

# HOUSING & COMMUNITY VITALITY

## 2023 ANNUAL REPORT

The Housing and Community Vitality Department manages the City of Colorado Springs' investments to:

- increase the availability of quality affordable housing
- strengthen neighborhoods
- engage social service providers to improve quality of life and prevent homelessness
- expand economic opportunity for low-and-moderate income residents



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# **ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

In program year 2023 (April 1, 2023-March 31, 2024) our funded programs served **21,439** residents and families.

#### AFFORDABLE HOUSING

# 374 HOMES CONSTRUCTED, PRESERVED, ACCESSED THROUGH:

- Owner occupied home repair
- Down payment assistance
- Affordable homes built
- Affordable homes renovated
- Rental assistance provided

# FUNDED PARTNERS INCLUDE:

- ► Brothers Redevelopment
- Creek at Cottonwood
- Pikes Peak Habitat for Humanity
- Greccio Housing
- Silver Key Senior Services

#### ADDITIONAL RESIDENTIAL PROJECTS IN DEVELOPMENT:

**Silver Key Senior Apartments** will provide **50** affordable homes for seniors, including 13 units for veterans exiting homelessness.

**Bentley Commons** will provide **192** affordable homes for a variety of household types, including **24** units for veterans exiting homelessness.

**The Launchpad** permanent supportive housing will provide **50** homes for youth exiting homelessness completed financing and broke ground.

Qualifying the City for **new affordable housing funds** through Proposition 123 by committing to increase affordable housing by **3**% per year over three years.

Overall, in program year 2023, the **City supported 2,117 new multifamily affordable housing units** under construction with tax credits awarded, private activity bonds assigned, fee rebates or tax rebates provided.

# HOW THE CITY PRIORITIZED 2023 HUD GRANT FUNDS

\$3,521,680.40 AFFORDABLE HOUSING

\$492,324.60 HUMAN SERVICES

\$815,541.00 PUBLIC FACILITIES & INFRASTRUCTURE

\$853,970.90 PLANNING, COMPLIANCE, COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

\$246,556.90 HOMELESSNESS RESPONSE AND PREVENTION

\$194,108.20 NEIGHBORHOOD ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

#### **HUMAN SERVICES**

# 14,246 RESIDENTS RECEIVED ASSISTANCE THROUGH:

- Substance use recovery support
- Emergency shelter services
- ► Employment training services
- ► Early childhood services outreach
- ▶ Teen behavioral health program
- Food bank provisions
- Eviction prevention services

# FUNDED PARTNERS INCLUDE:

- Serenity Recovery Connection
- Salvation Army
- ▶ Center For Employment Opportunities
- Community Partnership for Child Development
- ► Forge Evolution
- Solid Rock
- Community Economic Defense Project

#### **PUBLIC FACILITIES & INFRASTRUCTURE**

6,197 RESIDENTS GAINED IMPROVED ACCESSIBILITY TO SERVICE FACILITIES THROUGH:

Office renovation by **Silver Key Senior Services** for tenant **National Alliance on Mental Illness** 

OTHER LONG TERM PROJECTS RECEIVING ONGOING SUPPORT DURING 2023 INCLUDE:

Alice Bemis Taylor Early Connections Learning Center acquisition

**Prism Community Collective** renovations to support Club Q trauma care response

Colorado Springs Senior Center construction

Homeward Pikes Peak's Harbor House accessibility improvements

# **HOMELESSNESS RESPONSE**& PREVENTION \_\_\_\_

622 RESIDENTS RECEIVED HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION SERVICES THROUGH:

- Rapid rehousing
- Street outreach to unsheltered
- Emergency shelter

# FUNDED PARTNERS INCLUDE:

- Kingdom Builders Family Life Center
- CSFD Homeless Outreach Project
- Springs Rescue Mission
- The Salvation Army
- The Place

#### OTHER PROJECTS RECEIVING SUPPORT INCLUDE:

Community Health Partnership, **Pikes Peak Continuum of Care** homelessness information data system

Secure data tracking by Kingdom Builders for services to clients escaping domestic violence

#### **NEIGHBORHOOD ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

ONE BUSINESS ASSISTED THROUGH: Commercial property acquisition by Solid Rock Community Development Corporation for the Community Investment Trust

# **PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS**

with support and investments of the City's HUD funds:



Rocky Mountain Community Land Trust and two families provided down payment assistance to two families to buy their first house.

Families escaped domestic violence through rapid rehousing thanks to Kingdom Builders Family Life Centers

25

affordable apartment homes renovated thanks to **Greccio Housing** 

The Center for Employment
Opportunities provided the Pathway to
Employment training and readiness program
to 737 formerly incarcerated residents,
setting them up for successful re-entry.





**The Launchpad**, a cutting edge, trauma-informed permanent supportive housing project for 50 youth exiting homelessness completed financing and broke ground.

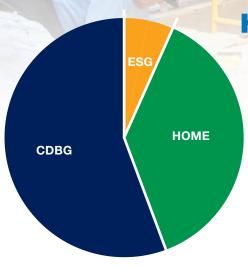
55 MILLION

in additional private, state and local funds for funded projects thanks to City facilitating and support

1,755

parents and children were provided emergency housing and shelter thanks to

The Salvation Army



## **HUD FUNDING FOR PY 2023**

- CDBG Community Development Block Grant \$3,282,164
- **ESG** Emergency Solutions Grant **\$266,548**
- **HOME** Investment Partnerships Program \$2,575,470

AFFORDABLE HOUSING

HUMAN SERVICES NEIGHBORHOOD FACILITIES

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION