

Addressing Homelessness in Your Community



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Ability Housing



Mission:

Building strong communities where everyone has a home

Vision:

A society where housing is a right, not a privilege; and all individuals have safe, affordable housing in vibrant communities

How:

- Develop & operate rental housing
- Administer rental assistance
- Partner with others to provide individualized supports



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Before



29 rental homes

4 apartment communities

3 apartment communities
in construction

4th apartment community in
underwriting

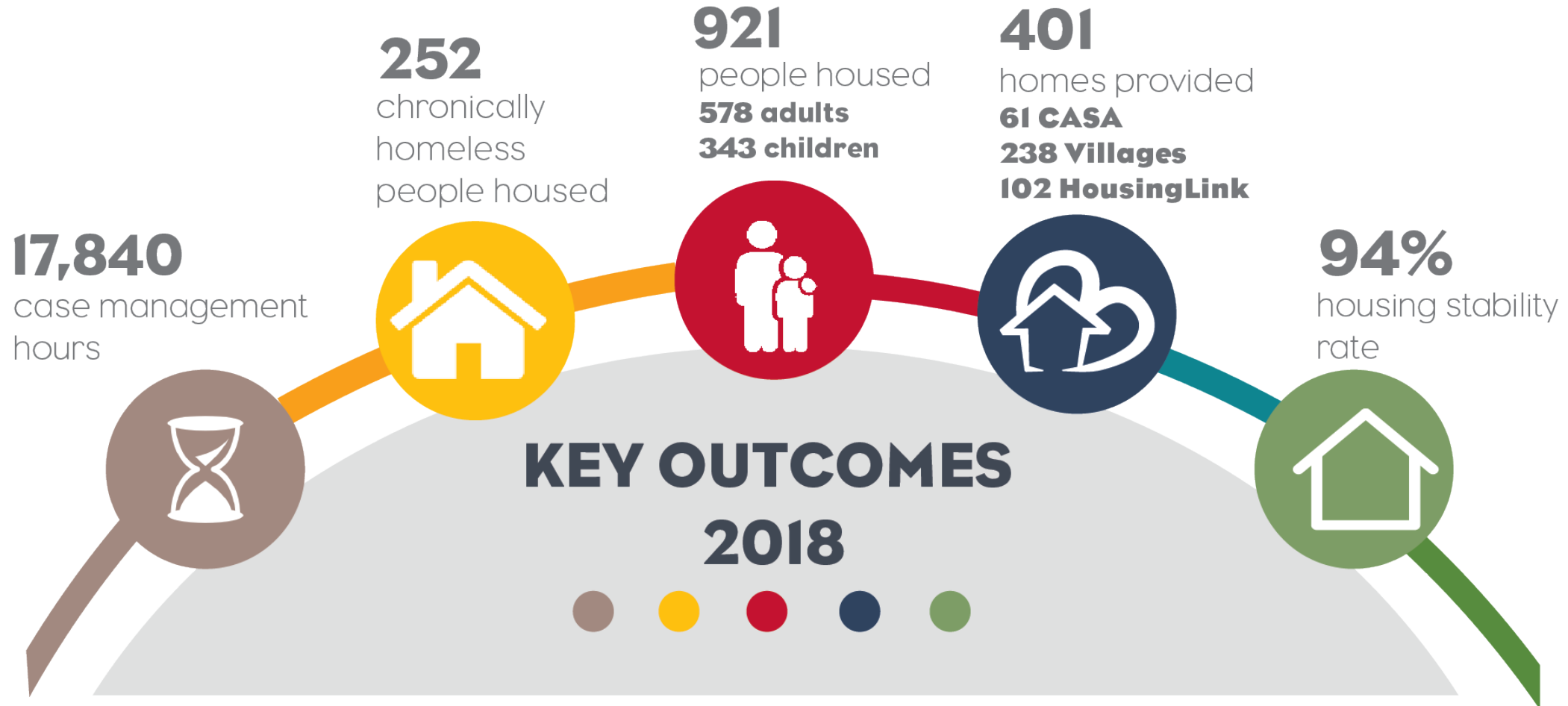
Assist 2 nonprofits with 3 projects

Provide rental assistance so over 100 formerly
chronically homeless households access market
housing

