Date Published: August 2023

### Description

The purpose of the CoC-PHA Crosswalk is to assist Continuums of Care (CoCs) with providing information for question 1C-7 of the CoC Application, which asks about Public Housing Agencies' (PHAs) progress on serving homeless households for the five largest PHAs that are located within a CoC's geography.

This report identifies the PHAs located within each CoC's geography, as well as the following elements:

- HCV units—the total number of vouchers for which the PHA is authorized to provide.
- PH units—the total number of Public Housing units the PHA operates.
- ACC units—the combined total number of units the PHA can provide, either through vouchers or hard units (ACC = HCV + PH).

The report highlights in gray the five largest PHAs that are located within the CoC's geography. HUD recognizes that the CoC may have relationships with other PHAs within its geography, so for the purposes of question 1C-7, CoCs are to report on the five largest PHAs or five PHAs with whom they have relationships. If there are fewer than five PHAs within a CoC's geography, the CoC should report on all PHAs listed in the report.

# CoC Application includes:

	Organization/Person	Participated in CoC Meetings	Voted, Including Electing CoC Board Members	Participated in CoC's Coordinated Entry System
21.	Public Housing Authorities			

# CoC Application includes:

	Entities or Organizations Your CoC Coordinates with for Planning or Operations of Projects	Coordinates with the Planning or Operations of Projects?
15.	Public Housing Authorities	

## CoC Application includes:

Public Housing Agency Name	Enter the Percent of New Admissions into Public Housing and Housing Choice Voucher Program During FY 2021 who were experiencing homelessness at entry	Does the PHA have a General or Limited Homeless Preference?	Does the PHA have a Preference for current PSH program participants no longer needing intensive supportive services,
			e.g., Moving On?

### You must enter information for at least 1 row in question 1C-7.

1C-7a.	Written Policies on Homeless Admission Preferences with PHAs.			
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.g.			
	Describe in the field below:			
1.	steps your CoC has taken, with the two largest PHAs within your CoC's geographic area or the two PHAs your CoC has working relationships with, to adopt a homeless admission preference—if your CoC only has one PHA within its geographic area, you may respond for the one; or			
2.	state that your CoC has not worked with the PHAs in its geographic area to adopt a homeless admission preference.			

	1C-7c.	Include Units from PHA Administered Programs in Your CoC's Coordinated Entry.	
_		NOFO Section VII.B.1.g.	
		In the chart below, indicate if your CoC includes units from the following PHA programs in your CoC's coordinated entry process?	
	1.	Emergency Housing Vouchers (EHV)	
	2.	Family Unification Program (FUP)	

3. Housing Choice Voucher (HCV)

6. Non-Elderly Disabled (NED) Vouchers

5. Mainstream Vouchers

8. Other Units from PHAs:

7. Public Housing

4. HUD-Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (HUD-VASH)

You must select a response in elements 1 through 7 in question 1C-7c.

## **Debriefing Scores**

#### 2. CoC Scoring Summary (from FY 2023 CoC NOFO)

Scoring Category	Maximum Score (Points)	State of SC Average Score (Points)
1B. Coordination and Engagement-Inclusive Structure and Participation	5	4.6
1C. Coordination and Engagement–Coordination with Federal, State, Local, Private, and Other Organizations	29	22.1
1D. Coordination and Engagement–Coordination with Federal, State, Local, Private, and Other Organizations–Continued	51	47.1
1E. Project Capacity, Review, and Ranking-Local Competition	27	24.5
2A. Homeless Management Information System (HMIS)–Implementation	9	6.75
2B. Point-in-Time (PIT) Count	5	4.5
2C. System Performance	60	37.7
3A. Coordination with Housing and Healthcare	14	4
Total CoC Application Score*	200	151.25



