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The Community Housing Network (CHN) is a valued partner of Franklin County as an innovative provider of safe and affordable housing and supportive services for our community's most vulnerable residents. CHN rents affordable apartments to individuals who have been chronically homeless or persons with mental health disabilities or histories of substance abuse that often have significant barriers to stable housing. CHN offers more than just a roof, through a strategic partnership with Franklin County ADAMH (Alcohol, Drug and Mental Health) accredited service agencies, CHN's housing increases residents access to the services they need.

During its 27-year history, CHN has provided its residents with the living environment and tolls needed to stabilize and improve their lives. Their continuing vision and commitment to provide stable, affordable housing for some of Franklin County's most vulnerable residents with support, will foster recovery and transform lives and our communities.

NEW RENTAL CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS: 2010-2015

County Investment of Federal Funds: \$942,647



JEFFERSON AVENUE

Grand Opening: June 21, 2010

Number of Housing Units: 39

County Total Investment: \$250,000

Total Other Funds: \$6,712,188

Target Population: Families with histories of substance abuse

DOGWOOD GLEN

Grand Opening: October 27, 2010

Number of Housing Units: 41

County Total Investment: \$250,000

Total Other Funds: \$5,750,000

Target Population: Persons disabled by mental illness



INGLEWOOD COURT

Ground Breaking: June 18, 2012

Number of Housing Units: 60

County Total Investment: \$117,647

Total Other Funds: \$8,721,212

Target Population: Persons disabled by mental illness, substance abuse and who have histories of homelessness

HAWTHORN GROVE

Grand Opening: October 28, 2015

Number of Housing Units: 40

County Total Investment: \$75,000

Total Other Funds: \$6,807,708

Target Population: Persons disabled by mental illness



TERRACE PLACE

UNDER CONSTRUCTION

Number of Housing Units: 60

County Total Investment: \$250,000

Total Other Funds: \$11,083,250

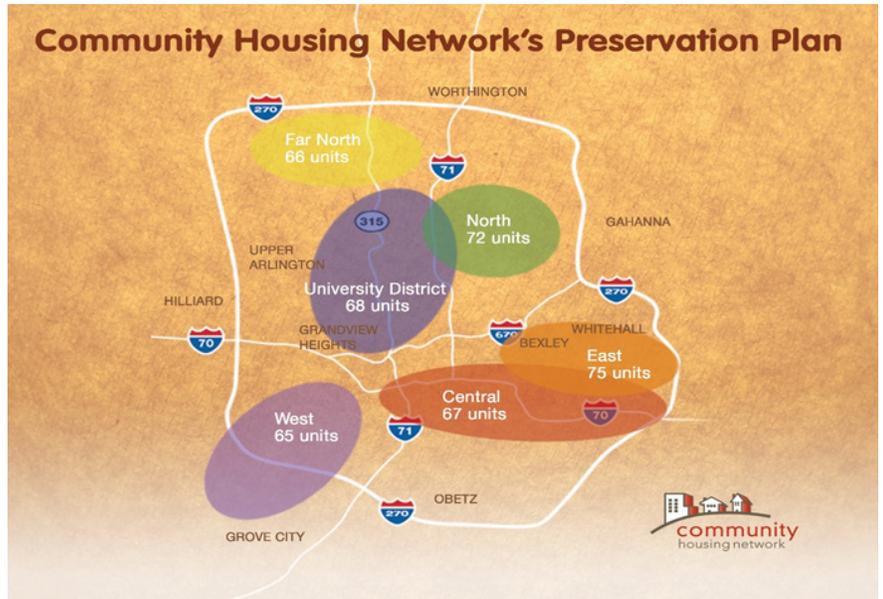
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RENTAL PRESERVATION PROGRAM

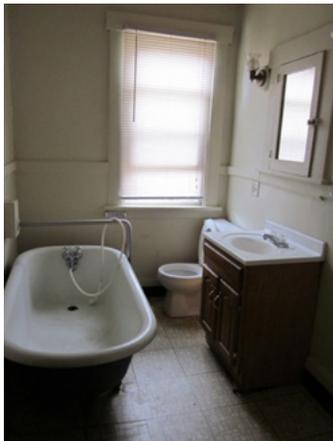
County Investment of Federal Funds: \$1,500,000

The Community Housing Network (CHN) rehabilitated 414 apartment units in 81 buildings scattered throughout Franklin County. These units are available to very-low-income individuals disabled by mental illness. Franklin County has or will invest \$1.5 million for the Rental Preservation Renovation. The images below illustrate the changes made to residents units through this renovation project.

Total Funds: \$55 million



BEFORE/AFTER



HOUSING RETENTION SPECIALIST PROGRAM 2010 - 2015: 300 Clients

County Investment of Federal Funds: \$335,500

The County contracted with the Community Housing Network (CHN) to provide housing retention services to low income tenant households that have a history of mental illness, addiction and homelessness. Services include: monitoring tenants, financial counseling, conflict resolution, assistance with critical needs, advocacy within the ADAMH (Alcohol, Drug and Mental Health) system and referral to vocational services. Between 2010 and 2015 Franklin County awarded \$335,500 of federal funds.

CLIENT HIGHLIGHT



Catrina Blades (pictured) found solace and sobriety through CHN. She moved into Briggsdale Apartments, one of CHN's 24/7 supportive housing facilities in 2009. Catrina had been sober for eight months when she arrived, however she suffered a relapse shortly after. CHN realizes that maintaining sobriety is a process. The services provided by CHN helped Catrina regain her focus, avoid unhealthy relationships, and get sober.

Catrina contributes to her success by attending Alcoholic Anonymous and Narcotics Anonymous meetings that are offered at Briggsdale. She also attends a women's support group that is held at the facility, which is offered through Concord Counseling Services, and regularly attends services at a nearby church for additional support. Catrina successfully completed a job readiness program offered through CHN service partner Center of Vocational Alternatives in September 2013. She plans to continue her training by taking keyboarding classes.

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