



# ACCD Investments in Housing Dedicated to Homelessness

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# DHCD Programs – Homelessness & Vulnerable



## Vermont Housing Improvement Program (VHIP)

- **\$25M CRF & ARPA - fully obligated**
  - Including the Re-housing Recovery Program
  - Act 74 Sec. G.400(a)(2): \$5,000,000
  - Act 181 Sec.8(b)(2): \$20,000,000
- **\$20M State General Funds**
  - B.1100(a)(31): \$5,000,000
  - B.1102(a): \$10,000,000
  - Act 81 Sec.9: \$5,000,000 – (transferred from VHCB per Act 81)



## Manufactured Home Improvement and Repair Program (MHIR)

- **\$4M ARPA**
  - Act 182 Sec.1-3
  - ~\$2.5M in approved applications as of Mar '23 - Dec '23
- **\$4M State General Funds**
  - Act 81 Sec.9: \$4,000,000 – (transferred from VHCB per Act 81)

# Vermont Housing Improvement Program (VHIP)

**VHIP offers grants up to \$50,000 per unit for:**

- repairs needed to bring vacant rental units up to Vermont Rental Housing Health Code guidelines,
- add new units to an existing building, or
- create an accessory dwelling unit on an owner-occupied property.

## **Program Stats:**

- **Average grant: \$38,400**
- **535 new affordable housing units brought online statewide since 2020**
  - **Over 80% of units leased to previously unhoused Vermonters**
  - **386 additional units currently in the development pipeline (projects are approved and underway)**



# Manufactured Home Improvement and Repair Program (MHIR)

MHIR offers assistance to income-eligible mobile home parks and current and prospective mobile home owners. These include:

- Park Improvements for Small-Scale Capital Infill,
- Home Repair Awards to prevent displacement, and
- Manufactured Home Foundation Awards to pay for a foundation and related expenses for siting a home.

## Program Stats:

- Average grant: \$9,000
- 497 Applications received from 14 counties; total requests of \$5.6M as of Dec 2023
- Over 235 Projects Approved in 74 Mobile Home Parks since March of 2023
  - 118 Home Repairs; 75 Lots for Infill; 45 Foundations
  - 28% homes w/children; 43% homes w/older adults; 35% w/disabled person



# Long-term (next 5-10 years)

## Increase total supply of homes AND Invest in Programs

- **Continue Programmatic Investments**
  - Including, but not limited to: VHCB, VHIP, MHIR, Landlord Relief Program
- **Update municipal zoning**
- **Improve state land-use policies**
- **Identify new tools to leverage private investment**