

**Asset Management 2020**Response and Resilience

**A CHAM Webinar Series** 

Property Management Oversight
Through an
Asset Management Lens

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## Agenda

- 1. Welcome and Introduction
- 2. Owner Perspective Sabrina
- 3. Investor Perspective Ken
- 4. Q&A
- 5. Resources
- 6. Wrap Up
- 7. What's New at CHAM

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## PROPERTY MANAGEMENT OVERSIGHT THROUGH AN ASSET MANAGEMENT LENS

FROM AN OWNER/OPERATOR'S VIEWPOINT

## PROPERTY MANAGEMENT OVERSIGHT THROUGH AN OWNER/OPERATOR'S VIEWPOINT

- What performance metrics should we use?
- · How do we handle the sometimes tough conversations?
- How do we let property staff know they are appreciated?
- · Ultimately, what can we do to help the team be successful?



#### **About The Community Builders**

The Community Builders (TCB) is one of America's leading nonprofit housing organizations. Our mission is to build and sustain strong communities where people of all incomes can achieve their full potential. We realize our mission by developing, financing and operating residential communities, neighborhood amenities and resident opportunity programs. Since 1964, we have constructed or preserved hundreds of affordable and mixed-income housing developments and pioneered the Community Life (CL) model for resident success. Today, anchored by offices in Boston, Chicago, Columbus, New York and Washington, D.C. we own or manage 11,000 apartment homes in more than 14 states.

#### IN THE WEEDS



#### **PERFORMANCE METRICS**

- Budget Variances
- Occupancy
- Collections/Economic Vacancy
- Cash Flow/DSCR
- Cash Available for distribution
- Operating Costs Per Unit



Poll: What types of property management metrics does your company monitor?

#### **BUDGET VARIANCES**

- Analyze monthly and annual
- Compare annual performance to the proforma
- Dollar amount or percentage

#### **OCCUPANCY**

- Relative to the budget
- Relative to past performance
- Relative to the industry
- Relative to other properties of the same type



#### COLLECTIONS/ECONOMIC VACANCY

- Percentage for entire property
- Amount per individual
- Eviction policy for non-payment
- Write off policy

#### **CASH FLOW/DSCR**

- Know the lender's requirement
- · Positive cashflow
  - Address deferred maintenance or capital improvements
  - Waterfall distributions
- Negative cashflow
  - Be able to explain
  - Come up with solutions



#### **CASH AVAILABLE FOR DISTRIBUTION**

- Triple Bottom Line: People, Planet and Profits
- Asset Management Plan



## OPERATING COSTS PER UNIT

- Sources of Information
  - Syndicator
  - State Allocating Agency
  - Novogradac
  - Your organization
  - Your portfolio



#### HANDLING TOUGH CONVERSATIONS

- First, take a breath
- Be honest
- Come with a solution or a different way of looking at the situation
- If all else fails, try the Sandwich Method (wrap negative feedback with praise.)

#### SHOWING APPRECIATION

- Let them know you're listening
- Go to bat for them.
- Give praise when it's due







#### 40,000 FEET



#### ASSET MANAGEMENT SUPPORT

- Monitoring
  - Financial
  - Physical
  - Operational
- Technical Assistance
  - Operational issues/Best Practices
  - Financial Analysis (insurance/refinancing/audit)
  - Staffing/Structural issues
  - Compliance
- Training
  - Learning Management System
  - In-person Training
  - MCon



## **Quarterly Reporting**

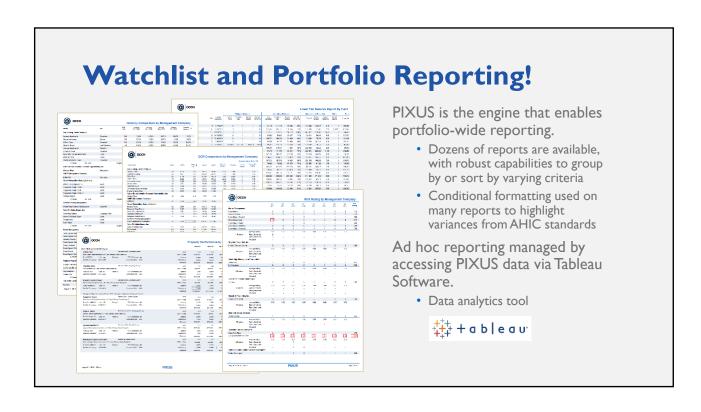


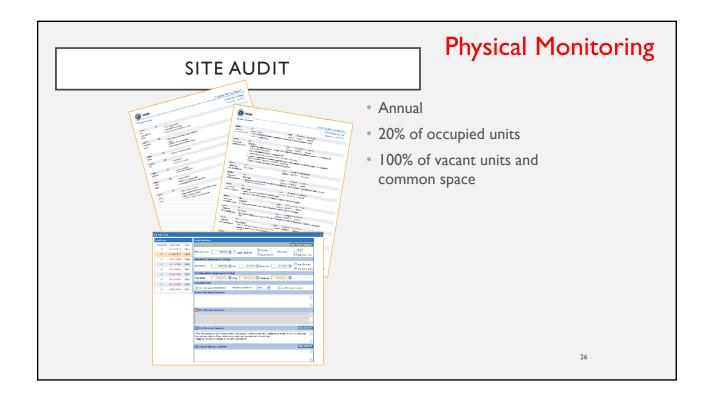
PIXUS captures the quarterly financial data for every property.

