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Supportive Housing Provider Association Member:

Although the pandemic may be behind us the business impacts continue. Despite these continued challenges, you remain steadfast in your commitment to providing quality services and housing to those in need throughout your communities.

SHPA is committed to your ongoing success, therefore, SHPA remains dedicated to our work: state and federal advocacy to increase the resources for the development of supportive housing and/or the supportive services, creating programmatic or systemic change, building provider capacity through our training & technical assistance program, and engaging residents in storytelling and advocacy through our Resident Leadership & Empowerment program. We have always, and will always, stand shoulder to shoulder with you, offering support and assistance. In 2022, SHPA was pleased to return to in person activities and events allowing for our network of supportive housing providers and developers to better engage in our community education and advocacy initiatives.

Thank you for your continued support of SHPA!

A lot has happened at SHPA over the past year, none more significant than our successful advocacy for the following:

- **Increase of Supportive Housing Service Funding to a total of \$42,586,400**
- **\$28 million re-appropriation for Supportive Housing Services from the State & Fiscal American Rescue Plan**
- **\$ 10 million re-appropriation for the Housing is Recovery Pilot Program to be launched in early 2023**
- **\$150 million in appropriations for gap financing and development of affordable housing**
- **The launch of Home Illinois: Illinois' State Plan to Prevent and End Homelessness the first ever state plan on the issues of homelessness**

Other 2022 accomplishments:

- \$15 million appropriation for initiatives set forth in the inaugural state plan to prevent & end homelessness
- Source of Income Discrimination legislation that amends the Illinois Human Rights Act making source of income discrimination illegal
- Rebuild Illinois' Behavioral Health Workforce: legislation that invests \$171 million in Community Mental Health and Substance Use Services staff
- Human Services Professional Loan Re-Payment Program
- Dimensions of Quality & Evidence-Based Practice series of trainings

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“What to Expect in 2023”

- On-going advocacy for the increased resources at both the state and federal level
- Codifying, through legislation, the Interagency Task Force on Homelessness and Community Advisory Council
- Other Budget & Legislative Priorities as determined by the membership (www.shpa-il.org)
- Welcoming our returning Board Members: Linda Thurmond, Lisa Kuklinski, Margarita Gonzalez; and new Board Members: Kimberly Sisney, Full Circle Communities and Charles Lewandowski, Resident Leader.
- Continuing to advance SHPA’s strategic planning activities advancing initiatives for supportive housing development and supportive services and furthering organization/board development
- Hosting Regional Storytelling Workshops for Person’s with Lived Experience
- Providing Emergency & Permanent Supportive Housing Workshops
- Implementing the 2023 Training Series, including Dimensions of Quality, Evidence-Based Practices, SOAR Training Co-Horts, SRN & GATA Trainings and more (www.shpa-il.org)
- Working with our advocate partners on state issues concerning Workforce Improvements, Public Health Benefits (TANF Reform), Build Homes State Tax Credits and Federal programs such as Build Back Better, House America, Federal Strategic Plan to Prevent and End Homelessness, Housing is Infrastructure, and Home & Community Based Service Expansion.
- And so much more!

We are pleased to announce a partnership with the Illinois Office to Prevent and End Homelessness to launch the Illinois Education & Technical Assistance Center and facilitate the project initiatives that support Home Illinois: Illinois’ State Plan to Prevent & End Homelessness.

Your membership and participation are the reasons for our success. We look forward to your continued support and partnership with us! Attached is your renewal notice for your 2023 membership dues.

Please make your check payable to:
Supportive Housing Providers Association
6 Lawrence Square
Springfield, IL 62704

As you renew membership, we ask that you update your contact information relevant to your organization. Please see the form attached. Please consider JOINING A COMMITTEE or Work Group.

We look forward to working with you in the year ahead. If you have any questions, please contact David Esposito at 217-321-2476 x2 or via e-mail at d.esposito@shpa-il.org.

Sincerely,

David Esposito
David Esposito
Executive Director

Lore Baker
Lore Baker
Board President



Membership Contact Form

Name of Organization:

Address:

Name of Executive Director/CEO:

Phone:

Email:

Name of Accounting/Financial Contact:

Phone:

Email:

Name of Housing Contact:

Phone:

Email:

Name of Social Services Contact:

Phone:

Email:

Additional Contacts: (name and e-mail)

Total Organization Budget \$ _____

Total Supportive Housing Budget \$ _____ (if applicable)

Are you a Certified Medicaid Billing Agency? Yes No



Membership Agreement (page 1 of 2)

Please sign the membership agreement and send to the address listed below.

The Supportive Housing Providers Association exists to advocate for issues that will increase and strengthen the supply of supportive housing, to provide a forum for members to discuss their experiences, and to increase the effectiveness of its members through the dissemination of information.

I understand that if my organization is accepted as a member of the Supportive Housing Providers Association that membership carries certain privileges and responsibilities.

The privileges and benefits of membership include:

1. Legislative advocates working regularly on behalf of SHPA members and periodic strategic advice for developing and nurturing relationships with legislators.
2. Ability to vote on major legislative/policy issues and priorities which guides SHPA's advocacy efforts.
3. Timely knowledge for Call to Action or Action Alerts and necessary materials, such as letter templates or call scripts pertaining to important legislation that impacts supportive housing and residents.
4. Forum for information sharing on the current financial and political environment for developing supportive housing.
5. Benefits of networking with providers of supportive housing from across the state and sharing of best practices at semi-annual associations meetings and regional workshops at least 2x per year.
6. Benefits of broader network of members and affiliates, such as Healthcare Systems, Landlords & Developers, Managed Care Organizations
7. Free or discounted attendance at regional workshops that could include CEU credits for further staff development.
8. Access to any studies or educational materials developed by or shared with SHPA for educating legislators and the public regarding supportive housing.
9. Robust Resident Leadership Program to assist residents in their advocacy development and Scholarships to attend the Annual Resident Conference Annual and Spring Association meetings, and other local and national conferences as budget allows.
10. Electronic Peer to Peer program to share ideas, discuss challenges, and information sharing as needed.

The responsibilities of membership include:

1. Agreeing to maintain confidentiality and trust which will enable members to discuss their projects in an environment which is not threatening to their organization's viability.
2. Agreeing to share honestly with other members your experience so that all members can learn from it to improve their projects.
3. Agreeing to pay annual dues according to the sliding scale below for membership in the Supportive Housing Providers Association.
4. Membership meeting attendance whenever possible.
5. Participation in major SHPA advocacy campaigns through calls, letters, or visits to legislators.

Supportive Housing provider agencies dues are based on the size of your organizational budget as follows:

- Supportive Housing Providers with a budget of:

