



Heart's Place in Arlington Heights

2018 Annual Report



Cary Senior Living in Cary

# **Our Growth Continues**

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

2018 was a year of substantial growth for HODC, moving us closer to sustainability and reaching our goal of adding 300 more affordable units to our portfolio by 2027. As of 2018, we have 80 new units under construction: Cary Senior Living (62 senior units) in Cary and Heart's Place (18 units for people with disabilities) in Arlington Heights. Spruce Village in Palatine has been approved for financing and will provide another 44 units for persons with disabilities. Projects in the Villages of Wilmette and Deerfield had zoning approved this past year and will be applying for financing. We are always in pursuit of new projects and often approached by others to partner in their developments. Needless to say it is a very busy and exciting time around the office!



Kristin Berg, President

Our staff is growing as well. Besides hiring additional property managers and maintenance technicians, HODC has added 2 new staff positions:

- Service Coordinator – helps improve residents' lives by referring them to social services agencies to maximize their good health and wellness.

- Communications and Fundraising Specialist – plugs us into our communities through our website, social media and fundraising to share our story.

As we move through 2019 watch for an updated website, increased social media presence, and a digital newsletter. We look forward to sharing more about our organization and especially our residents who are the reason we exist in the first place! We house families, singles, seniors and those with disabilities. Our residents are a reflection of our own extended families and friends.



In addition to our development activities, HODC provides home buyer, foreclosure and reverse mortgage counseling. Last year our counselors helped 63 buyers obtain homes, 15 families save their homes and educated interested owners about reverse mortgages.

In closing, we want to thank our supporters for their generosity throughout the years and our government and funding partners for their ongoing assistance. As we reach more people through our new communication efforts, we hope to see continued growth in our support family as we have in our activities. You are vital to our success and ability to create housing for all members of our community!

Kristin Berg, President

HODC's primary service area

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Major Grants \$26,241 from HUD through Housing Action Illinois to provide homebuyer counseling

\$17,566 from the Village of Skokie for security cameras

\$35,000 from Enterprise Community Partners for Service Coordinator staff

#### Developments

**Cary Senior Living**: Illinois Housing Development Authority, Citibank, Boston Capital, McHenry County, ComEd

Heart's Place: Illinois Housing Development Authority, National Equity Fund, Column Financial Inc., Village Bank, FHLB, ComEd

Listed are donations received January 1 to December 31, 2018. We have made every effort to make this list accurate and inclusive. If you discover an error, please accept our apology. Please notify us at hodc@hodc.org so that we may correct our records.

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#### **Our Mission**

HODC's mission is to develop, preserve, and manage affordable housing for low and moderate income households primarily in Chicago's northern suburbs.

## **2018 Fiscal Year Operating Results**

Revenues	
Contributions	\$40,692
Property Management	\$510,594
Development Fees	\$91,392
Rental Income	\$1,505,590
Other Income	\$146,993
Total:	\$2,295,261

Operating Expenses	
Program Expenses	\$1,873,788
Management & Fundraising	\$177,241
Total	\$2,051,029

Assets & Liabilities	
Total Assets	\$19,589,516
Total Liabilities	\$10,044,332
Net Assets	\$9,545,184

HODC's fiscal year is July 1—June 30



Cary Senior Living rendering

# New Developments Expand HODC's Reach in the Suburbs

Two exciting new developments are currently under construction to benefit those who critically need affordable housing: seniors and persons with disabilities.

- In partnership with UP Development, Heart's Place in Arlington Heights will provide 18 units of permanent supportive housing. Funding was approved and closed in September 2018.
- Cary Senior Living in Cary is a 62-unit development for senior citizens in partnership with PIRHL. In 2018 funding was approved and construction started in August.

Also, taking a handoff from UP Development, Spruce Village in Palatine received funding approvals from IHDA and Cook County. This development will provide 44 units of supportive housing for people with disabilities. Spruce Village will start construction in 2019.

HODC received zoning approvals for these potential developments:

- Cleland Place had zoning unanimously approved by the Village of Wilmette for 16 units of affordable family housing. Funding applications are awaiting approval.
- In partnership with Brinshore Development, the Village of Deerfield approved zoning for the 25 unit Zion Woods proposal in partnership with Zion Lutheran Church.

In addition, to continue fulfilling our mission of preserving affordable housing:

- HODC helped Thresholds preserve 150 affordable units in three buildings serving people with mental illness.
- HODC assumed ownership of Towerview Apartments in McHenry, a 44-unit affordable housing development for families and people with disabilities.

HODC works with funders, builders, local governments and communities to secure the partnerships, financing and zoning needed to develop affordable housing.





## "I've Always Liked to be Respectful of my Neighbors"

"If you can't be comfortable at home, where can you be comfortable?" Vincent says. Vincent and his fami-

Vincent's building is one of four sites in a develop-

ment with 18 one- and two- bedroom apartments that provide supportive housing for people with

disabilities. Supportive services are provided by local

social service agencies. The development's location is

perfect for this family's busy life. Their children, a

daughter in preschool and a son in grade school,

attend the same school in Skokie, which is close to

their building. Vincent is pleased with the excellent

reputation of Skokie's schools and is excited that his

ly are residents in an HODCdeveloped building that provides supportive housing in Skokie. They have lived there for several years. Originally from Miami, Florida, Vincent admits the transition from tropical Miami to Chicago was a challenge at first, but they have fallen in love with Skokie and enjoy their new home.



children are receiving a good education. The commuter train and Pace bus are within walking

distance of his home, which allows them to run errands easily. The playground behind the building is a great place to spend time outside with his kids.

Vincent appreciates the peaceful environment and

notes how well all of the tenants in the building get along. He says his neighbors are friendly and like to help each other out. "I've always liked to be respectful of my neighbors," he adds.

The property is well cared for, says Vincent, management is responsive, and repairs are made timely. Vincent takes pride in his building and likes to spend time sprucing it up. His neighbors may find him tidying the laundry room or sweeping hallways. He also hung pictures and planted pots inside and planted flowers outside to beautify the landscaping. "I don't mind doing it," he says.

### From This...



Heart's Place under construction.

... to This



Rendering of Heart's Place upon completion. It is due to open in 2019.

## HODC's Property Management Opportunities Grow



HODC acquired Towerview Apartments in McHenry.

HODC currently manages over 300 rental units at 20 locations in eight communities. To maintain this growing area of responsibility, HODC is adding property managers and maintenance professionals to our staff. In addition, HODC hired a Service Coordinator, Teandra Delancy, MSW, MPPA, this year. Teandra acts as a liaison with tenants and helps link residents' physical and mental health needs with their case managers to provide improved quality of life.

New opportunities in property management include Towerview Apartments, which HODC acquired in 2018 and provides housing for families and those with disabilities in McHenry. When completed in 2019, HODC will begin managing Spring Hill Residences, a 62unit development for senior citizens aged 62 and older in West Dundee owned by Gardner Development, and Heart's Place, an 18unit supportive housing project in Arlington Heights.

## Housing Counseling Provides Valuable Information

HODC's certified housing counselor provided home buyer counseling to 63 potential home purchasers and helped 15 families save their homes from foreclosure in 2018. Our housing counselor provides individualized consultation on budget issues and the closing process.

Our reverse mortgage counselor met with individuals and couples about options for getting a reverse mortgage on their home.

#### **HODC Staff**

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