

CUNNINGHAM TOWNSHIP BOARD

Monday, May 20, 2024

6:00 p.m.

400S. Vine Street, Urbana, IL 61801

AGENDA

1. ROLL CALL

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. March 25, 2024 Rescheduled Meeting

b. April 8, 2024 Meeting

3. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

4. PRESENTATIONS AND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

a. Presentation: Campaign for Fair Housing: Source of Income Protections in Urbana, Illinois - Trinity Lewis, Masters Candidate, UI Department of Urban and Regional Planning

5. COMMITTEE TO VERIFY BILLS

a. Town Fund

b. General Assistance Fund

6. REPORTS OF OFFICERS

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

8. NEW BUSINESS

a. **Resolution No. T-2024-05-002R:** A Resolution Authorizing the Township Supervisor to Execute a Lease Agreement with the New Lincoln Square LLC for use as Space for the Township Assessor (July 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024)

b. Decennial Committee

i. Call to Order

ii. Public Input

iii. Approval of Champaign County Townships Comprehensive Report and Recommendations for delivery to the Champaign County Executive and Board

iv. Adjournment

9. ADJOURNMENT

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Campaign For Fair Housing: Source of Income Protections in Urbana,IL

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Abstract:

As of January 2023, source of income discrimination has been added as a protected class to the Illinois Human Rights Act, with the intention to decrease housing discrimination. Though this law has taken effect, enforcement is still an issue, and this unfortunately targets low-income minority groups who use legal forms of alternative income such as housing vouchers (Section 8), rental assistance, and other forms of income. The community of Urbana in central Illinois is no exception when it comes to source of income discrimination, and the purpose of this report is to examine what groups are facing this discrimination and what local community organizations do to support and combat housing discrimination and enforce the law.

Introduction:

Housing is a human right. Although we have not seen this play out in the United States and much of society, it is a necessity for every human being on this planet. Housing discrimination in the United States has been a barrier for many households across the country, especially those who are poor, non-white, of a certain sex or sexual orientation, or immigration status. Many efforts have been made through legislation at the federal, state, and local levels to combat against discrimination. This includes laws such as the Fair Housing Act of 1968, which would make it illegal to discriminate against someone for the following: race, color, national origin, religion, sex (including gender identity and sexual orientation), familial status, and disability.

This was done after the assassination of a political activist and minister, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., who prior to his death was specifically tackling the issue of housing discrimination, and from the lives lost in the Vietnam War that were predominately black and of latino origin. Those who were killed in war families were barred from purchasing or renting homes. This law being passed was a breakthrough for those that faced discrimination, it was not the end-all- be-all of solving the problem across the country. Many states themselves have also passed laws and additional protections that are not covered by the federal law, with Illinois being one of them. In addition to the federal protections, The Illinois Human Rights Act also protects: pregnancy, age (40 and over), order of protection status, military status, unfavorable military discharge, disability, arrest record, immigration status, and source of income. The city of Urbana located in central Illinois has added to these protections in the Urbana Human Rights Ordinance by including: personal appearance, political affiliation, family responsibilities, and matriculation (student status).

The high poverty rate, rising rental costs, and lack of affordable housing in Urbana contribute to residents relying more on housing vouchers, rental assistance, Supplemental Security Income (SSI), and other forms of legal income. The groups that

often face the backlash of using housing vouchers and other forms of income are low-income minorities, both nationally and locally. With all of these protections in place, there is still prevalent evidence that housing discrimination still takes place in our communities and still affects those from minority communities.

Cunningham Township Supervisor's Office located in Urbana serves those in our community that have been historically disenfranchised by being a safety net for low-income residents. They provide a variety of help and resources including rental, general, utility assistance and much more. Cunningham Township has partnered with HOPE Fair Housing, a non-profit fair housing organization in Illinois that provides educational services on fair housing, investigates property management and housing companies by sending housing testers, and connects residents with legal services if there is a violation of housing rights. HOPE's mission is to ensure all residents of Illinois have access to housing of their choice without discrimination. The purpose of this project is to help enforce the laws regarding housing discrimination, especially those who use housing vouchers or any alternative source of income in Urbana, and to provide resources and support for those who have faced it in our community.

Fair Housing Background: United States

The racial disparities of the United States have existed since its inception. After black Americans were emancipated from chattel slavery, there were many laws that were enacted to prevent them from living in the same neighborhoods as white Americans. In 1933 President Franklin D. Roosevelt supported housing efforts for home purchasing for Americans who didn't have the access to afford it. This was done because of the devastating effects of the Great Depression years prior, which divested the housing market. Born out of these governmental policies were government agencies such as the Home Owners Loan Corporation (HOLC) in 1933, Fair Housing Administration (FHA) in 1934, and the Veterans Administration (VA) in 1944. Mortgage loans and insurance companies played a large role in promoting housing discrimination and segregation. In the early 1900s, many racial covenants were implemented into housing contracts and other local laws that prevented not only black Americans, but those of other races and nationalities such as those of Asian, Latin, Indigenous American, Italian, Irish, and other groups. Historically redlined cities still remain in our present and have made impacts on the property value, access to resources and education, health and wellbeing, and many more in the lives of residents.

The 1968 Federal Housing Act was signed into law by then President Lyndon B. Johnson which was an extension to the 1964 Civil Rights Act. The purpose of this act was to ban discrimination in the sale, rental, and financing of housing based on race, religion, national origin, sex, (and as amended) handicap and family status. Title VIII of the Act is also known as the Fair Housing Act of 1968 (U.S. Department of Housing and

Urban Development). The fair housing act was debated in congress between 1966-1967 but failed to be passed. It wasn't until the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. that President Johnson decided to pass the bill. King's assassination spawned massive unrest in the United States, and to help satiate the anger of its citizens. Before his untimely death, King had a major focus on housing rights, and had moved his family to the city of Chicago to co-lead the Chicago Freedom Movement.

This movement was focused on providing equity in education, employment, and housing in Chicago, due to it being one of the most segregated cities in the United States. The development of tenant unions, bringing their demands to city leaders, and participating in protests and marches through predominantly white neighborhoods, the movement stood its ground by advocating for the freedom of black Americans to buy or rent anywhere they chose. Another tactic that the movement used was testing, which can be defined as “one or more people covertly engaging in a transaction or interaction, in order to determine whether discrimination may be occurring”(Uprety, 2019). They would send out groups of black people and groups of white people to compare how they were treated by real estate companies. Those who were black were denied services and were told that there wasn't anything available for them, while those who were white were immediately told there were several options available. The method of testing still continues to this day by many civil rights organizations, including HOPE Fair Housing.

The introduction of the Fair Housing Act (FHA) was the nation's largest step of decreasing housing discrimination and allowing citizens to have the right to choose where they lived. The United States Department of Housing (HUD), having limited ability in enforcement of the act, continued delayed reactions and minimal penalties in enforcing compliance, and the outlawing of discriminatory lending not until 1974 when congress passed the Equal Credit Opportunity Act and the 1977 Community Reinvestment Act. But, the continued negligence of not enforcing these laws allowed for continued housing discrimination and segregation. The article written by Stacy E. Seicshnaydre, “The Fair Housing Choice Myth”, explores how the FHA still failed at desegregating neighborhoods and providing housing choice:

“The FHA has not delivered true housing choice to consumers of color, however, because the integration many consumers of color would choose depends on the housing choices of third-party white consumers. Equal housing opportunity law—with its focus on protecting minority home seekers from discrimination perpetrated by housing providers—does not address the anti-integration housing choices of white consumers in any meaningful way. The law reaches only two parties in a three party tango—and the segregated ghetto lives on.” (p. 154)

The effects of it can be seen today still with predominantly low-income minority neighborhoods being underfunded and unsupported , while majority high-income and middle-income white neighborhoods being mostly exclusive to that demographic only. This can be spotted across the entire United States, even in our own backyard of Urbana, IL. Residents all across the United States should have access to fair housing and be able to choose where they live. The discrimination in housing has put people in financial risk, limited their access to resources like jobs, food, and education, and has affected the health and well-being of residents by usually being located in places that are environmentally unsafe. Combating housing discrimination would support those who have been historically disenfranchised due to the classist and racist ideologies that have been embedded into our laws in society.

Housing Vouchers: National Level

Due to the long history of inequity that minorities have faced when it comes to housing, there is an unequal distribution of resources which have left many predominantly minority neighborhoods left to decay from not being properly invested in. Housing choice vouchers (HVCs) is a federal program that supports very low-income families, the elderly, and disabled residents afford safe and sanitary housing in the private housing sector(HUD.gov). There are many different types of housing vouchers and programs that are administered through HUD that target specific groups such as:

Special Purpose Vouchers (SPV):

“When utilized strategically and collaboratively with Continuums of Care (CoCs) and other partners, these programs provide unique opportunities to target rental assistance resources to specific populations to advance a community’s plan to end homelessness, support a community’s equity outcomes, and create ways to meaningfully engage with people with lived experience of homelessness and involvement with various systems.”

Mainstream and Non-Elderly Disabled (NED) Vouchers:

“Mainstream and Non-Elderly Disabled (NED) vouchers are Housing Choice Vouchers with special eligibility criteria to serve non-elderly persons with disabilities (at least 18 years and less than 62 years) or households with a member with disabilities. There are small differences between the Mainstream and NED programs, and within the NED program there are two types of vouchers – Category 1: non-elderly persons and families with disabilities and Category 2: persons leaving institutional care for community-based housing and services. “

Family Unification Program (FUP) and Foster Youth to Independence (FYI)

“Makes HCVs available to PHAs in partnership with Public Child Welfare Agencies (PCWAs). FUP vouchers serve to assist child welfare involved families who lack adequate housing to prevent the out-of-home placement of their child or children, or to facilitate family reunification. Both FUP and FYI vouchers assist youth between the ages of 18-24 who have exited foster care or will exit foster care within 90 days and are experiencing or at-risk of experiencing homelessness.”

HUD-Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (VASH)

“Combines HCVs for homeless Veteran households with case management and clinical services provided by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Centers (VAMC)- or a VA contractor or VA designated service provider (DSP). HUD and the VA collaboratively award HUD-VASH vouchers to VAMC and PHA partnerships based on geographic need and PHA administrative performance.”

Emergency Housing Voucher (EHV)

“Provides HCVs to PHAs to assist individuals and families who are homeless, at-risk of homelessness, fleeing, or attempting to flee, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking, or were recently homeless or have a high risk of housing instability.”

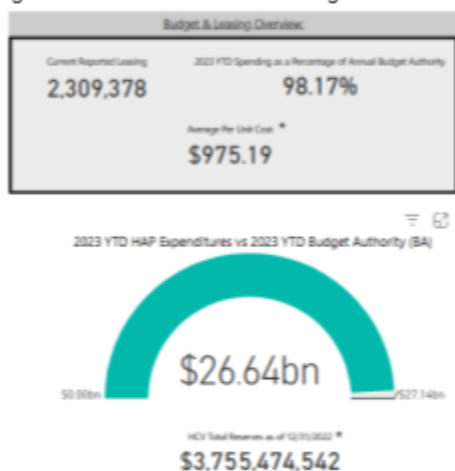
Stability Voucher Program

“Makes HCVs available to PHAs in partnership with local CoC and/or VSPs to assist households experiencing or at risk of homelessness, those fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, human trafficking, and veterans and families that include a veteran family member that meets criteria that will be outlined in the notice.” (HUD Exchange 2023)

The housing choice voucher program was established in 1974 by the Nixon-Ford presidential administration. This is supposed to give residents the choice to determine where they live. In the housing choice voucher program residents are allowed to choose housing that meets the requirements set by the local public housing agency (PHA). PHAs are supported by funds provided by HUD and then the PHAs distribute those funds to landlords. Most public housing agencies are private entities, but there are some that are incorporated into local government such as cities and counties and state governments that are in charge of the operation and implementation of fund distribution. The tenants are then required to pay the difference between the rent from the landlord and the amount paid by the PHA. Those that are eligible for a housing choice voucher are determined by the PHA based on the total annual gross income and family size and it is limited to U.S. citizens and special populations of immigrants who

are non-citizens (hud.gov). Usually the income of the family must not exceed 50% of the median income for that county or metropolitan area. PHAs must also utilize 75% of its budget to those whose income is less than 30% of the area median income. They also will collect information such as bank account information, family composition, and current income as a way to determine eligibility. If they are determined to be eligible, then they will be put on a waiting list where the PHA will contact them to receive the voucher. Families can choose a unit that is above or below the unit payment, and they have to pay 30% of the monthly adjusted gross income for rent and utilities. If it exceeds that amount, then the family has to pay the additional amount. Families can move with vouchers as long as they notify their PHA in their jurisdiction and make sure that it reaches all of the requirements set by the PHA. HUD also developed the Moving to Work (MTW) program for PHAs to use federal funds to create their own strategies to help residents sustain themselves, find employment, and expand the housing choices for low-income residents. PHAs that participate in this program are not subjected to the same rules and regulations regarding the usage of federal funding. Unfortunately, since

Figure 1. United States Voucher Budget and Leasing Overview



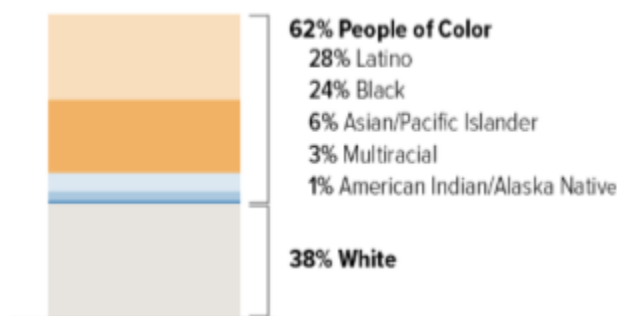
selected by the PHA before those that do not fall in those categories. As of 2023, there are approximately 2.3 million households that use housing choice vouchers in the United States and in 2023 spent approximately \$26.6 billion supporting this program.

According to the National Low-Income Housing Coalition, there are still about 2.8 million households that are on the waitlist for housing

there is such a high demand for vouchers, waiting periods are very common and often have certain times where residents can apply for housing vouchers throughout the year. Families that are considered homeless or living unsuitable housing, are paying more than 50% of their income for rent, and have been involuntary displaced can be

Figure 2. Low Income Renters Racial Demographics
Majority of Low-Income Renters With Severe Cost Burdens Are People of Color

Share of 24 million renters in low-income households that pay over half their income for housing, by race/ethnicity



Note: Low-income = household earns less than 80% of the local median income. Latino category may contain individuals of any race that identify as Latino or Hispanic; other categories exclude individuals that identify as Latino or Hispanic. Chart excludes individuals identifying as some other race, representing .4% of the total.
Source: CBPP analysis of 2014-2018 American Community Survey microdata and 2018 HUD area median income limits.

choice vouchers. Many of these families wait months and sometimes even years before they are able to receive a housing voucher. In a report from the Center on Budget and Priority Policies titled, “More Housing Vouchers: Most Important Step to Help More People Afford Stable Homes”, discusses the need for more housing choice vouchers, especially since the COVID-19 Pandemic that left many residents unable to afford rent and other necessities. This report also discusses how low-income minority renters are the most cost-burdened and the reasoning behind it, “Due to a long history of racism — including racially discriminatory housing policies 1 — Black, Latino, and Native American people are disproportionately likely to face severe rent burdens and to experience homelessness” (Fischer, Acosta, Gartland 2021).

In particular, black children who are a part of families that are below the poverty line and use vouchers are more likely to reside in neighborhoods that are high in poverty compared to Black children of families that are below the poverty line and do not have housing vouchers. Those with housing vouchers are also often portrayed with negative stereotypes such as being violent, criminals, uneducated, and associated with minority communities. These discriminatory practices have disadvantaged many from these communities and still continue to be prevalent throughout the United States today.

Fair Housing and SOI: State Level

In 1979 the Illinois Human Rights Act was drafted by the Illinois Department of Human Rights and the Illinois Human Rights Commission as a way to set regulations and processes for upholding civil rights laws in Illinois. This act combined the Fair Employment Practices Commission, the Illinois Department of Equal Employment Opportunity, and the Commission on Human Relations. According to the Illinois Department of Human Rights website, there were two events that ignited the development of this act. The first event was the creation of the Cost Control Task Force, whose job was to see if the state departments were doing their jobs effectively and how they could improve upon them. The second event was the convention of Operation Push, which was developed during the U.S. Supreme Court’s Bakke decision that advocated for more protections and laws to uphold civil rights across the United States. Although there were various processes for the handling of discriminatory acts that could be solved through administrative, criminal, and civil measures, not all instances of discrimination had developed a way to enforce these laws. Citizens whose rights were violated often had to resort to the assistance of an attorney, which was very costly and left many unable to advocate for themselves in the legal sphere. Not only were citizens frustrated by this lack of enforcement, but businesses, labor organizations, government agencies, and real estate companies also wanted a more structured system for dealing with discriminatory practices. Governor James R. Thompson signed the amended Illinois Human Rights Act in December of 1979, and created a task force consisting of

95 members from various organizations such as the Chicago Urban League, the NAACP, HUD, and other important governing figures to come up with the rules and regulations of implementing this act. Governor Thompson appointed Joyce E. Tucker to be the first director of the Illinois Department Human Rights the next year after. The job of the Illinois Human Rights Commission was to separate the enforcement and judicial functions (dhr.illinois.gov). This new governing body also set the standards for human rights laws in Illinois by repealing and replacing laws that were previously in place from various agencies. Besides the federal laws that list the protections citizens have against discrimination, the state of Illinois added extra protections that include: pregnancy, age (40 and over), order of protection status, military status, unfavorable military discharge, disability, arrest record, immigration status, and source of income. January 1, 2023 amended the Illinois Human Rights Act to include source of income as a protected class. Source of income is defined as, “ the lawful manner by which an individual supports himself/herself and his/her dependents.” (housingchoicepartners.org). This means that landlords cannot deny a tenant’s legal form of income as payment and must be treated the same as employment-based income. The types of protected source of income include:

- Emergency Rental Assistance
- Housing Choice Vouchers
- Veteran’s Benefits
- Homeless Prevention Programs
- Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
- Social Security Disability Insurance
- Child Support
- Alimony
- Temporary Assistance To Needy
- Families (TANF)

This amendment was born out of the COVID-19 pandemic, where many residents could not afford to pay their rent or mortgage and other bills on their own due to the economic state of the country at that time. The Illinois Coalition for Fair Housing consisted of different community support organizations and social services that came together to help the influx of residents that were at risk of being evicted or homeless. With the support of residents, community organizations, local government, and businesses, the Illinois Coalition for Fair Housing was able to achieve their goal of enacting a source of income as a protected class in the state of Illinois. Governor J.B. Pritzker signed HB 2275 into law in May of 2022, with it officially being enacted the following year. Illinois became the 20th state in the United States to adopt SOI protections. To help residents know their rights to advocate for themselves, the Illinois Coalition for Fair Housing have developed SOI self-advocacy toolkits and letters for

residents to use if they believe they have been discriminated against. They also developed fact sheets for landlords to know why they cannot discriminate against people for using other SOI.

Housing Vouchers: Champaign County

Housing choice vouchers in Urbana are distributed and maintained through the Housing Authority of Champaign County (HACC). If a resident is selected to be a voucher holder, then they have to reside within Champaign County for a year before they can relocate somewhere outside of Champaign County. According to the most recent annual report in 2022, they received \$16,706,390 to support housing choice vouchers for residents in Champaign County. HACC also participates in the Moving to Work program through HUD, to better serve residents in the county. HACC was chosen by HUD to participate in this program in January 2010, along with 2 other PHAs. The three main goals of the MTW program are:

- Reduce cost and achieve greater cost effectiveness in federal expenditures.
- Give incentives to families with children, where the head of the household is working, seeking work, or is preparing for work by participating in job training, educational programs, or programs that assist people to obtain employment and become economically self-sufficient.
- Increase housing choices for low-income families.

(Housing Authority of Champaign County, 2022).

The waitlist for the MTW program opened in March of 2022, where 2,300 residents applied to the program. Of the 2,300 applicants, only 1,000 of them were accepted. The HACC's 2023 Annual Moving to Work Plan mentioned that they are trying to use more incentives for landlords to help increase the usage of housing vouchers. If landlords sign up with the HACC to lease with residents with a housing voucher, they can earn up to \$3,000 per leased unit. Other programs that they have currently to incentivize are:

- First-Time Landlord Lease-up Incentive: Gives first-time landlords \$500 to lease to a voucher holder (they receive \$2,500 if they do the maximum of 5 leased units to voucher holders)
- Vacancy Payments: Will pay landlords to release their units to families with housing vouchers, and HACC will pay the landlord up to one month's contract rent if the lease to another voucher holder after the previous one leaves within 60 days (this only occurs one time per year per leased unit)
- Emergency Housing Voucher Incentive: By leasing to someone with an EHV, landlords can receive a one-time bonus per unit (this can be done an unlimited amount of times to receive incentive)

- High Opportunity Area Incentive Program: For landlords who own units in high opportunity areas and funds can range from \$500 to \$1,500 depending on the census tract that the property is located

To further support residents, the MTW Annual Plan wants to allow families that only qualify for a 1-bedroom apartment to use their housing voucher, and be able to use it for 2-bedroom apartments that would still be covered under the 1-bedroom price. In high opportunity areas, they are hoping to use the flexibility of the MTW program to raise the local payment standards. This is due to the rising costs of housing and the limited availability of 1-bedroom apartments (Housing Authority Champaign County 2023).

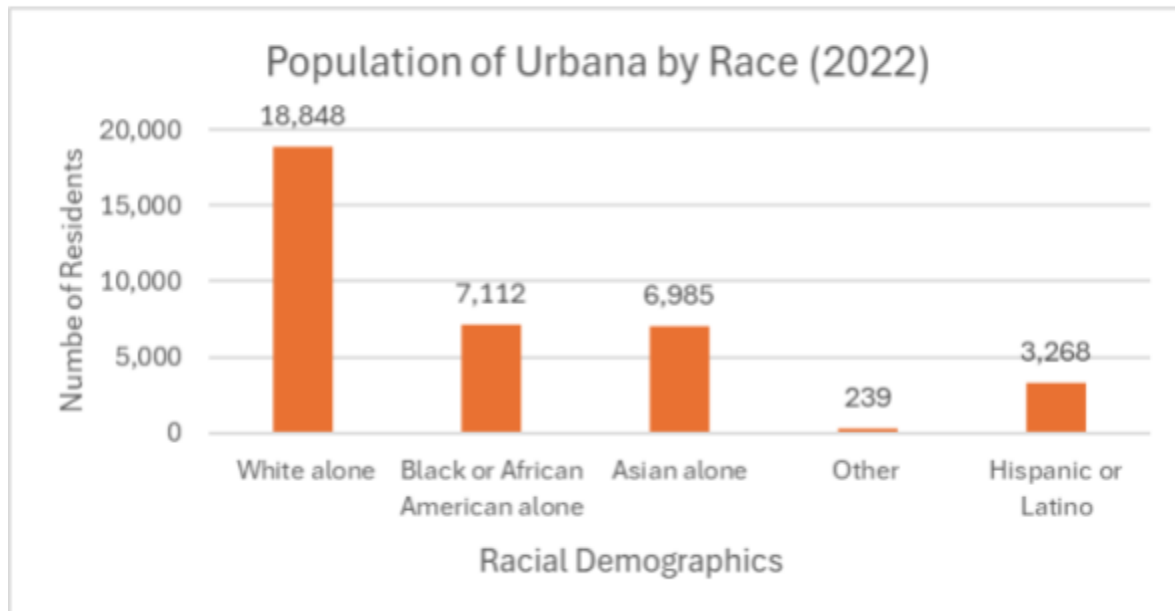
In 2022, the HACC had supported 2,491 total residents through the housing voucher program. According to their annual report the average household income was \$15,921 per year which is about three times lower than the median income in Urbana, which is approximately \$41,115. In 2022 they administered 1,483 total housing vouchers, consisting of MTW Tenant Based Vouchers, Special Purpose Vouchers, and Emergency Shelter Vouchers.

