What is a Public Housing Authority?

NEOSCC 101 SERIES



101 Series Lesson Plan

- Who are the Public Housing Authorities
- –What do they do?
- —How are they structured?
- How are they funded
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Top five largest PHAs in NEO			
PHA Name	City	# of Units/Vouchers	
Cuyahoga MHA	Cleveland	10,300/14,000	
Akron MHA	Akron	4,100/4,700	
Stark MHA	Canton	2,500/1,800	
Youngstown MHA	Youngstown	1,500/2,200	
Lorain MHA	Lorain	1,400/2,700	



- 15 PHAs within Northeast Ohio
 - 2 are small nonprofits only authorized to administer
 Section 8 Vouchers
- 78 PHA's in Ohio

Cuyahoga MHA		
Akron MHA		
Stark MHA		
Youngstown MHA		
Lorain MHA		
Trumbull MHA		
Ashtabula MHA		
Geauga MHA		
Medina MHA		
Lake MHA		
Parma PHA		
Portage MHA		
Wayne MHA		
Eden, Inc. (Section 8 only)		
New Avenues to Independence		
(Section 8 only)		

What is a Public Housing Authority?

What do Public Housing Authorities do?

- Formally created by the United States Housing Act of 1937 as a way to provide low-rent housing and clear slums
- Regulated by the US
 Department of Housing
 and Urban Development
- 3,300 PHAs across the country



Slum in Tremont, Cleveland 1939



What do Public Housing Authorities do?

Providing Decent Housing



AN INTERIOR BEDROOM.

TOTALLY DARK -- PICTURE TAKEN BY FLASH-LIGHT



Outhwaite Grand Opening 1937



What do Public Housing Authorities do?

Public Housing Authorities provide housing and rental assistance to low-income families through two programs:

Public Housing

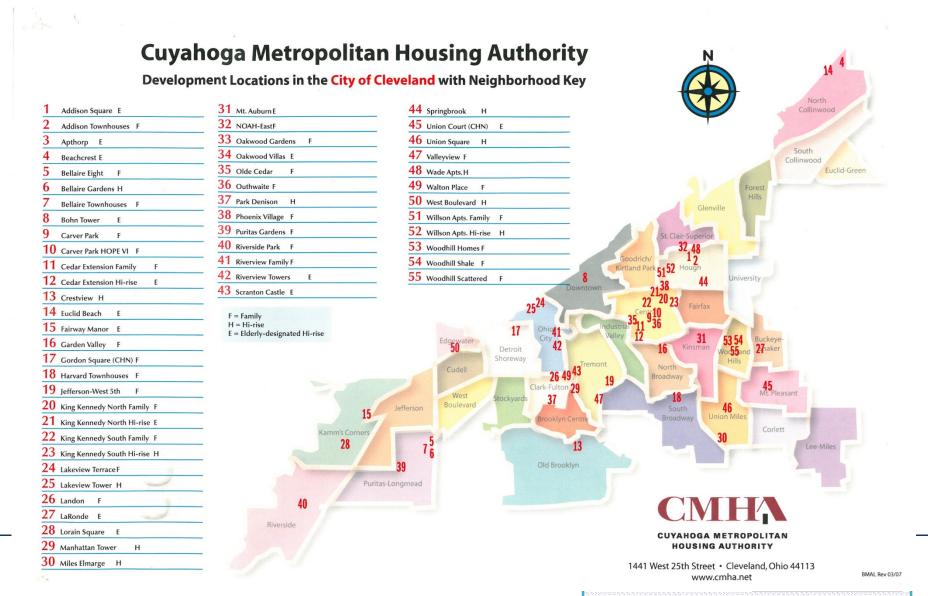
The PHA owns and manages properties
Approximately 1.2 million families reside
in public housing around the country
Properties range from single family
homes to high-rise apartments

Housing Choice Voucher Program (Section 8)

