

2024 YEAR in REVIEW

HOUSE NJ STATE POLICY ACHIEVEMENTS

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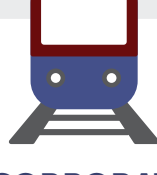
LANDMARK FAIR SHARE HOUSING

system, adopting NJ's Fourth Round Affordable Housing obligations as required by Mount Laurel and eliminating the Council on Affordable Housing



THE FAIR APPRAISALS ACT,

historic legislation that codifies NJ's regulations to end bias in property appraisals



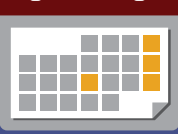
THE CORPORATE BUSINESS FEE,

creating dedicated funding for NJ Transit for the first time ever to improve the state's transportation system

Established the INTERAGENCY COUNCIL ON HOMELESSNESS

under the Office of the Governor to serve as an advisory body to the Office of Homelessness Prevention and ensure funding and coordination of homelessness prevention programs

DOUBLED eligibility timeframe for emergency assistance from **60 MONTHS** → **120 MONTHS**



Monitored the implementation of the **COMMUNITY WEALTH PRESERVATION PROGRAM**

WEALTH PRESERVATION PROGRAM

Continued funding to the **AFFORDABLE HOUSING TRUST FUND** with no new diversions to address the state's **250,000 SHORTAGE** of affordable homes

Advanced our **CODE RED** legislation and mobilized members at the **ASSEMBLY HOUSING COMMITTEE** hearing



FEDERAL POLICY ACHIEVEMENTS

Hill Day SUCCESS:

Met with **13 out of our 14 MEMBERS OF CONGRESS** or their staff



25 ADVOCATES representing **11 NETWORK MEMBERS** participated

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As a result, we succeeded in getting U.S. Rep. Menendez, Jr. to become the **FIRST NJ REPRESENTATIVE TO COSPONSOR HR4232 AND HR4233,**



Ending Homelessness Act of 2023 and Housing Crisis Response Act of 2023

We engaged our members in advocating for the **DISASTER RECOVERY ACT** & protecting the rights of individuals experiencing homelessness



Represented NJ on over **40 CALLS WITH NLIHC** as the state partner on their national policy call and hosted **7 CALLS** with **25 MEMBERS** of our **HOMELESSNESS TASK FORCE**



MEMBER OUTREACH & CONVENINGS

Graduated the first cohort of the

JUMPSTARTNJ TRAINING PROGRAM

training **40 EMERGING DEVELOPERS**, with an emphasis on BIPOC participants, to create affordable homes across New Jersey



Our **UNDER ONE ROOF CONFERENCE**

featuring NJ gubernatorial candidates sold out with **OVER 400 ATTENDEES**

Expanded our **DIVERSITY, EQUITY, AND INCLUSION** efforts with a series of trainings and discussions for Network staff, Board members, and membership



Partnered with **IMMIGRANT JUSTICE ORGANIZATIONS**

THE LATINO ACTION NETWORK

MAKE THE ROAD NEW JERSEY

NJ ALLIANCE FOR IMMIGRANT JUSTICE

WIND OF THE SPIRIT

NJ INSTITUTE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE

AND OTHERS

to educate Network members and protect the rights of undocumented residents



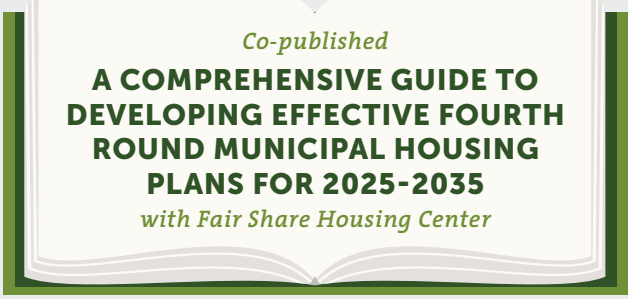
Celebrated our **35TH ANNIVERSARY** with over **300 ATTENDEES**

at a luncheon gala honoring our community development heroes

INCREASED MEMBERSHIP BY 10%



Co-published **A COMPREHENSIVE GUIDE TO DEVELOPING EFFECTIVE FOURTH ROUND MUNICIPAL HOUSING PLANS FOR 2025-2035** with Fair Share Housing Center



Organized **50+ MEETINGS** around

- ✓ Homelessness Prevention
- ✓ Healthy Homes and Healthy Communities
- ✓ Housing Counseling Association
- ✓ CDIAB
- ✓ Community Development and Arts Collaborators
- ✓ Other Cross-Sector Networking



Completed a **NEIGHBORHOOD EMPOWERMENT AND SAFETY TRAINING (NEST)** with local coalitions in Camden;



SECURED FUNDING FOR ANOTHER NEST PROJECT in the Parkside neighborhood of Camden going into 2025

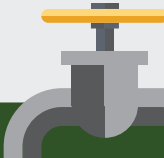


Provided direct land bank formation technical assistance and services to **3 MUNICIPALITIES**



Fought for **LEAD REMEDIATION**

Supported the Lead-Free New Jersey coalition and partnered with Rutgers to further new testing efforts



HOUSING COUNSELING

RECEIVED \$282,977 in HUD GRANTS

FOR OUR 8 SUB-GRANTEES

SERVING 2000+ CLIENTS



Trained **65 HUD CERTIFIED HOUSING COUNSELORS** or those seeking certification

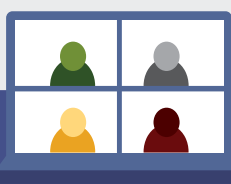
COMMUNICATIONS

40+ PRESS APPEARANCES



Hosted **9 Monthly Member-Only VIRTUAL DISCUSSIONS**

657 PARTICIPANTS and **17 PRESENTERS**



270K

270,000 inboxes reached



HCDNNJ.ORG had over **30K VISITS**



ADVOCACY TEAMS



Convened **30 A-TEAM GATHERINGS** around the state with more than **200 PARTICIPANTS**

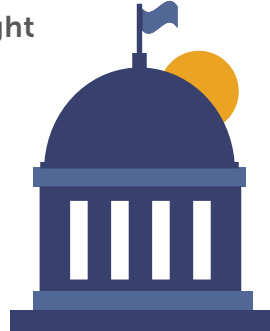


Began a **COLLABORATIVE INITIATIVE WITH CAMDEN A-TEAM** on the acquisition of abandoned properties



Helped coordinate a **STATEWIDE DAY OF ACTION** to end the criminalization of homelessness

Our **ANNUAL NJ LEGISLATIVE DAY** brought more than **150 NETWORK MEMBERS** to Trenton to advocate for our legislative and budget priorities. Members attended committee hearings, testified, and met with **TWO DOZEN LEGISLATORS** and legislative staff



HOUSING HELP NJ

The **HOUSINGHELPNJ.ORG** had **20.7K VISITORS** and we served **OVER 1000 RESIDENTS**



VISTAS / SCHOLARS

Supported **6 YEAR-LONG VISTAS** and **3 COMMUNITY SCHOLARS** with over **10,000 COMMUNITY HOURS** in:

HOUSING HELP NJ

NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION TAX CREDIT (NRTC) RESEARCH

NEST

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

35TH ANNIVERSARY IMPACT STUDY