

HOUSING AUTHORITY

The Stow Housing Authority, founded by town meeting, is authorized by and operates under the provisions of Chapter 121B of the Massachusetts General Laws. The Stow Housing Authority manages and administers low-rent housing programs, which are funded by the Massachusetts Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) and the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The operations of the Authority are supported entirely by grants or contracts with the state or federal governments.

The Stow Housing Authority is governed by a Board of five commissioners, four of which are locally elected with the fifth member appointed by the Commonwealth. Mr. W. Robert Dilling, Jr. serves as the state appointee. The Board of Commissioners schedules meetings as necessary.

The mission of the Stow Housing Authority is to provide decent and safe housing to income eligible persons. The Stow Housing Authority administers federal Section 8 Voucher and state rental assistance programs. These programs provide participant property owners with a direct payment on behalf of the family. Family participants contribute no more than 40% of their gross monthly income toward the rent with the Housing Authority contributing the difference. Presently, the Authority administers a total of 24 vouchers with a budget of over \$185,000.00. The wait lists for both programs are currently closed.

The Stow Housing Authority was named a High Performer by the Department of Housing and Urban Development. The Hudson Housing Authority staff conducts the day-to-day program administration. Program information may be obtained by contacting the Hudson Housing Authority at 8 Brigham Circle, Hudson, Massachusetts.

This year the Stow Housing Authority has been working with the various town boards to address the need for affordable housing. The Stow Housing Authority may provide monitoring services for the 40B development.

Respectfully submitted,

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