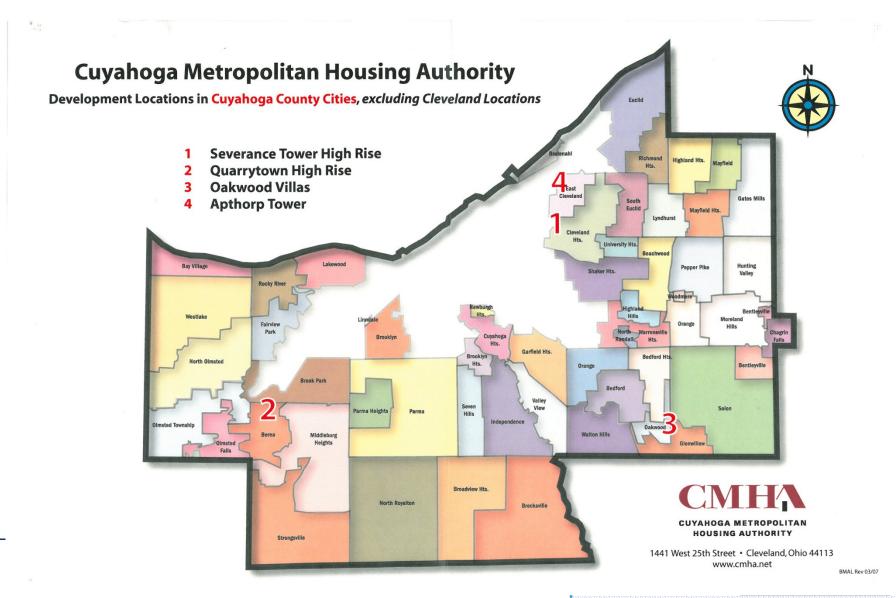
Allows families to use a voucher anywhere a landlord is willing to accept it, with the housing authority will subsidize the rent and utilities Serves about 3 million families nationwide



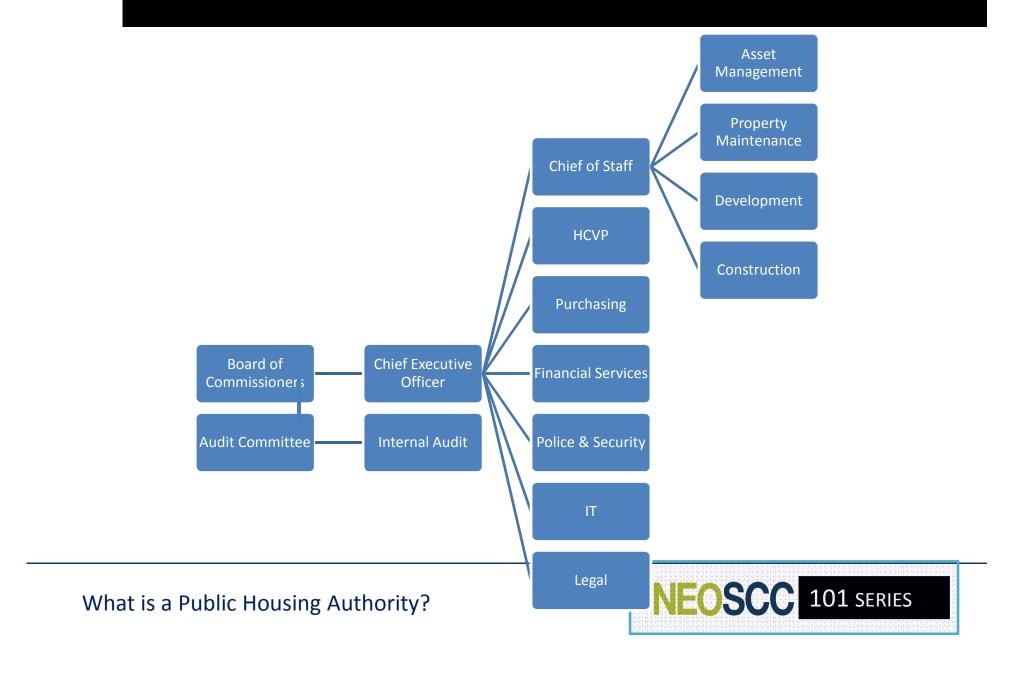
CMHA Locations



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How are Public Housing Authorities structured?