# ABOUT COCS & HOMELESSNESS IN SC

Bruce Forbes

SCICH Sec'y/Treas. & SC Upstate CoC Representative

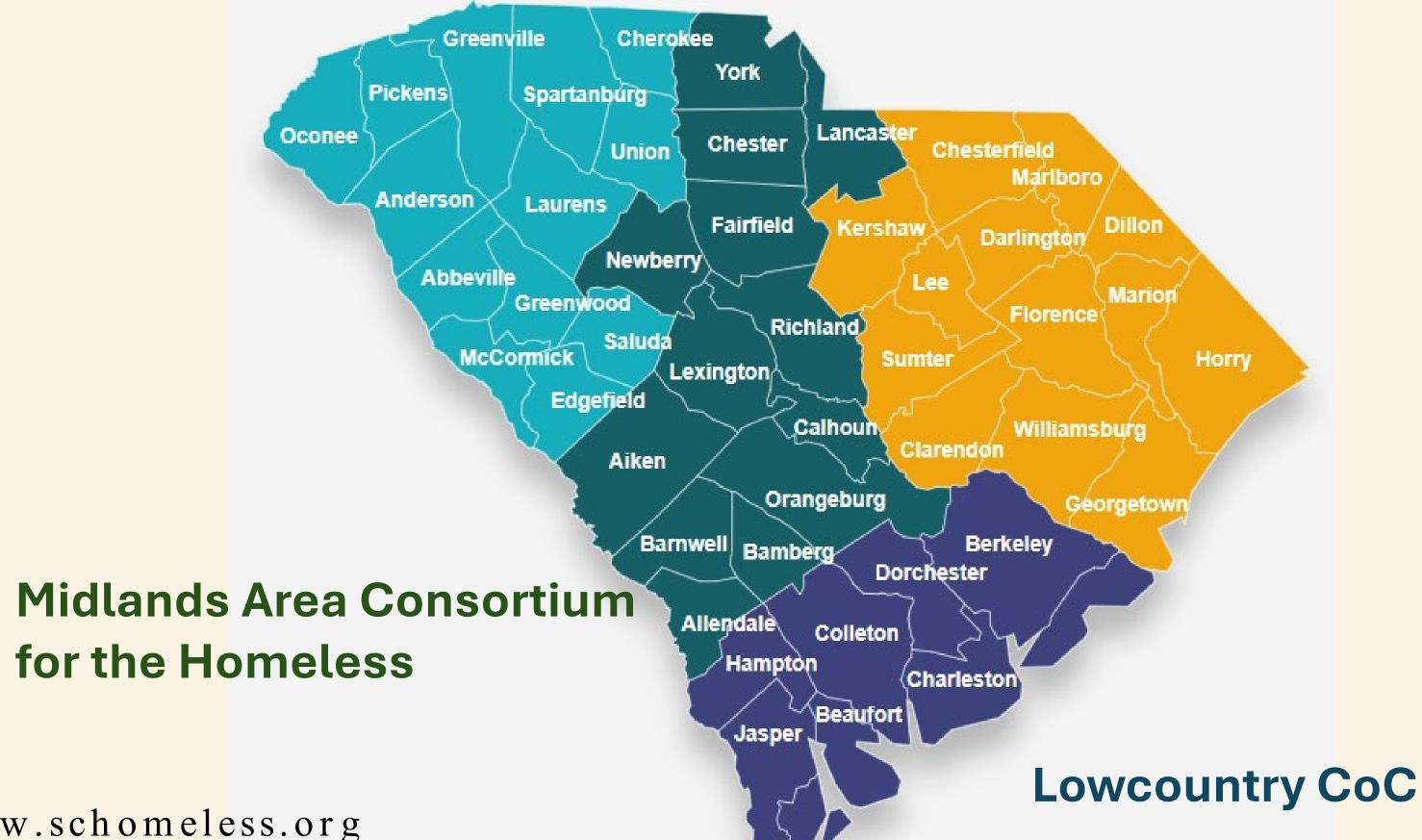
### **CoCs in South Carolina**

### **Continuums of Care (CoCs) were created (24 CFR part 578) to:**

- promote a community-wide commitment to the goal of ending homelessness;
- to provide funding for efforts by nonprofit providers, states, Indian Tribes or tribally designated housing entities, and local governments
  - -to quickly rehouse homeless individuals, families, persons fleeing domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking, and youth while minimizing the trauma and dislocation caused by homelessness;
- to promote access to and effective utilization of mainstream programs by homeless individuals and families, and
- to optimize self-sufficiency among those experiencing homelessness.

#### **Upstate CoC**

### **Total Care for the Homeless**



# SC CoCs and Contact Information

The **Upstate Continuum of Care** is a group of approximately 80 homeless service providers operating in Abbeville, Anderson, Cherokee, Edgefield, Greenville, Greenwood, Laurens, McCormick, Oconee, Pickens, Saluda, Spartanburg, and Union counties. The **lead agency** for the Upstate CoC is **United Housing Connections**. <a href="https://www.upstatecoc.org">www.upstatecoc.org</a>

The **Lowcountry Continuum of Care** (CoC) is a group of approximately 20 homeless service providers operating in Berkley, Beaufort, Charleston, Colleton, Hampton and Jasper counties. The **lead agency** for the Lowcountry CoC is **One80 Place**. <a href="www.lowcountry.org">www.lowcountry.org</a>

**Total Care for the Homeless Coalition** (TCHC) has 36 member agencies that are homeless service providers operating in Chesterfield, Clarendon, Darlington, Dillon, Florence, Georgetown, Horry, Kershaw, Lee, Marion, Marlboro, Sumter, and Williamsburg counties. The **lead agency** for TCHC is **Eastern Carolina Housing Organization (ECHO).** <a href="https://echousing.org/">https://echousing.org/</a>

**Midlands Area Consortium for the Homeless** (MACH) is a group of approximately 50 homeless service providers operating in Aiken, Allendale, Bamberg, Barnwell, Calhoun, Chester, Fairfield, Kershaw, Lancaster, Lexington, Newberry, Orangeburg, Richland, and York counties. The **lead agency** for MACH is the **United Way of the Midlands**.

https://www.midlandshomeless.com/

# **HUD Funding to Each CoC**

#### **Lowcountry CoC**

\$2,561,233 for 8 Projects

#### **Upstate CoC**

\$3,780,209 for 18 Projects

#### Midlands Area Consortium for the Homeless

\$4,750,787 for 19 Projects

#### **Total Care for the Homeless**

\$3,558,907 for 12 Projects

South Carolina TOTAL \$14,651,136 for 57 Projects

#### **Types of Projects**

- Planning
- Homeless Management Information Systems (HMIS)
- Rapid Rehousing (RRH)
- Transitional Housing (TH)
- Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH)
- Supportive Services

Serving specific populations of Homeless such as Domestic Violence, Veterans, Youth, Chronically Homeless, People with Disabilities such as Mental Health Difficulties, and Families.

