

## Community Update September 2018

## MPHA applies for HUD program to launch major upgrades to Elliot Twins Apartments

MPHA has applied for the Rental Assistance Demonstration program (RAD), in the words of HUD: "a powerful tool to preserve and improve public housing properties and address the backlog of deferred maintenance." MPHA intends to use the program to give the Elliot Twins the **most extensive highrise renovation in our history, preserving two of MPHA's oldest buildings for the 174 households who live there.** MPHA held meetings with residents (right), who learned about how the program works, emphasized the importance of this low-income housing, and asked about the many resident protections built into the RAD program. For more on RAD, visit <u>MPHAOnline.org/RAD</u>





## Home Depot & Behr Paint volunteers team up with residents and staff for Glendale spruce-up

In a joint project with residents and MPHA staff, volunteers from Home Depot and Behr Paint have been out multiple times to the **Glendale Townhomes** to paint and replace playground equipment, replace pea-gravel with wood chips, build raised flower beds, and give picnic shelters a fresh coat. There's more to come in this ongoing project to **beautify and update the grounds** at MPHA's only family townhome development, located in the Prospect Park neighborhood.

## Community turns out (and decks out!) for "Roaring 20s" Senior Gala

Every year, our **Cora McCorvey Health & Wellness Center** hosts a gala for area seniors to connect with the North Side community and get their dance on. More than 80 people turned out to hear *Ms. Dorothy and the Sky* and pose for photos with friends. Always lots going on at the McCorvey Center!

MORE NEWS! After applying earlier this year, MPHA has been awarded **155 new specialized housing vouchers** to serve veterans and non-elderly disabled households.







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