

ANNUAL REPORT 2008

CELEBRATING 20 YEARS





1988 With just 3 employees, Housing Vermont (HV) opens; first Just one year after its creation, Circus board meeting on May 16; first annual meeting on Sept. 13 Smirkus grows to statewide summer tour of the Brattleboro Area Community Land Trust Monkey and 1% for Peace

Connie Snow becomes Executive Director

Ben & Jerry's introduces Chunky

#### LETTER TO OUR PARTNERS

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Housing Vermont celebrates its 20th anniversary this year which gives us a welcome opportunity to expand on the narrow time horizon which, by definition, characterizes annual reports. The report includes reflections by some of our public and private partners and a timeline describing major milestones against the larger backdrop of events outside our organization.

Much of Housing Vermont's success has stemmed from a high quality staff and a knowledgeable, engaged Board of Directors. From our founding president, Mike Richardson, to Andy Broderick, who is leaving Housing Vermont after more than eight years as president, we have benefited enormously from adept and dedicated leaders. In 2008, we welcomed four new employees to the Housing Vermont staff: Trevor Parsons, Energy Project Manager; Tracy Robertson, Asset Manager; Sara Santor, Administrative Assistant and Glenn Von Bernewitz, Chief Financial Officer. Tom Thompson, who had served as both Chair and Treasurer, retired from the Board of Directors and was succeeded by Marc Landry, a Colchester Selectboard member, insurance professional, and recipient of the Miles Jensen Award.

With Trevor's expertise, Housing Vermont has embarked on an ambitious plan to update and enhance our portfolio's energy capability. We're increasing the energy efficiency of our existing portfolio through investments in weatherization and renewable energy. In our new projects we are focusing resources to respond to permanently higher energy costs and the desire to incorporate innovative materials, including Vermont products. At Wheeler Brook, our new property in Warren, we've installed our first solar domestic hot water system.

In 2008, we began the extensive renovation of Union Square Apartments (formerly Armory Square Apartments) in Windsor. Housing Vermont first looked at this property more than two years earlier at the request of town leaders who concluded that the redevelopment of this historic 56,500 square foot building was key to revitalizing downtown Windsor. The completed project will reduce the density from 72 to 58 apartments with much improved floor plans, an elevator, efficient HVAC system, on-site management and resident services. A project of this scale depends upon strong local partners. The Rockingham Area Community Land Trust and the Town of Windsor have worked diligently

to assemble resources and to ensure that the completed project will be a long term asset to the community. This is the kind of partnership which has characterized our work for the past two decades.

The change in the economy has affected our investment environment. In 2007, investors across the nation were actively purchasing low income housing tax credits, but in 2008 we began to see a national slow down in investor interest. Fortunately Vermont banks, our key investment partners, remain financially healthy and continue to be active equity partners.

The good news, as evident over the past 20 years, is that the work of Housing Vermont and its public and private partners makes a difference. Together we have sparked the revitalization of villages and downtowns and provided attractive, secure homes where children can grow up and seniors can grow old. There is much yet to be done so we look forward with optimism and energy to forming new partnerships with community leaders, local banks and nonprofit organizations across the state to fulfill our mission.

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Chip Hart, Board Chair

Nancy Owens President

Vermont Equity Fund closes with \$4.5 166 billion dollar taxpayer bailout of savings

What's in? Frozen yogurt, Tetris and Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles

Housing Vermont has far exceeded the expectations and dreams of those of us who helped create it. Not only has Housing Vermont, along with its local partners, created significant amounts of affordable housing, but these projects have provided the catalyst for community revitalization in many of our smaller communities. It is very evident that Housing Vermont is the gold standard for creating and preserving affordable housing through public/private partnerships.



Allan Hunt Former Executive Director. Vermont Housing **Finance Agency** 

# CELEBRATING **20 YEARS**

The concept was deceptively direct: create an organization to make a new Internal Revenue Service housing program work in a small, rural state. And while you're at it, please also provide real estate development services to a fledgling statewide nonprofit housing network.

That was Housing Vermont's charge when it was created in 1988. When we look back a generation later, it's easy to assume that Housing Vermont's success was inevitable. However, it wasn't simply an instance of a clever solution meeting a deep need. In fact, there was nothing "simple" about it.

Much that we now take for granted everything from the concept of partnering with community nonprofits and Vermont financial institutions to the intricate spreadsheets that describe in detail the substance of each deal had to be invented and constantly refined. Because we create housing from the bottom up, not the top down, each venture had to be treated as a one-of-a-kind. There was no room for a "onesize-fits-all" mentality.

Housing Vermont's achievements — creating 4,200 affordable homes and raising \$190 million in private equity — were made possible by the inspired work of community advocates, local and financial partners, public leaders, professionals, contractors, board members, and staff. They were supported by Vermont values of inclusiveness and community service and a conviction that attractive, affordable housing should be within the grasp of all.

