

HACP Housing Authority City of Pittsburgh



**A decade of lifting up
lives and transforming
neighborhoods.**





Hello! Come on in.

Under Pittsburgh's biggest roof, you'll find...

18,430 residents

10,768 adults

8,401 families

7,662 children

5,622 active vouchers

2,456 public housing units

1,532 landlords

643 mixed-income units

300 employees

30 managed communities

1 HACP

Mission Statement

To bring a higher quality of life to City of Pittsburgh residents by creating safe, affordable housing in conjunction with comprehensive support services, attentive property management and forward-thinking real estate development strategies.



New Logo. New Look. New Momentum.

In 2020, the Housing Authority of the City of Pittsburgh opened the door to a bold new future with a more contemporary, approachable and welcoming brand identity.

Inspired by Our Innovations

The updated logo and vibrant new brand identity align more closely with the essential role we play in our local communities and as an innovator on the national stage.



What Leadership Looks Like

As we continue to elevate our profile as one of the country's forward-thinking housing authorities, we want our new logo, look and tone to better reflect our vision of vibrancy and impact ...create a more emotional connection with our various audiences...and build on the proud history that has guided us to become the transformative organization we are today.

HACP Board of Commissioners

Our Board of Commissioners establishes goals, approves policy and budgets and provides general direction to the Executive Director.



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(Top) **Valerie McDonald Roberts**, Chair
(Bottom) **Janet Evans**, Vice Chair

A Message from the Executive Director

The Housing Authority of the City of Pittsburgh (HACP) is always focused on how we can bring our communities and our residents into the future. However, there is value in looking back at the past, to see where you came from, to understand how you got here, and to know where you're going. The past ten years have been incredibly exciting ones for the HACP. With so much that has happened, we wanted to take the time to reflect on the progress we have made as we continue to move forward with a renewed sense of purpose and vigor.

During the last decade, the HACP saw a torrent of development activity all across the city, including everything from routine repairs to the revitalization of entire communities. In every initiative, the HACP centered residents' needs and forged critical partnerships to herald a new era of affordable housing development in the City of Pittsburgh. We worked collaboratively to reinvest in communities, reinvest in people, and put whole neighborhoods on the path to launch.

There is perhaps no better example of our holistic efforts to expand and improve affordable housing in the City than the Larimer/East Liberty Choice Neighborhood Initiative. What began as a collection of residents organizing for change in their community is now culminating in a multi-phase development that's implementing the very plan they crafted. This collaborative effort has already resulted in two completed phases of new mixed-income housing, as well as a plethora of resources and services pouring into the community. The Larimer/East Liberty Choice Neighborhood Initiative is a perfect example of when a community comes together, amazing things happen.

Our progress has not been centered or focused on development initiatives. The HACP has also spent the last ten years maximizing the impact our programming has on residents' lives. A number of new programs took off this decade, whether it was connecting with 412 Food Rescue to eliminate food insecurity in our communities, or our own WiFi on Wheels program which continues to bring more residents online every day. The HACP's new initiatives have centered around one question: how can we uplift residents? With that premise at the front of our minds, we forged partnerships and programs that have had a tremendous, positive impact.

We're very proud of the work we've done over the last ten years. Of course, none of this work would have been possible without support from our partners at the federal, state and local level. Looking forward to the decade ahead, we will continue to innovate and foster these critical partnerships. The HACP has accomplished significant goals in the last decade, but we have so much further to go. These previous successes are only pathways to our beginning!

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Executive Director



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PLACES:

Neighborhoods & Revitalization



Did You Know

that the HACP has invested more than **\$193 million** in the past decade to build or revitalize more than **1,700** homes?



I thank God that I found this place and that they accepted Housing Choice Vouchers. Otherwise, I wouldn't be able to pay the rent. They pay 70% and I pay the rest, which means I have a place to live that I like and can afford. I've been here for five years now."

J. O'Neal

Housing Choice Voucher Resident
Penn Mathilda Apartments, Bloomfield



Larimer/East Liberty Choice Neighborhood Initiative

Spurred by the significant market and development rebound in parts of East Liberty, HACP launched this milestone project in 2014 through a \$30 million federal grant from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

A Highly Competitive Grant Process

The Choice Neighborhood Initiative is HUD's signature place-based initiative. To be awarded this grant, a housing authority must present a community-vetted, comprehensive approach to transforming neighborhoods struggling to address the interconnected challenges of distressed housing, inadequate schools, poor health, high crime and lack of capital.

