

#### St Charles Parish Housing Authority

## Recent and Planned Activities St Charles Parish Housing Authority

Benjamin R. Bell, Executive Director, St. Charles Parish Housing Authority (SCPHA) February 6, 2017 On behalf of the St Charles Parish Housing, the Board of Commissioners, Residents, Staff, and myself, I again thank the Parish and its officials for their continued support, open door policy, fast responses, and opportunity to present our story. We look forward to continuing a productive relationship that will make all of us proud and offer more services and opportunities to our residents.

#### SCPHA Mission

Promote adequate, safe and affordable housing, economic opportunity, and a suitable living environment without discrimination.

### SCPHA Strategic Goals

- Increase the availability of decent, safe and affordable housing in our communities;
- Ensure equal opportunity in housing for all;
- Promote self-sufficiency and asset development of families and individuals, and
- Improve community quality of life and economic vitality.
- Encourage & support new opportunities for our residents

### SCPHA Significant 2016 Events

Actions	Completed	
Responses to HCVP OIG Audit Continued	Throughout 2016	
<b>Environmental Review</b>	$\checkmark$	
Fourplex Stairwell Restoration in 3 Buildings	$\sqrt{}$	
SCPHA Website Planned	$\checkmark$	
Selected Major Roof Restoration in all Sites	<b>√</b>	
Modernization Work on 3 Units	$\checkmark$	
Reopened Section 8 Waiting List	$\checkmark$	

#### 2017 SCPHA Goals/ Initiatives

- Major Underground Plumbing work Boutte and Hahnville
- St. Charles Parish Housing Authority Website
- Remove SCPHA from HUD's "Troubled" PHA List
- Increased Staff Training
- Increase Section 8 Program Participation by 25%
- Maintain Occupancy Rate with only 1 vacancy per month
- Increase Section 8/HCVP Vouchers by 50
- Repair/ Replace Roofs by an Additional 10%
- Increase Level of Preventive Maintenance

### Meaningful SCPHA Data

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#### SCPHA Selected 2016 Activities

- Increased Staff Training
- Re-procured Outdated Contracts
- 100% of HCVP/Sec 8 Unit Inspections
- Secured Updated Utility Rate Surveys
   & Instituted Changes
- Increased # of Sec 8 Landlords on Direct Deposit
- Re-opened Sec 8 Waiting List in Feb 2016
- Parish wide Resident Meeting Scheduled
- Obligated Capital Funds on time
- Completed Environmental Review
- Obtained more formal staff training

- Reorganized Maintenance Section & Revised Maintenance Plan
- Timely Completion of Work Orders
- Repaired fence line in Boutte Estates
- Trimmed trees where needed
- Completed Agency Audit
- Renegotiated contracts where needed
- Routine Landscaping
- Annual Termite Structure Treatment
- Monthly Extermination Program
- Installed Automatic Detection & Extinguishing Range Devices
- Scheduled Power Washing for all Buildings

## St. Charles Parish Housing Authority (SCPHA) – Quick View – Public Housing

- LA 094 Established 1969
- Total SCPHA Public Housing Units 129
  - Boutte Estates Chadborne 66; Vac. (1)
  - Hahnville Richard Smith Complex 51; Vac. (0)
  - Des Allemands 12 Vac. (0)

Population	2017	2016	2015
Total (inc. deps.)	323	323	334
Employed	75	80	60
Unemployed	52	25	29
Near Elderly (55+)	19	33	30
Handicap/ Disabled	47	40	24

## St. Charles Parish Housing Authority (SCPHA)-Quick View - HCVP/Section 8

- Total Participants 227
- Total Voucher Applicants Searching for Housing 2
- Briefings Scheduled for February 2017
- Vouchers to be Given in February 2017 50
- Inspections performed by SCPHA Sept. 2016 to Jan.
   2017 -- 159
  - 147 passed
  - 3 removed from Program
- Compliance with regulations for completing all recertifications

# SCPHA Basic Organization Structure