The challenges Housing Vermont will confront in the next 20 years will be different from those we overcame in the first 20. The imploding of the economy and the collapse of the investment market which so indelibly marked the last half of 2008 are only the most recent examples of the forces that will continue to test us.

However, real estate developers are, by nature, spirited optimists and, by necessity, supreme problem solvers. We have learned that by working with our partners and concentrating on our mission, Housing Vermont can rise to any challenge.

With this firm foundation, we look forward to a third decade of embracing opportunities and creating affordable housing which enriches Vermont communities.

1990 HV named one of 15 national finalists in the Innovations in State/Local Government Awards Program

The number of affordable housing units created by HV surpasses 1,000

of much needed housing to Barre

Highgate Apartments brings 120 units Rehabilitation of buildings in St. Johnsbury marks HV's first time use of Historic Tax Credits

#### ACHIEVEMENTS

Housing Vermont's Asset Management staff work closely with local partners, managing agents and investors to continually monitor the health and compliance of the more than 130 partnerships in our current portfolio. In addition to our oversight of the operational performance of each property, Housing Vermont is constantly analyzing portfolio trends.

This analysis meant that efforts to control energy costs were already underway when the cost of fuel spiked by more than 80%. The asset management staff worked to both minimize the price of fuel by arranging for the bulk purchase of #2 fuel oil and by decreasing demand through energy conservation initiatives such as improving thermal shells, reconfiguring heating and ventilation controls, inspecting boilers and furnaces, and training local staff in appropriate maintenance techniques. New public and private resources were secured while Housing Vermont hired an energy engineer to independently evaluate portfolio needs and help outline a comprehensive course of action that added energy switching to the strategies to lower fuel costs. Lessons learned were immediately incorporated into projects under development.

Equity produced through the syndication of the federal Low Income Housing Tax Credit and the Historic Rehabilitation Tax Credit as well as the State downtown and affordable housing credits is the single largest source of financing for our work. Investors, which include regional and community banks and Vermont-based insurance companies, participate in direct placements to individual properties and in our multi-investor fund, the Green Mountain Housing Equity Fund. Fund investments also allow us to cost-effectively provide equity to projects in which Housing Vermont plays no development role. In 2008, the Green Mountain Housing Equity Fund III invested over \$1.4 million in Downtown Crossing developed by the Regional Affordable Housing Corporation. The Fund's equity, which represented 60% of the total development cost, enabled RAHC to redevelop two scattered site properties in downtown Bennington, including a site which houses RAHC's office.

Housing Vermont annually spotlights outstanding professional and volunteer leadership in the field of affordable housing. The Michael Richardson Award, which recognizes exceptional leadership and commitment to social justice, was presented to Cheryl Premont. Cheryl,

who is a Section 8 Field Representative for the Vermont State Housing Authority, worked tirelessly to ensure that the residents of the former Amory Square Apartments in Windsor found secure and affordable replacement housing. The Miles Jensen Award, which honors volunteers who have made a lasting contribution to advance affordable housing, was presented to John E. Davis. As a principle architect of the nonprofit-led revolution in providing homes for lowand moderate-income families and seniors, John crafted the underpinnings of a housing delivery system which values and respects all.

It's rewarding to honor those who make exceptional contributions, but it's also gratifying to be recognized for your own work. The Affordable Housing Tax Credit Coalition presented Housing Vermont and Valley Cares with its Charles L. Edson Tax Credit Excellence Award for the innovative West River Valley Senior Housing development in Townshend. This project brought 24 affordable independent senior housing apartments and 28 assisted living units to a severely underserved rural community. The award was presented by Senator Patrick Leahy in a Washington, DC ceremony.

1991

to Stewart Meecham

First Miles Jensen Award presented According to a Bureau of Commerce index, HV's Brenda Torpy appointed Executive Director cumulative construction has created 1,300 jobs of Burlington Community Land Trust

Motorolla introduces new "lightweight cell phone" (just under a half pound)

# PROJECTS

# **BROOKSIDE VILLAGE APARTMENTS**

Colchester

In partnership with the Champlain Housing Trust, Housing Vermont has 42 new townhomes under construction in Colchester. The site is a lovely 25-acre parcel bounded by the Moorehouse Brook, the Winooski River and the Winooski/ Colchester town line. The two communities worked with us to enable the development to proceed, with Winooski providing the waste water treatment and Colchester the water supply. Incorporated into the development is a new stormwater system to address existing concerns with the pollution of the Moorehouse Brook. Trails along the river's edge provide walking paths for the residents and neighbors to enjoy.

NUMBER OF UNITS 42 apartments

**GENERAL PARTNER** Champlain Housing Trust

ARCHITECT Rabideau Architects

**GENERAL CONTRACTOR** Naylor & Breen Builders

MANAGEMENT COMPANY Champlain Housing Trust





1992 HV presents "Most Persistent Non-Profit" Award to CVCLT

how to spell "potato"

Dan Quayle learns the hard way Kathy Beyer elected to Vermont House

Montpelier floods in early March, temporarily dislocating VHCB





# PROJECTS

WHEELER BROOK

Warren

Developing family housing in Warren has been a long standing goal of Housing Vermont and the Central Vermont Community Land Trust. So we were glad to have the opportunity to work with the Sugarbush Resort and purchase property on the Sugarbush access road to develop attractive new housing. The 18 energy efficient homes provide sorely needed affordable apartments in the Mad River Valley. **NUMBER OF UNITS** 18 apartments

**GENERAL PARTNER** Central Vermont Community Land Trust

**LIMITED PARTNER** Chittenden Bank

**ARCHITECT** William Maclay Architects & Planners

**GENERAL CONTRACTOR** DEW Construction Corporation

**MANAGEMENT COMPANY** Central Vermont Community Land Trust

1993

Abbott Block, first workforce housing development, completed

Congress makes the LIHTC program permanent

I've had the great pleasure of working with Housing Vermont in a variety of roles over the past 20 years: as one of the first co-general partners, a long term board member, and now as a funder. I know their success has not come easily, nor has it resulted from working in isolation. Partnerships with community nonprofits, public agencies, lenders and investors have created housing at a Vermont scale and guality far beyond the ability of any organization acting alone. I have tremendous confidence they will continue to rise to the challenges all of us in affordable housing face as our business environment evolves, and at the same time proactively respond to Vermont's future needs.



Sarah Carpenter Executive Director, Vermont Housing **Finance Agency** 

### PROJECTS

# UNION SQUARE APARTMENTS

Windsor



The complete renovation of the former Armory Square Apartments in Windsor is one of the largest and most complex developments Housing Vermont has undertaken in the past few years. Working closely with our partners, the Rockingham Area Community Land Trust, the Town of Windsor, a citizen's advisory group, and Stewart Property Management, we are close to completing the full renovation of this grand historic building. When complete, this downtown gem will once again serve the community as quality work force housing.

NUMBER OF UNITS 58 apartments

**GENERAL PARTNER** 

Rockingham Area Community Land Trust

#### LIMITED PARTNERS

Chittenden Bank Green Mountain Housing Equity Fund III LP Mascoma Savings Bank Merchants Bank

ARCHITECT

Gossens & Bachman. Inc.

**GENERAL CONTRACTOR** E.F. Wall & Associates, Inc.

MANAGEMENT COMPANY Stewart Property Management

1994

Seven new investors commit to HV projects as President of HV

Don Dickson succeeds Michael Richardson The first HV holiday party invitations featuring a Christmas carol parody are mailed

HUD Secretary Henry Cisneros tours future site of the Thelma Maple Coop



Every day I talk with communities throughout the state about the importance of integrating smart growth principles as they plan for their future. Since our founding, Housing Vermont has been a strong partner by making these principles a reality in communities around the state. They have invested in rehabilitating historic buildings, created opportunities for new businesses in our town centers and provided homes that working Vermonters can afford close to jobs, services and schools. The staff and organization are an incredible asset.

> Noelle MacKay **Executive Director**, Smart Growth Vermont





1995 HV moves to 131 Main Street

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Vermont Housing and Conservation Coalition Dutch housing group visits Vermont to exchange ideas Blue M&M's are introduced (former Hotel Vermont building) holds first VHCB Legislative Day

Twenty years says it all. From the first days, our vision was to develop affordable housing in partnership with communities across Vermont and, lo and behold, it worked. Housing Vermont has continued to live up to and foster the original vision with real results. Keep up the good work!



Elizabeth Mullikin Drake Housing Vermont's first Vice President of Development

#### PROJECTS

OTTER CREEK (PINE MEADOW RENOVATIONS)

Middlebury

Otter Creek (formerly known as Pine Meadow) in Middlebury is home to a number of families who have lived there since 1991 when Housing Vermont built the property in partnership with the Interfaith Housing Corporation. In 2007, the Interfaith Housing Corporation donated its interest in the property to Housing Vermont and a year later we undertook a refinancing and refurbishment with our partner, Addison County Community Trust. The improvements include energy upgrades, new roofing and interior finishes so that the property will continue to provide quality housing for families in Middlebury.



