

# Website Innovations Serve

# 1/2 Million Minnesotans



searches for affordable housing

85,000

affordable housing and waiting list openings posted

2.4

Housing **Link**- 2012 Annual Report

million page views

# 2012 Innovations

## **STREAMS**

# www.housinglink.org/streams

We changed the game for community planners and researches with the creation of **Streams**. It allows users to quickly see where publicly funded housing is located in their Twin Cities community, who funded it, and how long the property is obligated to remain affordable. Streams aids in efforts to preserve affordable housing, and in making wise development decisions. Streams was made possible by a HUD Sustainable Communities grant.

#### **HOUSING HUB**

# www.housinglink.org/housinghub

Mid-year we launched Housing Hub, video-based education, to enhance our services for renters and landlords. The videos have received over **5,000 views** and counting! Housing Hub is successful thanks to the support of the Bloomington HRA, and the Fair Housing Implementation Council's special promotion of our Fair Housing video.

# Other Successes

46,000

visits for information about subsidized housing

52,000 visits to view the status of Housing Authority Waiting Lists

3,600

visits to access Fair Housing information

83%
of surveyed
Hennepin County caseworkers found housing
options for low-income
clients on HousingLink

79% of landlords listing on HousingLink accept Section 8 youchers

940,000 openings sent through hAlert

35 Outreach events educating organizations & landlords about affordable housing

# Twin Cities

#### Rental Revue

SHOWCASING SHADOW &
APARTMENT MARKET DATA

This innovative quarterly report launched in late 2011 won a prestigious industry

award in 2012 from the Minnesota Multi Housing Association. In 2012 it generated \$12,236 in revenue from subscriptions.



Engaged in research of the affordable housing landscape in Minnesota for the *Housing Measures* report on behalf of the McKnight Foundation.

# 2012 Supporters

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