

### **COUNCIL ON HOUSING STABILITY**

**Council Meeting** 

August 30, 2021



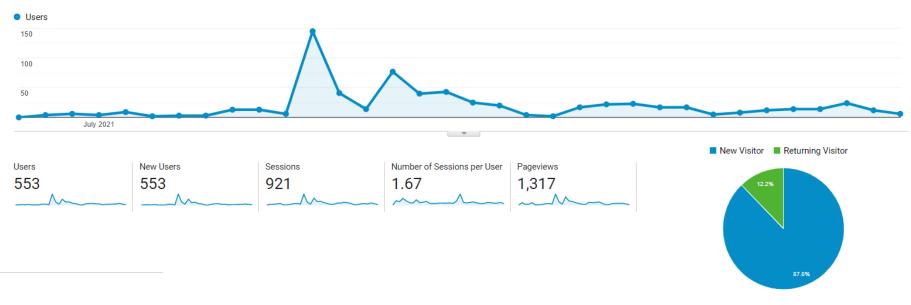
1:00 – 1:05	Council Business – Chris Santaniello
1.00 – 1.03	a) Approval of June 22, 2021 minutes
1:05 – 1:25	Plan Distribution & Celebration – Chris Santaniello
1:25 – 1:45	Engagement – Melissa Latham
1:45 – 2:00	Implementation of Strategic Plan – Chris Santaniello
2:00 – 2:10	ARPA Funding Received – Katy Easterly Martey
2:10 – 2:20	Committee Workgroups – Katy Easterly Martey
2:20 – 2:25	Next Steps – Chris Santaniello
2:25 – 2:30	Public Comment – Chris Santaniello
	Adjournment















### **One Year Action Plan**





Objective 1: Promote increased housing stability at the state and local levels by improving crisis response, services infrastructure and policies that support individuals and families to maintain housing in their community.

Action	Lead	Time Goal	Lever for Change
Extend the time that a tenant has to "cure" his/her nonpayment, i.e. "pay and stay," up until a court hearing is held.	2021 Legislature	2021/2022	Legislative
Conduct a formal, data-driven assessment of the current welfare model to propose solutions to both the financial and administrative structure based on the assessment.	Department of Health and Human Services	2021 plan/ 2022 start ARP	Data Analysis Legislative



Action	Lead	Time Goal	Lever for Change
Update system coordination and enhance services referral protocols for families experiencing homelessness in need of behavioral health, educational supports, and other community programs in order to access COVID-19 recovery resources and beyond.	Philanthropic partners Department of Health and Human Services	2021 plan/ 2022 start ARP	Partnership Development Systems Mapping
Repurpose vacant commercial real estate to add to the available housing stock in the state with a priority for affordable housing by leveraging the \$14M HOME Investment Partnerships Program funds and other American Rescue Plan (ARP) infrastructure funds coming to the state.	NHHFA Community Development Finance Authority	2021–2023 ARP	Appropriations Partnership Development





Objective 2: Remove regulatory barriers to affordable housing in order to expand New Hampshire's housing market for all persons with special emphasis on affordable, accessible options and using innovative approaches.

Action	Lead	Time Goal	Lever for Change
Use community input through a design charrette to promote and advance the priority of repurposing of vacant commercial spaces.	NHHFA Community Development Finance Authority	2021/2022	Partnership Development
Use ARP funds to create a statewide online portal to collect data on vacant commercial properties available for redevelopment.	Dept. of Business and Economic Affairs NHHFA Community Development Finance Authority	2021/2022 ARP	Appropriations



Action	Lead	Time Goal	Lever for Change
Request State Departments to review practices/policies that impede housing production and provide recommended changes by December 30, 2021.	Governor's Office	2021	Policy
Identify and endorse housing champion communities and commit to developing economic development and resource incentives over time.	Governor's Office	2021/2022	Policy Appropriations
Reestablish the Housing and Conservation Planning Program.	2022 Legislature	2022	Legislative
Reestablish the Commission to Study Barriers to Increased Density of Land Development for additional two years including an examination of planning and zoning enabling legislation.	2022 Legislature	2022	Legislative





### Objective 3: Increase production of publicly-financed affordable housing with supportive services.

Action	Lead	Time Goal	Lever for Change
Provide capacity building grants for supportive housing project sponsors, particularly nonprofit services providers.	NHHFA Community Development Finance Authority	2021-2024	Capacity Building Appropriations
Allocate American Rescue Plan Act resources, especially Homeless Assistance and Supportive Services Program (HASSP) for acquisition and rehabilitation of property for affordable and/or supportive housing.	NHHFA Community Development Finance Authority	2021 ARP	Appropriations





Objective 4: Deploy targeted financial incentives or tax off-sets designed to promote private-market housing production and use of existing structures for rental housing that is affordable to the lowest-incomes and households in need of on-going community support.

