

## **2024 Membership Agreement**

This agreement formalizes the mutual commitment among the Housing Partnership Network (HPN) and its member organizations.

HPN is a unique collaborative that derives its strength from the leadership and engagement of the highly accomplished housing and community development nonprofits that comprise it. We share a commitment to innovation, business excellence, racial equity and justice, and a desire to maximize our value and impact for the people and places that we serve.

Through HPN, members seek to increase their performance and sustainability by sharing knowledge and best practices, collaborating on enterprise development, and advocating for policy changes.

## **HPN's Commitment**

The Housing Partnership Network commits to facilitating a dynamic member-driven business alliance of organizations that are among the nation's most accomplished affordable housing, community development, and finance nonprofits. This includes:

- Facilitating peer exchange among member leadership and staff through our semi-annual member meetings, regular virtual meetings throughout the year, and other in-person meetings;
- Developing and launching collaborative enterprises to improve operational efficiencies, fill market gaps, and impact the double bottom line of member organizations and HPN;
- Advocating for policy and regulatory changes grounded in the experience of our members to improve their development, operating, and funding environment, and address the needs of the people and communities members serve;
- Developing and implementing initiatives that strengthen communities and residents, including homeownership counseling, consumer empowerment, and green and healthy communities;
- Maintaining a strong commitment to racial equity and working with members to create impactful
  ways to promote racial equity in all aspects of our work; and
- Demonstrating sound financial performance and operational efficiency.

## **The Members' Commitment**

Members agree to invest their time, expertise, and leadership to sustain a dynamic peer network where members collaborate on best practices, enterprise development, and policy. HPN expects that each member will engage in two or more of the following activities each year:

- Share knowledge and innovation with peers by having senior staff participate in semi-annual member meetings
- Actively participate in one or more HPN Communities of Practice through virtual meetings scheduled throughout the year
- Take part in one or more HPN business lines or enterprises
- Work with HPN Policy staff to advocate for policy change to increase the sustainability of our sector

Provide board or committee leadership for HPN or its affiliated enterprises

In addition, all members are expected to do the following annually:

- Complete and/or update their organization's member profile, including corporate and production data, in order to demonstrate the collective impact of HPN for policymakers, funders, and industry partners;
- Pay annual membership dues;
- Demonstrate sound financial performance and operational efficiency;
- · Demonstrate ongoing commitment to racial equity: and
- Demonstrate impact at scale in their markets.

## **Membership Tenure**

While it is our intent that HPN remain of high value to its members, if at any time a member feels membership is no longer beneficial, they may elect to discontinue their membership through non-renewal. HPN also retains the right to discontinue an organization's membership.

We look forward to continuing to work with you in our unique partnership to transform and increase the impact of our industry.

Robin Hughes

President and CEO

Housing Partnership Network

Payment of your membership dues for 2024 indicates your agreement with the terms of the 2024 Membership Agreement.