



GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA INTERAGENCY COUNCIL ON HOMELESSNESS

HOUSING SOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

Meeting Details	Date: 20 November 2023	Time: 2 – 3:30 pm	Location: Webex
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Meeting Notes

I. WELCOME AND AGENDA REVIEW

Theresa Silla (Executive Director, ICH) welcomed the group and covered Committee housekeeping items captured on slides 2 - 5, including:

- Recording conventions,
- Meeting agenda, and
- Housekeeping items related to adopting meeting notes and managing the listserv.

Theresa also invited co-chair Shellon Fraser (Director of Lending, National Housing Trust) to introduce herself and recognized Danilo Pelletiere (Preservation Officer, DHCD), who was standing in for the government co-chair of the Housing Solutions Committee, Colleen Green (Director, DHCD).

II. PARTNER & SYSTEM-WIDE UPDATES

The system check-in included updates from DHS and DHCD.

A. DHS

Anna Fogel (Deputy Administrator for Permanent Housing for the Family Services Administration, DHS) provided a quick update on rent reasonableness for non DCHA program. The discussion focused on utilizing [affordable housing.com](#) for FRSP, Career MAP and Rapid Rehousing for individuals. Please see slide 8.

B. DHCD

DHCD presented on the PRO Housing application through COG. Please review slides 10-11 for details.

Comments, concerns, and questions from the discussion are captured on slide 12. Topic areas are summarized here for easy reference:

- Clarification on determining factors for low-income for the purpose of the application.
- What is the process for jurisdictions to secure funding from the regional application?

III. DISCUSSION

The two main discussion items were: 1) Rent Reasonableness and 2) Annual Priorities.

A. RENT REASONABLNESS

Director Silla (ICH) led the discussion on the feedback discussion on rent reasonableness. Please see slides 14-15 for details. The presentation included a review of feedback from the 09/18 Committee meeting in the areas of Challenges, Impact, Recommendations/Potential Solutions and Parking Lot Issues.

Comments, concerns, and questions from the discussion are captured on slide 16-19. Topic areas are summarized here for easy reference:

- How do we address the issue of utility assistance and parking fees?
- Is there a verification system for what is presented online, and what landlords are reporting?
- Are there considerations for providing additional funding support for ADA units?
- Will there be assistance for security deposits?

B. ANNUAL PRIORITIES

Director Silla (ICH) led the discussion on the feedback discussion on Annual Priorities. Please see slides 22-23 for details. The presentation focused on defining areas of Demand, Supply, Access, and Quality including feedback from the 09/18 Committee meeting.

Comments, concerns, and questions from the discussion are captured on slide 23. Topic areas are summarized here for easy reference:

- Concerns on the availability of larger units to accommodate large families.
- Clarity on the recertification process.

IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS & REMINDERS

Due to limited time, Theresa reminded participants to review this section upon distribution of the slide deck, which includes information about the following announcements/reminders:

- HCS: RELIEF Program
- HCS: Veteran Flex Fund
- PFFC: 11th Annual Memorial & Vigil

V. SUMMARY & ADJOURNMENT

Theresa and Shellon thanked the group for participating and adjourned with a note about the next meeting date. December meeting is canceled. Meeting schedule for 2024 has not been determined.

Next Meeting	Date: TBD	Time: TBD	Location: TBD
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Participant List (65 Participants, 34 Organizations)

2026****86 (Ms. Umi, CEWG)	Ed Villard (Private Landlord)	Mary Bridget Klinkenbergh (Catholic Charities)
2026****18 (Concerned Citizen)	Eileen Rosa (ICH)	Monique Banks (Echelon)
2026****96 (Concerned Citizen)	Eloisa Pleters-Escobar (Community Solutions)	Ms Naomi (PFFC/CEWG)
3053****42 (Concerned Citizen)	Erin Wilson (DHCD)	Neah Eving (DC Council)
2022****39 (Concerned Citizen)	Fred Swan (TCP)	Nechama Masliansky (SOME)
Aaron White (YAB/CEWG)	Ginger Cabrera (Woodley House)	Nikila Smith (PFFC/CEWG)
Abby Sypek (Everyone Home DC)	Grant Petracca (Gilbane Co)	Pamela Agava (CSH)
Adam Maier (Pathways to Housing)	Gregory Crawford (Access Housing)	Queenie Featherstone (PFFC/CEWG)
Ann Chauvin (Woodley House)	Hammere Gebreyes (DCHA)	Rachelle Ellison (PFFC/CEWG)
Anna Fogel (DHS)	Ishan Heru (Community Connections)	Reggie Black (PFFC/CEWG)
Anna Gray (DHS)		

<p>Brendan Haley (Everyone Home DC) Bridgette Ashton (DHCD) Brit Ruffin (Legal Clinic) Carmen Hernandez (DHS) Catlin Cocilova (DC Council) Charisse Lue (Legal Clinic) Chloe Cohen (DHS) Clarence Stewart (TCP) Clu Cohen (DHS) Colleen Green (DHCD) Connie Price (Delta Housing Corp) Daisean Foster (ICH) Danilo Pelletiere (DHCD) Destinee Beckham (KCCS Inc.) Dr Mayaalla MuQaddim Abdullah Al Saud (PFFC/CEWG)</p>	<p>Jasmine Chalmers (Legal Clinic) Jill Carmichael (ICH) Joe Knackstedt (DHCD) Joshua Drumming (Legal Clinic) Kally Canfield (Community Solutions) Kate Coventry (DCFPI) Kecia Tinubu (Woodley House) Lara Pukatch (Miriam's Kitchen) Leila Finucane (Victory Housing) Lynn Amano (Friendship Place) Maria Paipa (Woodley House) Clarence Stewart (TCP) Tracey Jones (Echelon)</p>	<p>Robert Warren (PFFC/CEWG) S. Banks (N Street Village) Sangita Joshi (N Street Village) Sara Cartmill (COF) Sean Cuddihy (DC Council) S. Johnson (Mission DC) Shiri Yadlin (CSH) Synina Pugh (ICH) Theresa Silla (ICH) Timothy Nelson (Miriam's Kitchen) Tjuan Stevenson-Woods (Housing Up) Tracy Cecil (Cecil Consulting) Tynisha Owens (DHS) Victoria Melendez (LISC)</p>
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