

Annual Community Report 2022

"I still cry when I look back because I'm so grateful our family did not become homeless."

-Disabled grandparent with custody of grandchildren, forced out of home after landlord passed away and new owner terminated tenancy. With voucher and HATC assistance located a "perfect home" for their special needs. HATC keeps neighbors from experiencing homelessness and lifts others from that nightmare.

Noble Work: Getting People into Permanent Housing 2022

- 230 Households lifted out of homelessness with vouchers.
- 303 Households newly admitted to voucher program
- Housing Choice Voucher HUD Budget Authority Fully Utilized
- Community's Largest Mission-Driven Rental Housing Provider with 553 Units



Assistance to Independence

Housing Choice Voucher participants who enroll in Family Self Sufficiency (FSS) receive HATC support to help achieve goals needed to graduate from public financial support. As incomes increase, funds that would have gone to rent subsidy are placed in an escrow and given to participants upon graduation. In FSS, KirTerra conquered addiction struggles, obtained not only a driver's license but also in record time a commercial driver's license, secured employment, and purchased a car. Today she has her own school bus route. She graduated with an escrow of \$11,648. KirTerra is an inspirational neighbor!



Housing and Community Service Champion

Few people have contributed as much to the well-being of our community as Neil McClanahan. In December 2022, HATC Commission Chair McClanahan closed out 21 years of service to HATC's board. He has helped establish social service entities and served on many boards. Upon retirement as Undersheriff, he was the community's most decorated law enforcement officer. HATC's community impact and capacity dramatically grew under Neil's compassionate, insightful, and steady leadership.



Expanding Affordable Rental Housing

Construction started in September on the 28 unit expansion HATC's Olympia Crest apartment community at 204-206 Lilly Rd NE. Upon completion this apartment community will have 192 well-below-market-rate units. In describing Olympia Crest, a resident said, "This is the best place I've ever lived."



Senator Murray Visits HATC

In August Senator Murray met with HATC and HUD managers to discuss affordable housing needs. Topics included American Recovery Plan Act that created Emergency Housing Vouchers (EHV), that provide long-term support for households at high risk of homelessness. HATC received funding for 68 EHVs.

Pictured left to right: Janice King-Dunbar, Director HUD Seattle Office of Public Housing; Craig Chance; Senator Patty Murray; Margaret Salazar, HUD Regional Administrator; Jay Goldstein; Neil McClanahan



What is the Housing Authority?

HATC is a public corporation authorized by state law and created by local resolution, governed by six appointed commissioners. No local funding for operations. It administers a \$19.0 million HUD Housing Choice Voucher rental assistance program (aka Section 8), offers supportive services, provides \$2.8 million annually in rental housing operation subsidies to nine non-profit providers, and owns 553 belowmarket-rate rental units. HATC serves 5,000+ neighbors.

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