Fair Housing Background: Urbana, Illinois

Demographic Background

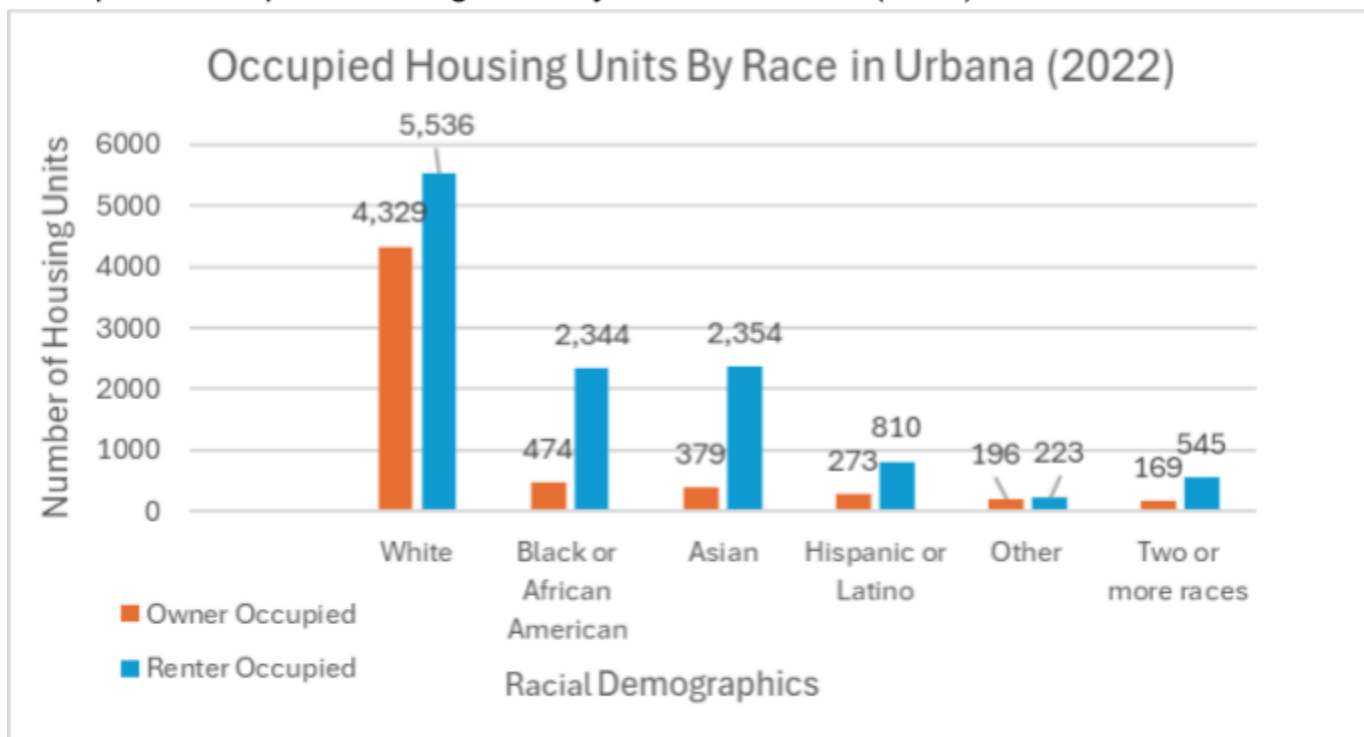
Located in central Illinois, Urbana is the sister city to Champaign, where they both house the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. Urbana is primarily occupied by families and the student population from the university. As of July 2022, it is estimated that the population of Urbana is about 38,468.

Graph 1. Population of Urbana by Race



Over half of the residents in Urbana are renters, with each racial demographic having more renters than owners. Despite this, of black and asian backgrounds disproportionately have more renters than owners of any other racial demographics. Those that are considered racially white have the largest number of renters and owners (which partially could be attributed to the fact that they are the majority of the population) but have the least amount of difference between the amount of renters and the amount of owners. This is most likely due to the historical racial divides when it comes to access to housing, education, and income that benefited white residents and negatively impacted other minority groups over the decades. Of the total population, 27.1% of those Urbana residents are below the poverty level, which is more than double the national percentage of residents in poverty

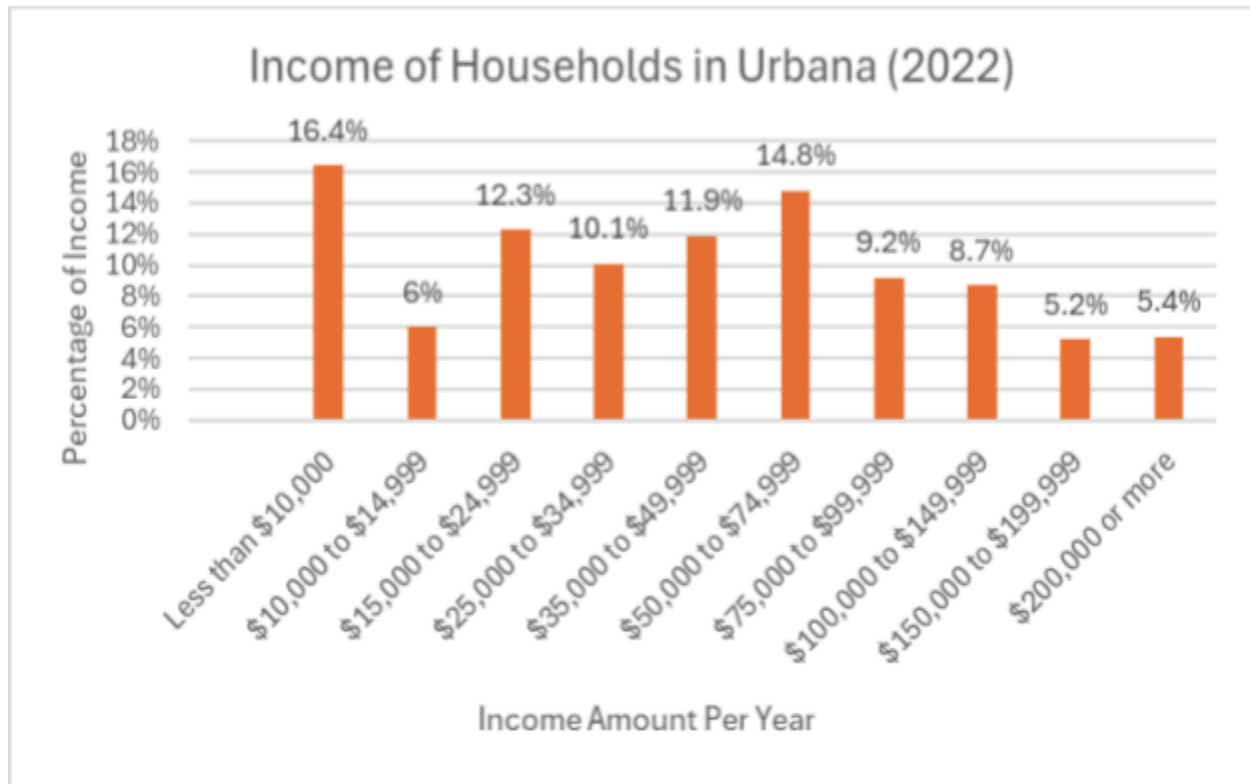
Graph 2. Occupied Housing Units By Race in Urbana (2022)



(11.5% as of 2022). There are approximately 16,380 households in Urbana, with about 9,052 of those households living below the poverty level.

With the current rising costs of rent across the United States, many households have been struggling to find affordable housing. People are having to pay more than 30% of their income (which is more than what is recommended percentage from the Department of Housing and Urban Development) for rent, which leaves little income for other expenses such as transportation, food, childcare, medical expenses, and other factors that may contribute to loss of income. Due to the lack of affordable housing and inflation, those who are financially disadvantaged have had an extremely difficult time trying to find adequate housing.

Graph 3. Income of Households in Urbana (2022)



Source of Income Protections in Urbana

In Urbana, this issue is highly prevalent and many residents have needed rental assistance or a housing voucher in order to pay for a place to stay. This has also opened the door for property managers and landlords to discriminate against those who they deem “unfit” for their properties because of reasons such as using a housing voucher, their personal background (race, source of income, criminal record, etc.) , or if they are in attendance at school. As of January 2023, the state of Illinois added source of income as a protected class to the Illinois Human Rights Act. By adding source of income as a protected class , this bans housing based discrimination which includes housing vouchers and rental assistance. But for the city of Urbana this law has existed since 1979 in the Urbana Human Rights Ordinance which states:

“The Urbana Human Rights Ordinance ("Ordinance") prohibits discrimination with respect to housing, employment, credit or access to public accommodations because of a person's race, color, creed, class, national origin, religion, sex, age, marital status, physical and mental disability, personal appearance, sexual preference, family responsibilities, matriculation, political affiliation, prior arrest or conviction record or source of income, or any other discrimination based upon

categorizing or classifying a person rather than evaluating a person's unique qualifications relevant to an opportunity.” (Chapter 12 of the Urbana City Code).

The act of denying someone housing based on these qualifications is illegal, and goes against not only The Fair Housing Act, but Urbana’s Human Rights Ordinance that protects not only the protected classes in the Fair Housing Act but also personal appearance, matriculation, prior arrests or criminal background, and source of income. Even with this ordinance in Urbana intact, residents have continued to be denied housing as seen in the housing discrimination survey.

Cunningham Township: Community Support

Cunningham Township Supervisor’s Office (also known as CTSO) is located in Urbana and was established in 1928. It serves those who reside within the Urbana city limits by providing numerous services to those who are underserved in our community. Services from Cunningham Township include:

- rental assistance
- general assistance
- utility assistance
- food assistance
- emergency housing for homeless families
- street outreach.

In wake of the 2020 pandemic, Cunningham has increased their staff and presence in the community for those who were in need. In 2020, CTSO supplied 354 households with general assistance which totaled to about \$514,165 for the year. For rental assistance, CTSO supplied 75 households (71 of these including children) with \$45,483. These alternate and legal forms of income are important for our clients to support themselves and their families, especially during the COVID-19 pandemic that limited access to resources, money, and healthcare. During this time, CTSO also signed 76 households up for subsidized housing, with 14 of those households moved in. Figure 3 shows all the other accomplishments CTSO made during this intense time period. Cunningham Township is also responsible for the creation of the

Figure 3. CTSO 2020 Impacts



Solidarity Gardens in Urbana, along with other community organizations such as Sola Gratia Farm, Urbana Park District, Channing Murray Foundation, and Urbana Free Library to address the food insecurity that increased during the pandemic. Two years later, CTSO still has had a large impact on the community but did decrease the amount of funding in some areas such as rental and general assistance to support their residents. This isn't necessarily a bad thing because this could mean that residents are able to provide for themselves and don't have to rely on the services that Cunningham provides and this can be seen in Figure 4. Although it was lower than two years previous, CTSO still managed to help 35 households with obtaining subsidized housing. There was an area that did see an increase in funding usage such as emergency housing which was \$73,770 and supported 52 households including 57 children. "Housing is a human right" is a phrase that Cunningham Township strongly believes in and supports eliminating homelessness and housing discrimination. The benefits that Cunningham Township provides to residents greatly affects the community in a positive way. Without the help of Cunningham, some residents may not be able to pay their rent, take care of their families, and have access to food. CTSO is always looking for ways to support their clients in every way possible, which is why they have formed a partnership with HOPE Fair Housing. Since CTSO primarily supports those that are low-income, disabled, and homeless are often faced with negative stereotypes that can lead to discrimination, especially when finding housing. Cunningham hopes to make residents feel comfortable to come forward and advocate for themselves, and have access to fair housing choice.

Figure 4. CTSO Impacts 2022



HOPE Fair Housing: Advocacy Against Housing Discrimination

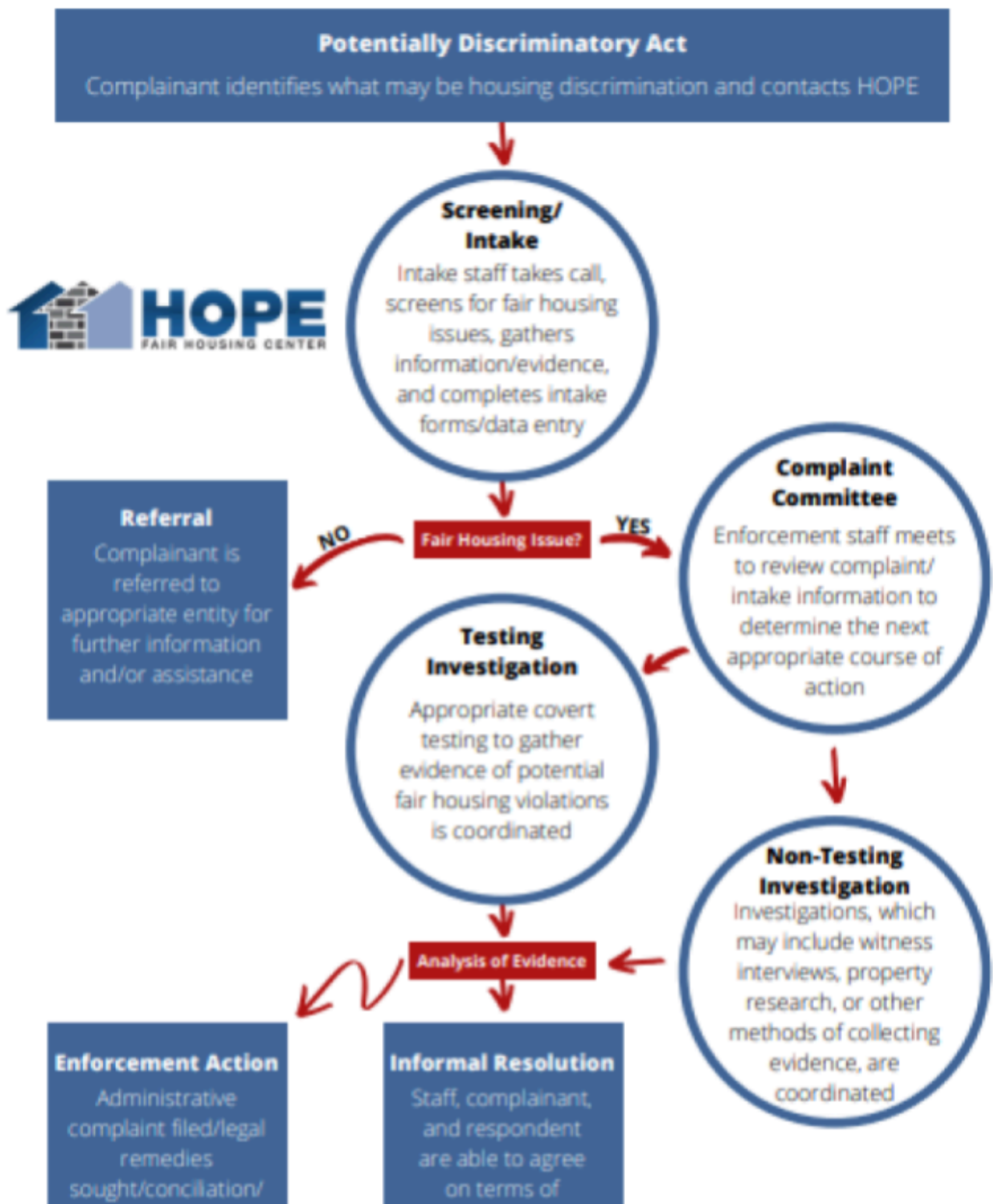
HOPE Fair Housing is a non-profit fair housing organization that was born out of the 1968 Fair Housing Act. Originally formed in Wheaton, IL when there was a family found living in a garage. Community members can together to help fund and rebuild a liveable house for the family. Soon other community members asked for similar help, and HOPE fully formed themselves into a full service fair housing organization in 1970. The development of HOPE inspired other fair housing organizations to develop across the country when there was an article published by Parade Magazine that amplified

their cause. HOPE has many accolades and awards including four awards from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for their fair housing testing practices and outstanding achievement awards. In their most recent annual report in 2022, HOPE has accomplished many victories for those who needed their assistance. In 2022, they helped settle 3 lawsuits and 3 administrative complaints. HOPE received approximately 486 client intakes from 31 counties across the state. 20 of those client intakes were able to receive reasonable home accommodations and modifications. Throughout 2022, they won 3 major settlement agreements against loan companies such as Fannie Mae and property management companies that were committing bias and discriminatory acts. These discriminatory acts were all mostly targeted towards low-income black and brown community members. As on their website, HOPE's mission is:

“HOPE Fair Housing Center works to create greater housing opportunities for all. We want to ensure everyone has the chance to live in the community/home/apartment of their choice free from discrimination based on race, color, religion, national origin, sex, disability, familial status, or any other characteristics protected under state or local laws. HOPE accomplishes this through education, outreach, enforcement, training, and advocacy.” (Our Mission, HOPE Fair Housing)

HOPE provides very helpful services to those who need help understanding their housing rights. If they do suspect discrimination, they will conduct an investigation free of charge. If they believe that discrimination hasn't occurred then, they will refer you to services that may better suit their case. The process of conducting an discriminatory investigation at HOPE is outlined in their intake flowchart.

Figure 5. HOPE Intake Flow Chart



If they follow through with investigating a case, then they will go to the complaint committee then if the case needs housing testers. If they do want to use testers, they will send them to the property where discrimination may have occurred and gather evidence as a potential lease. If they decide not to send a tester, they will gather information by doing witness interviews, property research, and other methods that they may find useful.

Currently, HOPE Fair Housing is trying to operate in counties outside of northern Illinois. They have started to facilitate training in central and southern Illinois from the help of a grant from HUD.

Figure 6. Counties Where HOPE Operates



Figure 6 shows where HOPE currently is trying to work with to bring fair housing in Illinois. HOPE is currently in an ongoing legal battle with two property management companies here in Urbana, but due to legal reasons they will not be mentioned in this report.

Fair Housing Campaign: Methodology and Results

The development of the fair housing campaign was created with a strategy chart to form goals and objectives of the campaign. The strategy chart is broken into: broad goals, target, strategy(S.M.A.R.T.), and tactics. The broad goals are the main objectives that are hoped to be accomplished beyond the campaign itself and they included:

- Help Cunningham Township residents impacted by source of income (SOI) and other forms of discrimination get justice
- Get the city of Urbana officials to enforce existing housing discrimination ordinance (especially SOI)
- Pressure local landlords to comply with local and state SOI fair housing policies
- Support state efforts to implement the recent SOI law with effective enforcement at the state level
- Build a local fair housing coalition

Once we developed our main goals, we move into the next section on who we want to target to reach those goals. These include various actors such as the residents of Cunningham Township, local organizations that support low-income and homeless residents, local professionals, and local and state government.

Our next column is our lists of strategies of how we can target the actors and reach our overall main goals. These strategies were developed by using the S.M.A.R.T. strategy method (Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Responsible, and Time-Bound) to help keep us grounded with attainable actions to be able to reach our more broad goals. The final column is a list of tactics that we have used to begin our education steps, collect data, and implement it into our findings.

Strategy Chart

Goals	Audience	Strategy (SMART)	Tactics
Help Township residents impacted by SOI and other forms discrimination get justice	Cunningham Township Staff and Participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Educate and provide outside resource that help with housing discrimination to Cunningham Township Staff-Have staff attend HOPE Fair Housing Training-Connect staff with	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Create a Fair Housing contact at CTSOCreate local flyers to handout at the office and post on website with resources: General and SOIStaff meeting presentation about fair housing & campaign

		organizations that work against housing discrimination	<p>Share local Fair Housing fliers at Sat. Nov 18th and future events</p> <p>Build into Participant assessments –screening for housing discrimination and process to refer to FH contact</p> <p>Create google form on Cunningham Township website that can allow people to submit housing discrimination claims, and then they can be contacted for further information to see if it is something that HOPE or any other fair housing organization can be a part of</p> <p>Bus ad campaign to inform residents of the law and how to seek support</p>
Pressure City of Urbana officials to enforce existing housing discrimination ordinance esp. SOI	<p>Urbana City Officials:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - City council & Mayor - CAO - HRO Officer - Human Relations Commission 	-Attend public meetings to report on concerns about housing discrimination enforcement	<p>Issue FH survey to HACC residents who may have faced housing discrimination</p> <p>Offer to help those who report discrimination to file a complaint and/or speak to elected officials about it.</p> <p>After data gathering consider online petition to be signed by residents to show council members that the community cares about housing issues</p>
To pressure local landlords to comply with local and state SOI and fair housing policies	<p>Urbana landlords</p> <p>Central IL Property Professionals</p>	Appeal to landlords/ property managements by informing them on their rights and protections, as well as those of their tenants	<p>Partner with other organizations such as HACC to have events for landlords to be informed about housing laws and policies (what they are and are not allowed to do)</p> <p>For survey respondents who have experienced discrimination, help them</p>

			<p>submit complaints</p> <p>Ask the City of Urbana to include Fair Housing flier with rental registration or do a mailing to landlords.</p>
<p>To support state efforts implement the recent SOI law with effective enforcement at the state level</p>	<p>- IL Dept. of Human Rights via HOPE Fair Housing</p> <p><u>Secondary:</u></p> <p>- State Representative</p> <p>- State Senator</p>	<p>-Educating the staff at Cunningham Township about state housing laws</p> <p>-Have direct contact with HOPE Fair Housing to bring possible cases of housing discrimination to them</p>	<p>Join the Statewide Coalition</p> <p>Host events/workshops for residents and advocates</p>
<p>Build a Local Fair Housing Coalition</p>	<p>- Housing Authority of Champaign County</p> <p>-Champaign-Urbana Tenant Union</p> <p>- RPC (Champaign County Regional Planning Commission)</p> <p>- CSPH members</p> <p>- City staff & officials</p> <p>- Local experts (UIUC professional staff)</p> <p>- Those with lived experience</p>	<p>-Reach out to these different groups via mass email asking for their interest or support to create housing coalition</p> <p>-Conduct a meetings either in-person or over zoom to discuss possible roles for people and their organizations, and create goals of what we want the coalition to be</p>	<p>Host trainings by HOPE for coalition</p> <p>Help promote May 14, 2024 HOPE conference</p> <p>Be a presence of pressure on local government, landlords, and property management companies to comply with the law</p> <p>Invite coalition members to final report presentation.</p>

The approach that Cunningham Township wanted to facilitate was to find data in our community to find out what types of discrimination is taking place and who it is affecting. In part with that we have also created an advertisement campaign that can educate residents about discrimination and connect them with support such as HOPE Fair Housing. This approach was taken in order to get a baseline of what type of discrimination has been taking place. Sometimes residents either do not know they were discriminated against or they are afraid of retaliation from their landlords, and this survey can provide a way to get information from those who typically would not come forward. First, we created two surveys that were sent out in email to our clients. The first was just to find out if our clients were housing voucher holders or non-voucher holders, and the reasons they felt like they were denied housing. The questions were as follows:

Table 1.

Housing Discrimination Survey Part 1 Questions (Voucher Holders)	Housing Discrimination Survey Part 1 Questions (Non-Voucher Holders)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do you have a housing voucher or rent subsidy? <p>Has a landlord or property manager ever done the following (check all that apply)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Advertised or told you they do not take vouchers. - Refused to give you an application. - Not shown the housing you were interested in. - Denied your application because you used a voucher. - Denied your application because you do not make enough income. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> What is the approximate date it happened? What city did it happen in? What is the name of the landlord? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do you have a housing voucher or rent subsidy? Do you suspect you were discriminated in housing based on (pick all that apply) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Race/ethnicity/skin color (Black, Latino, Asian etc.) - Where you were born/Immigration status - Religion - Sex - Disability (physical or mental) - Personal Appearance - Familial status (If you are childless or single-parent, divorced, legal guardian etc.) - Ancestry - Age (40+) - Order of Protection Status (domestic abuse survivor etc.) - Whether You are Married or Single - Pregnancy - Sexual Orientation

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Gender Identity - Military status or Discharge Status - Source of Income - Political Affiliation (republican, democrat, libertarian etc.) - Prior Arrests or Criminal Record - Student Status (student or non-student) • What is the approximate date it happened? • What city did it happen in? • What is the name of the landlord?
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Table 2.

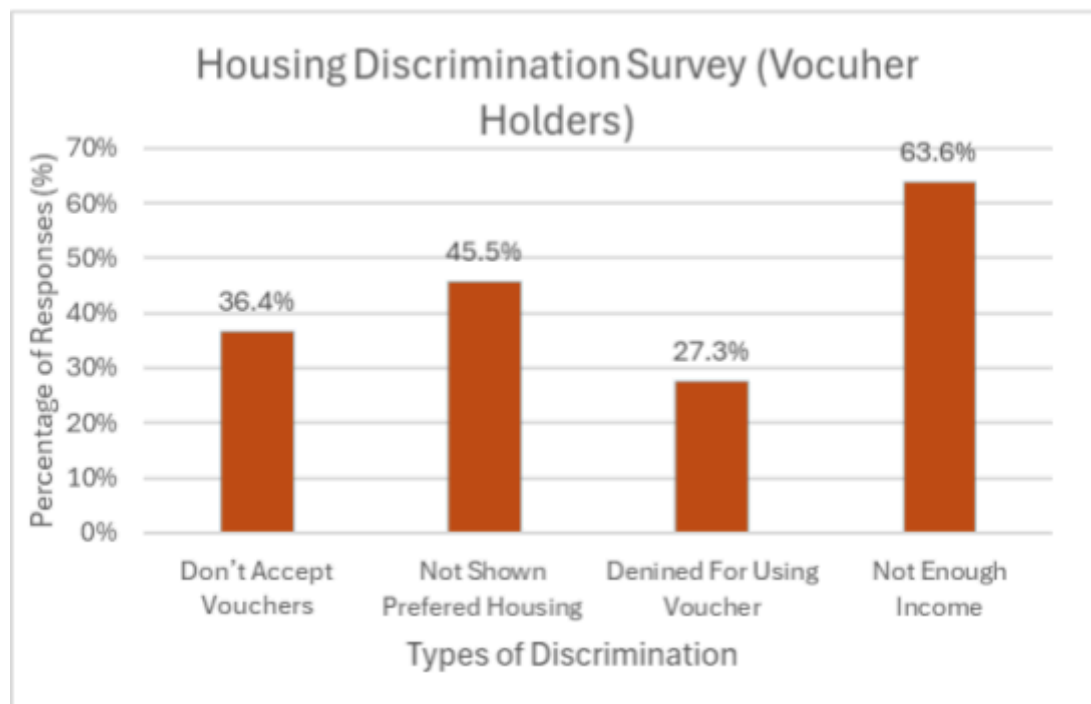
Housing Discrimination Survey Part 2 (Demographics)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is your age? • What is your race/ethnicity? • What is your type of employment? • What gender do you identify as? • Are you single or married? • Do you have any children? If so, how many? • What is your level of education? • What is your current income? • What was your income during the time you applied to this housing?

