**Programs and Activities:**

**We Build Thriving Communities**  
Through our **policy and advocacy** efforts we build strong relationships with decision makers and instill a passion to ensure that hardworking Oregonians have access to opportunity. Neighborhood Partnerships (NP) is the convener for the statewide Housing Alliance, which educates policymakers about critical housing needs and builds consensus about solutions. By bringing diverse parties together, we have built a commitment to providing ongoing funding to meet the housing needs of low income Oregonians. Our work on homelessness and asset building also fuels this policy work, and helps us develop, test and promote strategies that work across systems and traditional funding streams.

**MILESTONES IN 2007-2008:**

- The Housing Alliance built a strong base of legislative champions. In the February 2008 Oregon legislative session we won $1 million for the preservation of existing subsidized housing via SB1073;
- The Housing Alliance brought housing advocates and private industry together to seek common ground on housing funding priorities, creating unprecedented agreements and collaboration, [http://www.oregonhousingalliance.org](http://www.oregonhousingalliance.org);
- We provided technical support to catalog federally subsidized apartments throughout the state and developed the Preserve Oregon Housing database, [http://www.preserveoregonhousing.org](http://www.preserveoregonhousing.org).

Through our **training programs** we equip organizational leaders and staff to better serve their communities. Training focuses on skill development as well as building the capacity to lead in our challenging environment.

**MILESTONES IN 2007-2008:**

- The 07-08 session of the Future Leaders Initiative wrapped up with 18 participants from urban and rural Oregon completing their leadership challenge within their organizations – the impacts of those challenges and the evaluation results are documented on our web site, [http://www.neighborhoodpartnerships.org](http://www.neighborhoodpartnerships.org);
- NP coordinated the national WAMU Executive Director retreat in August 2007. 106 Executive Directors from across the country came together for this unique training and networking opportunity;
- Trainings for asset managers, housing organization board members, case managers, and Individual Development Account partners were held throughout the year to increase capacity and maintain high impact programs.

Since 1997, we have supported the efforts of community development organizations with over $12 million in direct support. These funds allowed these organizations to respond to the unique needs of their communities. Changing priorities of national funders make this the last year of support to Portland area groups, and the next to last year for groups in the balance of the state.

**We Move People out of Homelessness and Poverty**

The nationally-recognized **Bridges to Housing** program serves high need homeless families in Clark County, Washington and in Clackamas, Multnomah, and Washington counties in Oregon. The Bridges to Housing model allows local governments and private foundations to leverage their resources and supports service providers as they work to improve the lives of high need families. Bridges to Housing provides housing, intensive services and child care in an effort to move families out of crisis and keep future generations out of homelessness.

**MILESTONES IN 2007-2008:**

- As of June 2008 Bridges to Housing has served 126 families;
- Bridges to Housing has raised $1.975 million in private funds, which joins with over $4.4 million in public funds to support high need homeless families. In conjunction with Portland State University, Bridges to Housing issued an evaluation report on the program which demonstrates improved outcomes for families and children. [http://www.bridgestohousing.org](http://www.bridgestohousing.org).
We Create Economic Stability

NP leads the State of Oregon’s Individual Development Account (IDA) Initiative on behalf of the Department of Housing and Community Services. Contributions to NP are allocated to a network of partner organizations that build the financial management skills of low income Oregonians while they save towards a goal – homeownership, business development, higher education, and employment opportunity. In the 2007 calendar year, NP raised $6 million in donations for this program, which increases the financial stability of low-income Oregonians across the state. http://ida.neighborhoodpartnerships.org.

MILESTONES IN 2007-2008:
• We raised $6 million in the 2007 calendar year to provide matching funds to individuals, support financial education and other assistance to account holders;
• HB2097 passed in 2007 which expanded the program to include youth and people with disabilities. NP supported that expansion through policy and training activities;
• NP provided technical assistance to partners to expand capacity and coverage of their IDA programs. Nine hundred and thirty-four new accounts were opened in 2008 representing an 81% increase in participation over 2007.

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Thanks to Amy Fauver and Ann Warnock for their many contributions to our success! And welcome to Joy Hunt and Haley Cloyd who joined our team later in 2008.

OVERVIEW OF NEIGHBORHOOD PARTNERSHIPS
REVENUES AND EXPENSES:

TOTAL SUPPORT & REVENUES 2007-2008
Foundation Grants 1,610,980 61%
Government Grants & Contracts 404,600 15%
Other Contributions & Grants 312,892 12%
Program Fees 286,679 11%
Investment Income 46,899 2%
Release of Prior Year Funds 2,662,050 100%

TOTAL EXPENSES 2007-2008
Bridges to Housing 1,100,608 38%
PNDSC & OCDC Collaboratives 728,506 25%
Trainings & Conferences 438,669 15%
IDA Program 327,222 11%
Policy & Advocacy 115,710 4%
Management & General 100,187 3%
Other Programs 43,259 1%
Resident Services 20,248 1%
Fund Raising 13,071 0%

2,887,480 100%

Note: IDA Initiative Revenues are reported separately

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