

OHIO ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN SUPPORTIVE HOUSING

As a state, we committed to providing affordable housing with supportive services and as a result we have reduced chronic homelessness, improved the lives of our most vulnerable citizens, maximized public resources, and built healthier communities.

- Over 3,000 new units of supportive housing are operational or in the development pipeline and three-quarters were created in just the last six years!
- Supportive housing has been generated all across the state from Painesville to Lebanon, Athens to Toledo and points all about.
- We are proud that 200 people representing 47 communities, 36 counties, 13 public housing authorities, and 12 recovery boards have learned the nuts and bolts of supportive housing development, successfully graduating from one of six CSH's Supportive Housing Training Institutes.
- Supportive housing providers increased quality outcomes in their existing portfolios utilizing CSH's Dimensions of Quality tools.
- Ohio Department of Mental Health committed \$10MM in new capital dollars for housing.
- The new Ohio Department of Mental Health & Addiction Services continues to invest in hot spots around the state to increase housing and support services for vulnerable populations.
- Ohio Housing Finance Agency (OHFA) continues to prioritize housing for special needs populations, retaining the \$4MM Low Income Housing Tax Credit supportive housing pool and offering critically needed gap financing.

- Federal Home Loan Bank of Cincinnati and its members invested over \$12MM in supportive housing projects over the last two years

 a 13% increase over previous program years.
- OHFA's Board recently approved a \$32MM capital program for homeless Continuum of Cares and supportive housing is an eligible activity.
- Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction's (ODRC) Returning Home Ohio pilot resulted in fewer returns to state prison, showing that reentry can be successful when an offender with a disabling condition is provided supportive housing.



- ODRC made Returning Home Ohio a program and is investing in expansion.
- The Attorney General's office and the Office of Medicaid have joined ODRC, CSH and OHFA in expanding the Home for Good rental subsidy program. Pilot expansion site is Hamilton County.

Look for CSH offerings to include:



- Seminars on Six Steps to Community Acceptance of supportive housing projects.
- A 2014 training series on the updated CSH Dimensions of Quality, which includes modules addressing supportive housing scattered sites.
- Specialized supportive housing seminars on how to effectively apply for capital funding.
- Expanded TA for supportive housing for specialized populations in smaller communities.
- Returning Home Ohio expansion in existing and new communities.
- Working with our partners to evaluate the effectiveness of Home for Good

To learn more about these upcoming activities, check csh.org often or email us at oh.info@csh.org

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