# ALL CoCs Have Monthly Meetings and

## We Want You to Be Involved

www.upstatecoc.org

www.lowcountry.org

https://echousing.org/

https://www.midlandshomeless.com/



### DEMOGRAPHIC COMPARISON

2019-2020

2020-2021

#### **TOTAL SERVED**

10,969

Persons received homeless services 13,399

Persons received

#### 64% GENDER 60%

Identified as male, while 35% identified as female

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56%

#### RACE

53%

Identified as Black or African American Identified as Black

#### AGE

1 IN 5

Persons receiving homeless services were children

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#### **VETERANS**

2,535

Veterans received homeless services 2,168

Veterans received

#### DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

1,403

Persons reported being a victim of domestic violence

1.592

Persons reported being a victim of domestic violence The Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) is a statewide database used by homeless service providers to collect client-level data on housing and services offered to individuals and families experiencing homelessness in South Carolina. Data pulled from HMIS reports that 13,399 person received homeless services from HMIS-participating service providers from 10/1/2020 to 9/30/2021. These persons represented 10,484 households.

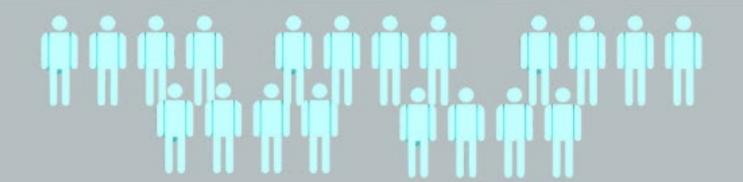
#### 2021 TAKEAWAYS

- 2,446 children under 18 received homeless services
- The median age of adults served 46 years old
- · The median age of children served 8 years old
- 90% of participants served were single adults

The number of persons receiving homeless services recorded in HMIS increased by 18% in 12 months.

# Homeless Management Information System

### DEMOGRAPHIC **DETAILS**



GENDER	M	Female	Male	Gender Not Singular	Questioning	Transgender	Unidentified
	Persons	5,113	8,078	29	1	3	231
	Persons %	38%	60%	0%	0%	0%	2%

	225	Native American	Asian	Black/ African American	Multi-Racial	White	Unidentified
CE	Persons	80	37	7,041	711	5,254	351
A A	Persons %	0%	0%	53%	5%	39%	3%

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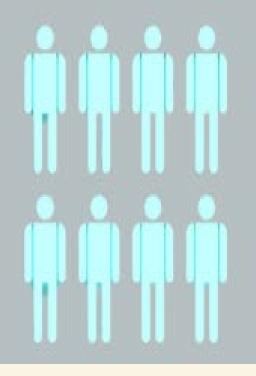
	Hispanic/ Latin	Hispanic/ Latin	Other
Persons	442	12,550	407
Persons %	3%	94%	3%

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/台[2]	Yes	No	Unidentified	
Persons	2,168	8,560	224	
Persons %	20%	78%	2%	

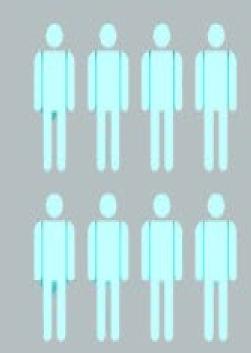
AGE RANGE

	Under 6	6-11	12-17	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+
Persons	977	772	697	1,017	2,072	2,211	2,309	2,603	741
Persons %	<b>7</b> %	6%	5%	8%	16%	17%	17%	19%	5%

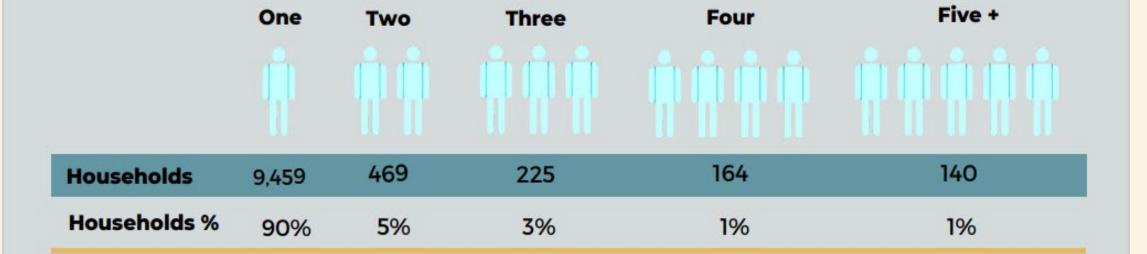


AGE AT ENTRY

	All	Adults	Under 18
Average Age at Entry	40	45	8
Median Age at Entry	42	46	8



### **HOUSEHOLD SIZE**



### **HOUSEHOLD TYPE**

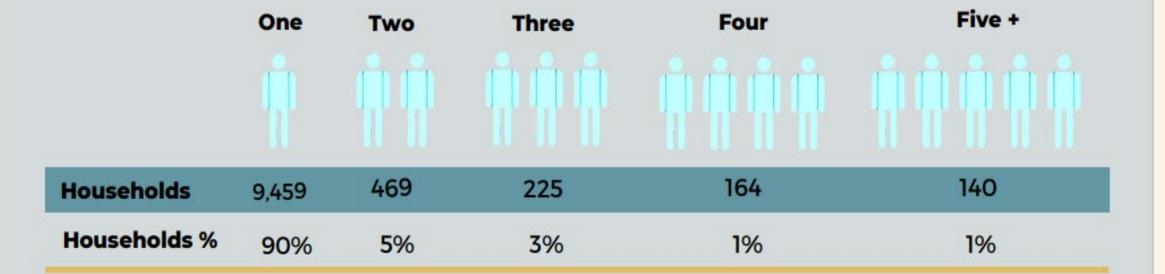
One	Single Adults	9,251 88%	
	Youth (Unaccompanied)	211	2%

