

****NEWS FROM THE STRATEGIC TRANSFORMATION DIVISION****

On September 9, 2024, Enterprise welcomed 20 staff members from the Community Planning and Development (CPD) Division of HUD for a tour of Jubilee Housing, a beneficiary of Section 4 funding. The purpose of the tour was to showcase the transformative effect Section 4 has on organizations like Jubilee through financial support, training, and technical assistance provided by Enterprise. Enterprise aimed to demonstrate how beneficiaries leverage Section 4 funding to enhance their organizational capacity and attract additional support from both private and federal sources.

The tour not only highlighted how Enterprise utilizes Section 4 to assist Jubilee and similar organizations nationwide but also underscored the internal coordination necessary for the program's success. Participants gained a firsthand view of the program's impact and Jubilee's pivotal role in addressing community needs by offering creative solutions for affordable housing and resident support in a neighborhood that has evolved into a high-opportunity, high-rent area in Northwest DC.

During the tour, which included visits to three Jubilee Housing properties, HUD staff had the opportunity to engage directly with Jubilee representatives. They discussed current community needs, challenges, and how Jubilee addresses both present and future demands. This interaction provided HUD staff with valuable insights into the organization's holistic approach to community development.

Founded in 1973 by members of the Church of the Saviour, Jubilee Housing was established with the mission of providing clean, safe, and affordable housing for underserved communities. More than 50 years later, Jubilee remains committed to ensuring that longtime residents can continue to live and thrive in the resource-rich neighborhoods of Adams Morgan, Columbia Heights, and Mount Pleasant. The organization's programs cover a wide range of services, including out-of-school engagement, college and career preparation, prison reentry support, financial asset-building, and aging-in-place assistance.

Since 2014, Jubilee has received nearly \$300,000 in Section 4 funding, which has been pivotal in expanding its Reentry Transitional Housing Program and Resident Services Programs. These capacity-building funds have also supported critical staff development and organizational growth. In 2023, with the backing of Section 4, Jubilee participated in Enterprise's Mid-Atlantic Housing as a Pathway to Justice workgroup. This involvement allowed Jubilee to collaborate with peers from the DC and Baltimore areas, sharing strategies to reduce housing barriers for individuals impacted by the criminal justice system.

Staff from HUD's Office of Community Planning and Development, Enterprise Community Partners, and Jubilee Housing pictured below:

