

Regional Housing Portal Initiative Update

Connecting Housing Services to the Community

Presentation

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Objectives of the Regional Housing Portal:

- Identify housing related services pertaining to downpayment/closing cost assistance, first-time homebuyer education, foreclosure prevention, rental counseling, and housing services for persons with disabilities in a uniform database
- Identify gaps in services and service area coverage by GIS tracking as it relates to the region
- Create a regional web-based portal for consumers and housing providers to access appropriate services.

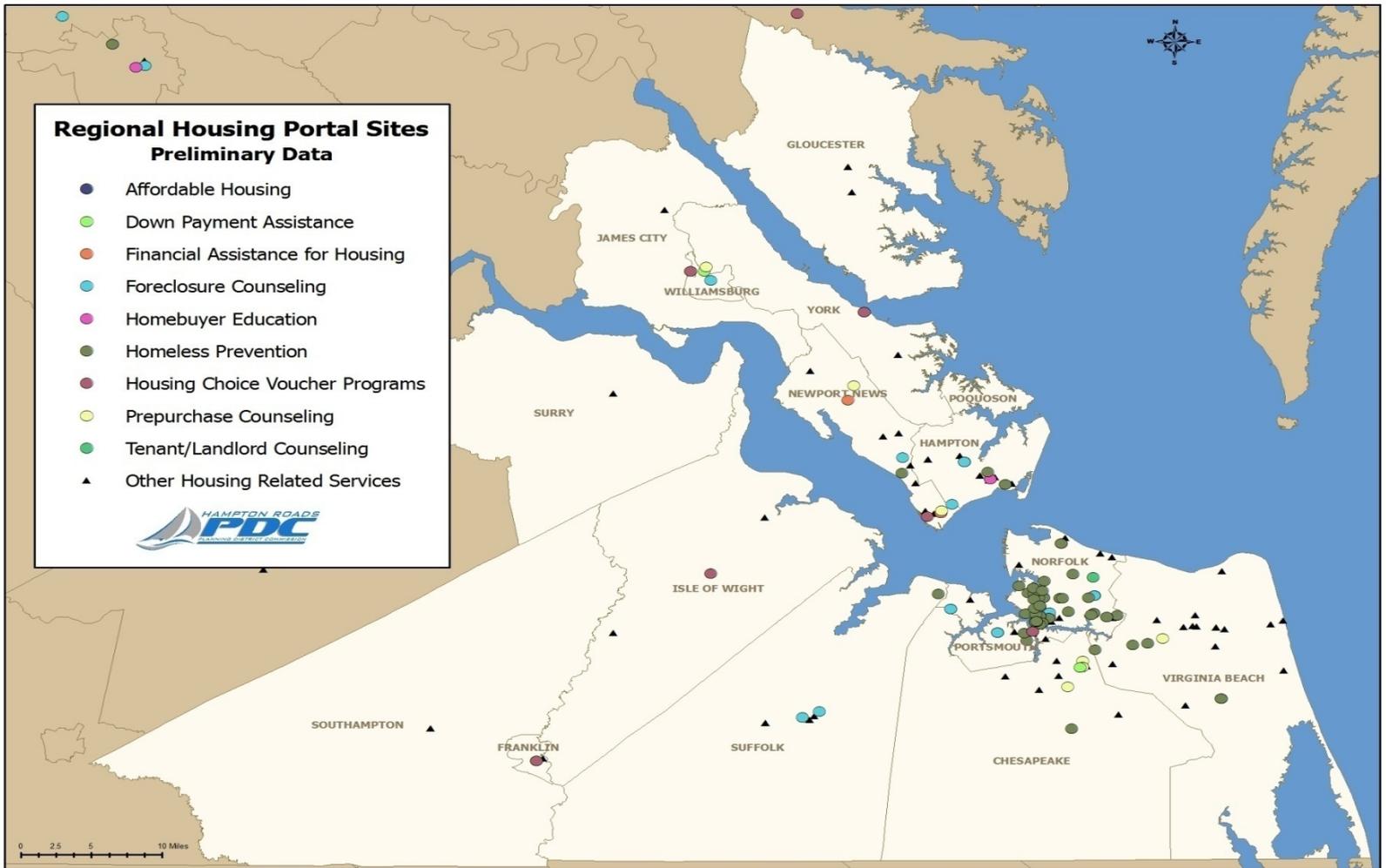
Service Types

- Affordable Rental
- Blight
- Builder Association
- Code and Compliance
- Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO)
- Community Services Board
- Credit & Debt Counseling
- Downpayment/Closing Cost Assistance
- Emergency Home Repairs
- Emergency Shelter Program
- Fair Housing
- Financial Assistance for Homeowners or Renters
- Financial/Budget Counseling
- Foreclosure/Mortgage Default Counseling
- Homebuyer Education
- Homeless Prevention (Rental & Homeownership)
- Homeless Shelter Services
- Housing Authorities
- Housing Choice Voucher (Section 8 Voucher)
- Indoor/Outdoor Plumbing
- Legal Services
- Planning & Community Development
- Rehabilitation
- Rental Counseling
- Senior Housing
- Special Needs Housing
- Tenant/Landlord
- Transitional Housing
- Weatherization



**Regional Housing Portal Sites
Preliminary Data**

- Affordable Housing
- Down Payment Assistance
- Financial Assistance for Housing
- Foreclosure Counseling
- Homebuyer Education
- Homeless Prevention
- Housing Choice Voucher Programs
- Prepurchase Counseling
- Tenant/Landlord Counseling
- ▲ Other Housing Related Services



Updates

- Research of technological needs of the initiative and possible revenue streams to fund the creation of the online portal tool as well as ongoing maintenance of project
- Solicitation of input from Regional Housing Portal Committee, as well as other housing groups as it relates to needs.

Financial and Technological Needs

- Researching utilization of in-house programs, software, and expertise for development of web-based product in an effort of finding cost-effective means fund the project
- Fund Development activity initiated to offset the costs associated with the development, marketing, and future development of tool.

Feedback from Regional Housing Portal Committee

- Primary Tool should be geared toward Housing Providers and Case Managers
- With reduction of staff in many organizations, Portal could greatly assist in increasing capacity and decreasing duplication of services
- Fully integrating the “*One-Stop Shop*” and “*No-Wrong Door*” approach is paramount for housing providers and clients
- Utilizing the Gap Analysis in future planning is essential.





Hampton Roads Regional Housing Portal (HRRHP)

The Hampton Roads Planning District Commission (HRPDC) invites you to search our database of over 300 housing programs and services in the Hampton Roads region using this tool. The HRRHP can provide you with service information, maps, and driving directions to programs!

Step 1: Your Location

Street Address City or Town State Zip Code

Step 2: Select the distance you want to search from your location

Step 3: Select the description that best describes the service(s) you are seeking



Project Status Summary

Initial Compilation of Housing Data	✓
Gathering of input from Regional Portal Committee and other housing groups	✓
Development of framework for gap analysis	✓
Securing Financial Funding	!
Completion of Online Web Tool	!

Questions