

Subcommittee on the Chicago Recovery Plan

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CHICAGO RECOVERY PLAN UPDATE JULY 2022



TIMELINE

The Chicago Recovery Plan provides funding for investments from 2022-2026. Project funded by the CRP are multi-year investments.

HIGHLIGHTS/PROGRESS TO DATE

- First month of payments to families in Chicago Resilient Communities Pilot have been issued
- Awarded Round 2 of Community Development Grants (79 finalists awarded over \$49M in City/CRP funds)
- Annual Progress Report and Quarterly Financial Report due July 31
- Tree Equity update: planted over 4,000 trees to date (with over 14,000 trees acquired for planting)
- Reviewed 60% of city-owned inventory of vacant lots for environmental conditions
- Engaged community stakeholders to streamline sales process for vacant land

UPCOMING DASHBOARD UPDATES

- Obligation and expenditures data by Priority and Initiatives
- · Initiative status update
- · Outcome and KPI reporting
- · Delegate expenditure reporting

In Progress and Reserved for **Future Years** \$1.361M RFP/Application Released \$317M Obligated/Paid \$869M

TOTAL CHICAGO RECOVERY PLAN

BUDGET

\$2.547M

For more information: Chicago.gov/RecoveryPlan



Rapid Rehousing and Shelter Infrastructure Initiatives

Department of Family and Support Services

Commissioner Brandie Knazze



Rapid Rehousing Initiative Overview

The Rapid Rehousing ARPA Initiative extends and builds on the Expedited Housing Initiative, a surge housing effort funded with \$35M in CARES Act funding, which helped Chicagoans experiencing homelessness rapidly access housing and minimize the health risks of COVID-19.

Successes of the Expedited Housing Initiative



1,766 households

have moved into housing as of July 8, 2022. 1,432 households moved out of shelters and 334 moved from unsheltered locations. On track to house 1,866 by September 30, 2022.



60+ Accelerated Moving Events

Chicago tested new practices, including Accelerated Moving Events, one- or two-day events held at shelters or near encampments where participants complete several steps of the housing process at once



500+ Landlords

Creation of a centralized landlord outreach and engagement program, Chicago Rents, to aid and expedite the housing process for people experiencing homelessness. As of June 2022, the Chicago Rents team has identified 4,446 units from over 500 landlords.

What is Rapid Rehousing (RRH)?

RRH provides housing relocation and stabilization services and short- to medium-term rental assistance to help households experiencing homelessness obtain stable, permanent housing as quickly as possible.

While in housing, case managers work with households to establish a long-term housing plan and connect to services necessary to help the household successfully sustain in housing.

Rapid Rehousing Initiative Timeline

\$20M ARPA Funds will extend the City's expanded investment in Rapid Rehousing services through 2024

Expedited Housing Initiative, funded with CARES Act funding

 CARES Act funding will be expended by September 2022, on track to house a total of 1,866 households over the course of the initiative

EHI households continuing to be served with ARPA funding

ARPA funding will continue to support 1,000
households currently in RRH supported by CARES Act funding
who have been in the program for less than a year or are waiting
to transfer to another subsidy program

New households housed and served with ARPA funding

- Phase II of Accelerated Moving Events will begin in fall 2022 to in-flow another 400 households
- Once in their RRH placements, households work with a case manager to identify a long-term pathway
 to stable housing that can include accessing other subsidized housing options, obtaining income to
 pay their own rent, or living with friends or family.

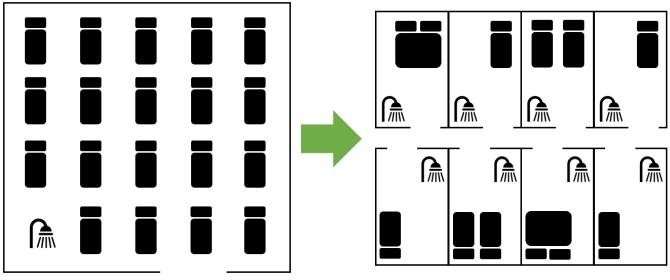
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Congregate

Shelter Infrastructure Initiative

Overview

Renovate or relocate shelters to more non-congregate and accessible facilities to serve individuals and families experiencing homelessness safely and with dignity. This initiative builds on the successes and learnings from hotel models stood up in Chicago and nationally in response to the pandemic.



Non-congregate

Benefits of non-congregate shelter:

- Limits the spread of COVID-19 and other infectious diseases
- Higher rates of engagement with service providers and exits to permanent housing
- Reduced interpersonal conflict
- Fewer 911 calls
- Improved client feelings of safety, security, and optimism about the future

Shelter Infrastructure Initiative * Timeline

DFSS and DOH are partnering on this initiative, leveraging each department's expertise and ARPA funding, to pursue two tracks for improving shelter infrastructure:

2022 Q2 2022 Q4 2023 Q1 2023 Q2 2023 Q4 Track 1 Search for non-congregate facilities available that meet the needs of a shelter program Acquisition of non-Pilot acquisition of Additional rounds for congregate facilities for facilities through DOH acquisition of facilities relocation of shelter programs Pilot RFP/RFO for Shelter Additional rounds for Additional shelter owners/ operators relocation(s) owners/operators relocation(s) • \$30M in Bond for Anticipated for release • Simultaneous with acquisition (DOH) purchase negotiations, in August if possible Planning and hiring for Track 2 implementation of capital projects Renovation of shelter Contract w/ Initial RFP for Additional rounds for Program facilities shelter projects shelter projects Administrator Targeting release • \$20M in Bond for shelter in November Implementation of shelter renovations **HOME-ARP Funding Planning** renovation (DFSS) • DFSS and DOH led community feedback • \$20M proposed in HOMEprocess (May-July) ARP (DFSS) • Funding to be available once plan is approved by HUD, anticipated September



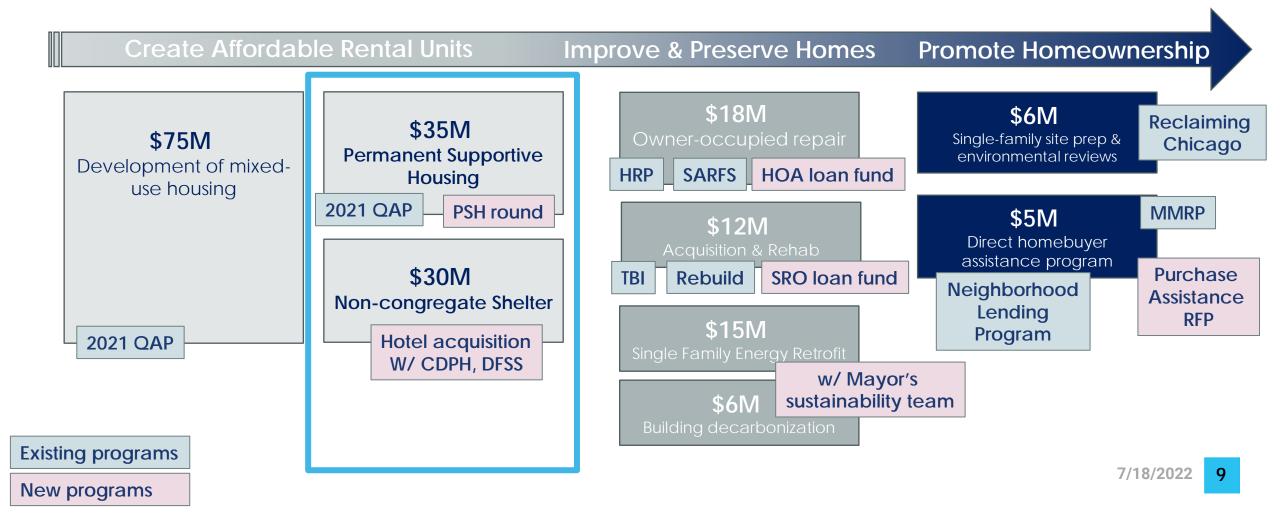
Permanent Supportive Housing & Non-Congregate Acquisitions

Department of Housing

Bryan Esenberg, Managing Deputy Commissioner



X DOH provides acquisition and development support





X Developing Permanent Supportive Housing



Permanent Support Housing Overview

- Large developments funded through DOH or IHDA credit rounds
- Have 7 PSH developments in DOH pipeline now
- Represents nearly 13% of our deals, and only 6% of our unit production
- Most PSH deals are smaller than a typical LIHTC deal

The next IHDA funding round for PSH is this fall. Deals needing subordinate resources from the City can schedule an intake with DOH.