Survey Results

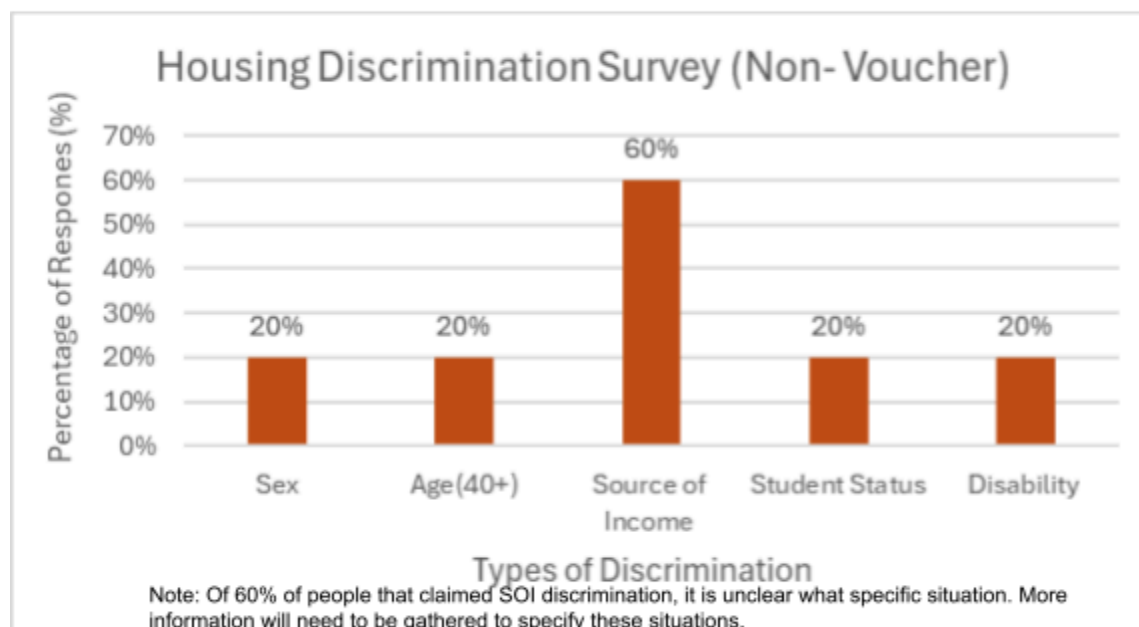
Housing Discrimination Survey Part 1:

- 21 total respondents
 - 11 voucher holders
 - 11 non-voucher holders
 - Top reasons voucher holders were denied:
 1. Denied application because didn't make enough income
 2. Not shown housing you were interested in
 3. Advertised or were told that they don't take Vouchers
 4. Denied for using voucher
 - Top reasons non-voucher holders were denied
 1. Source of income
 2. Sex, Disability, Student Status, and Age(40+) were all tied for second
- There were total listed 14 private landlords and property companies
4 were private landlords
10 were large property companies
Most of these cases took place in 2023 (11 total responses)
4 took place in 2022
3 took place in 2021
2 outlier cases in 2003 and 2010

Graph 4. Housing Discrimination Survey Part 1: Voucher Holders



Graph 5. Housing Discrimination Survey Part 1: Non-Voucher Holders



Housing Discrimination Survey Part 2:

- 7 total respondents
- All respondents identified as female
- 6 out of 7 respondents were single and 1 married
- 5 out of the 7 respondents had children
- 5 respondents identified racially as black while, 2 identified as white
- 4 respondents are employed (3 full-time and 1 part-time)
- 3 respondents were were unemployed
- 5 respondents only had a high school/ G.E.D. level of education
- 1 respondent had a two year/associate degree
- 1 respondent had a master's degree
- Ages of respondents varied, but all were above the age of 25 years old
- Current income for 5 respondents made between \$20,000- \$39,000 per year
- Current income for 1 respondent made between \$10,000- \$20,000 per year
- 1 respondent didn't have any income at the time of applying for housing
- At the time of applying for housing 2 respondents made between \$20,000- \$39,000 per year
- At the time of applying for housing 2 respondents made less than \$10,000 dollars per year
- At the time of applying for housing 1 respondent made more between \$40,000-\$50,000 per year

- At the time of applying for housing 1 respondent had no income
- 1 respondent did not remember their income at that time

For the respondents who answered both parts of the survey, the results were that they were primarily black women above the age of 25 years old, with at least one child or more. These women were also low-income, not making anymore than \$39,000 per year, which is less than the median income in Urbana (\$41,115) and used housing vouchers. Most of their levels of education did not exceed past high school/ G.E.D. level. The survey also showed that despite having a housing voucher or not, residents were still primarily discriminated against for their source of income. The property companies that HOPE are currently in a legal case also appeared in this survey for discriminatory practices.

After completing the survey, we sent residents with the information to contact the HOPE Fair Housing staff and the information to the Urbana Human Rights Commission for their fair housing concerns. When meeting with HOPE representatives, they reported back to us that our survey system is working because there have been people from Urbana that reached out to them through us. The survey will continue to be monitored to keep record of future housing rights violations that may occur in the future. Keeping record of these occurrences can show a consistent history of who is being affected, the type of discrimination, and which landlord may have practiced discriminatory actions. Cunningham Township has also implemented questions about housing discrimination in their client intake form as another way to keep record and connect residents with organizations such as HOPE whenever they are applying for services through CTSO.

Advertisement Campaign

To continue our fair housing campaign, I created fliers that explained information about housing rights and who to contact if your rights have been violated or if you need assistance with paying for and finding housing. The first flier that was developed was Figure 7 that explained specifically SOI discrimination and what renters should know and points of contact for support. SOI discrimination isn't a commonly known form of discrimination and the creation of a flier that explains this specific type of discrimination is one of our main focus areas.

Figure 7. General Discrimination Flier

Renter's Rights in Urbana: What YOU Need to Know

Your Rights Are Protected in Urbana by The Human Rights Ordinance Which Includes:

- Race
- Color
- Creed
- Class
- National origin
- Religion
- Sex
- Age
- Marital status
- Physical or mental disability
- Personal appearance
- Sexual orientation
- Family responsibilities
- Matriculation
- Political affiliation
- Prior arrest or conviction record
- Source of income
- Any other discrimination based upon categorizing or classifying a person rather than evaluating a person's unique qualifications.

Landlords Can NOT Charge a Rent Late Fee More than 5% of Monthly Rent

ONLY a Sheriff's Deputy with a Judge's Order Can Physically Make You Move from Your Home for Eviction

Resources to Help with Rent Payments

Cunningham Township Supervisor's Office
Phone Number: 217-384-4144
Email: info@ctso.org
Address: 205 West Green Street, Urbana, Illinois 61801
Apply Online: www.ctso.org

City of Champaign Township
53 E. Logan St. Champaign, IL 61820
217-403-6120
cutenantunion@gmail.com

Champaign County Regional Planning Commission
Phone Number: 217-328-3313
Address: 1776 E Washington St, Urbana, IL 61802

Legal Resources

HOPE Fair Housing
Phone Number: 630-690-6500
Email: info@hopefair.org
Address: 202 W Willow Ave Ste 203, Wheaton, IL 60187

CU Tenants Union
Phone Number: 217-352-6220
Email: cutenantunion@gmail.com
Address: 44 E Main St, Champaign, IL 61820


Land of Lincoln Legal Aid
Phone Number: 217-356-1351
Address: 302 North First St, Champaign, IL 61820

Office of Human Rights and Equity
Phone Number: 217-384-2455
Email: HRO@urbanaininois.us
Address: 400 S Vine St., Urbana, IL 61801

Details To Include in Housing Complaint

Collect as much information and record as many details as possible that will help in making a complaint. Make a record of when the incident took place and keep the related ad, email or text in a safe place. Include details like:

- the first and last name of the person you spoke to,
- the time and date of when it happened,
- the address of the housing you are trying to rent,
- details about what happened or was said.



The second flier Figure 8 explains the general housing rights that Urbana residents have and the points of contact for support. Providing residents the information about how they can file a complaint and who they can file it with, can give residents more encouragement to protect their rights, and it keeps record of those landlords that may be showing patterns of discrimination or going against the law. Both of these fliers include community and state organizations such as Cunningham Township, Champaign Township, HOPE Fair Housing, Land of Lincoln Legal Aid, Champaign Urbana Tenant Union, and Urbana Human Relations Commission to inform residents who to contact for housing and legal help. Cunningham Township has these fliers available in their office for clients to have access to and they will be passed out at community events and housing trainings and meetings.

Figure 8. Source of Income Informational Flier

KNOW YOUR RIGHTS:
ACCESS HOUSING FREE OF DISCRIMINATION



NEW PROTECTIONS FOR RENTERS

On January 1, 2023, source of income will be a protected class under the Illinois Human Rights Act. For renters, this means that any legal, verifiable source of income or housing assistance payment, must be treated the same by landlords as employment income. If you are denied housing or treated unfairly, you can seek legal help.

SOURCE OF INCOME PROTECTED:

Examples Include:

- Emergency Rental Assistance
- Housing Choice Vouchers
- Veteran's Benefits
- Homeless Prevention Programs
- Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
- Social Security Disability Insurance
- Child Support
- Alimony
- Temporary Assistance To Needy Families (TANF)

UNDER THE NEW LAW, LANDLORDS CANNOT:

- Advertise a preference for a certain type of income. For example, "must have proof of employment."
- Deny a certain type of income. "No Housing Choice Voucher or Sec. 8."
- Refuse to accept rental subsidies such as a Housing Choice Voucher program, or rental assistance.
- Refuse to complete voucher paperwork for assistance programs.
- Treat renters differently based on their source of income. For example, charging different rent amounts, security deposits, or other fees for renters who use housing subsidies.
- Impose different terms, conditions, privileges, or services because of how an individual or household pays for rent.

By Urbana law, your landlord cannot charge you more than 5% of your monthly rent in late fees.

REPORT DISCRIMINATION IF...

- Landlord requires proof of employment and refuses other sources of income.
- Your application is rejected/stalled once your source of income is known.
- Different fees/rent are required because of your source of your income.
- A landlord refuses to complete necessary paperwork or participate in an inspection for your rental subsidy to be approved.
- There is a policy requiring that voucher holders earn an income of 2-3 times the TOTAL rent, instead of 2-3 times the portion of rent that the tenant is responsible for.

DETAILS NEEDED:

Collect as much information and record as many details as possible that will help in making a complaint. Make a record of when the incident took place and keep the related ad, email or text in a safe place. Include details like:

- the first and last name of the person you spoke to,
- the time and date of when it happened,
- the address of the housing you are trying to rent,
- details about what happened or was said.

WHERE TO GET HELP:

<p>Cunningham Township 205 W Green St, Urbana, IL 61801 217-384-4144 info@ctso.org</p> <p>Land of Lincoln Legal Aid 302 N 1st St, Champaign, IL 61820 217-356-1351</p> <p>Champaign-Urbana Tenant Union 44 E Main St, Champaign, IL 61820 217-333-0112 cutenantunion@gmail.com</p>	<p>HOPE Fair Housing Center Actively investigating complaints 630-690-6500 info@hopefair.org</p> <p>Office of Human Rights and Equity 400 S Vine St., Urbana, IL 61801 217-384-2455 HRO@urbanaininois.us</p> <p>Champaign Human Relations Commission 205 W. Park Ave. Champaign, IL 61820 217-403-8830 EquityandEngagement@champaignil.gov</p>
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To continue to spread the information of housing rights, Cunningham and HOPE have decided to partner with the Champaign-Urbana Mass Transit District to advertise that SOI discrimination is illegal. The advertisement also includes information about how to contact Cunningham and HOPE, and a Q-R code to the housing discrimination survey run by Cunningham. We hope to have this advertisement for Champaign-Urbana MTD up as long as we can, so that it is able to be seen by as many people as possible.

Figure 9. Champaign-Urbana Mass Transit District Bus Advertisement

WE SAY **YES** TO HOUSING VOUCHERS!

SOURCE OF INCOME DISCRIMINATION IS ILLEGAL IN ILLINOIS



Please Report Discrimination To:

HOPE Fair Housing
630-690-6500
hopefair.org
info@hopefair.org



Cunningham Township
217-384-4144
ctso.org
info@csto.org



Future Education and Outreach

On March 22, 2024, Cunningham Township and HOPE Fair Housing had their first fair housing meeting that particularly focused on SOI discrimination. It was held at the Housing Authority Champaign County (HACC) and had members from community organizations such as the HACC, Champaign Township, Champaign County Regional Planning Commission, Champaign-Urbana Tenant Union, Salvation Army, local residents, and representation from property management companies such as Town and Country Apartments. This meeting was to inform different community organizations and members how SOI discrimination worked and the legal process for residents to take when they believe that they have been discriminated against for their SOI. At this meeting we also distributed the fliers that were produced to educate the community on the different types of discrimination that occurs. This meeting was the first stepping stone to building a fair housing coalition within Champaign County. With this development of a fair housing coalition we can extend it to other members in our community such as University of Illinois staff and students, legal services and lawyers, and residents that just want to get involved in supporting their community. As Cunningham further develops their relationship with HOPE, they can continue to host training and meetings supporting fair housing efforts in the community. HOPE Fair Housing and Cunningham Township have also started to recruit community members to become housing testers for landlords and property management companies in the area. These methods can help us gather information for possible cases of discrimination from landlords and property companies to have evidence to file a complaint with the city or state.

Recommendations

To continue to support fair housing efforts in Urbana, community organizations need to come together to bring ideas and resources to support the citizens they serve. There needs to be a continuation of educational outreach to tenants to know if they are being discriminated against and the proper ways to advocate for themselves and for landlords to know the law and be held liable if they are participating in discriminatory practices. This could be done by:

- Hosting events and information sessions targeting specifically tenants and specifically landlords, and possibly including some sort of incentive to get them to attend.
- Create more connections with the University of Illinois staff and students to get a wider range of people who may be interested in fair housing justice or may be experiencing discrimination of their own.
- Encourage city officials and the Human Relations Commission to be more proactive and involved with the rights and protections of its citizens and enforce the laws in the community, and to issue fines or legal ramifications to landlords if civil rights are violated.
- Support administering more housing vouchers, especially to those that have been historically been disenfranchised and allow them to live in areas where there is more access to resources and lower poverty rates.
- Cunningham Township and HOPE Fair Housing should continue their partnership to advocate and education residents about their housing rights.
- Implementing housing testers in the community to gauge what type of discrimination is taking place and to see who is being affected the most.
- Help bring racial equity and combat the injustices that minority communities have faced, due to the long history of racism in the United States.

These recommendations are ways we can support residents who need to support themselves and their families. It is important that we combat discrimination because everyone deserves the right to have housing opportunities in places where they can thrive and to right the wrongs of the past that continued to harm generations of citizens. Cunningham Township and HOPE Fair Housing can be an integral part in eliminating this issue from Urbana, and possibly even central Illinois as whole. Setting precedent for fighting against discrimination can encourage other communities to join along in the fight for housing rights.

Conclusion

The fight for fair housing and housing rights has a long journey ahead for bringing equity to those who still face the backlash of discriminatory practices that have been embedded into our society. There is still a lot of deep-rooted bias that prevents people from having access to opportunities that should be available to everyone, especially when it comes to housing. Minority communities in particular have dealt with this for decades and till this day are predominantly the ones who suffer the most. It takes a strong community effort to support and enforce laws that protect the rights of citizens and encourage them to learn about how they can advocate for themselves when faced with these issues. Housing is a human right, and everyone deserves a place to live that is safe and is good for their health and well-being. Residents, governing bodies at all levels, and other community support organizations are an integral part to achieving these goals and ensuring a future where discrimination is non-existent. The intervention of Cunningham Township and HOPE Fair Housing is needed in the community to help foster an environment that supports residents and gives them the knowledge about their rights as residents in the city of Urbana. It all begins with us. We as a community have to come together to see the future that we want and a future that we all deserve to live in.

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Income and Expenses by Division
April 2 through May 3, 2024

	Supervisor Unres... (Town Fund)	Assessor Unrestr... (Town Fund)	Total Town Fund	GA Fund	TOTAL
Ordinary Income/Expense					
Income					
4009 · TAXES					
4012 · PPRT - Personal Property Tax	2,202.66	0.00	2,202.66	2,202.66	4,405.32
Total 4009 · TAXES	2,202.66	0.00	2,202.66	2,202.66	4,405.32
4020 · GRANTS	0.00	0.00	0.00	178,559.20	178,559.20
4035 · DONATIONS AND GIFTS					
4038 · Angel Donor - Paypal	0.00	0.00	0.00	157.78	157.78
4039 · Angel Donor - Cash and Checks	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,550.00	2,550.00
Total 4035 · DONATIONS AND GIFTS	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,707.78	2,707.78
4050 · OTHER INCOME					
4040 · Misc Income	0.00	0.00	0.00	128.38	128.38
4041 · Interest Income	1,025.23	0.00	1,025.23	1,025.23	2,050.46
Total 4050 · OTHER INCOME	1,025.23	0.00	1,025.23	1,153.61	2,178.84
Total Income	3,227.89	0.00	3,227.89	184,623.25	187,851.14
Gross Profit	3,227.89	0.00	3,227.89	184,623.25	187,851.14
Expense					
6000 · SALARIES	10,192.62	19,620.00	29,812.62	32,900.93	62,713.55
6030 · PERSONNEL OTHER EXPENSES	3,296.58	3,888.16	7,184.74	11,060.91	18,245.65
6100 · ADMINISTRATION					
6110 · Training / Travel	20.90	3,860.72	3,881.62	20.00	3,901.62
6210 · Legal	591.67	591.67	1,183.34	591.66	1,775.00
6215 · Admin Services	20.00	259.55	279.55	240.00	519.55
6230 · Dues / Subscriptions	0.00	0.00	0.00	99.00	99.00
6240 · Computer Service/Software	233.20	385.60	618.80	457.18	1,075.98
6283 · Janitorial	500.00	400.00	900.00	500.00	1,400.00
6310 · Supplies	134.74	0.00	134.74	471.71	606.45
6340 · Postage	0.00	0.00	0.00	410.35	410.35
6350 · Printing / Publishing	97.27	0.00	97.27	97.28	194.55
6411 · Equipment Purchase	87.44	0.00	87.44	1,085.46	1,172.90
6420 · Bldg Repairs/Maintenance	80.00	0.00	80.00	4,876.80	4,956.80
6429 · Property Acquisition/Rent	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	1.00
6430 · Utilities	505.83	560.92	1,066.75	548.94	1,615.69
6520 · Vehicle Maintenance	150.00	0.00	150.00	289.35	439.35
6522 · Misc Expenses	61.28	0.00	61.28	61.30	122.58
Total 6100 · ADMINISTRATION	2,482.33	6,058.46	8,540.79	9,750.03	18,290.82
6700 · PROGRAMS					
6720 · General Assistance	0.00	0.00	0.00	39,123.05	39,123.05
6730 · Housing Assistance	0.00	0.00	0.00	42,209.75	42,209.75
6799 · Other Assistance					
6728 · Outside Services	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,761.76	5,761.76
6729 · Transportation Assistance	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,658.21	1,658.21
6736 · Homeless Supplies	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,456.87	1,456.87
6737 · Program Supplies - Other	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,669.52	4,669.52
6738 · Food Assistance	0.00	0.00	0.00	7,282.34	7,282.34
6739 · Program Utilities	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,869.27	1,869.27
6779 · Utility Assistance	0.00	0.00	0.00	17,177.54	17,177.54
6770 · Angel Donor Expenses	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,056.21	4,056.21
6778 · Solidarity Gardens	0.00	0.00	0.00	146.89	146.89
6795 · Intern/Volunteer Program	0.00	0.00	0.00	800.00	800.00
6797 · Event Expenses	794.17	0.00	794.17	138.83	933.00
6798 · Other Grants	905.05	0.00	905.05	0.00	905.05
Total 6799 · Other Assistance	1,699.22	0.00	1,699.22	45,017.44	46,716.66
Total 6700 · PROGRAMS	1,699.22	0.00	1,699.22	126,350.24	128,049.46
Total Expense	17,670.75	29,566.62	47,237.37	180,062.11	227,299.48
Net Ordinary Income	-14,442.86	-29,566.62	-44,009.48	4,561.14	-39,448.34
Net Income	-14,442.86	-29,566.62	-44,009.48	4,561.14	-39,448.34

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Date	Name	Memo	Paid Amount
Ordinary Income/Expense			
Income			
4009 · TAXES			
4012 · PPRT - Personal Property Tax			
04/08/2024	STATE OF ILLINOIS	Personal Property Tax March	2,202.66
04/08/2024	STATE OF ILLINOIS	Personal Property Tax March	2,202.66
Total 4012 · PPRT - Personal Property Tax			4,405.32
Total 4009 · TAXES			4,405.32
4020 · GRANTS			
04/04/2024	CITY OF URBANA	FY 23-24 SMASS Reimbursement Feb 24	8,160.00
04/04/2024	CITY OF URBANA	Urbana ARPA 2023 Q4	82,367.00
04/08/2024	STATE OF ILLINOIS	ESG Feb FY24	10,091.00
04/08/2024	STATE OF ILLINOIS	ESG Feb FY24	2,496.49
04/08/2024	STATE OF ILLINOIS	ESG Feb FY24	268.96
04/22/2024	CITY OF CHAMPAIGN	Reimbursement for Outreach Van	40,106.00
04/23/2024	CITY OF URBANA.	Urbana HHI 1/01/24 - 3/31/24	35,069.75
Total 4020 · GRANTS			178,559.20
4035 · DONATIONS AND GIFTS			
4038 · Angel Donor - Paypal			
04/11/2024	Aman Aulakh	Angel Donor Donation	100.00
04/11/2024	Brian Dunn	Angel Donor Donation	5.00
04/11/2024	Lauren Quinn	Angel Donor Donation	10.00
04/11/2024	Tom Ackerman	Angel Donor Donation	40.00
04/11/2024	Michael Feltes	Angel Donor Donation	10.00
04/11/2024	PAYPAL	PayPal Fees	-7.22
Total 4038 · Angel Donor - Paypal			157.78
4039 · Angel Donor - Cash and Checks			
04/02/2024	ANON - Whitney Street	Angel Fund Donation	50.00
04/22/2024	FIDELITY CHARITABLE	Angel Donor on behalf of Anon	2,500.00
Total 4039 · Angel Donor - Cash and Checks			2,550.00
Total 4035 · DONATIONS AND GIFTS			2,707.78
4050 · OTHER INCOME			
4040 · Misc Income			
04/04/2024	Supportive Housing Providers Assoc...	Participant travel to Peer Leadership Workshop by S...	128.38
Total 4040 · Misc Income			128.38
4041 · Interest Income			
04/30/2024	BUSEY BANK	Interest Income	1,025.23
04/30/2024	BUSEY BANK	Interest Income	1,025.23
Total 4041 · Interest Income			2,050.46
Total 4050 · OTHER INCOME			2,178.84
Total Income			187,851.14
Gross Profit			187,851.14
Expense			
6000 · SALARIES			
6010 · SUPERVISOR'S SALARY			
04/12/2024	DANIELLE L. CHYNOWETH	Direct Deposit	2,735.00
04/26/2024	DANIELLE L. CHYNOWETH	Direct Deposit	2,735.00
04/30/2024	DANIELLE L. CHYNOWETH	Class ETH Salary April	-2,735.00
Total 6010 · SUPERVISOR'S SALARY			2,735.00
6011 · ASSESSOR'S SALARY			
04/12/2024	Ivana Owona	Direct Deposit	2,735.00
04/26/2024	Ivana Owona	Direct Deposit	2,735.00