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Community Partners

Who helps us achieve our goals?

- Local, State, and Federal Government
 - Ensuring our development activity will lead to larger community revitalization
- Community Development Corporations
 - Many grants and tax credit applications require community support
- Tax credit investors/syndicators
 - The future of affordable housing is in tax credits
- Supportive Service Providers



How are Public Housing Authorities funded?

AMP=Asset Management Property

- HUD does not fund a PHA's central cost center
- Each AMP is funded separately, and all agency costs are paid from the AMP's budget
- Each AMP is evaluated individually, with its funding directly tied to the AMP's performance (REAC Score)



How are Public Housing Authorities funded?

- PHAs must submit a subsidy request for each AMP to HUD on an annual basis
 - Requests are submitted in the fall for the following year's funding
 - Subsidy is usually not received until
 September of the funding year

PHA Name	Total revenue in millions*
Cuyahoga MHA	\$ 248.2
Akron MHA	80.7
Stark MHA	30.19
Youngstown MHA	27.2
Lorain MHA	32.1
Trumbull MHA	12.9
Ashtabula MHA	8.3
Geauga MHA	3
Medina MHA	6.7
Lake MHA	11.6
Parma PHA	5.5
Portage MHA	15.1
Wayne MHA	8.9

What is a Public Housing Authority?

^{*} Includes non-operating revenue

How are Public Housing Authorities funded?

- HUD Operating Subsidy
 - To continue operations and manage properties
- Tenant Rental Payments
- Capital Fund Grants
 - Development, financing, modernization, and management improvements
 - American Reinvestment & Recovery Act
- Competitive Grants
 - Supportive Services (eg. Youthbuild, ROSS)
 - Restricted to providing specific enrichment programs
 - Community Revitalization
 - Examples include HOPE VI and Choice Neighborhoods
- Low Income Housing Tax Credits
 - Fastest growing way to provide affordable housing



Public Housing Authorities and NEOSCC?



Economic Development
Environment
Communities
Connections
Quality Connected
Places

Equity LENS

PHA's drivers are its residents and community

- We look at how many families are being served
- We evaluate changes in education level, employment rates, and other social indicators
 - This guides us when applying for grants and creating new partnerships
- We strive to be rated as High Performers by HUD's Real Estate Assessment Center (REAC)
 - Physical property inspections
 - Operations
 - Financial Soundness



CMHA's Five Year Goals

Communities/QCP

Environment/
Communities/Quality
Connected Places

Economic Development

Connections
Quality Connected
Places



- Increase supply of quality affordable housing
- Improve the living environment and quality of life for residents of Public Housing
- Develop a highly skilled workforce that provides services to residents and participants with excellence and within a department structure that is flexible, efficient, and promotes teamwork.
- Promote self-sufficiency and asset development of residents and participants by providing quality case management and linkages to supportive services available in the community.













AKRON METROPOLITAN HOUSING AUTHORITY



Akron Metropolitan Area Transportation Study

Akron Urban League

Catholic Charities, Diocese of Youngstown

City of Akron

City of Cleveland

City of Youngstown

Cleveland Museum of Natural History

Cleveland State University

Cuyahoga County

Eastgate Regional Council of Governments

Fund for Our Economic Future

Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority

Lorain County Growth Partnership

Mahoning County

Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency

Northeast Ohio Four County Regional Planning &

Development Organization

Policy Bridge

Regional Prosperity Initiative

Stark County

Stark County Regional Planning Commission/

Stark County Area Transportation Study

Summit County

Summit County Health District

Trumbull County



Sustainable Communities Consortium

Coming together to create a vibrant, sustainable and competitive Northeast Ohio

