

## MAY 2021 NEWSLETTER



*The MAHC annual Membership Breakfast, like this one in 2019, is a great opportunity to celebrate our member organization's successes over the last year.*

### Don't Miss the Spring Breakfast with Secretary Holt on Monday

Grab your breakfast and join us virtually for our annual Membership Breakfast with DHCD Secretary Ken Holt and his staff on Monday, May 17 as we celebrate the end

#### UPCOMING EVENTS

##### **2021 VIRTUAL MEMBERSHIP BREAKFAST WITH DHCD SECRETARY KEN HOLT**

Monday, May 17, 10 a.m. - 11 a.m.

Register [here](#).

of a successful FY2022 Legislative Session and get important updates from DHCD on the Assisted Housing Relief Fund, their other COVID relief work, and the timing for the next LIHTC Round.

Enterprise will present the findings of the recently completed Statewide Housing Needs Assessment. DHCD will also present their annual awards, and we will have other updates from MAHC and DHCD, so you don't want to miss this free event open to all Members.

Register [here](#).

## A Message from the DEI Committee Chair Nichole Doye-Battle

In late 2020, the MAHC Board of Directors created a permanent Diversity Equity Inclusion (DEI) Committee and updated the MAHC Mission Statement to reflect MAHC's diversity priorities. The purpose of the new DEI Committee is to look at MAHC's work through a DEI lens and to create, promote, and provide learning opportunities that will help members to be more diverse, inclusive, and equitable and to gain a better understanding of the history and disparities that exist in the affordable housing industry. We recently hired the Maryland-based consulting firm hyrUP to lead us in this effort. The consultant will lead a strategic planning session with the MAHC Board in June to ensure that our Board, and the Coalition's future work, is inclusive and promotes diversity, while also providing opportunities to grow future leaders in the affordable housing industry.

The DEI Committee has created an Action Plan which includes both short term and long term implementation steps. The Committee will continue to review and monitor our current policies and procedures while promoting practices that are more equitable and representative of the communities we serve. We will also work to support

### DEI WORKSHOP: AT THE CORE

Monday, June 7, 2 p.m. - 4 p.m.  
Register [here](#).

### DEI WORKSHOP: BLIND SPOTS, UNCONSCIOUS BIAS

Monday, June 14, 2 p.m. - 4 p.m.  
Register [here](#).

### Property Management Committee

Wednesdays @12:30 p.m. bi-weekly  
Next meeting 6/9 & 6/23

### Development Committee

Next meeting 6/4 @ 11:00 a.m.

### Construction & Design Committee

Next meeting TBD

### Resident Services Committee

Next meeting 5/20 @10:00 a.m.

Contact [Miranda](#) to sign up for any Committee call.

### THANK YOU TO OUR 2021 SPONSORS

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our members diversity initiatives and advocacy efforts around issues that are important to residents living in affordable housing communities.

We encourage members to sign up for the DEI Workshops scheduled for **June 7 and 21 from 2 to 4 p.m.** The June 7 session focuses on identity and self-awareness – participants will examine how values and belief systems shape our view of the world, and how experiences play a role in creating limiting beliefs and stereotyping. During the June 14 session, attendees will explore various forms of bias and engage in activities and discussion that illuminate the effect biases have on our daily decisions. Registration is \$25 for a single session or \$40 for both sessions.

Learn more and register [here](#).

## COVID RELIEF RESOURCES FOR RESIDENTS

### State of Emergency Rental Assistance Resources

DHCD has created a new emergency rental assistance webpage with state and local eviction prevention resources. You can access this webpage [here](#).

Residents can also contact the Maryland Emergency Rental Assistance Call Center at 877-546-5595 **Monday through Friday 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.**, and **Saturdays 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.**

## FUNDING AVAILABLE

### FHLBA Accepting Funding Applications



The Federal Home Loan Bank Atlanta (FHLBA) is accepting applications for the Affordable Housing Program (AHP) General Fund initiative.

The application deadline is **Friday, June 4, 2021**. View a recorded webinar on submitting a successful application [here](#).

You can learn more about the initiative and submit an application [here](#).

#### MEMBER NEWS

##### New SVP at Berkadia

Corine Sheridan has joined Berkadia's Affordable Housing team as Senior Vice President and Head of Acquisitions.

Read more about this announcement [here](#).

#### INDUSTRY NEWS

##### HUD Resuming REAC Inspections

Starting **June 1**, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) will resume in-person inspections by the Real Estate Assessment Center (REAC).

You can learn more about this announcement [here](#).

##### Developers' Roundtable

Join the Purple Line Corridor Coalition, National Housing Trust, and Enterprise Community Partners from **10 a.m.—12:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 13, 2021**, for a roundtable

#### SILVER

AGM Financial Services

Ballard Spahr

Bozzuto Construction

Hooten Construction

Conifer Realty

Gallagher, Evelius & Jones

Hamel Builders Inc.

Howard County Housing

Maryland DHCD

PNC Bank

STUDIO 343

Truist/SunTrust Bank

#### BRONZE

Architecture By Design

BCI Management

Chesapeake Contracting Group

Delaware Valley Dev. Corp.

Foundation Development

Habitat America

Housing Authority of Baltimore City

Housing Trust of America

Hudson Housing Capital

Humphrey Management

Ingerman Management

Morgan Keller Construction

Moseley Architects

National Foundation for Affordable Housing Solutions

Pando Alliance

discussion about advancing affordable housing along the Purple Line corridor.

Register [here](#).

### **Draft Anne Arundel County Action Plan Available for Comment**

Anne Arundel County's draft Annual Action Plan for fiscal year 2022 is now available for public review and comment. The document presents a detailed strategy for the use of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Home Investment Partnerships (HOME), Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG), Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) and Continuum of Care (COC) funds expected to be received by the County during the year.

Any comments must be received by **5 p.m. on Thursday, May 27, 2021**.

Read the draft plan [here](#).

### **WHAT'S GOING ON AT MARYLAND DHCD**

#### **Assisted Housing Relief Program Relaunch**

DHCD has set aside \$40 million to relaunch the Assisted Housing Relief Program (AHRP), which serves rental units in multifamily projects financed by DHCD's Community Development Administration using state funds and other federal resources. The program is expected to open on May 17, 2021 and will cover overdue rents for eligible tenants for calendar year 2021.

You can learn more about the program and access AHRP forms [here](#).

#### **Qualified Workforce Housing Tax Credit RFP**

Pax-Edwards

Quinn Evans

R4 Capital

Raymond James

Real Property Research Group

Red Stone Equity Partners

Victory Housing

Wells Fargo

Woori America Bank

#### **NONPROFITS**

AHC of Greater Baltimore

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Episcopal Housing

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Milford Housing Development Corp.

Mission First Housing

NHP Foundation

The Community Builders

#### **WELCOME NEW MAHC MEMBERS:**

AKRF, Inc.

Berkadia

Concord Communities

DHCD is seeking proposals for a new state workforce housing tax credit through a PILOT program. To request an allocation of the Qualified Workforce Housing Credits, submit an application by **2 p.m. on Friday, June 4, 2021**.

Access the application [here](#).