

Education and Advocacy Resource Partners

REGIONAL & STATE HOUSING ADVOCACY ORGANIZATIONS

<u>Housing Action NH:</u> HANH fosters and coordinates alliances to advocate for strong public investments and policies that preserve and increase the supply of housing that is affordable to NH's low-income residents. HANH engages with its members to act on state and national housing policies to improve the local housing landscape and to end homelessness in New Hampshire.

Mt. Washington Valley Housing Coalition: The Mount Washington Valley Housing Coalition, Inc. (MWVHC) is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, serving the New Hampshire communities of Albany, Bartlett, Chatham, Conway/North Conway, Eaton, Freedom, Hart's Location, Jackson, Madison, Ossipee, Tamworth and the Maine communities of Brownfield and Fryeburg. We're working hard to ensure the residents of our valley have access to an adequate supply of affordable rental and sale housing.

<u>Vital Communities (Upper Valley):</u> Vital Communities stewards a network of business, municipal, nonprofit, and community leaders focused on meeting the Upper Valley's workforce housing needs.

Workforce Housing Coalition of the Greater Seacoast: The mission of the Workforce Housing Coalition of the Greater Seacoast is to ensure the development of a range of housing options are available and affordable to the diverse workforce of the greater seacoast region of New Hampshire and Maine.

STATE RESOURCES

New Hampshire Department of Business and Economic Affairs (DBEA):

Established by the Legislature in 2017, following the reorganization of the Department of Resources and Economic Development, DBEA is comprised of the Divisions of Economic Development and Travel and Tourism Development. These divisions are dedicated to enhancing the economic vitality of the State of New Hampshire and promoting it as a destination for domestic and international visitors.



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STATE RESOURCES (Cont.)

New Hampshire Housing: New Hampshire Housing's mission is to promote, finance and support affordable housing and related services for the people of New Hampshire. NHHFA produces housing studies, reports and publishes its annual Rental Cost Survey. Through its Housing Awareness Program, NHHFA provides technical support and other resources to assist in housing education.

New Hampshire Municipal Association: NHMA is a non-profit, non-partisan membership association established in 1941. It is a member-funded, member-governed, and member-driven association that works to strengthen New Hampshire cities and towns and enhance their ability to serve the public. Through the collective power of cities and towns, NHMA promotes effective municipal government by providing education, training, advocacy and legal services.

<u>New Hampshire Office of Strategic Initiatives</u>: Provides planning resources; presents annual planning and zoning training for volunteer and professional planners; and manages the <u>Plan Link listserv</u>.

<u>UNH Cooperative Extension: Community & Economic Development</u>: Helping communities assess needs, engage people, make informed decisions, develop effective strategies and take action.

OTHER REGIONAL AND STATE RESOURCES

<u>Plan NH</u>: Plan NH, a membership organization formed in 1989, fosters excellence in planning and design and development of New Hampshire's built environment to support a vision of healthy and vibrant communities. Plan NH also administers the <u>Municipal</u> <u>Technical Assistance Grant Program</u>.

Regional Planning Commissions: There are nine regional planning commissions (RPC) in the New Hampshire. The primary role of an RPC is to support local municipalities in their planning and community development responsibilities.

<u>Saint Anselm College Center for Ethics in Business and Governance</u>: Has been bringing together individuals and organizations throughout New Hampshire to engage in discussion surrounding the issues and solutions to increasing the supply and affordability of housing.



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