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	Total 6011 · ASSESSOR'S SALARY		5,470.00
	6012 · CLERK'S SALARY		
04/12/2024	DARCY SANDEFUR	Direct Deposit	144.46
04/26/2024	DARCY SANDEFUR	Direct Deposit	144.46
	Total 6012 · CLERK'S SALARY		288.92
	6013 · SALARIES - OTHERS		
04/12/2024	Jada Harris	Direct Deposit	1,675.00
04/12/2024	TANMAYSINGH R RAJPUT	Direct Deposit	2,100.00
04/12/2024	WAYNE T WILLIAMS	Direct Deposit	2,000.00
04/12/2024	William Harris	Direct Deposit	1,300.00
04/12/2024	Susan Davis	Direct Deposit	969.76
04/12/2024	Susan Davis	Direct Deposit	154.00
04/12/2024	Susan Davis	Direct Deposit	154.00
04/12/2024	Nicole Philyaw	Direct Deposit	2,093.53
04/12/2024	Nicole Philyaw	Direct Deposit	216.47
04/12/2024	Sophie Kish	Direct Deposit	951.94
04/12/2024	Jenny Goodwine	Direct Deposit	1,082.13
04/12/2024	Jenny Goodwine	Direct Deposit	73.50
04/12/2024	JEN STRAUB	Direct Deposit	852.06
04/12/2024	JEN STRAUB	Direct Deposit	132.00
04/12/2024	Destiny Coffey	Direct Deposit	134.94
04/12/2024	Ryan Donaldson	Direct Deposit	1,337.60
04/12/2024	Ryan Donaldson	Direct Deposit	154.00
04/12/2024	Ryan Donaldson	Direct Deposit	77.00
04/12/2024	LILYIA GARCIA	Direct Deposit	1,674.50
04/12/2024	LILYIA GARCIA	Direct Deposit	175.00
04/12/2024	MARTEL MILLER	Direct Deposit	1,477.74
04/12/2024	MARTEL MILLER	Direct Deposit	154.00
04/12/2024	ELIZABETH PERRACHIONE	Direct Deposit	1,168.67
04/12/2024	ELIZABETH PERRACHIONE	Direct Deposit	267.31
04/12/2024	ELIZABETH PERRACHIONE	Direct Deposit	159.25
04/12/2024	Ioline Regibeau	Direct Deposit	1,093.68
04/12/2024	Ioline Regibeau	Direct Deposit	161.54
04/12/2024	Ioline Regibeau	Direct Deposit	43.46
04/12/2024	Ioline Regibeau	Direct Deposit	143.50
04/12/2024	SHAYA . ROBINSON	Direct Deposit	1,254.66
04/12/2024	SHAYA . ROBINSON	Direct Deposit	154.00
04/12/2024	SHAYA . ROBINSON	Direct Deposit	154.00
04/12/2024	Brittany Tuten	Direct Deposit	1,304.73
04/12/2024	Brittany Tuten	Direct Deposit	42.63
04/12/2024	Brittany Tuten	Direct Deposit	147.00
04/26/2024	Jada Harris	Direct Deposit	1,675.00
04/26/2024	TANMAYSINGH R RAJPUT	Direct Deposit	2,100.00
04/26/2024	WAYNE T WILLIAMS	Direct Deposit	2,000.00
04/26/2024	William Harris	Direct Deposit	1,300.00
04/26/2024	Jenny Goodwine	Direct Deposit	1,225.35
04/26/2024	JEN STRAUB	Direct Deposit	680.90
04/26/2024	JEN STRAUB	Direct Deposit	396.00
04/26/2024	Destiny Coffey	Direct Deposit	959.99
04/26/2024	Ryan Donaldson	Direct Deposit	1,555.40
04/26/2024	Ryan Donaldson	Direct Deposit	11.00
04/26/2024	LILYIA GARCIA	Direct Deposit	1,781.75
04/26/2024	LILYIA GARCIA	Direct Deposit	43.75
04/26/2024	Sophie Kish	Direct Deposit	1,353.75
04/26/2024	MARTEL MILLER	Direct Deposit	1,712.26
04/26/2024	ELIZABETH PERRACHIONE	Direct Deposit	1,569.75
04/26/2024	ELIZABETH PERRACHIONE	Direct Deposit	22.75
04/26/2024	Ioline Regibeau	Direct Deposit	1,469.85
04/26/2024	SHAYA . ROBINSON	Direct Deposit	1,541.54
04/26/2024	Brittany Tuten	Direct Deposit	1,471.05
04/26/2024	Susan Davis	Direct Deposit	1,270.94
04/26/2024	Nicole Philyaw	Direct Deposit	2,092.28
04/26/2024	Nicole Philyaw	Direct Deposit	217.72
04/30/2024	Ioline Regibeau	Class April ESG Salary	-268.96
04/30/2024	Ioline Regibeau	Class April ESG Salary	268.96
04/30/2024	MARTEL MILLER	Class April ESG Salary	-2,306.00

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04/30/2024	MARTEL MILLER	Class April ESG Salary	2,306.00
04/30/2024	JEN STRAUB	Class April ESG Salary	-1,514.00
04/30/2024	JEN STRAUB	Class April ESG Salary	1,514.00
04/30/2024	MARTEL MILLER	Class ETH Salary April	-1,038.00
04/30/2024	MARTEL MILLER	Class ETH Salary April	1,038.00
04/30/2024	JEN STRAUB	Class ETH Salary April	-546.96
04/30/2024	JEN STRAUB	Class ETH Salary March	546.96
04/30/2024	LILYIA GARCIA	Class April U HHI Salary	-119.28
04/30/2024	LILYIA GARCIA	Class April U HHI Salary	119.28
04/30/2024	DANIELLE L. CHYNOWETH	Class ETH Salary April	2,735.00
04/30/2024	Ioline Regibeau	Class ETH Salary April	-2,329.62
04/30/2024	Ioline Regibeau	Class ETH Salary April	2,329.62
Total 6013 · SALARIES - OTHERS			54,219.63
Total 6000 · SALARIES			62,713.55
6030 · PERSONNEL OTHER EXPENSES			
6009 · PAYROLL EXPENSES			
04/11/2024	QuickBooks Payroll Service	Fee for 5 direct deposit(s) at \$4.00 each	20.00
04/11/2024	QuickBooks Payroll Service	Fee for 1 direct deposit(s) at \$1.75 each	1.75
04/11/2024	QuickBooks Payroll Service	Fee for 4 direct deposit(s) at \$4.00 each	16.00
04/11/2024	QuickBooks Payroll Service	Fee for 13 direct deposit(s) at \$4.00 each	52.00
04/26/2024	QuickBooks Payroll Service	Fee for 5 direct deposit(s) at \$4.00 each	20.00
04/26/2024	QuickBooks Payroll Service	Fee for 13 direct deposit(s) at \$4.00 each	52.00
04/26/2024	QuickBooks Payroll Service	Fee for 4 direct deposit(s) at \$4.00 each	16.00
04/26/2024	QuickBooks Payroll Service	Fee for 1 direct deposit(s) at \$1.75 each	1.75
Total 6009 · PAYROLL EXPENSES			179.50
6040 · HEALTH INSURANCE			
04/12/2024	Ivana Owona	Direct Deposit	323.69
04/12/2024	Jada Harris	Direct Deposit	322.40
04/12/2024	TANMAYSINGH R RAJPUT	Direct Deposit	365.93
04/12/2024	DANIELLE L. CHYNOWETH	Direct Deposit	846.69
04/12/2024	Nicole Philyaw	Direct Deposit	657.70
04/12/2024	Destiny Coffey	Direct Deposit	349.95
04/12/2024	Ryan Donaldson	Direct Deposit	395.98
04/12/2024	LILYIA GARCIA	Direct Deposit	329.66
04/12/2024	MARTEL MILLER	Direct Deposit	926.26
04/12/2024	Ioline Regibeau	Direct Deposit	329.66
04/12/2024	SHAYA . ROBINSON	Direct Deposit	393.41
04/12/2024	Brittany Tuten	Direct Deposit	322.40
04/25/2024	Flexible Benefit Service	Health Insurance Admin Fees	13.33
04/25/2024	Flexible Benefit Service	Health Insurance Admin Fees	13.33
04/25/2024	Flexible Benefit Service	Health Insurance Admin Fees	13.34
04/26/2024	Ivana Owona	Direct Deposit	323.69
04/26/2024	Jada Harris	Direct Deposit	322.40
04/26/2024	TANMAYSINGH R RAJPUT	Direct Deposit	365.92
04/26/2024	Destiny Coffey	Direct Deposit	349.94
04/26/2024	Ryan Donaldson	Direct Deposit	395.98
04/26/2024	LILYIA GARCIA	Direct Deposit	329.66
04/26/2024	MARTEL MILLER	Direct Deposit	926.25
04/26/2024	Ioline Regibeau	Direct Deposit	329.66
04/26/2024	SHAYA . ROBINSON	Direct Deposit	393.40
04/26/2024	Brittany Tuten	Direct Deposit	322.40
04/26/2024	DANIELLE L. CHYNOWETH	Direct Deposit	846.69
04/26/2024	Nicole Philyaw	Direct Deposit	657.69
04/30/2024	DANIELLE L. CHYNOWETH	Class ETH Fringe April	-846.69
04/30/2024	DANIELLE L. CHYNOWETH	Class ETH Fringe April	846.69
04/30/2024	Ioline Regibeau	Class ETH Fringe April	-527.46
04/30/2024	Ioline Regibeau	Class ETH Fringe April	527.46
Total 6040 · HEALTH INSURANCE			11,167.41
6050 · IMRF			
04/12/2024	Ivana Owona	Direct Deposit	46.50
04/12/2024	Jada Harris	Direct Deposit	28.48
04/12/2024	TANMAYSINGH R RAJPUT	Direct Deposit	35.70

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Date	Name	Memo	Paid Amount
04/12/2024	WAYNE T WILLIAMS	Direct Deposit	34.00
04/12/2024	DANIELLE L. CHYNOWETH	Direct Deposit	46.50
04/12/2024	Susan Davis	Direct Deposit	21.72
04/12/2024	Nicole Philyaw	Direct Deposit	39.27
04/12/2024	Jenny Goodwine	Direct Deposit	19.65
04/12/2024	JEN STRAUB	Direct Deposit	16.73
04/12/2024	Destiny Coffey	Direct Deposit	2.29
04/12/2024	Ryan Donaldson	Direct Deposit	26.67
04/12/2024	LILYIA GARCIA	Direct Deposit	31.44
04/12/2024	MARTEL MILLER	Direct Deposit	27.74
04/12/2024	ELIZABETH PERRACHIONE	Direct Deposit	27.12
04/12/2024	Ioline Regibeau	Direct Deposit	24.52
04/12/2024	SHAYA . ROBINSON	Direct Deposit	26.57
04/12/2024	Brittany Tuten	Direct Deposit	25.40
04/26/2024	Ivana Owona	Direct Deposit	46.50
04/26/2024	Jada Harris	Direct Deposit	28.48
04/26/2024	TANMAYSINGH R RAJPUT	Direct Deposit	35.70
04/26/2024	WAYNE T WILLIAMS	Direct Deposit	34.00
04/26/2024	Jenny Goodwine	Direct Deposit	20.83
04/26/2024	JEN STRAUB	Direct Deposit	18.31
04/26/2024	Destiny Coffey	Direct Deposit	16.32
04/26/2024	Ryan Donaldson	Direct Deposit	26.63
04/26/2024	LILYIA GARCIA	Direct Deposit	31.03
04/26/2024	MARTEL MILLER	Direct Deposit	29.11
04/26/2024	ELIZABETH PERRACHIONE	Direct Deposit	27.07
04/26/2024	Ioline Regibeau	Direct Deposit	24.99
04/26/2024	SHAYA . ROBINSON	Direct Deposit	26.21
04/26/2024	Brittany Tuten	Direct Deposit	25.01
04/26/2024	DANIELLE L. CHYNOWETH	Direct Deposit	46.50
04/26/2024	Susan Davis	Direct Deposit	21.61
04/26/2024	Nicole Philyaw	Direct Deposit	39.27
04/30/2024	DANIELLE L. CHYNOWETH	Class ETH Fringe April	-46.50
04/30/2024	DANIELLE L. CHYNOWETH	Class ETH Fringe April	46.50
04/30/2024	Ioline Regibeau	Class ETH Fringe April	-39.61
04/30/2024	Ioline Regibeau	Class ETH Fringe April	39.61
Total 6050 · IMRF			977.87
6060 · FICA			
04/12/2024	Ivana Owona	Direct Deposit	168.41
04/12/2024	Ivana Owona	Direct Deposit	39.38
04/12/2024	Jada Harris	Direct Deposit	102.69
04/12/2024	Jada Harris	Direct Deposit	24.01
04/12/2024	TANMAYSINGH R RAJPUT	Direct Deposit	130.20
04/12/2024	TANMAYSINGH R RAJPUT	Direct Deposit	30.45
04/12/2024	WAYNE T WILLIAMS	Direct Deposit	114.57
04/12/2024	WAYNE T WILLIAMS	Direct Deposit	26.80
04/12/2024	William Harris	Direct Deposit	80.60
04/12/2024	William Harris	Direct Deposit	18.85
04/12/2024	DANIELLE L. CHYNOWETH	Direct Deposit	161.75
04/12/2024	DANIELLE L. CHYNOWETH	Direct Deposit	37.83
04/12/2024	DARCY SANDEFUR	Direct Deposit	8.95
04/12/2024	DARCY SANDEFUR	Direct Deposit	2.10
04/12/2024	Susan Davis	Direct Deposit	86.97
04/12/2024	Susan Davis	Direct Deposit	20.34
04/12/2024	Nicole Philyaw	Direct Deposit	139.47
04/12/2024	Nicole Philyaw	Direct Deposit	32.62
04/12/2024	Caelin Marie Muniz	Direct Deposit	12.40
04/12/2024	Caelin Marie Muniz	Direct Deposit	2.90
04/12/2024	Ethan Garcia	Direct Deposit	12.40
04/12/2024	Ethan Garcia	Direct Deposit	2.90
04/12/2024	Sophie Kish	Direct Deposit	59.02
04/12/2024	Sophie Kish	Direct Deposit	13.80
04/12/2024	Jenny Goodwine	Direct Deposit	82.50
04/12/2024	Jenny Goodwine	Direct Deposit	19.30
04/12/2024	JEN STRAUB	Direct Deposit	61.01
04/12/2024	JEN STRAUB	Direct Deposit	14.27
04/12/2024	Destiny Coffey	Direct Deposit	22.41
04/12/2024	Destiny Coffey	Direct Deposit	5.24

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Date	Name	Memo	Paid Amount
04/12/2024	Ryan Donaldson	Direct Deposit	96.09
04/12/2024	Ryan Donaldson	Direct Deposit	22.48
04/12/2024	LILYIA GARCIA	Direct Deposit	126.30
04/12/2024	LILYIA GARCIA	Direct Deposit	29.53
04/12/2024	MARTEL MILLER	Direct Deposit	98.07
04/12/2024	MARTEL MILLER	Direct Deposit	22.93
04/12/2024	ELIZABETH PERRACHIONE	Direct Deposit	98.91
04/12/2024	ELIZABETH PERRACHIONE	Direct Deposit	23.13
04/12/2024	Ioline Regibeau	Direct Deposit	99.04
04/12/2024	Ioline Regibeau	Direct Deposit	23.16
04/12/2024	SHAYA . ROBINSON	Direct Deposit	94.43
04/12/2024	SHAYA . ROBINSON	Direct Deposit	22.08
04/12/2024	Brittany Tuten	Direct Deposit	84.06
04/12/2024	Brittany Tuten	Direct Deposit	19.66
04/26/2024	Ivana Owona	Direct Deposit	168.40
04/26/2024	Ivana Owona	Direct Deposit	39.39
04/26/2024	Jada Harris	Direct Deposit	102.68
04/26/2024	Jada Harris	Direct Deposit	24.02
04/26/2024	TANMAYSINGH R RAJPUT	Direct Deposit	130.20
04/26/2024	TANMAYSINGH R RAJPUT	Direct Deposit	30.45
04/26/2024	WAYNE T WILLIAMS	Direct Deposit	114.57
04/26/2024	WAYNE T WILLIAMS	Direct Deposit	26.79
04/26/2024	William Harris	Direct Deposit	80.60
04/26/2024	William Harris	Direct Deposit	18.85
04/26/2024	Caelin Marie Muniz	Direct Deposit	12.40
04/26/2024	Caelin Marie Muniz	Direct Deposit	2.90
04/26/2024	Ethan Garcia	Direct Deposit	12.40
04/26/2024	Ethan Garcia	Direct Deposit	2.90
04/26/2024	Jenny Goodwine	Direct Deposit	75.97
04/26/2024	Jenny Goodwine	Direct Deposit	17.76
04/26/2024	JEN STRAUB	Direct Deposit	66.77
04/26/2024	JEN STRAUB	Direct Deposit	15.61
04/26/2024	Destiny Coffey	Direct Deposit	58.68
04/26/2024	Destiny Coffey	Direct Deposit	13.72
04/26/2024	Ryan Donaldson	Direct Deposit	95.98
04/26/2024	Ryan Donaldson	Direct Deposit	22.45
04/26/2024	LILYIA GARCIA	Direct Deposit	110.79
04/26/2024	LILYIA GARCIA	Direct Deposit	25.92
04/26/2024	Sophie Kish	Direct Deposit	83.93
04/26/2024	Sophie Kish	Direct Deposit	19.63
04/26/2024	MARTEL MILLER	Direct Deposit	103.06
04/26/2024	MARTEL MILLER	Direct Deposit	24.11
04/26/2024	ELIZABETH PERRACHIONE	Direct Deposit	98.73
04/26/2024	ELIZABETH PERRACHIONE	Direct Deposit	23.09
04/26/2024	Ioline Regibeau	Direct Deposit	85.25
04/26/2024	Ioline Regibeau	Direct Deposit	19.94
04/26/2024	SHAYA . ROBINSON	Direct Deposit	93.12
04/26/2024	SHAYA . ROBINSON	Direct Deposit	21.78
04/26/2024	Brittany Tuten	Direct Deposit	82.61
04/26/2024	Brittany Tuten	Direct Deposit	19.32
04/26/2024	DANIELLE L. CHYNOWETH	Direct Deposit	161.76
04/26/2024	DANIELLE L. CHYNOWETH	Direct Deposit	37.83
04/26/2024	DARCY SANDEFUR	Direct Deposit	8.96
04/26/2024	DARCY SANDEFUR	Direct Deposit	2.09
04/26/2024	Susan Davis	Direct Deposit	78.80
04/26/2024	Susan Davis	Direct Deposit	18.43
04/26/2024	Nicole Philyaw	Direct Deposit	139.47
04/26/2024	Nicole Philyaw	Direct Deposit	32.62
04/30/2024	DANIELLE L. CHYNOWETH	Class ETH Fringe April	-199.59
04/30/2024	DANIELLE L. CHYNOWETH	Class ETH Fringe April	199.59
04/30/2024	Ioline Regibeau	Class ETH Fringe April	-181.91
04/30/2024	Ioline Regibeau	Class ETH Fringe April	181.91
Total 6060 · FICA			4,818.74
6070 · UNEMPLOYMENT COMP INS			
04/12/2024	Jada Harris	Direct Deposit	15.73
04/12/2024	WAYNE T WILLIAMS	Direct Deposit	6.04
04/12/2024	William Harris	Direct Deposit	12.35

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04/12/2024	Susan Davis	Direct Deposit	13.33
04/12/2024	Caelin Marie Muniz	Direct Deposit	1.90
04/12/2024	Ethan Garcia	Direct Deposit	1.90
04/12/2024	Sophie Kish	Direct Deposit	9.04
04/12/2024	Jenny Goodwine	Direct Deposit	12.64
04/12/2024	JEN STRAUB	Direct Deposit	9.35
04/12/2024	Destiny Coffey	Direct Deposit	3.43
04/12/2024	Ryan Donaldson	Direct Deposit	14.72
04/12/2024	LILYIA GARCIA	Direct Deposit	19.35
04/12/2024	MARTEL MILLER	Direct Deposit	15.02
04/12/2024	ELIZABETH PERRACHIONE	Direct Deposit	15.16
04/12/2024	Ioline Regibeau	Direct Deposit	15.18
04/12/2024	SHAYA . ROBINSON	Direct Deposit	14.47
04/12/2024	Brittany Tuten	Direct Deposit	12.88
04/26/2024	Jada Harris	Direct Deposit	3.05
04/26/2024	WAYNE T WILLIAMS	Direct Deposit	0.01
04/26/2024	William Harris	Direct Deposit	12.35
04/26/2024	Caelin Marie Muniz	Direct Deposit	1.90
04/26/2024	Ethan Garcia	Direct Deposit	1.90
04/26/2024	Jenny Goodwine	Direct Deposit	11.65
04/26/2024	JEN STRAUB	Direct Deposit	10.23
04/26/2024	Destiny Coffey	Direct Deposit	8.99
04/26/2024	Ryan Donaldson	Direct Deposit	12.00
04/26/2024	LILYIA GARCIA	Direct Deposit	0.42
04/26/2024	Sophie Kish	Direct Deposit	12.86
04/26/2024	MARTEL MILLER	Direct Deposit	9.06
04/26/2024	ELIZABETH PERRACHIONE	Direct Deposit	7.87
04/26/2024	Ioline Regibeau	Direct Deposit	13.06
04/26/2024	SHAYA . ROBINSON	Direct Deposit	13.44
04/26/2024	Brittany Tuten	Direct Deposit	12.65
04/26/2024	Susan Davis	Direct Deposit	12.07
04/30/2024	Ioline Regibeau	Class ETH Fringe April	-22.62
04/30/2024	Ioline Regibeau	Class ETH Fringe April	22.62
Total 6070 · UNEMPLOYMENT COMP INS			336.00
6080 · EMPLOYEE WELLNESS FUND			
04/12/2024	Susan Davis	Direct Deposit	125.00
04/12/2024	Jenny Goodwine	Direct Deposit	175.00
04/12/2024	Destiny Coffey	Direct Deposit	240.00
04/12/2024	LILYIA GARCIA	Direct Deposit	226.13
04/12/2024	Ioline Regibeau	Direct Deposit	250.00
04/12/2024	Brittany Tuten	Direct Deposit	-125.00
04/26/2024	Brittany Tuten	Direct Deposit	-125.00
Total 6080 · EMPLOYEE WELLNESS FUND			766.13
Total 6030 · PERSONNEL OTHER EXPENSES			18,245.65
6100 · ADMINISTRATION			
6110 · Training / Travel			
04/04/2024	ILLINOIS PROPERTY ASSESSME...	Online Training Exam - Jada	50.00
04/11/2024	SUSAN DAVIS.	Reimburse Mileage	20.90
04/15/2024	MARRIOTT	IPAI Annual Conference Normal IL - Jada	599.20
04/15/2024	MARRIOTT	IPAI Annual Conference Normal IL - Ivana	599.20
04/16/2024	INSTITUTE FOR BRAIN POTENTIAL	Social Work book	20.00
04/19/2024	IAAO	IAOO Annual Conference - I Owona	925.00
04/22/2024	IAAO	IAOO Annual Conference - T Rajput	895.00
04/25/2024	IVANA OWONA.	Reimburse IPAI Mileage & Per Diem	396.16
04/25/2024	JADA HARRIS.	Reimburse IPAI Mileage & Per Diem	396.16
Total 6110 · Training / Travel			3,901.62
6210 · Legal			
04/04/2024	GROSSER, FREDERIC - ADDL	ProService- Addl Hours 2024 Mar	141.67
04/04/2024	GROSSER, FREDERIC - ADDL	ProService- Addl Hours 2024 Mar	141.66
04/04/2024	GROSSER, FREDERIC - ADDL	ProService- Addl Hours 2024 Mar	141.67
04/04/2024	GROSSER, FREDERIC - REG	ProService- Base Hours 2024 March	450.00
04/04/2024	GROSSER, FREDERIC - REG	ProService- Base Hours 2024 March	450.00

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04/04/2024	GROSSER, FREDERIC - REG	ProService- Base Hours 2024 March	450.00
	Total 6210 · Legal		1,775.00
	6215 · Admin Services		
04/02/2024	INDEED	Job listing	120.00
04/10/2024	Dropbox Sign - hellosign	signature software	20.00
04/15/2024	BUSEY BANK	Positive Pay Fee	20.00
04/15/2024	BUSEY BANK	Positive Pay Fee	20.00
04/15/2024	BUSEY BANK	Stop pay Fees	80.00
04/24/2024	CHAMPAIGN CO GIS CONSORTIUM	Annual GIS Data Download	259.55
	Total 6215 · Admin Services		519.55
	6230 · Dues / Subscriptions		
04/17/2024	Instacart	Annual Membership Dues	99.00
	Total 6230 · Dues / Subscriptions		99.00
	6240 · Computer Service/Software		
04/02/2024	INTUIT	Quickbooks Time	10.00
04/02/2024	INTUIT	Quickbooks Time	122.00
04/02/2024	GOOGLE	Google Workspace	172.80
04/05/2024	Built for Teams	Time-keeping software	40.00
04/18/2024	Microsoft	MSFT 365	34.07
04/18/2024	Microsoft	MSFT 365	34.06
04/19/2024	Microsoft	MSFT 365	60.00
04/19/2024	Microsoft	MSFT 365	60.00
04/24/2024	Mailchimp	Email Platform Subscription	19.13
04/24/2024	Mailchimp	Email Platform Subscription	19.12
05/02/2024	INTUIT	Quickbooks Time	10.00
05/02/2024	INTUIT	Quickbooks Time	122.00
05/02/2024	MICRO SYSTEMS INT	Monthly Support Apr	100.00
05/02/2024	MICRO SYSTEMS INT	Monthly Support Apr	100.00
05/02/2024	GOOGLE	Google Workspace	172.80
	Total 6240 · Computer Service/Software		1,075.98
	6283 · Janitorial		
04/11/2024	JJB Cleaning LLC	Office Cleaning	250.00
04/11/2024	JJB Cleaning LLC	Office Cleaning	250.00
04/11/2024	JJB Cleaning LLC	Office Cleaning	200.00
05/02/2024	JJB Cleaning LLC	Office Cleaning	250.00
05/02/2024	JJB Cleaning LLC	Office Cleaning	250.00
05/02/2024	JJB Cleaning LLC	Office Cleaning	200.00
	Total 6283 · Janitorial		1,400.00
	6310 · Supplies		
04/02/2024	Chemical Maintenance Inc	Office Supplies	69.48
04/03/2024	Amazon	Office Supplies	2.99
04/03/2024	Amazon	Office Supplies	2.99
04/04/2024	Amazon	Office Supplies	60.10
04/04/2024	Amazon	Office Supplies	66.45
04/05/2024	Instacart	Supplies	19.58
04/05/2024	Instacart	Supplies	19.57
04/09/2024	WALMART	Supplies - Staff	37.40
04/15/2024	Amazon	Office Supplies	49.89
04/15/2024	LOWES	Supplies - Facilities	22.28
04/15/2024	STAPLES	Office Supplies	153.86
04/22/2024	LOWES	Supplies	16.48
04/25/2024	MINUTEMAN PRESS	Business Card & Name Tag	24.15
04/25/2024	MINUTEMAN PRESS	Business Card & Name Tag	24.15
05/01/2024	Instacart	Supplies	18.54
05/01/2024	Instacart	Supplies	18.54
	Total 6310 · Supplies		606.45
	6340 · Postage		
04/12/2024	USPS	Stamps	410.35