Through this initiative, HACP, its co-developer and the development team addressed an ambitious number of issues, including quality mixed-income housing, infrastructure, recreational space, health and wellness, education, public safety, business and commerce and community capacity building.

The Vision-to-Action Plan

HACP worked with Larimer Consensus Group in Larimer and East Liberty to implement their development plan with a focus on the Larimer Avenue corridor spanning parts of both neighborhoods. This ensured that Larimer wouldn't be left behind as surrounding neighborhoods moved forward.

Phase I: The Dawn of a New East End

Phase I consisted of 85 units of mixed-income housing, a community center and a wide range of site improvements. Key to the plan was the stipulation of a one-for-one replacement of all public and/or assisted living units of Hamilton-Larimer and East Liberty Gardens. This became the launch point for the first significant Larimer housing development in generations and the newest, most innovative housing development in the City's history.

Phase II: Cornerstone Village

Phase II, known as Cornerstone Village, included 150 mixed-income units in twelve buildings, boosting the neighborhood's supply of quality mixed-income housing and providing a range of housing options. The development met the Enterprise Green Community Criteria, a stringent green rating system for mixed-income housing. Boasting tot lots, picnic benches, bike racks and walking access to the East Liberty Transit Center, Cornerstone Village Phase II now provides easy access to rich social services and economic opportunities with employers such as Target and Google.

CHOICE NEIGHBORHOOD A GAME-CHANGER FOR LARIMER & SURROUND- ING NEIGHBORHOODS

334 units
of mixed-income housing

\$400 million
in economic investment
generated

24% increase
in average income of
HUD-assisted households

36% increase
in 0-5 year-old children enrolled
in early childhood education
programs

The opening of Cornerstone Village was a milestone for the community-driven redevelopment of Larimer/East Liberty. Community leaders, residents, and city, state, and federal officials converged to cut the ribbon on 150 new units, as well as to tour and celebrate the various resources throughout the neighborhood.



Skyline Terrace/ Addison Terrace Redevelopment

**THE SKY'S THE LIMIT
FOR OPPORTUNITY**

4-phase
development, 2013-2019

\$160 million
investment in the Hill District

376 total units

**Significant upgrades
to local public utilities
and streets**

**Largest contract
awarded to minority
-owned firm in City
history**

**Designed to reconnect
and inter-connect sur-
rounding communities**

**New buildings,
improved walkability
and enhanced safety**

**Ten units for individuals
with physical disabilities,
including two for those
with hearing/vision
impairments**

The Hill District's Skyline Terrace (formerly Addison Terrace) began its much anticipated transformation to a reduced-density mixed-income housing community in 2013. Located two blocks from the key Centre Avenue corridor and originally built in the 1940's, it's the oldest public housing community in the city and one of the oldest in the nation.

Throughout the three phases of the project in the Hill District, HACP worked within the greater Hill District Planning Process. Because of expected high costs, including substantial infrastructure costs and the scarcity of federal funds, HACP engaged HUD and other partners to develop innovative financing strategies through Moving To Work, which resulted in the Step Up To Market Financing Program.

A fourth phase of development expanded affordable housing options even further with the completion of the Kelly Hamilton Homes in Homewood.



The Skyline Terrace redevelopment transformed one of the oldest public housing communities in the country into new, modern townhomes that connect residents to the vibrancy of the surrounding community.

Sandstone Quarry/Allegheny Dwellings Redevelopment

Fineview's Sandstone Quarry (the first phase of a full redevelopment of the former Allegheny Dwellings public housing site) celebrated its Phase I completion in 2019. Development totaled approximately \$24.7 million, including roughly \$3.4 million for planning and site work. Sources include Low-Income Housing Tax Credits and loans from ARMDC (HACP's development affiliate), the Urban Redevelopment Authority and a conventional loan.

The 65-unit project involved the demolition and remediation of six outdated and isolated barracks-style buildings and the construction of beautiful new townhomes, walk-ups, and conventional apartments. Sandstone Quarry residents enjoy stunning views, the latest amenities and easy access to everything their North Side neighborhood has to offer.

