

Creating places of opportunity

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We are a Congressionally-chartered 501(c)(3) with a 38-year history.



We provide grants, technical assistance and training to a network of more than **245 nonprofit organizations** nationwide.

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NeighborWorks America

We serve the broader housing and community development sector.



Our National Foreclosure Mitigation Counseling (NFMC) program has helped more than **2 million people**.



Our training programs provided more than **20,000 certificates** last year.

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Our Vision



Every community should be a place of opportunity.

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Elements of “Opportunity Communities”



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Community Features



- ✓ **Nonprofit leadership and capacity**
- ✓ **Complementary investments**
- ✓ **Affordable rental and homeownership options**
- ✓ **Employment opportunities**
- ✓ **Good schools**
- ✓ **Public safety**

People



- ✓ **Engagement and leadership**
- ✓ **Social capital**
- ✓ **Diversity**
- ✓ **Workforce and school readiness**

Place



- ✓ **Real estate market**
- ✓ **Physical conditions**
- ✓ **Image/perception**
- ✓ **Open space and recreation options**

Focus on the Delivery System



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Delivery System Strategies

Social Enterprise:

Strong, financially stable, nonprofits are able to serve more people, coordinate partners, and increase impacts.



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Power of Networks:
Networks reinforce each others' work by disseminating innovation and best practices and creating virtual scale through shared services.



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Cross-Sector Collaboration:
Coordination of investments in communities and family financial stability is important.



Community Catalysts



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NCALL in Dover, DE

Restoring Central Dover

- ⤴ Resident engagement
- ⤴ Affordable housing
- ⤴ Youth and family services
- ⤴ Safety
- ⤴ Economic development
- ⤴ Transportation and infrastructure



Interfaith Community Housing



Goals of the Creative District: form a creative hub that attracts artists and celebrates the community's diversity.

Projects

- ⤴ **Public art**
- ⤴ **Reclaiming vacant lots**
- ⤴ **Small-business assistance**

Beyond Housing in St. Louis, MO



Curating Community

- ⤴ Grocery Store
- ⤴ Bank Branch
- ⤴ Health Clinic
- ⤴ Movie Theater
- ⤴ 24:1

Avenue CDC in Houston, TX

Avenue CDC is participating in the GO Neighborhoods program to create sustainable communities.

Focus Areas

- ^ Culture
- ^ Health
- ^ Safety
- ^ Wealth
- ^ Parental engagement

Result: 52% of Davis High School students enrolled in college – up from 47%



Rural Neighborhoods in Immokalee, FL

Focus Areas

- 📈 **Farmworker Housing**
- 📈 **Community Safety**
- 📈 **Resident Engagement**



Catalysts in Working Cities Challenge

Examples

- 📈 **The Neighborhood Collaborative** in Chelsea, MA
- 📈 **Lawrence CommunityWorks** in Lawrence, MA
- 📈 **Coalition for a Better Acre** in Lowell, MA

Thank you.

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