Looking Homeward: Asheville-Buncombe's 10-Year Plan to End Homelessness

#### Mission of 10-Year Plan to End Homelessness:

End chronic homelessness & reduce all types of homelessness over the next decade by investing resources in a coordinated, sustained effort that addresses the underlying causes of homelessness. Adopted by the City of Asheville and Buncombe County in 2005.

### Looking Backward:

#### Chronically Homeless

- 2006 134
- 2007 105
- 2008 181
- 2009 180
- 2010 187
- 2011 75
- 2012 80



### The Numbers: Current Homeless Count



#### 2012 Point-In-Time Count:

- 523 total homeless
- Approximately 100 were veterans
- 80 were chronic
- 448 formerly homeless now in permanent supportive housing

## The Numbers: Veterans' Housing Options

 180 HUD-VASH vouchers
 Not tied to units
 188 Per Diem Beds
 Transitional only, sitebased



### The Numbers: Chronic Homeless Housing Options

- Permanent Supportive Housing
  - Chronic Homeless Housing Project
    - Pairs case management support with Public Housing Authority units and Housing Choice Vouchers
  - Project Rebound
    - Chronic w/ dual diagnosis of Substance Abuse and Mental Illness
    - 165 will be housed over 3-year project
    - 35 housed to date
  - HUD grants to Homeward Bound
    - Approximately 31 housed at a given time

## The Numbers: Targeted Programs for Homeless



- Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS (HOPWA)
  - 26 currently housed
    - Not site-based
- Shelter + Care
  - 22 currently housed
    - Site-based
  - 79 currently housed
    - Not site-based

### Housing Stock Realities:

Low-income/no-income developments require clean credit and clear criminal record

Average Rent in Asheville
 \$717/1-bedroom (w/out utilities)

- Fair Market Rent FY 2012 (effective Oct 1)
  \$655/1-bedroom (<u>including</u> utilities)
  - Housing Authority of the City of Asheville
    - 461 1-bedroom units available total
    - 877 on 1-bedroom waiting list
    - 119 Annual Turnover Rate

# Signs of Hope

#### SOAR Project

 47 cases approved FY12; avg \$190,000 benefits' value

#### HUD-VASH

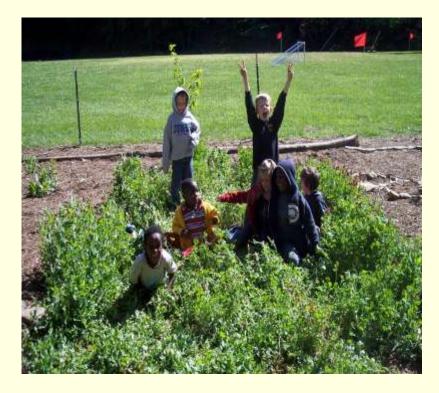
 Additional 35 vouchers awarded this year to bring total to 180

#### SAMHSA Agreement

 Collaborative community project to house 165 chronically homeless over 3-years

#### **ESG Funds Transition**

 Allows for greater resources invested in collaborative, solutions-based projects



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