**REINVENTING AN
IMPORTANT NORTH
SIDE COMMUNITY**

65 total mixed-income units
on the former Allegheny Dwellings site and Federal Street

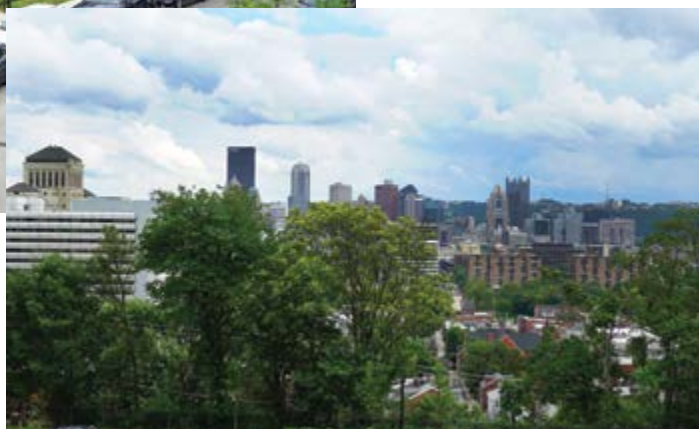
47 units
designated affordable utilizing project-based vouchers; 18 unrestricted/market rate units

Eight fully accessible units
for individuals with physical disabilities, including two fully equipped for those with hearing and/or vision impairments

Full integration with the surrounding neighborhood to create new connections and a thriving, unified community



The completed Sandstone Quarry included new townhomes that give residents a range of housing options in the community, in addition to conventional apartments and walk-ups.



PLACES:
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& Revitalization**

Glen Hazel

225 units
106 one BR
41 two BR
58 three BR
20 four BR

The critical investments from the RAD Program guaranteed that both the Glen Hazel High Rise (bottom) and family community (top) remained affordable, high-quality, and safe for residents.

Modernization of the Glen Hazel community was completed in 2020 by leveraging private funds totaling \$46,533,452. These improvements allowed HACP to conserve and protect high-quality affordable housing in a community that is shifting to a mixed-income model. This type of funding, made possible by the Rental Assistance Demonstration Program, is also on track to be used by HACP in the neighborhood of Manchester.

Rental Assistance Demonstration (RAD) Program

This U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) program allows Housing Authorities to access and leverage private funding for necessary modernizations and improvements to ensure affordable housing communities are safe and high quality. Renovated units are converted to Project-Based Vouchers (PBV), which lock in their subsidized status and prevent future developments from threatening the community's long-term affordability.



Modernizing the Housing Choice Voucher Program

The Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) Program is a critical component of how the HACP serves the Pittsburgh community. By providing rental housing assistance to families through vouchers instead of through the unit directly, the HCV Program gives people the flexibility to find housing in the communities where they want to live. By bringing together the HACP, private market landlords, and tenants, the HCV Program is a key part of providing affordable housing to the City of Pittsburgh.

In recent years, the HACP has made numerous unique efforts to build on the HCV Program's successes by expanding opportunities for tenants, preventing evictions, and offering improved benefits for participating landlords.

Expanding Opportunities

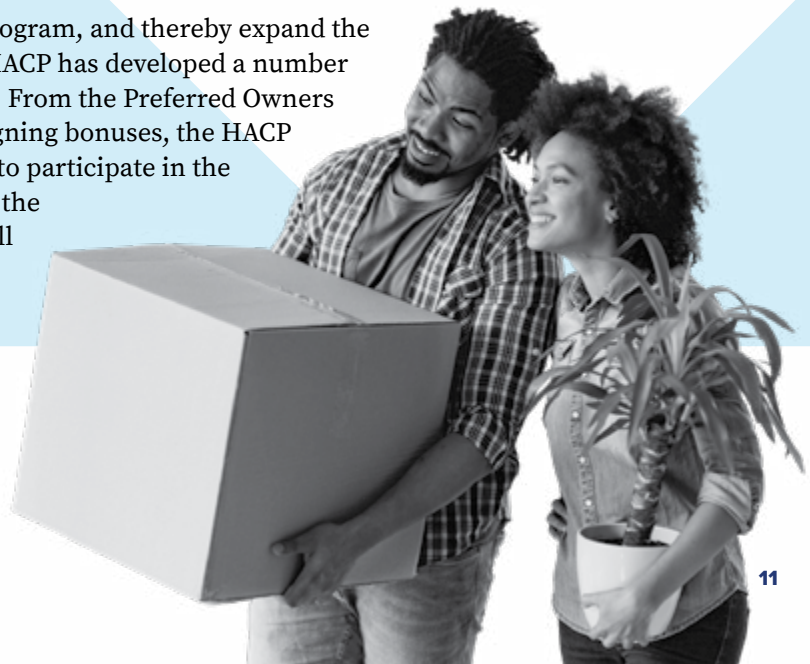
Though the HCV Program opens doors for tenants, there are some neighborhoods whose high market rate rents exclude people from myriad opportunities. To help tenants access these neighborhoods of opportunity, the HACP launched its Mobility Payment Standards initiative. This initiative increased the subsidy value of vouchers in neighborhoods like Shadyside, Squirrel Hill, Lower Lawrenceville, Downtown, and South Side Flats. The HACP is continuously working to fine-tune this cutting-edge program and to make sure tenants can benefit from living in high-opportunity neighborhoods.

