Permanent Affordability Commitment Together (PACT)
Meeting Guidelines

- Let’s hear from everyone
- One person speaks at a time
- Respect others and their opinions
  
  If you’d like to ask a question, speaker slips are available for the end of the presentation
Agenda

- Introductions
- PACT Overview
- REES Economic Opportunities
- Q+A
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What is the problem?

Washington continues to cut NYCHA’s capital funding

$1.4 BILLION lost since 2001
Why do we need a new solution?

You know better than anyone else!

$17 BILLION in repairs are needed

5-Year Unmet Capital Needs

$16.9B

- Grounds
- Building Interior
- Mechanical, Electrical, and Plumbing
- Building Exterior
- Apartment Interiors

Data Source: Calculations based on NYCHA Physical Needs Assessment (PNA), 2011
Permanent Affordability Commitment Together (PACT) = Stability of Section 8 Funding + Resident Rights + Permanent Affordability of Public Housing
Benefits of PACT: 

Funding for Apartment Repairs

Photos of scheduled RAD improvements at Ocean Bay (Bayside)

Residents enjoy:
- New bathrooms
- New kitchens
- Central A/C
- Laundry rooms

Sample renovated exterior
Setting the Record Straight

**✓ PACT Will:**

- Help secure **millions of dollars for major repairs** *(including apartment interiors, roofing, mold remediation, and façade repair)*
- Ensure **permanent affordability**
- **Maintain resident rights** in line with public housing protections

**x PACT Will Not:**

- **NOT** privatize your buildings
- **NOT** displace NYCHA families
- **NOT** raise NYCHA residents’ rent above 30% of household income
- **NOT** demolish public housing
PACT Timeline

RAD Approval from HUD
January 2017

First Round Building & Apartment Inspections
March – June 2017

NYCHA releases RFP, Developers submit Proposals
May – July 2017

NYCHA evaluates Proposals & selects Developer
Fall 2017

Residents meet with Developer to hear plans & provide input
Beginning in Fall 2017

Residents sign new lease
Timeline to be set once NYCHA selects a Developer

Development converts to Section 8 with new property management

Repairs begin
Target Date: December 2018/June 2019

Ongoing Resident Engagement Meetings

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Resident Economic Empowerment & Sustainability (REES)
Commitment to Opportunity for Residents

NYCHA, through its Office of Resident Economic Empowerment & Sustainability’s (REES), measurably supports residents to increase their income and assets through programs, policies and collaborations in four key areas:

- Employment and Advancement
- Adult Education and Training
- Financial Literacy and Asset Building
- Resident Business Development
Our office is focused on

→ **Connecting** residents & communities to high quality and relevant Economic Opportunity Providers and opportunities

→ **Supporting** Economic Opportunity Providers to better serve NYCHA residents

→ **Attracting** resources for public housing residents and to public housing neighborhoods

→ **Generating** economic opportunities for NYCHA residents
What REES Does

Connects residents to opportunities and services to meet your goals through formal partnerships

Examples of how REES can help you:

- Connect you to adult education programs
- Connect you to hiring events or upcoming training opportunities
- Connect you to resources to start or grow a business
- Connect to employment opportunities
- Connect you to financial counseling services that can help you build or repair credit and manage your money
Adult Education & Vocational Training

**Adult Education** - Programs to assist adult learners continue their education

- Pre-HSE and HSE Preparation and Classes
- Adult Basic Education/Literacy Resources
- English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL)
- Test Preparation and Remediation

*Example: Manhattan Education Opportunity Center (MEOC)*

**Vocational Skills Training** – Programs for adults to gain the skills and knowledge required for a particular job function (such as typing) or a trade (such as carpentry)

- Pre-employment Training
- On-the-Job Training

*Example: Grace Outreach; Per Scholars*
NYCHA Resident Training Academy (NRTA)

- REES in partnership with the Robin Hood Foundation and premier training partners formed the NYCHA Resident Training Academy (NRTA) in 2010.

