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Housing and
Community
Development 
Network of New Jersey

Dear Friends,

Welcome to the 2019 Healthy Homes & Communities Summit! I am so excited to welcome you and so many partners committed to improving health outcomes for the communities we serve.

The Network is proud to lead the effort in our sector to break down barriers, expand opportunity and ensure equity for all. We are a statewide association of 250 community development organizations, neighborhood support organizations, public agencies, private sector investors, and housing advocates which has increased efforts to address problems together.

Healthy communities start with healthy families and healthy homes; making sure that moms and infants have equitable access to pre-natal care without racial bias and that no child is poisoned by lead from paint in their home or in their drinking water. Improving the health of a community goes beyond individual health outcomes; it takes everyone working towards ensuring affordable, accessible health care, quality education for all of our children, and safe places to play and exercise. Broadening and deepening this work requires that we expand our approach, make new partnerships and secure more resources.

Now in our fourth year, we're pleased to bring you this exciting Summit that focuses on how to build those bridges and find new investments. From understanding and engaging in Community Health Needs Assessments as a mechanism to create new homes in collaboration with local hospitals and partnering with municipal officials to improve the health outcomes through Sustainable Jersey's new certification program, to addressing racial inequities in maternal health and addressing the lead poisoning crisis, we have critical information that can you strengthen your work in these areas. In addition, we will hear about NJHMA's Pilot Project to engage hospitals in the creation of affordable homes and learn from leaders of the Census Complete Count effort about the importance of getting everyone counted.

We are especially grateful to have support from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, Green and Healthy Homes Initiative and others in this work. Most of all, we are glad you are with us today to share your experiences, make new connections and help move our collective work forward.

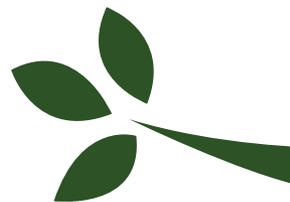
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Dear Friend:

I believe that the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation has a unique opportunity-and an obligation-to continue to broaden the discussion about what shapes health. As we work toward a new understanding of what health equity means and how to apply it to the work we support, we chose to focus our Annual Message on one aspect of health that touches on so much of our work together: The connection between housing and health.

I volunteer once a week at a local community health clinic, and I see firsthand how bright children and caring families get sick because of where they live. So many families are forced to choose between keeping a roof over their heads or paying for health care, transportation to school and work, or even their next meal. But they are not alone: **Almost 40 million households are struggling to afford a place to live. And it's having a major impact on the health of our nation.**

I hope this sparks a conversation for you and other changemakers. And I do have one ask of you: Please share the Annual Message with your networks, from your websites, and with your colleagues. As a grantee and partner, your support will help advance meaningful discussions across different sectors about how housing is linked to health equity.

Sincerely,

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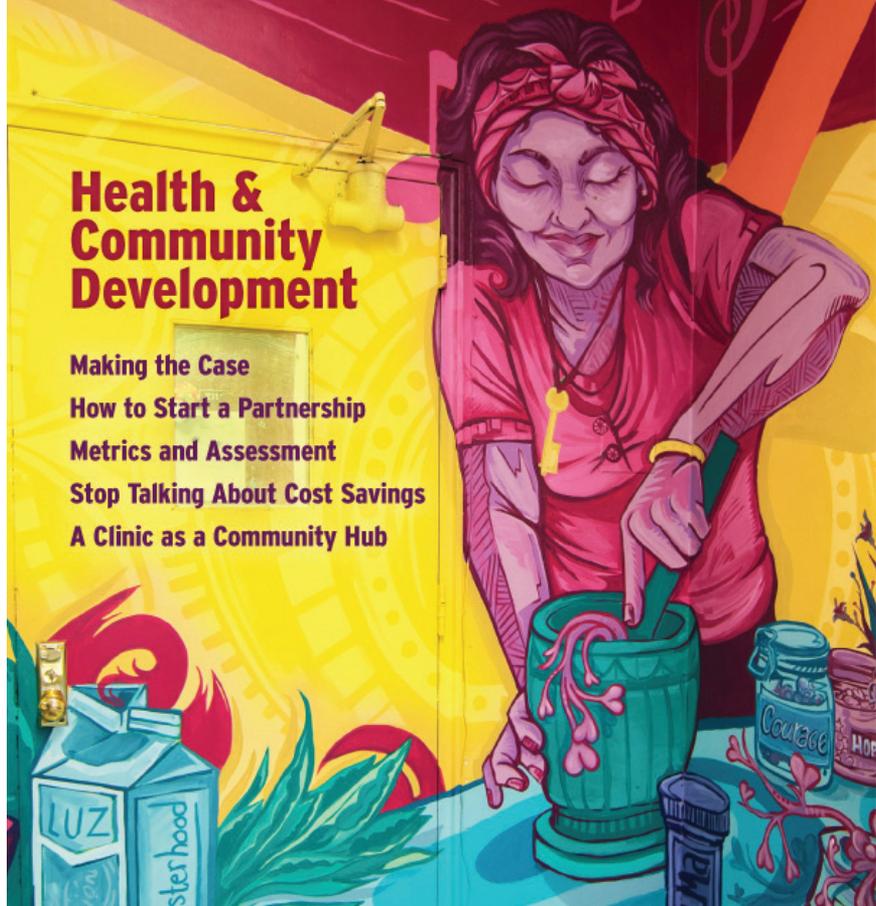
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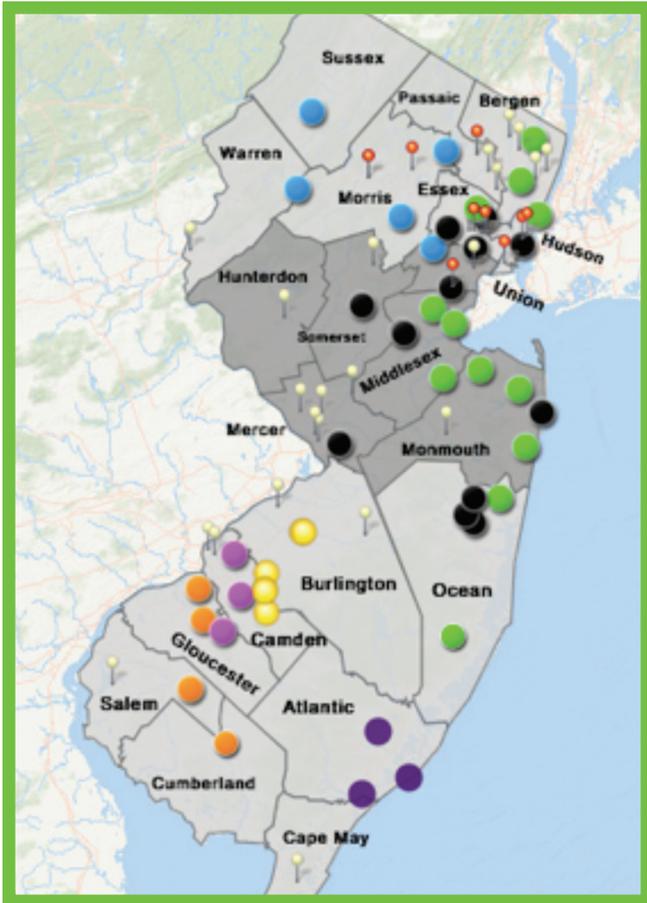
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