

Diamond State Community Land Trust

ANNUAL REPORT

January 2018

Forever Affordable Homes

New Funding Brings New Growth

Operating and Production Grants

Diamond State Community Land Trust has received funds in the past fiscal year from two new sources.

COMMUNITY-BASED GOVERNANCE

The longer-term work of Diamond State Community Land Trust received very significant encouragement from a recent national grant to support our operations.

The competitive national award from the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) is based on the belief that "those who are directly affected by unjust systems and structures have the best insight into knowing how to change them."

Diamond State CLT is honored for this award which recognizes the CLT commitment to being a community-controlled organization which removes land from the market and holds it in trust in the furtherance of affordable housing.

CCHD works to break the cycle of poverty by helping low-income people participate in decisions that affect their lives, families and communities. CCHD offers a hand up, not a hand out. It acts as the domestic anti-poverty program of the U.S. Catholic Bishops, working to carry out

the mission of Jesus Christ "... to bring good news to the poor ... release to captives ... sight to the blind, and let the oppressed go free." (Luke 4:18)

COMMUNITIES OF OPPORTUNITY

A grant from the New Castle County Department of Community Services is creating an affordable home in an area of opportunity in the county, allowing a low-income household to live there.

ONGOING

We are grateful for project support from the Delaware Community
Foundation, the Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh (FHLB-PGH), the Housing Development Fund (HDF) of the Delaware State Housing Authority (DSHA), the Kent County Levy Court who works closely with DSCLT through the the Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP), the Longwood Foundation, and Sussex County Council.

We receive program support from Deutsche Bank, Discover Bank, the Laffey-McHugh Foundation, the State Employees Combined Campaign (SECC), TD Bank, and WSFS Bank. The CCHD grant has allowed us to build our board and staff capacity.





The grant from New
Castle County is
creating an
affordable home in
an area of
opportunity.

OUR HOMES

Now is a good time to apply!

A STATEWIDE INVENTORY

Our inventory of homes is state wide and growing in all three counties. In addition to new homes, we have current and pending resales of homes throughout the state.



CLT HOME BUYERS

The actual and potential owners of Diamond State homes include retirees, cost-burdened renters, families with special needs (homelessness, domestic violence, people with disabilities), and nonprofit organizations providing sanctuary or transitional housing to families.



TEN STEPS TO

 Attend your CLT orientation

 Obtain a mortgage preapproval through our preferred lender

5. Attend a home buyer education workshop

8. Submit a purchase agreement on a Diamond State CLT home

9. Schedule the closing

ABOUT US

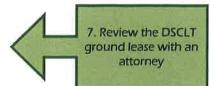
Our Unique Benefits to the Community

CLT HOME OWNERSHIP

Complete and submit your application along with all required documents



Obtain approval from our selection committee





Central to the community land trust homeownership model is the creation of a permanently affordable home, a legacy that will be passed on to future generations of homeowners.

Initial pricing of the home provides for affordability and when resold a resale formula has the goal of providing for an equitable balance for the departing CLT homeowner while preserving the affordability for the next family.

THE CLT ADVANTAGES

Unique benefits of the CLT approach include:

- mortgage payments and down payment costs that are well below market
- offering very affordable homes with equity built into the initial prices
- having an organization that encourages the participation and leadership of low-income people
- "backstopping" the homeowner, providing guidance and intervention when needed
- maintaining the homes in the CLT inventory upon resale
- assuring a new incomeeligible home buyer upon resale

DISTINCTIVE CLT FEATURES

- Community-Based and Resident-Governed –
 We have a three-part board of directors, 1/3rd of its seats reserved for low-income CLT homeowners, making them integral to our governance.
- Membership Organization We have several categories of membership, the most important of which is the "lessee" membership, all the CLT homeowner households.
- Holding Land in Trust We create permanently affordable homes, preserving the community investment in them, keeping them affordable at each successive resale to a new incomeeligible buyer. This is done by taking the land from the market, putting it in trust for the community, and selling the "improvements," the homes, to the home buyers.



COME TO AN ORIENTATION!

To learn more about our home ownership opportunities, please register for our FREE one-on-one prospective homeowner orientation. You can email Diana Savitz at DianaSavitz@DiamondStateCLT.org or call her at 800-282-0477, ext. 306.

