121st Convention of the Episcopal Church in Utah
Report of the Episcopal Housing Services Corporation of Utah,
Episcopal Management Corporation of Utah

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B. Mandate: The Episcopal Housing Services Corporation of Utah (EHSU) is a not-for-profit corporation; associated with the Diocese of Utah; engaged in providing excellent quality, safe housing facilities for low-income senior citizens and individuals with disability that qualify under HUD guidelines. At present, EHSU and its related entities own five apartment complexes totaling 278 units. The facilities are located in Brigham City, Kaysville, Ogden , Salt Lake City and South Salt Lake City. The operations are supported by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. The five complexes are managed by Community Housing Services, Inc., based in Salt Lake City under agreement with the EHSU Board of Directors.

C. Goals: Our sustained objective is to maximize the ability of our properties to dignified, safe, comfortable housing for persons who qualify as "low income" based on federal standards which is reconfirmed annually.

D. E. F. Action Items, Analysis, Conclusions: We continue to work closely with Community Housing Services, Inc and we are extremely pleased with the continued expertise that they provide in the management of the physical assets and their operation. Annual audits show that exceptional financial controls are maintained. Annual HUD building standards and safety inspections further demonstrate our dedication to maintaining the facilities at a high standard. During the past year, Union Gardens received a perfect score from HUD during their Real Estate Assessment Center (REAC) inspection.

We are pleased to report that in the past year we have been able to increase the Chaplaincy programs to each of the properties through the support of the Institute for Advancing Spiritual Care. We have contracted with them to provide services and support for 1.5 Full-Time Equivalent positions. During this next year, we hope to be able to continue to increase the Chaplaincy services to our residents along with looking for additional needs that we might be able to provide.

We are continuing to look for new board members to add to the expertise and commitment to supporting our mission and serving the residents at our properties. Over the next year, we hope to increase our board by at least one to two members.

G. Recommendations: The Board continues deliberation and long-range planning for the allocation of resources between resident program enhancements, diversification of the ministry, operational stability in case of HUD funding disruption, and long-term growth opportunities. We hope to continue to increase the chaplaincy programs that are available to the residence within the EHSU communities.

H. Mission: Our purpose is to create opportunities for safe, affordable, and inclusive housing for vulnerable populations. We are all committed by scripture and faith to providing housing, food, comfort, and aid to the poor. We believe that the work of Episcopal Housing Services contributes to that obligation. Many of our residents have no alternative to subsidized housing and we maintain lengthy waiting lists at each of our buildings for seniors and disabled individuals who are actively (some desperately) seeking a place to live in safety and dignity.

Respectfully submitted:
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