Two	Adults Only	200	2%
	Adults with Children)	272	3%

Adults Only	16	0%
Adults with Children	260	2%
	Adults with	Adults with



### **HOUSEHOLD SIZE**



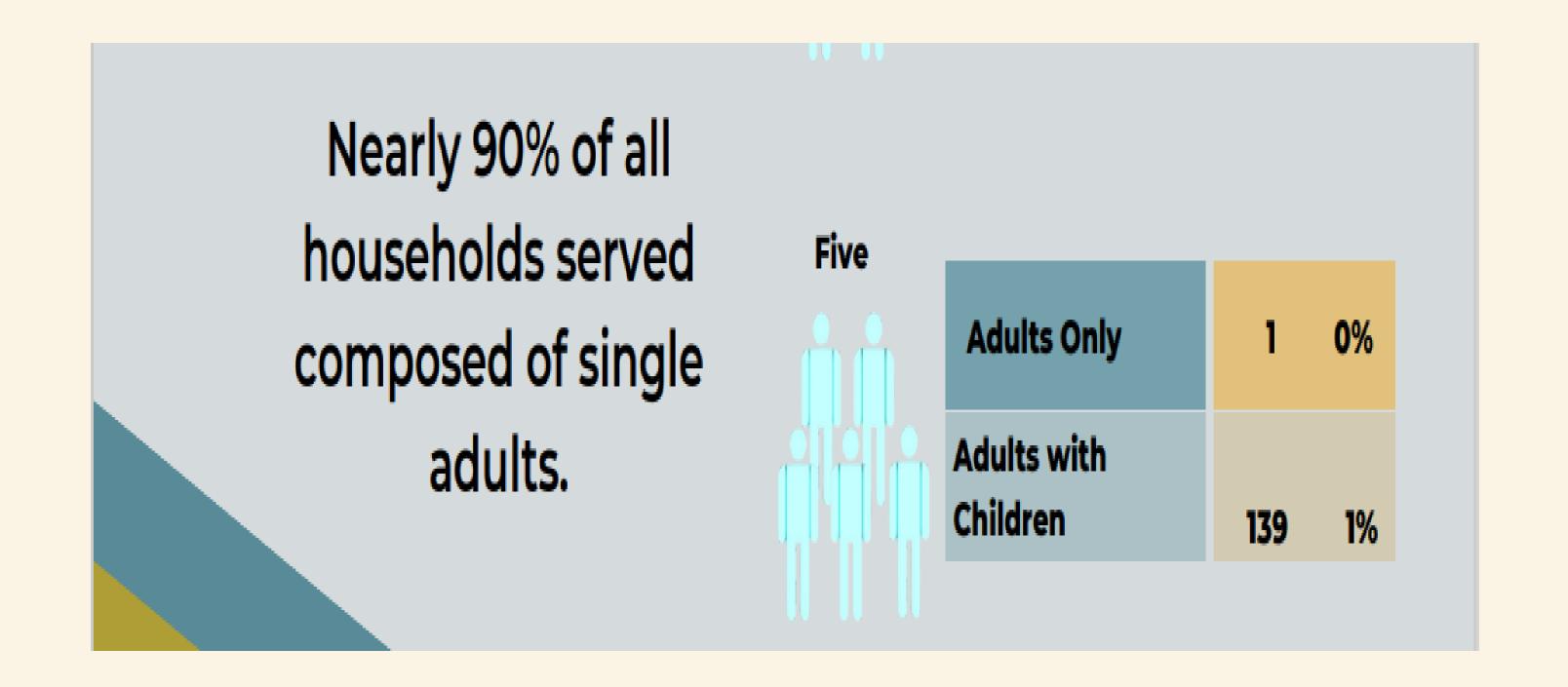
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Four			
88	Adults Only	2	0%
	Adults with		
	Children	163	2%



### INCOME

Given that nearly half of all participants report having a disabling condition, it is reasonable that 65% of these 5,725 participants report receiving some type of disability income. The data further shows that program participants involved in homeless assistance programs see an average rise in monthly income of \$148.

OME	\$ \$	Yes	No	Unknown
	Persons	5,725	4,798	429
ijŽ.	Persons %	52%	44%	4%

<b>₩</b>		Entry	Exit
OME	Avg \$ Amount	\$914	\$944
Ň	Median \$ Amount	\$794	\$800

### 2021 TAKEAWAYS

- 52% of participants reported income
- 65% of those with income received disability income
- The average increase in participant income at program exit was \$148 a month

INCOME SOURCES

	\$ Change During Enrollment	Income Amount
ļ	Avg Income at Entry	\$894
	Avg Income at Update/Exit	\$1,042
)	Avg Income at Change	\$148

Top 10 Sources	Persons	% Total Persons	Median Amount
Earned Income	1,775	31%	\$1,105
Supplemental Security Income (SSI)	1,489	26%	\$771
Social Security Disability Income (SSDI)	1,427	25%	\$821
Unidentified	1,024	18%	\$83
Veteran Service Connected	564	10%	\$893
Social Security/Retirement	283	5%	\$883
Veteran Non-Service Connected	213	4%	\$1,043
Unemployment Insurance	157	3%	<b>\$7</b> 80
Other	152	3%	\$515
Child Support	136	2%	\$300



# LUNCH BREAK!

12:00 PM - 12:30 pm

Sponsored by the SC Interagency Council on Homelessness



# SUPPORTIVE SERVICES MAKING A DIFFERENCE

Lorain Crowl

SCICH Chair & Owner of Leadwell 360, LLC



### ABOUT LEADWELL 360, LLC

The mission at Leadwell 360, LLC is to help business owners and entrepreneurs build business strategy, develop successful programs and manage projects that sustain and grow their business.

### **ABOUT THE OWNER**



LORAIN CROWL, CFRE

I've been in non-profit leadership for 28 years, helping organizations build effective programs and financial strategies that support their mission and create financial sustainablity.

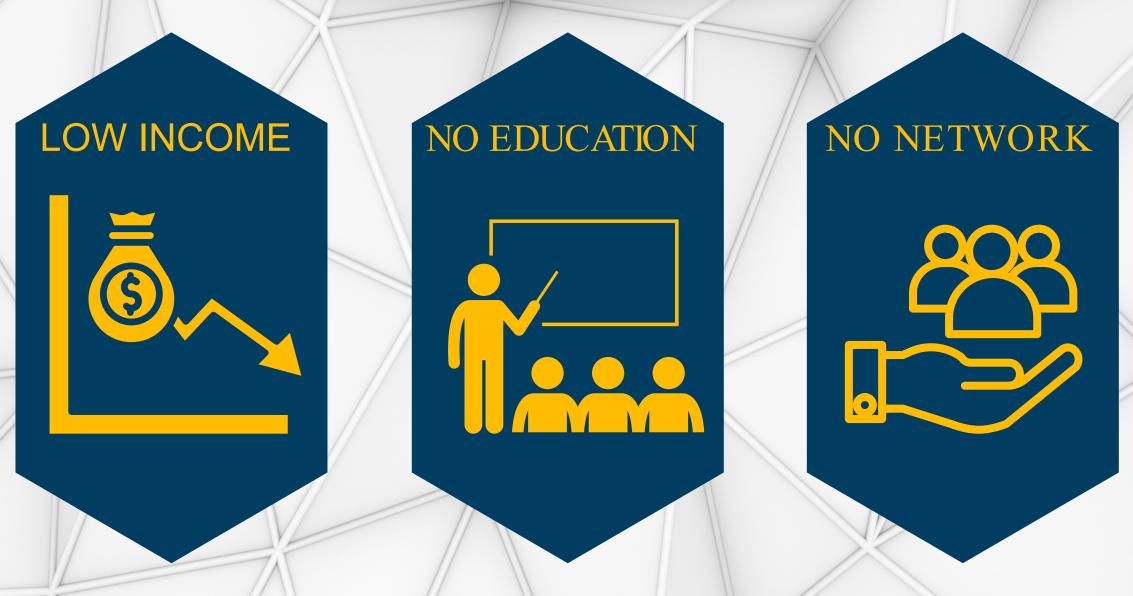


# THE ON-SITE SUPPORTIVE SERVICES MODEL

- Formed in the late 70's to help provide housing and in-home services to those with severe mental illness
- Expanded in the 90's to include individuals experiencing homelessness utilizing the housing-first model
- In 2005 HUD began funding the Permanant Supportive Housing Model through regional Continuums of Care



# WHAT KEEPS PEOPLE IN POVERTY?



On-site Supportive Service Makes a Significant Impact in These Areas.

### **ON-SITE SUPPORTIVE SERVICES HELPS...**

1

CREATES A
PATHWAY
OUT OF
POVERTY

2

INCREASE
HOUSING
STABILITY

3

IMPROVE
MENTAL
AND
AND
PHYSICAL
HEALTH

4

PROVIDE
SUPPORT FOR
SINGLEPARENT
FAMILIES, THE
ELDERLY, AND
DISABLED



### STAFF ROLES



# PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT



#### PROPERTY MANAGEMENT

- Managing the Leasing Process
- Managing Rents, Payments,
   Late Fees, Evictions
- Managing Property
   Maintenance
- Addressing Resident Issues
   Regarding Property
   Management & Maintenance
- Implementing a Property
   Inspection Process
- Addressing Lease Violations

#### **SUPPORTIVE SERVICES**

- Ensuring residents understand their Rights & Responsibilities to maintaining their housing
- Providing connections, workshops and classes to supportive services and opportunities for growth
- Developing and managing a Residents' Council to enhance community engagement and neighbor support
- Working with the Residents' Council to develop onsite events and activities



# PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT



### PROGRAM IMPACT

- Prevents PMs from involvement in tenant's personal situations
- PMs are not the "go-to" for tenant community resource connections
- PMs can fully concentrate on their management responsibilities
- Creates a third-party mediator relationship supports both PMs and tenants
- Provides real solutions designed to promote long-term tenant stability
- Prevents evictions
- Saves thousands of dollars in unit down-time and turn costs

### THE SULLIVAN-A CASE STUDY

- Funded by Low Income Housing Tax Credits (SC Housing) and gap funding sources
- 180 Units
- Located in the Berea Area of Greenville, SC
- Amenities Include pool, pavilion, playground, basketball court, dog park, clubhouse, gym, computer room, mail room, laundry facility, washer/dryer connections



### HOUSEHOLD INCOME ANALYSIS

- Average Annual Income (all residents) \$29,554 or \$14.21/hr
- Tenant Income Limits 60% AMI (1 Person 37,380) (2 People \$42,720) (3 People \$48,060) (4 People \$53,400)
- Only 2 households earn just over \$50,000 a year
- 4 households earn less than \$5,000 a year