**NUMBER OF UNITS** 30 apartments

**GENERAL PARTNER** Addison County Community Trust

LIMITED PARTNER Green Mountain Housing Equity Fund III LP

ARCHITECT S2 Architecture, LLC

**GENERAL CONTRACTOR** The Quinn Company

MANAGEMENT COMPANY Maloney Properties



HV Board retreat reaffirms primacy HV staff abandons overworked fax machines HV has eight projects under development Dolly, a sheep, is the first mammal to be cloned of affordable housing mission and embraces widespread use of email

# THE MILES JENSEN AWARD

This award is given annually to an individual who represents an outstanding level of community volunteerism in the effort to provide affordable housing. The major criteria: works for the empowerment of the underprivileged on a volunteer basis, involved at the grassroots level of a project, dedicated to community improvement, and, most importantly, embodies the spirit of Miles Jensen, a founding member of the Board of Directors.

#### **RECIPIENTS:**

1991	Stewart Meecham	2001	Louise Park
1992	Rev. John Nutting	2002	Byron Stookey and
1993	Sister Lucille Bonvouloir		David Weaver
1994	Kathy O'Dell Thompson	2003	Gustave Seelig
1995	Tom Yahn	2004	Marcia and Albert Perry
1996	Mark Snelling	2005	Harry Barnes
1997	Audrey DeForge and	2006	Carol Mikuski
	Mark Landry	2007	John Nopper
1998	Al Stevens	2008	John Davis
1999	Applegate Housing, Inc.		
2000	Sandra Kilburn and		
	Hugh Gates		

## THE MICHAEL M. RICHARDSON AWARD

This award recognizes outstanding leadership, volunteer commitment, and/or the contribution of tangible or intangible resources that enhance Housing Vermont's ability to provide permanently affordable housing for Vermonters.

#### **RECIPIENTS:**

1997	John Simson	2003	Michael Richardson
1998	Allan Hunt and VHFA	2004	Ken Perine
1999	Amy Wright	2005	Don Goff
2000	Tom Plumb	2006	Norm Etkind
2001	Jim Condos	2007	Ed Stretch
2002	Peter Clavelle	2008	Cheryl Premont



Cheryl Premont and John Davis, 2008 Award winners

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Attorney Bob Gensburg successfully argues for education funding Peter Richardson succeeds reform in the pivotal Brigham case which sets the stage for Act 60 Don Dickson as President of HV

HV reaches 2,000 units of Gov. Michael Dukakis is guest speaker affordable housing

at HV annual meeting

# PROJECTS DEVELOPED

# **PROJECT** (by year acquired) **NUMBER OF UNITS**

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1	SALMON RUN — Burlington	80
2	HEINEBERG — Burlington	82
	1988 Totals	162

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3	WINCHESTER PLACE — Colchester	166
4	SWANTON VILLAGE	16
5	CUMMINGS STREET — Montpelier	20
6	NORTHGATE APARTMENTS — Burlington	336
	1989 Totals	538

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7	PROSPECT STREET- Montpelier	29
8	PINE MEADOWS — Middlebury	30
9	MIDDLEBURY COMMONS — Middlebury	64
10	MOUNTAIN VIEW — Springfield	72
11	ST. JOHNSBURY SCATTERED SITES	32
12	HIGHGATE APARTMENTS — Barre	120
	1990 Totals	347

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13	WHITNEY HILL HOMESTEAD — Williston	44
14	ABBOTT BLOCK — Brattleboro	17
	1991 Totals	61

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15	RANDOLPH HOUSE	48
16	100 MAIN — Lyndonville	14
17	PEACHAM ACADEMY APARTMENTS — Peacham	10
18	CASWELL AVENUE — Derby	9
19	RUTLAND SCATTERED SITES	31
20	CALEDONIA SCATTERED SITES — St. Johnsbury	28
21	MAIN STREET COURT — Newport	13
22	THE PARTNERSHIP BLOCK — Hardwick	7
23	NORTH BRANCH APARTMENTS — Montpelier	39
	1992 Totals	199

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24	STIMSON GRAVES BUILDING — Waterbury	14
25	LINDEN TERRACE — Rutland	19
26	GRAYSTONE VILLAGE — White River Junction	34
	1993 Totals	67

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27	THELMA MAPLE COOP — Burlington	20
28	ERASTUS THAYER HOUSE — Brandon	9
29	BURLINGTON SCATTERED SITES	20
30	QUEENSBURY COOP — South Burlington	18
31	OLDE WINDSOR VILLAGE — Windsor	77
32	SCHOOL STREET — Hartford	8
33	BENTLEY FARM — Arlington	8
34	CONGRESS & PARK — Morrisville	12
	1994 Totals	172

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35	FAIRFIELD & LINCOLN — St. Albans	7
36	ADAMS HOUSE — Fair Haven	13
	1995 Totals	20

