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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.

August 2025

Minneapolis Public Housing Authority Breaks Ground on Historic Public Housing Redevelopment

The vision for the landmark \$78m investment at Spring Manor - the city's largest ever redevelopment effort - is the result of years of work with residents to create a plan that preserves 221 units for older residents across two buildings while also adding 15 new deeply affordable and fully accessible units.

The renovations, which include updates to aging building systems, accessibility upgrades, in-unit cooling and ventilation systems, and exterior enveloping repairs, are made possible by MPHA's ability to bring together public- and private-sector partners while leveraging multiple funding streams in support of their residents and the preservation of affordable housing.

[Click here to see more photos from the groundbreaking event.](#)

[Click here to watch a news segment covering the groundbreaking.](#)

[Click here to read more about the record-breaking redevelopment plan.](#)



Akron Metropolitan Housing Authority Celebrates SPARK Program Graduates

This month, Akron Metropolitan Housing Authority (AMHA) celebrated over 70 young graduates from their Early Childhood Initiative's (ECI) Supporting Partnerships to Assure Ready Kids (SPARK) program. SPARK prepares children and families for kindergarten by providing early education math and reading resources, coordinating school tours during the summer months, and having conversations with families around the needs of their children.

Leveraging collaborative partnerships and targeted support, research shows that these initiatives, including specifically AMHA's SPARK program, improve outcomes for young children and their families by promoting health, well-being, and school readiness.

[Click here to see photos from the celebration](#)

[Click here to read HAI Group's Case Study on AMHA's ECI Program](#)



Additional Member News

- [DC Housing Authority Honors Hardworking Scholars and Supports Continued Success in Higher Education with 2025 Commitment to Excellence Scholarships.](#)
 - [Click here to read more about the scholarship and the ceremony celebrating this year's recipients.](#)
- [Rockford Housing Authority Receives Grant from Partners at BMO Bank to Empower Residents on the Journey to Homeownership.](#)
- [West Hartford Housing Authority Partners with Hartford HealthCare's Neighborhood Health Team to Provide Essential Services Where They're Needed.](#)
 - [Click here to read more about the neighborhood health services offered.](#)
- [Home Forward \(Portland, OR\) and Partners at Portland Community College and Native American Youth and Family Center Celebrate Grand Opening of chaku kumtuks haws Apartments.](#)
 - [Click here to read more about how the new "learning house" development which features onsite workforce training, healthcare, and early learning resources.](#)

- [Dover Housing, in partnership with New Hampshire Housing and HAVEN NH celebrates the grand opening of HAVEN At The Falls, a new six-unit multifamily supportive housing development for survivors of domestic and intimate partner violence.](#)
- [In Under a Year, Homes for Good \(Eugene, OR\) Opens Doors at 57-Unit Former Hotel Turned Permanent Supportive Housing Development, Bridges on Broadway.](#)

A New Year of Opportunity

We want to thank you for dedicating time and resources this month to support and encourage all your little scholars as they step out their doors and into a new year of opportunity.

Your work continues to inspire us, and we know it means the world to the families and communities you serve.



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