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22nd Annual Supportive Housing Conference

Virtual Keynotes and Workshops

Thursday December 3, 2020

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About the conference:

The SHA Conference is an educational and networking opportunity for housing and service providers, community planners, housing developers, public officials, families/consumers and those interested in promoting and advancing supportive housing for people with special needs. Addressing state, regional as well as national issues, the conference draws an average of 400 attendees.

The events of the past year have affirmed the need for all people to have access to a safe, affordable home and a healthy environment. And yet, we can clearly see that the world has shifted and with it the delivery of supportive housing will never be the same. This year’s New Jersey Supportive Housing Conference theme, “Beyond the Looking Glass – Creating a New Community,” reflects the vision for a future with all the possibilities the recent challenges have opened to create a more inclusive world.

The Supportive Housing Conference is an opportunity to enlighten, inspire and empower those in our industry who strive to provide homes and services for people of low income and with special needs. We are interested in the experiences of NJ providers but also want to hear how other states are constructing effective plans in response to the needs of people with disabilities in housing and services.

What is Supportive Housing:

Supportive housing is designed for people with special needs including but not limited to those with mental, physical and developmental disabilities as well as people who are homeless. Supportive Housing refers to the combination of housing with an array of services designed to assist a person to live as independently as possible. Housing must be safe, decent and affordable. Residents control their housing through a lease and voluntarily access flexible supports. In supportive housing, each person directs the individually tailored services that they choose to receive. Supportive services can vary but often include case management, care coordination, job and education coaching, assistance with daily living skills, transportation, access to public entitlements and crisis intervention. Supportive housing exists in all types of neighborhoods, residential settings, and service models.

About SHA NJ:

The Supportive Housing Association of New Jersey (SHA NJ) is a statewide, nonprofit organization founded in 1998, whose mission is to promote and maintain a strong supportive housing industry in New Jersey serving people with special needs.

We do this by:

- **Providing** resources and services to our membership of more than 100 organizations, which include nonprofit and for-profit housing developers, service providers, allied statewide advocacy organizations, corporate vendors and professional organizations, all dedicated to the supportive housing industry.

- **Strengthening** the capacity of member organizations to provide supportive housing services through information, training and collaboration.

- **Advocating** for innovation and systems change to provide more flexible funding and increased mainstream housing opportunities to allow people with disabilities to live as independently as possible.

- **Educating** policy makers, elected officials, people living with disabilities/families and the public on the use and benefits of the supportive housing model.

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9:00 AM – 9:45 AM | Keynote Interview with Judith Heumann

9:45 AM – 10:15 AM | Exhibits / Networking Sessions

10:15 AM – 11:15 AM | Workshop Session 1
Making the Shift to Technology First: Critical First Steps
Integrating Racial Equity Within Supportive Housing

11:15 AM – 11:45 AM | Exhibits / Networking Sessions

11:45 AM – 12:45 PM | Workshop Session 2
From Fee-For-Service to Value-Based Care; Demonstrating Value and Protecting Critical Programs
Capital Investment for Special Needs Populations: How Other States Create Housing

12:45 PM – 1:00 PM | Awards Session & Prizes

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Telehealth: The New Frontier, Achieving Superior Care for Vulnerable Populations
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Housing Navigator – What’s In A Name?

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Exhibitors:

Make sure to visit our exhibitors in the sessions shown below during the conference. Attendees can explore our exhibits and earn a chance to be eligible for our prize drawing each day. Details are on the conference website.

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Keynote Sessions:

Keynote Interview with Judith Heumann

Conference attendees will experience an interview with the internationally recognized Disability Rights activist, Judith Heumann, as one of two keynote sessions during the conference.

Keynote Discussion Panel: Post Disruption – Rebuilding a Better Community

The last few years has brought disorder at all levels of our community - economic, social, political, environmental. Yet as old systems get torn down, social disruption can usher in radical transformation.

Three leaders discuss the past, present challenges and opportunities emerging that have the potential to reshape our landscape into a more equitable and cohesive future that allows people to thrive.

Deborah De Santis  
President & CEO  
Corporation for Supportive Housing

Marc Dones  
Executive Director  
National Innovation Service

Lynn Kovich  
VP of Business Development  
Inperium, Inc.
Making the Shift to Technology First: Critical First Steps

Provider organizations and state agencies have begun labeling themselves as “technology first” indicating a commitment to technology integrating as a natural support for community living. But what does “technology first” really mean, and what outcomes indicate a successful tech first model?

This presentation identifies standardized best practices while exploring how education and reskilling are vital to successful implementation. Learn how two organizations made the shift to Tech First and the overall impact it has had on the culture and health of their organization AND the individuals they support.

Presenters:

Cameron Kempson, M.Ed.
Director of Education
SimplyHome, LLC
North Carolina

Nick Filarelli
Program Director Core Services of Northeast Tennessee

Amanda Carroll
Manager
Community Day Services
Kreider Services, Illinois

Integrating Racial Equity Within Supportive Housing

A panel and audience discussion on structural racism and opportunities in New Jersey to strengthen racial equity policies and practices, with a focus on homelessness and housing systems. Leaders from across the state will share their knowledge and experience with anti-racist strategies that will inform future supportive housing development, operations and services. The audience will be encouraged to join in the conversation in sharing examples on how their organizations are integrating racial equity into their work.