After

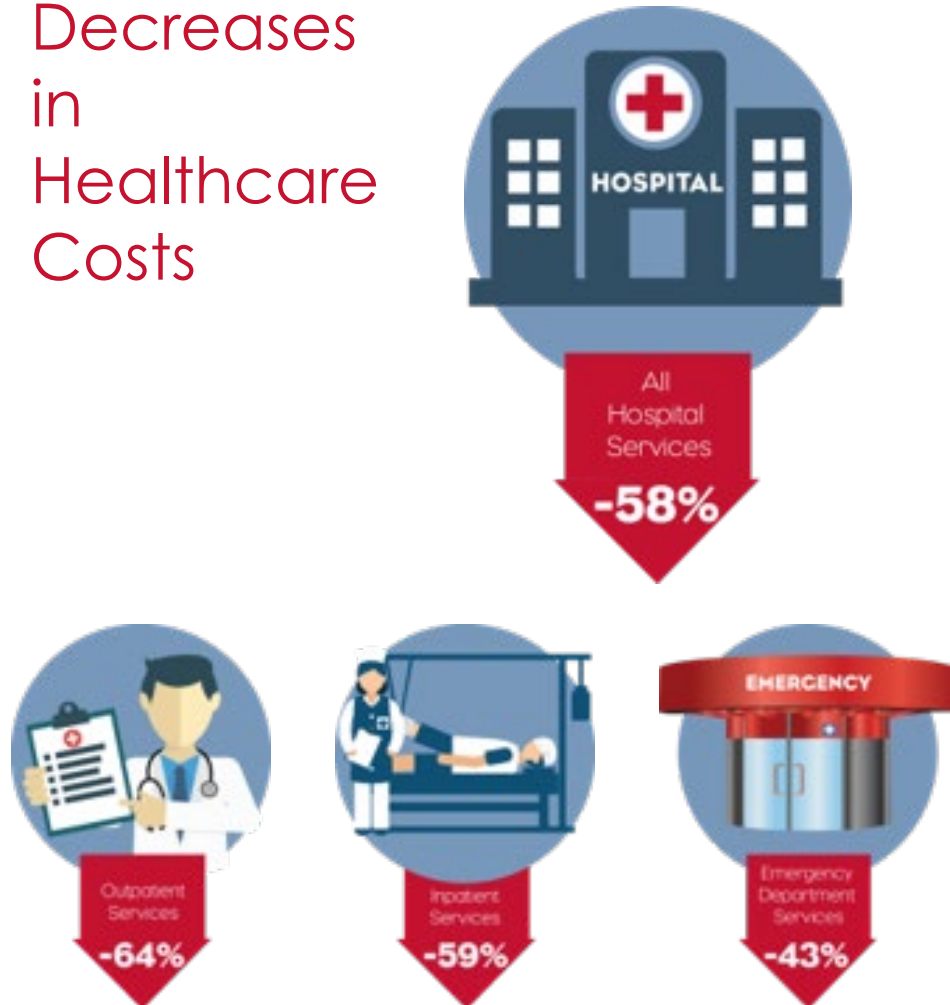


Key Outcomes – 2018



The Solution That Saves

Decreases in Healthcare Costs



Decreases in Criminal Justice Costs



down
72%

Days spent in jail costs two- years prior to housing totaled **\$123,447** (2,053 days). After housing the cost fell to **\$34,274** (570 days), a reduction of **72%**.



