

### Rethinking How Systems Can Invest In Supportive Housing

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## Today's Agenda

- 1. Introduction & Background
- 2. Episcopal Health Foundation
- 3. CareSource
- 4. Open Panel Discussion





## Introductions and Background

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### The Cost of Homelessness: Population Data



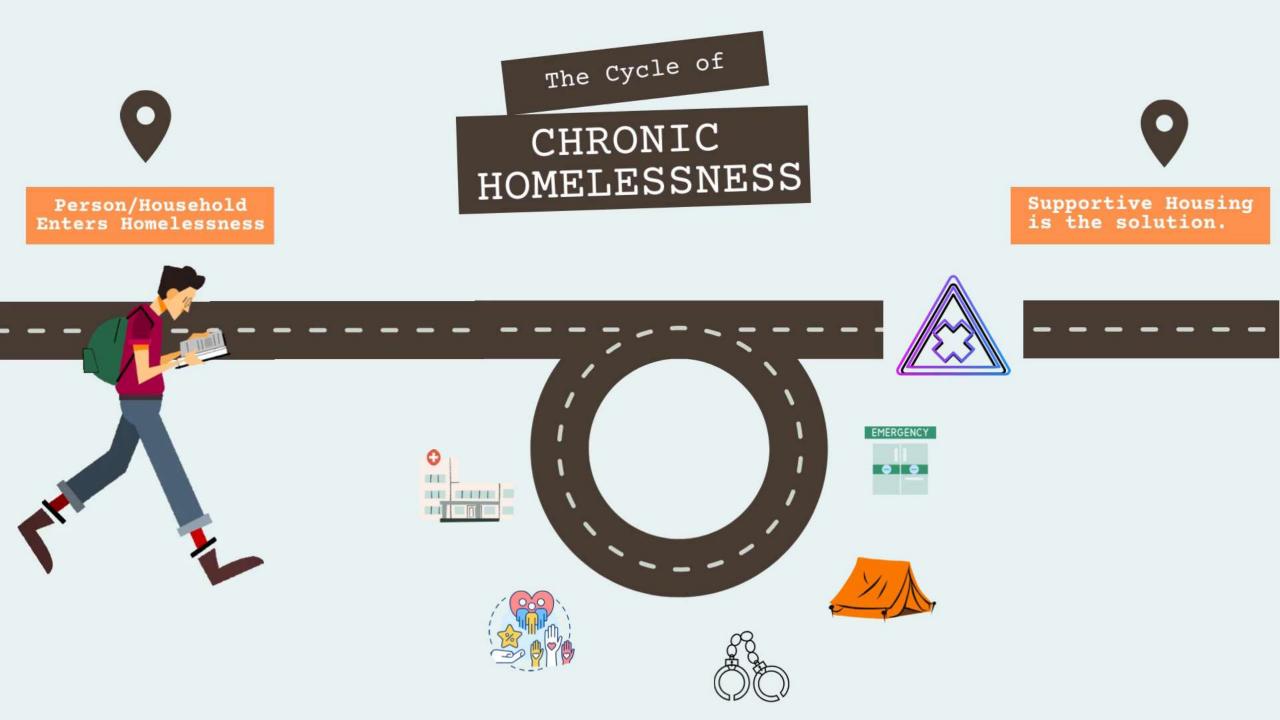
• Total Population: 582,462

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 Chronic Homeless Population: 127,768 (nearly 30% of total population)



- Total Population: 24,432
- Chronic Homeless
  Population: 4,812



## The Cost of Homelessness: Economic Impact



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### Creating and Sustaining a System to Fund Supportive Housing

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### Financing Supportive Housing



#### Capital: to build the buildings

Supportive housing is financed through braided funding, including government and private funding sources, sometimes referred to as a "three-legged stool" which includes:

Capital, Operating, and Services budgets



**Operating**: subsidies to cover the difference between tenant rents and the cost of operating the building



**Services:** to help tenants get housed, stay housed, and thrive in their communities



# Episcopal Health Foundation

C.J. Hager

Texas



# CareSource

### Maura Klein

Ohio

### CareSource Housing Strategies

Maura Klein, State Housing Strategy Lead Ohio Market



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# **Our MISSION**

To make a lasting difference in our members' lives by improving their health and well-being.

#### CARESOURCE

- A nonprofit health plan and national leader in Managed Care
- 30-year history of serving low-income populations across multiple states and insurance products
- 4,700+ employees located across more than 45 states
- Currently serving members in Georgia, Indiana, Kentucky, Ohio, West Virginia, and Arkansas
- Joint venture with Legacy Community Health to form CareSource Bayou Health in Jefferson and Harris Service Delivery Areas



#### **CareSource Life Services**<sup>®</sup>

### VISION

CareSource Life Services provides a holistic foundation to address the social determinants that impact a member's **HEALTH & OVERALL WELL-BEING**.

