



# LISC Greater Newark Housing Development Training Institute (HDTI)

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## Today's agenda and speakers

#### Welcome

Tray Deadwyler, Consultant, Think for Good

#### Introduction to LISC and HDTI

- Jorge Cruz, Executive Director, LISC Greater Newark
- Judith Thompson-Morris, Deputy Director, LISC Greater Newark

#### Program design

- Helen Dunlap, Consultant
- Deborah Boatright, Consultant
- Kwofi Reed, Senior Program Officer, LISC Housing

#### **Hearing from past participants**

- Ambrea Mikolajczyk, owner of ARK Restoration & Construction
- Monica Salguero, Program Officer, LISC Housing



### Our Model

LISC is an investor, capacity builder, convener and innovator.

# Pool Public and Private Dollars

We raise funds from philanthropies, corporations and financial firms, federal, state and local governments and through the capital markets.

We also generate income from consulting, and lending services.

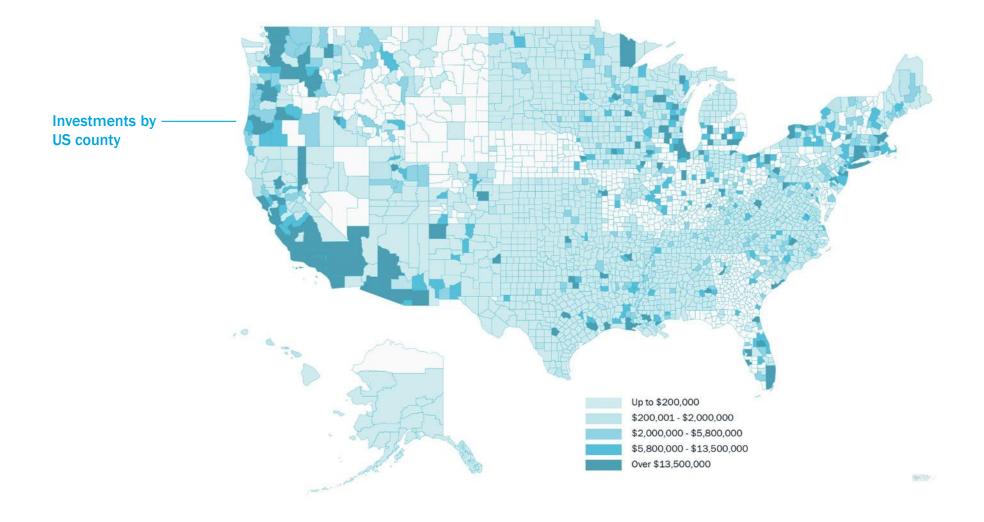
# Work With Local Partners

Through a network of local offices and community-based partners across the country, we provide grants, loans, equity and technical assistance.

We also lead advocacy efforts on local, regional and national policy.

# **Support People** and Places

By investing in housing, businesses, jobs, schools, public spaces, safety, youth, health centers, grocery stores and more, we catalyze opportunities in communities nationwide. We have made investments in every state.



## Since 1979

\$24 Billion Invested

\$69 Billion Leveraged

#### 436,320 Homes

Affordable homes and apartments built and/or preserved including:

- Multifamily rental
- Supportive housing for special populations such as chronically homeless, LGBTQ, seniors and veterans
- Affordable homeownership

We also emphasize sustainability through green, healthy housing and transit oriented development.

#### **74.4** Million Square Feet

Square feet of commercial, retail and community space, including:

- Early childhood centers
- Schools
- Fields/recreational spaces
- Healthcare centers
- Grocery stores
- Financial Opportunity Centers

#### **\$466.5 Million**

#### **Total Net Assets**

- Net worth has increased 67% in the past 5 years
- Raised \$249 million in private grant funds in 2020

#### S&P 'AA-' Rating

LISC is the first CDFI to tap the general obligation bond market, with a \$100 million issuance in 2017

### **Greater Newark-LISC**

#### **History & Impact**

Established in 1986, primary footprint consists of New Jersey's two largest Cities—Newark & Jersey City— and surrounding urban communities of Irvington, East Orange & Orange.

With support from its affiliates, over \$386 million has been invested in the Greater Newark market leveraging \$822 million.

Contributed to the production of more than 2,600 affordable homes and apartments, and more than 820,000 square feet of commercial and community space.

#### 2020 Highlights

LISC connected over 1,000 Newarkbased individuals to training, employment, financial education and coaching.

Supported over 40 businesses through COVID relief grants totaling \$417,000.

GNL critical partner in establishing and supporting the local *Ascend* program.

Launched a program with two trusted partners to advance women entrepreneurs of color through business support and technical assistance.

## Community & Economic Development Focus

Investing in physical and social assets to revitalize Greater Newark's most distressed neighborhoods, housing, main streets and local businesses.

Offering financing and flexible loan opportunities for mission-aligned, nonprofit CDCs, developers of color, and for small, for-profit businesses.

NOTE – Much of LISC's lending/investment activities can be directed to much of the State's low- to moderate-income (LMI) markets.

## **HDTI Program Overview**

- Program has three goals
  - Increase the development capacity of affordable housing developers by providing practical, comprehensive, and intensive skill training in affordable housing development and community development strategies and techniques.
  - Increase the supply of affordable housing through the program's emphasis on production as part of the learning process.
  - Foster a network of project management professionals who serve as a resource to each other, share information and provide peer support throughout their careers.
- Signature program of LISC California but substantially tweaked for the reality of building affordable housing in New Jersey.



## Who should apply?

- Staff and individuals working at **for-profit and nonprofit organizations** involved in the development of affordable housing, particularly with a **focus on the Greater Newark area**. **BIPOC- and women-owned firms** are encouraged to apply.
- Developers located in other parts of NJ such as **Camden**, interested in serving the Greater Newark market.
- Developers engaged or in some aspect of community centered affordable housing development serving communities of color.
- Developers seeking to build their affordable rental development skills via **practical, real world examples and shared experience.**
- Individuals and staff working at organizations who have historically been active in affordable housing development and seeking reengage with the **Greater Newark affordable housing development ecosystem**.
- Individuals/developers who are able and willing to make a commitment of approximate **5 6 hours per week** for in class time and some prep time beginning in late August through mid-November.
- Developers interested in learning more about how best to develop affordable housing in **partnership** with other organizations .



### Curriculum

definitions of common real estate development terms

exploration of the key components of sound, socially responsible property and asset management

extensive financial feasibility and analysis instruction

housing finance - the "in's" and "out's" of public resources

instruction on how to use computerized spreadsheets

- how to select, organize and manage a development team
- understanding and managing the development process
- identifying and accessing funds for development
- feasibility analysis
- identifying sites and obtaining site control

- single-family new construction and rehab
- tax credit projects
- resolving planning and zoning issues
- construction management
- marketing and lease-up
- introduction to property and asset management

### **HDTI Schedule**

Applications due 7/29

Notification of acceptance 8/4

Orientation: Week of August 8 (TBD)

Session 1: August 24 (2:00 – 4:00 pm Eastern)

Sessions 2 -22: Each Tuesday (10am-noon Eastern) and Thursday (2:00-4:00 pm Eastern)

Session 23: November 15 (10am-noon Eastern)



# What do past participants say?





Hear from Ambrea and Monica!