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37	ADDISON — Middlebury, Vergennes	19
38	BRHIP — Burlington	33
39	ROSE STREET — Burlington	12
40	FAIRFIELD STREET SCHOOL — St. Albans	14
	1996 Totals	78

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41	APPLEGATE APARTMENTS — Bennington	104
42	RICHMOND VILLAGE HOUSING - Richmond	16
43	PARK PLACE HOUSING COOP – Burlington	20
44	HEDDING DRIVE — Randolph	16
45	SOUTH SQUARE — Burlington	65
46	1306 / E. SPRING STREET – Colchester, Winooski	42
47	WELLS RIVER REHAB — Wells River	22
48	HOLY CROSS — Colchester	40
49	N. PLEASANT REHAB — Middlebury	25
	Tax Credit Sub-Totals	350
50	BEMIS BLOCK — Hardwick	14
51	CANTERBURY NORTH / SOUTH – St. Johnsbury	28
52	DARLING INN – Lyndonville	27
53	GILMAN HOUSING – Lunenburg	10
54	GOVERNOR PROUTY APARTMENTS - Newport	24
55	HARDWICK FAMILY	8
56	GROVETON HOUSING — Northumberland, NH	10
57	LISBON INN — Lisbon, NH	20
58	MCKEE INN — Lancaster, NH	35
59	NORTHERN LIGHTS HOUSING — Berlin, NH	63
60	OPERA BLOCK – Woodsville, NH	34
	NCIC Acquisition Sub-Totals	273
	1997 Totals	623

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61	PARK PLACE PHASE II — Burlington	14
62	PEARL & UNION — Burlington	21
63	LAKEVIEW — Newport	16
64	BENNINGTON ARTS — North Bennington	15
65	BAILEY BALDWIN BARRE — Barre	15
66	HIGHLAND HILL — Hardwick	14
	1998 Totals	95

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67	EXNER BLOCK — Bellows Falls	10
68	MILLVIEW APARTMENTS — Burlington	12
69	BUS BARNS — Burlington	25
70	VERGENNES / MIDDLEBURY	14
71	MCAULEY SQUARE — Burlington	74
72	CRYSTAL LAKE APARTMENTS — Barton	15
73	ALLEN & CANAL — Winooski	17
74	PORTLAND STREET — Morrisville	8
75	SWANTON SCHOOL	16
76	SAXTONS RIVER SCATTERED SITES	17
77	BRIARS APARTMENTS — Wilder	24
	1999 Totals	232

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78	FRANKLIN CARRIAGE HOUSE — Franklin	18
79	ANDERSON PARKWAY — South Burlington	18
	2000 Totals	36

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LIME KILN APARTMENTS — South Burlington	48
RUGGLES HOUSE — Burlington	15
WESTGATE APARTMENTS — Brattleboro	98
MAPLE TREE PLACE — Williston	50
O'DELL APARTMENTS — South Burlington	160
SMITH & SEMINARY — Middlebury	17
JEFFERSONVILLE COMMUNITY HOUSING	32
GREEN MOUNTAIN SEMINARY — Waterbury	Center 16
BALDWIN BLOCK — Wells River	7
2001 Totals	443
	WESTGATE APARTMENTS – Brattleboro MAPLE TREE PLACE – Williston O'DELL APARTMENTS – South Burlington SMITH & SEMINARY – Middlebury JEFFERSONVILLE COMMUNITY HOUSING GREEN MOUNTAIN SEMINARY – Waterbury BALDWIN BLOCK – Wells River

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89	MOOSE RIVER APARTMENTS — St. Johnsbury	28
90	OVERLOOK APARTMENTS — White River Junction	13
91	RICHFORD COMMUNITY HOUSING	15
92	BUTLER HOUSE — St. Albans	6
93	ECHO NORTH & NORTH — Burlington	12
94	HOWARD BLOCK — Bellows Falls	13
	2002 Totals	87

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95	SHELBURNE HOUSING	20
96	MOUNTAIN VIEW ST. JAY — St. Johnsbury	48
97	HYDE ROAD APARTMENTS — Grand Isle	16
98	WALL STREET HOUSING — Springfield	13
99	SMALLEST CITY APARTMENTS — Vergennes	19
100	BRANCHWOOD APARTMENTS — Randolph	12
101	WHITCOMB WOODS – Essex Junction	64
102	HIGHGATE APARTMENTS PHASE II – Barre	n/a
103	WATERFRONT APARTMENTS – Burlington	40
104	ECHO SCATTERED SITES — Burlington	20
	2003 Totals	252

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105	CREEKVIEW HOUSING — Vergennes	36
106	TUTTLE BLOCK — Rutland	13
107	WHITCOMB TERRACE – Essex Junction	19
108	WESTMINSTER APTS. – Westminster	9
	2004 Totals	77

