Supportive Housing Pipeline Coalition

Launching April 9th

Gain a deeper understanding of developing and operating Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) with the PSH Learning Forum

Massachusetts Alliance for Supportive Housing





The Massachusetts Alliance for Supportive Housing (MASH), in partnership with the Executive Office of Housing and Livable Communities (EOHLC) and the Community Economic Development Assistance Corporation (CEDAC) will host an interactive Permanent Supportive Housing Learning Forum to provide participants with a robust education on developing and



delivering high-quality supportive housing with the goal of intentionally increasing the volume and diversity of supportive housing developers in the Commonwealth. This will aid in expanding the inventory of supportive housing and ending chronic and high-need homelessness for individuals, families, and young adults who are experiencing chronic and/or long-term or episodic homelessness and have a disabling condition.

The Learning Forum will start on April 9th with an in-person One-Day Kick-off Conference held in Worcester, MA, followed by a biweekly virtual training series of 1.5-2 hours each hosted over five months. A final event will be held for participants to network, share what they gleaned, and receive technical assistance.

Who can participate in the PSH Learning Forum?

Non-profit and for-profit housing developers, service providers, local funders, faith-based organization leaders, development consultants, municipal housing officials, and staff/leadership from public housing authorities, housing trust funds, property management agencies, and Community Development Corporations.

Benefits of participating

- Gain a foundational understanding of supportive housing and the Housing First model.
- Learn about the predevelopment process, including site due diligence and permitting, how to apply for acquisition, pre-development, and development financing.
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- Learn how to access statewide programs that fund high-quality supportive services, such as those established by the EOHLC and the Executive Office of Health and Human Services.
- Discover new or improved property management approaches and acquire effective service practices and property management coordination.
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- Form a powerful network of peers, funders, and local and national experts.

For more information on the schedule of sessions and how to register, contact <u>Calpurnyia Roberts</u>, the Director of Supportive Housing and Special Initiatives at MHSA at <u>croberts@mhsa.net</u>.

Massachusetts Alliance for Supportive Housing (MASH) is a collaboration of Community for Supportive Housing, Massachusetts Housing & Shelter Alliance, and United Way of Massachusetts Bay.