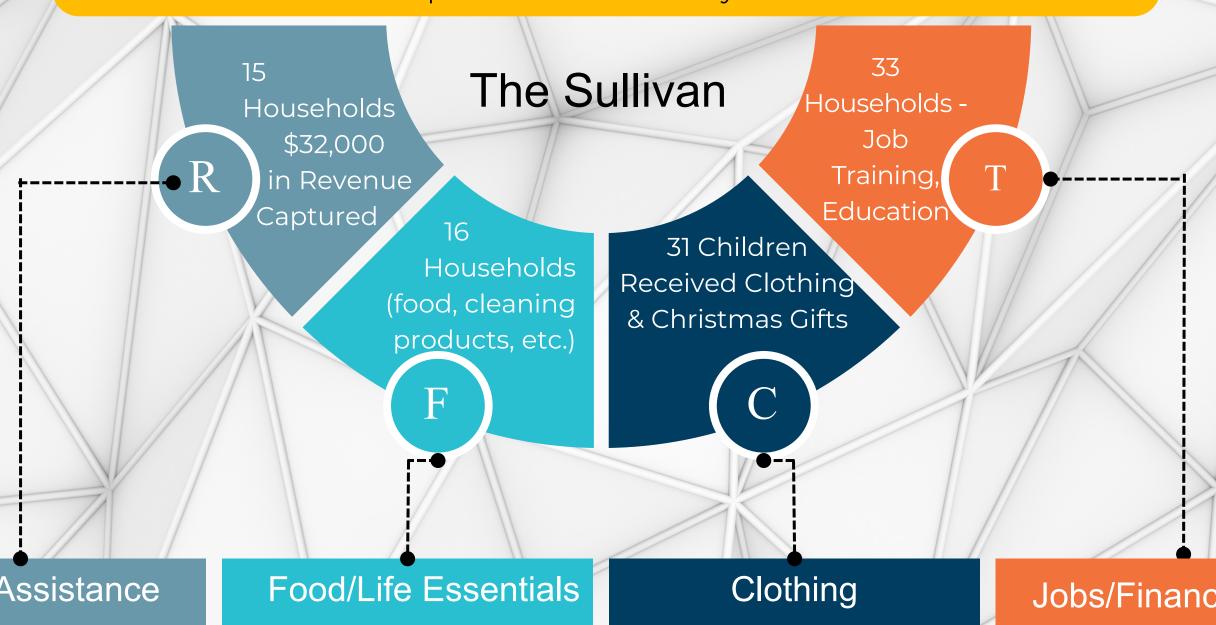
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NCOME

	# Bedrooms	Average Annual Income	# Units with Rent Subsidy	Average Subsidy	High Subsidy	Low Subsidy
7	1 (45 units)	\$23,539	22	\$530	\$670	\$123
	2 (69 units)	\$30,386	13	\$549	\$990	\$168
	3 (51 units)	\$31,831	22	\$775	\$1,187	\$205
	4 (15 units)	\$37,438	5	\$1,196	\$1,364	\$790

### **SUPPORTIVE SERVICES BY THE NUMBERS**

September 2023 - January 2024



#### Rental Assistance

- 15 Single-moms
- 30 School-age Children
- 2 Elderly Adults

- 13 Single-moms
- 4 Seniors
- 26 children

- Winter Coats
- Clothing
- Christmas Gifts (children)

