# Building Community Through Collaboration

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#### **Our Mission Statement**

MHP expands housing and community development opportunities for those most impacted by economic and racial disparities by leading collaborative work to promote systems change and grow equitable development capacity.





## MHP Areas of Focus Research/Policy/Community Development





#### Community Development Assistance

- MHP's Capacity Building team staff have a variety of backgrounds in community development & technical assistance may include:
  - Creation of housing projects and programs
  - Organizational development and capacity building
  - Applying for funding (federal, state, foundation, etc.)
  - Navigating funding program requirements and regulatory compliance
  - Economic development projects/programs
  - And more...tailored workplans
- If a skill set is needed that MHP does not have in-house, MHP draws upon our national contractor network (architects, engineers, grant writers, economic development advisors, and more) to provide 3rd party support.



#### Connect with MHP!

## Requests for Technical Assistance Applications are now being accepted on a pipeline basis!

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### Housing Development: How to get started

#### My community needs housing.

- Ask Why your community needs housing- reasoning.
- Who needs housing?
  - Seniors, Low/moderate income, Market rate. # of units.
- Consider What type of housing is needed.
  - Single-Family, Multi-family
  - Rentals, Homeownership
- Where can I build housing?
  - Infill, New subdivision.
- When would I like housing to be built? The development process takes time. More time than most think.



#### Needs Assessment and Feasibility

- Identify the needs of your community members.
  - Surveys, focus groups, community meetings.
- Conduct market analysis. You want to know
  - Market trends Current and historical data on housing prices, sales volume, and inventory levels.
  - Supply and demand analysis of the balance between supply and demand.



- Market analysis. Key components:
  - Demographics population growth, age, income, and household information.
  - Economic Indicators Examination of local economic conditions, such as employment rates, wages, and interest rates.
  - Community Characteristics Evaluation of factors like schools, transportation, amenities, and Zoning.



- Market analysis. Key components:
  - Competitive Market Analysis Comparison with nearby markets or similar neighborhoods.
    - Understand the market's strengths and weaknesses.
  - Government policies and regulations Assessment of local, state, and federal policies impacting the housing market.
    - Zoning, Tax policies, Subsidies, Incentives, Environmental Regulations, Housing policies and programs.



- Market analysis:
  - Assess your existing housing stock and infrastructure.
  - Determine funding Opportunities and potential partners. Can be ongoing.
  - Develop a preliminary report which
- The Product: Your market analysis.
  - A preliminary report outlining the housing needs and potential solutions.



#### Project Planning (7-18 months)

- Project Planning
  - Define project goals, objectives, and target populations.
  - Assemble a project team (developers, Architects, attorneys, financial advisors, technical assistance- GMHF, MHP.
  - Feasibility studies and site analysis
  - Develop a conceptual design and a preliminary budget.



#### Project Planning (7-18 months)

- Project Planning
  - Search for funding options and funding commitments. Explore financing options.
    - MN Housing, GMHF, MHP.
  - Create a detailed project plan, timeline, and budget.
    - Technical assistance providers can assist.



## Project Implementation (Months 19 to completion)

- Project Implementation
  - Finalize design and architectural plans.
  - Obtain necessary permits and approvals.
  - Secure construction financing and begin building.
  - Manage construction and oversee project progress.
  - Coordinate marketing and leasing efforts.
  - Evaluate project success and identify areas for improvement
  - Repeat your process using lessons learned.



#### Housing Development

Determining the need for housing sets the stage for project planning, and ensures that:

- Resources are targeted effectively.
- Projects address specific community needs.
- Stakeholders are engaged and supportive.
- Funding opportunities are leveraged effectively.
- Projects are viable and sustainable.



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