BOARD

New Members and Officers

We are a membership organization whose board is empowered by its members, which includes all CLT homeowners. In addition, the board is tri-partite, reserving one-third of its seats for CLT homeowners. Board members are elected by our membership at the annual meeting.

NEW MEMBERS

This past year, we have added three new board members: Joan Fitzgerald, Denise Jackson, and Gina Miserendino.

Joan Fitzgerald is Mortgage
Consultant with Meridian Bank and
works closely with low-income firsttime home buyers. She lives in Arden,
an historic land-lease community in
north Wilmington, which was
founded on the single-tax principles
of Henry George. She has been one
of the most knowledgeable and
consistent supporters of the CLT
model in Delaware. She holds a
community seat on the board.

Denise Jackson came to our board through her work as the Program Manager at Whatcoat Social Services in Dover, for People's Place, one of our nonprofit partners. Denise is known for her commitment to helping end homelessness. As a





Joan Fitzgerald and Denise Jackson

representative of People's Place, she occupies a home owner seat on the board.

Gina Miserendino was a long-time staff member of the Delaware Housing Coalition, during which time, she helped to start the Diamond State CLT. She was also instrumental in starting West Rehoboth CLT. As a founder of the Diamond State CLT, she joins fellow founding member, Dawn Poczynek-Holdridge, on the board. She lives in Kent County and is active in the League of Women Voters. She teaches at Wilmington University and the PolyTech School District and holds a community seat on the board.

OFFICERS

At the end of FY17, the board had a change in officers, with Amy Walls, stepping down as President, succeeded by Lillian Harrison who had held the vice presidency. Sarah Keifer has been elected to the vacant position of Vice President.

Dave Buches continues as Secretary and Dawn Poczynek-Holdridge as Treasurer.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

DIAMOND STATE COMMUNITY LAND TRUST

Lillian Harrison, PRESIDENT Sarah Keifer, VICE PRESIDENT Dave Buches, SECRETARY Dawn Poczynek-Holdridge, TREASURER

Lydia Arguelles, Leaseholder Diane Crockett, Leaseholder Joan Fitzgerald, Community Denise Freeman, Community Denise Jackson, Leaseholder Gina Miserendino, Community Amy Walls, Public



Gina Miserendino

STAFF

New Faces and New Skills



Helen McAdory, Associate Director, and Diana Savitz, Program Manager



Save the date!

Charles Daly, Accounting Manager, has come to us with many years of work experience in corporate accounting. He is a former CPA and is a certified Intuit QuickBooks ProAdvisor. He has a BA (Economics, San Francisco State University) and MBA (Accounting, Syracuse University). Chuck has been working on strengthening our internal controls and improving our tracking and reporting functions.

Helen McAdory, Associate Director, is a licensed real estate professional and has had a career in industry and construction prior to assuming her role with DSCLT. She hails from KwaZulu, Natal, South Africa. She is taking charge of our development strategy, including a revision of the current development plan.

Diana Savitz, Program Manager, has brought to our work many years of experience as a real estate agent, property manager, and marketing professional with area builders. She is working on building our home buyer pipeline, revising our outreach and stewardship efforts, and upgrading our statistical software.

Ken Smith, Executive Director, is completing his fourth year in this position.

Jo Ann Zorb has moved into a new role with us, providing technical assistance on development, sales price methodology, and resales.



Diana Savitz and Jo Ann Zorb

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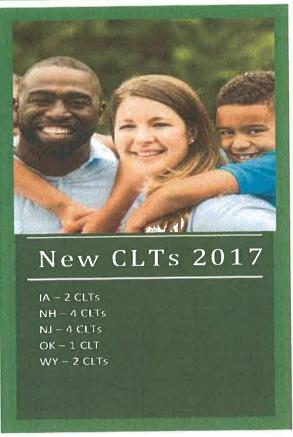
THE CLT NETWORK

Community land trusts are growing!



The National Community Land Trust Network (now Grounded Solutions) is reporting very positive growth in the CLT network over the last 2 years.

In November 2015 the Network reported 136 CLTs in 41 states. As of November 2017 there are now 330 CLTs in 46 states!