down
65%

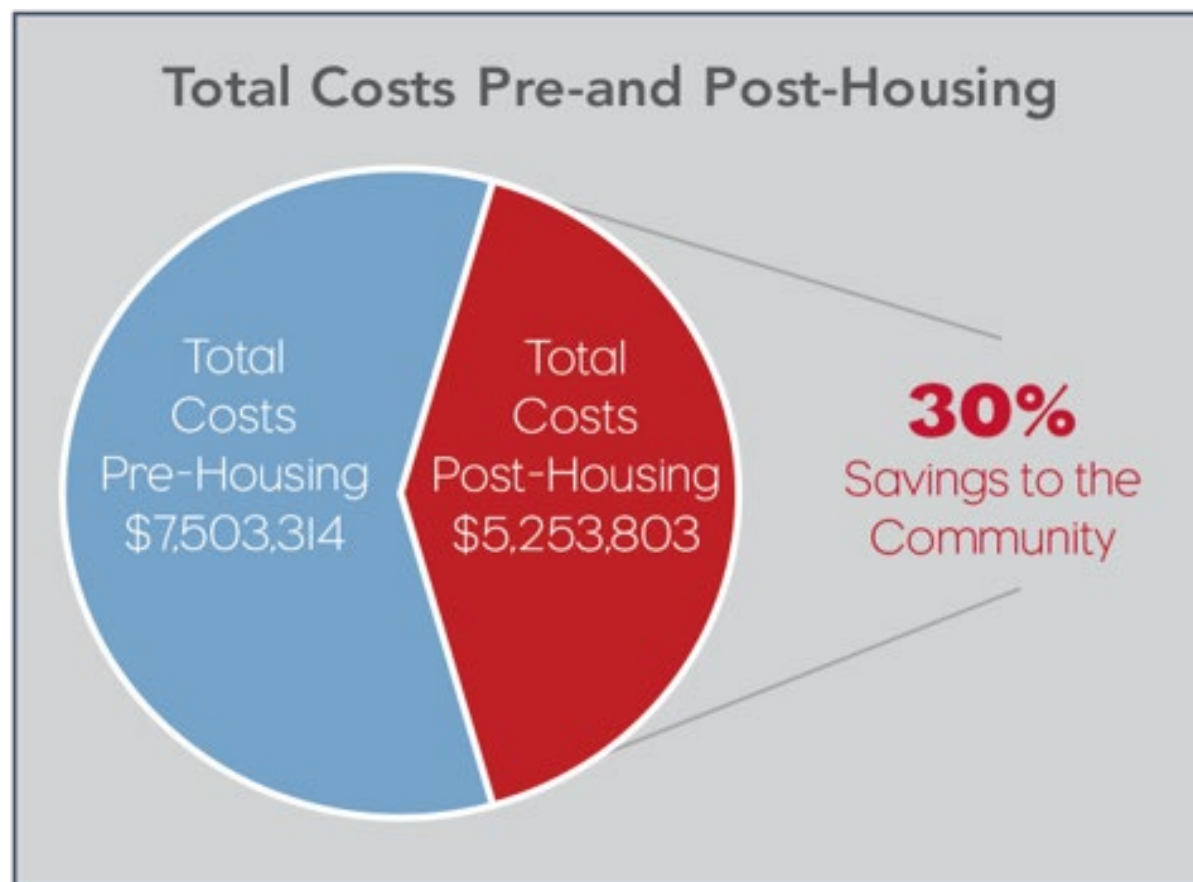
Arrests and bookings costs two-years prior to housing totaled **\$74,256** (84 arrests). After housing, the cost fell to **\$25,636** (29 arrests), a reduction of **65%**.

Total savings for arrests, bookings and jail time

\$137,792

The Solution That Saves

Total Cost Reductions



How to Address Homelessness

Data driven decision making

- How are existing programs performing
- What are outcomes of community's investments

Know your need

- Shelters
- Street homeless
- Chronic
- Veteran
- Family
- Individuals

Learn best practices

- Housing First
- Diversion / Rapid Rehousing / Permanent Supportive Housing

Promote affordable housing

- The ultimate solution to homelessness

Promote collaboration and cross-sector engagement

- No one organization or sector can solve the problem alone

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