



## ABOUT NEW HAMPSHIRE HOUSING

As a self-supporting public corporation created by the state legislature, New Hampshire Housing Finance Authority promotes, finances, and supports affordable housing for the citizens of the Granite State. NH Housing has helped more than 50,000 families purchase their own homes and been instrumental in financing the creation of more than 15,000 multi-family housing units.

Established by statute in 1981, NH Housing generates, receives and administers federal, state and other affordable housing resources; it receives no operating funds from the state. It administers a broad range of programs designed to assist low- and moderate-income persons and families with obtaining decent, safe and affordable housing, including:

**HOMEOWNERSHIP PROGRAMS** – The Homeownership Division works with a statewide network of lenders and real estate professionals to offer single-family mortgage programs that enable low- and moderate-income homebuyers to purchase or refinance a home. These programs serve an average of 2,000 new households each year. The agency also supports homebuyer education and foreclosure counseling activities.

**RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS** – The Assisted Housing Division administers a statewide federally funded Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) (also known as Section 8) tenant-based rental assistance program that serves about 4,220 households, and project-based HCV contracts that serve an additional 5,400 households. Individuals receiving rental assistance are encouraged to participate in financial literacy education and counseling on how to become more self-sufficient.

**MULTI-FAMILY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS** – The Management and Development Division manages the financing of new affordable multi-family rental unit construction, and refinances and recapitalizes existing properties to preserve affordable housing units. It utilizes financing tools such as the federal Low-Income Housing Tax Credit Program, HOME Investment Partnerships Program, national Housing Trust Fund, and the state Affordable Housing Fund. Some funding resources are used to address supportive housing needs, including both transitional and permanent supportive housing for individuals and families who need supportive services to help maintain their housing.

**HOUSING RESEARCH AND PLANNING** – As the state’s primary housing research and planning entity, NH Housing conducts research, issues reports, and offers presentations and insights on the state’s housing needs and conditions. It conducts an annual rent survey, publishes housing market reports throughout the year, and issues an annual Directory of Assisted Housing. Staff work with local partners on housing advocacy issues, and offer technical assistance to communities throughout the state on housing-related matters.

For more information about NH Housing and our programs visit **[NHHousing.org](https://www.nhhousing.org)**.