## \$20 Million HAPPEN

## **Supporting the Continuum of Housing:**

**\$15M** for the Affordable Housing Trust Fund Program

**\$4.5M** for additional ownership housing **\$0.5M** for homebuyer education and foreclosure prevention

**Stabilize Families:** 

 Help Kids
 During the 2014-15 school year, over 6,400 children and youth in Minneapolis experienced

 Succeed in School:
 homelessness. Access to stable housing improves school performance.

Close the Gap:

MN has one of the largest racial homeownership gaps. In Minneapolis, the homeownership rate for white households is around 59%, compared to 23% for households of color. Investing in homeownership brings stability to families and equity to our community.

Over 60,000 Minneapolis residents (1 in 3) pay more than they can afford towards housing.

Affordable housing means families can focus on employment, education, and healthcare.

Strengthen Communities:

At the minimum wage of \$9/hour, an earner would have to work 85 hours/week to afford the \$996 average rent for a 2-bedroom apartment. <u>Investing in affordable housing helps</u> <u>bring vacancy rates to a healthy 5% rate and provides affordable housing options for</u> <u>communities.</u>

## Homebuyer Education Support:

Mortgage foreclosure prevention counseling is less than \$500, while the average costs to the community to recover from *one* foreclosure is \$78,000. <u>Supporting homeownership educa-</u><u>tion empowers buyers to make informed borrowing decisions for long-term success.</u>



## **Leverages Other Funds**

- For every \$1 invested through the
  Minneapolis Affordable Housing
  Trust Fund, a project receives an average of \$9 of additional investment.
- For every \$1 invested in ownership housing, a project receives an average of \$5 of additional investment.

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