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Date	Name	Memo	Paid Amount
	Total 6340 · Postage		410.35
	6350 · Printing / Publishing		
04/04/2024	Watts Copy Systems	Printing charges	53.62
04/04/2024	Watts Copy Systems	Printing charges	53.61
05/02/2024	Watts Copy Systems	Printing charges	43.66
05/02/2024	Watts Copy Systems	Printing charges	43.66
	Total 6350 · Printing / Publishing		194.55
	6411 · Equipment Purchase		
04/04/2024	Watts Copy Systems	Copier lease	43.73
04/04/2024	Watts Copy Systems	Copier lease	43.72
04/26/2024	SAMS CLUB #8197	Equipment - Ice Maker	998.00
05/02/2024	Watts Copy Systems	Copier lease	43.73
05/02/2024	Watts Copy Systems	Copier lease	43.72
	Total 6411 · Equipment Purchase		1,172.90
	6420 · Bldg Repairs/Maintenance		
	6421 · Bldg Repairs / Maint		
04/04/2024	Reliable Plumbing & Heating	206 Boiler repairs	375.00
04/11/2024	JJB Cleaning LLC	ETH Apartment Cleaning x 2	120.00
04/25/2024	Budget Blinds of Champaign	Family Housing - Replacement Blinds	3,138.80
04/25/2024	Budget Blinds of Champaign	Family Housing - Replacement Blinds	838.00
04/26/2024	AMERICAN PEST CONTROL INC.	Pest Control Service Feb	15.00
04/26/2024	AMERICAN PEST CONTROL INC.	Pest Control Service Feb	15.00
04/26/2024	AMERICAN PEST CONTROL INC.	Pest Control Service April	15.00
04/26/2024	AMERICAN PEST CONTROL INC.	Pest Control Service April	15.00
05/02/2024	ALEX LANDSCAPING	Lawn Care - EH	100.00
05/02/2024	ALEX LANDSCAPING	Lawn Care - CTSO	50.00
05/02/2024	ALEX LANDSCAPING	Lawn Care - CTSO	50.00
05/02/2024	ALEX LANDSCAPING	Lawn Care - Wood St	100.00
05/02/2024	ALEX LANDSCAPING	Garbage Pick-up	125.00
	Total 6421 · Bldg Repairs / Maint		4,956.80
	Total 6420 · Bldg Repairs/Maintenance		4,956.80
	6429 · Property Acquisition/Rent		
05/02/2024	CITY OF URBANA	Wood St Property lease 2024-2025	1.00
	Total 6429 · Property Acquisition/Rent		1.00
	6430 · Utilities		
04/08/2024	TING	Case manager phone	25.10
04/13/2024	I3 Broadband	Internet	72.47
04/13/2024	I3 Broadband	Internet	72.47
04/15/2024	IL AMERICAN WATER CO	CTSO Water	21.41
04/15/2024	IL AMERICAN WATER CO	CTSO Water	21.41
04/18/2024	DALE LEVITT DISPOSAL	Trash service May - Jul	75.00
04/18/2024	DALE LEVITT DISPOSAL	Trash service May - Jul	75.00
04/18/2024	The New Lincoln Square LLC	Utilities Assessor's office Nov - Feb	372.79
04/22/2024	AMEREN ILLINOIS	205 W Green	188.12
04/22/2024	AMEREN ILLINOIS	205 W Green	188.12
04/22/2024	IL AMERICAN WATER CO	CTSO Water	20.67
04/22/2024	IL AMERICAN WATER CO	CTSO Water	20.66
05/01/2024	Fax.Plus	Fax Service	17.99
05/01/2024	VOLO	Internet	59.95
05/03/2024	OOMA INC	Phone Service	128.17
05/03/2024	OOMA INC	Phone Service	128.18
05/03/2024	OOMA INC	Phone Service	128.18
	Total 6430 · Utilities		1,615.69
	6520 · Vehicle Maintenance		
04/05/2024	Speed Lube	Oil change Street Outreach car	117.35
04/15/2024	SAMS CLUB #8197	Fuel for Street Outreach Car	56.02
04/18/2024	ILLINOIS SECRETARY OF STATE	License Plate for Toyota Sienna	8.00
04/18/2024	CIRCLE K	Fuel for Street Outreach Car	32.98

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Date	Name	Memo	Paid Amount
04/23/2024	Above & Beyond Detailing	Township Vehicle Maintenance	150.00
04/25/2024	SAMS CLUB #8197	Fuel for Street Outreach Car	50.00
05/02/2024	MARTEL MILLER.	Reimbursement - Tire Repair on Van	25.00
Total 6520 · Vehicle Maintenance			439.35
6522 · Misc Expenses			
04/06/2024	Hinckley Springs	Water Cooler	26.05
04/06/2024	Hinckley Springs	Water Cooler	26.04
04/30/2024	Hinckley Springs	Water Cooler	35.25
04/30/2024	Hinckley Springs	Water Cooler	35.24
Total 6522 · Misc Expenses			122.58
Total 6100 · ADMINISTRATION			18,290.82
6700 · PROGRAMS			
6799 · Other Assistance			
6795 · Intern/Volunteer Program			
04/12/2024	Caelin Marie Muniz	Direct Deposit	200.00
04/12/2024	Ethan Garcia	Direct Deposit	200.00
04/26/2024	Caelin Marie Muniz	Direct Deposit	200.00
04/26/2024	Ethan Garcia	Direct Deposit	200.00
Total 6795 · Intern/Volunteer Program			800.00
6797 · Event Expenses			
04/03/2024	Encanto Restaurant	Self Care Writing Workshop	138.83
04/15/2024	Costco	IMC Event Supplies	125.98
04/15/2024	Costco	Supplies	271.10
04/19/2024	Dixon Graphics	Staff / Volunteer Appreciation Hoodies	396.09
05/02/2024	Urbana Free Library	Annual Garden Land Lease	1.00
Total 6797 · Event Expenses			933.00
6798 · Other Grants			
04/11/2024	SOLA GRATIA FARMS	Reimburse Munro & Barkley Wages Mar	905.05
Total 6798 · Other Grants			905.05
Total 6799 · Other Assistance			2,638.05
Total 6700 · PROGRAMS			2,638.05
Total Expense			101,888.07
Net Ordinary Income			85,963.07
Net Income			85,963.07

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Date	Memo	Paid Amount
Ordinary Income/Expense		
Expense		
6700 · PROGRAMS		
6720 · General Assistance		
6725 · GA Checks Disability		
04/18/2024	Interim GA 3/28/24-4/30/24	479.84
04/18/2024	Interim GA 4/3/24-4/30/24	396.67
05/01/2024	5/1/24-5/31/24 GA	425.00
05/01/2024	5/1/24-5/31/24 GA	319.00
05/01/2024	5/1/24-5/31/24 GA	319.00
05/01/2024	5/1/24-5/31/24 GA	425.00
05/01/2024	5/1/24-5/31/24 GA	425.00
05/01/2024	5/1/24-5/31/24 GA	323.00
05/01/2024	5/1/24-5/31/24 GA	346.00
05/01/2024	5/1/24-5/31/24 GA	425.00
05/01/2024	5/1/24-5/31/24 GA	409.00
05/01/2024	5/1/24-5/31/24 GA	425.00
05/01/2024	5/1/24-5/31/24 GA	333.00
05/01/2024	5/1/24-5/31/24 GA	425.00
05/01/2024	5/1/24-5/31/24 GA	425.00
05/01/2024	5/1/24-5/31/24 GA	425.00
05/01/2024	5/1/24-5/31/24 GA	425.00
05/01/2024	5/1/24-5/31/24 GA	319.00
05/01/2024	5/1/24-5/31/24 GA	425.00
05/01/2024	5/1/24-5/31/24 GA	311.00
05/01/2024	5/1/24-5/31/24 GA	319.00
05/01/2024	5/1/24-5/31/24 GA	425.00
05/01/2024	5/1/24-5/31/24 GA-Week 1	106.25
05/01/2024	5/1/24-5/31/24 GA-Week 2	106.25
05/01/2024	5/1/24-5/31/24 GA-Week 3	106.25
05/01/2024	5/1/24-5/31/24 GA-Week 4	106.25
05/01/2024	5/1/24-5/31/24 GA	425.00
05/01/2024	5/1/24-5/31/24 GA	425.00
05/01/2024	5/1/24-5/31/24 GA	425.00
05/01/2024	5/1/24-5/31/24 GA	276.50
05/01/2024	5/1/24-5/31/24 GA	425.00
05/01/2024	5/1/24-5/31/24 GA	425.00
05/01/2024	5/1/24-5/31/24 GA	307.00
05/01/2024	5/1/24-5/31/24 GA	425.00
05/01/2024	5/1/24-5/31/24 GA	319.00
05/01/2024	5/1/24-5/31/24 GA	425.00
05/01/2024	5/1/24-5/31/24 GA	425.00
05/01/2024	5/1/24-5/31/24 GA	319.00
05/01/2024	5/1/24-5/31/24 GA	425.00
05/01/2024	5/1/24-5/31/24 GA	319.00
05/01/2024	5/1/24-5/31/24 GA-Week 1	106.25
05/01/2024	5/1/24-5/31/24 GA-Week 2	106.25
05/01/2024	5/1/24-5/31/24 GA-Week 3	106.25
05/01/2024	5/1/24-5/31/24 GA-Week 4	106.25
05/01/2024	5/1/24-5/31/24 GA	425.00
05/01/2024	5/1/24-5/31/24 GA	425.00
05/01/2024	5/1/24-5/31/24 GA	425.00
05/01/2024	5/1/24-5/31/24 GA	425.00
05/01/2024	5/1/24-5/31/24 GA	326.00
05/01/2024	5/1/24-5/31/24 GA	425.00
05/01/2024	5/1/24-5/31/24 GA	425.00
Total 6725 · GA Checks Disability		18,066.01
6726 · Housing Allow. (GA) Vendor Pay		
04/25/2024	Housing First VA May	106.00
04/25/2024	Housing First SB May	102.00
04/25/2024	Housing First TB May	79.00
04/25/2024	Housing First BC May	16.00
04/25/2024	Housing First DD May	92.00
04/25/2024	Housing First WT May	106.00
04/25/2024	Housing First JH May	114.00

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Date	Memo	Paid Amount
Net Income		-39,123.05

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Date	Name	Memo	Paid Amount
Ordinary Income/Expense			
Expense			
6700 · PROGRAMS			
6730 · Housing Assistance			
6732 · RA Homeless Prevention			
04/04/2024	ZINDARS PROPERTY ...	RA Arrears TC	1,471.22
04/04/2024	ASPEN COURT	RA Arrears CC	1,740.00
04/04/2024	LI PARKSIDE APARTM...	RA Arrears YL	975.00
04/08/2024	D & D APARTMENT R...	RA Arrears AM	850.00
04/08/2024	ASPEN COURT	RA Arrears TM	1,120.00
04/12/2024	ASPEN COURT	RA Arrears CK	1,800.00
04/12/2024	LI PARKSIDE APARTM...	RA Arrears AW	858.20
04/12/2024	ONYX	RA Arrears - SC	753.95
04/16/2024	JSJ Property Managem...	RA Arrears - JGA	875.00
04/16/2024	ILLINI HOME BUYERS ...	RA Arrears - SC	700.00
04/16/2024	TOWN & COUNTRY A...	RA Arrears - CW	925.95
04/16/2024	Horizon MH	RA Arrears - LCM	583.00
04/26/2024	RAMSHAW REAL EST...	RA Arrears - VT	690.00
04/26/2024	HOUSING AUTHORIT...	RA Arrears - CD	478.00
04/26/2024	URBANA ESTATES	RA Arrears - SW	532.50
04/26/2024	HOUSING AUTHORIT...	RA Arrears - SW	497.00
05/02/2024	Horizon MH	RA Arrears - WQ	508.00
Total 6732 · RA Homeless Prevention			15,357.82
6733 · RA Move-in Assistance			
04/02/2024	CHAMPAIGN COUNTY	RPC reimburse DP Move In	-2,275.00
04/04/2024	SUNNYCREST MANO...	RA Move-In Rent CS	172.00
04/04/2024	SUNNYCREST MANO...	RA Move-In Security Deposit CS	258.00
04/26/2024	URBANA ESTATES	RA Move-In Rent AH	850.00
04/26/2024	URBANA ESTATES	RA Move-In Security Deposit AH	258.00
04/26/2024	URBANA ESTATES	RA Move-In Security Deposit AH	592.00
04/29/2024	Prime Property Group	RA Move-In Rent CM	775.00
04/29/2024	Prime Property Group	RA Move-In Security Deposit CM	775.00
05/01/2024	URBANA ESTATES	Void ck #57132 Not Needed	-1,500.00
05/01/2024	URBANA ESTATES	Void ck #57133 Not Needed	-775.00
05/02/2024	Philo Estates- USE UR...	RA Move-In Rent JH	775.00
05/02/2024	Philo Estates- USE UR...	RA Move-In Security Deposit JH	669.00
05/02/2024	REM INVESTMENTS, ...	RA Move-In Rent BG	142.00
05/02/2024	REM INVESTMENTS, ...	RA Move-In Security Deposit BG	750.00
05/03/2024	JC ENTERPRISE, LLC	RA Move-In Rent SJ	800.00
05/03/2024	JC ENTERPRISE, LLC	RA Move-In Security Deposit SJ	800.00
Total 6733 · RA Move-in Assistance			3,066.00
6734 · Tenant Based Rent Assist			
04/23/2024	ASPEN COURT	RRH Rent MW May	200.00
04/23/2024	PRAIRIE GREEN I	RRH Rent AM May	300.00
Total 6734 · Tenant Based Rent Assist			500.00
6735 · Emergency Housing Hotels			
04/03/2024	MOTEL 6 - URBANA	Emergency hotel housing JL	1,260.00
04/09/2024	RODEWAY INN	Emergency hotel housing EL	1,350.00
04/11/2024	CHAMPAIGN COUNTY...	Reimbursement ETH Hotels for Parti...	3,565.93
04/11/2024	MOTEL 6 - URBANA	Emergency hotel housing BD 4/10-5/7	1,260.00
04/11/2024	MOTEL 6 - URBANA	Emergency hotel housing AB 4/10-5/8	1,260.00
04/11/2024	MOTEL 6 - URBANA	Emergency hotel housing MW 4/10-5/8	1,260.00
04/18/2024	RODEWAY INN	Emergency hotel housing AB	675.00
04/18/2024	RODEWAY INN	Emergency hotel housing	135.00
04/18/2024	RODEWAY INN	Emergency hotel housing EL	1,460.00
04/18/2024	RODEWAY INN	Emergency hotel housing AB	1,460.00
04/18/2024	RODEWAY INN	Emergency hotel housing CJ	1,460.00
04/18/2024	RODEWAY INN	Emergency hotel housing NE	1,460.00
04/18/2024	RODEWAY INN	Emergency hotel housing CB	380.00
04/22/2024	MOTEL 6 - URBANA	Emergency hotel housing DL 4/18-5/16	1,260.00
04/22/2024	MOTEL 6 - URBANA	Emergency hotel housing PM 4/18-5/...	1,260.00
04/24/2024	MOTEL 6 - URBANA	Emergency hotel housing JK	1,260.00
04/26/2024	MOTEL 6 - URBANA	Emergency hotel housing SS	1,260.00

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Date	Name	Memo	Paid Amount
05/01/2024	MOTEL 6 - URBANA	Emergency hotel housing JL 4/30-5/27	1,260.00
	Total 6735 · Emergency Housing Hotels		23,285.93
	Total 6730 · Housing Assistance		42,209.75
	6799 · Other Assistance		
	6728 · Outside Services		
04/04/2024	SONYA BROWNLEE	Childcare for ETH Participant	549.00
04/11/2024	CHAMPAIGN COUNTY...	Payroll Reimbursement ETH Support...	1,200.00
04/11/2024	Elliott Counseling Group	Counseling Services for ETH partipa...	300.00
04/12/2024	BEN MUELLER	Legal Assistance for client	215.40
04/18/2024	MARCO PRICE	Front Desk	1,183.00
04/18/2024	PROPRIO LS, LLC	Translation Services	56.64
04/25/2024	MARCO PRICE	Front Desk	1,767.22
04/26/2024	SONYA BROWNLEE	Childcare for ETH Participant	274.50
04/29/2024	BEN MUELLER	Legal Assistance for client	216.00
	Total 6728 · Outside Services		5,761.76
	6729 · Transportation Assistance		
04/04/2024	SHAYA ROBINSON.	Reimburse for Client Transportation	25.00
04/04/2024	DURST CYCLE & FITN...	Transportation Support for Client	334.98
04/05/2024	Amtrak	RT Ticket for participant to Chicago	148.00
04/11/2024	DUSTIN KELLY	Transportation Assistance for Clients	370.00
04/11/2024	MTD	Annual Bus Pass for Client	60.00
04/11/2024	MTD	Annual Bus Pass for Client	60.00
04/18/2024	MTD	Annual Bus Pass for Client	60.00
04/18/2024	MTD	Annual Bus Pass for Client	60.00
04/18/2024	MTD	Annual Bus Pass for Client	60.00
05/01/2024	Greyhound Lines	Bus Ticket for Client	81.98
05/02/2024	MTD	Annual Bus Pass for Clients	120.00
05/02/2024	MTD	Annual Bus Pass for Client	60.00
05/02/2024	MTD	Annual Bus Pass for Client	60.00
05/03/2024	ATLAS CAB	Ride for participant	158.25
	Total 6729 · Transportation Assistance		1,658.21
	6736 · Homeless Supplies		
04/04/2024	WALMART	Street Outreach Supplies	393.27
04/11/2024	WALMART	Street Outreach Supplies	210.00
04/17/2024	WALMART	Street Outreach Supplies	201.84
04/19/2024	WALMART	Street Outreach Supplies	241.35
04/19/2024	Rural King	Street Outreach Supplies	59.79
05/03/2024	WALMART	Street Outreach Supplies	350.62
	Total 6736 · Homeless Supplies		1,456.87
	6737 · Program Supplies - Other		
04/04/2024	DOLLAR TREE	Family Housing Supplies	146.25
04/04/2024	DOLLAR TREE	Family Housing Supplies	138.75
04/05/2024	Amazon	ETH Supplies	91.55
04/08/2024	Amazon	Emergency Housing Supplies	67.27
04/09/2024	TAZEWELL COUNTY ...	Birth Certificate for client	16.00
04/09/2024	TAZEWELL COUNTY ...	Birth Certificate for client	2.50
04/11/2024	Amazon	Emergency Housing Supplies	357.10
04/15/2024	Amazon	Emergency Housing Supplies	160.40
04/15/2024	WALMART	Family Housing Supplies	259.98
04/15/2024	WALMART	Family Housing Supplies	944.22
04/19/2024	VitalChek	Vital Document for EH Participant	52.00
04/22/2024	WALMART	RRH ETH Supplies - Clothes & Shoes	245.60
04/22/2024	WALMART	RRH ETH Supplies - Clothes & Shoes	313.20
04/23/2024	WALMART	RRH ETH Supplies - Clothes & Shoes	17.87
04/25/2024	CASH	Quarters for laundry for ETH particip...	500.00
04/25/2024	WALMART	RRH ETH Supplies - Clothes & Shoes	22.35
04/25/2024	Amazon	Emergency Housing Supplies	29.97
04/25/2024	Amazon	Emergency Housing Supplies	65.66
04/25/2024	WALMART	Family Housing Supplies	100.44
04/26/2024	Amazon	Emergency Housing Supplies	488.63
04/29/2024	WALMART	Emergency Housing Supplies	83.88

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Date	Name	Memo	Paid Amount
05/01/2024	Amazon	Emergency Housing Supplies	35.90
05/02/2024	COOK COUNTY CLERK	Birth Record Request Form	15.00
05/02/2024	TENNESSEE VITAL R...	Birth Record Request Form	15.00
05/02/2024	Salt and Light	Client Assistance - Housewarming pr...	500.00
Total 6737 · Program Supplies - Other			4,669.52
6738 · Food Assistance			
04/04/2024	WALMART	Family Housing Food Supplies	285.41
04/17/2024	COMMON GROUND F...	ETH Food Supplies	800.00
04/18/2024	CHANNING MURRAY ...	ETH Meal Kits	2,640.00
04/19/2024	WALMART	Family Housing Food Supplies	256.93
04/25/2024	Aldi	Supplies - Food Gift Certificates for ...	2,500.00
05/03/2024	COMMON GROUND F...	ETH Food Supplies	800.00
Total 6738 · Food Assistance			7,282.34
6739 · Program Utilities			
04/22/2024	GFL Environmental	Trash service California properties	128.56
04/23/2024	AMEREN ILLINOIS	206 E California #1	126.37
04/23/2024	AMEREN ILLINOIS	208 E California #2	172.55
04/23/2024	AMEREN ILLINOIS	208 E California #4	171.85
04/23/2024	AMEREN ILLINOIS	206 E California #4	212.49
04/23/2024	AMEREN ILLINOIS	206 E California #3	149.43
04/23/2024	AMEREN ILLINOIS	206 E California #2	230.58
04/29/2024	AMEREN ILLINOIS	208 E California #3	140.58
04/29/2024	AMEREN ILLINOIS	208 E California #1	162.36
04/29/2024	IL AMERICAN WATER ...	208 E California #1	53.55
04/29/2024	IL AMERICAN WATER ...	208 E California #2	40.62
04/29/2024	IL AMERICAN WATER ...	208 E California #3	31.39
04/29/2024	IL AMERICAN WATER ...	206 E California #4	44.39
04/29/2024	IL AMERICAN WATER ...	208 E California #4	29.38
04/29/2024	IL AMERICAN WATER ...	206 E California #1	26.02
04/29/2024	IL AMERICAN WATER ...	206 E California #2	104.76
04/29/2024	IL AMERICAN WATER ...	206 E California #3	44.39
Total 6739 · Program Utilities			1,869.27
6779 · Utility Assistance			
04/02/2024	AMEREN ILLINOIS	Utility payment for client	522.71
04/02/2024	AMEREN ILLINOIS	Utility payment for client	600.00
04/02/2024	AMEREN ILLINOIS	Utility payment for client	600.00
04/04/2024	IL AMERICAN WATER ...	Utility payment for client	171.76
04/04/2024	IL AMERICAN WATER ...	Utility payment for client	36.94
04/05/2024	AMEREN ILLINOIS	Utility payment for client	600.00
04/05/2024	AMEREN ILLINOIS	Utility payment for client	600.00
04/05/2024	AMEREN ILLINOIS	Utility payment for client	450.00
04/05/2024	IL AMERICAN WATER ...	Utility payment for client	470.69
04/08/2024	AMEREN ILLINOIS	Utility payment for client	600.00
04/08/2024	AMEREN ILLINOIS	Utility payment for client	537.47
04/08/2024	AMEREN ILLINOIS	Utility payment for client	600.00
04/08/2024	AMEREN ILLINOIS	Utility payment for client	600.00
04/08/2024	AMEREN ILLINOIS	Utility payment for client	228.00
04/08/2024	AMEREN ILLINOIS	Utility payment for client	296.00
04/08/2024	IL AMERICAN WATER ...	Utility payment for client	326.55
04/09/2024	IL AMERICAN WATER ...	Utility payment for client	409.76
04/10/2024	AMEREN ILLINOIS	Utility payment for client	321.26
04/11/2024	AMEREN ILLINOIS	Utility payment for client	562.00
04/11/2024	AMEREN ILLINOIS	Utility payment for client	534.22
04/12/2024	IL AMERICAN WATER ...	Utility payment for client	269.11
04/12/2024	IL AMERICAN WATER ...	Utility payment for client	227.77
04/12/2024	IL AMERICAN WATER ...	Utility payment for client	254.49
04/15/2024	AMEREN ILLINOIS	Utility payment for client	800.00
04/15/2024	AMEREN ILLINOIS	Utility payment for client	273.00
04/15/2024	IL AMERICAN WATER ...	Utility payment for client	212.48
04/15/2024	IL AMERICAN WATER ...	Utility payment for client	212.54
04/17/2024	IL AMERICAN WATER ...	Utility payment for client	271.82
04/17/2024	IL AMERICAN WATER ...	Utility payment for client	388.94
04/18/2024	IL AMERICAN WATER ...	Utility payment for client	343.68

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Date	Name	Memo	Paid Amount
04/18/2024	AMEREN ILLINOIS	Utility payment for client	608.00
04/22/2024	AMEREN ILLINOIS	Utility payment for client	600.00
04/23/2024	IL AMERICAN WATER ...	Utility payment for client	204.45
04/26/2024	AMEREN ILLINOIS	Utility payment for client	600.00
04/26/2024	AMEREN ILLINOIS	Utility payment for client	600.00
04/26/2024	IL AMERICAN WATER ...	Utility payment for client	204.45
04/29/2024	AMEREN ILLINOIS	Utility payment for client	298.49
04/30/2024	IL AMERICAN WATER ...	Utility payment for client	352.09
04/30/2024	AMEREN ILLINOIS	Utility payment for client	304.36
05/03/2024	AMEREN ILLINOIS	Utility payment for client	267.38
05/03/2024	AMEREN ILLINOIS	Utility payment for client	119.56
05/03/2024	AMEREN ILLINOIS	Utility payment for client	315.39
05/03/2024	AMEREN ILLINOIS	Utility payment for client	382.18
Total 6779 · Utility Assistance			17,177.54
6770 · Angel Donor Expenses			
04/04/2024	Urbana Free Library	Copies/Notary/Fax Jan - Mar 2024	88.15
04/08/2024	ASPEN COURT	RA Arrears TM	1,855.00
04/18/2024	RODEWAY INN	Emergency hotel housing	355.95
04/25/2024	RODEWAY INN	Emergency hotel housing JR	449.00
04/29/2024	U-Haul	Storage unit payment client BD	114.95
05/02/2024	BEN MUELLER	Reimbursement participant supplies	165.00
05/03/2024	Urbana Free Library	Participant Late Fees	1,028.16
Total 6770 · Angel Donor Expenses			4,056.21
6797 · Event Expenses			
04/03/2024	Encanto Restaurant	Self Care Writing Workshop	138.83
04/15/2024	Costco	IMC Event Supplies	125.98
04/15/2024	Costco	Supplies	271.10
04/19/2024	Dixon Graphics	Staff / Volunteer Appreciation Hoodies	396.09
05/02/2024	Urbana Free Library	Annual Garden Land Lease	1.00
Total 6797 · Event Expenses			933.00
6798 · Other Grants			
04/11/2024	SOLA GRATIA FARMS	Reimburse Munro & Barkley Wages ...	905.05
Total 6798 · Other Grants			905.05
Total 6799 · Other Assistance			45,769.77
Total 6700 · PROGRAMS			87,979.52
Total Expense			87,979.52
Net Ordinary Income			-87,979.52
Net Income			-87,979.52



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MAY SPOTLIGHT: Digital Inclusion Campaign

Since 2019, Township's Digital Inclusion Campaign has been in tight partnership with the University of Illinois Community Data Clinic (C*D*C) with whom we have launched a number of digital justice initiatives with the goal of improving service provision to low income residents of Cunningham Township.

