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2019-2021 Performance Report





CEO Message

Creating Change for Greater Impact

The last few years of operation for Monroe Housing Authority (MHA) have been full of exciting change and accomplishment. With growing capital improvement needs and reduced funding, it was imperative for MHA to creatively develop a plan of action to ensure preservation of assets, while also investing in the families we serve. In this context, in 2018, MHA developed plans to embark upon a re-positioning initiative that included exiting the Public Housing program and enhancing our Voucher Program.

RAD-PBV Conversions

These initiatives are currently coming to fruition. We have successfully converted 33 units of Public Housing to RAD-PBV (Project-Based Vouchers). In February 2022, we submitted our application to convert the remaining 173 units of Public Housing to Project-Based Vouchers (PBV) through Streamline Voluntary Conversion. These repositioning efforts are designed to allow our residents housing choice, provide interior and exterior upgrades that will preserve and enhance the quality of units in each community, and increase our potential revenue position.

HCV / Mainstream Vouchers

In addition to our current 318 Housing Choice Voucher allocation, in 2019, we were awarded 39 Mainstream Vouchers. Mainstream Vouchers provide housing assistance payments to non-elderly persons with disabilities. Mainstream Voucher recipients rent from private owners in the community.

ROSS Achievements

MHA consistently prioritizes investing in families. In 2019, we were awarded the ROSS-Service Coordinator Grant. ROSS is the acronym for Resident Opportunities and Self-Sufficiency. This grant provides funds for MHA to hire a coordinator to work specifically with our Public Housing families in setting goals, accessing services and programs, job search, education, connecting seniors with services, and initiatives that promote self-sufficiency. Our Service Coordinator provide these services to our seniors as well as families.

\$1.5 Million YouthBuild Grant

2020, afforded the opportunity to partner with Grace-Mar Services, Inc. to receive a \$1.5 million-dollar YouthBuild grant awarded through the Department of Labor. YouthBuild is a community-based preapprenticeship program that provides job training and educational opportunities for at-risk youth ages 16-24 who have previously dropped out of high school.

The pandemic presented challenges that required creativity, adaptability, and resilience. Our caring and competent staff rose to the occasion with professionalism and compassion for the families we serve. MHA provided each household supply packages containing masks, gloves, hand sanitizer, disinfectant, and paper goods. We partnered with our community healthcare providers who conducted corona virus testing in each MHA community.

Tax-Exempt Housing Revenue Bonds

As a leader and innovator in the affordable housing industry, MHA acts as a conduit issuer of multifamily tax-exempt housing revenue bonds. In 2021, we provided bond financing in the amount of \$14 million dollars supporting 100 units.

These are a few examples of programs and services MHA has incorporated to assist in providing positive change for families in our communities. MHA is committed to investing in initiatives that maintain safe quality affordable housing, vibrant healthy communities, as well as opportunities and partnerships that foster upward mobility for our families.

Anna McRae Chief Executive Officer



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Leadership

Board of Commissioners/Board of Directors

Fannie Young, Chairperson Hilda Jones, Vice-Chairperson James Mungo, Commissioner Monique Holt, Commissioner James Vinson, Commissioner Vacant

MHA Current Staff

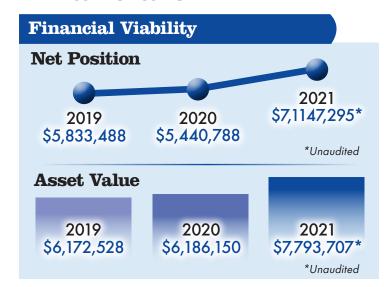
Monique Stanback, Deputy Director
Donyelle Coalson, Accounting Manager
April Denson, Property Manager
Monica Davis, HCV Program Manager
Sharon Perkins, HCV Specialist
Calvin Davis, HCV Inspector
Catherine Hancock, PBV Specialist
Nyasia Folk, Administrative Assistant
Damon Leggett, Maintenance Supervisor
Rodney Bowen, HVAC/Lead Maintenance
Technician

Ricardo McClain, Maintenance Technician ROSS-SC

Housing Initiatives
Guidance Helping Hand
PERFORMER

Monroe Housing Authority administers the tenant-based Housing Choice Voucher Program (HCV) and the Mainstream Program for individuals under 62 and disabled, for the City of Monroe and Union County. Under this program, vouchers are issued to tenants who locate and rent privately owned homes in the community. Owners who lease units under the HCV Program receive a monthly Housing Assistance Payment (HAP) from HUD through Monroe Housing Authority.

