



Health and Housing Solutions Summit: Shaping the Future to Accelerate Action

May 7–8, 2024 | United Methodist Building | Washington, DC

Tuesday, May 7, 2024

8:00 – 9:00 a.m.

Breakfast

9:00 – 9:15 a.m.

Invocation and Welcome

- Alesia Frerichs, President and CEO, Lutheran Services in America
- Rev. Linda Norman, Chief Financial Officer and Vice President for Administration, ELCA Mission Investment Fund

9:15 – 9:45 a.m.

Keynote Address

- Dennis Shea, Executive Director of the J. Ronald Terwilliger Center for Housing Policy at the Bipartisan Policy Center

Dennis C. Shea is the Executive Director of the J. Ronald Terwilliger Center for Housing Policy at the Bipartisan Policy Center (BPC). His past work with the BPC includes serving as a consultant to the organization's blue-ribbon Housing Commission and its Senior Health and Housing Task Force. In these roles, he contributed to two landmark reports, Housing America's Future: New Directions for National Policy and Healthy Aging Begins at Home. During the Administration of President George W. Bush, Shea served as Assistant Secretary for Policy Development and Research at the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

9:45 – 11:00 a.m.

Lutheran Services in America Member Discussion: The Lutheran Role in Addressing Housing Insecurity

Lutheran Services in America members will bring to life opportunities for expanded health and housing solutions work across our network. Reflecting on a Lutheran Services in America-commissioned analysis and summary by Abt Global, we'll discuss the value and importance of expanding the services provided by Lutheran Services in America members to meet the increasing demand for stable, affordable housing with integrated services to promote individual well-being.

Moderator:

Jeff Lubell, Principal Associate and Director of Housing and Community Initiatives, Social & Economic Policy, Abt Global

Panelists:

- Nancy Ackerman, California Lutheran Homes
- Janet Arning, Inspiritus
- Amelia Fox, Lutheran Services Florida
- Christy Zeitz, Fellowship Square

Audience Q&A

11:00 – 11:15 a.m.

Break

11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

National Expert Panel: Views on the Unique Role of the Lutheran Ecosystem

Experts and thought leaders advancing housing solutions will share their insights on the ways the Lutheran Services in America network can leverage our unique faith-based approach to advance housing solutions. In a crowded field, where do we offer unique value? How can we best leverage partnerships? How can we draw others to invest in and join our cause?

Moderator: Kent Mitchell, Vice President of Strategy and Innovation, Lutheran Services in America

Panelists:

- Ryan Brooks, National Investment Center for Seniors Housing and Care
- Jeff Lubell, Principal Associate and Director of Housing and Community Initiatives, Social & Economic Policy, Abt Global
- Candace Robinson, Capital Impact Partners
- Michael Skrebutenas, LISC

Audience Q&A

12:15 – 1:15 p.m.

Networking Lunch (provided)

1:15 – 2:15 p.m.

Equity Walk: Understanding the Roots of the Housing Crisis

Building on our faith tradition, join us for an intentional exercise where we will explore the underlying attitudes, events, systems and policies that have shaped housing in America. We will emerge with a deeper understanding of how to ground our health and housing work in the lived experiences of diverse people and communities.

2:15 – 2:30 p.m.

Break

2:30 – 4:00 p.m. **Interactive Sessions: Working Together to Advance Housing Solutions**

Building on the morning's discussions of health and housing solutions, we will break into groups for deep dive sessions on promising directions for shared housing solutions work across our ecosystem. These highly interactive sessions will be an opportunity for small group work and large group discussion, ultimately setting the health and housing solution priorities for the Lutheran Services in America network.

4:00 – 4:30 p.m. **Wrap-up and Reflection**

6:00 – 8:00 p.m. **Networking Reception**
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401 7th St. NW, Washington, DC 20004

Wednesday, May 8, 2024

8:00 – 8:45 a.m. **Breakfast**

8:45 – 9:00 a.m. **Housing & Health: Shaping Policy to Expand Health and Housing**

Opening comments, overview of the day and summary of key themes.

