

UNITED COMMUNITY HOUSING COALITION'S
46th ANNUAL MEETING
WITHOUT DINNER, MARCH 25TH 7 PM TO 8:30 PM

CELEBRATING 46 YEARS OF PREVENTING EVICTION,
FORECLOSURE, AND HOMELESSNESS IN DETROIT

Welcome to UCHC's 46th ANNUAL MEETING!

- Welcome
- Honoring UCHC Board
- UCHC Board Nominations, Volunteering & Membership Poll
- Honoring UCHC Staff
- FY 2020 Accomplishments
- Thank you to our Funders
- Staff Remarks
 - Claudia Sanford, Michele Oberholtzer & Gabrielle Elder
- Awards Presentation
 - United Community Housing Coalition Public Servant of the Year Award
 - James Sheehan/Beverly McDonald Lifetime Achievement Award
 - United Community Housing Coalition Leadership Award

UCHC Board Members

Robert Shimkoski	Chair
Cassandra Walker	Vice Chair
Beverly Lemle	Treasurer
Latanya Harris	Secretary

Alexa Eisenberg	Michelle Fallena
Katie Hearn	Christina Guzman
Kamer Zindani	Henry Lewis
Kathy Ralston	Margo Dalal
Thelma Best	Brenda Thompson
	Joshua Akers

Public Involvement at UCHC

Interested in volunteering? Reach out with your name, contact info, and interest to volunteer@uchcdetroit.org

Membership Poll at bottom of your screen – anonymous, open to all attendees.

Tell us what you think!

UCHC Staff Members – Administration

Rachael Baker	Technical Communications
Leah Clisby	Collections Manager
Crystal Dillard	Intake Specialist/Office Assistant
Byron Downing	Information Technology Specialist
Muriel Ealy	Deputy Director
Yvonne Hayes	Receptionist
Ted Phillips	Executive Director
Pam Schaeffer	Project Manager, Eviction Prevention
Jewel Terrell	Intake Specialist

UCHC Staff Members – Data Team

Patrick Carey	Data Entry Clerk
Tess Fisher	Salesforce Entry/Exit Team Lead, CERA; HMIS Administrator
Aj Fouts	Director, Data Analytics
Elizabeth Lawlis	Data Analyst-Homelessness Prevention; HMIS Administrator
Zachary Wahid	Data Analyst—Tax Foreclosure Prevention
Takesha Washington	Data Entry Clerk—CERA
Kayla Davis	Data Entry Clerk—Legal Services

UCHC Staff Members – Finance Team

Tanisha Davis	Accounting Assistant
Riley Regner	Accounting Assistant
Erica Scott	Accounting Assistant
Chimere Shamley	Accounting Assistant
Jolayne Thompson	Director of Finance

UCHC Staff Members – Rental Assistance & Housing Placement Team

Audrey Dombro	Rental Assistant & Housing Placement Counselor
Gabriel Elder	Director, Rental Assistant & Housing Placement
Tori Huckaby	Rental Assistant & Housing Placement Counselor
Wanda Knight-Wilson	Rental Assistant & Housing Placement Counselor
Brenda Miner	Rental Assistant & Housing Placement Counselor
Elena Scott	Rental Assistant & Housing Placement Counselor
Apryl Voner	Rental Assistant & Housing Placement Counselor
Gwendolyn West	Project Manager, Homeless Prevention Pilot

UCHC Staff Members – Legal Services Team

Charlene Snow		Director, Legal Services	
Eleanor Carey	Director, Legal Support Staff	Hilary Braley	Attorney
Danielle Anderson	Legal Assistant	Gerald Fetherson	Attorney
Jasmyne Colemon	Legal Assistant	Brittany Gitau	Attorney
Dionne Davis	Legal Assistant	William Halbower	Attorney
Andrea Gibson	Legal Assistant	Barbara Katzman	Attorney
Marinda Hollar	Legal Assistant	Matthew Larson	Attorney
Kammi Johannsen	Legal Intake Specialist	Steve Lockhart	Attorney
Charlotte Mayeda	Legal Assistant	Klaudia Psari	Attorney
Donamaria Reed	Legal Assistant	Susan Rock	Attorney
Jamie Smith	Legal Assistant	Hassan Salamey	Attorney

UCHC Staff Members – Mortgage/Land Contract Support Team

Mia Jones

Mortgage/LC Foreclosure Prevention Counselor

Rebecca Stroud

Director, Mortgage Foreclosure Prevention & Land Contract Support

UCHC Staff Members – Home Repair Team

Tim Bishop	Director, Repair Services
Dave Finet	Home Repair Field Coordinator
Gwen Gell	Home Repair Coordinator
Ernest Thompson III	Home Repair Staff
Brenda Nelson	Home Repair Staff

UCHC Staff Members – Tax Foreclosure Prevention Team

Amy Alexander	Director, Tax Foreclosure Prevention (incoming)
Kieyana Alexander	Tax Foreclosure Prevention Counselor
Meghan Bishop	Director, Home Ownership & Community Development
Sharon Lemieux	Tax Foreclosure Prevention Counselor
Lauren Mason	Tax Foreclosure Prevention Counselor
Ciara Michaels	Tax Foreclosure Prevention Counselor
Zina Morgan	Tax Foreclosure Prevention Counselor
Michele Oberholtzer	Director, Tax Foreclosure Prevention

