SF 982

\$10 MILLION for the HOUSING CHALLENGE PROGRAM

No matter where we live or what we look like, we all need dignified, affordable housing and the financial resources to provide for ourselves and those we love. From the Twin Cities to the Iron Range, our homes are the foundation of our lives — without stable housing everything else falls apart. In Minnesota, we know how to leverage our resources in ways that support families and workers in every single district across the state. The Economic Development and Housing Challenge Program (EDHC) is able to respond to unique individual city and county housing needs to better support local workforces.

\$10 million for the Housing Challenge Program

Used in Greater Minnesota and the metro area, the Challenge Fund is MHFA's most versatile funding source to create housing that supports economic development and local workforces.

Leveraging millions of dollars in federal, local, private and philanthropic funds, the program provides stable, affordable housing to support a productive workforce — but only a fraction of multifamily and single-family projects receive any funds and many are awarded less than they applied for.

We need additional resources for the Challenge Fund so nonprofit affordable housing developers are able to provide stable, dignified homes for thousands of workers in communities statewide.

Since 2020 alone, funding from the Challenge Program has built or preserved...

1,300 NEW HOMES



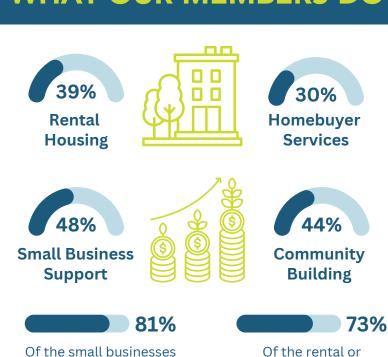




At MCCD, we convene and mobilize people and organizations that are developing and managing affordable housing and providing support and assistance to new and growing small businesses across the state. Our members are on the ground in communities across Minnesota putting state policies into practice, providing unique insight into how existing programs can work better and where new policies and investments can have the biggest impact.

As a consortium focused on the collective good over individual organizational benefit, we take a long-term and systems approach, looking beyond a single legislative session or policy initiative, to think broadly and strategically about solutions that can increase affordable housing and enhance economic development — especially for those who have been denied opportunity in the past.

WHAT OUR MEMBERS DO



OUR MEMBERS

AFFORDABLE HOUSING

Aeon

Alliance Housing Incorporated

American Indian CDC

Artspace Inc.

Beacon Interfaith Housing Collaborative

Build Wealth Minnesota

City of Lakes Community Land Trust

Clare Housing

CommonBond Communities

Dayton's Bluff Neighborhood Housing

Services

Greater Metropolitan Housing Corporation

Habitat for Humanity of Minnesota

Homes Within Reach

Hope Community

Model Cities

Neighborhood Development Alliance

NeighborWorks Home Partners

New American Development Center

Northcountry Cooperative Foundation

Northside Residents Redevelopment

Council

PRG Inc.

Project for Pride in Living

Redesign Inc.

Riverton Community Housing Association

Rondo Community Land Trust

RS Eden

Trellis

Twin Cities Habitat for Humanity

Twin Cities Housing Development

Corporation

Two Rivers Community Land Trust

Urban Homeworks

Volunteers of America

West Bank CDC

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

African Development Center

African Economic Development Solutions

Asian Economic Development Association

Aurora/St. Anthony NDC

Community Reinvestment Fund

East Side Neighborhood Development

Company

Emerge Community Development

First Children's Finance

Hmong American Partnership

Initiative Foundation

Lake Street Council

Latino Economic Development Center

Metropolitan Economic Development

Association

Neighborhood Development Center

NEON

Nexus Community Partners

Springboard for the Arts

WomenVenture

homebuyer households

assisted by our members,

73% identify as BIPOC

assisted by our members,

81% are owned or operated

by a BIPOC entrepreneur