Action	Lead	Time Goal	Lever for Change
Establish tax incentives and tax off- sets for private landlords to promote unit production to meet the housing affordability needs of the lowest-income and households with on-going service's needs, with connection to services.	Dept. of Business and Economic Affairs Legislature	2021/2022	Legislative





## Objective 5: Achieve a productive legislative strategy for the 2022 session that supports efforts to increase housing production.

Action	Lead	Time Goal	Lever for Change
Create a coordinated statewide legislative advocacy campaign involving the business community, realtors, homebuilders, homeless/social service groups, housing advocates, environmental groups to advance legislation outlined in these objectives and otherwise that boosts housing production.	Housing Action NH NHHFA	2021–2023	Partnership Development
Establish a Housing Caucus within the NH Legislature to educate and inform necessary steps to increase housing availability and stability for NH citizens.	Housing Action NH Legislature	2021/2022	Legislative





Objective 6: Integrate and coordinate a housing stability governance structure connecting state government with local communities through needs assessments, strategic initiatives, and data-driven decision-making.

Action	Lead	Time Goal	Lever for Change
Publish a public-facing Homeless System Performance, Coordinated Entry, and Funding Dashboard.	Department of Health and Human Services Institute for Community Alliances	2021/2022	Data Analysis
Develop a regional planning, oversight, and staffing structure to monitor and implement CHS goals and initiatives and oversee the various strategic planning activities indicated in the CHS and Homeless Plan reports.	NHHFA Community Development Finance Authority	2021	Partnership Development Appropriations



# One Year Action Plan on Homelessness





## Objective 1: Improve housing stability focused on those at risk of homelessness.

Action	Lead	Time Goal	Lever for Change
Use ARP funds to increase homelessness prevention funding as an incentive to implement best practices for shelter diversion.	Department of Health and Human Services CoC's	2021–2023	Appropriations
Use ARP funds to increase shelter funding to promote best practice for shelter operations and for those those that increase and improve transitions to permanent supporitve housing.	Department of Health and Human Services	2021–2023	Appropriations
Develop a workflow and operating policies to support homelessness prevention, shelter placement, and re-housing activities between Local Welfare, shelters, housing providers, and municipal and county leaders.	CoC's Community Action Programs (CAP)/ Regional Access Points	2021–2022	Partnership Development Capacity Building



#### Objective 2: Invest in a range of housing options to increase the number of people leaving homelessness to stable housing.

Action	Lead	Time Goal	Lever for Change
Use ARP funds to launch a statewide campaign to recruit private landlords and provide a financial incentive for leasing to households using rental assistance vouchers.	NHHFA	2021–2022	Appropriations
Use ARP -Homeless Assistance and Supportive Services Program (HASSP) to immediately acquire and repurpose property for affordable and supportive housing that will take referrals directly from Coordinated Entry in that region.	NHHFA Community Development Finance Authority CoC's	2021–2023	Appropriations Partnership Development



Action	Lead	Time Goal	Lever for Change
Create a services funding plan that sets an expected budget per household for new units created in the housing plan, with anticipated or identified sources of funding.	Department of Health and Human Services NHHFA Community Development Finance Authority	2021–2023	Appropriations
Build community capacity to bill Medicaid for Housing Tenancy Supports through training, policy development, and recruitment of appropriate providers.	Department of Health and Human Services	2021–2023	Capacity Building Partnership Development
Developing training and resource material for first responders to have the tools necessary to assist individuals experiencing homelessness with immediate access to services.	Department of Health and Human Services Department of Safety	2021-2023	Partnership Development Capacity Building





## Objective 3: Create a Coordinated and Person-Centered Response System.

Action	Lead	Time Goal	Lever for Change
Apply to HUD for Youth Homelessness Demonstration funds to enhance and develop a statewide system to respond to you and young adult homelessness.	Department of Health and Human Services	Apply in 2021	Appropriations Capacity Building
Create a dedicated budget allocation in the BHS supports and DCYF that supports a statewide system to respond to youth and young adult homelessness.	Department of Health and Human Services	2021–2022	Appropriations Capacity Building



