These include efforts to improve [Champaign County Social Service 211 Directory](#) and technical support for racial justice initiatives through the [Media, Data, and Tech Fellowship Program](#).

Most recently, we partnered on C*D*C's [Dignifying Digital Connection](#) program with the goals of engaging low income households to better understand the barriers that prevent them from maintaining reliable forms of digital connection and to address structural inequalities related to technology through advocacy, education, and direct assistance and service. Different interventions have been tried, with improvements made based on feedback from participants and Township staff.

→ See a write up of our collaboration: [Broadband Ready: East Central Illinois Report](#), Nov. 2022.

This Spring of 2024, the team retooled the program to be smaller and more focused on developing mutual aid networks of peer leaders. Case managers at Cunningham Township helped identify 11 low income Township residents to be trained as digital navigators. The first cohort of 3 trained with C*D*C members and then this cohort trained 8 other township participants in navigating workforce, healthcare, financial, housing, and childcare resources. At the request of participants, a unit on cyberbullying was added. Program outcomes included better digital skills, awareness of community programs, stronger sense of confidence and community, and enthusiasm in playing a role in CTSO's Digital Inclusion work.

→ See C*D*C's [Community Partner Insights Report](#)

Congratulations to our Digital Navigator Graduates!

Cohort 1: Trained to be
trainers for Cohort 2

1. Penny Grant
2. Brian Hagy
3. Chris Evans

Cohort 2:

1. Davood Kianidehkian
2. Naima Johnson
3. Selena Brinkerhoff
4. Jaylen Bryant
5. Tanya Weatherly
6. Phyllis McCoy
7. Artin Aria
8. Ilene Jones (completion in progress)





Digital Access

A campaign to supply low-income Urbana residents with smartphones, computers, tablets, and internet access.

- We are seeking a new free phone provider as both providers we worked with closed shop. Phone access is one of the biggest needs we are seeing.
- To date served: (since program start in 2020)
 - #Total of benefits: 534
 - # Smart Phones and Lifeline service: 436
 - # Internet benefits: 18
 - # Laptops/tablets: 83 (up 3 from last month)

Town Bills Report

- Town Fund: 47,237.37
- General Assistance Fund: 180,062.11
- TOTAL expenditures: 227,299.48

INCOME SUPPORT

General Assistance

A monthly grant for Urbana residents who are disabled or out of work – with supportive services to stabilize housing & health, seek & train for work, apply for disability or TANF.

- **General Assistance cases past month:**

- 35 new applications were submitted during April
- 83 active
 - 46 on Disability (SSI/SSDI) track
 - 22 on Education and Employment track
 - 6 on TANF track
 - 8 are temporarily exempt from work requirements
 - 1 on Housing First track
 - 22 homeless
 - 47 identify as cis-male, 33 as cis-female, 2 transgender male/female, and 1 non-binary
- 6 cases closed for May 2024

- **Social Security Support**

- 12 assisted with SSA navigation this fiscal year, 3 have begun the application process
- Currently assessing 2 individuals with SOAR application assistance.
- 9 awarded SSI/SSDI this FY

- **Housing Navigation & Supportive Services**

Our Housing Navigation Case Manager works with homeless participants who receive General Assistance or Street Outreach services, connecting with housing opportunities that are available to them.

- Two months ago, a GA participant worked in conjunction with their case managers to enter an in-patient recovery program. This month, they were accepted into a transitional housing program in Chicago, IL, and will be continuing their journey to recovery.
- Since this project was launched in May 2023:
 - 27 participants have received case management
 - 8 clients have been successfully housed
 - 4 McKinney Vento homeless families received help applying for Family

Supportive Housing Vouchers through HACC

- 8 clients are currently receiving case management and assistance seeking housing
- **Housing First Payments**
 - 1 former GA participant had their rent paid to keep them housed.
 - 14 current GA participants had their rent paid from their GA check directly to their landlord.

HOUSING SUPPORT

Rental Assistance

Rental assistance for Urbana households behind on rent or homeless moving into housing.

- 55 applications were received and processed in April. (up from 22 in March)
- In April we spent \$16,255 on rental assistance to help 16 households. This is up from \$7,039 for 8 households in March.
- \$255,480 spent this FY to date on RA out of a \$178,000 budget.
 - We will manage this over budget expense by using underspending in GA and accelerating Urbana ARPA spendings. We have cut spending back to no more than 2 months rent.

Housing Advocacy

Housing advocacy for participants who are homeless or at risk of homelessness to access all available subsidized housing opportunities and move in.

Housing Navigation

- To date served: 586 participants representing 343 households helped to apply (since program start 7/2020).

Housewarming Gifts

- Housewarming gifts are funded by private donations which are used to provide vouchers to formerly homeless households to buy furniture and housewares at Salt and Light in Urbana.
- To date served: 99 homeless households (since program start 2/2021)
- Last month served: 4 homeless households

Bridge to Home

A continuum of services for homeless residents in Champaign County.

Street Outreach

Services include food, transportation to services, weather appropriate clothing and engagement events. Members of the public are encouraged to call CTSO for wellness checks during office hours on residents who may be homeless.

- To date served: 140 households representing 209 residents (since program start 9/2021)
- Last month served: 22 households representing 32 residents actively sleeping outdoors.
 - It's getting hot, and Street Outreach workers expect to see more people as the temperatures rise. Street Outreach staff expect needs for water, t-shirts, and underwear.
- The Street Outreach task force of CSPH, led by our office and working closely with CUPHD, is working on a severe weather plan for homeless residents.

School Outreach

Housing Case Manager who takes referrals from USD 116 and Crisis Nursery and screens for services (rental assistance, emergency housing, income assistance, food and other needs).

- To date served: 149 families referred including 374 children (since program start 4/21/22)
- 6 families including 14 children referred last month.
 - 2 families referred to Rental Assistance
 - 1 family referred to apply for General Assistance
 - 1 family was scheduled for and completed a Centralized Intake for the Homeless
 - 2 families were given referrals to programs outside of our agency
 - Ex: TANF, programs in Urbana Township

Emergency Housing - Hotel

If no other shelter option exists, short term emergency housing will be considered as long as the resident is meeting with a case manager, pursuing goals, and seeking permanent housing.

- To date served: 75 households representing 95 residents (since program start 6/2020)
- Last month served: 17 households were sheltered in a hotel.
- One hotel participant who has been in our hotel program for 11 months and has finally healed from a year of cancer treatment, has secured a well paying full time administrative job, and has been approved for housing as of last week!
- One senior, disabled hotel participant has been in our hotel program for 9 months, and

was finally awarded a subsidized housing unit! They have not had their own lease in 25 years, and will finally be moving into a place of their own next week.

Rapid Rehousing

CTSO provides housing stabilization and up to 12 months of rent for literally homeless individuals and families in Champaign County, referred by Centralized Intake for the Homeless.

- Currently serving 3 families:
 - A mother has achieved full time employment and is working to make summer plans for her three children.
 - A mother with four children is thriving in her job and making summer plans for her four children.
 - A new household, a homeless mother and her young child, have been identified to begin looking for housing in this program.

Emergency Housing for Urbana families

Emergency Housing for families with children in Urbana schools of Crisis Nursery or residents with disabilities who are referred from CU at Home

- To date served: 79 households including 89 adults and 147 children served (since program start July 2020)
- Last month served: 8 families.
 - Intakes: 2
 - Exits: None.
 - Waitlist: 11 referrals in the past month, nearly all of them moving between precariously housed and homeless.
- A mother reported that she will be graduating from Adult Ed with her high school diploma and looking forward to applying for the SWFT program this summer

UTILITY SUPPORT

Utility Support

Utility bill support for Urbana residents who face shut offs.

- We initially saw a significant increase in demand since the price jump in utility bill which has calmed in the past five months.
 - June: 63 households served
 - July: 40 households served

- Aug: 51 households served
- Sept: 59 households served
- Oct: 24 households served
- Nov: 11 households served
- December: 8 households served
- January: 9 households served
- February: 4 households served
- March: 8 households served
- April: 38 households served
- To date served: 515 households (since program start 11/2020)

OTHER ASSISTANCE

Transportation

All CTSO participants are screened for transportation access and provided tokens, short term or long term bus passes or referred for DASH passes and/or paratransit.

- To date served:
 - Annual: 190 total or \$11,400 (since MTD began to charge bus fare again 7/2021).
 - DASH: 80 passes, saving Township (\$4,860)
- Last month served:
 - Annual: 23 annual bus passes last month at \$60 each
 - DASH pass: two, free to those who qualify, 3 year pass

Angel Donor Funds

Township facilitates Neighbors Helping Neighbors through tax deductible [charitable donations](#) made to our Angel Donor Fund program. 100% of all donated funds support the unmet needs of local residents and go directly to secure food, clothing, housing, power, transportation or other tangible needs on behalf of residents.

- Over the last several months, in addition to utility and transportation support, we were able to use Angel Donor funds to purchase copies of birth certificates, mattresses, housewarmings, grocery carts, walking canes, diapers, planners, coats, work clothes, food, a wheelchair rental and a space heater for our neighbors in need.
- Total Angel Donor funds received through April since December 21, 2018: \$311,334
- Total Angel Donor funds received in this fiscal year since July 1, 2023: \$39,811
- Total Angel Donor funds received through April designated as LGBTQ: \$5,268

FOOD SUPPORT

Sharing Table Food Delivery Service

A collaboration with The Hope Center, Wesley Food Pantry, Channing Murray Foundation, and United Way to provide a free weekly food pantry delivery service to low-income residents in Urbana who are unable to access walk-in food pantries. Channing Murray has rebranded the name Bucket Brigade to Sharing Table.

- Food delivery is meant to be a temporary service to residents while CTSO works with residents to address underlying causes of food insecurity.
- **In April, we served 136 households (a 20.4% increase from March)**
 - 54 households served by Hope Center and Wesley through RIDE United
 - 47 deliveries were completed by the Channing Murray Foundation to homeless households - mostly residents in our Emergency Housing program.
 - In total, the Sharing Table served 252 individuals:
 - 181 adults
 - 71 children
- **April stats:**
 - In addition to food delivery, we assisted 25 individuals at our door experiencing immediate food need.
 - Received 11 referrals from partner organizations including PACE and CCHCC.
 - Connected 3 households with our Food Access Guides and/or connected them with other food pantries.
 - Demographic information in April:
 - Over 74% of Food Assistance recipients are current or former participants of Township
 - Nearly 77% of recipients are residents of Urbana
 - Almost 52% of all recipients were of a racial minority (38% were white and another 11% had unknown racial identities)

Solidarity Gardens

A collaboration with the Urbana Park District, Urbana Free Library, Sola Gratia, the Channing Murray Foundation, and area community gardens to reduce local food insecurity by supporting existing and new gardens to produce and distribute produce to those in need.

- We have 16 Affiliate Gardens registered this year through Solidarity Gardens
 - We have gardens both in Urbana and Champaign
 - 13 Affiliate Gardens in Urbana
 - 3 Affiliate Gardens in Champaign
 - 4 of these are new to Solidarity Gardens, and 12 of the gardens have continued to be Affiliate Gardens from last year
 - We provide resources such as compost and mulch at the start of the season
 - 12 gardens have received deliveries of compost
- Our Free Plot Program offers free gardening spaces to immigrant and low-income residents of Urbana and Champaign
 - Last year we had 10 plots at Meadowbrook Park Gardens
 - This year we have 53 plots at five locations:
 - 14 plots at **Meadowbrook Park Gardens** in Urbana
 - 4 plots at **Victory Park Gardens** in Urbana
 - 16 plots at **Orchard Downs Gardens** in Urbana
 - 2 plots at **Wood Street Gardens** in Urbana
 - and 17 plots at **Human Kinetics Park Gardens** in Champaign
 - There have been 46 applicants to the Free Plot Program as of 5/6/24
 - 9 returning participants from last year
 - 7 participants whose primary language is Spanish
 - 6 participants whose primary language is French
 - There have been 8 applications preferring a space at Wood Street, which currently only has 2 plots to offer for the Free Plot Program
 - Four of the applicants are forming a working group to expand the number of garden beds at Wood Street
 - This will include testing the soil, building and filling raised beds, and possibly building in-ground plots, all to expand the usable garden space in this new gardening area.

JARDINES SOLIDARIOS Y EL NUEVO CENTRO
DE BIENVENIDA AMERICANO PRESENTA



PROGRAMA GRATUITA DE PARCELAS DE JARDÍN



Solidarity Gardens ofrece parcelas de jardín gratuitas para jardineros inmigrantes y de bajos ingresos para que cultivar sus propios alimentos sea más accesible.

Para ayudarlo a comenzar, el personal de Solidarity Gardens estará disponible para consultarlo y podrá ayudarlo a acceder a mantillo, abono, semillas y plántulas, cercas y herramientas.

Llene un formulario de solicitud en línea (aquí) o en persona en la Oficina del Supervisor del Municipio de Cunningham. Hay alrededor de 30 parcelas disponibles y se otorgan por orden de llegada, ¡así que solicite con anticipación!

Más información
comuníquese con CTSO al
217-384-4144 o info@ctso.org



Events

Coming Home - April 13, 2024, Dr. Meadow Jones and IMC

- More info: <http://www.ucimc.org/cominghome>
- Location: IMC, Urbana
- "Coming Home" was a FREE poetry reading and public art exhibit centered around themes of being unhoused, housed, being home, being welcome or unwelcome in our buildings, in our bodies, and in our families.
- Township provided ASL translation services, food (sandwiches, crackers, hummus, veggies, fruit, juice, tea, and water), and tabling with community resources (applications for rental and housing assistance, information on township services, and volunteer signup for Solidarity Gardens)

Food Summit - April 16, 2024 - Healthy Champaign County

- Location: UIUC iHotel and Conference Center
- Represented the Cunningham Township at this organizational networking event, designed around improving connections and systems of food access and community support.
- Facilitated workshop topics included: Small Scale Food Production, Foraging for Perennial Foods in Natural Spaces, County-wide Food Access Coordination, Food Storage and Distribution, Senior Meals Programs, Community Connections
- Participated in an "Offers and Needs Market," and Seed Exchange and Resource Fair

Sustainapalooza - April 22, 2024 - Institute for Sustainability, Energy, and Environment (iSEE)

- Location: UIUC campus quad
- We tabled with information on Solidarity Gardens and township services. We got three pages of volunteer signups for Solidarity Gardens, and our logo stickers were a huge hit!

Coming Home

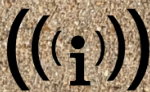
Saturday, April 13th, 3pm-5pm

a poetry reading and public art exhibit

curated by Dr. Meadow Jones
hosted by the IMC
202 S Broadway, Urbana

"Coming Home" is a show about being unhoused, housed, being home, being welcome or unwelcome in our buildings, in our bodies and in our families.

www.ucimc.org/cominghome





RESOLUTION NO. T-2024-05-002R

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR TO EXECUTE A LEASE AGREEMENT
WITH THE NEW LINCOLN SQUARE LLC FOR USE AS SPACE FOR THE TOWNSHIP ASSESSOR (July
1, 2024 to December 31, 2024)**

WHEREAS, The Cunningham Township Supervisor has had to respond to unprecedented need in the community and as such has created and grown a its programs to respond to the needs of low income Township residents; and

WHEREAS, the Cunningham Township Supervisor requires more physical space than available to continue the mission of helping the neediest in the community; and

WHEREAS, the Cunningham Township Assessor has agreed to move to a different space to accommodate the growth of the Cunningham Township Supervisor's growth and will need to lease space to continue to be of service to the community; and

WHEREAS, the owner of the Lincoln Square Mall and the Township Assessor have drafted a lease agreement for use of the space; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Board of the Town of Cunningham that this Resolution Authorizing the Township Supervisor to Execute a Lease Agreement with The New Lincoln Square LLC for use of unit 152 at Lincoln Square Mall for use as the Cunningham Township Assessor's Office.

Adopted by the Township Board of The Town of Cunningham on May 20, 2024

Darcy E. Sandefur, Town Clerk

Diane Wolfe Marlin, Chair

LEASE

THIS LEASE is made and entered into by and between **The New Lincoln Square, LLC** ("Lessor"), and **Cunningham Township**, ("Lessee").

WHEREAS, Lessor is the owner of certain real estate located at 152 Lincoln Square, Urbana, which real estate is improved with a commercial building, parking lot and fixtures, all or a portion of which is described in Exhibit "A" attached hereto and incorporated by reference herein (the "Premises"); and

WHEREAS, Lessee desires to lease the Premises for the operation of an assessor's office.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements herein set forth, Lessor hereby leases the Premises to Lessee, and Lessee hereby leases the Premises from the Lessor, for the purposes set forth.

1. TERM AND RENTAL The term of this lease shall be for a period of six months, commencing on July 1, 2024, and terminating December 31, 2024. Lessee shall pay to Lessor as rent for the Premises during such term, the sums as follows:

A. Rent for the term of the lease will be in the amount of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) per month for a total of Six Thousand Dollars (\$6,000.00) over the term of the lease.

B. The full amount of six months' rent, \$6,000.00, shall be paid in full on or before July 1, 2024.

C. The Lessee shall give notice in writing to the Lessor, as outlined in Paragraph 16, at least thirty (30) days prior to the end of the initial lease term as to their intent to vacate said leased space.

2. OTHER CHARGES Lessee is responsible for utilities, which consists of gas, electricity, each in excess of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) per month.

3. NO ASSIGNMENT OR SUBLEASE The Premises shall not be sublet in whole or in part to any person, and Lessee shall not assign this Lease without, in each case, the consent in writing of Lessor first obtained, nor permit to take place by any act or default of Lessee or any person within Lessee's control any transfer by operation of law of Lessee's interest created hereby, nor offer for lease or sublease the Premises, nor any portion thereof, by placing notices or signs showing "To Let," or any other similar notice or sign in any place, nor by advertising the same in any newspaper or place or manner whatsoever without, in each case, the consent in writing of Lessor first obtained. If Lessee shall make an assignment for the benefit of creditors, or shall be adjudged a bankrupt, Lessor may terminate this Lease, and in such event Lessee shall at once pay Lessor a sum of money equal to the entire amount of minimum fixed rent reserved

by this Lease for the then unexpired portion of the term hereby created, as liquidated damages.

4. USE Lessee will not permit any unlawful or immoral practice, with or without Lessee's knowledge or consent, to be committed or carried on in the Premises by Lessee or by any other person. Lessee will not allow the Premises to be used for any purpose that will increase the rate of insurance thereon, nor for any purpose other than that herein specified. Lessee will not keep or use, or permit to be kept or used, in or on the Premises or any place contiguous thereto any flammable fluids, explosives, or hazardous materials, without the written permission of Lessor first obtained. Lessee will not load floors beyond the floor load rating prescribed by applicable municipal ordinances. Lessee will not use or allow the use of the Premises for any purpose other than an assessor's office.

5. CONDITION Lessee has examined and knows the condition of the Premises, has received the same in good order and repair, and acknowledges that no representations as to the condition and repair thereof, and no agreements or promises to decorate, alter, repair or improve the Premises, have been made by Lessor or Lessor's agent prior to or at the execution of this Lease that are not herein expressed. Lessor shall maintain the roof and exterior of the building structure in at least their present condition during the term hereof, reasonable wear and tear excepted.

6. LESSEE'S MAINTENANCE Lessee shall keep and maintain the Premises and all parts thereof and appurtenances thereto in a clean, sightly, healthy and operable condition and shall yield the same back to Lessor upon the termination of this Lease.

7. ACCESS Lessee shall allow Lessor, or any person authorized by Lessor, reasonable access to the Premises for the purpose of examining or exhibiting the same, or to make any repairs or alterations thereof which Lessor may see fit to make.

8. WAIVER OF LIABILITY Unless caused by the intentional conduct or gross negligence of Lessor or agents of Lessor, Lessor shall not be liable to Lessee for any damage or injury to Lessee or Lessee's property occasioned by the failure of Lessor to keep the Premises in repair, and shall not be liable for any injury done or occasioned by wind or by or from any defect of plumbing, electric wiring or of insulation thereof, gas pipes, water pipes, or from broken stairs, porches, railing, or walks, or from the backing up of any sewer pipe or down-spout, or from the bursting, leaking, or running of any tank, tub, washstand, water closet or waste pipe, drain, or any other pipe or tank in, upon or about the Premises of the building of which they are a part, nor from any such damage or injury occasioned by water, snow, or ice being upon or coming through the roof, skylight, trap-door, stairs, walks, or any other place upon or near the Premises or otherwise, nor for any damage or injury arising from any act, omission, or negligence of co-tenants or of other persons, occupants of the same building, or Lessor or Lessor's agents, all claims for any such damage or injury being hereby expressly waived by Lessee

9. LESSEE'S ALTERATIONS Lessee shall not attach, affix, exhibit, or permit to be attached, affixed or exhibited, except by Lessor or Lessor's agent, any articles of temporary or permanent character or any sign, attached or detached, with any writing or printing thereon, to

any window, floor, ceiling, door or wall in any place in or about the Premises, or upon any of the appurtenances thereto, without in each case the written consent of Lessor first had and obtained; and shall not commit or suffer any waste in or about said Premises; and shall make no changes or alterations in the Premises by the erection of partitions or the papering of walls, or otherwise without the consent in writing of Lessor; and in case Lessee shall affix additional locks or bolts on doors or windows, or shall place in the Premises lighting fixtures or any fixtures of any kind, such locks, bolts, and fixtures shall remain for the benefit of the Lessor; and without expense of removal or maintenance to Lessor, Lessor shall have the privilege of retaining the same if Lessor desires. If Lessor does not desire to retain the same, Lessor may remove and store the same, and Lessee agrees to pay the expenses of removal and storage thereof.

10. UNTENANTABILITY In case the Premises shall be rendered totally untenable by fire, explosion, or other casualty, this Lease shall be terminated automatically and rent shall abate as to the unexpired portion of the term. If only a portion of the Premises is so affected, or if the damage can be repaired within 90 days, then this Lease shall continue with a percentage of the rent abated so as to fairly and reasonably reflect the damage.

11. TERMINATION At the termination of the term of this Lease, by lapse of time or otherwise, Lessee will yield up immediate possession of the Premises to Lessor in good condition and repair, loss by fire and ordinary wear and tear excepted, and will return the keys therefor to Lessor at the place of payment of rent or such other place as Lessor directs. If Lessee retains possession of the Premises or any part thereof after the termination of the term by lapse of time or otherwise, then Lessee shall pay to Lessor rent at twice the most recent monthly rent, payable monthly in advance. Lessee shall pay to Lessor all damages and attorney fees sustained by Lessor resulting from retention of possession by Lessee. The provisions of this paragraph shall not constitute a waiver by Lessor of any right of re-entry as hereafter set forth; nor shall receipt of any rent or any other act in apparent affirmances of such tenancy operate as a waiver of the right to terminate this Lease for a breach of any of the covenants herein.

12. NO WAIVER The acceptance of rent, whether in a single instance or repeatedly, after it falls due, or after knowledge of any breach thereof by Lessee, or the giving or making of any notice or demand, whether according to any statutory provision or not, or any act or series of acts except an express written waiver, shall not be construed as a waiver of Lessor's right to act without notice or demand or of any other right hereby given Lessor, or as an election not to proceed under the provisions of this Lease.

