Everyone deserves a safe, affordable home…
Our mission is to end homelessness, expand affordable housing, and build strong communities in Connecticut.

From the Executive Director

As we head into my first full fiscal year I am humbled at the opportunity to lead an organization I have long admired. Once a bright-eyed policy analyst at the Partnership 14 years ago, I have come full circle to lead this organization in the important work of ending homelessness and creating affordable housing in our state.

Thinking of the unique opportunity that was given to me, I would like to discuss the concept of “opportunity.” I am fortunate enough to have been provided it in my professional life, but I cannot help but think of others who are less fortunate. Others the Partnership strives to help. Opportunities can only be realized if there is a foundation from which to build. Without life’s basic necessities like food, water, and shelter, opportunity is but a hollow and distant word to survival. Opportunity was how I got here, but it is also why I am here. To provide it to others.

The way to strengthen our Connecticut communities, and to allow people to become healthier, and empowered academically, professionally, and economically is to first take care of our fellow neighbor’s most basic requirement – a safe and secure place to call home. Here’s to “opportunity” and progress in 2020 and beyond.

Kiley Gosselin, Executive Director

The Work and Those Behind It

The Partnership’s work is anchored by two campaigns. Reaching Home is the campaign to end homelessness, and HOMEConnecticut is the campaign to expand affordable housing. Together, both help to eliminate and prevent housing instability.

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Since the start of the By Name List in 2016, there has been a 66% reduction in chronic homelessness.

Reaching Home has engaged state systems that target resources and prevent homelessness: PSC has partnered with the Tow Youth Justice Institute and the Juvenile Justice Policy and Oversight Committee to develop a data sharing study across multiple systems.

We are managing and leading a statewide Systems Taskforce consisting of high level state departments, advocates, providers, and intermediaries who created and are implementing a plan to prevent youth from exiting their systems into homelessness.

Secured support for the Reaching Home Campaign bill, HB 7313, that reinforces federal McKinney Vento rights of students experiencing homelessness in our state statutes.

Goals for serving families with children were integrated into the state level Core Vision Team’s agenda. Core Vision Team is staffed by PSC and includes state level decision makers.

The percentage of Connecticut renter households spending more than 50% of their income on housing costs declined by 1.9% over the last two years, from 26.4% to 24.5%.

The supply of affordable homes in Connecticut grew from 164,998 in 2016 to 167,911 in 2018, an increase of 2,913 homes.

Connecticut met our short-term target for increasing affordable housing in communities across the state. In the two-year period 2016 – 2018, six municipalities increased their supply of affordable homes by at least 1 percent, and another eight by 0.5%.

We are focusing additional resources for municipal outreach in the 23 towns of Fairfield County. We launched a collaboration with Supportive Housing Works and Fairfield County’s Community Foundation, called Fairfield County’s Center for Housing Opportunity.

PSC managed a strategic communications plan with the services of a communications consultant during the gubernatorial campaign.

Any effort to end homelessness requires a highly organized structure to coordinate the work of many organizations. PSC has led this work for over 20 years, bringing together a broad spectrum of partners across the state to build the necessary political and civic will. As a funder and partner of PSC, I’m proud of the remarkable results seen in a steady reduction in homelessness in Connecticut.

Aimee Hendrigan
Melville Charitable Trust

“Decent, affordable housing anchors personal and community success and sustainability. Being part of the Partnership for Strong Communities helps offer people all over Connecticut the opportunity to live safer, more secure, healthier and more productive lives for themselves and their families.”

Kevin Sullivan
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Financial Breakdown FY 2019

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Housing Stats

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Expanding affordable housing.
Strengthening Connecticut’s communities.