Preventing Evictions

The HACP forged partnerships with various groups and organizations to keep tenants in their homes and prevent an eviction from disrupting their lives. These partnerships help HACP support tenants and work with landlords to prevent evictions.

Benefits for Landlords

To attract more landlords to the HCV Program, and thereby expand the housing options for HACP clients, the HACP has developed a number of benefits and incentives for landlords. From the Preferred Owners Program to pre-inspections to \$1,000 signing bonuses, the HACP has given landlords even more reasons to participate in the HCV Program. More information about the many benefits for HCV landlords, as well as how to become an HCV landlord, is available at hacp.org/hcv.



Planning for the Future

Moving into 2021 and beyond, HACP has a full slate of innovative, forward-thinking projects in the works. Each is designed to improve high-quality housing stock in Pittsburgh while allowing residents and community groups to share in and connect to the revitalization of surrounding neighborhoods.



CLOSING THE GAP OPENS NEW DOORS

Approximately
\$9.5 million
worth of affordable housing
investment allocated for
projects under construction
prior to 2020

\$20 million
more committed by HACP
for several affordable, mixed-
income development projects
commencing in 2020

Larimer Choice Neighborhoods Phase III

- 300 new units added to the Larimer neighborhood, including 35 in the refurbished Larimer School
- Construction of Liberty Green Park (with the Urban Redevelopment Authority) to bring 3.5 acres of green public space to Larimer and East Liberty

Manchester Redevelopment

- 86 Manchester Commons units to receive much-needed upgrades while remaining affordable
- Major improvements may include repair and/or replacement of roofs, heating, decking, countertops, flooring and more

Northview Mid-Rise

- Northview Heights residents working with HACP to choose a desired location for a new mid-rise building to replace an existing high-rise
- Completed development will include amenities like an exercise room, computer lab, community room with kitchen, patio terrace with beautiful views, and six communal decks

Bedford Dwellings Redevelopment

- Application to be submitted in 2021 for a U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Choice Neighborhood Implementation Grant (CNI) to redevelop Bedford Dwellings
- The 2018 Transformation Plan “Bedford Connect” will guide the planning and submission process

Allegheny Dwellings/North Side Planning

- In late 2020, a \$450,000 planning grant from U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development’s Choice Neighborhood program awarded to HACP and other local stakeholders
- The Fineview and Perry Hilltop communities will engage with HACP to plan new, affordable housing and economic development in their neighborhoods

HACP has worked with a number of community development partners on initiatives like the ELDI scattered sites (left), Kelly Hamilton Homes (right), and Elmer Williams Square (bottom) to bring affordable housing to every corner of the city.



Project-Based Voucher (PBV)/ Gap Financing Program

Increasing the city's affordable housing stock takes innovative thinking. One example, the HACP's PBV/Gap Financing Program, works to diversify the developer pool by encouraging less experienced, non-profit organizations such as community development corporations to invest in their communities through high-quality affordable housing while continuing to build their organizational capacity.

East Liberty/ELDI

In 2020, this unique collaboration between HACP and East Liberty Development Incorporated (ELDI) celebrated the third and final phase of development of 20 new units in East Liberty. These well situated, affordable units close to the revitalized East Liberty business district are almost all walk-up detached home and duplex units.

Kelly Hamilton Homes

Construction of Phase IV of Homewood's Kelly Hamilton Homes development was completed in 2020. Totalling 58 units (42 PBV units and 16 market-rate units), this new community was developed on three parcels of previously vacant land with easy access to Bakery Square, Homewood Park, Carnegie Library and other local landmarks.

