

AGENCY OVERVIEW

Since 1950, the Inkster Housing Commission (IHC) has championed access to quality, affordable housing for local residents. In 2004, IHC became a fully independent, self-sustaining nonprofit agency—an achievement that greatly expanded its resources, capabilities, and impact. Today, guided by strong leadership, IHC is taking another leap forward, advancing robust initiatives in housing, safety, health and wellness, and self-sufficiency to meet and exceed the evolving needs of the people we serve.

Accessibility Is Our Responsibility

Inkster Housing Commission (IHC) draws on a strong history of leadership in public housing initiatives, including experience with the Low-Income Public Housing (LIPH) program, Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) program, Multi-Family Housing, and the Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) Rental Assistance Demonstration (RAD) program. These efforts continue to shape the future of IHC—and, most importantly, support the residents we serve.

A shining example of this commitment is our groundbreaking Envision Center, a HUD-funded space designed to provide residents with job training, health and wellness resources, and a welcoming community hub. IHC is governed by a five-member Board of Commissioners, appointed by the Mayor of Inkster, Michigan, to serve staggered five-year terms.

IHC MISSION

Enriching lives by building inclusive communities and empowering families for long-term economic success

IHC VISION

To be the premier affordable housing provider locally, regionally, and nationally that fosters diverse and vibrant communities including housing, education, and economic growth.

IHC VALUES

A keen sense of what to do or say in order to maintain good relations with others by these values:

- Tempered
- Compassionate
- Accountable
- Trusted

RESIDENTS

Residents are the cornerstone of our community. And as stewards of their best interest, IHC is constantly building to give that cornerstone the support to flourish and prosper with the objective of stand-alone self-sufficiency in mind.

Making Residents Feel Right At Home

EnVision Center - EnVision Centers improve the economic sustainability of individuals by empowering them with opportunities to improve their economic outlook through programs focused around four basic objectives—economic empowerment, educational advancement, health and wellness, and character and leadership. Inkster is home to one of only 100 such EnVision Centers in the U.S., giving our community rare access to a centralized hub where the resources and support needed to excel are readily available.

The Family Self-Sufficiency Program - The ultimate goal of IHC is to serve as a guiding light, helping each family achieve their own self-sufficiency. To that end, in 2021 we began a Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) program with the express purpose of identifying and assisting with the specific, immediate needs of our residents. The program has already found success even in such a short period of time, as it has already been used for:

- Access to educational and credentialing programs to encourage
- Skill development
- Worker readiness, job training, job placement, and job retention services
- Access to affordable daycare facilities

- > Financial literacy and planning services
- Mobility counseling and housing search assistance for voucher holders
- More affordable housing in safe neighborhoods that also have employment
- Opportunities and community amenities

REVENUE

In 2024, Inkster Housing Commission operated on a \$2.7 million budget for capital projects, with \$5,991,701.39 paid out to vendors for goods and services. Of that total, \$1,171,111.77 was paid to minority-owned businesses and \$151,839.13 to woman-owned businesses. IHC continues to prioritize local economic impact, with substantial portions of vendor payments going to businesses in the surrounding community. In addition, approximately \$4 million per year is distributed in Housing Assistance Payments to landlords in Wayne and Washtenaw counties, supporting housing stability for residents across the region.

PROGRAMS

Affordable Public Housing was established to provide decent and safe rental housing for eligible low-income families, the elderly, and persons with disabilities. Public housing comes in all sizes and types, from scattered single-family houses to high-rise apartments for elderly families. There are approximately 970,000 households living in public housing units, managed by some 3,300 HAs. The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) administers Federal aid to local housing agencies (HAs) that manage the housing for low-income residents at rents they can afford. IHC has 710 public housing units after the successful sale of 24 Unit-Canterbury Estates (\$585K).

The Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) Program is the federal government's major program for assisting very low-income families, the elderly, and the disabled to afford decent, safe, and sanitary housing in the private market. IHC currently has 751 Housing Choice Vouchers in use.

VENDORS

Are you interested in doing business with the Inkster Housing Commission? Do you wish to build your capacity as a vendor? Can you provide quality service to our residents and community? If your answer is "yes" to all three questions, become partners with the Inkster Housing Commission. We have been in service since 1950 and provide a wide array of services for our residents and property portfolio. Join us by registering your business.

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HOURS

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