Financials



Capital Fund Grant Program



Program Financial Profile

2019

\$493,626

2019	PH Operating Subsidy \$1,225,411	Tenants Rents \$402,909
2020	\$1,334,448	\$395,498
2021	\$1,967,193	\$380,390
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2021 \$2,742,271

Housing Assistance Payments to Landlords

	2019	2020	2021
Annually	\$1,890,252	\$2,142,422	\$1,990,012
Average Monthly	\$163,081	\$185,187	\$197,637

Utility Assistance Payments to HCV Participants (to assist with the costs of paying utility bills)

	2019	2020	2021
Annually	\$78,028	\$ <i>7</i> 6,238	\$86,704
Average Monthly	\$6,943	\$8,334	\$9,062

Average Total Dollars Reinvested Annually in Monroe, Union County

\$2,767,577

Statistics

Public Housing & Housing Choice Vouchers

Family

Household Size

Elderly

Resident Profile:

PH (Average)

Head of Household Age 50.43

Annual **Gross Income** \$13,077

MHA PH Program

consists of 206

Located in 4 developments

1.38

Resident Profile:

HCV (Average)

Head of Household Age 49.04

3.13 Annual **Gross Income** \$17,546

as Resident

Household Size

Elderly

Grace Gardens Serenity Place 83 units

Willow Oaks 46 units

West Ridge* 33 units

* Transitioned to RAD-PBV August 2021



Family



YouthBuild Partnership

with Grace-Mar Services, Inc Awarded \$1.5 Million Grant

Monroe Housing Authority in partnership with Grace-Mar Services, Inc, was awarded a YouthBuild Grant in the amount of \$1.5 million dollars. YouthBuild is a communitybased pre-apprenticeship program that provides job

training and educational opportunities for at-risk youth ages 16-24 who have previously dropped out of high school.



ROSS Events

& Community Partners

MARCH 2022

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ROSS partnered with The Pass Through Store who offers households free clothing and essential items. They also delivered care packages to our elderly/disabled residents.

JULY 2021

Union County UNION COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS Public Schools partnered with ROSS to bring the Mobile Book Bus to the communities.

JUNE 2021

Resourceful Healthcare began offering the MHA communities the COVID-19 vaccine for free.



DEC 2020

ROSS teamed up with Wayne Morgan, a landlord in Union County. His family raised enough to purchase food for 10 families.

OCT 2020

ROSS organized an early voters registration event for the MHA communities.



SEPT 2020

Family Dental Van parked outside our communities to make services more available.



SEPT 2020

ROSS partnered with Resourceful Healthcare to administer COVID-19 Testing.

To Participate in the ROSS Program visit:

https://www.monroehousing-nc.com/ross-assessment

MARCH 2022

ROSS organized a Healthy Eats Event in honor of National Nutrition Month, a nutritionist from the Union County Human Services department was able to share tips, valuable information and also answer everyone's questions.





FEB 2022

ROSS organized Walking Hearts which brings awareness to heart disease.

MAY 2021

Grace-Mar held an informational of the educational program YouthBuild to the communities of MHA.



YBYOUTHBUILD

FEB 2021

Elizabeth Missionary Baptist Church hosted a Food Box Event in which included produce and nonperishable items.

OCT 2020

ROSS partnered with Sensei Cuisine to provide free meals for the MHA communities.





FEB 2020 MHA received \$239,250 Grant.

RAD & PBV

What is RAD?

The Rental Assistance Demonstration (RAD) is a program of the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) that seeks to preserve affordable housing. Public housing across the country needs more than \$26 billion in repairs and many public housing agencies (PHAs) do not have enough money to keep units in good condition. RAD provides PHAs a way to stabilize, rehabilitate, or replace properties.

West Ridge - Rental Assistance **Demonstration/Project Based-Vouchers**

Focusing on our mission and commitment to positive and progressive change, we re-positioned all 33 units at West Ridge to RAD and completed renovations.

Unit improvements at West Ridge included: new energysaving stainless steel kitchen appliances, new LVT wood-look flooring throughout, new wood baseboards, new light fixtures throughout, new 2-inch faux wood blinds throughout, new six-panel wood interior doors, new bathroom fixtures, freshly painted interior walls, installation of electric dryer hook-ups, new exterior front doors, exterior shutters, and new porch columns that enhance curb appeal.