Miller Street Apartments

The Miller Street Apartments in the Hill District was completed in 2019, the very first development to be completed under the PBV/Gap Financing model. This quality mid-rise apartment building is comprised of 9 PBV units, 19 other affordable units and 7 market-rate units.

Crawford Square

Crawford Square in the Hill District consists of 60 rehabilitated affordable units, 134 low income housing tax credit units and 153 market-rate units in the New Urbanist style.

Elmer Williams Square

Located in Larimer, Elmer Williams Square consist of 37 renovated PBV units. For this project, PBV/Gap Financing allowed communities to address the need for affordable housing in their neighborhoods while preserving Pittsburgh's historic buildings.

HACP plans future investments in Manchester Commons to modernize more than 80 units and improve residents' quality of life. These investments will result in a number of repairs and renovations.



In 2020, the National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials honored HACP with its Award of Excellence for two initiatives:

- **Cornerstone Village – Phase II**
(Community Revitalization category)
- **Sandstone Quarry – Phase I**
(Project Design category)

Also five Awards of Merit across multiple categories:

- **Cornerstone Village – Phase II**
- **Sandstone Quarry – Phase I**
- **Northview Heights Public Safety Center**
(with Pittsburgh Bureau of Police)
- **Mobile Computer Lab 2.0**
- **Elimination of Food Insecurity in Public Housing**
(with 412 Food Rescue)

PEOPLE:

Support

& Inspiration



Did You Know

that **thousands** of HACP residents work full-time at workplaces across the city?



Through the Residential Employment Program, I worked on the plumbing for Phase I of Larimer Choice Neighborhood. I now work in Facility Services and was promoted in March. Then, through the Homeownership Program, I bought my home. Being a single parent of four, this was a major goal and a blessing...a great accomplishment."

Elaine Fleming

Former resident of Hamilton-Larimer
Homeowner



Bedford EnVision Center

In 2020, HACP invited U.S. Secretary of Housing and Urban Development Ben Carson to Bedford Dwellings to dedicate the Bedford EnVision Center, formerly the Bedford Hope Center. The celebration capped off months of collaboration, innovation and hard work and years of strategic planning and relationship-building between HACP and its partner organizations to create a new generation of community center. Amenities include:

- Property management office
- Resident Self-Sufficiency staff
- Creative Arts Corner (audio-visual production studio)
- Computer lab
- 24-hour child care center
- Afterschool programs
- Conference rooms
- Classroom space
- Resident Employment Programs
- Tax assistance, financial literacy programs, mental health services, and more

Bedford Dwellings Tenant Council President Gail Felton celebrated the dedication of the Bedford EnVision Center and the numerous services it brings to her community.



Secretary Ben Carson visited the dedication of the Bedford EnVision Center to officially cut the ribbon on the forward-thinking community resource center.



“EnVision Centers were derived from the belief that HUD’s true measure of success is not how many individuals we can bring on to our assistance programs, but how many families we can lift out of poverty and set on the path to self-sufficiency.”

HUD SECRETARY BEN CARSON

October 15, 2020

Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) and Resident Opportunity & Self-Sufficiency (ROSS) Programs

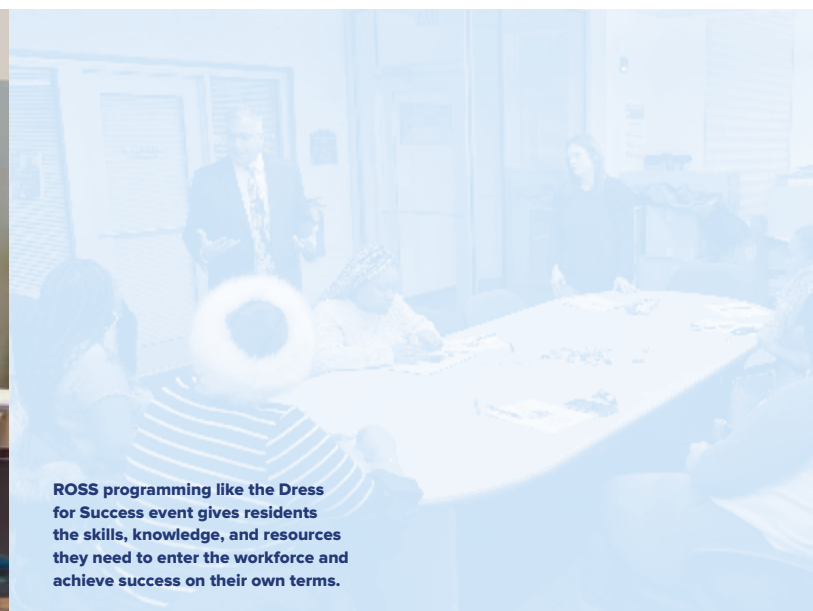
HACP is all about giving residents access to effective, hands-on programs to help launch them on a path to a higher quality of life for themselves and their families.