UCHC Staff Members – Tenant Organizing & Development Relocation Team

Claudia Sanford

Director, Tenant Organizing

Evan Villeneuve

Tenant Organizing & Placement Specialist

AeYanna Yett

Tenant Organizing & Placement Specialist

Accomplishments, Fiscal Year 2020

UCHC accomplishments from July 1st, 2019, to June 30th, 2020

Housing Placement Cases Advised and Assisted	997
Housing Placement Cases Placed	205
Landlord-Tenant Cases Represented In Court	764
Landlord-Tenant Cases Resolved out of Court	905
Mortgage Foreclosure Prevention Assistance	171
Development Relocation Assistance	116
Tax Foreclosure Prevention Assistance	7,691
TOTAL CASES PROCESSED	10,845

Accomplishments, Fiscal Year 2020

UCHC accomplishments from July 1st, 2019, to June 30th, 2020

Tax Foreclosure Prevention Outreach Mailing (10)	48,843
Tax Foreclosure Workshop Attendance (44)	1,373
Tenants/Homeless Received Financial Assistance	451
Financial Assistance to Tenants/Homeless	\$568,320
Financial Assistance to Homeowners	\$1,075,158
Amount of Funds Loaned	>\$1,250,000

A Sincere “Thank You” to our Funders

AARP Michigan
City of Detroit
Community Foundation for Southeast Michigan
Elizabeth Allan & Warren Shelden Fund
Enterprise Community Partners
Erb Family Foundation
DTE Energy
Federal Emergency Management Agency
(FEMA)
Ford Foundation
Gilbert Family Foundation
Homeless Action Network of Detroit (HAND)
Hudson Weber Foundation

JP Morgan Chase Foundation
McGregor Fund
Michigan Legal Services
Michigan Poverty Law Program
Michigan State Housing Development Authority
Quicken Loans Community Fund
Ralph C. Wilson, Jr. Foundation
Rocket Community Fund
United Way for Southeastern Michigan
University of Michigan
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban
Development (HUD)
Wayne Metropolitan Community Action Agency

UCHC Staff Remarks

Claudia Sanford

Director, Tenant Organizing and Development Relocation

Tenant Organizing

How we are aiding tenants in avoiding displacement

UCHC Staff Remarks

Michele Oberholtzer

Director, Tax Foreclosure Prevention

Current state tax foreclosure

Make it Home Program

UCHC Staff Remarks

Gabrielle Elder

Director, Rental Assistance & Housing Placement

Eviction Diversion Project Outreach

Homelessness Prevention project w/ UM Poverty Solutions & Detroit Housing Commission

Donating to the United Community Housing Coalition

Donations can be made via:

Online at:

UCHCDetroit.org/support

Or mail a check payable to:

**United Community Housing Coalition
2727 2nd Avenue Suite 313
Detroit, MI 48201**

Public Servant of the Year Award, 2020

Chelsea Neblett

*Financial Empowerment Manager
Department of Neighborhoods, City of
Detroit*

For your outstanding work coordinating city-wide efforts to reduce evictions in Detroit during the COVID 19 pandemic and your personal commitment to engage in door-to-door efforts to contact Detroit households at grave risk of eviction, we thank you for your extraordinary work and leadership and recognize you as our Public Servant of the Year.

Shawn K. Jacque

*Deputy General Counsel
36th District Court*

For your outstanding work to communicate the efforts of the 36th District Court to the City of Detroit, and members of the eviction plaintiff and defense bar to promote safe access to summary proceedings, court records, services and resources for all litigants in order to mitigate the impact of displacements during the pandemic. We thank you for your tireless, professional, and dedicated service and we honor you as our Public Servant of the Year.

Public Servant of the Year Award, 2020

Michele Oberholtzer

*Director, Tax Foreclosure Prevention
Chief Policy Director, City of Detroit (incoming)*

For your outstanding leadership over the past 5 years in directing the Tax Foreclosure Prevention Project which assisted more than 20,000 households directly who were in homes in tax foreclosure, annually conducting outreach to tens of thousands more, helping create the “Make It Home” program that has created or preserved homeownerships for 1,167 properties, and advocating for reform of the poverty exemption process and laws as well and “Pay As You Stay” program, we recognize you for your ideas, commitment and hard work.

James Sheehan/Beverly McDonald Lifetime Achievement Award 2020

Karen McLeod

For your more than 30 years of leadership in a variety of capacities at UCHC, USNAPBAC and CCNDC. As a tenant organizer and later supervisor of the PSH project, you helped thousands of tenants and homeless households avoid eviction or obtain housing. As Deputy Director of U-SNAP-BAC and Executive Director of CCNDC, you created affordable housing opportunities for many Detroiters. For your successful efforts to improve the lives of so many families and communities across Detroit, we recognize you with this life-time achievement award.

Clarice Werdlow

For your over 25 years of leadership as Director of UCHC's housing placement efforts as well as your nearly 20 years of leadership for the Target Homes Project and the many other contributions you made to improve the lives of countless homeless and at-risk households in Detroit and to improve the quality of services offered by UCHC, we honor you. Through your leadership, placement became a critically important service to hundreds of households annually. And UCHC was able to expand the resources it made available to help. We therefore recognize you with this life-time achievement award.

UCHC Board Nominees

Kamika Bey
Rebecca Cook
Jacqueline Hand
David Palmer
Jelani Karamoko
Khalifa McZeal
Cheryl Sanford

Joshua Akers, current board member
Latanya Harris, current board secretary
Beverly Lemle, current board treasurer
Kathy Ralston, current board member
Kamer Zindani, current board member

**Membership Poll at bottom of your screen – totally anonymous, open to all attendees.
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Partner Remarks and Michigan Redistricting Update

Sophia Chue

Emcee

Executive Director,

Caribbean Community Service Center

Thank you for attending!



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Housing Coalition

Preventing eviction, foreclosure, and homelessness in Detroit