X Hotel Acquisition Program

Acquiring hotels and existing buildings for use as non-congregate shelter, high utilizer housing, and conversion to permanent supportive housing

- Concrete structures allow for easy residential conversion
- Smaller unit totals work well for PSH
- Ideal hotels have parking, laundry and space for food prep
- Many of these hotels are enclosed
- Eventual conversion to PSH can be supported by 4% LIHTC

Activity to Date

- Motels visited are Citywide, and primarily located on the Northwest, West, and South sides of the city.
- Potential sites referred by Aldermanic offices, Law Dept and direct outreach by owners
- DFSS, CDPH and DFSS have toured 6 potential sites, with 3 more visits planned
- Working towards the acquisition of 1 –2 hotels in the short term







Photos are Representative



X Timeline and action items

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round

PSH Development

Track 1

Acquisition of non-

for relocation

(DOH)

congregate facilities

of shelter programs

\$30M in Bond

for acquisition

Awarded through DOH and IHDA funding rounds

\$35M in Bond for acquisition (DOH)

Proceed to closing and IHDA awards announced construction DOH DOH funding awards round announced



High Utilizer Stabilization Housing Pilot

Chicago Department of Public Health

Matt Richards, LCSW; Deputy Commissioner of Behavioral Health



X High Utilizer Stabilization Housing Pilot

General Overview

CDPH received \$12 million to pilot a stabilization housing program for individuals with complex health conditions such as untreated serious mental illness, substance use disorders, and co-occurring disorders who cycle frequently through emergency rooms, jail, 911 services, and the shelter system.

Project Status

- CDPH has visited five possible sites and has three more anticipated site visits scheduled. We are moving forward with condition assessments of multiple sites, to determine financial and operational feasibility.
- CDPH is writing an RFP for site operations and on-site healthcare services and collaborating with Department of Housing on the site acquisition strategy.
- CDPH will be working with community stakeholders to develop program eligibility criteria and to support program implementation.

Timeline

- By early Fall, CDPH anticipates that it will complete site visits
- Anticipated site acquisition will occur in 2022
- RFP for services will be released by Fall of 2022
- Targeted program launch by early 2023.



Updates to City Digital Services

Assets, Information and Services

Kurt Peterson, Chief Information Officer



X IT Modernization Strategy







***** Updates to City digital services

- Since the launch of the Recovery Plan, a new technology leadership team at AIS and the Mayor's Office has been named. This team will set the foundation for the City's IT transformation.
- The IT MOD is a multi-year initiative to replace the City's legacy systems and increase productivity by making city services easier to use and more digitally accessible.
- CRP IT investments will enhance the effectiveness of relief and support programs addressing negative economic impacts exacerbated by the pandemic, by investing in new applications, websites, data analytics tools, and other technologies, as needed to support the Recovery Plan objectives.



City Infrastructure and Parks Chicago Park District

Patrick Levar, Chief Operating Officer



* Park District - Chicago Recovery Program

General Overview

\$35.6M of Chicago Recovery Program funding to support park improvements

- \$8M Park Infrastructure Improvements investment in public broadband network at an estimated 60 neighborhood field houses for use by community residents
- \$27.6M Neighborhood Parks Improvements including beautification, expansion of recreation and accessibility

Project Status

- Initial projects underway with 5-year programs being developed
- Neighborhood park improvements in all community areas with increased focus on Invest South/West and Violence Reduction communities

<u>Timeline</u>

Implement all improvements over 5-years



X Park District – Park Infrastructure Improvements

General Overview

- \$8M Investment
- Estimated 60 neighborhood field houses
- Provide free public WiFi in parks in effort to bridge digital divide
- Installation of equipment and wiring connectivity to support public WiFi within field house buildings and to outdoor parks spaces as possible
- Purchase and installation of WiFi equipment including required facility renovation to accept technology upgrades

<u>Timeline</u>

Implement all improvements over 5-years



X Park District - Neighborhood Parks Improvements

General Overview

- \$27.6M Investment; Estimated 75 projects
- Chicago Splash! Construction of new water play features to replace aged system, including new water line. and drinking fountain as needed. Provide new play features while also removing lead lines and improving water conservation.
- Vacant Lots Pocket Parks Transform vacant lots into pocket parks with fencing, lighting, benches and landscape. Develop park program with local community stakeholders. Properties transferred from City must be "clean and green". Focus acquisitions on community areas with most open space need.
- Youth Sports Artificial Turf Fields Construct new artificial turf fields in parks across the City to enhance program offerings to local youth. Scope to include football/soccer or baseball based on local demand. Turf fields are increasingly popular as they expand program time on fields otherwise closed due to wet conditions.
- Pickleball Mania! To meet the growing popular demand of pickleball, build two-three regional court destinations to support tournaments and additional multiple individual courts across the city. Convert underused tennis courts where feasible.

<u>Timeline</u>

Implement all improvements over 5-years