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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.

September 2025

Camp Catalyst Offers Youth a Summer of Inspiration and Unity

Combining MTW program funds with an [award from Bohemian Foundation](#), Housing Catalyst (Fort Collins, CO) brought together community partners this summer to provide four weeks of free programming for residents entering grades 3-5 at all Housing Catalyst developments.

Camp Catalyst's social-emotional learning model focuses on collaborative teamwork, problem solving, and creative expression through specialized partner-driven activities including music fundamentals ([Foundation Music School](#)), STEM projects ([The Quarter Project](#)), and nature-based learning ([Colorado Forest Service](#) / [Kids in Nature](#)).

Housing Catalyst looks forward to building on the success of Camp Catalyst to reach more families in the years to come.

[Click here to see more photos and to read more about Camp Catalyst.](#)
[Click here to read more about Bohemian Foundation.](#)



Boca Raton Housing Authority Celebrates Community History with Groundbreaking of The Residences at Martin Manor

Born to a laundress and a sharecropper in Boca Raton, FL in September 1928, Lois Martin shared her love of mathematics with her students for nearly 40 years and devoted her personal energy to supporting community building and affordable housing in and around the Pearl City neighborhood.

This September, the Boca Raton Housing Authority (BRHA) honored Ms. Martin's legacy by breaking ground on an affordable housing redevelopment site named in her honor, The Residences at Martin Manor.

This redevelopment will replace the aging Dixie Manor homes originally built in 1942 as WWII Black Army barracks with 95 new units for families (36 one-bedroom, 39 two-bedroom, 18 three-bedroom, and 2 four-bedroom units), an outdoor playground and recreational space. Paying further honor to Ms. Martin's career as an educator, the community will also include the Lois Martin Community Center with after-school and summer programs operated by BRHA.

All units are affordable to households earning 22-80% AMI and residency will prioritize welcoming families returning from Dixie Manor. Construction is expected to be completed in the fall of 2026.

[Click here to read more about the redevelopment and the groundbreaking.](#)
[Click here to read more about Lois Martin.](#)



MTW Agencies are Breaking Ground, Opening Doors, and Lighting Pathways for a Brighter Future

- [Spokane Housing Authority Celebrates Groundbreaking for 240-unit Orchard Vista Affordable Housing Development with On-Site Childcare Facility](#)
- [San Diego Housing Commission Breaks Ground on Rose Creek Village, offering 47 Housing Vouchers, including 18 VASH Vouchers for Veterans Experiencing Homelessness](#)
- [Knoxville's Community Development Corporation Celebrates 47 New Units of Greatly Needed Affordable Housing at Bluegrass Landing in West Knoxville, TN](#)
- [Santa Clara County Housing Authority Opens Doors at Bellarmino Place & Alvarado Park Providing 206 Units of Permanent Supportive Housing and Housing for Older Americans](#)
 - [Click here for photos from the grand opening.](#)
- [Home Forward \(Portland, OR\) Celebrates Grand Opening of T. Joyce Phillips Affordable Housing, Transforming 40-Unit Complex into 187 Homes](#)
 - [Click here to read more about the redevelopment process and the legacy of beloved early learning educator, T. Joyce Phillips.](#)
- [The Housing Authority of the City of Alameda Celebrates Grand Opening of 109 Units with Supportive Services for Older Americans and People Exiting Homelessness](#)
- [Keene Housing's Pioneering Homes for School Program Provides Crucial Stability to Vulnerable Students and Families](#)
- [Fairfax County Redevelopment and Housing Authority Celebrates Scholars and Supports Higher Learning with \\$50,000 in Scholarships](#)
 - [Click here to learn more about FCRHA's Scholarship Program.](#)
- [Chicago Housing Authority Shares Homeownership Program Strategies for Success with Housing Authority of Champaign County Staff](#)
 - [Click here to learn more about CHA's Choose to Own Homeownership Program \(CTO\).](#)
- [Housing Authority of the County of Santa Cruz Highlights the Impact of Natural Bridges Apartments with Six-Minute Documentary Titled "Nesting Place."](#)
 - [Click here to learn more about Natural Bridges Apartments, Santa Cruz's first new affordable housing development in over 30 years.](#)

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