What a year it has been! As we confronted the unprecedented situation of the COVID-19 pandemic, our staff, volunteers, and donors rose to the challenge to keep our essential services operating without pause. We are proud to say that we also continued to innovate, build, and strengthen our services. Here’s a look at our impact over the past year.

- Executive Director, Christa Hines

Our COVID-19 Response

- Within one week of COVID-19 restrictions announced in NYS, we relocated our Webster House Emergency Housing Program to the Dutchess County Pods, providing more space and the ability to provide 24/7 services to keep the most vulnerable in our community safe.
- We opened one of the largest developments in our history at FallKill Commons on Rose, and safely moved residents into 78 new, healthy, affordable homes.
- We coordinated over 89 individuals and groups to provide almost 33,000 meals for individuals experiencing homelessness.
- We launched an Emergency Response Fund, distributing nearly $100,000 and counting to help Dutchess County families with rent and utility bills.
- Our VetZero Heroes Ride program provided nearly 450 free rides for veterans to safely get to medical appointments, grocery stores, and more.
- We took more than 350 calls and visits from teens in crisis, providing counseling and emergency shelter as needed.
- We supported 36 families to become brand-new homeowners.

2020 Financials

As our costs and demand for services grew, we faced uncertainty with state and local funding sources, all while navigating many complex opportunities created by federal stimulus packages. During this uncertain time, we were grateful to receive many donations from individuals and private foundations to help us remain financially stable.

Revenue
Total: $16,517,152

Grants 54%
Contributions & Special Events 3%
In Kind 34%
Developer Fee 13.8%
Program 1.3%
Rental & Food 24.8%

Expenses
Total: $16,517,152

Programs & Services 72.2%
Occupancy 4.9%
Professional Support 2%
Reserves 6.5%
Administrative Salaries & Expenses 6.8%
Depreciation & Interest 2.8%
Maintenance 4.9%
In Kind 3.1%
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Reflect on the current systems and policies in our society that allow homelessness and housing insecurity to persist, and your role within them

Educate yourself about the unjust and racist history of housing policies and practices in our country and breakdown stereotypes of who is housing insecure and why

Advocate for policies and solutions that bring about systemic change and support efforts to create more affordable housing, including in your neighborhood

Donate funds to provide immediate relief and long-term solutions to housing insecurity and invest in mission-based housing development

Volunteer to provide a meal to individuals experiencing homelessness, share your skills and talents with an in-kind donation or internship, and work with us to improve lives and communities

Follow us on social media to learn about more activities and opportunities to get involved

The COVID-19 pandemic has revealed the true scope of homelessness and housing insecurity in our community. While the recovery will be difficult, it presents a unique opportunity to rebuild our broken economic and social systems and ensure that everyone has the opportunity to thrive in safe, affordable housing that meets their needs. Reflecting on the lessons of the pandemic, our community context, along with our mission, vision, and values, we have developed the following Strategic Plan Goals to guide our work through 2023:

Prevent and end the cycle of homelessness

Prevent the displacement of low and moderate income households and community assets

Increase access to housing and economic opportunity for historically marginalized and cost-burdened households

Steward and retain a satisfied, diverse and informed workforce that is representative of the communities that we serve

YOU are part of the solution.

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