Creating Greater Impact by Investing in Our Communities

Monroe Housing Authority (MHA) used HUD's Rental Assistance Demonstration (RAD) to transition one of its public housing developments to Project-Based Vouchers (PBV). RAD is a cost-neutral demonstration that leverages public and private debt and equity to recapitalize HUD assisted affordable housing properties. Through RAD, MHA renovated existing buildings and units to include our administrative building and our West Ridge units.

PBV (Project-Based Vouchers)

Monroe Housing Authority is in the process of transitioning their remaining 173 units of Public Housing located at Serenity Place, Willow Oaks and Grace Gardens to Project-Based Vouchers (PBV) under Streamlined Voluntary Conversion. Streamlined Voluntary Conversion (SVC) refers to a Public Housing Authority's ability to voluntarily decide to remove their public housing units from a public housing Annual Contributions Contract (ACC), exiting the Public Housing Program.

Administrative Office

Improved work spaces improve productivity. With this goal, our Administrative Offices were renovated for better workflow as well as creating a more welcoming lobby for our Residents.

This project included renovating and adding to our administrative office. The administrative building improvements included:

- · the addition of an executive wing
- · upgraded heating and air system
- upgraded security system
- new LVT wood-look flooring
- new roofing

We also installed carbon monoxide/ smoke detectors in all 206 units.



Front Office Before & After

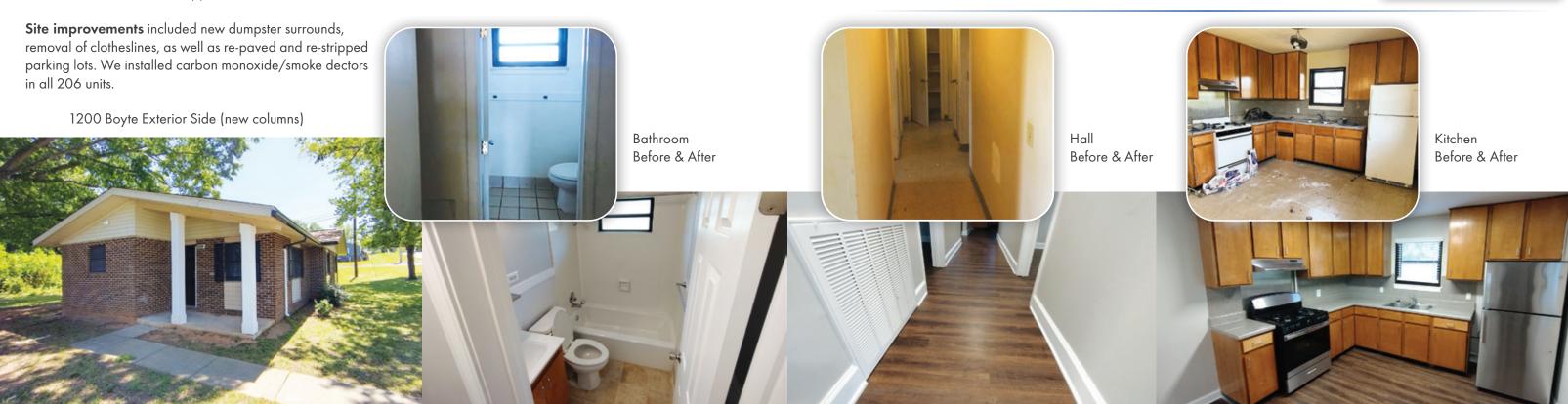


Conference Room Before & After

New Lobby Window & After-Hours Dropbox

> New Lobby Handicap Accessible Bathroom





MHA Marketing & Rebranding









New Logo Brands for HA and Nonprofit





Digital Letterhead & **#10 Envelope Templates**



Monroe

Exterior Signage



Responsive Website with Custom Online Forms MonroeHousing-NC.com

- Responsive Website adjusts for best viewing on desktop, laptop, tablet & smartphone
- · Agency staff can maintain website content, adding news updates, events, and unlimited pages of information & photos
- Latest News and Calendar Events feed to home page
- Pay Online, Apply Online, Landlord and Tenant Portals improves services to Residents & Applicants
- · Custom Form Builder Module Staff can create forms with multiple data fields and end-to-end data encryption







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