

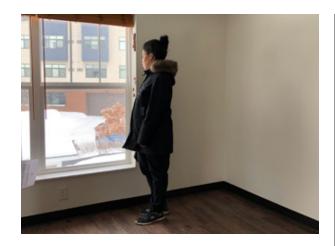
Community Update

March 2019

MPHA applies for program to preserve and invest in single-family homes

MPHA needs to maintain and update more than 700 singlefamily homes across the city. To preserve these homes, MPHA has submitted an application for a federal program called "Section 18" that will bring in much more money to make the repairs these homes and families deserve. Before applying, MPHA sent fact-sheets to each household and held three meetings with residents to share information about the program and gather feedback. Should HUD approve the application, families will remain in their homes as MPHA transfers the properties to its own public nonprofit and converts the increased federal subsidy to project-based vouchers (PBVs). PBVs are attached permanently to the scattered-site house and operate much like public housing does. Through our nonprofit, MPHA will continue to own and manage the homes. Learn more about Section 18 and preserving family homes.





Families begin moving into the Minnehaha Townhomes

It's time at last: MPHA is handing over the keys to the first families moving into the Minnehaha Townhomes! We expect all 16 units will be occupied by the end of the month. The families are referred directly from the Hennepin County homeless shelter system and are looking forward to a new beginning in South Minneapolis. MPHA staff also had a chance to take in the completed apartments on a recent tour. We look forward to celebrating this spring with all of the partners that helped make these townhomes possible!

Thanks Ops staff!

We hope spring is on the way after more than a month of brutal winter weather with recordsetting snowfall and cold. MPHA operations and maintenance staff deserve a huge shoutout for their tireless efforts to keep up with snow removal and respond promptly to heat issues at all hours of the day. Their work through this challenging time has kept residents safe, and makes the whole agency proud.





Visit the Twin Cities **Mobile Market**

MPHA partners with this "grocery store on wheels" to provide affordable, healthy food to residents. The prices are below market rates, helping fill a gap between food shelves and fullservice supermarkets. Find the Twin Cities Mobile Market schedule at Wilder Foundation.