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MTW Collaborative Member News

The MTW Collaborative is proud to share the impact our members are having in their communities! See below for the latest news and updates from MTW agencies across the country.

July 2025

Maryville Housing Authority to Build First New Units in Nearly 40 Years

Maryville Housing Authority (MHA) plans to build 11 new units. This new construction represents the first new public housing built in Maryville, TN since 1986. Julie Sharpe, Executive Director of MHA, said the group has secured \$1.6 million in grant money which will help them fund the construction of 11 new units for older Americans and people with disabilities. The units will be built with inclusion and accessibility in mind with features like grab bars in the bathrooms and level entryways.

[Click here to read more about the historic new construction](#)



Louisville Metro Housing Authority Hosts 39th Annual Manfred Reid Sr. Scholarship Ceremony

This month, LMHA hosted the 39th Annual Manfred Reid Sr. Scholarship Ceremony to celebrate outstanding scholars. Beginning in 1987, this scholarship program helps residents on their education journey. This year's 16 scholarship recipients each received \$1,500 to use toward higher education or vocational training.

The namesake of this scholarship, Manfred Reid Sr. lives an exemplary life of purpose from being tried and acquitted of conspiracy charges as a member of “The Black Six” for protesting during the 1968 Louisville Rebellion to his current calling as an affordable housing advocate.

[Click here to hear about the impact of the scholarship from a prior recipient](#)

[Click here to view photos from the ceremony](#)

[Click here to read more about The Black Six](#)

[Click here to read more about Manfred Reid Sr.](#)



Additional Member News

- [New Hampshire Housing Celebrates Ribbon Cutting for Service Enriched Kingston Veterans Residence](#)
 - [Click here to read more about Kingston Veterans Residence](#)
- [CHA Hosts 3rd Annual Homeownership Forum for Over 200 Attendees Ready to Explore the Path to Homeownership](#)
 - [Click here to see a video recap of the event](#)
- [Dynamic Flyover Footage Shows Amazing Progress at Lewiston Housing’s Wedgewood Housing Development](#)
 - [Click here to read more about Lewiston's greater Choice Neighborhoods revitalization efforts](#)
- [Portage Metropolitan Housing Authority and Habitat for Humanity Partner to Break Ground on New Home for FSS Participant](#)
- [Seattle Housing Authority Secures \\$20m Investment to Develop Transit-Oriented, Mixed-Income, High-Opportunity Community](#)

Exciting Supplement Review Update

The recent decision by HUD to centralize the primary review of Expansion Agency MTW Supplements from Field Offices to the MTW Office, effective for submissions starting October 1, 2025, represents a significant win for our members.

This strategic shift, a direct result of our sustained advocacy, will streamline the review and approval process for Expansion agencies by standardizing procedures, enhancing expertise, and providing more consistent, dedicated

support. This means a more efficient and effective partnership with HUD, as MTW Supplement inquiries and submissions will now be handled directly by assigned MTW Desk Officers, ensuring a deeper understanding of MTW-specific activities.

In the interim, should you have any questions directly related to this transition, please feel free to email mtw-info@hud.gov and mtw@mtwcollaborative.org

HUD Funding Opportunities

ROSS Rapid Response

Through a new [notice](#), HUD has opened applications for the Resident Opportunity and Self Sufficiency (ROSS) Rapid Response Program (RRP), offering approximately \$150,000 to \$250,000 in expedited, cost-reimbursable grants to communities facing urgent and unanticipated challenges like natural disasters, public health crises, or economic disruptions. These one-time awards are designed to provide immediate assistance for service coordination and limited direct services, complementing the annual ROSS NOFO by addressing urgent human services needs with a focus on people-centered service coordination and immediate impact. Eligible applicants must be current or former ROSS grantees since 2017. Applications must be submitted via the RRP posting on GrantSolutions.gov, and they will be reviewed on a rolling basis.

VASH Registration of Interest

HUD has [announced](#) \$34 million in new funding to support approximately 3,400 additional HUD-VASH vouchers. To be considered for these new vouchers, PHAs must [register their interest](#) by September 10, 2025, and provide a signed letter of support from their partnering Veterans Affairs facility. PHAs with 25 or fewer existing HUD-VASH vouchers are automatically eligible to register and those with over 25 vouchers must demonstrate a VASH utilization rate of at least 60% as of March 1, 2025. Following registration, HUD will invite eligible PHAs to apply based on a needs-based formula, with awards ranging from 5 to 500 vouchers per PHA. For additional information, please email VASH@hud.gov.

Research Made Possible by MTW

As "America's Housing Policy Lab," MTW PHAs continue to play a central role in piloting strategies and sharing critical learnings with policy makers and the broader housing community. A new report on work requirements and time limits in federal housing highlights the crucial contributions of MTW PHAs to the research community's understanding of these policies.

The research brief, [Policy at a crossroads: What we know about work requirements and time limits in federal housing](#), and the accompanying [blog post](#) from the NYU Furman Center acknowledge that for years, MTW PHAs have been offering insight on the real-world effects of these policies and their impact on residents and the housing assistance landscape.

Follow Along!

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