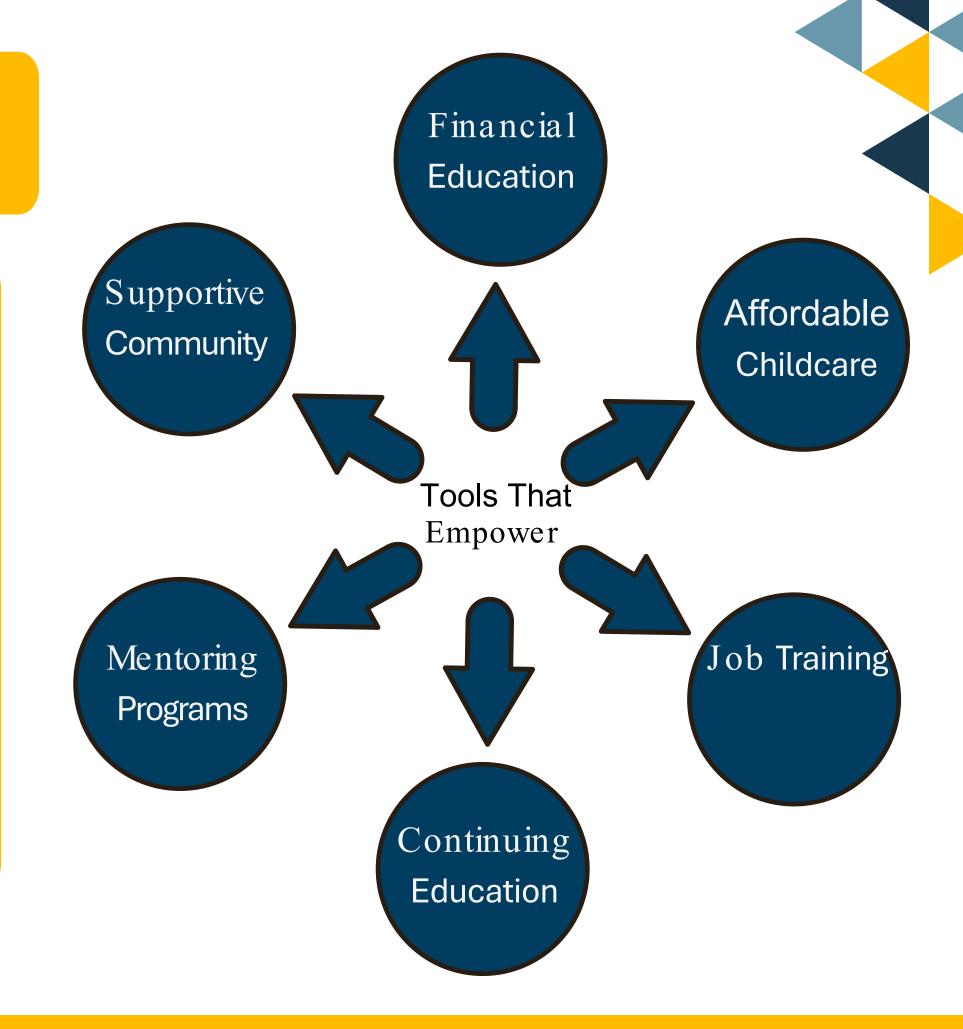
#### Jobs/Financial Classes

- 20 Adults SHARE Job Training Program
- 13 Attended Financial **Empowerment Classes**

### **EMPOWERING RESIDENTS**



Greenville Human Relations Commission Teaching a Financial Empowerment Class





### THE RESIDENTS' COUNCIL

- Made up of 8-12 Residents (1-2 from each building)
- Meets Monthly to Plan Community Events and Workshops
- Brings resident concerns to the group for discussion and to brainstorm resolutions
- In charge of the food pantry, clothing shop and residents' emergency fund





### WHAT DOES THE PROGRAM COST?

- The cost is scalable depending on the number of units
- Generally, 20% of residents in income ranges of 30% to 50% AMI per 100 units will need some type of assistance.
- 1 Full-time social worker or social services coordinator rate of pay is \$32 \$34/hour including benefits.
- Your organization or property would be billed that hourly rate for services rendered.
- The average time spent per month/per household is 1.5 hours.

\$ # HHs Served	Hourly Rate	Avg # of Hours/ HH/Month	Monthly Charge
10	\$34	1.5	\$510

LESS THAN 1/2 THE AVG 1 BEDROOM RATE OF \$1,136.

### WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS?

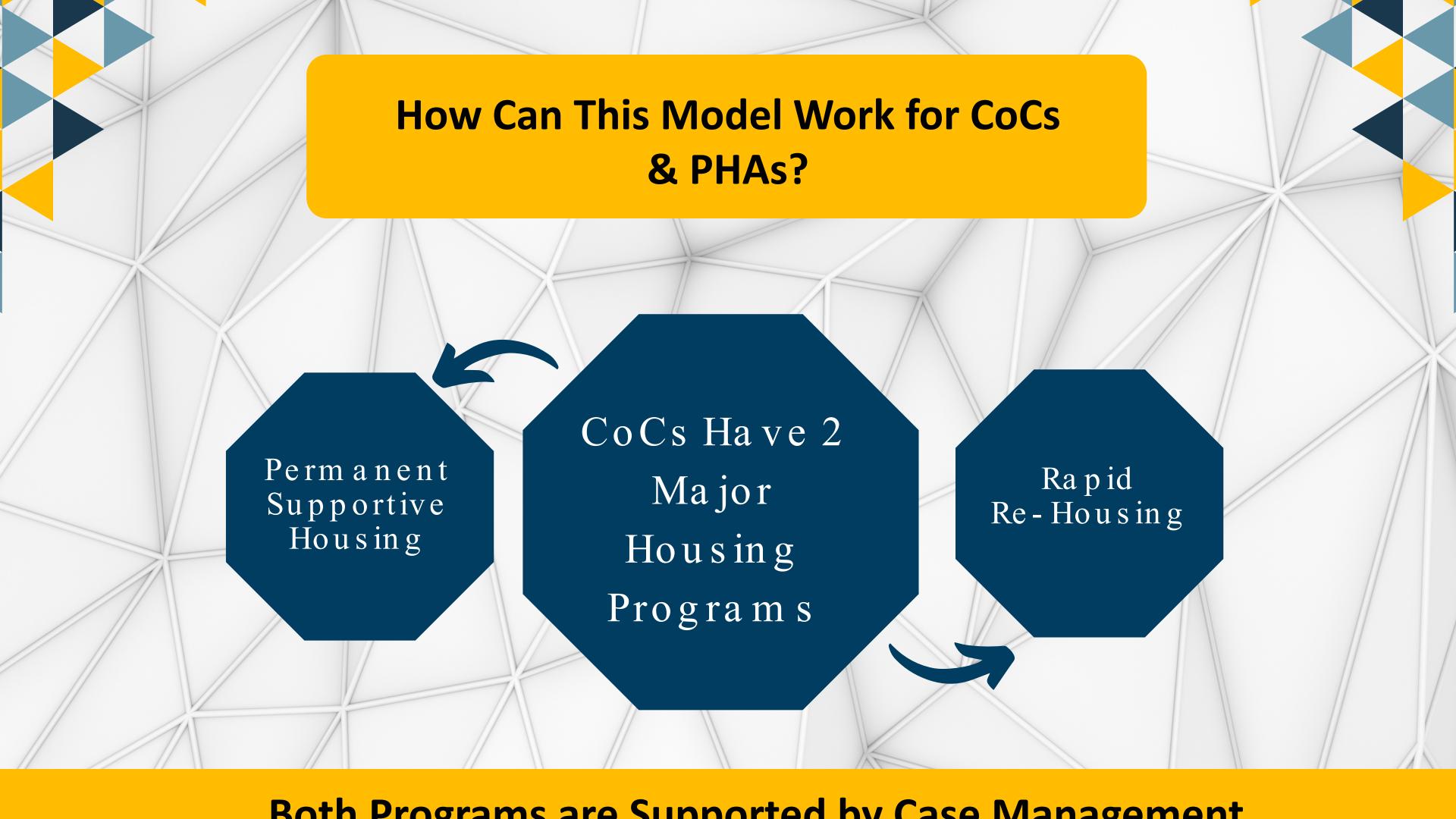
REDUCES LOST
RENTS/TURNCOSTS

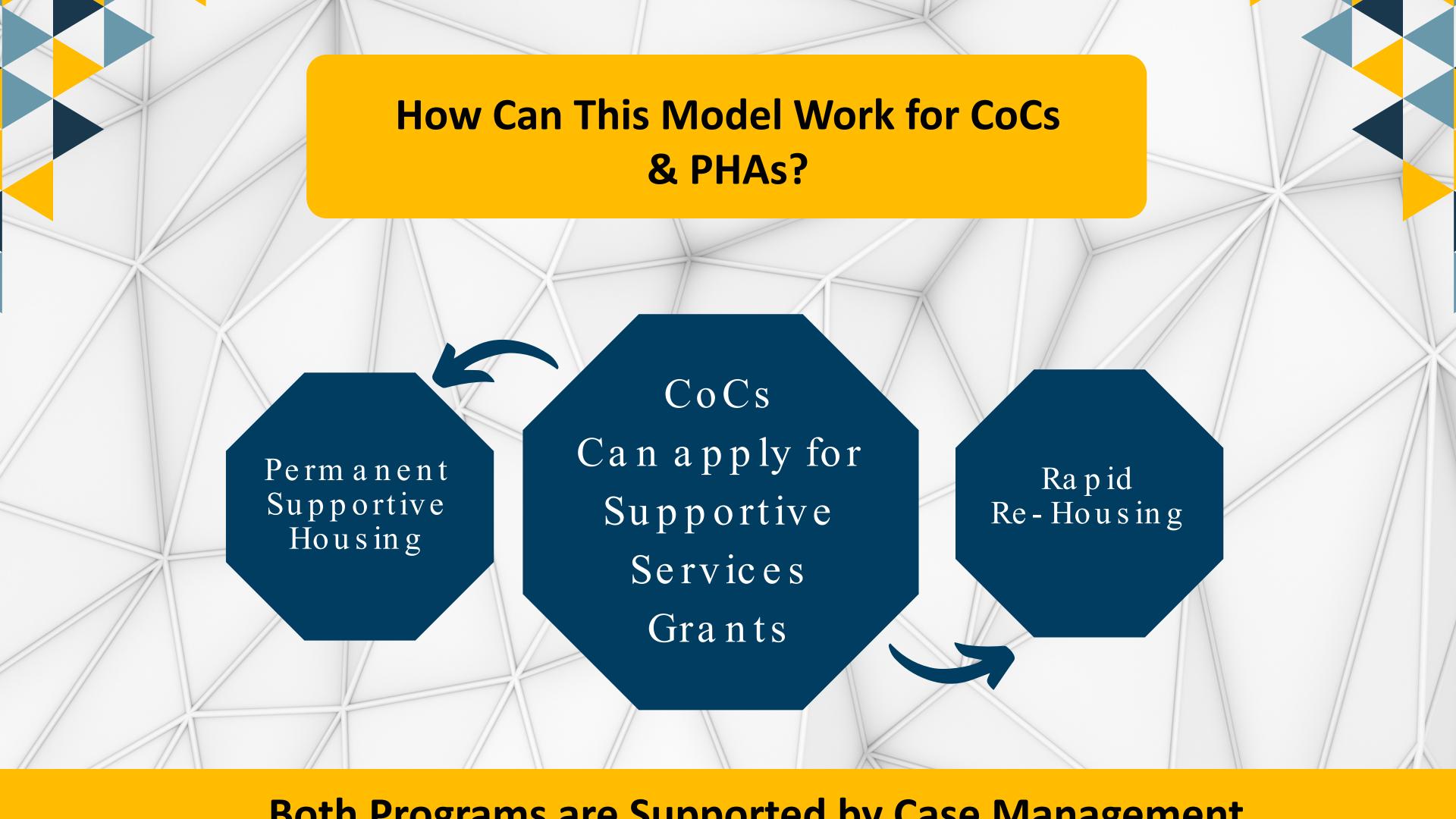
RESIDENTS
REMAIN
STABLY
HOUSED!

SUPPORTS RESIDENTS IN CRISIS

- Sullivan Savings Sept. 23-Jan 24
  - Average Turn Cost (Including 1 mo. lost rent) \$3,000
     per unit X 17 units = \$51,000 potential lost revenue
  - 17 Households did not lose their housing

- Captured \$32,000 in potential lost rent with no additional turn costs (Sullivan)
- Training & support for residents to prevent additional losses
- Builds Community & Sense of Reponsibility











# WORKINGTOGETHER

A Group Roundtable Discussion

Representatives from PHAs/CoC/State Agencies/SCICH



# NEXT STEPS

Where Do We Go From Here?

Representatives from PHAs/CoC/State Agencies/SCICH



### THANK YOU FOR ATTENDING!

We Appreciate All You Do in Your Communities to Address Housing Insecurity!