<u>Growth of Existing Members by State</u> 2015 vs 2017 2015 > 136 CLTs 2017 > 330 CLTs

State	2015	2017
AK	1	3
AL	2	3
AZ	5	6
CA	11	34
CO	5	9
СТ	1	4
DC	2	3
DE	2	2
FL	6	13
GA	3	1.0
HI	1	3
ID	1	2
ΙL	4	6
KS	1	1

1	2
3	6
9	21
3	9
4	6
1	9
5	8
2	5
2	5
3	6
4	9
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OR	2	6
PA	4	11
RI	2	3
SC	2	3
SD	1	1
TN	2	5
TX	4	10
UT	3	7
VA	1	4
VT	5	10
WA	11	22
WI	2	2



THANK YOU!

Donors, Members, Partners, and Other Supporters

INDIVIDUALS

Eva Abott & Van Temple Lydia & Jacobo Arquelles Ossi Becke Robert Broesler Austin & Michele Brown David Buches Carma Carpenter Diane Crockett Charles Daly Carol Succarotte Daniels Chnelle Darby Melissa DiBacco Jason Dye Kim Elliott Charlena Evans Kathy Fansler Joan Fitzgerald Laz & Dayami Fonticella Denise Freeman Matthew Freeman Denise Fuller Mary Ellen Gray Kate Hanley Christine Harris Lillian Harrison Tom & Kim Horne Sharon Hutchison Denise Jackson Jacqui Jarrell Sarah Keifer Patricia Kelleher Lyndsay Kersey Jeannine Knight Yolanda Knight Dominic Mancuso & David Marsh Helen McAdory Heather Mirto Gina Miserendino Tiffany Morris Carla Patterson-Gulledge Dawn Poczynek-Holdridge Tina Riley Diana Savitz Jeffrey Schoch Kyle Scott Andre & Nicole Sizer Ken Smith David & Rebecca Thomas Robert & Carol VanSciver Amy Walls Francine Walls

ORGANIZATIONS

Gwen Watson

Carol Wilson Andy Zampini

Airbase Carpet & Tile Mart AmazonSmile Foundation Axiom Engineering, LLC **Batta Environmental Associates**

B & B Design Contracting LLC. Barbacane, Thornton & Co. LLP Beaver Properties, LLC **Burris Masonry** City of Dover Community Foundation of the Eastern Compliance Environmental Delaware Alliance for Nonprofit Advancement Delaware Community Foundation Delaware State Housing Authority Del-Mar Appliance Deutsche Bank Discover Bank Dover Community Partnership **Embrace Home Loans** Fannie Mae Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh **Grounded Solutions Network** Growth Inc. Hollingsworth HVAC Housing Alliance Delaware Kent County Levy Court Longwood Foundation Meridian Mortgage Michael P. Morton, P.A. NCALL Research

New Season Landscaping Outlook Events, LLC Payworth Construction People's Place Pratt Insurance Pro-Bee Cleaning Service Reliable Home Inspection Rodney Village Civic Association Ryan Architecture, LLC Schmittinger & Rodriguez Schoch Appraisals, LLC Scott Conrad Contractor, LLC Sergovic, Carmean, Weidman, McCartney & Owens, PA State Employees Charitable Campaign Strobert Tree Service Sussex County TD Charitable Foundation TechSoup Global Ten Bears Environmental The Shepherd's Place Town of Ellendale U & I Builders United Cerebral Palsy of DE US Conference of Catholic Bishops Wakefield Associates, Inc. Ward & Taylor WSFS Bank

Become a Member!

I support the mission and work of Diamond State CLT and am becoming a member at the following level:

- □ \$5—Household income below \$35,000/year (General Member–Voting)
- □ \$35—Household income above \$35,000/year (General Member—Voting)
- □ \$35—Household income below \$35,000/year (Supporting Member—Non-Voting)

MEMBERSHIP FORM NAME **ORGANIZATION ADDRESS** CITY, STATE ZIP **PHONE EMAIL**

This is a renewal of membership.

Contribute to Our Work!

- In addition to membership, I am including a donation.
- In place of becoming a member, I am enclosing a donation.