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109	WAUGH OPERA HOUSE — St. Albans	20
110	STONE HILL — Middlebury	26
111	DORSET COMMUNITY HOUSING	24
112	ROUND BARN — Grand Isle	24
113	RIVER STATION — Montpelier	36
114	GROTON COMMUNITY HOUSING	18
115	SOUTHVIEW — Springfield	69
	2005 Totals	217

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116	HUCKLE HILL — Vernon	24
117	WAITS RIVER — Bradford	29
118	EASTERN TOWNSHIP — Richford	12
119	FALLS HOUSING — Enosburg	28
120	SOUTH VILLAGE — Middlebury	30
121	WEST RIVER VALLEY ASSISTED LIVING — Townshend	28
122	WEST RIVER VALLEY INDEPENDENT SENIOR – Townshend	24
123	CALLAHAN SCATTERED SITES – Burlington	28
124	CHERRY STREET — Hardwick	n/a
125	BEMIS BLOCK — Hardwick	n/a
126	WILDER BLOCK — Brattleboro	8
127	SYLVAN WOODS — Stowe	28
128	SYLVAN WOODS CONDOMINIUMS — Stowe	8
129	RIVERSTATION CONDOMINIUMS – Montpelier	18
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130	WILLARD MILL — St. Albans	27
131	PASSUMPSIC — St. Johnsbury	n/a
132	KING STREET — Burlington	20
133	LINDEN TERRACE — Rutland	n/a
134	PROCTORSVILLE GREEN — Proctorsville	16
	2007 Totals	63

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135	WHEELER BROOK — Waitsfield	18
136	UNION SQUARE — Windsor	58
137	BROOKSIDE APARTMENTS — Colchester	42
138	OTTER CREEK (Pine Meadow) — Middlebury	n/a
	2008 Totals	118

Whether focused upon saving the "Gates"; working with community groups in Wells River, Groton, Bellows Falls or Richford; or building homes with support services; for 20 years Housing Vermont has exceeded the brightest hopes of its founders. Your success is rooted in a willingness to tackle Vermont's toughest community development problems and is made possible by talented staff and board members who have applied both skill and heart to your mission.

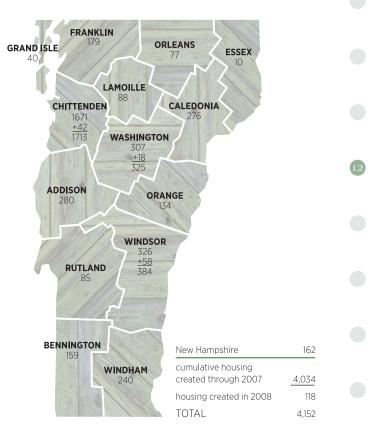


**Gus Seelig Executive Director**, Vermont Housing & **Conservation Board** 

## 2008 FUNDERS

Champlain Housing Trust Chittenden Bank City of Winooski Efficiency Vermont Federal Home Loan Bank of Boston Housing Vermont Mascoma Savings Bank NeighborWorks America

Northfield Savings Bank Preservation Trust of Vermont Rockingham Area Community Land Trust Town of Windsor US Department of HUD — EDI Grants US Department of HUD — HOME Program US Department of HUD — LEAD Program USDA Rural Development Vermont Community Development Program Town of Colchester Town of Middlebury Town of Warren Town of Windsor Vermont Affordable Housing Credits Vermont Downtown Credits Vermont Gas Systems, Inc. Vermont Housing & Conservation Board Vermont Housing Finance Agency



1998

Sarah Carpenter appointed HV's portfolio includes 67 properties HV staff begins tradition of project Executive Director of VHFA while staff grows to 13 positions

work days at Darling Inn

79-year-old Fred Tuttle runs for Senate seat and wins Republican Primary

### LIMITED PARTNERS

Apollo Housing Capital, L.L.C. Arrow Financial Corporation Bank of America The Bank of Bennington Ben & Jerry's Homemade, Inc. **Berkshire Bank** Brattleboro Savings & Loan Association Central Vermont Public Service Corporation Chittenden Bank **Citizens Bank** and its subsidiary, CDC-Asbany Corporation Community National Bank **Co-Operative Insurance Companies** Fannie Mae Green Mountain Housing Equity Fund 2003 Green Mountain Housing Equity Fund II Green Mountain Housing Equity Fund III LP Robert and Cynthia Hoehl

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Housing Vermont is by far the best managed organization I've worked with. Its mission is socially all-important (which is one reason Housing Vermont is my favorite client), but it is also a good-sized business that requires just the right proportions of management skills and individual responsibility from the staff. It would be hard to overstate the respect I have for every staff member I work with because each one knows this complicated stuff, from tax credits to building construction to syndicating investments, and accomplishes so much very effectively. It is my pleasure to have such a close connection with this important organization.

