

HOUSING AUTHORITY 2024



MISSION

The Foxborough Housing Authority works to provide safe and affordable housing for Families, the Elderly and Non-Elderly Disabled.

HOUSING PORTFOLIO

104 – Elderly and Non-Elderly Disabled Apartments

20 - SMOC Section 8 Project Based Family Homes

2 - Group Homes for a total of 16 beds

39 - 2 & 3 Family Bedroom Homes

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The Foxborough Housing Authority (FHA) would like to thank various departments of the Town of Foxborough for helping make this such a successful year including, but not limited to, the Council on Aging, the Disability Commission, the Department of Public Works, the Building Department, the Town Clerk, the Fire and Police Departments and special thanks to Town Manager Paige Duncan. We would also like to thank the public servants of EOHLC who work tirelessly to support this program and the Regional Capital Assistance Team (RCAT) without which many of our projects would never see the light of day.

Walnut Street Development

As indicated in last year’s Annual Report, the FHA had been working for 9 years on developing 200 units of affordable senior housing apartments on 16 acres of land it owns. This property is located at the intersection of Commercial Street (Route 140) and Walnut Street and is now known as “Walnut Knoll.” The property is being developed through a joint venture group headed up by Affordable Housing and Services Collaborative, Peabody Properties, Inc, and the Onyx Group known as WSJV Developer LLC. The apartments will be available to persons age 55 and older, as well as to non-elderly disabled individuals. Foxborough residents will receive a local preference as the units become available in the first round of offerings. Building 1 of this exciting new development will be ready by August of 2025 and Building 2 will follow not long after in December of 2025. The developer will be conducting a lottery for the apartments as the construction gets closer to completion. More information can be found on the developer’s web site at <https://livewalnutknoll.com> through which you can also sign up for updates on the project.



EOHLC Secretary Edward Augustus Visits the FHA

The FHA was fortunate to be visited by EOHLC Secretary Edward Augustus in November of 2024. Secretary Augustus has made it his mission to visit every Housing Authority in Massachusetts and we were privileged to spend several hours with him. Secretary Augustus was engaging and shared his vision for EOHLC and the State's Housing Authorities and also welcomed our feedback on the program. While here he not only visited one of our more significant apartment renovations in the midst of its reconstruction, but also spent considerable time at Walnut Knoll, touring the construction site and walking through several of the apartments under construction. Secretary Augustus is a prime example of the dedication of EOHLC personnel in supporting Housing Authorities in general and the FHA specifically. Thank you, Secretary Augustus, for taking the time to meet with us.



From Left to Right: Tenant Selector Elizabeth Allen, Board Treasurer Sue Perez, Executive Director Kevin Fusco, Secretary of EOHLC Edward Augustus, Joey Rathbun, John Babbitt, James Amaral, Morgan Southworth, Board Chair Greg Spier, Foxborough Town Manager Paige Duncan, Board Member Nancy D'uva and Bookkeeper Carlyn Powers.

Other FHA Accomplishment in 2024

2024 was, as usual, a busy year for the FHA, which included updating our web site to make it more user friendly and replete with useful content and links: <http://www.foxborohousing.com>. We also engaged in significant Capital projects such as large-scale roof replacements, porch rebuilds, new floor installations, boiler replacements, ADA upgrades and over 100 HVAC units overhauled. In addition, our maintenance team completed over 800 work orders and refurbished some 20 family homes and elderly/non-elderly disabled apartments. Most importantly, in 2024 we were able to provide homes to 20 unique households including families, elderly and non-elderly disabled. Finally, with the support of the Foxborough Council on Aging, the Disability Commission, Eastpoint Properties and the Foxborough Fire Department, we hosted a summer barbeque for our senior and disabled residents along with those of neighboring Eastpoint Properties which provides federal senior housing.



One of several roof replacement projects undertaken by the FHA in 2024