Moderator:

Cassondra Warney
Senior Program Manager
Corporation for Supportive Housing

Presenters:

Taiisa Kelly
CEO
Monarch Housing Associates

Dr. Nichole Nelson
Mellon/ACLS Public Fellow & Policy Analyst
New Jersey Institute for Social Justice

Rebecca Rhoads
Director, Office of Homelessness Prevention
NJ Department of Community Affairs
You've worked hard to develop the important programs that serve your community, and some regulated changes can feel like a threat to the quality and viability of your work. As the country moves from a Fee-For-Service approach to a Value-Based Care model, how can you identify and showcase the value of your services to ensure you receive the funding you need to continue supporting your community? In this interactive session, we'll talk through four critical areas of consideration for survival in the new Value-Based Care world including the importance of accountability in your services, how to make sure your hard work is aligned with the priorities of the Value-Based model, and ensuring that the funds available will offer the highest possible service in the most cost effective manner. Through all of this, we will share what we've learned from our experience with the service world's journey towards Value-Based Care, vital to successful implementation. Learn how two organizations made the shift to Tech First and the overall impact it has had on the culture and health of their organization AND the individuals they support.

**Presenter:**
David Bucciferro  
*Senior Advisor, Foothold Technology*

**Capital Investment for Special Needs Populations:**  
**How Other States Create Housing**

For the last twenty years, moving people with disabilities away from institutional like settings and into homes integrated in the community have afforded people a greater level of independence and quality of life. But capital funding for supportive housing development is always in short supply, impeding this goal for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities. While New Jersey has made progress, more can be done. Stakeholders in New York and Connecticut share their State's implementation strategies that show the variety of ways housing development investments are creating accessible, affordable homes and changing the lives of people with IDD.

**Moderator:**
Ken Regan  
*Vice President, Regan Development Corporation*

**Presenters:**
Alexander Brooks  
*Administrative Analyst, New York State OPWDD*

Stephen Morris  
*Executive Director, FAVARH, The ARC of the Farmington Valley, CT*

Patricia Downes  
*Senior Policy Analyst, Home and Community Living, New York State OPWDD*

Joshua Scalora  
*Director of Service Development and Support, Department of Developmental Services, CT*
Telehealth: The New Frontier, Achieving Superior Care for Vulnerable Populations

Quality medical care can be provided to vulnerable populations using a telemedicine service. This service can minimize risk and improve health outcomes for individuals during the health crisis and beyond. Immediate access to physicians 24/7, can create a safer, often superior, and far less disruptive medical solution than a traumatic trip to the ER, urgent care or doctor’s office and enhance the value of care provided by an organization. During this session, learn the benefits of telemedicine and how one agency implemented a telehealth solution to support both the individuals under their care and support staff, and why it is likely to become the new normal going forward.

Presenters:

Kathy Cohen  
COO  
Arc of Essex

Rebecca Lorusso  
Senior Director Residential Services  
Arc of Essex

Dr. Maulik M. Trivedi, MD, FACEP  
Chief Strategy Officer  
StationMD

Supportive Housing for Reentry Clients - Improving Success for People Transitioning from Prison

In order to successfully reenter the community many people leaving the correctional system will require permanent supportive housing and services. Re-entry housing is a cost-effective approach that can avoid homelessness and improve recidivism. This workshop will discuss the support open to people returning from incarceration. Challenges, gaps and recommendations will be explored to improve the outcomes of successfully transitioning people from prison to community.

Presenters:

Jacob Day  
Community Investment  
Business Development Associate  
Federal Home Loan Bank of New York

Daniel Hafetz  
Consultant & Former Executive Director  
New Jersey Reentry Corporation

Dan Lombardo  
President/CEO  
Volunteers of America - Delaware Valley

James C. Williams  
Director of Racial Justice Policy  
Fair Share Housing Center
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Managed Care Organizations Invest in Housing – Critical Partnerships in Health Outcomes

Understanding the strong connection in housing as a social determinant of health has led the way for insurance carriers to partner with service providers to improve successful outcomes for many years. But new and creative public/private partnerships are emerging that have expanded to include MCO investment in making housing affordable. The panel will discuss this exciting evolution and the strategies that are providing thousands of homes for peoples struggling with disabilities.

Presenters:

- Brandi Calvert
  Senior Director Housing Operations
  Center for Housing and Health
  Chicago, Illinois

- Jo Ellen McNamara
  National Housing + Health Growth Lead
  Unitedhealthcare

- Anya Nawrocky
  Planning and Performance Director
  Amerigroup

Housing Navigator – What’s In A Name?

Many different venues across the country are rolling out Housing Navigator programs – SHA included! Housing navigators have been promoted across the spectrum of providers to find supportive housing for veterans, seniors, Medicaid recipients, and those who work in the Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities Community. Housing Navigators from across the region will discuss their roles and the benefits, resources, and challenges in connecting people with housing opportunities and supports.

