

The Housing Crisis in Delaware Thursday, March 20, 2025

Join us via ZOOM on March 20th at 7:00 p.m. for our third in a series of discussions on the intersectionality of three issues — healthcare, education, and housing. The League hopes to generate productive discussion that leads to legislative solutions that address shortages in the workforce, improve healthcare and early learning opportunities, and provide housing affordability for all Delawareans. This discussion will continue to provide a context for our in-person League Day in Dover on April 8th and legislative action going forward.



Program:

During this discussion, we'll examine the crisis facing Delaware over available, affordable, quality housing options for all Delawareans. Our panelists will focus on the evolution of the crisis; its impact on the workforce and families; and current efforts to address the crisis. The panel discussion will close with possible proposals for legislative action that will improve housing opportunities for all of Delaware.

Panelists



Karen Speakman is Executive Director of NeighborGood Partners (formerly NCALL) and has served as President of the Delaware Chapter of National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials. She is a recipient of their Housing Ambassador Award.



Sen. Russell Huxtable represents Delaware's Sixth Senate District. He has over 20 years of experience in affordable housing nonprofits, including roles at NCALL Research, Interfaith Housing Alliance, and Milford Housing Development Corp.



Matthew Heckles is Delaware's Housing Cabinet Director and Director of the Delaware State Housing Authority (DSHA). He previously served in the Biden-Harris Administration as the Mid-Atlantic Regional Administrator for the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).



David Edgell is Director of the Office of State Planning Coordination (OSPC). Previously, as Principal Planner with OSPC, he focused-on Kent County and has performed numerous other statewide planning roles including working as the staff lead for the Downtown Development Districts program.

Registration link:

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZcvc-2qrjlvHdO8MWgiTxuC7ajCCzfE8d_v