



DSHA Highlights

Delaware Affordable Housing News and Events
March 20, 2018

Senator Coons Recognized as Affordable Housing Champion



DSHA Director Anas Ben Addi recently presented U.S. Senator Chris Coons with the 2018 Champion of Affordable Housing award from the National Council of State Housing Agencies.

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Director Ben Addi introduced Senator Coons for his remarks to the NCSHA's annual Legislative Conference in Washington, D.C. Senator Coons is a longtime advocate for the HOME and CDBG programs stemming from his prior service as New Castle County Executive and as County Council President.

He spoke about the outlook for housing issues in Congress from his perspective as a member of the Senate Appropriations Committee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development. He has served in the Senate since 2010.



Strong Neighborhoods Work Underway in Wilmington



The Wilmington Housing Partnership and Wilmington Neighborhood Conservancy Land Bank began work this week on an East Side housing initiative supported by Delaware's Strong Neighborhoods Housing Fund.

Ten vacant, abandoned properties along Wilmington's Bennett Street will be demolished and replaced with 14 new three-bedroom townhomes, expected to be complete by early 2020. The new units will be aimed toward families earning 60 percent of the area median income.

[The Strong Neighborhoods Housing Fund last year awarded \\$645,000](#) to the Land Bank for demolition and other work. In total, Wilmington projects received \$2.1 million from the Fund, designed to fight blight and address vacant, abandoned or foreclosed properties.

“We’re very happy to see these investments paying off and creating the foundations for progress on the ground, making a real difference in people’s lives and in the life of a neighborhood,” DSHA Director Anas Ben Addi said at the demolition event this week.



Homebuyer Fair Exhibitors and Sponsors

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Delaware Homebuyer Fair

April 21, 2018

Chase Center on the Riverfront, Wilmington



Exhibitors and sponsors are being sought for the 2018 Delaware Homebuyer Fair, an opportunity for your organization or business to reach hundreds of motivated homebuyers. It will be held Saturday, April 21, at the Chase Center on the Riverfront.

Be an **exhibitor** and have a booth for the day, or sign up as a **sponsor** and get a premium booth space, radio airtime, the opportunity to speak to attendees, and more!

Spaces are limited and going fast, so send in your form today!

The Homebuyer Fair is brought to you by the Delaware State Housing Authority and the Delaware Federation of Housing Counselors.

Fair Exhibitors: First-Come, First-Served

Fair Sponsorship: Limited Number of Opportunities!

Foreclosure Workshop

Delaware homeowners who face foreclosure, have fallen behind on their mortgage payments, or have questions about their mortgage can meet with lenders and housing counselors at an upcoming workshop.

- Today from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m., with an educational session at 5 p.m., at the DoubleTree by Hilton Wilmington, 4727 Concord Pike Wilmington.

Homeowners can also get information from the [Delaware Department of Justice](#) and the [Delaware State Housing Authority](#) about government programs, the Delaware foreclosure timeline, and preventing foreclosure frauds and scams. No reservations or appointments are needed.

For more information, visit delawarehomeownerrelief.com or attorneygeneral.delaware.gov; email <mailto:consumer.protection@state.de.us>; or call the Delaware Homeowner Relief Hotline at [800-220-5425](tel:800-220-5425) or the Attorney General's Foreclosure Prevention office at [302-577-8393](tel:302-577-8393) or [302-577-8378](tel:302-577-8378).

DelawareHomeownerRelief.com

Refinancing Solicitations Not from DSHA

DSHA has had reports of a refinancing solicitation sent to property owners purportedly from a "Judy @ DE State Housing." Please be aware that these messages are not from the Delaware State Housing Authority. If you have any doubts about the validity of an email

that claims to be from DSHA, please email ContactDSHA@destatehousing.com.

LIHTC Deadline Next Week



The application process is now open for the 2018 Low-Income Housing Tax Credit program, which provides funding to developers of multifamily affordable rental housing. [All LIHTC applications are due to DSHA by 3 p.m. April 30.](#)

The [Qualified Allocation Plan](#) has been approved and is available for review. All applicants should review the QAP, guidelines, and LIHTC application thoroughly. Questions should be directed to [Cindy Deakyne](#) or [Jack Stucker](#) at DSHA.

The tax credit program does not provide assistance to individuals.

[Low-Income Housing Tax Credit Program Information](#)

Delaware Housing Jobs



Does your organization have a job opening? Would you like to see it listed in the next edition of Highlights?

Email us with the subject line "JOB OPENING" at DSHAHighlights@destatehousing.com.

[NCALL: Executive Director](#)

[Habitat for Humanity of New Castle County: Director of Construction Operations](#)

[NCALL: Loan Fund Accounting Associate](#)

[NCALL: Loan Fund Loan Officer](#)

Upcoming Delaware Housing Events



Does your organization have an event you would like to see posted in the next edition of Highlights?

Email us with the subject line "EVENT" at DSHAHighlights@destatehousing.com.

April 12- [Diamond State CLT Annual Memeber Meeting](#)

April 20- [HOND 35th Annual Fair Housing Observance & Awards Luncheon](#)

April 21- [Delaware Homebuyer Fair](#)

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