

Bringing the Homeless Home.

Join the fight against homelessness by building more affordable housing.

AZHF is a component fund at the Arizona Community Foundation

ACF manages the fund and grants proposal process

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NOW IS THE TIME FOR OUR STATE TO DEAL WITH THE PROBLEM.

WHY DOES ARIZONA HAVE A GROWING HOMELESS PROBLEM?

The shelter system is stuck because there is a critical shortage of safe, decent, affordable housing.





50%+
Percentage of income most poor families spend on rent



Number of hours a minimum wage worker must work each week to afford a basic one-bedroom apartment in Maricopa County



78%

Percentage of extremely low-income households who are severely cost burdened by rent



149%

Increase in the number of homeless individuals and families since 2014

THE ISSUE ARIZONA FACES

- ✓ People are stuck on months long waiting lists.
- ✓ Housing costs are on the rise.
- ✓ No dedicated funding source to build more affordable housing.





NOT ENOUGH AFFORDABLE HOUSING HOMELESSNESS AT ALL TIME HIGH

THE MOST RESPONSIBLE COST-EFFECTIVE SOLUTION IS TO

create additional supportive affordable housing statewide.





\$400 - \$600 Supportive Affordable Housing Rent for

1 – Month

cost of housing

VS.

homelessness

COMMUNITY & TAXPAYERS



\$2,000 Homeless Shelter for 1 – **Month** COMMUNITY & TAXPAYERS



\$2,130 Prison for 1 – Month COMMUNITY & TAXPAYERS



\$2,222 Hospital Bed per **Day**

WHAT ARE THE CONSEQUENCES OF A GROWING HOMELESS POPULATION?

The costs to the community and neighborhoods...

Frequent engagement with

- Police and Fire Departments
- Healthcare Systems emergency rooms
- Prisons and Jails
- City Services zoning and code enforcement

Toll it takes is visible

- Neighborhoods & businesses where homeless congregate
- Libraries and Parks
- Public Transportation

INCREASE IN CRIME

- Break-ins
- Shoplifting
- Vandalism
- Trespassing
- Loitering
- Panhandling
- Violent Crime
- Murder
- Assault

Crimes are often committed against the most vulnerable living on the streets.

RESULTS

- Feel less safe
- Ruining businesses
- Increased drug use
- Increased overdoses
- Harassment
- Sanitation

PEOPLE WHO WANT AND NEED TO ACCESS THE CONTINUUM OF HOUSING CARE.



















- Elderly
- Youth/Young Adults
- Disabled
- Veterans
- Minimum/Low Wage Workers
- Working Families
- Mentally III
- Addicted
- People In A Health Crisis
- People Escaping Violence/Abuse



is a dedicated-sustainable revenue source that grants funding to the nonprofit agencies that build and operate Permanent Supportive, Low-Income and Working Poor Housing further enabling more units to meet the growing needs of our communities and reduce homelessness.

MULTIPLE REVENUE SOURCES: all donations are tax-deductible



DIRECTED DONATIONS - individuals, families, public/private/family foundations, nonprofit/for-profit corporations, community groups and government make donations to the AZHF.



DONATION PROGRAM - businesses voluntarily participate in the program and commit to make a donation to the AZHF on all or a specified sales transaction and give purchasers the opportunity to donate.



ESCROW DONATION PROGRAM - homebuilders, developers, agents and title companies voluntarily participate in the program and give buyers and sellers an opportunity to donate to the AZHF.



Close on your home & get someone closer to home.

Make a difference when you make a donation during closing.

Escrow Donation Example:

- Meritage Homes sells a home to The Jones Family.
- At closing Mr. & Mrs. Jones donate \$25 to the Arizona Housing Fund.
- Meritage Homes matches their donation \$ for \$.

HOW YOUR DONATIONS BUILD MORE AFFORDABLE HOUSING TO MEET THE COMMUNITY'S GROWING NEEDS AND REDUCE HOMELESSNESS



2. ESCROW DONATIONS

3. DONATIONS DEPOSITED AT ARIZONA HOUSING FUND 4. ARIZONA
NONPROFITS
APPLY FOR
GRANT
FUNDING

5. GRANTS
FUNDING
APPROVAL
PROCESS

6. MORE AFFORDABLE HOUSING BUILT

- Donors give directed donations to AZHF.
- 2. During escrow, buyers and sellers make donations to the AZHF.
- 3. All donations are deposited in the Arizona Housing Fund at the Arizona Community Foundation.
- 4. Arizona nonprofits that are charitable providers of permanent supportive, low-income and working poor housing units apply to Arizona Community Foundation for grant funding from the Arizona Housing Fund.
- 5. Grants process occurs and projects are selected for funding.
- 6. Grant funding is distributed to build affordable housing units with supportive services that AZ incomes can afford.





COMMUNITY PARTNERS

To donate or become a committed community partner contact Howard Epstein at info@arizonahousingfund.org | 602.329.7345





Speaking Up for Home and Hope



































Startup Studio













- "This is the game changer our community needs."
- Steve Hilton, Chairman and CEO of Meritage Homes
- "This fund gives us one of the best tools to fight homelessness."
- Mike Trailor, Director of Arizona Department of Economic Security
- "Our State needs this kind of effort. There is urgency and we think now is the time for the Arizona Housing Fund."
- Joan Serviss, Executive Director of the Arizona Housing Coalition
- "This is a creative solution to a community wide problem. This fund will bring permanent supportive housing inventory to our market and it is something we should all get behind."
- Mark Holleran, CEO of Arizona Housing Inc.
- "A public-private-philanthropic solution that could impact our community for decades. We are very excited to be a partner in the Arizona Housing Fund."
- Steve Seleznow, President and CEO of Arizona Community Foundation.

