HUD Invests in Illinois

HUD is the Department of Opportunity. True to its mission, HUD is working closely with state and local leaders across Illinois to promote homeownership, support community development, and increase access to affordable housing, free from discrimination. Below are some examples of HUD at work in Illinois.

Housing Highlights

Building Stronger Communities in the Century of Cities

Since 2010, HUD has **invested $792 million** in the State through the ***Community Development Block Grant Program***. CDBG supports a broad range of public improvements for places like community centers and parks.

Ending Homelessness

On any given night in Illinois, HUD **helps to shelter 11,409 persons** experiencing homelessness. HUD is currently providing permanent homes for **1,329 formerly homeless veterans** and has helped house **1,864** homeless veterans since 2008.

Helping Families Secure Quality Housing

The Federal Housing Administration (FHA) insures the mortgages of **279,963 Illinois homeowners**, helping drive a statewide **homeownership rate of 67.2 percent**.

Easing the Rental Crisis

HUD provides **245,828 Illinois households** with rental assistance. That assistance **impacts 452,127 individuals** who reside in those households.

Addressing Climate Change and Natural Disasters

HUD mitigates the effects of natural disasters by playing a leading role in helping communities to address the impacts of climate change. Since 2005, HUD has awarded **$368 million** to support **long-term disaster recovery and resiliency in Illinois**.

Leveling the Playing Field

HUD is committed to ensuring that every American has the chance to pursue housing opportunities free from discrimination. Last year in Illinois, HUD **resolved 357 housing discrimination cases affecting 547 people**.