- Sue Pechilio Polis, Vice President, Public Relations and Government Affairs, Lutheran Services in America
- Kent Mitchell, Vice President, Strategy and Innovation, Lutheran Services in America

9:00 – 11:00 a.m. **Shaping Policy to Expand Health and Housing, and Broader Community Revitalization**

Building on conversations from day one, explore two key issues through facilitated and informed discussion with federal, state, and local policy experts to identify and inform policy levers while also exploring future policy actions that are needed.

9:00 – 9:10 a.m. **Overview of breakout conversations** and Introductions of Policy Leaders/Discussants

- Sue Polis (moderator)
- Jennifer Angarita, Deputy Director, Funders for Housing & Opportunity
- Peggy Bailey, Vice President, Housing & Income Security, Center on Budget and Policy Priorities
- Jeff Lubell, Abt Global

- Alan Mallach, City Planner, Housing & Community Development, Researcher and Author
- Kathy Stack, Former Deputy Associate Director for Education, Income Maintenance and Labor, White House Office of Management and Budget

9:10 – 10:00 a.m.

Facilitated breakouts:

Topic A: Housing & Health – Applying a Whole Person Approach

Topic B: From Health & Housing to Community Revitalization

Topic A: Housing & Health – Applying a “Whole Person” Approach (to address housing and other key health-related social needs/social determinants of health.)

Context/Background: Lutheran Services in America members apply their expertise in health and social services to their housing work, advancing innovative approaches to address a range of individual and community needs. From developing affordable housing units to revitalizing existing housing stock and managing housing – all often inclusive of addressing health-related social needs through a variety of supports and services. And they do this across a wide variety of populations including children and families, older adults, veterans, people with disabilities, New Americans/refugees and more. In this breakout, participants will engage with policy discussants to better explore existing and needed policy levers based on existing gaps/challenges to better address demand and needs in communities.

Topic B: From Health & Housing to Community Revitalization

Context/Background: In many cases, Lutheran Services in America members have been in service to their communities for decades and often for over a century – working to strengthen and deepen their faith-based, trusted, community-centered approach to addressing health and housing and other essential needs. They are long-time partners with Lutheran and other faith-based congregations, churches and/or schools to advance shared goals, together, fostering deep connections including in housing. Specifically, converting land, buildings, and other resources to develop housing and community facilities. With the move to home and community-based services (HCBS) away from residential facilities among other changes in communities – this breakout will explore how to build upon and strengthen LSA member existing efforts in housing and health to further enhance broader community revitalization efforts.

10:00– 10:15 a.m.

**Report Outs
Recap of Key Take-aways**

10:15-10:25 a.m. BREAK

10:15 – 11:00 a.m. **Further Shaping Policy to Advance Action**
Reflecting on morning breakout discussions and individuals' perspectives/expertise, this discussion will illuminate and highlight existing policies that can be better leveraged and/or changed/expanded at the federal, state and/or local levels to support and improve housing, health, and broader community revitalization efforts.

Facilitator: Sue Polis
Discussants: Jennifer Angarita, Peggy Bailey, Alan Mallach, Kathy Stack and Jeff Lubell

Audience Q&A

11:00 – 12:15 p.m. **Federal Perspectives and Insights**

11:00-11:40 a.m. **Federal Perspectives from Agency Leaders**
This conversation will explore federal agency efforts to expand housing and health (including behavioral health) efforts, including key trends shaping current initiatives and efforts.

Moderator: Jennifer Angarita, Funders for Housing and Opportunity

Speakers:

- Julia Gordon, Assistant Secretary for Housing and Federal Housing Commissioner, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
- Hannah Katch, Senior Advisor in the Office of the Administrator of the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS)

Audience Q&A

11:40 – 12:15 p.m. **The View from Capitol Hill**
This conversation will explore legislative efforts to expand housing and health (including behavioral health) efforts, including key trends shaping current initiatives and efforts.

Moderator: Sarah Dobson, Senior Director of Public Policy and Advocacy, Lutheran Services in America

Speakers:

- Alia Fierro, Director, Housing and Insurance Policy, U.S. House Financial Services Committee
- Carol Wayman, Senior Policy Advisor, Office of Senator Catherine Cortez Masto (D-NV)

Audience Q&A

12:15 a.m.

Wrap up and Adjourn for Lunch

Alesia Frerichs, President and CEO, Lutheran Services in America

1:00 p.m.

Prepare and Depart for Hill Visits (LSA members only)

Sarah Dobson

2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Hill Visits