

EXPANDINGour impact

623,085

Searches for Affordable Housing

21,388

Affordable Vacancies & Waiting List Openings Listed 3 Million +
Page Views of
housing resources

New Projects. New Impact.

Olmstead Plan Housing Goal

The Olmstead Plan housing goal states, "People with disabilities will choose where they live, with whom, and in what type of housing." In 2014 we completed phase 1 of our work to achieve this goal. We engaged the community to identify improvements to our website.

In 2015 we are implementing these changes! Our website will have more information about individual rental units. It will also have more education about affordable rental housing options that meet the needs of persons with disabilities.

Fair Housing Videos in 4 languages

The Fair Housing Implementation Council contracted with **HousingLink to create Fair Housing awareness videos in 4 languages:** English, Hmong, Somali, and Spanish. Check them out at housinglink.org/housingresources/fairhousing

Twin Cities Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing

The Fair Housing Implementation Council also contracted with HousingLink to **conduct a regional analysis of impediments to Fair Housing.** See it at housinglink.org/Research/ResearchLinks

Project Based Section 8

Renters spend hours contacting Project Based Section 8 properties to get on multiple waiting lists. These lists often have a 12-24 month wait. We started to define an online resource to centralize these waiting lists. It will make the process easier and more efficient for low-income renters and affordable housing providers.

Electronic Data Feeds

Now management companies can post openings to HousingLink directly from their property management software. This ensures more accurate and timely listings for renters searching HousingLink.

Impact through Information

52,700Visits for subsidized housing information.

92,700
Views of Housing
Authority Waiting
List status.

68% of Hennepin County caseworkers who provide direct service to clients say HousingLink's services are critical to their work.

4,400Visits for Fair Housing Information.

4,677
listings that would consider a Section 8 voucher in 2014.

1,408,000
Housing openings sent through hAlert in 2014.

Housing Data Experts

- Streams An inventory of housing with public funding in the Twin Cities
- Twin Cities Rental Revue A quarterly report that tracks market rate rents
- Rent Reasonable Data for Housing Authorities
- → Housing Research for Community Agencies
- MN Housing Measures (in partnership with the McKnight Foundation)
- Housing Counts (in partnership with Family Housing Fund)



HousingLink strategically partners with others to promote housing choice, stability and equity in Minnesota.

2014 Supporters

Bloomington HRA

Eide Bailly (In-Kind)

Fair Housing Implementation Council

Family Housing Fund

Google, Inc. (In-Kind)

Hennepin County

Hugh J. Andersen Foundation

Jay and Rose Phillips

Family Foundation of Minnesota

Live Smoke Free Minnesota

Many Individual Donors

McKnight Foundation

Metropolitan Council

Minnesota Homeownership Center

Minnesota Housing

Minnesota Multi Housing Association

Minneapolis Public Housing Authority

MN Department of Human Services: Money Follows the Person

Redmon Law Chartered (In-Kind)

Scott County CDA

St. Paul Public Housing Agency

Target

Washington County HRA

Here are some partner projects we worked on:

MATSH (MN Access to Supportive Housing) - matsh.org

Fair Housing MN - Fairhousingmn.org

Hennepin County Lead Safe - housinglink.org/List/LeadSafe

Live Smoke Free MN - mnsmokefreehousing.org

2014 Board of Directors

CHAIR

Beth Reetz – Director of Housing and Livable Communities, *Metropolitan Council*

VICE-CHAIR

Karl Batalden – Housing and Economic Development Coordinator, *City of Woodbury*

TREASURER

Jeff Von Feldt – Development Manager,

Duffy Development Company

SECRETARIES

Kristine Zimba – Partial Year - Director of Housing & Support Services, *YWCA of St Paul*

Tim Thompson – President, Housing Preservation Project

DIRECTORS

Paul Boerum – Housing Specialist - Project Quest, Wilder

James Farstad - President, Farstad. US, LLC

Tom Fulton – President, Family Housing Fund

Michael Grover – Assistant Vice President Community Development, *Federal Reserve Bank*

of Minneapolis

Alicia Huckleby – Human Resources Manager,

St Paul Public Housing Agency

Brenda Hvambsal – Director of Marketing,

Steven Scott Management

Amanda Novak - Vice President of Development,

CommonBond Communities

Tonja Orr – Asst. Commissioner for Housing Policy,

Minnesota Housing

Tracie Roberson – Homeless Services, *People Incorporated*

Financials







Contact

HousingLink

International Market Square Suite 509 275 Market Street Minneapolis, MN 55405 612-522-2500 www.housinglink.org