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Housing Corporation of Arlington Housing. Community. Affordability.

Dear Friends,

Wow. What a year for HCA—a year of goals accomplished, challenges faced and celebrations of how far we have come.

More than 350 of our closest friends came together at our 25th Anniversary Celebration Dinner to honor beloved Arlington hero, Brian Greeley. Led by Master of Ceremonies, longtime HCA supporter Ray Magliozzi of NPR's *Car Talk*, the evening was filled with laughter, tears, great food, memories of missed friends and the celebration of HCA's 25 years of accomplishments. Contributors, such as lead sponsor Cambridge Savings Bank, and an honorary committee chaired by Bob Bowes of Bowes Real Estate, Real Living made the evening an unbelievable financial success, raising more than \$55,000.

HCA is very excited about the progress on our Capitol Square Apartments Project the first Arlington property to receive low-income housing tax credits from the Massachusetts Department of Housing and Community Development. When completed this winter, Capitol Square will bring our total number of affordable apartments up to 90 units.

We thank our religious communities for their dedication to making Arlington an affordable community for all. Calvary Church's ongoing support of HCA has always been exceptional, but recently they outdid themselves when members provided HCA with a \$100,000 loan for our Capitol Square Apartments Project. For the fifth fall in a row, First Baptist Church of Arlington once again partnered with HCA to bring low-income families backpacks for the new school year. And last spring, the First Parish Youth Group ran a Music & Art Benefit which raised \$3,000 for our 11th Annual Walk for Affordable Housing.

In addition, HCA has benefited greatly from the tremendous support of our local community banks. Their significant contributions added in great measure to our ability to raise more than \$53,000 for our 11th Annual Walk for Affordable Housing.

However, there is still a lot to be done. With Arlington's 14.6% increase in rent in the past year,* it's been a trying time for many of our neighbors. In August 2012, HCA completed the HUD-funded Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing Program, and we have now reached the bittersweet benchmark of having assisted 500 households in danger of becoming homeless. In addition, we helped nearly 80 households in the past year with more than \$150,000 in financial assistance. Our goal for this upcoming year is to raise \$100,000 to assist families in housing crises.

Finally, we wish to salute David J. Levy who served low-income households in Arlington for eight years as our executive director. Through his tireless efforts, David was a key player in putting HCA on the map. We will miss him but are thrilled to welcome Pamela Hallett as HCA's new executive director. Last summer, we marked David's departure and Pam's arrival at our Say Farewell to David & Welcome to Pam celebration which gave our friends and supporters an additional opportunity to express their appreciation for HCA's work.

As always, we are grateful for the support from our many friends, both inside and outside of Arlington. Thank you for your commitment to HCA.

Best wishes,

Paul Parravano

Paul Parravano Board President

* Source: www.zillow.com

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Pamela Hallett Executive Director

HCA—MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN OUR COMMUNITY



A Gift from Heaven

Ellen, a low-income disabled senior, was living in an inaccessible unit that was impossible to navigate in her wheelchair. As fate would have it, she went to a church service one Sunday and found out from an Arlington town employee that there was an open, 100% accessible, subsidized unit available in Arlington. After she was accepted into the unit, HCA assisted her with the moving expenses. Ellen calls her new apartment, "a gift from heaven," and is grateful to HCA for helping her get there.



Finally, a Safe Affordable Home

After years of unsanitary, cramped, and increasingly expensive housing, Amy and her children were desperate for a safe, affordable home. During Arlington Town Day, she and her family were introduced to HCA, and after a year and a half on our waiting list, finally got an opportunity for safe, affordable HCA housing. Amy calls it a "godsend to have the opportunity to rent from HCA." For the first time, her family lives in an apartment where everyone can have their own bedroom, and they are no longer vulnerable to owners deciding to sell their properties or increase the rent.



Making Connections

After living in Arlington and working close by for six years, Michael lost his job and then his apartment within a matter of months. He lived on his friends' couches for a few weeks until he ran out of options and started living in his car. After an initial intake with Michael, HCA connected him with Caritas Communities, a nonprofit that has single resident occupancy units, and assisted him with his security deposit there. Moving forward, Michael was able to live affordably on unemployment while continuing to look for a new job.

Please note: names have been changed to protect privacy.

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

for the 6-month period ending December 2011 and the 12-month period ending June 2011

| | December 2011 Total | June 2011 Totals |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------|------------------|
| Income | | |
| Rental Income | 545,237 | 973,329 |
| Contracts | 95,723 | 206,288 |
| Grants | 48,191 | 59,483 |
| Donations | 117,003 | 129,553 |
| Developer Fees | - | 27,500 |
| Other | 4,442 | 1,180 |
| Total Income | 810,596 | 1,397,333 |
| Expenses | | |
| Salaries & Related | 130,848 | 186,984 |
| Administrative | 91,107 | 121,340 |
| Housing and Other Programs | 525,253 | 1,003,152 |
| Total expenses before depreciation | 747,208 | 1,311,476 |
| Change in Net Assets from Operations | 63,388 | 85,857 |
| Depreciation Expense | 246,278 | 432,900 |

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

Change in Net Assets after Depreciation

for the 6-month period ending December 2011 and the 12-month period ending June 2011

(182,890)

(347,043)

| Assets | December 31, 2011 | June 30, 2011 |
|--------------------------------|-------------------|---------------|
| Cash | 434,097 | 360,865 |
| Accounts receivable | 50,566 | 20,362 |
| Prepaid | 16,182 | 9,564 |
| Reserves | 212,745 | 239,019 |
| Property & Equipment | 16,285,451 | 16,499,790 |
| Projects in Development | 677,891 | 560,498 |
| Other Assets | 84,757 | 169,793 |
| Total Assets | 17,761,689 | 17,859,891 |
| Liabilities | | |
| Accounts Payable | 71,722 | 40,694 |
| Accrued Expenses | 26,980 | 20,830 |
| Other Liabilities | 144,218 | 118,108 |
| Mortgages Payable | 7,364,753 | 7,350,566 |
| Conditional Loans | 10,657,658 | 10,657,658 |
| Total Liabilities | 18,265,331 | 18,187,856 |
| Net Assets | | |
| Operating | 66,407 | 293,802 |
| Real Estate Development | (570,049) | (621,767) |
| Total Net Assets | (503,642) | (327,965) |
| Total Liabilities & Net Assets | 17,761,689 | 17,859,891 |



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Our Mission

The Housing Corporation of Arlington provides and advocates for affordable housing for low- and moderate-income families and individuals in Arlington and surrounding communities, while promoting social and economic diversity.

Our Vision

To meet the needs of low- and moderate-income residents, HCA envisions an array of affordable housing that blends well with existing neighborhoods.

HCA housing will be safe, attractive, environmentally sound, and affordable in perpetuity.

Our Board of Directors, committee members, volunteers and small professional staff work closely with residents, congregations, businesses, tenants, and housing professionals in an effort to keep our communities diverse and stable.

HCA was established in 1986 and is a 501(c)3 corporation.

On the Cover: Shown in the center is HCA's most recent project—the Capitol Square Apartments. Following renovations, the three buildings will offer a mix of apartment sizes including studio, one-bedroom and two-bedroom units, with 32 affordable units in all. Above and below are several housing units owned and operated by HCA.

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