> Bob Gensburg attorney, Gensburg and Atwell



When we faced some tough community development challenges — whether it was the re-development of the 98-unit Westgate Apartments, or the reconstruction of the burned Wilder Block in Brattleboro — Housing Vermont was ready and able to commit their staff and considerable expertise to tackle the challenge. This difficult economic environment will require even greater innovation, creativity, and vigilance, and Housing Vermont is up for the task! Congratulations on your 20th anniversary, and best wishes for the next twenty years!



Connie Snow Executive Director Windham Housing Trust

#### **GENERAL PARTNERS**

Abbott Group Addison County Community Trust Applegate Housing Burlington Housing Authority Cathedral Square Corporation Central Vermont Community Land Trust Champlain Housing Trust Joseph M. Cloutier Gilman Housing Trust Hardwick Nonprofit Housing Corporation Heineberg Senior Housing Corporation Highgate Housing Holy Cross Senior Housing Corporation HOPE Vermont State Housing Authority Lamoille Housing Partnership McAuley Square Northgate Housing Montpelier Housing Authority Peacham Community Housing Randolph Area Community **Development Corporation Regional Affordable Housing Corporation Revitalizing Waterbury Richford Renaissance Corporation** Rockingham Area Community Land Trust Rutland County Community Land Trust St. Johnsbury Housing Corporation Springfield Housing Authority **Twin Pines Housing Trust** Valley Cares Vermont Arts Exchange Vermont State Housing Authority Wells River Action Program Westgate Housing Williston Elder Housing White River Area Housing **Development Corporation** Windham Housing Trust

2000 Andy Broderick succeeds Peter Richardson as President of HV

er Thanks to Sen. Jim Jeffords' creation of small state minimum allocations for LIHTC, Vermont's allocation jumps from \$742,170 to \$2 million

Burlington's McAuley Square opens, six years Vermont passes H.847, after the Sisters of Mercy make site available legalizing civil unions

# STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION

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ASSETS	2008	<b>2007</b> (as restated)
Cash and cash equivalents	\$70,401	\$135,159
Due from affiliated entities	1,911,190	2,420,986
Prepaid expenses	35,239	36,277
Notes receivable from affiliated entities, net	1,782,601	2,650,513
Interest due from affiliates	173,449	254,529
Total current assets	3,972,880	5,497,464
Cash — Reserved	15,951	15,890
Interest due from affiliates	272,516	112,977
Property and equipment, net	49,341	54,436
Notes receivable from affiliated entities, net	2,141,071	2,300,673
Investments in predevelopment project costs	2,529,055	2,503,118
Investment in subsidiaries, at cost	390,750	481,354
	\$9,371,564	\$10,965,912

2001 Moses (the office dog) becomes part of the family HV reaches 3,000 units of affordable housing Mint releases Vermont State Quarter Housing Vermont's biggest year to date: 443 units developed in nine properties

#### STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION

2007

		(as restated)	
LIABILITIES			
Current liabilities			
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$224,068	\$412,359	
Lines of credit	2,135,000	4,265,000	
Current portion of long-term debt		400,000	
Total current liabilities	2,359,068	5,077,359	
Line of credit – long term	1,375,000	_	
Long-term debt	400,000		
Total liabilities	4,134,068	5,077,359	
Commitments and Contingencies			
NET ASSETS			
Unrestricted	5,237,496	4,977,433	
Temporarily restricted		911,120	
Total net assets	5,237,496	5,888,553	
	\$9,371,564	\$10,965,912	

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HV helps kick off Housing<br/>Awareness CampaignHV launches Green Mountain Housing Equity Fund to offer investors<br/>option of investing in a pool to fund several propertiesHV finishes the rehab of Westgate,<br/>last of the 4 "Gates" to be preserved

LIABILITIES AND ASSETS

The New England Patriots beat the last of the 4 "Gates" to be preserved St. Louis Rams 20-17 in Super Bowl XXXVI

# STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted	<b>2008</b> Temporarily Restricted	Total	Unrestricted	<b>2007</b> Temporarily Restricted	Total
SUPPORT AND REVENUE						
Support						
Sale of state tax credits	\$—	\$1,422,400	\$1,422,400	\$—	\$789,800	\$789,800
Grant Income Impairment loss on long-term notes receivable	_	80,000 (849,120)	80,000 (849,120)	_	18,000	18,000
Impairment loss on investments		(1,564,400)	(1,564,400)	(8,343)		(8,343)
Total support		(911,120)	(911,120)	(8,343)	807,800	799,457
Revenue						
Development fees	1,946,609	—	1,946,609	1,842,043	—	1,842,043
Asset management fees	499,480	—	499,480	747,356	—	747,356
Interest income Membership fees	256,772 15,600	—	256,772 15,600	297,880 15,690	_	297,880 15,690
Consulting income	177,114		177,114	2,020	_	2,020
Investment income	62,236	_	62,236	2,020		2,020
Gain on sale of investment	02,250	_	02,230	96,236	_	96,236
Other income	1,243		1,243	1,105		1,105
Total revenues	2,959,054		2,959,054	3,002,330		3,002,330
Total support and revenue	2,959,054	(911,120)	2,047,934	2,993,987	807,800	3,801,787
Development Expenses						
Payroll and benefits	1,656,279	_	1,656,279	1,556,384	_	1,556,384
Management and general	222,511	—	222,511	223,531	—	223,531
Professional fees	162,208	—	162,208	98,385	—	98,385
Office rent and cleaning	120,721	—	120,721	110,894	_	110,894
Bad debts	344,605		344,605	331,363	_	331,363 29,739
Depreciation and amortization Interest	25,532 167,135	_	25,532 167,135	29,739 248,543	_	29,739 248,543
Total development expenses	2,698,991		2,698,991	2,598,839		2,598,839
Change in net assets	\$260,063	\$(911,120)	\$(651,057)	\$395,148	\$807,800	\$1,202,948

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2003 With occupancy of Hyde Road Apartments, HV has properties in all of Vermont's 14 counties by HV exceeds \$100 million by HV e

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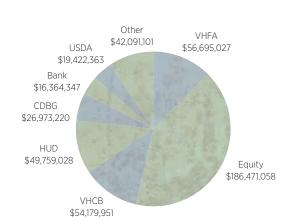
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#### **PROPERTY MANAGEMENT COMPANIES:**

Alliance Property Management Addison County Community Trust **Burlington Housing Authority** Cathedral Square Corporation Central Vermont Community Land Trust Champlain Housing Trust **EP** Management Franklin Homestead Gilman Housing Property Management **Maloney Properties** 

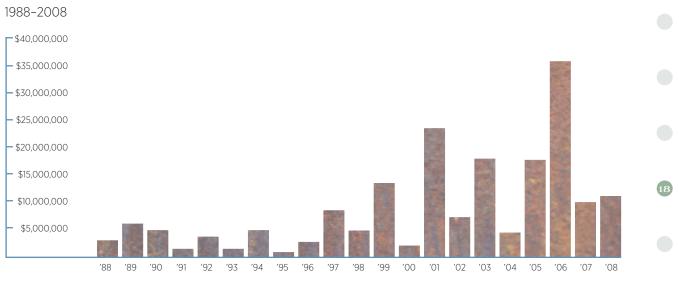
#### SOURCES OF FUNDS

1988-2008



Montpelier Housing Authority Regional Affordable Housing Corporation **Richford Renaissance Corporation** Rutland County Community Land Trust Springfield Housing Authority Stewart Property Management **THM Property Management** Twin Pines Housing Trust Valley Cares Windham Housing Trust

#### EQUITY INVESTED



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2004 Waterfront Housing, HV's first LEED- State of Vermont issues results of independent study of the non- Heineberg Senior Housing is first property to Boston Red Sox end 86-year certified building, opens in Burlington profit housing system which find that system is high performing complete initial 15-year compliance period

curse and win the World Series



At our first gathering, Mike Richardson and Allan Hunt offered an unusual proposition: If we formed an organization, VHFA would lend Housing Vermont \$2 million to develop permanently affordable housing using the Low Income Housing Tax Credit. We discussed the unique opportunity we had, and that we'd need a dedication to guality and excellence that had not been done before. Since day one in 1988, the Housing Vermont staff and board have approached the development of community-based affordable housing with the urgency that fire departments fight fires. The result is an organization that has enriched many lives while protecting and growing the original "investment."

> Mark Snelling Former Chair, Housing Vermont Board of Directors



Back row left to right: Steve Marsh, Steve Pitkin, John Nopper, Bill Morlock; Front row left to right: Marc Landry, Jolinda LaClair, Chip Hart, Barbara Grimes; Not shown: Paul Costello, Janet Spitler, Amy Demetrowitz

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HV properties total \$3.3 million

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2006

Housing merge to become Champlain Housing Trust

Burlington Community Land Trust and Lake Champlain Huckle Hill, the nation's first Section 202 senior housing development to use LIHTC, opens in Vernon

Vermonter Hannah Teter wins Olympic Gold





2007 created by HV surpasses 4,000

The number of affordable housing units HV hosts annual conference of National

First tenant moves into Stowe's Sylvan Association of State & Local Equity Funds Woods, 1,867 days after start of permitting at Springfield's Ellis Block

The Simpsons Movie premier held

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