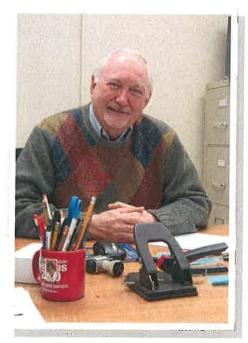
FYs 2017 & 2016

Financial Statements

	FY 2017	FY 2016
REVENUE & SUPPORT		
Contributions/Foundation Support	191,975	69,518
Government Grants	170,578	249,102
Ground Lease Income	12,700	11,990
Stewardship Fees	15,000	8,500
Rental Income, other	0	2,915
Unrealized Gain on Investments	2653	0
Miscellaneous	6,521	1,244
Investment Income, gains, & misc.	3,441	3,566
Net Assets Released from Restrictions	30,000	16,000
Total Revenue & Support Unrestricted	432,868	362,835
EXPENSES & LOSSES		
Insurance	2,329	2,385
Investment Fees, Interest Expenses	19,959	14,008
Land & Legal	1,096	2,209
Office Expenses, including Travel	15,520	9,137
Staff	76,555	33,679
Professional Fees	68,119	95,032
Membership Dues	4,543	6,624
Other	5,088	2,588
Losses on housing held for sale	187,752	202,841
Total Expenses & Losses	380,961	368,503
NET ASSETS		
Unrestricted & Undesignated	218,137	178,230
Restricted - Revenue & Support		
+ Other	3,000	20,000
+ Matched Savings Program	15,469	10,000
+ Rodney Village CLT Homes	75,000	85,000
Board Designated - Revenue & Support		
+ Sussex County Housing Development	400,000	400,000
+ Property Maintenance Reserves	74,000	62,000
Change in Unrestricted Net Assets	51,907	(5,668)
Change in Temporarily Restricted Net Assets	(21,531)	4,000
Total Change in Net Assets	30,376	(1,668)
Net Assets, Beginning (July 1)	755,230	756,898
Net Assets - Ending	785,606	755,230
Total Liabilities & Net Assets	1,299,501	1,163,745
+ Current & Noncurrent Assets	1,299,501	1,163,745
- Total Liabilities	513,895	408,515
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The Delaware Community Foundation (DCF) assists Delaware charities in establishing endowment funds to provide for long-term financial stability. Donors may contribute to the Diamond State CLT Fund which is maintained by DCF. Donations designated for the Diamond State CLT Fund are invested by DCF's professional advisors to provide growth and stability. Interested donors should visit https://delcf.org/nonprofit-funds/ for further details.



Chuck Daly, Accounting Manager



Diamond State CLT is a participating charity in the State of Delaware's annual State Employees' Charitable Campaign (SECC). Through this Campaign, Delaware State employees can elect periodic payroll deductions for charitable contributions to Diamond State CLT and other charities. The Campaign remits these contributions to Diamond State on a monthly basis. For more information, visit https://secc.delaware.gov or contact your Agency's Campaign Chairperson or Captain.



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Strengthening Delaware Communities with Permanently Affordable Homes

How We Continue to Grow Delaware's Inventory of

Permanently Affordable Homes



HOLDING LAND IN TRUST

on behalf of the community



RESALES of CLT HOMES

keep them affordable to successive incomeeligible buyers



40

permanently affordable homes in our growing inventory



DIAMOND STATE COMMUNITY LAND TRUST

is a membership organization with a community-based board that includes CLT homeowners. It's mission is to strengthen Delaware communities through creating and preserving permanently affordable homes.



3.2 Million

in permanently preserved investments for the community



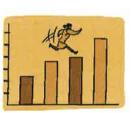
average median income of new homeowners at entry



\$101,700

average sales price is well below market





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How does a community land trust work?

Various sources of public and philanthropic capital...

...are used by community land trusts... ...to acquire homes in a geographic focus area.



- Federal housing subsidies
 City-owned property
 Community foundations
 Anchor Institutions





Why CLTs Matter

the US was started in rural Georgia in 1970 by civil rights leaders to help poor

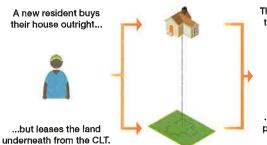
black farmers, today, the majority of the country's nearly 250 community land trusts are today located in urban areas. CLTs create affordable housing white still wing low-income residents to build ity as homeowners. Moreover,

euse the CLT retains ownership of the

underlying land, this housing remains permanently affordable, even as the origi-

nal beneficiaries of an affordable home price sell and move on. This long-term, continuing benefit makes CLTs an espe-cially efficient use of affordable housing

Community land trusts tweak the normal process of homebuying...

