



BRINGING EDUCATION HOME

FOSTERING HOUSING-EDUCATION PARTNERSHIPS

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Fairfax County Housing Symposium

NICE TO MEET YOU!

The Council of Large Public Housing Authorities (CLPHA)

- National non-profit organization that works to preserve and improve public and affordable housing through advocacy, research, policy analysis and public education.
- Member based organization (as name suggests, members are large from places like D.C., Chicago, NYC, LA)
- Learn more at clpha.org and on Twitter [@CLPHA](https://twitter.com/CLPHA)

Housing Is Initiative

- The *Housing Is* Initiative, led by the Council of Large Public Housing Authorities, is based on the premise that sectors can better meet needs when they work together. *Housing Is* establishes, broadens, and deepens efforts to align affordable housing, education, and health systems to produce positive, long-term results.
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HOUSING IS INITIATIVE

- Partnerships
- Community of Practice
- Best Practices
- Online Collaboration
- Policy & Advocacy
- Informational Resources
- Training & Education



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Knowledge & Awareness:

- Expanding housing sector's understanding of education and partners beyond schools
- Building the case that PHAs are essential partners for improving education efforts

Convening Cross-Sector Players:

- Connecting with education partners focused on this intersection
- Fostering engagement among interested, innovative players across sectors

Innovation and Capacity Creation:

- Identifying capacity-building resources for PHAs
- Opportunities to integrate all across sectors of focus: housing, health, education (avoid two-sector siloing)



POVERTY & EDUCATION ADVERSE IMPACTS

- Higher rate of absenteeism
- Persistent academic achievement gaps
- Loss of learning over summer
- Increase risk of high school drop out
- Increase in college costs and divestment in higher ed, transferring college cost to family
- Increase risk of post-secondary drop out
 - Debt + No Degree

HOUSING IS EDUCATION

- Stability
- Access
- Engagement
- Place-based Initiatives
- Improved Outcomes



HOUSING ORGANIZATIONS TODAY: BUILDING A FOUNDATION

- Creating & Maintaining Partnerships
- Multiplier Effects
- Community of Practice



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EDUCATION TOUCHPOINTS FOR HOUSING

Central Question - *Where are housing providers uniquely suited to support a family to increase academic achievement?*

- Early Learning
- K-12 and OST
- Post-Secondary Aid + Support
- Re-Entry

With a goal of increased academic achievement for residents, leading to self-sufficiency



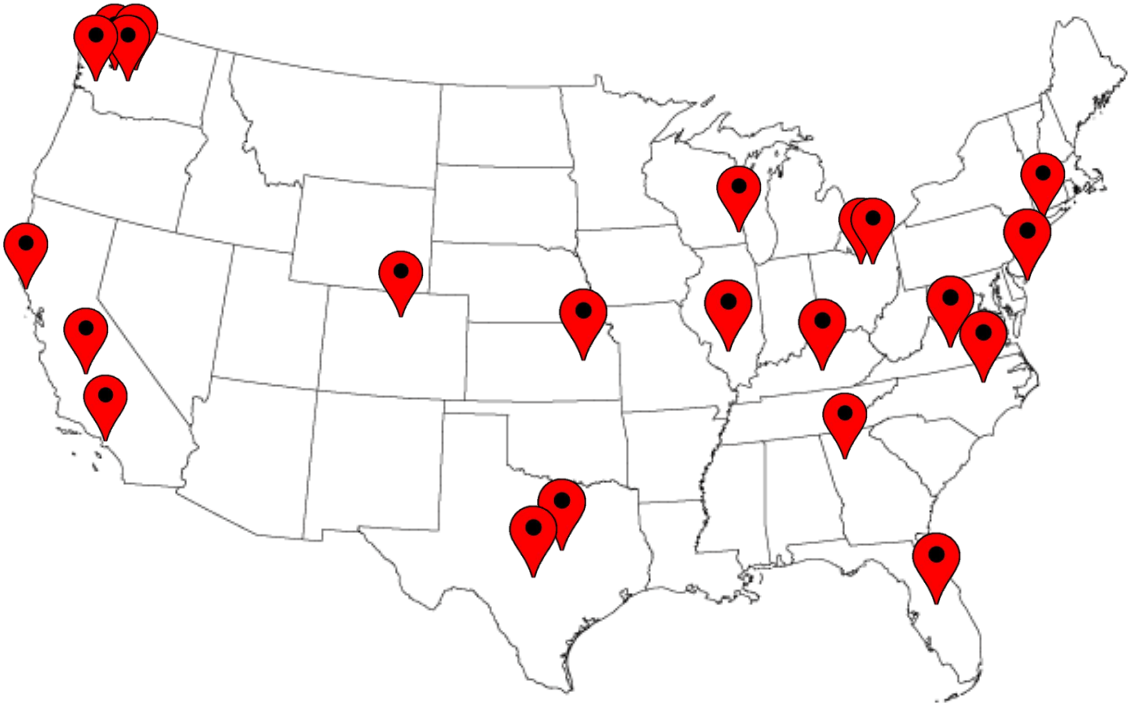
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WHERE IS THE WORK HAPPENING?



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SOME WAYS CLPHA MEMBERS ARE WORKING WITH EDUCATION PARTNERS

At the Local Level

- Akron works with home visiting programs to address maternal depression and get children ready for school
- Fairfax County employs trauma-informed care
- Durham partners with afterschool programs to increase STEM learning
- Vancouver partners with VPS for vouchers for homeless

At the National Level

- TA, data sharing, case studies, online clearinghouse, webinars
- Annual cross-sector Summit
- Research
- Policy

HOW TO DO THIS WORK

Elements of a Successful Partnership
www.clpha.org/elementsofsuccess



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YOUR PARTNERS

Consider:

- An organization in another sector you might want to partner with (could be name or type of organization)
- Specific people to contact (could be a name or title)
- What seems hard about this? What questions do you have for how to achieve what you want to do
- What are some small, but meaningful connections that could be made?
- What are some larger achievements?

THANK YOU!

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