

OFFICE OF PUBLIC HOUSING INVESTMENTS

- ✘ OPHI is working with Public Housing Authorities (PHAs) around the country on revitalizing communities, both on the development side:
 - + Capital Fund
 - + HOPE VI
 - + Mixed Finance deals
 - + ARRA Funds

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- ❖ ...and the supportive service side:
 - ❖ Resident Opportunity and Self-Sufficiency (ROSS) grants
 - ❖ Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) Program
 - ❖ Inter-Agency Partnerships
 - ❖ HOPE VI Supportive Services

MORE ON HOPE VI

- ✘ Program began in 1993 to address severely distressed public housing developments.
 - + Typical HOPE VI grant: take down worst public housing development, replace it with mixed income community; single family homes, garden style apartments. Think Cabrini Green.
 - + \$6 billion program
 - + Over 260 grants to over 150 PHAs.
 - + Up to 15% for supportive services.

NEW PROGRAM: CHOICE NEIGHBORHOODS

- ✘ CN moves beyond HOPE VI to tackle both housing and supportive services in an entire neighborhood
- ✘ Funds can be used for public housing and other HUD-assisted properties.
- ✘ And for services to residents and neighborhood.
- ✘ \$65 million for FY 2010.

WHERE'S THE INTERSECTION?

- ✘ Every HOPE VI since 2000 must have an evaluator. Over 70 grants in that time frame.
- ✘ Evaluators are typically Universities.
- ✘ Approximately \$170 million to be competed over next few months.
- ✘ Eligible applicants are PHAs.

ON THE HOPE VI SUPPORTIVE SERVICE SIDE...

- ✘ Some of our HOPE VI PHAs are working with Universities:
 - ✘ Schools of Social Work.
 - ✘ Department of Nursing. (women's walking club)
 - ✘ Sociology Departments.
 - ✘ Urban Planning Departments
 - ✘ Placement for Summer Youth Program.
 - ✘ Matriculation

COLUMBUS, GEORGIA

- ✘ Columbus Housing Authority works with Columbus State University on:
 - + Students are tutors in afterschool programs
 - + Students are advisors to adults
 - + Students help residents obtain clerical/business job skills
 - + Provide motivational workshops to youth on staying in school, succeeding in life, etc.

NIAGARA FALLS, NEW YORK

- ✘ Niagara Falls Housing Authority has following partnerships with Universities:
 - + Education students from Niagara University (NU) tutor NFHA youth in afterschool programs
 - + NU Environmental Health students work to develop a community garden at HOPE VI site
 - + SUNY at Buffalo works with NFHA residents on literacy and employment training so that they can access green jobs

UNIVERSITIES AND PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITIES: A HEAVENLY MARRIAGE!

- ✘ Not really an understatement.
 - + PHAs have (some) contract opportunities.
 - + PHAs have an array of needs
 - + PHAs can be a goldmine for on the ground experience with your students.

Need help in connecting?

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