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# WHAT WE DO

Metro Housing addresses and prevents homelessness in Boston by providing supports and services for families and individuals and helps them move along the pathway from homelessness to housing stability to economic security.



#### **HOW WE DO IT**

Metro Housing brings together resources to help families and individuals achieve housing stability, economic security, and an improved quality of life.

We do it by providing knowledge, skills and financial tools to help families:

- Prevent evictions and homelessness.
- Find suitable homes that lead to housing stability, and
- Ensure long-term economic security

We accomplish this through our growing colocation sites, as well as our many programs and services.

#### **HOW WE ARE DIFFERENT**

No matter where families and individuals are on the housing continuum — homeless, struggling to keep their home, or stably housed and working towards a better life — Metro Housing can help. No one is turned away.

We meet people where they are, and provide them with answers and solutions to fit their needs.

# **HOW WE MAKE AN IMPACT**

Metro Housing positively impacts families' lives by:

- Resolving housing challenges
- Moving families from homelessness to housing
- Making homes safer
- Making rent affordable
- Helping people grow their assets

## **OUR FAMILIES' CHALLENGES**

While Metro Housing manages more than **11,000** vouchers, there are an additional **35,000** families on our waiting list. The family at the top of the waitlist applied in October 2009.

To afford a two bedroom home in Massachusetts, a family has to work 107 hours per week - nearly three full time jobs - at minimum wage or make more than \$37 per hour and work full time, approximately \$79,000.

(Out of Reach 2022, National Low Income Housing Coalition)



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# **2022 METRO HOUSING IMPACT**



# RESOLVED PEOPLE'S HOUSING CHALLENGES

- Housing Hub served 19,995 unique households and conducted 49,294 counseling sessions.
- Assisted 18,000 households facing eviction to retain their housing, for a total
  of \$163 million to support housing stability through state and federal funded
  rental assistance programs.
- Assisted 886 families and individuals facing unstable housing through the Accountable Care Organizations (ACO) Flex Services.
- The Fair Housing Project served 251 participants and responded to 151 requests for reasonable accommodation.
- Served 975 families at 11 colocation sites.

# MOVED FAMILIES FROM HOMELESSNESS TO HOUSING



 Provided up to 12 months of stabilization services for 279 families to ease their transition into permanent housing.

#### MADE HOMES SAFER



Closed 20 loans, valued at \$631,500, to help elders and people with disabilities stay in their homes.



## **HELPED PEOPLE GROW THEIR ASSETS**



- Worked with 47
   participants from the
   Family Self-Sufficiency
   (FSS) financial monitoring
   program.
- Distributed \$475,493 in escrow savings to FSS participants.
- Disbursed \$70,690 to 51 families participating in the Family Economic Stability (FES) program.
- Since it's inception in 2018, Green Space has helped 304 families improve their financial standing through the Green Space Financial Coaching program.

## MADE RENT MORE AFFORDABLE



- Administered rental assistance vouchers to more than 7,497 households including:
- **8,253** federal vouchers via federally funded rental assistance, such as Housing Choice Voucher Program.
- **3,131** state vouchers via the Massachusetts Rental Voucher Program.

