# HOUSING AND COMMUNITY

## Fiscal Year 2019-20 Annual Report

## OUR MISSION

Creating Partnership
Catalyzing Affordable Housing
Building Community

## OUR VISION

A vibrant and inclusive community where all residents have access to affordable housing and opportunities to thrive.

This year, Housing and Community continued to advance the Town Council's affordable housing and community connections goals.

Highlights from the year include:

- Awarding over $6 million to community partners for affordable housing projects, with $5 million from the Affordable Housing Bond.
- Supporting the development of 15 new affordable housing units and preservation of close to 200 units of affordable housing in the community.
- Developing an Affordable Housing Preservation Strategy Framework, which outlines a strategic approach for preserving existing affordable housing in Chapel Hill.
- Collaborating with the County, Carrboro, and Hillsborough to adapt our Emergency Housing Assistance Program to respond to community needs.
- Continuing to make progress towards developing affordable housing on Town land, selecting a potential development partner and creating a site plan for 2200 Homestead Road.
- Developing a Town-wide Language Access Plan, which was unanimously adopted by the Town Council.
- Graduating 37 residents in the 2nd annual Peoples Academy.
- Joining the Government Alliance for Race & Equity (GARE) network and become a member of the NC GARE Learning Cohort Program.
- In collaboration with UNC, coordinating the Good Neighbor Initiative.
- Supporting 42 nonprofit agencies that provide vital community services through our Human Services Program.
- Coordinating the Town's Human Services COVID-19 response efforts, including distributing masks and food to vulnerable populations, developing multi-lingual resources, and adapting our programs to respond to increasing needs.

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# Our Successes

## Affordable Housing

**$5.6 Million** Town budget for affordable housing strategies

**$6.1 Million** in funding awarded to community partners for affordable housing projects

**15** affordable homes developed with Town support

**194** affordable homes preserved with Town support

**142** households assisted through our Emergency Housing Assistance Program

**94%** of funding available allocated to projects in the community

## Community Connections

**$836K** Town budget for Community Connections Strategies

**6,934** readership of the Tar Heel Citizen Times, our newsletter to UNC students living off-campus

**51** community engagement meetings facilitated

**37** residents graduated from our Peoples Academy

**28** youth employed in our Summer Youth Employment Program

**42** nonprofit organizations funded through our Human Services Program

## COVID-19 Response

**5,307** households assisted through weekly food distributions

**66** homeless residents provided with safe, temporary housing, in collaboration with our partners

**$502,067** additional funding allocated Emergency Housing Assistance

**18,000** masks distributed to vulnerable populations and the broader community

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