FSS: Building Personal Pride & Confidence

- FSS is a voluntary 5-year program that facilitates upward mobility
- Coordinators and clients collaborate on Individualized Training and Service Plans to pinpoint strengths, weaknesses, and goals
- Service Coordinators work personally with each client to establish accountability and track progress

ROSS: Forging Financial Skills and Work Readiness

- ROSS is available to all non-FSS participants in:
 - Allegheny Dwellings
 - Arlington Heights
 - Bedford Dwellings
 - Homewood North
 - Northview Heights
- The program targets financial literacy, re-entry and employment
- Service Coordinators both refer residents to outside providers and bring services into communities to ensure the best approach



ROSS programming like the Dress for Success event gives residents the skills, knowledge, and resources they need to enter the workforce and achieve success on their own terms.

Homeownership Program

HACP's extremely successful Homeownership Program helps families achieve self-sufficiency, build intergenerational wealth and break the cycle of poverty. Helping qualifying low-to-moderate income families repair their credit score, understand the mortgage process, work with a realtor or cover closing costs and down payments up to \$8,000 is life-changing for participants who want to achieve the dream of homeownership within the City of Pittsburgh.

Since 2004, HACP's Homeownership Program has helped **211 families buy their own home.**

Section 3/ Resident Employment Program

HACP is dedicated to helping our residents overcome the barriers that prevent them from being self-sufficient and achieving their full potential through employment. Our Section 3/Resident Employment Program helps residents prepare for the modern workforce through a wide range of services that include but are not limited to:

- Job search assistance
- Resume building
- Interview assistance
- Soft skills training programs
- Driver's education programs
- Digital literacy education

Since 2013, HACP has helped **651 people find employment** through the Section 3/Resident Employment Program.



Clean Slate E3

Since 2000, Clean Slate E3, the nonprofit affiliate of HACP, and its long-time partner organization NEED have awarded scholarships to more than one hundred HACP residents for post-secondary education. This essential investment in the future of not only these excellent students but also the future of Pittsburgh is one of HACP's proudest achievements.

\$350,000 in scholarship awards has been presented to HACP residents since 2012 in partnerships with NEED (Negro Educational Emergency Drive), including \$56,000 for the 2020-2021 school year. They may renew their scholarship for up to four academic years — receiving up to **\$20,000 per student**.

Digital Literacy

As if the digital divide wasn't already wide enough for many HACP residents, the COVID-19 pandemic made it clear that lack of access to computers, WiFi and online resources was becoming catastrophic for remote learners. For years, HACP, the City of Pittsburgh and HUD have worked together to bring WiFi, technology, and digital literacy into the homes of our residents. In 2020, HACP partnered with Pittsburgh Public Schools to provide laptops and Comcast Internet Essentials to low-income students living in HACP communities.

\$275,000 was invested by HACP in 2020 to provide Chromebooks to 872 Pittsburgh Public School students currently residing in HACP households. Additionally, HACP invested **more than \$150,000** to give every resident access to Comcast Internet Essentials and a device.

(Right) WiFi on Wheels (WOW) brings HACP's digital literacy programming to residents' doorsteps, making it as easy as possible to access the internet in an increasingly digital world.





Clean Slate E3 engaged in a number of events over the past 10 years, from hosting enriching STEAM events for young residents (top), to raising scholarship funds at black tie benefits (left), to disbursing hundreds of thousands of dollars in scholarship funds (right).

Creative Arts Corner



Creative Arts Corner instructors, experts in media production, teach residents strategies to hone their skills for creative self-expression and potential future employment.

The HACP Creative Arts Corner (CAC) is an audio/visual training program that's free for all HACP residents. Here, they flex their creative muscles in a state-of-the-art studio environment, learning digital photography, sound and video editing, script writing and more. CAC students do everything from producing Black History Month music videos to developing ad content for their start-up businesses. Past student projects are available for viewing on the CAC's YouTube channel (HACP CreativeArtsCorner).

