



**LCMS National Housing
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Dear Friend,

How can we help?

That is the question at the heart of our *Community Impact Program*. Whatever you imagine in the way of housing ministry; whether you are in the middle of an urban community overwhelmed by poverty and blight, or you are in a suburban parish where the need is less obvious, our question to you is the same:

"How can we help?"

A simple application is all it takes to get started. The application on the pages that follow is designed to help leaders think through some of their initial ideas and identify some of the associated costs. There are no application deadlines or "approvals."

The *Community Impact Program* application is designed to help our partners think about the ways that NHSC can help. Once an application is submitted, NHSC's staff will review the application and will follow up to discuss the next steps. As we move forward we will prepare a *Partnership Agreement* that will outline mutual expectations.

For some, the application will be an obvious next step that comes at the end of a long series of strategic planning sessions and you have already identified ideas and hurdles that must be faced. For others, the application is a first step in a journey and the questions themselves will be helpful as you begin the planning process.

If you need help with the application, send us an email or give us a call. We would be happy to help. You may be reading a print version of this letter and application, but for easier access you may secure an electronic version through our website at www.nationalhousing-support.org/communityimpact. For more information about our *Community Impact Program* please contact NHSC's Director of Resource Development, Rev. John Albers, john.albers@lcms.org or at 314-996-1317.

NHSC's bottom line priority is to strengthen the ministry of congregations, social ministries and other LCMS entities where they are, in the communities and neighborhoods they serve. NHSC looks forward to exploring how we can help expand your outreach efforts through housing ministry!

In His service,

Nicole Ridley,
Chief Executive
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