### **MISSION**

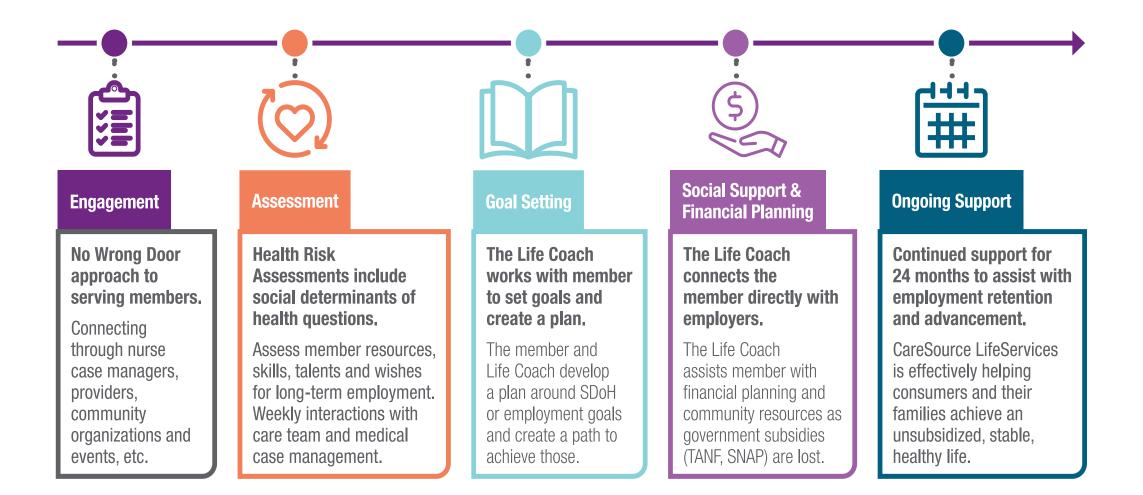
The mission of Life Services is to make a **SUSTAINED IMPACT** in our members' lives by effectively **ADDRESSING THE OBSTACLES** that impede progress in a member's journey toward **SELF-SUFFICIENCY, IMPROVED HEALTH** and **WELL-BEING**.



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Health Care with Heart\*

#### Life Services – Member Journey



#### **Life Services**





#### CareSource JobConnect™

- CareSource's workforce
  development program
- Members are provided a life coach to assist with employment and/or education goals, and help with other SDOH barriers
- Facilitates access to community-based resources

#### HousingConnect

- Identification and tracking of housing insecure/unhoused members
- Housing Locator and landlord recruitment
- Housing Investments in partnerships and programs
- Covered benefits and value-added services

 Addresses food as both a social and clinical healthcare

**FoodConnect** 

 Increase member security and access for food and nutrition

need

 Includes nutrition education, screening and referral, tailored food interventions, food assistance models, covered benefits

#### **CaregiverConnect**<sup>™</sup>

- Care plan development tailored specifically for the caregiver
- Innovative e-learning platform designed for family caregivers to provide tools to look after their loved ones in their own homes
- Provides access to training in caregiving skills, emergency response, and trauma informed care

#### PeerConnect™

- Increase the use of certified Peer Support Specialists to assist our complex health population
- Increase provider competency on Peer Support
- Increase member awareness of and access to Peer Support Services

Life Services members who met the following criteria:

- CareSource member for 12 consecutive months
- Enrollment in Life Services program
- N=2,476 members (from 2019-present)

Claims were pulled 6 months prior to Life Services opt-in, and 6 months post-enrollment

<u>Total Cost by Claim Type</u>:
 Inpatient: Decrease by 25%
 ED: Decrease by 14%

<u>Utilization per 1,000</u>:
 Inpatient: Decrease by 22%
 ED: Decrease by 6%

**TOTAL COST OF CARE:** Decrease by 8%

### HousingConnect







CareSource's HousingConnect model includes:

- Housing navigation and transition support
- Housing locator platform
- Tenancy sustaining services
- Assistance from community-based organizations tailored to meet specific housing and health needs.

HOUSINGCONNECT IS A MULTI-LAYERED, WHOLE-PERSON CARE APPROACH TO ADDRESS HOUSING AS A CLINICAL AND HEALTH-RELATED SOCIAL NEED AND IMPROVE ACCESS TO AFFORDABLE, SAFE HOUSING. WITHIN HOUSINGCONNECT, WE ADDRESS MEMBERS' NEEDS THROUGH PARTNERSHIP WITH THE LOCAL HOUSING INFRASTRUCTURE TO DRIVE IMPROVED CLINICAL QUALITY MEASURES AND IDENTIFY RESOURCES THAT REDUCE THE COST OF CARE.

### HousingConnect

Strategy 1- Identify housing insecure members early and intervene to support stability and prevent homelessness.

- 'Finding Home' Housing Locator
- Descriptive/Inferential Housing Algorithms
- Housing Navigation/Tenancy Support Services/ ILOS

Strategy 2- Invest in the strategic development and rehabilitation of affordable housing to increase housing options for members.

- \$50M Housing Affordability Fund
- Federal Home Loan Bank Programs

Strategy 3- Partner with local and state housing infrastructure to identify resources for members.

- Homeless Continuum of Care
- Habitat for Humanity
- Coalition on Housing and Homelessness in Ohio
- National Church Residences

Strategy 4- Implement evidencebased interventions to assist members with maintaining or regaining housing stability.

- Healthy Beginnings at Home
- Fresh Start Program (CSH)
- Homeless Medical Respite
- Housing Stability Fund

### Healthy Beginnings at Home

First launched in 2018, HBAH is an initiative in Columbus, Ohio focused on **improving birth outcomes and reducing infant mortality** through an **affordable housing intervention** with a strong focus on **reducing racial disparities** in health outcomes.

Phase 1 research results were very promising but not statistically significant due to small sample size. Statewide replication is now underway, as well as similar programs in Indiana and Georgia Markets.

The findings from this research will be used to support **public policy improvements** around infant and maternal health and **drive resource decisions** at all levels.

40 of 51 babies in the intervention group were born full-term and at a healthy birth weight in comparison to 24 of 44 babies in the usual care group.

> Babies in the housing intervention group were less likely to be admitted to NICU and stayed just **8 days rather than 29 days** for usual care NICU admissions.

Four fetal deaths in the usual care group, and

NONE! in the housing intervention group.





## **Thank you!**

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