



DSHA Highlights

Delaware Affordable Housing News and Events

April 10, 2018

Governor Carney Joins Habitat Build



Governor John Carney and members of his Cabinet and staff recently joined two future homeowners on a build site for Habitat for Humanity of New Castle County.

Along with DSHA Director Anas Ben Addi and staff, they cut and nailed insulation and moved and stacked

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trusses on four townhomes in the Hope Run community on Church Street in Wilmington.

The project was an opportunity to experience the work being done by Delaware's Habitat chapters first-hand, as well as to see the impact of DSHA's investments in building affordable housing and strengthening neighborhoods.



How You Can Volunteer

Delaware's three Habitat for Humanity chapters are in need of volunteers - click the chapter name to find out more!

[Habitat for Humanity of New Castle County](#)

[Central Delaware Habitat for Humanity](#)

[Sussex County Habitat for Humanity](#)



Unlock the Block



DSHA Director Anas Ben Addi joined Dover city leaders and Governor Carney this week for the launch of downtown Dover's Unlock the Block initiative, which

will help attract tenants to vacant retail and commercial spaces.

The [Downtown Development District program](#), administered by DSHA, has invested \$1.3 million in downtown Dover to leverage \$10.5 million in total investment. The DDD rebate program offers up to 20 percent rebates on qualified investments in a designated downtown district.

- Learn more about **Unlock the Block** at its [website](#) or [through a video](#).
- Learn more about the **Downtown Development Districts** and their impact at the [StoryMap](#).



DSHA Annual Action Plan Hearing



DSHA invites all interested parties to attend a public hearing being held to obtain views on housing and community development needs and comments on the agency's draft FY18 Annual Action Plan. The hearing will be 1:30 p.m. April 26 at the Dover Public Library, 35 Lookerman Plaza, Dover.

The Action Plan serves as Delaware's housing planning document, and as the application for funding to several federal programs. The draft plan is [available for review on DSHA's website](#), and hard copies are available upon request from susanm@destatehousing.com.

Both oral and written comments will be accepted and recorded at the hearing, and a summary of the comments and DSHA's response will be attached to the final Action Plan.

If you have a vision, hearing, or physical impairment that requires accommodation either in the reading of this notice or at the public hearing, DSHA will provide appropriate assistance. To schedule assistance, please

call 302-739-4263, ext. 245, between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Fair Housing Month

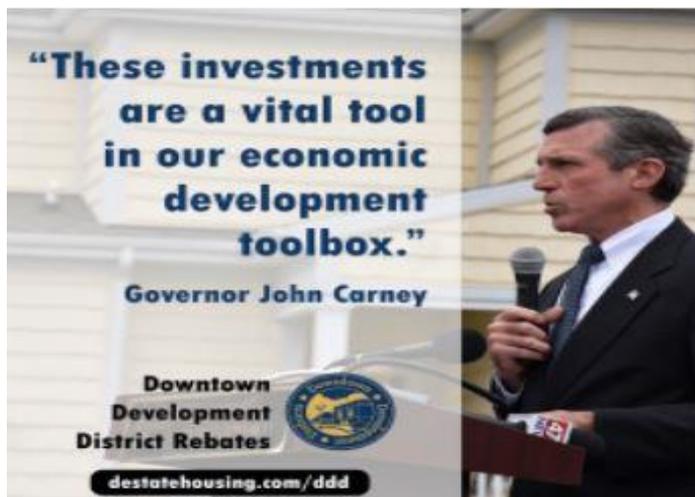
[April 12- HOND Fair Housing Law Forum](#)

"Fair Housing: Alternative Programs to Save our Homes from Mortgage Foreclosure, " Community Services Building, 100 W. 10th Street, Room 6, Wilmington 8:30 AM to 12:00 PM

[April 20 HOND Fair Housing Observance & Awards Luncheon](#)

"Affordable Housing Matters: Stabilizing our Neighborhoods and Building Wealth through Homeownership", Doubletree by Hilton, 8th and Kings Streets, Wilmington 12:00 PM to 2:00 PM

DDD Rebates Round Opens



Deadline is May 21 for large projects

The spring 2018 [Downtown Development District rebate program](#) round is now open and accepting applications!

Please visit [DSHA's website](#) for program guidelines, applications and forms.

The DDD program is designed to spur private investment in the state's downtown districts, with \$21 million in rebates having leveraged \$371 million in total investment in eight districts over the last three years. It provides up to 20 percent rebates on qualified real property investments in the eight designated districts.

Who: The application period is for large property construction or redevelopment project investments of more than \$250,000. Qualified applicants include property owners, tenants, for-profit developers, nonprofit organizations, businesses and homeowners.

Districts are located in **Dover, Georgetown, Harrington, Laurel, Milford, Seaford, Smyrna and Wilmington.**

What: Eligible project expenses include capital investments on rehabilitation, expansion or new construction for commercial, industrial, residential or mixed-use buildings within the district boundaries. Rebates are issued after the project is completed.

How Much: Approximately \$5.9 million in rebate funding is available during this round for large-project investors (investments greater than \$250,000) and \$2

million for small-project investors (between \$15,000 and \$250,000).

How To Apply: [Large-project investment applications](#) must be received by DSHA by 4 p.m. on May 21.

Small project applications are accepted on a rolling basis throughout the year as long as funding is available. [Other local and state incentives are also available.](#)

- [Learn More about the DDD Program](#)
- [Click Here for Application Information](#)

Delaware Housing Jobs



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

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[DSHA: Management Analyst I](#)

[DSHA: Housing Finance Manager](#)

[DSHA: Sr. Human Resource Technician](#)

[Downtown Dover Partnership: Executive Director](#)

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

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[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](#)

May 2- [MHDC 4th Annual Breakfast](#)

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