Presenters:

- Maureen McCormick
  Housing Navigator
  Bergen County Division of Senior Services

- Lisa Roland
  Housing Specialist
  Horizon New Jersey Health

- William S. England
  President
  Disability Services & Advocacy, LLC

- Deborah Wehrlen
  Consultant
  DTW Consulting Group

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NYS OPWDD

**David Buccifiero** | Senior Advisor  
Foothold Technology

**Brandi Calvert** | Senior Director of Housing Operations  
Center for Housing and Health, Chicago

**Amanda Carroll** | Manager Community Day Services  
Kreider Services Illinois

**Kathy Cohen** | COO  
Arc of Essex

**Jacob Day** | Community Investment Business  
Development Associate, Federal Home Loan Bank of NY

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**Dr. James Marhold D.BA** | Founder/CEO  
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Bergen County Division of Senior Services

**Stephen Morris** | Executive Director FAVARH  
The ARC of the Farmington Valley, CT

**Anya Nawrocky, MPA** | Planning and Performance Director, Amerigroup, a division of Anthem

**Dr. Nichole Nelson** | Mellon/ACLS Public Fellow and Policy Analyst, New Jersey Institute of Social Justice

**Ken Regan** | Vice President  
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**Rebecca Rhoads** | Director, Office of Homeless Prevention, Department of Community Affairs

**Lisa Roland** | Housing Specialist  
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**Joshua Scalora** | Director of Services Development and Support, Department of Developmental Services, Hartford CT

**Dr. Maulik M. Trivedi, MD, FACEP** | Chief Strategy Officer, StationMD

**Cassondra Warney** | Senior Program Manager  
Corporation for Supportive Housing

**Deborah Wehrlen** | Consultant  
DTW Consulting Group

**James C. Williams IV** | Director of Racial Justice Policy  
Fair Share Housing Center
Workshop Presenter Bios:

Alexander Brooks  
*Administrative Analyst, NYS OPWDD*

Alexander Brooks is a Senior Administrative Analyst with the NYS Office For People With Developmental Disabilities and has been with the agency for over nine years. Alex has worked in the areas policy development and program management with independent housing initiatives. For the last five years he has primarily worked with OPWDD’s Integrated Supportive Housing program. Alex is an Albany native and a graduate of the University of Florida.

David Bucciferro  
*Senior Advisor, Foothold Technology*

David Bucciferro is the former Director of Rehabilitation with the NYS Office of Mental Health, Bureau of Program Coordination & Support. As Senior Advisor at Foothold Technology, he applies his 30+ years of experience to train providers in ways to use technology and metrics to promote the delivery of person-centered supports and services, while improving program development and fiscal performance. Mr. Bucciferro provides technical expertise to providers and local governments around the country. As an active member of the HIMSS Electronic Health Record Association (EHRA), a trade association focusing on collaborative efforts to improve the quality and efficiency of care through the use of EHRs, he serves as the Vice Chair. He is also active in a number of their work groups and task forces. In this role, Mr. Bucciferro works with various federal health care agencies, such as the CDC, ONC, CMS, and DEA. Mr. Bucciferro also works closely with Congress and state governments.

Brandi Calvert  
*Senior Director of Housing Operations, Center for Housing and Health, Chicago*

Brandi Calvert has worked in the nonprofit sector for 14 years. She began her career in 2006 providing education to families with children experiencing severe asthma and transitioned to medical case management for people living with HIV in 2010. Experiences working with homeless patients of a Federally Qualified Health Center in Chicago fueled her decision to pursue an MPH. Brandi joined the Center for Housing and Health in 2017 and is currently the Senior Director of Housing Operations. In this role, she works with multiple teams to oversee housing programs that provide subsidies and case management support for more than 800 households.

Amanda Carroll  
*Manager Community Day Services, Kreider Services Illinois*

Amanda Carroll is the Manager of Community Day Services for Kreider Services in Illinois. Working in the field for seven years, she has also supported individuals as a DSP and QIDP. Even though she is a “newbie” to enabling technology integration, she and her team at Kreider were the first organization to complete the Technology First Accreditation through Shift. She also holds the Enabling Technology Integration Specialist (ETIS) certification.

Kathy Cohen  
*COO, Arc of Essex*

Ms. Cohen holds a B.S. in Business Administration from Montclair State University and a M.S.W. from NYU. Prior to joining The Arc family, Kathy worked in medical social services at Chilton Memorial Hospital and
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St. Joseph’s Medical Center. Kathy began her career at The Arc of Essex County in 1994 as the agency social worker and has served in various leadership positions within the agency. For the past 8 years, Kathy has served as the Chief Operating Officer overseeing all program services and operations providing key assistance to the Agency’s expanding footprint. Today, The Arc of Essex County employs over 500 professionals and serves 1500 consumers with more than 45 programs and services in and around Essex County.

Jacob Day
Community Investment Business Development Associate, Federal Home Loan Bank of NY

Jacob Day is a Community Investment Business Development Associate at the Federal Home Loan Bank of New York. In this role he works on research and development for the Bank’s Community Investment products and engages in outreach to affordable housing and community development networks in New Jersey, New York, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands. This year his team developed a new scoring framework for the Bank’s Affordable Housing Program and Homebuyer Dream Program along with making improvements to other community investment programs.

