

- THE WAY FORWARD -

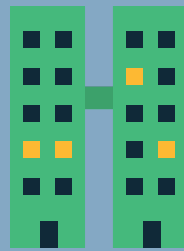
UNIVERSAL HOUSING: A PUBLIC OPTION FOR THE SOCIAL GOOD



UNIVERSAL HOUSING IS ALL ABOUT THE FOLLOWING:

Expand public housing stock into all areas of the city.

Keep what's public, public.



Build a more equitable society by offering a truly affordable public option.



Expand state-of-the-art public housing to build and promote healthy, vibrant communities.

Create a beautiful model for the world.

Emphasize cooperative models for collective ownership.



Protect the health, safety and welfare of working class residents, especially people of color by preserving, maintaining and expanding public housing.

AFFORDABLE HOUSING CRISIS IN THE NATION'S CAPITAL



Washington D.C. has the highest per capita rate of homelessness in the country.

More than 15,000 people experience homelessness over the course of a typical year in D.C.



Homeless population ↑ 34% between 2009 - 2016.



Homeless families ↑ by 103% since 2009.



As of January, 2017, there are 1,166 homeless families, including 3,890 people who are in the D.C. emergency shelter system.

On a single night in January 2017, 7,473 persons in the city were counted as homeless, at least 897 of whom were unsheltered and living on the streets.



The median age for unaccompanied homeless individuals is 52 years old; and the median age for adults in homeless families is 27 years old.



There are almost 697 homeless youth (ages 18-24) in DC, far exceeding the approximately 339 shelter beds reserved for this population.