- Training is available only to conventional NYCHA residents meeting the training requirements.

- Administered by REES, the NRTA has offered training in Construction, Janitorial, Pest Control, Cable Installation, Maintenance and Painter Apprentice tracks.

- The Construction track provides 8-weeks of pre-apprentice construction training, in addition to key certifications, contextual mathematics and industry knowledge.

- Since 2015, the NRTA has been approved by the NYS Department of Labor as a direct entry provider. Graduates from the NRTA pre-apprenticeship program have the option of direct entry into partnering unions (i.e. Local 8, Local 3, Local 1, DC9 and Local 12).
Resident Business Development Services – Programs to assist adults in starting or growing a small business

- Training Classes & Coaching
- Access to Funding
- Legal & Marketing Assistance

- Examples:
  - Attend RBD Orientation- Monthly
  - NYC Business Solutions Center– Citywide
Food Business Pathways (FBP) Program

- FREE business accelerator program that works directly with NYCHA entrepreneurs to launch or grow their food business
- FBP is designed and operated by a partnership with NYC Housing Authority (NYCHA), NYC Small Business Services (SBS), NYC Economic Development Corporation (EDC), Hot Bread Kitchen, Start Small Think Big, and Citi Community Development
- 10-week program and topics include:
  - Exploring Entrepreneurship
  - Operations
  - Capacity
  - Licensing
- All graduates receive (1) free business incorporation, (2) food handler’s license, (3) access to commercial kitchen incubator space, and (4) business coaching
- In 2015 & 2016, FBP graduated 139 NYCHA residents, formed 113 businesses, and awarded incubator space to 23 businesses.

Childcare Business Pathways (CBP) Program

- FREE comprehensive and competitive program that works directly with NYCHA public housing residents to start a home-based childcare business
- CBP is a collaboration with NYC Housing Authority (NYCHA), NYC Small Business Services (SBS), Business Outreach Center Network (BOCNet), Childcare Development Support Corporation (CDSC), and Citi Community Development
- Participants receive:
  - 15 week intensive business training
  - Required health and safety certifications required by NY State
  - 1-on-1 assistance to complete the required NY state home-based childcare application booklet
  - Up to $500 for start up childcare supplies
  - Fingerprinting and background check
- Cohort 1 began in October 2016 and graduated 18 NYCHA residents in April 2017.
Financial Literacy & Asset Building

**Financial Counseling** – FREE services designed to help residents take control of their finances by improving their credit rating, managing debt, and much more.

REES partners with financial counseling providers who can help you:

- Improve your credit score or establish credit
- Create a budget
- Manage debts in collections
- Pay your rent on time
- Save for retirement
- Save for kids future
- Get ready to buy a house
- Get ready for business financing

- Everyone can benefit!
- Unemployed
- Victims of identity theft
- Individuals living on fixed income
- Seniors
Employment Assistance

- **Employment Assistance** – Partners can help prepare and connect qualified candidates to job opportunities

- Workforce Development Zone Partners
  - Assist with job readiness skills (interviewing, resume building, workplace etiquette) and job placement

Examples of Zone Partners: Phipps Community Development Corp.

- Examples of **PAST** direct employment opportunities:
  - Lincoln Center
  - Harlem Children’s Zone
  - Barclay’s Center

- **Section 3 Job Opportunities**
Employment Connection

• REES works with NYCHA contractors, vocational training providers, and employer partners to ensure that NYCHA residents are connected to high quality skills building programs and viable employment opportunities that lead to career pathways. This includes Section 3 opportunities.

• NYCHA residents interested in employment opportunities can connect with REES through the following methods:
  - Onsite information sessions and recruitment events
  - Opportunity Connect – resident self service portal - https://selfserve.nycha.info/
  - Visit us on REES microsite at www.opportunitynycha.org
  - Call REES at 718.289.8100
Q & A

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