The CAC is an excellent resource not only for residents looking to express themselves, but also for residents looking to gain valuable skills. Some students have used these skills to jumpstart a career in media production. With facilities available in Bedford Dwellings and Northview Heights Estates, and an expanded mobile program, the Creative Arts Corner is readily available for all HACP residents. More information about the CAC and how to get involved is available at hacp.org/programs-services/creative-arts-corner

COVID-19 Pandemic Response

In 2020-21, HACP was able to pivot quickly and decisively to institute a wide range of operational changes to help ensure the safety of residents, staff and the general public in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, including the suspension of rent-related evictions. Changes included:

- Facilitating remote work options and providing PPE for our staff
- Offering remote access to staff and services for all residents
- Daily sanitation of all HACP offices and common spaces in our communities
- Mask-wearing requirements in all common areas
- Uninterrupted processing of HAP payments, rent increases, move-ins, RFTAs, annual recertification, interim re-certifications and contracts for landlords
- Enhanced food distribution and home/school delivery through partnerships with 412 Food Rescue, Pittsburgh Public Schools, the USDA, Citiparks and other food providers
- Hotline and emergency maintenance phone lines for urgent resident needs

Moving forward, HACP will continually evaluate our operations to ensure we are providing the highest level of service while protecting our staff, residents, clients, partners, and communities.

For more information and resources, visit hacp.org/covid-19

The COVID-19 pandemic catalyzed innovative partnerships, like the pop-up health clinics that brought flu shots (top) and various health-related service providers (bottom) directly to residents' door steps.



PARTNERSHIP: **Collaboration** **& Commitment**



Did You Know

that HACP currently has lowered the number of food insecure households to **zero** through community partnerships?



The 412 Food Rescue program is very important to the people who live here. I help separate and organize the food when it arrives, and make sure everyone gets the food they need, even if we have to take it to them. It feels good to give back without getting a paycheck. I'm very grateful to 412 Food Rescue and everything they do for this community."

Leslie Springs

Tenant Council President
Caliguiri Plaza



PARTNERSHIP:
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412 Food Rescue

TO THE RESCUE!

1.1 million meals
1.4 million lbs. of
food delivered to
HACP residents through
412 Food Rescue

7,000 food
deliveries since
2016

2,300+
jars of baby food
600 lbs.
of potatoes
were donated through
Riverbend Foods



412's "Cooking
Matters" classes
helped residents
learn to cook
healthy meals

HACP has partnered with the nonprofit 412 Food Rescue since 2016. Through coordinated regular and emergency drop-offs, food from local grocery stores, wholesalers, caterers and restaurants doesn't go to waste and our residents enjoy a steady supply of fresh produce and meats.

In 2020, the COVID-19 pandemic created a new sense of urgency, and this partnership yielded not only the eradication of food insecurity for all HACP residents, but also other positive outcomes, such as leadership opportunities for residents and deepened community relations.



(Top) Caliguir Plaza Tenant Council President Leslie Springs leads the 412 Food Rescue effort in her community, coordinating food drop offs and personally making sure that residents in her community get the fresh food they need. (Right) HACP staff go door-to-door in the Pressley High Rise community to deliver bags of essentials directly to residents who need them.

New In 2021: Delivering Big for HACP Communities

In 2021, HACP and 412 Food Rescue added six new HACP communities to the nine HACP communities that already receive regularly provided, scheduled Grab 'n Go service. Previously, service to these six had been ongoing, but not scheduled. We changed that.

This exciting service expansion connects more than 500 low-income residents to a reliable fresh food source and allows us to hire three HACP residents to oversee deliveries and develop their leadership skills.

The partnership between HACP and 412 Food Rescue has been incredibly fruitful. This new chapter will plant the seeds for more impact, more resident leaders, and more families with fresh food on the table.



Original 412 Food Communities

Bedford Dwellings

Caliguiri Plaza

Carrick Regency

Homewood North

Gaultieri Plaza

Mazza Pavilion

Morse Gardens

Northview Heights

Northview Heights High Rise

Pressley Street High Rise

New Communities Added

Allegheny Dwellings

Arlington Heights

Finello Pavilion

Manchester Commons

Murray Towers

Pennsylvania-Bidwell

ABK Learning & Development Center

In 2018, ABK Learning & Development Center opened its doors at Bedford Dwellings to bring round-the-clock childcare to a dramatically underserved community.