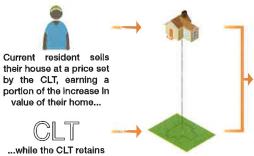


They pay an annual fee to the CLT to support its operations...

...and the CLT retains permanent ownership of the land.

...to make housing permanently

affordable.



A new resident buys the house at a price that's been kept affordable...

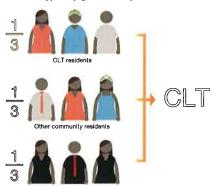


By locking in permanent access to affordable housing, CLTs can play an important role in countering the market-driven displacement associated with gentrification. And by stewarding neighborhood land for the public good, not epeculative profit, CLTs have played an equally important role in stabilizing communities

...and agrees to the same requirements around resale. the land.

> The CLT's geographic focus allows it to not only provide affordable housing, but to play an important role in stabilizing neighborhoods.

CLTs are typically governed by:



As It diversifies its portfolio, the CLT can also own land in trust for permanently affordable rental housing or communityfocused commercial developments.



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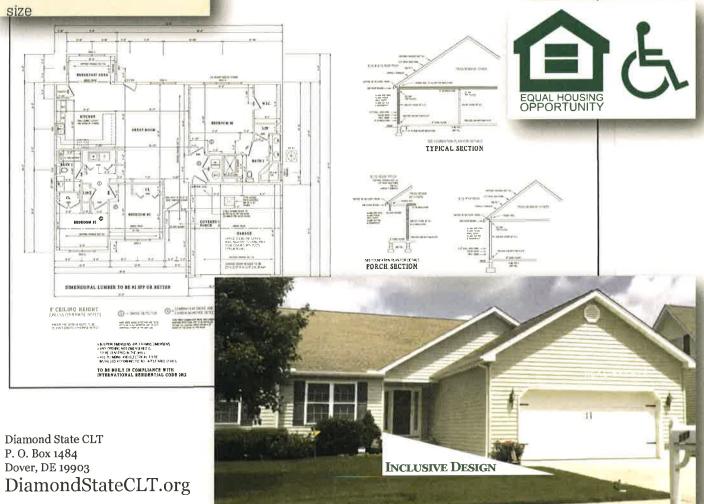
>> Coming to Seaford

Household info

- Buyer must qualify for DSCLT leasehold ownership model.
- Homes with inclusive design to accommodate persons with disabilities.
- Income restrictions apply: household must be <80% of AMI based on household

4. NEW 3-bedroom ranch-style homes with:

- ♦ Zero-step entry & adequate doors, halls, bathroom turning room
- ♦ Inclusive design with "visitable" and "livable" features
- ♦ Great room, breakfast area, garage, landscaping
- ♦ 1700 sq-ft homes, expected price range \$140,000—\$150,000



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COMING SOON!

ELLENDALE



Fall 2018

Newly Constructed Single-Family Home in Ingram Village

Diamond State Community Land Trust is offering this single family home with a bedroom on the first floor! Located in the Ingram Village neighborhood of Ellendale, minutes from Georgetown and the beaches.

Call today to find out about how to make this home yours!

* Buyer must qualify for the Diamond State Community Land Trust model. Ownership is leasehold estate. Household must be under 80% of the Kent County Area Median Income (AMI) based upon household size.

This home features:

FIRST FLOOR BEDROOM!!!

4 bedrooms / 3 baths

EXTERIOR

- New Siding
- New Roof
- New Shutters
- New Storage Shed

INTERIOR

- New Plumbing
- New Electrical System
- New HVAC
- New Paint
- New Windows
- New Interior Doors

KITCHEN

- New Cabinets
- New Countertops
- New Tile Backsplash
- New Appliances
- New Flooring
- New Light Fixtures

BEDROOMS & BATHROOMS

- New Flooring
- New Bath Fixtures

