



## **MAY 3 –Board Meeting Staff Update**

*2x MONTHLY UPDATES (SCHEDULED IN ROTATION OF BOARD MEETINGS)*

### **GOAL 1: BUILD ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE + CAPACITY TO SERVE REGIONAL HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES + GAPS**

- Preparing and scheduling Deputy Housing Director interviews. (Carissa + Thecla)
- Encouraging public participation in Ketchum and Hailey’s Comprehensive Plan updates. (Carissa)

### **GOAL 2: RECOMMEND + ADVOCATE FOR POLICY THAT PROMOTES HOUSING**

- Prepared presentation on incentive tools for developing community housing for City of Bellevue City Council (5/13) and Planning and Zoning Commission (5/6) (also Goal 4). (Carissa + Rian)

### **GOAL 3: EXPAND, COORDINATE, + IMPROVE SERVICES TO CREATE HOUSING STABILITY**

- Mediation team has had 14 requests this fiscal year, up now that the local Judge overseeing eviction cases is mandating mediation. Lawyers and landlords are now reaching out directly more frequently since they know they’d have to mediate anyways, meaning that more agreements are made before an eviction is filed.
- Prepared list of potential candidates for Bluebird Village, began contacting applicants to confirm interest and eligibility. (Courtney and Bri)

#### Transitional Housing

- Prepare for and meet with IHFA staff re: HOME-ARP grant compliance. (Courtney and Frances)

### **GOAL 4: INFORM, ENGAGE, COLLABORATE**

#### Implementation Partner Meeting

- May 29<sup>th</sup>'s [public](#) and partner meetings are about homelessness and housing instability, with Associate Professor Gregg Colburn presenting on his research “Homelessness is a Housing Problem,” and Senator Ali Rabe speaking about legislative housing initiatives and challenges and her organization Jesse Tree – which provides financial assistance and mediation services to tenants in crisis in the Treasure Valley.
- We received confirmation that Mary Fauth from Blaine County Charitable Fund can join for Q&A at the Implementation Partner Meeting and the Community Library presentation on May 29<sup>th</sup>. The Mediation team is confirming whether they can join as well. (Carissa)
- Continued planning of logistics. (Carissa + Thecla)

#### BCHA Newsletter

- Collaborative team effort to produce BCHA’s first newsletter.

### **GOAL 5: STEWARD/PRESERVE + EXPAND PORTFOLIO OF DEED RESTRICTED HOMES**

#### Compliance

- Working with legal team on enforcing compliance with three homeowners and three landlords. (Ann + Carissa)
- Recertified four Community renters. (Ann)
- Working on recertification of 8 Community renters. (Ann)
- Completed two Maximum Resale calculations for Community Homeowners. (Ann)



## BLAINE COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY

- Working with two Community Homeowner's on compliance issues. (Ann + Carissa)
- Worked with one Community Homeowner for refinancing. (Ann)

### Guidelines & Deed Restrictions

- Reviewing and proposing updates to the Community Housing Guidelines to be presented at the meeting. (Carissa, Rian)
- Preparing updated deed restriction templates for review and approval based on updates previewed at March Board meeting. (Carissa, Rian)

### Application Review

- Slide room: categorize/ update status on incoming applications (51 common intake forms) (Liz)
- Applications: 1<sup>st</sup> reviews rental applications (4), 1<sup>st</sup> reviews purchase applications (2) following up on applications with missing data. (Liz)
- Meeting with applicants to help fill out applications / go over BCHA community guidelines. (Liz)
- Answer incoming emails with questions regarding applications. (Liz)
- Sending out full applications links to cat 4 applicants. (Liz)
- Reach out to "at risk applicants" to provide them with emergency resources + add them to SCL waitlist if appropriate. (Liz)
- Identify eligible applicants for three category 4 units; confer with landlords re: lease-up. (Courtney)

### Ownership and Preservation Program

- Closed on second Ownership and Preservation Program property in Ketchum, with a Category Local, appreciation-capped deed restriction. This and the other OPP property are now administered by BCHA. (Rian)

### BCHA Policies

- Drafted update to BCHA Guidelines/Policies based on learnings over last 8 months. (Carissa)
- Drafted deed covenant templates to use for recording new covenants and at resale. These align with a nationwide template that is approved by Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac and have a wider range of enforcement mechanisms. (Rian + Carissa)