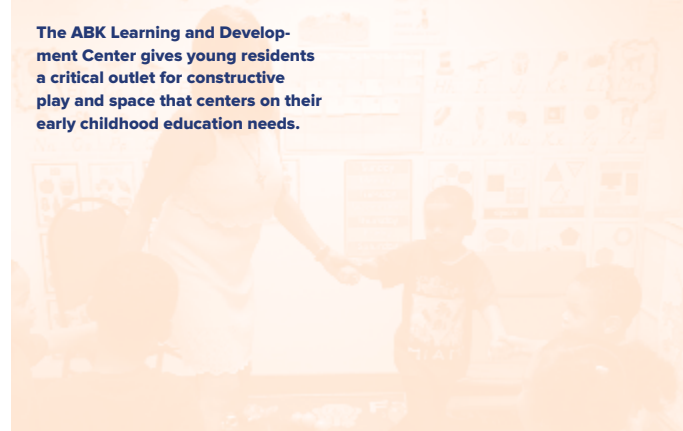
- Groundbreaking childcare facility from HACP, Duquesne University School of Education and ABK
- Licensed 24/7 childcare close to home
- At-capacity enrollment with a growing wait list
- Cutting-edge, research-based, early childhood education protocols
- Enhances residents' employment opportunities and self-sufficiency



The ABK Learning and Development Center gives young residents a critical outlet for constructive play and space that centers on their early childhood education needs.

Officer Calvin Hall Public Safety Center

Serving as a model for the city and the nation, this powerful partnership between the Pittsburgh Bureau of Police, HACP and the Buhl Foundation's One Northside Initiative resulted in the late 2018 opening of the Officer Calvin Hall Public Safety Center in Northview Heights. The state-of-the-art center serves residents of Northview Heights and Allegheny Dwellings with the purpose of improving the quality of life for HACP residents and strengthening relationships and trust between the communities and the officers who serve them.



United Somali Bantu of Greater Pittsburgh Art Project

In 2017, a group of Northview Heights residents, motivated by a desire to preserve their cultural heritage, came together to produce an interactive documentary showcasing interviews and stories from their neighbors. Through a collaboration between the United Somali Bantu of Greater Pittsburgh and HACP, plus funding from the National Endowment for the Arts via the Office of Public Art (OPA), artist Lindsey Scherloun received a two-year residency to work with Northview Heights residents on a unique community arts project. The result is *The Color of Strength: A Story of Migration in Pittsburgh*, now available online for everyone to enjoy.

Visit colorofstrength.com to view the project and discover Northview Heights' cultural heritage.



(Left) Artist Lindsey Scherloun and Northview Heights residents discuss interview topics and ethics as they develop their storytelling project. (Right) Residents sit and enjoy collected videos, complete with a full plate of homemade Somali food, at the community unveiling of *The Color of Strength*.

Maximizing MWDBE Opportunities

Fair and transparent contracting is at the heart of how HACP does business. We work to ensure that small businesses, MBEs, WBEs, local labor surplus businesses and Section 3 eligible businesses and individuals are utilized whenever possible. HACP promotes competition in contracting, provides safeguards for maintaining integrity in our procurement system and assures that HACP purchasing is transparent and in full compliance with all applicable regulations. We are proud to say that HACP regularly exceeds City goals for MWDBE participation.

HACP and ARMDC Contracting Amounts (2014–2018)

	Total Contract \$	MBE		WBE		Total MBE/WBE	
		\$	%	\$	%	Combined \$	Combined %
HACP Totals	\$ 77,837,610	\$ 15,557,116	20%	\$ 9,451,549	12%	\$ 25,008,594	32%
ARMDC Totals	\$ 96,091,019	\$ 24,132,994	25%	\$ 14,922,940	16%	\$ 39,055,935	41%
Combined Totals	\$ 173,928,629	\$ 39,690,111	23%	\$ 24,374,490	14%	\$ 64,064,485	37%

If you're interested in working with the HACP, visit hacp.org/doing-business to learn more about current and future opportunities.



HACP Executive Director Caster D. Binion was inducted into the Minority, Women and Disadvantaged Business Enterprises Governmental Committee's Hall of Fame in recognition of HACP's efforts to maximize MWDBE participation.



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