Deborah De Santis
CEO, Corporation for Supportive Housing

Deb De Santis is President and Chief Executive Officer of the Corporation for Supportive Housing (CSH), the country’s largest Community Development Financial Institution uniquely devoted to housing solutions for those at risk of homelessness. Ms. De Santis has led CSH since 2007 tripling its lending and support toward the creation of over 300,000 permanent stable homes for individuals and families struggling through multiple challenges, including the trauma of homelessness, lack of healthcare, and intergenerational poverty. Ms. De Santis has spearheaded the reorganization of CSH to deepen its focus on data-driven results, innovative funding models such as Pay-For-Success, and systemic racial disparities that lead to homelessness and institutionalization. Prior to her position at CSH she served as Executive Director of the New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency and as Deputy Chief of Staff to the Governor of NJ. In 2019, Deb was recognized as one of the top 10 leading women in the affordable housing industry by Affordable Housing Finance Magazine. She has also been cited as one of the 10 Most Influential Americans for Homelessness Reform. She serves on the Board of Trustees for Babson College in Wellesley Massachusetts where she is a recipient of the Babson College Distinguished Alumni Entrepreneur Award as well as the Richard J. Snyder Distinguished Service to the College Award for 2020. She resides in Metuchen New Jersey with her partner, Elizabeth Murray and their two children, Anuar and Ari.

Marc Dones
Executive Director, National Innovation Service

Marc Dones is a social entrepreneur, policy strategist and social justice activist with 10+ years of experience in equitable systems transformation across local, state, and federal governmental systems. As the Executive Director of NIS, Marc oversees day-to-day operations and strategy for policy, community engagement, and design, as well as operations and business development. Prior to launching NIS, Marc held various roles in social impact, specializing in policy, program design, continuous improvement. This includes leadership roles at The Future Company and Center for Social Innovation (C4). At C4, they lead the SPARC (Supporting Partnerships for Anti-Racist Communities) Initiative, engaging 8+ jurisdictions, 20+ agencies, and the US government in efforts to transform the national conversation about housing. They also served in various roles at the state-level, including working on the design and implementation of Governor Deval Patrick's $10M/year youth violence reduction program in 11 cities.
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Patricia Downes  
*Senior Policy Analyst, Home and Community Living, NYS OPWDD*

Patricia Downes has been with NYS’ Office for People With Developmental Disabilities (OPWDD) for over thirteen years serving in the areas of program development, policy development, and housing. Patricia has served as the OPWDD statewide coordinator for the Integrated Supportive Housing program for the past five years. Prior to joining state service, Patricia served in a variety of private and not-for profit organizations. She built and renovated private homes for many years, and she also acted as a Construction Project Manager for a local Habitat for Humanity affiliate.

William England  
*President, Disability Services and Advocacy Group, LLC*

William, founder & President has been one of the pioneers in the field of Support Coordination in NJ. Bill began his career with individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities (ID/DD) as a Support Broker & Financial Planner in 2001. He founded DS&A and after the state-wide privatization of case-management he become one of the first Support Coordination Agencies approved by DDD to offer services. Under his leadership DS&A is now one of the largest agencies in the state. Bill has built DS&A on the principles of teamwork and accountability instituting strong controls and an emphasis on inclusive communications to ensure everyone involved in the support of the individual working together to make the life of the person they support the best it can be. Bill is co-chair of the Support Coordination Alliance of the Alliance for the Betterment of Citizens with Disabilities (ABCD) one of the four leading trade groups serving the ID/DD community in New Jersey.

Nick Filarelli  
*Program Director, Core Services of Northeast Tennessee*

Program Director of Core Services of Northeast TN for the last six years, Mr. Filarelli has served in the field of disabilities supports in a variety of capacities, including DSP over a 14 year career. With three years’ experience integrating enabling technology, Nick has championed technology as a natural support and led his team to achieving the Technology First Accreditation through Shift. He also holds the ETIS designation.

Daniel Hafetz  
*Consultant and Former Executive Director, NJ Reentry Corp.*

Mr. Hafetz, is a consultant and former Executive Director of New Jersey Reentry Corporation (NJRC) which provides wraparound services to justice-involved individuals, assisting them in successfully reintegrating into society. Prior to joining NJRC, Dan held several positions in New York City (NYC) government, managing operations and leading strategic policy initiatives, including at the NYC Department of Social Services (which encompasses the Human Resources Administration and the Department of Homeless Services) and the NYC Housing Authority. Following graduation from law school, Dan received a Skadden Fellowship to serve as an attorney at Brooklyn Legal Services Corporation, representing local community based organizations in community and economic development projects. Dan received his law degree from Fordham School of Law, holds a Masters of Arts from Brooklyn College, and received his Bachelors from Princeton University.
Workshop Presenter Bios:

**Judith (Judy) Heumann**  
*Disability Rights Activist*

Judith (Judy) Heumann is a lifelong advocate for the rights of disabled People and is an internationally recognized leader in the disability rights community. She has been instrumental in the development and implementation of legislation, such as Section 504, the Individuals with Education Act, the Americans with Disabilities Act, the Rehabilitation Act, and the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities. Judy was a founding member of the Berkeley Center for Independent Living which was the first grassroots center in the United States and helped to launch the Independent Living Movement both nationally and globally. From 1993 to 2001, Judy served in the Clinton Administration as the Assistant Secretary for the Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services in the Department of Education. Judy then served as the World Bank’s first Adviser on Disability and Development where she led the disability work to expand its knowledge and capability to work with governments and civil society on including disability in the global conversation. President Obama appointed Judy as the first Special Advisor for International Disability Rights at the U.S. Department of State. Author (with Kristen Joiner), Being Heumann: An Unrepentant Memoir of a Disability Rights Activist Judy is featured in Crip Camp: A Disability Revolution, a 2020 American award-winning documentary film.

**Taiisa Kelly**  
*Chief Executive Officer, Monarch Housing Associates*

Ms. Kelly joined Monarch Housing Associates in March of 2006 and took the helm as its Chief Executive Officer in 2019. She has experience in housing development working with federal, state and local funding sources to secure financing for special needs housing projects. In October of 2007 Taiisa joined the Ending Homelessness Team where she works with local governments, non-profits and community stakeholders to develop coordinated strategies to end homelessness. Mrs. Kelly has extensive experience in working with community stakeholders on homeless planning activities guiding communities through the process of developing 10 year plans to end homelessness. Working collaboratively with counties and service providers, Mrs. Kelly helps to bring best practices and program models such as housing first, rapid re-housing, and single point of entry systems to communities as they work to restructure systems and bring an end to homelessness.

**Cameron Kempson M.Ed**  
*Director of Education, Simply Home LLC*

Ms. Kempson has more than 30 years’ experience in the field of disabilities with professional experiences ranging from nonprofit management and intergenerational community development to early intervention and family education. In her nine years at SimplyHome, an enabling technology company, Cameron has developed their online learning management system and the education and consultation services division. She is also the Curriculum and Instruction Designer for Shift, a national Technology First accreditation and certification program.

**Lynn Kovich, M.Ed**  
*Vice President Business Development, Imperium Inc.*

Twenty-six plus years of experience in direct services work and administration in both the nonprofit and government sectors working with individuals who have developmental disabilities, mental illness, and substance use disorders, as well as those experiencing homelessness. Lynn has developed, operated, and managed permanent supportive housing in nonprofit work, in addition to adopting it as a strategy in
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working with county and state behavioral health systems. Her work has included initiating and implementing large-system reforms such as state psychiatric hospital closures, provider payment reform and merging state divisions of mental health services and addiction services into one entity. She has worked to implement Olmstead settlement agreements including service development, payment reforms, and policy changes. Lynn has worked for non-profit organizations such as Alternatives and for county and state government such as NJ State Department of Humans Services, Commonwealth of PA Department of Human Services and as Director of Human Services Lehigh County. Since 2017 Lynn has worked in a number of positions at Imperium such as Interim Executive Director of New Horizon Treatment Services and Acting CEO at Advancing Opportunities. Lynn also focuses on developing new affiliate possibilities in both New Jersey and Pennsylvania.

Rebecca Lorusso  
*Senior Director Residential Services, Arc of Essex*

Ms. Lorusso graduated from Northeastern University with a B.S. in psychology and has been working at The Arc of Essex County since 2005 where she began her career as a Group Home Manager. During Rebecca’s tenure she has served as the Assistant Director and then Director of Residential Services, and most recently as the Sr. Director of Residential Services. As the largest service department for Arc of Essex County, Residential Services consists of 130 consumers living in more than 25 locations throughout Essex County and supported by over 200 staff.

Jo Ellen MacNamara  
*National Housing + Health Growth Lead, Unitedhealthcare*

Jo Ellen is the National Housing + Health Growth Lead with in the UnitedHealthcare Housing + Healthcare — a national social determinants of health program focused on homeless high complexity Medicaid members. Her work includes establishing financial and programmatic relationships with housing organizations, homeless services providers, local federally qualified healthcare centers, and social support organizations to establish collaborative pilot programs. Jo Ellen joined United Healthcare in July of 2016, currently representing over 800 units of housing and intensive wrap around services. She provides expertise related to non-profit organization management, program design, and affordable housing partnerships (financing, operations, and leadership structure), HUD financing and initiatives, fair housing, and business analytics. Prior to her work with UnitedHealthcare, Jo Ellen spent more than 20 years in community development and affordable housing work including health integrated Community Development Corporations. Her specialties include operations for youth transitional housing, affordable housing finance (LIHTC, HP program, traditional finance), HUD programs/finance, and integration of partnerships with foundations and non-traditional funders.

Dr. James Marhold D.BA  
*Founder/CEO Declarations*

Declarations Founder/CEO James Marhold has been creating award-winning, innovative community-based programs for individuals with developmental disabilities and mental illness throughout the state for nearly three decades. With experience as a senior executive with agencies whose annual budgets totaled well over $100 million, he has provided community-based services to over 500 individuals and their families, and has personally trained over 1000 human services workers throughout New Jersey. His desire to build a more flexible, consumer-oriented agency laid the groundwork for Declarations, which provides clients with a professional, yet personalized approach to rehabilitative services. Dr. Marhold has proudly served on the
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Board of Directors for the National Council for Behavioral Health in Washington D.C. He has been routinely sought as a policy advisor by U.S. Senators, U.S. Congressmen and numerous state and local officials in the areas of affordable housing and behavioral healthcare. He is the author of the Life Coaching Model, which provides treatment guidelines specifically for individuals with a dual diagnosis of developmental disabilities and mental health challenges Dr. Marhold achieved a Master’s Degree in Non-Profit/Governmental Administration, an MBA, and currently holds a Doctorate in Business Administration.

Owen McCabe
VP of Acquisition and Development, VOA - Delaware Valley

Mr. McCabe has been with VOADV since October 2011. He is responsible for spearheading all real estate development activities, in particular those that involved public subsidies, Low Income Housing Tax Credits (LIHTCs) and New Market Tax Credits (NMTCs). He manages all land acquisitions, predevelopment site plan approvals, and project financing. Mr. McCabe oversees construction activities including managing design consultants, general contractors, and state agency approvals. Mr. McCabe is a graduate of LaSalle University and received his Master’s degree from the University of Colorado.

Maureen McCormick
Housing Navigator, Bergen County Division of Senior Services

Ms. McCormick joined the Bergen County Division of Senior Services in 2019, in the newly created position of Housing Navigator, after it was determined that one of the biggest “unmet needs“ in senior services was the identification and availability of housing that was affordable. Through research and community relationship building, she created Navigator Notes, a listing of affordable housing and subsidized buildings that had open wait lists and were actively collecting applications. The newsletters is sent to over 900 consumers and 280 providers/advocates. Maureen provides training, education, referrals and technical assistance to consumers and social services providers on the many aspects of the affordable housing landscape, as well as housing related topics such as tax relief programs, credit reports, apartment searches, and most recently, the impact of COVID-19 on renters and homeowners.

Stephen Morris
Executive Director FAVARH, The ARC of the Farmington Valley, CT

Steve is the Executive Director the Arc of the Farmington Valley, Inc. (dba Favarh), a nonprofit organization that provides children's programs, school transition programs, and adult programs and services for people with intellectual and development disabilities. The organization is located in Canton, CT and with 325 employees and 150 volunteers supports 400 children, young adults, adults and their families. Favarh's mission is to help people with disabilities work as fully and live as independently as possible while enjoying a healthy and active lifestyle.

Anya Nawrocky, MPA
Planning and Performance Director, Amerigroup, a division of Anthem

Joined Amerigroup in September 2015 and currently lead Social Determinants of Health activities, as well as other member experience oriented initiatives and special projects for the health plan. Prior to joining Amerigroup, held leadership positions at several community based health organizations and foundations, including the United Hospital Fund and the American International Health Alliance. Hold a MPA from New York University.
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**Dr. Nichole Nelson**  
*Mellon/ACLS Public Fellow and Policy Analyst, New Jersey Institute of Social Justice*

Dr. Nichole Nelson is a Mellon/ACLS Public Fellow and works at the Institute as a Policy Analyst in the Economic Justice Program. Nichole received her Bachelor's degree in History from the University of Pennsylvania in 2011. After graduating, she worked as an intern at the American Philosophical Society, worked at Bryn Mawr College, and later held an internship at the National Urban League. In 2014, she received her Master's degree in History from Vanderbilt University. Nichole is a 2020 graduate of Yale University, where she earned her Ph.D. in American History. Her dissertation examined how white supremacy diluted the Fair Housing Movement because a moderate view of fair housing that stressed integration prevailed, effectively overshadowing equitable models of fair housing that called for reinvesting in African-American neighborhoods.

**Ken Regan**  
*Vice President, Regan Development Corporation*

Ken Regan has been developing housing in the Northeast for over 30 years. Within his firm, Ken specializes in the areas of financial structuring, marketing and resident qualification, and the legal aspects of the firm's business. Ken's firm concentrates on the improvement of communities through the development of affordable and special needs housing, as well as mixed use commercial projects. In the last 30 years, Regan Development has developed over 3,500 units of such housing. Ken's firm has been a leader in the development of service-enriched supportive housing for people living with disabilities. In New Jersey, the firm developed Kershaw Commons, the East Coast's first independent supportive rental housing for people living with disabilities who need services provided by the National MS Society. The firm has also partnered with a number of New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania and Connecticut non-profit service providers to create over 400 service enriched supportive apartments for people with special needs. Regan Development has recently completed or is under construction on five projects with specially designed residences for people transitioning from institutional settings – in New Jersey, Pennsylvania, New York and Connecticut. Ken speaks about issues surrounding affordable and special needs housing and recently wrote a handbook entitled “Developing Housing for the MS Community” for National MS Society Chapters as they explore the possibilities of creating affordable, accessible housing opportunities for people with disabilities. He is also a member of the I Choose Home Partnership Group, created to provide improvement of New Jersey's Money Follows the Person efforts. Ken is an active volunteer for the National MS Society and lives in Chappaqua, New York.

