

Expanding Housing Choices in Chicago's Northern Suburbs









2017 Annual Report



Dear Friends and Neighbors:

Have you ever thought about how you would feel if you could not afford to live near where you work or near your friends and family? What if you were a senior on a fixed income or had a disability and needed to be connected with services? You might



HODC's primary service area and beyond

have feelings of insecurity or desperation, and at the very least would be worried. A stable home in a familiar neighborhood that offers the services you need is vital for the well-being of each of us. At HODC we believe:

- Everyone deserves a decent, safe place to live that meets their needs
- Our residents deserve to be treated with respect and dignity
- Communities work best when inclusive of all of their citizens those who live in, work in, and visit them
- Our concern for our residents goes beyond giving them a physical place to live
- We act with integrity as advocates and stewards of affordable housing

We have been hard at work over the past year to provide more of our neighbors with stable homes. Working in partnership with other affordable housing developers we ap-

plied for new projects while keeping our buildings filled. Our board completed a strategic plan to focus on sustaining current operations and add 300 units to our portfolio by 2027.

We thank all of you that support us in our efforts and encourage you to get involved by making contributions, joining our board, and promoting affordable housing in your community.

Kristin Berg, Board President



Housing Development

HODC's Housing Development pipeline expanded greatly this year with multiple proposals under municipal review for zoning approval and several applications submitted for construction and development financing. Thanks to great partnerships we have many new projects in the works for the coming years.



Axley Place interior

Financing

The key to creating high quality affordable housing is low cost financing. This year HODC was involved with five new proposals that applied for development funding. Some of these projects are on our own and others are in partnership with other forprofit housing developers. HODC will be involved in the development of all and the management of many of these potential deals. Some of the localities we worked in this year included potential sites in Arlington Heights, Cary, Crystal Lake, Deerfield, Palatine and Wilmette among others. These proposed projects include new housing units that would serve seniors on fixed incomes, people with a variety of disabilities, and working families.

Zoning

Before any proposal can move to the funding stage it needs municipal approval. Throughout this year HODC had multiple projects that went through the process of

public meetings, various commission hearings, and city council meetings. These proposals need community support and we encourage you to get involved to support more affordable housing in your community.



Axley Place with garden

Property Management

HODC continues to increase our property management capacity to serve lower income households.

New Residents

We quickly leased-up our two newest properties last year, Axley Place in Glenview and Prospect Townhomes in Niles. Both are supportive housing developments with linkages to multiple community



Axley Place, Glenview

partners who provide the necessary supportive services for those with disabilities.

HODC property management by the numbers:

Units: 255 households

Sites: 20 addresses

Communities: 9 north suburban municipalities (Deerfield, Evanston, Glenview,

Highland Park, Morton Grove, Niles, Northbrook, Northfield, Skokie)

Housing Counseling

New Home Buyers

Promoting responsible homeownership for lower income buyers continues to be one of our goals and this year 63 potential new homebuyers were provided pre-purchase counseling by HODC's HUD-certified housing counselor. Our counseling sessions continue to teach families the skills they need to become home owners.

<u>Preventing Foreclosure</u>

The national foreclosure crisis continues to impact homeowners in the suburbs. This year we helped 15 families avoid losing their homes thanks to foreclosure counseling provided by HODC staff. We work with IHDA's Hardest Hit Fund program which helps Illinois homeowners who are at-risk of having their homes foreclosed.

Reverse Mortgages

Seniors who own their home have an option for affordability using a reverse mortgage. HODC provided 30 senior households with reverse mortgage counseling this year and helped many get funds to stay in their home.

FY 2017 Operating Results

Revenues	
Contributions	\$31,191
Grants	\$13,200
Management Fees	\$94,694
Development Fees	\$135,950
Rentals	\$1,019,224
Salary Recovery	\$416,357
Miscellaneous	\$129,089
Total Revenues	\$1,839,705
Expenses	
Operations	\$96,715
Fundraising	\$9,672
Program Services	\$1,543,863
Depreciation and Amortization	\$732,193
Total Expenses	\$2,382,443

Assets & Liabilities	
Total Assets	\$17,660,002
Total Liabilities	\$7,351,768
Net Assets	\$10,308,234

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

HODC Donors in FY 2017

Housing Opportunity Development Corporation is deeply grateful to the following individuals, foundations, and organizations who supported our work this year.

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Celebrating 20 Years

HODC's Executive Director, Richard Koenig, is celebrating 20 years with the organization. Since being hired in 1997 as the first full-time executive director of the then-Interfaith Housing Development Corporation, the agency has grown 10-fold and served hundreds of low income families. He is grateful for the support of dedicated staff, dozens of board members, hundreds of volunteers, and the north shore community over the past two decades.



Richard Koenig, PhD, Executive Director

Major Grants

\$20,957: from HUD through Housing Action Illinois to provide housing counseling.

\$13,200: from the Village of Skokie for building repairs.

\$2,500: from the Chicago Community Trust for board development

HODC Staff:

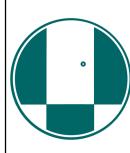
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