

Who are we?

- @Home in Adams County is an initiative developed and funded by the Adams County Community Foundation, operated by the South Central Community Action Programs.
- We represent a cross section of partners including government officials, non-profit leaders, higher education institutions, business leaders, advocates, and members from the community at large.

Our Community Partners



















HEALTH



2016

@Home in Adams County planning process begins 2017-2018

Steering Committee formed, strategic plan created, RFP issues and awarded. @Home in Adams County Website and Facebook page launched in February. @Home in Adams County begins identifying task forces for housing, transportation, livable wages, advocacy and outreach in April.

2016-2017

@Home in Adams County forms housing coalition.

2019

Coalition staff brought on board and @Home in Adams County officially launches in January

In March, @Home in Adams
County's first affordable
Living Summit takes place
at Harrisburg Area Community
College in Gettysburg.

2020

@Home in Adams County successfully begins second year collaborating with community partners and residents toward a common goal.

Affordable Living for All: A Brief History of @Home in Adams County

Why are we here?

Our **mission** is to focus on coordinating resources to educate our community, advocate for and develop solutions to some of the most complex issues facing Adams County residents.

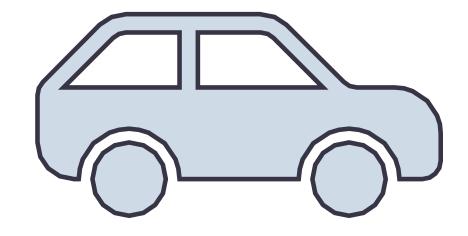
It is our hope that...

All residents of Adams County will have opportunities to live in safe housing aligned with their income, find sustainable employment, and access reliable transportation options.

Did you know?

As of 2017, with 50,088 working residents living in Adams County...

- 32,602 (**65.1%**) residents leave the County for work each day.
- Only 17,486 (**34.9%**) residents live and work in Adams County.



Where do we begin?

- 2015 Adams County Needs Assessment
 - Identify three outstanding needs in Adams County: affordable housing options, transportation, and livable wage.
 - How have these three needs, or lack thereof, impacted the county?
- Self-Sufficiency Study-

https://pathwayspa.org/2020standard/overlooked/

- Percentage of households in Adams County with inadequate income: 25%
- County median income compared to cost of living and the impact on housing, transportation, and economic viability.
 - Census info: https://www.census.gov/quickfacts/fact/table/adamscountypennsylvania/BZA210218

Monthly Self-Sufficiency in Adams County 2020	
https://pathwayspa.org/2020standard/overlooked/	

Items	1 A	1 Adult		1 Adult, 1 Child		2 Adults, 2 Children	
Housing + Utilities	\$	771.00	\$	970.00	\$	970.00	
Child Care	\$	=	\$	618.00	\$	1,636.00	
Food	\$	298.00	\$	452.00	\$	841.00	
Health Care	\$	256.00	\$	765.00	\$	830.00	
Transportation	\$	257.00	\$	265.00	\$	506.00	
Misc. Necessities	\$	158.00	\$	327.00	\$	478.00	
Taxes	\$	393.00	\$	846.00	\$	1,234.00	
Tax Credits	\$	\ <u></u>	\$	(217.00)	\$	(433.00)	
Monthly Total	\$	2,133.00	\$	4,026.00	\$	6,062.00	
Annual Wage	\$	25,596.00	\$	48,312.00	\$	72,744.00	
Hourly wage	\$	12.31	\$	23.23	\$	34.97	
Hourly wage each adult	\$	12.31	\$	23.23	\$	17.49	

What are we doing?

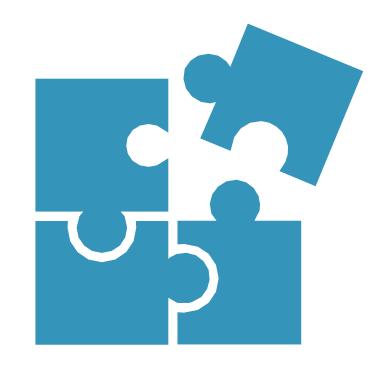
We are connecting with experts in housing, transportation, and economic development to find solutions.

Evidence-based advocacy

Bi-monthly coalition meetings

How do we do it?

- Additionally, we are engaging community members to join us in finding solutions to the barriers that seem to limit some residents in Adams County from accessing these essential resources.
- Currently, we have over 130 community members working with the @Home in Adams County community engagement initiative.
- Collaboration with community partners and residents is an invaluable contribution to the success of our mission.

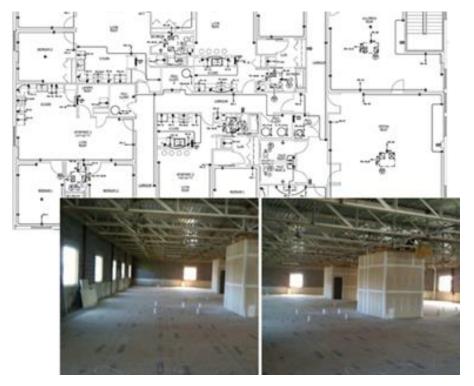


"Why does this affect me?"

- This initiative is increasing awareness of complex issues that affect every resident of Adams County, including you.
- Us vs. Them Mentality
- How does this initiative benefit everyone?

Current Progress

- Housing Solutions:
 - Meadowview Townhomes Luminest Community Development
 - Biglerville Road Duplex Project- Converge Enterprises
 - SHARE and ECHO projects- Adams County Office for Aging, Diana T. Myers and Associates, Inc. and Pennsylvania Department of Aging.
 - SCCAP Apartments Project- SCCAP and ACHA
- Financial Solutions:
 - Project New Start- Adams County Housing Authority
- Transportation Solutions:
 - Gettysburg/Hanover Bus Route









COVID-19: Current Impact on Housing and Local Economy

- Housing:
 - CARES Rent Relief Program: a chance to advocate for revision and expansion
- Employment:
 - Hospitality and food service industries impacted most significantly in Adams County.
 - Average 3-month job loses: -1,226
 - Economic Impact (GDP over 3-month period): -\$11.0 million
 - Slower path to recover for these industries due to nature of work/close contact.
 - Projected successful recovery for most industries in fourth quarter of 2021.
- Visit <u>www.adamsalliance.org</u> for more information on relief resources.

"There is no power for change greater than a community discovering what it cares about."

-Margaret J. Wheatly

Adams County is home to all of us.

As a community united, it is our responsibility, no matter where we find ourselves on the spectrum of impact regarding these issues, to seek opportunities for education and to advocate for positive change with the benefit of our community at the heart of each effort.

Interested?

- Join us for our bi-monthly @Home coalition meetings to learn about how we can address housing, transportation, and economic development in Adams County.
- Get to know your community. Seek out opportunity to learn more about these issues and how they are affecting our community at large.
- Visit our website at www.homeinadamscounty.org for more information and to subscribe to our mailing list.
- For questions, contact Caroline, Coalition Coordinator at cjohnson@sccap.org

