

Adopt-A-House

UDI's *Adopt-A-House* is a donor program designed to involve the private sector, charitable organizations and the business community in providing funding for one-half of the construction costs needed to develop properties.

Adopt-A-House is an effective way to develop better housing alternatives for our community.

Looking for Properties

Do you know of any fixer-upper properties for sale in the immediate Waterbury area? Properties of interest include single family homes, commercial properties, land, and apartment buildings. For additional information, please contact MauTiste Investment Corporation at (610) 363-6900.



UDI Programs

- ◆ Affordable Housing Program
- ◆ UDI Scholarship Fund
- ◆ Safe Neighborhoods Coalition
- ◆ Safe Streets Initiative
- ◆ Stop the Violence CT Initiative
- ◆ Arts & the Inner City
- ◆ Community Wellness Project
- ◆ Heritage Archives
- ◆ Open Mic Program

For More Information

To find out more about Urban Dynamics Institute and our various community-based programs, visit our website at:

<http://www.urbandynamics.org>

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Affordable Housing Program

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Urban Dynamics Institute (UDI) has served the Waterbury, Connecticut area as a non-profit institution for over 102 years. Although UDI began as a provider of community recreational services, it has expanded into other areas of community outreach, including affordable housing, health care disparities, the Stop the Violence initiative and college scholarships.

Housing Crisis

With rent increases combined with high unemployment and a slow economy, more than 14 million American families have housing needs -- spending more than 50% of their income on rent or living in dilapidated or overcrowded housing. That marks an increase of 60% since 1997.¹ These rising costs combined with a decrease in federal funding makes the commitment of private resources vitally important.

UDI's Affordable Housing

UDI designed its Affordable Housing Impact Program to provide more housing options for poor and disadvantaged families and individuals living in the Waterbury area. UDI's housing efforts focus on securing properties within indigent neighborhoods that are run-down, abandoned, vacant and/or blighted. These properties are then rehabilitated and made available for rent or ownership at affordable prices, thus preventing further decay and deterioration of the community.

¹Marks, Alexandra. *Christian Science Monitor*, 16 November 2004.

Affordable Housing Goals

UDI's main goal is to create quality multiple-dwelling homes for underprivileged families and individuals living in the Waterbury area. The majority of these planned homes will be newly constructed single, two and three family homes. Additional program goals, include:

- ◆ **Establishing the Waterbury Low-Income Affordable Housing Coalition**

The Waterbury Low-Income Affordable Housing Coalition is a liaison resource between the business community and private sector created to focus on the need for affordable housing.

- ◆ **Providing Security**

UDI will equip properties with surveillance cameras and on-site uniform security following the construction of properties.

- ◆ **Offering the UDI Village Association**

The UDI Village Association will provide snow removal, general maintenance, lawn care, and weekend transportation for senior citizens. Tenants and homeowners can join the association for an annual fee.

- ◆ **Offering Training**

Potential homeowners can benefit from training on issues, including financial management and home maintenance.

- ◆ **Establishing Community Watch**

UDI will assist in forming community watch groups within these UDI constructed neighborhoods.

Help Us Make A Difference!



We need your help in making more affordable housing options available in the Waterbury community. UDI is looking for individuals or companies interested in partnering to address this important issue.

Yes, I would like to hear more about UDI's Affordable Housing Impact Program. Please send information to the following:

Name: _____

Organization: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____

Zip: _____

Telephone: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Please mail completed forms to:

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