13. DEFAULTS AND REMEDIES

A. The occurrence of any one or more of the following shall constitute a default by Tenant:

(1) Failure by Lessee to pay the rent or to make any other payment required to be made by Lessee hereunder when due and such failure continues for 10 days after written notice thereof by Lessor to Lessee;

(2) The making by Lessee of an assignment for the benefit of its creditors;

(3) The operation or supervision of the business conducted in the leased Premises

by a creditor's committee, or by anyone other than Lessee, to a subtenant approved by Lessor;

(4) The levying of a writ of execution or attachment on or against the property of Lessee located on the leased Premises;

(5) Failure by Lessee to timely pay for any and all services or materials provided to the leased Premises at Lessee's request and which creates a mechanic's lien or claim therefor against any part of the leased Premises which remains a lien for more than 30 days;

(6) If proceedings are instituted in a court of competent jurisdiction for the reorganization, liquidation or involuntary dissolution of Lessee, or for its adjudication as a bankrupt or insolvent, or for the appointment of a receiver of the property of Lessee, and said proceedings are not dismissed and any receiver, trustee or liquidator appointed therein discharged within 30 days after the institution of said proceedings;

(7) The failure of the Lessee to perform any other of its covenants under this Lease for 30 days after written notice thereof by Lessor to Lessee; provided, however, that if the cause for giving such notice involves a matter reasonably requiring a period longer than 30 days in which to comply with such notice, Lessee shall not be in default hereunder, if Lessee has commenced to comply with such notice within such 30 day period and diligently proceeds to comply with such notice; and

B. In the event of any default by Lessee hereunder, Lessee hereby authorizes and empowers Lessor to:

(1) Cancel and terminate this Lease and immediately reenter and take possession of the leased Premises without the requirements of any previous notice of intention to reenter, and remove all persons and their property therefrom using such force and assistance in effecting and protecting such removal as Lessor may deem reasonably necessary to recover full and exclusive possession of the leased Premises; or

(2) Reenter and take possession of the leased Premises in the manner provided in subparagraph (1) above without such reentry constituting a cancellation or termination of this Lease or a forfeiture of any rental, taxes, or other monies to be paid hereunder or of the covenants, agreements, and conditions to be kept and performed by Lessee for and during the remainder of the term thereof.

(3) Declare that all amounts due under this Lease are accelerated and due at the term of any cure period when a default by Lessee is not cured.

C. In the event Lessor reenters and takes possession of the leased Premises as set forth in subparagraph B (2) above:

(1) Lessor shall have the right but not the obligation to divide or subdivide the leased Premises in any manner it may reasonably determine and to lease or let the same or portions thereof for such periods of time, at such rentals, for such use and upon such terms, covenants and conditions as it may reasonably elect, applying the net rentals from such letting first to the payment of its expenses incurred in dispossessing the Lessee, the costs and expenses of making such improvements in the leased Premises as may be reasonably necessary to enable it to relet the same, and to the payment of any brokerage commission or other balance, if any, that shall be applied by Lessor, from time to time, but in any event no less than once each month, on account of the payments due or payable by Lessee hereunder.

(2) Lessor may, from time to time, bring such actions or proceedings from the recovery of any deficits remaining unpaid or to enforce any other covenant or condition herein contained as it may deem advisable without being obligated to await the end of the term hereof for a final determination of Lessee's account.

(3) Any balance remaining after full payment and liquidation of all payments due Lessor as aforesaid shall be paid to Lessee at the end of the term hereof, with the right reserved to Lessor at any time to give notice in writing to Lessee of its election to cancel and terminate this Lease and all of Lessee's rights and obligations hereunder, and, upon the giving of such notice and the simultaneous payment by Lessor to Lessee of any credit balances in Lessee's favor that may at the time be owing to it shall constitute a final and effective cancellation and termination hereof and the obligations hereunder on the part of either party to the other.

(4) Lessee will, at the expiration of this Lease, yield up possession to Lessor, and failing so to do, at Lessor's option, will pay liquidated damages for each day possession is withheld, in an amount equal to double the amount of the daily minimum rent, computed on a thirty-day month basis; provided, however, that Lessor's right to recover such liquidated damages shall not preclude Lessor from recovering any greater amount of damages sustained by it or as otherwise allowed by law.

(5) Nothing contained in this Section 13 shall exclude any other right or remedy allowed by law to Lessor, nor shall the invalidity or unenforceability of any one right or remedy affect or impair the validity or enforceability of any other right or remedy

14. ACCELERATION If Lessee's right to the possession of the Premises shall be terminated in any way, all rent due hereunder shall be accelerated and the Premises, or any part thereof, may be relet by Lessor, for the account and benefit of Lessee, for such rent and upon such terms and to such person or persons and for such period or periods as may seem fit to Lessor, but Lessor shall not be required to accept or receive any tenant offered by Lessee. Sums received from such reletting to satisfy the rent hereby reserved shall be refunded to Lessee if Lessee has paid all amounts properly due under the acceleration, after paying the expenses of reletting and collection, including commissions to agents, reasonable attorney's fees, and also including expenses of redecorating. The acceptance of a tenant by Lessor, in place of Lessee, shall not operate as a cancellation hereof, nor to release Lessee from the performance of any covenant, promise, or agreement herein contained, and performance by any substituted tenant by the payment of rent, or otherwise, shall allow a reimbursement of amounts paid if all accelerated

amounts have been paid to Lessor.

15. COSTS OF ENFORCEMENT Lessee shall pay upon demand all Lessor's costs, charges, and expenses, including reasonable fees of attorneys, agents, and others retained by Lessor, incurred in enforcing any of the obligations of Lessee under this Lease or in any litigation, negotiation or transaction in which Lessor shall become involved through or on account of this Lease.

16. NOTICE Notices may be served on either party, at the following addresses, either (a) by hand delivering or causing to be hand delivered a written copy thereof, or (b) by sending a written copy thereof by U.S. Certified or Registered Mail, postage prepaid, addressed to Lessor or Lessee at said respective addresses, in which event notice shall be deemed to have been served at the time the copy is mailed:

Lessor: The New Lincoln Square, LLC
104 W. University Ave. Suite B
Urbana, IL 61801

Lessee: Cunningham Township
205 W. Green St.
Urbana, IL 61801

17. CONTINUATION OF RESPONSIBILITY All covenants, promises, representations and agreements herein contained shall be binding upon, apply and insure to the benefit of Lessor and Lessee and their respective heirs, legal representatives, successors, and assigns.

18. CUMULATIVE RIGHTS The rights and remedies hereby created are cumulative and the use of one remedy shall not be taken to exclude or waive the right to the use of another.

19. INSURANCE Lessee hereby covenants and agrees to carry and maintain public liability insurance for the protection of Lessor and Lessee as additional insured against liability for or on account of any injury to one person in an amount of not less than \$500,000.00, and for or on account of any injury to more than one person in any occurrence in an amount of not less than \$1,000,000.00, arising out of or resulting from the operation of Lessee's business on the Premises. Lessee hereby agrees to indemnify Lessor and save Lessor harmless from and against any and all claims, actions, damages, liability, and expense (including without limitation court costs and reasonable attorney's fees) caused by any injury to person or property arising from or out of any occurrence in, upon or at the building or occasioned wholly or in part by any act or omission of Lessee, its agents or employees.

20. PURPOSE Lessee shall use the Premises during the full term of this Lease solely for the following purposes and no other: assessor's office.

21. MISCELLANEOUS The headings are for convenience only. All actions shall be brought in Champaign County, Illinois under Illinois law. Time is of the essence.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have caused this Lease to be executed as of the ____ day of May 2024.

LESSOR:

LESSEE:

The New Lincoln Square, LLC

Cunningham Township

Signed on: _____
Date

Signed on: _____
Date

EXHIBIT A

Description of portion of building:

Unit 152

Consisting of approximately: 858 Sq. Ft

Parking:

Parking is provided at no charge. Employees can obtain a parking permit from the City of Urbana while attendees can park wherever they choose.



CHAMPAIGN COUNTY TOWNSHIPS COMPREHENSIVE REPORT

May 9, 2024

Ethan Garcia: Cunningham Township Intern, Graduate Student
in the Department of Urban and Regional Planning '24

- Danielle Chynoweth: Cunningham Township Supervisor,
Project Supervisor, Decennial Committee Member

PROJECT BACKGROUND

PURPOSE

- Public Act 102-1088 was passed by the legislature which requires all townships to establish a committee by June 2023, and at least once every 10 years thereafter, to study local efficiencies and report recommendations to our county board. Cunningham Township has assembled a committee made up of all elected officials of the township and several appointees. The committee is required to meet at least three times within 18 months and produce a report to be delivered to the County.

GOALS

- Survey all Champaign County Townships
- Publish information in one or more central locations.
- Compare data and identify trends.
- Make recommendations for efficiency and collaboration.

PROJECT PROCESS

- Decennial Committee Created: June 12, 2023
- Decennial Committee approves scope of work: November 2023
- Decennial Committee Intern:
 - Assembled all publicly available information
 - Mailed survey sent mid-November (7 responses).
 - Online survey sent late November (1 response).
 - Confirmed emails and phone numbers for missing townships mid-Jan (5 responses)
 - FOIAs to unresponsive townships - late January (16 replies).
 - Draft report compiled

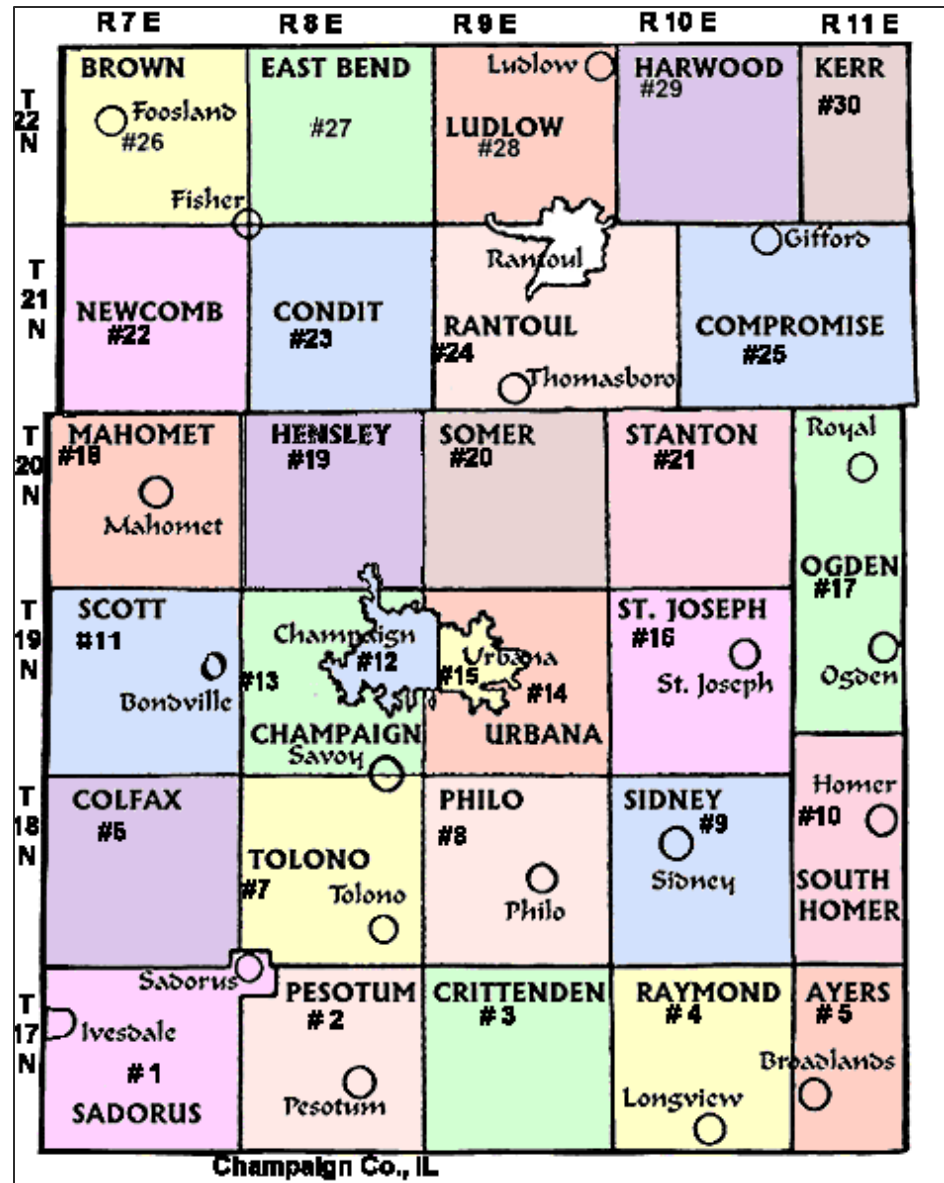
Decennial Committee meets to review report: March 25, 2024

Decennial Committee approves final report: May 13, 2024

Report to County Board: May TBD

WHAT IS A TOWNSHIP IN ILLINOIS?

- State Law stipulates that townships have three mandated functions:
 - General assistance provision (at minimum to residents with disabilities).
 - Assessment of real property for the basis of taxation.
 - Maintaining all roads and bridges that are outside of federal, state, and other local jurisdiction.
- Every Illinois resident lives in a township except those in the City of Chicago.

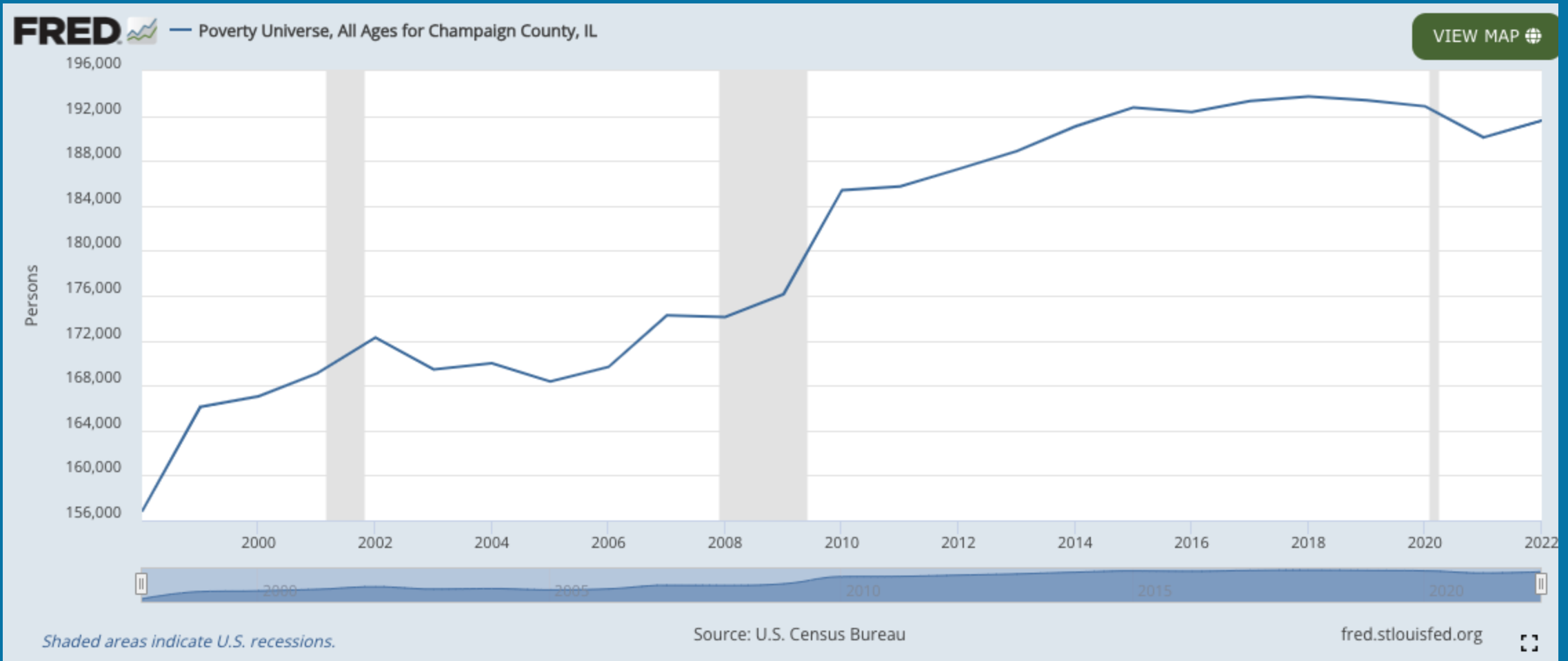


TOWNSHIPS IN CHAMPAIGN COUNTY

POVERTY, RENT BURDEN, AND DISABILITIES

- 44% of Champaign-Urbana and 47% of County households are renters.
- Of 84,290 households, 19.9% met federal poverty guidelines, and another 24% were at or below the threshold for ALICE “Asset Limited, Income Constrained, Employed.” (Champaign County Mental Health Board, 2021)
- To afford \$686 monthly rent in Champaign County, a person must work 60 hours a week at minimum wage (National Low Income Housing Coalition, 2021).
- The number of county residents with disabilities has been growing. ~3,200 people in Champaign County are supported by Social Security Supplemental Income (SSI), which is \$943 per month. Total SSI participants in Champaign County have increased by 21.2% between 2008 and 2018 (SSA.gov)

POVERTY IN CHAMPAIGN COUNTY

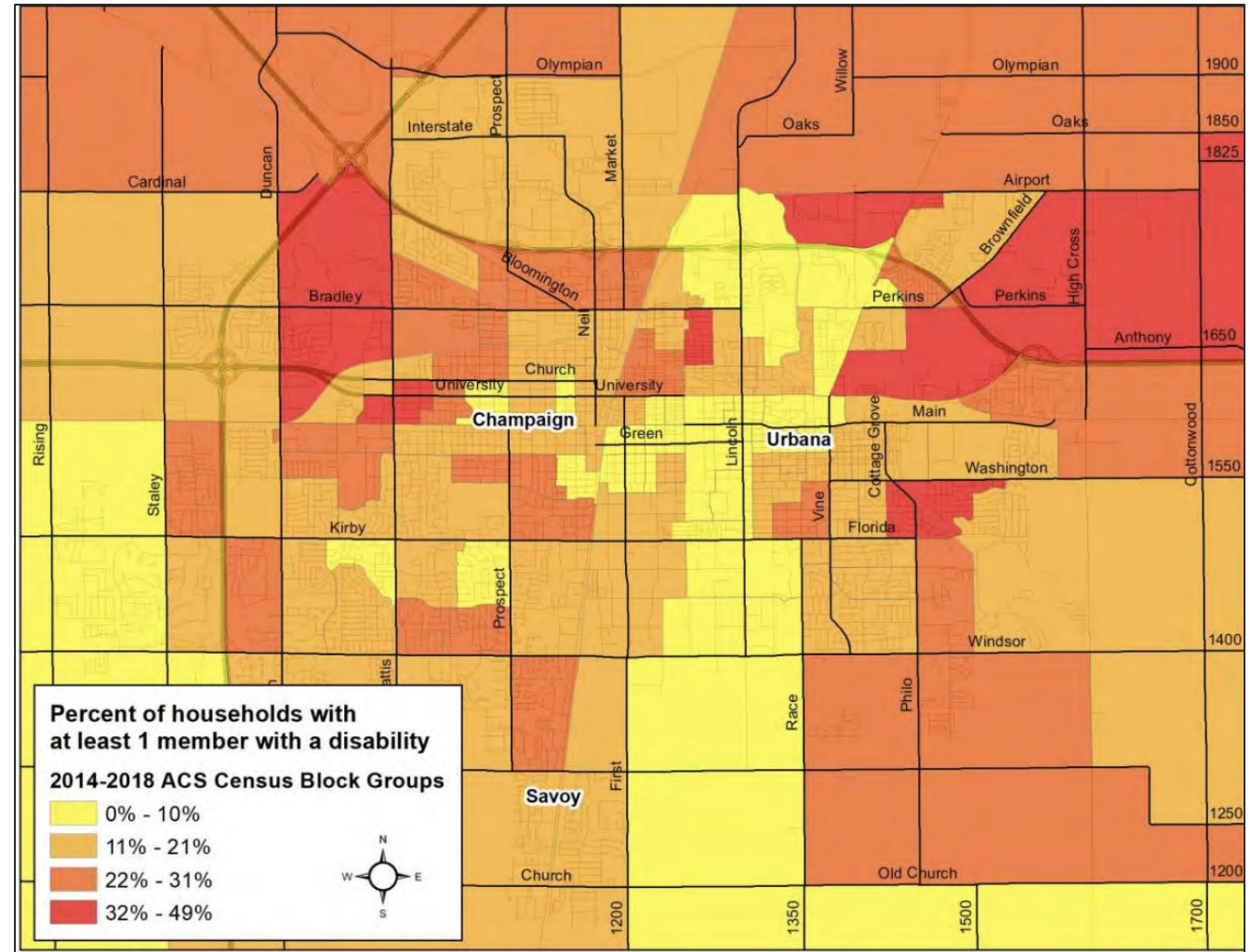


- Areas facing poverty exist throughout the county.



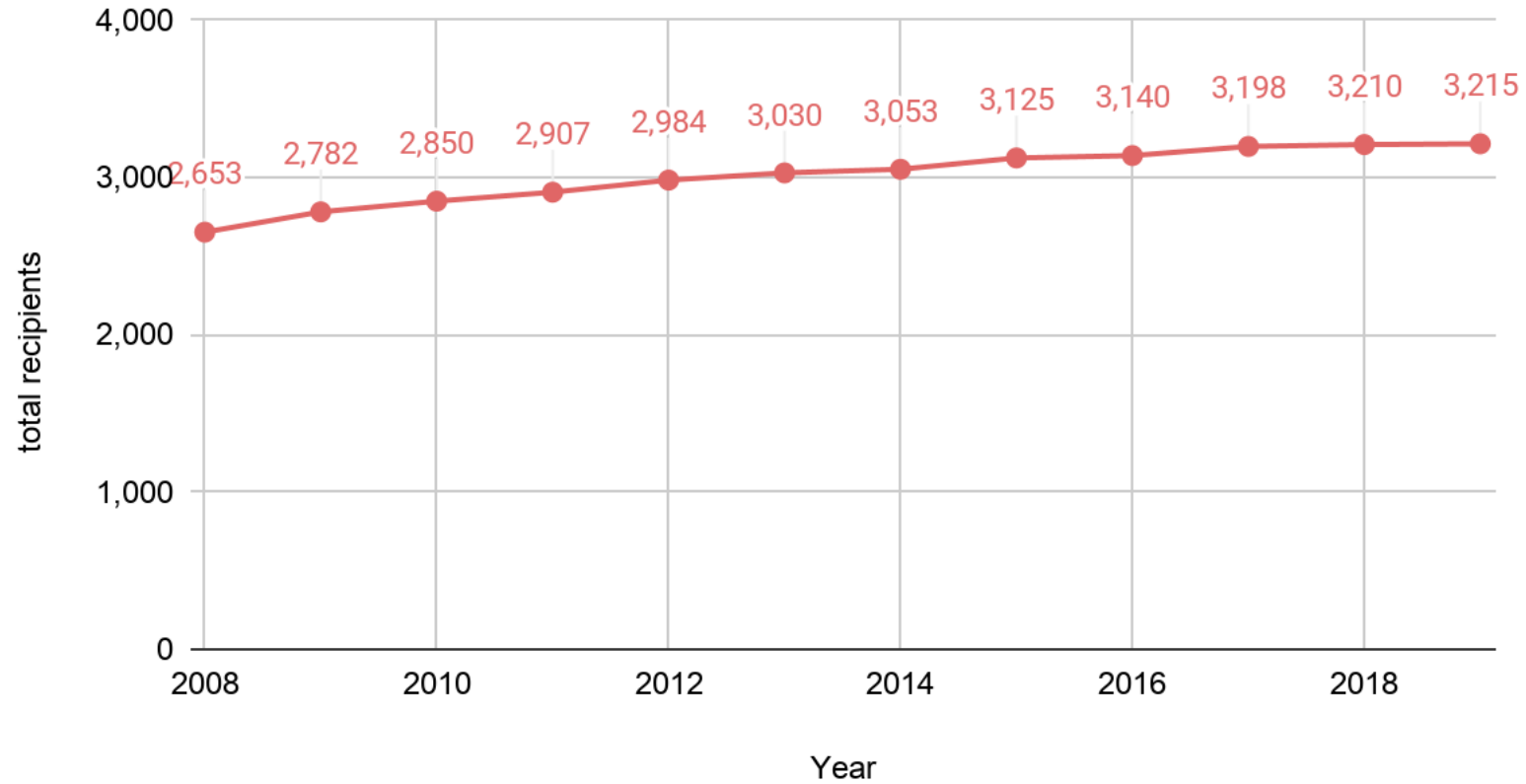
DISABILITY IN CHAMPAIGN COUNTY

- Federal SSI payments to disabled residents = \$943/mo.
- Poverty rate = \$1,300/mo
- SSI recipients can't afford any independent housing at market rates.
- To avoid rent burden, they would need to pay <\$314 per month in rent.



*From Champaign County Community Health Plan 2020-2023

SSI Total Recipients



21% INCREASE OF COUNTY RESIDENTS RECEIVING SSI IN 10 YEARS.

WHY GENERAL ASSISTANCE

- General assistance serves as an essential, non-duplicated support program for residents facing disability or unemployment.
- Emergency Assistance is an essential, non-duplicated support program for residents facing housing or other insecurities such as having power or water turned off.
- GA and EA are part of the public safety system that saves lives.
- Every township collects General Assistance from tax payers. They have a legal obligation to support residents in need. In this way, GA is a kind of "insurance policy" all residents pay into, similar to Social Security.

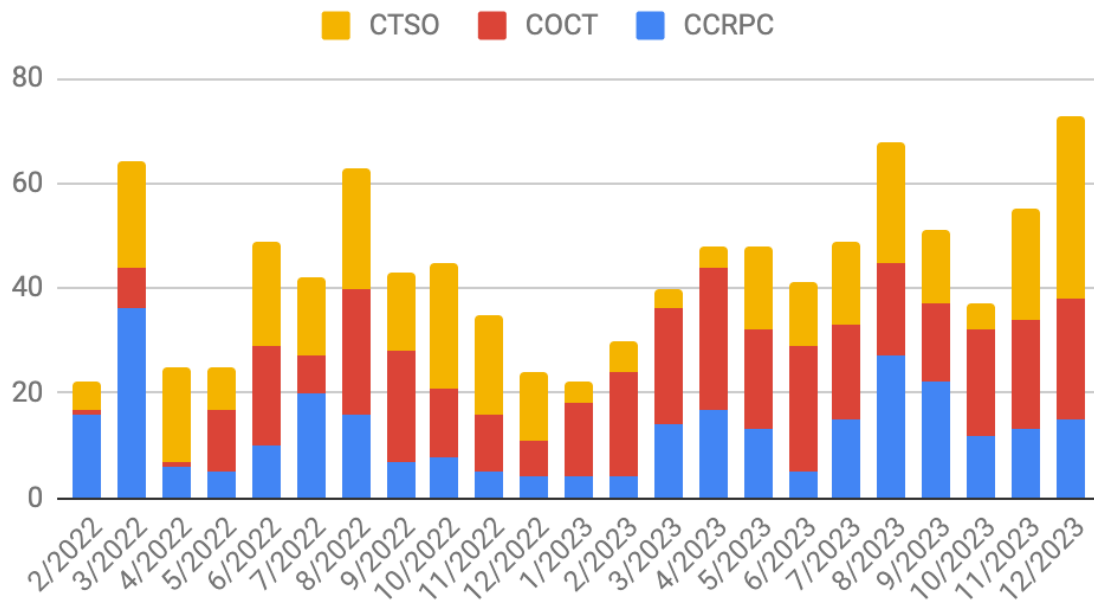
LEGAL REMEDIES

If a township is found to withhold a public benefit as required by the state or be using their funds for other purposes, a lawsuit can be filed with the state.

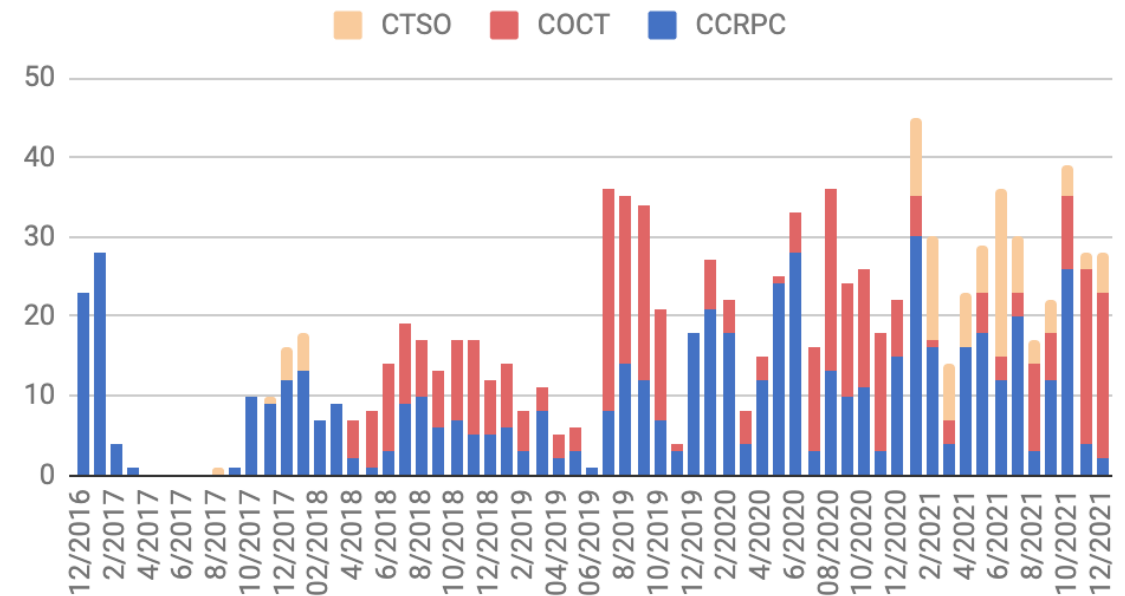
- from the Executive Director of the Township Officials of Illinois

Champaign County Rental Assistance Consortium: Cunningham Township, City of Champaign Township and Regional Planning Commission

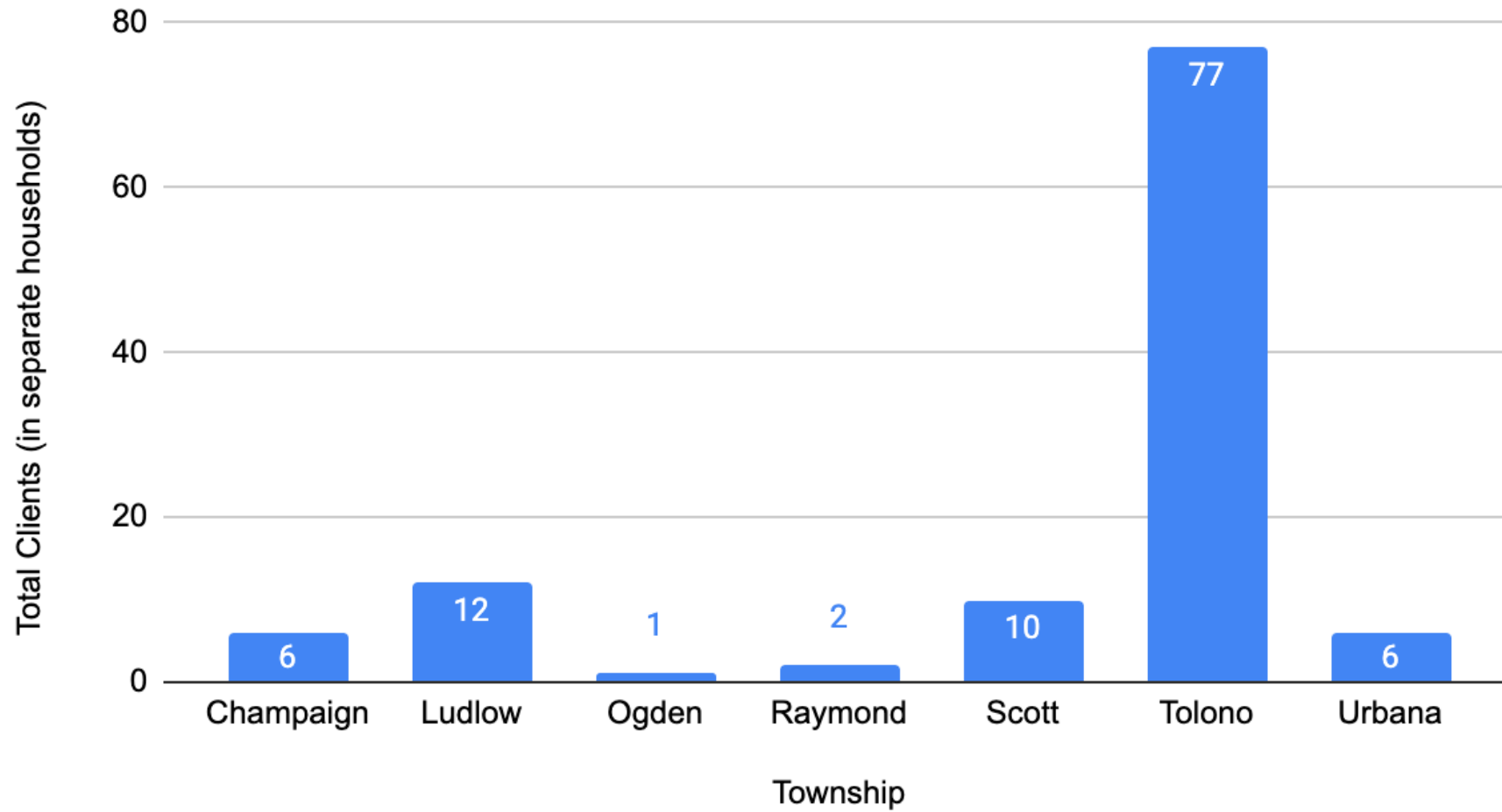
Cases by Agency (12/1/2022 - 12/31/2023)



Cases by Agency (12/1/2016 - 12/31/2021)



Total GA & EA Clients by Township (No CTSO or COCT) '23



Township GA/EA Services

Township	GA- Transitional	GA Workforce	Emergency Assistance	Rental Assistance	Utility Assistance	Other GA or EA
Ayer	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No
Brown	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No
Champaign	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
City of Champaign	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No
Colfax	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No
Compromise	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No
Condit	No	No	No	No	No	No
Crittenden	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Cunningham	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
East Bend	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No

Comprehensive Data for all Townships in Champaign from FOIA can be found here: <https://t.ly/CaNhU>
 GA Applications that exist: <https://t.ly/OoBe7>

Township	GA- Transitional	GA Workforce	Emergency Assis	Rental Assistanc	Utility Assistanc	Other GA or EA
Hardwood						
Hensley	No	No	No	No	No	No
Kerr	No	No	No	No	No	(available not used)
Ludlow	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No
Mahomet	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No
Newcomb	No	No	No	No	No	No
Ogden	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No
Pesotum	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Philo	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No
Rantoul	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No

Township GA/EA Services

Township	GA- Transitional	GA Workforce	Emergency Assistance	Rental Assistance	Utility Assistance	Other GA or EA
Raymond	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Sadorus	Yes	No	No	No	No	No
Scott	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Sidney	No	No	No	No	Yes	No
Somer	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
South Homer	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No
Stanton	No	No	No	No	No	No
St. Joseph	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Tolono	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Urbana	Yes	No	No	No	No	No

Township GA/EA Services

Township	Website?	Office Hours
Ayer	None	None
Brown	None	By appointment
Champaign	Yes	7am-12pm
City of Champaign	Yes	8:30am- 4pm
Colfax	None	By appointment
Compromise	None	7am-3:30pm weekdays
Condit	N/A	None
Crittenden	None	None
Cunningham	Yes	8:30am- 12:00pm, 1:00pm- 4:30pm weekdays
East Bend	None	None

TOWNSHIP QUALITIES

Township	Website?	Office Hours
Hardwood	N/A	N/A
Hensley	N/A	None
Kerr	None	By appointment
Ludlow	None	1pm- 4:30pm
Mahomet	Yes	None
Newcomb	N/A	None
Ogden	N/A	N/A
Pesotum	None	None
Philo	N/A	N/A
Rantoul	None	8am- 11pm

TOWNSHIP QUALITIES

Township	Website?	Office Hours
Raymond	None	None
Sadorus	None	None
Scott	None	24/7 365 days a year
Sidney	None	By appointment
Somer	None	None
South Homer	None	None
Stanton	Yes	Varying
St. Joseph	N/A	N/A
Tolono	N/A	N/A
Urbana	None	8:30am- 11pm

TOWNSHIP QUALITIES

SUMMARY OF SURVEY

- There are 30 townships in Champaign County – all but one (Hardwood) responded
- Philo did not complete survey but requested support administering GA
- 5 have websites
- 8 have consistent, set office hours (the rest are by appointment or do not exist)
- 19 townships provided zero assistance last year.
- 4 townships claim to not have a general assistance program, despite it being mandated by law. Conduit, Hensley, Newcomb, Stanton.

TOWNSHIPS IN CHAMPAIGN OFFER AN ARRAY OF OTHER SERVICES

- 4 townships aid in cemetery management
- 28 townships have highway commissioners (road maintenance/service/recovery)
- Other various services include food banks, clothing donations, recycling programs, social/recreation services.
- Some townships has formal collaborations (ex: Cunningham has 29 written relationships).

REMAINING QUESTIONS

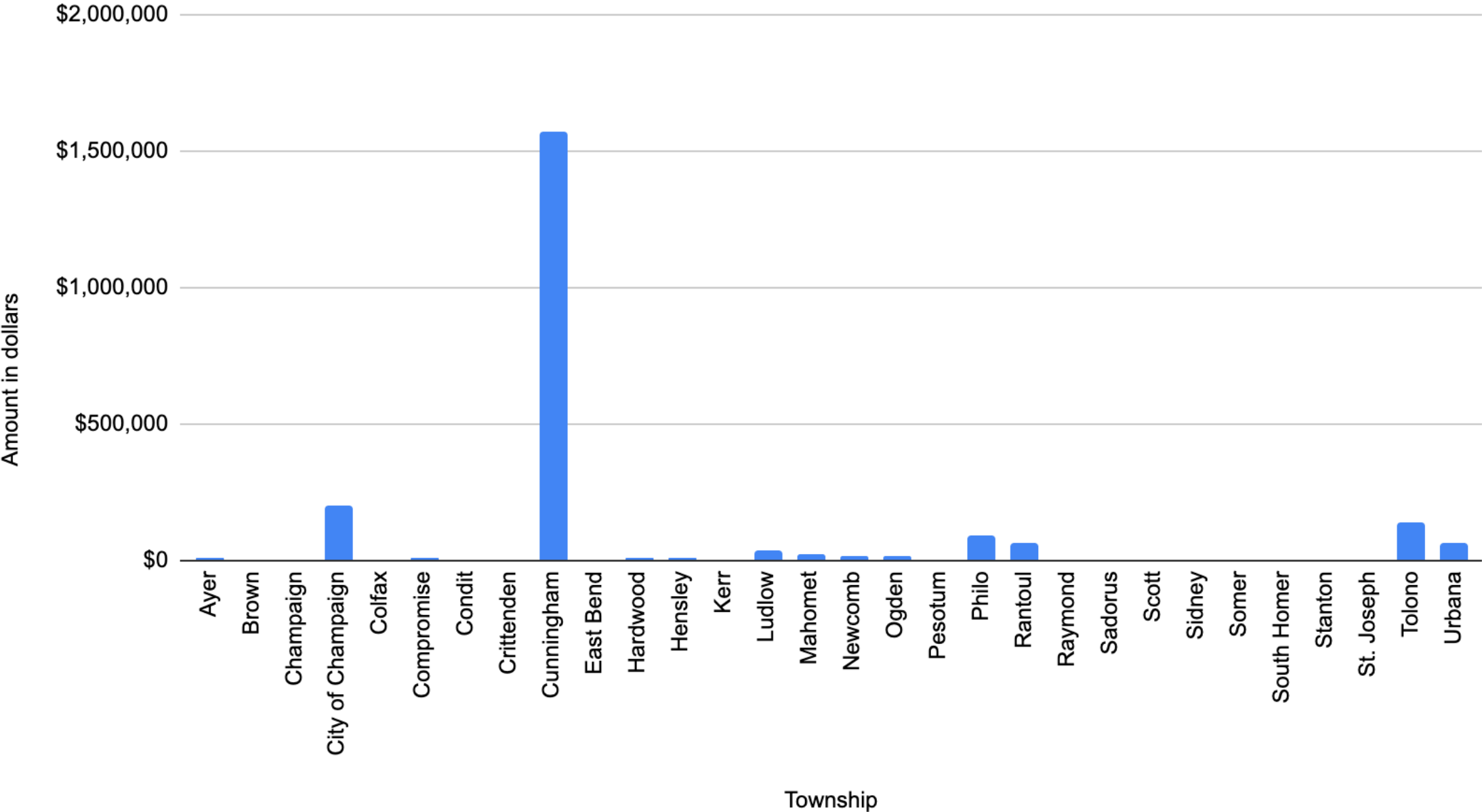
Specific review of accounts, GA/EA programs, and township functions is needed for these townships:

- Hardwood Township – Did not respond to survey
- Multi-township Condit, Newcomb, & Stanton– Claim to not have GA/EA programs (which is illegal by state law), but East Bend which is a part of this multi-township says they did
- Tolono, Mahomet, Rantoul, & Urbana- Discrepancies in annual tax levies, amount of budget spent on administrative salaries, beginning balances, and/or number of clients per year

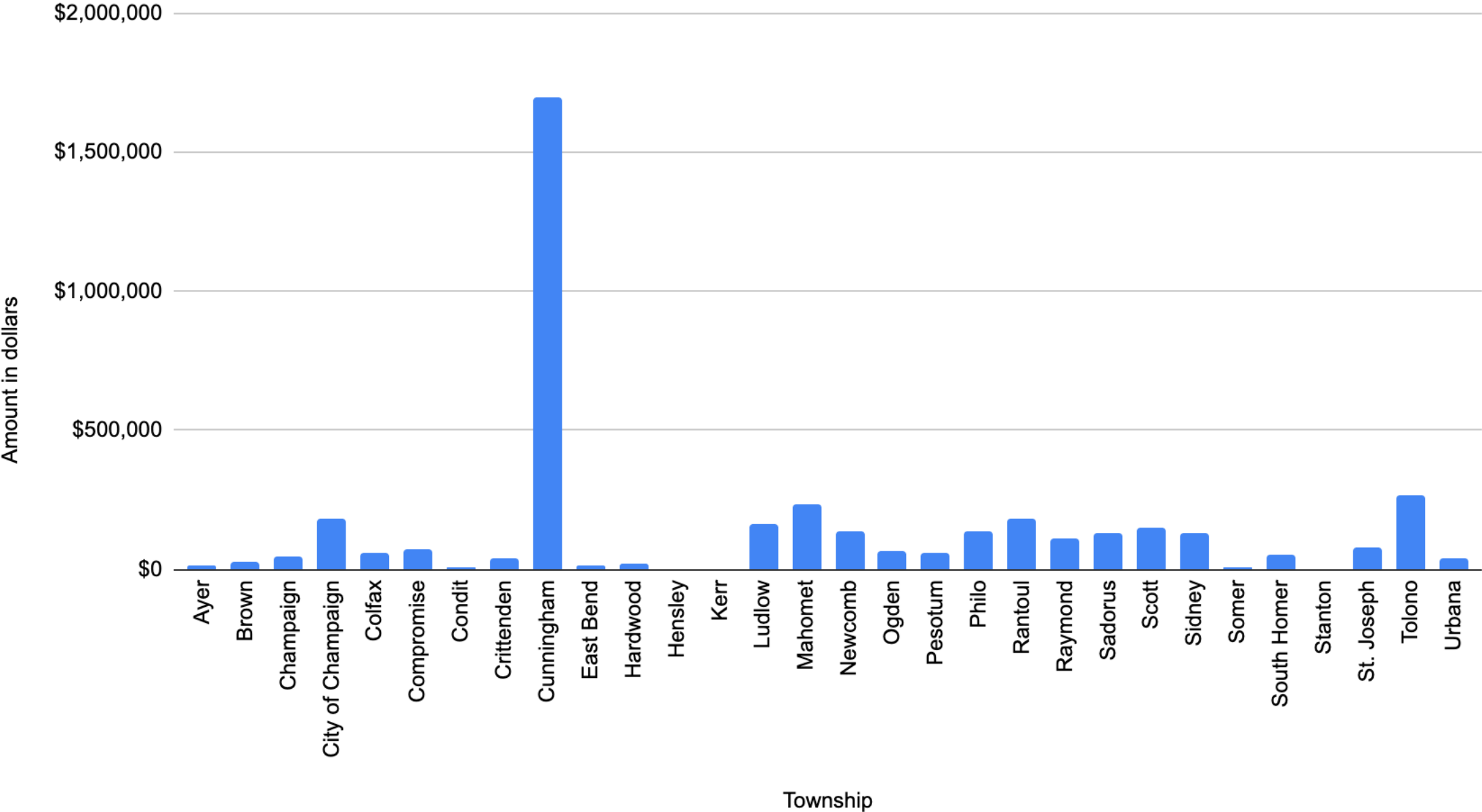
TOWNSHIP FINANCIALS

- Financial Data provided by Champaign County Clerk: <https://t.ly/EQD5y>
- Collectively, all 30 townships surmise to \$7,444,400 in budgets allocated to General Assistance according to FY 23- 24 Budget Reports
- Collectively, all 30 townships spend \$821,686 on admin/personnel (FY 23-24)
- Collectively, all 30 townships allocated to spend \$1,541,086 on direct assistance (FY 23-24)

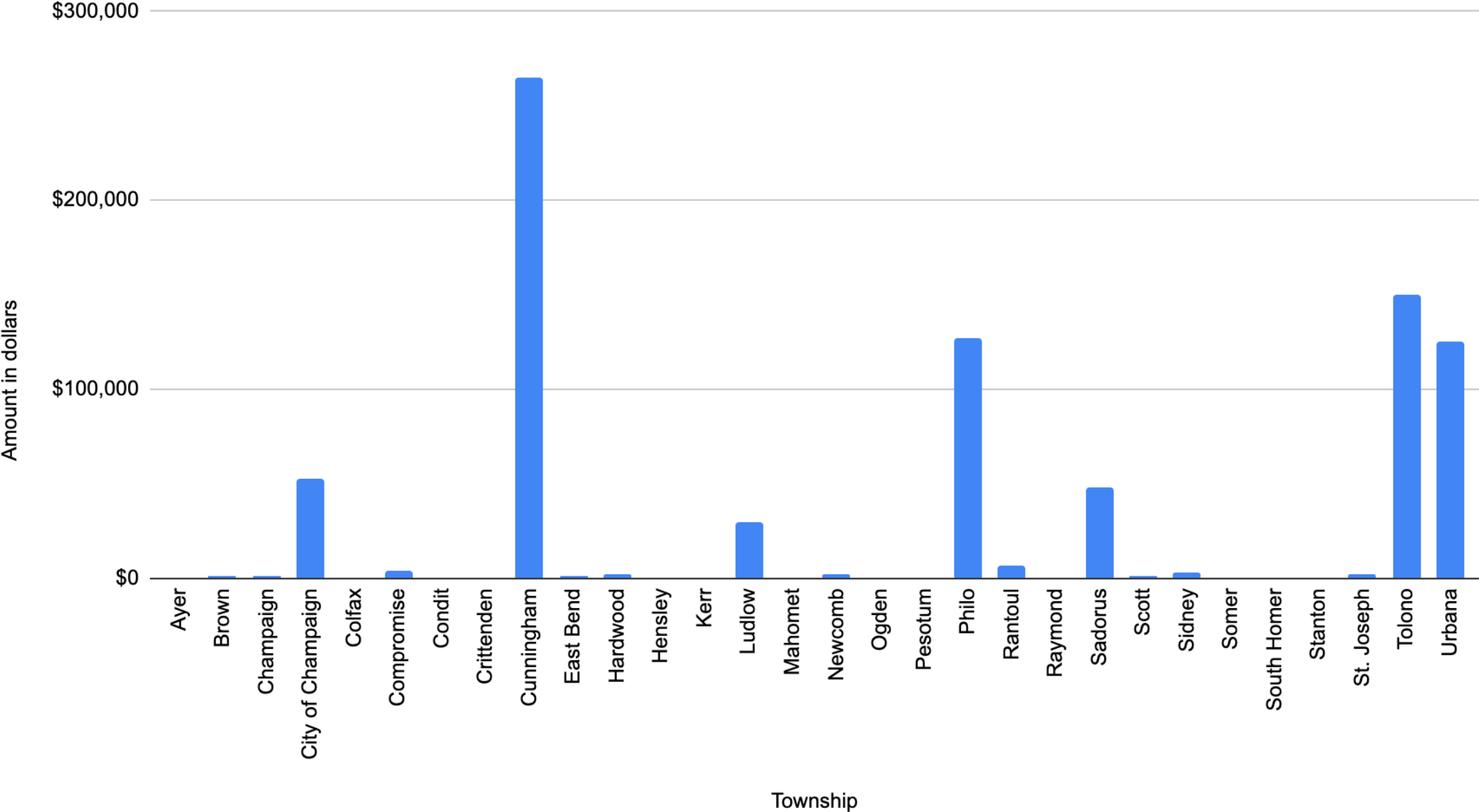
Tax Levy For GA by Township FY 23-24



Beginning balance GA Funds by Township FY 23-24



GA Admin Expenditures (Salaries Only) FY 23-24



RECOMMENDATIONS

- Champaign County Townships Comprehensive Report shall be shared with Champaign County officials, Supervisors of all 30 Townships, State Representative Ammons and Senator Faraci, and Township Officials of Illinois. The report should live on County and Cunningham Township websites.
- Townships must comply with state law requiring provision of General Assistance. Undue barriers to applying should be considered refusal.
- Townships unable or willing to comply should seek to contract these services with other townships with capacity, skills, and interest.
- Champaign Circuit Clerk should use FOIA to compel missing information from townships: public official names and contact, address, financial reports, contact for GA provision.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- Residents who are unable to apply for assistance or receive a response should appeal to the Public Aid Appeals Committee which should be proactive in addressing lack of service:
https://www.co.champaign.il.us/CountyBoard/meetings_PUBAIDAPP.php
- The Champaign County Rental Assistance Consortium should invite townships to join the consortium to prevent homelessness.
- Champaign County should play a role in educating the public about their right to General Assistance. Ideas: C-CARTS ads, TV and Radio earned media and public service announcements,
- Propose State Legislation that requires every township to have an online presence, up to date contact info, published office hours, GA/EA rules and application, and sanctions for townships that do not provide General Assistance.