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QUARTER 1

Leadership Update

I am positive that HABC will accomplish the goals set in place to cultivate opportunities that benefit our residents, staff and partners in 2024. HABC continues to receive funding that assist with the progression of the Perkins, Somerset, Oldtown (PSO) Transformation Plan, our thanks go out to HUD and all our partners. This is all about housing, neighborhoods, and people, and we are not only transforming communities, but we are also transforming lives while elevating important legacies. With it only being March, HABC has already made progress on PSO's projected goals as Somerset

1, 2 and 3 are complete, and Somerset 1 is 100% occupied. Lastly, I'd like to make mention HABC's recently revamped security team, I am hopeful that the agency will continue to strengthen our initiative to create safe and thriving communities. HABC is staying true to our vision and mission as an agency. Stay tuned, there's more to come!

Onward,



Janet Abrahams
President and CEO

“ We remain committed to the success of the PSO transformation and continue to work collaboratively with our partners to leverage state and federal grant funding to create more affordable housing opportunities” - Janet Abrahams

Event Turnout

On January 25, HABC's President and CEO Janet Abrahams participated in the ULI Baltimore - Emerging Trends Event at the University of Baltimore. While there, Abrahams shared a brief overview of her role, sector and work in the greater Baltimore market.



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Emergency Preparedness and Response Plan (EPRP) Training

HABC staff participated in the Emergency Preparedness and Response Plan (EPRP) training to define the actions to be taken by the Housing Authority of Baltimore City (HABC) in response to any type of disaster, regardless of type or scale.

HABC Softball Team Launch

As softball season approaches, HABC is encouraging staff members who want to participate in Baltimore City's agency softball league to sign up with **SVP of Public Housing, Henry Johnson**. Indoor batting practice has begun at "The Dugout" in Elkridge, MD.

Housing Day

HABC representatives traveled to Annapolis, to show our legislators that not only is affordable housing important,

but that affordable housing creates jobs and contributes to Maryland's economy.

Digital Equity Forum

At the end of February, HABC's Vice President of Security Operations Desmond Carter Bey attended a Digital Equity Forum. The focus of the conference was identifying and addressing the opportunities that exist for unserved and underserved citizens who do not have access the digital/broadband.

Housing Authority of Baltimore City Secured \$24 Million in 2023 to Support Ongoing Community Investments

The Housing Authority of Baltimore City (HABC) secured **\$24 million** in 2023 through new state and federal grant funding to create more affordable housing opportunities and to support resident services.

Top Stories

— 1 —

HABC's Resident Advisory Board (RAB) travels to Philadelphia

On February 7, HABC's Resident Advisory Board (RAB) visited the Philadelphia Housing Authority (PHA) to continue to learn how to be a good neighbor & fine-tune their resident leadership skills!



— 2 —

Perkins Tour

On February 6, HABC staff went on tour of Perkins Homes Phase 1 prior to the community event happening in the Spring - hosted by McCormick Baron Salzaar (MBS).



— 3 —

Public Housing Tenant Readiness Training

On January 27, the Office of Resident Services (ORS) hosted a Public Housing Tenant Readiness Training to prepare residents for their new home! in the PSO project.



— 4 —

7K Chromebooks Secured & Delivered

The Office of Resident Services was able to secure 7,000 Chromebooks for residents to easily utilize their internet services.



INITIATIVES turned into RESULTS

HABC & MBS Announce Closing on Perkins Phase III Financing

The Housing Authority of Baltimore City (HABC), in collaboration with its co-developer, McCormack Baron Salazar, proudly announces the financial closing and construction commencement of Phase III in the Perkins Homes Redevelopment. Join us on Saturday, April 27 for Perkins I Ribbon Cutting event!"

New Security Team

In an effort to continue improving security for our residents on our properties, HABC has a new security team. Select the link to meet Desmond Carter Bey, HABC's Vice President of Security Operations and Bill Etienne, HABC's Senior Manager of Security Operations for Housing Operations. The Housing Authority of Baltimore City believes in investing in its communities with trained professionals for a better safety experience.

Launch of Strategic Plan Videos

Since 2019, HABC has been working to complete the Strategic Plan that was implemented to complete strategic priorities, goals that defines our pathway to success. HABC is engaging programs and initiatives to enhance the people and portfolio of the Housing Authority of Baltimore City. Click [HERE](#) to view videos of HABC's completed Strategic Plan initiatives.



Security Operations Team
Bill Etienne & Desmond Carter Bey!



Senior Manager of Administration,
Rhonda Van-Dyke at EPRP meeting!



HABC welcomes Keith Johnson,
our new Maintenance Technician!



HABC taking care of business
at Housing Day in Annapolis!



Perkins Phase III
financially closes!

Be on the lookout for the 2nd Quarter Survey!

Social Corner

We need **YOUR** help to **GROW!** Take a look at our stats below and make sure to follow so we can make a bigger impact for everyone we serve!



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2,311 Followers
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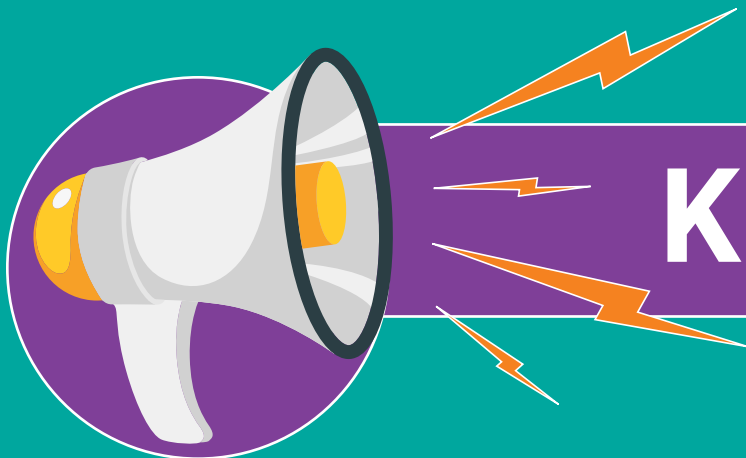
Employee Spotlight

SVP of Policy & Planning, Jeannine Dunn

HABC would like to shine a spotlight on HABC's **Senior Vice President of Policy & Planning, Jeannine Dunn**. Jeannine kicked off this year by leading the charge on Housing Day efforts by creating the outline needed to present to government officials for funding that benefits the vision of the agency. She also provided the information needed to create the "5-Year Lookback" of HBAC's accomplishments. Thanks for your dedication and hard work!



Congratulations!



Kudos Corner



HABC would like to shout-out **Brenda Dawkins**, 20-year Cherry Hill and dedicated crossing guard. Dawkins says she raised her daughter in Cherry Hill Homes, who is now a hair salon owner. Since 2009, Dawkins has served the Cherry Hill community as a crossing guard. Dawkins helps at each corner where students need help crossing the street and works Monday through Friday from 8:20-8:55am and 3:20-3:45pm. Dawkins says while living in this community, she has received plenty of help and resources from the people that work in the management office.

"Thank you, Cherry Hill Homes for your help," Dawkins said.