**Rebecca Rhoads**  
*Director, Office of Homeless Prevention, Department of Community Affairs*

Rebecca Rhoads is the inaugural Director of the New Jersey Office of Homelessness Prevention. The Office will execute a strategy to address homelessness across the State. Ms. Rhoads came on board as Director in January 2020, bringing over 20 years of experience offering solutions toward ending homelessness within New Jersey and across the Country. Recognized as a subject matter expert. Ms. Rhoads has provided direct technical assistance to communities across New Jersey and nationally as a Program Officer for the Corporation for Supportive Housing and a Senior Program Officer for the National Center on Family Homelessness. Most recently, Ms. Rhoads applied her expertise close to home as the Director of Housing and Social Concerns at Catholic Charities, Diocese of Metuchen. In addition to overseeing homelessness prevention, Ms. Rhoads raised revenues through grants and philanthropy to expand permanent supportive housing, affordable homeownership, and immigration counseling services.
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Lisa Roland  
*Housing Specialist, Horizon New Jersey Health*

Lisa assists members with housing related questions, issues and/or solutions for housing related needs. This includes seeking out affordable housing opportunities, lotteries and voucher opportunities when assisting members return from a Nursing Facility back to the community or helping to find safe, sustainable and habitable living conditions. Though Lisa assists members with housing assistance, much of Lisa’s efforts are assisting those in the Managed Long Term Services and Supports program. Prior to joining Horizon, Lisa worked Affordable Housing Alliance as a Disaster Recovery Housing Specialist to assist survivors rebuild and recover. Lisa matched those in need with available state, federal and local programs funding bringing them to a full recovery. In that position Lisa earned over $1,000,000 for clients, most of which came from presentation approvals from the Ocean & Monmouth County Long Term Recovery Groups and used for extended rental assistance and gap funding for the repairs, new construction and/or reconstruction of residences and properties.

Joshua Scalora  
*Director of Services Development and Support, Department of Developmental Services, Hartford CT*

Mr. Scalora has worked supporting individuals with intellectual disabilities to live good lives since becoming a counsellor at a nonprofit summer camp just out of college. Josh stayed on after that summer, working as a community support specialist for individuals who lived in their own homes. Josh went on to join the CT Department of Developmental Services (DDS) in 1993. He has served in a variety of direct support, organizational, and operations-oriented positions since. To support individuals with intellectual disabilities to live full lives in their communities Josh believes they need safe and affordable housing paired with innovative technology and individual directed services. As a member of the CT Interagency Committee on Supportive Housing (IACSH) Josh has worked to further integrated and affordable supportive housing, universal design, and creative housing models with his state agency, housing finance authority, state housing development agency and private provider partners.

Dr. Maulik M. Trivedi, MD, FACEP  
*Chief Strategy Officer, StationMD*

Dr. Trivedi is a board certified Emergency Medicine physician in practice for over 20 years. He has served as the chairman or associate chair of several emergency departments and has been an integral part of the core leadership of Emergency Medicine provider groups in the NYC region. He’s a founding partner of StationMD and has been instrumental in helping the organization achieve its mission of improving the quality of care for the I/DD population. Dr. Trivedi is a national speaker who’s been featured on news programs and podcasts, and he’s a recognized thought leader on the use of technology and telehealth solutions to positively impact an individual’s medical care and foster independence.

Cassondra Warney  
*Senior Program Manager, CSH*

Cassondra is a Senior Program Manager at CSH within the Metro Team, which covers New Jersey, New York and Pennsylvania. She is part of several CSH projects in New Jersey that focus on Frequent Utilizers of multiple service systems, including justice and health care. She is also the primary author of a recent New Jersey racial disparities overview that focuses on the homeless and justice systems. Before joining CSH, she worked at the Council of State Governments Justice Center, the Vera Institute for Justice and the Pima
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County Juvenile Court (Tucson, Arizona). Her background is in leading statewide initiatives that successfully passed bipartisan criminal justice legislation. Her final two initiatives at the Justice Center focused on increasing supportive housing for people leaving jail and prison.

Deborah Wehrlen
Consultant, DTW Consulting Group

Deborah Wehrlen has over forty years of experience in establishing innovative residential supports and developing affordable housing in New Jersey. Prior to establishing her consulting business in 2002, Deborah Wehrlen was the director of the New Jersey Division of Developmental Disabilities (DDD). In this policy-making position, she advanced efforts to develop in home supports, fund deinstitutionalization, enhance community supports and downsize the state operated developmental centers. Deborah Wehrlen was also employed as the residential director and then the executive director with The Arc of Monmouth, establishing housing for over 85 people. Currently as a consultant in DTW Consulting Group LLC, Deborah Wehrlen has worked with several organizations to obtain funding, implement supported housing and residential supports for persons with disabilities needing permanent supported housing. She has secured millions of dollars of capital and operating funds from various governmental funding sources, grants, capital campaigns and private foundations. Currently as a consultant to SHA, Deborah Wehrlen has developed and taught the first Housing Navigator Course in New Jersey.

James C. Williams IV
Director of Racial Justice Policy, Fair Share Housing Center

James C. Williams IV is FSHC’s Director of Racial Justice Policy. He joined Fair Share Housing Center in 2019 after working for Philadelphia Works and previously New Jersey Institute for Social Justice. Williams attended Fayetteville State University in North Carolina where he received both his B.A. and M.S. degrees. He has been an advocate for civil rights and social justice throughout his career.

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2020 Supportive Housing Awards

Cornerstone Award

Carol Dougherty has spent her entire career championing for people living with intellectual and developmental disabilities. So of course, it was inevitable that as a cherished former SHA Board member and previous Board Chair, Carol was destined to be honored at SHA’s 22nd Annual Conference and receive SHA’s Cornerstone Award. It also seems fitting that Carol be honored at SHA’s first Virtual Conference since she herself is a pioneer and trendsetter. Carol launched her lifelong mission over 40 years ago, with the goal to redesign society and its physical infrastructure to match the needs of individuals who live with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

With deep appreciation, the SHA Board of Trustees is proud to honor Carol’s work with the 2020 Cornerstone Award, to highlight her determination to give hundreds of people with special needs the support they deserve and now enjoy.

