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Press Release

The Sharon Housing Trust Moves Forward With Generous Community Support!

Sharon, CT July, 2023: On June 30, 2023, The Sharon Housing Trust (SHT) became the owner of the property at 91, 93 and 95 North Main Street in Sharon.

This opportunity was made available by the offer of two substantial loans to the SHT from generous community members. Without these loans (which must be repaid or refinanced), the SHT would never have been in a position to attain the property, and we are very grateful!

The property is a 6 unit apartment complex (in 3 buildings), adjacent to Sharon Center School and very much within walking distance of the center of town and the commercial area. There are 5 two bedroom apartments and 1 three bedroom apartment. The homes are all occupied today, in some cases by long term tenants with deep roots here in town. In the future, if and when tenants move on to other housing, income qualified young families or empty nesters will be able to take their place.

A goal of the Sharon Affordable Housing Plan was to increase the number of “affordable” housing opportunities in town, and this development has just increased the amount of affordable housing by 6 units! For the future, the SHT is hoping to again increase the number of designated units by obtaining the town’s former Community Center. The plan calls for converting the building, built in 1925, into 4 two bedroom units in the roughly 3,000 sf space (1,500 sf per floor). There will be an informational presentation and town meeting on September 9th at 12:00 pm at the Town Hall to discuss if this plan or another proposal is the best use for that building.

For more information and/or to donate to the SHT, please view the website - www.shtct.org. There, you’ll find more information about goals, current projects and the organization.

To make contact, please e-mail shtct2005@gmail.com or call 860-480-8957.

ABOUT THE SHARON HOUSING TRUST:

Founded by a group of long-time Sharon Residents in 2005, The Sharon Housing Trust first worked to construct single family homes. In 2022, a new Board of Directors made up of community members was put in place. The current mission statement was essentially defined by the 2022 Sharon Affordable Housing Plan's goal of increasing the amount of designated affordable housing offerings in the community by 15 to 20 units over the next five years. To achieve that goal, The Sharon Housing Trust has now expanded to working with rental units.

All the members of the Sharon Housing Trust are grateful for the foresight community residents had in 2006 when the Plan of Conservation and Development was defined and affordable housing was a central element. This groundwork has made the task of working with multiple town agencies towards achieving the SHT goals possible.

The organization is made up of 8 local Board members, and is an IRS-registered 501(c)(3).