Leadership Hero Award

SHA is proud to honor Jacqui Farley, Tenant Services Assistant and Licensed Practical Nurse at the Township of North Bergen Housing Authority with our first ever Leadership Hero Award. Jacqui’s dedicated work responding to the emerging and critical needs over the last year, immeasurably changed the lives of people served by the North Bergen Housing Authority and throughout the community.

In a year that has challenged our communities in more ways than any can remember, Jacqui’s leadership stood out by helping to keep lives safe. Working tirelessly and putting aside personal fears and concern for her own safety, Jacqui continually ensures the health and safety of tenants with skillful efficiency and dedication. Focusing on rigorous adherence to protocols, her encouragement to staff and tenants saved lives as over 1000 tenants have been tested as well as NBHA staff and contract workers periodically. With a largely elderly population, NBHA has had a relatively low number of cases and therefore fatalities because of these proactive community health procedures.

Jacqui not only has the respect and admiration of her peers but also of the tenants she serves. Her calm demeanor and soothing presence supports everyone around her. She is a hero with a capital “H” to the many tenants, staff, and other members of the community in the Township of North Bergen.

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SHA is pleased to celebrate the Housing Development Corporation of Bergen County for their **Saddle Brook Senior Housing Project** – the new construction of 30, 1-bedroom apartments designed for independent senior citizens. What began as a vacant commercial building that was demolished during construction, the new construction took advantage of the site’s close proximity to the Saddle Brook Senior center, grocery, pharmacy, restaurants, banks, post office, and public transportation to bring residents access to a wide variety of supportive services that promote independent living through collaborations with local community organizations. Seniors who are low or very low income will find homes with 6 of the apartments set aside for homeless senior residents who will also receive case management services. All units have rental vouchers to make sure they remain affordable.

A unique project using modular construction and a number of other strategies that bring cost efficiencies can also boast full ADA compliance, energy star certification, and 100% adaptability. The project was designed to foster privacy, and accessibility to meet the physical needs of the elderly as they age in place. The development team includes Monarch Housing Associates, Catholic Charities of Newark, RSC Architects, Langan for engineering services and financial support from, NJHMFA, FHLBNY, the township of Saddle Brook and Sussex Bank.

SHA is pleased to applaud the work of 1721 Springdale Urban Renewal Associates (a partnership of Pennrose and Jewish Federation of Southern New Jersey) for their **Weinberg Commons Housing Project** an innovative, community-based housing model. Weinberg offers an integrated, multigenerational campus with housing and support services for special needs and elderly adults. The 18-acre site development consists of the existing Annex Classroom Building, two 80-unit affordable housing residential buildings, a standalone community building, and onsite amenities. Each residential building is home to 16 special needs residents and 64 seniors (55+).

The unique design stacks group home modules carved into either 2-bedroom senior units or 4-bedroom special needs “cottage” units. Each cottage is a standalone entity with private front and rear entrances, shared living spaces, communal cooking, covered porches, and support spaces plus four 1-bedroom apartments explicitly designed for autistic and other IDD adults. The building features an Energy Star certified dwelling and an Enterprise Green community constructed of sustainable building products and systems. The partnership has enabled the Jewish Federation of South Jersey (JFed) to expand their programs to include: Soups & Sweets, a culinary training to special needs adults, SAIL and ACHaD programs for the athletically inclined and an onsite community garden where residents can learn to plant and harvest fresh produce and reinforce healthy eating habits – a local Eagle Scout’s project.

In addition to Pennrose and JFED, the development team partners are Kitchen and Associates, MidAtlantic Engineering, and Ingerman Construction. The financing included a Low-Income Housing Tax Credit awarded through NJ Housing Mortgage Finance Agency, the Township of Cherry Hill, Camden County HOME Funds, the Federal Home Loan Bank of NY, Bank of America and TD Bank.
Artist and Award Information:

Each year, SHA seeks the work of artists for our awards celebrating housing excellence. The digital example here was selected for the 2020 Awards from the Wae Center, [www.waegallery.org](http://www.waegallery.org).

**Artist:** Angel | **Title:** House, Church, Library, School, and Park | **Media:** digital graphic design

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When you join and provide financial support to the Supportive Housing Association of NJ (SHA), you directly strengthen the supportive housing system in NJ, educate professionals and families about living in the community with supportive services, and create an atmosphere of sharing, mutual exchange and advocacy for those dedicated to independence for people living with special needs.

Sign on to receive SHA’s SHAre eNewsletter and News Alerts, an electronic news blast providing up to the minute information about developments and events in the supportive housing field. The SHAre covers a broad range of topics unique to the needs of the supportive housing community in New Jersey. SHA offers a rolling membership cycle, so you can join at any time and don’t need to wait until a new calendar year to enjoy the benefits of membership. SHA has added a new Civic Membership category specifically designed for county, municipal or city government agencies and housing authorities.

Please visit us at [https://www.shanj.org](https://www.shanj.org) for more information.
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