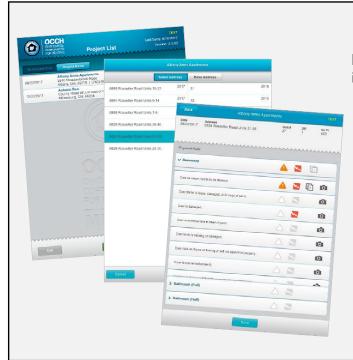
- OCCH Asset Manager carefully reviews and analyzes the information
- Narratives are written where project fails to meet AHIC standards

Every project is risk-rated quarterly primarily based on the following criteria:

- Occupancy, DCR, tenant receivables
- Physical condition of the asset
- File regulatory compliance

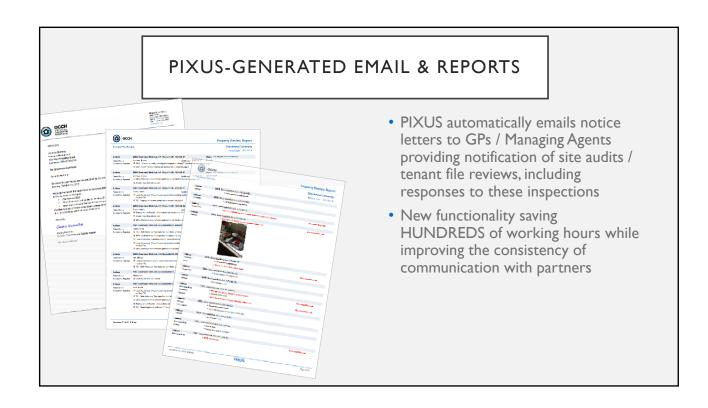


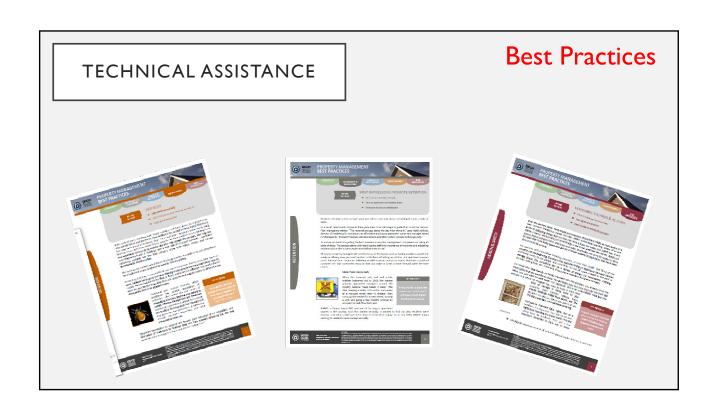


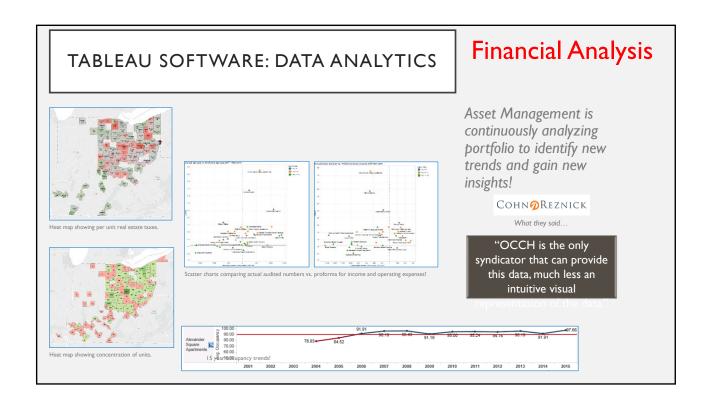


Proprietary iPad-based system that is fully integrated into PIXUS

- Captures 'health and safety' issues requiring immediate attention
- Indicates the year in which each building and unit was last inspected, enabling Asset Manager to better identify which units require inspection
- Captures photos
- Effortlessly produces high-quality report outputs
- Automatically generates notification letters to GP and Managing Agent

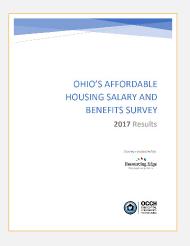






## OHIO AFFORDABLE HOUSING SALARY SURVEY

## Staffing/Structural Issues



- OCCH sponsored a Salary and Benefits survey in an effort to better equip owners/ managers with information about compensation trends
- Issued report Q1 2018









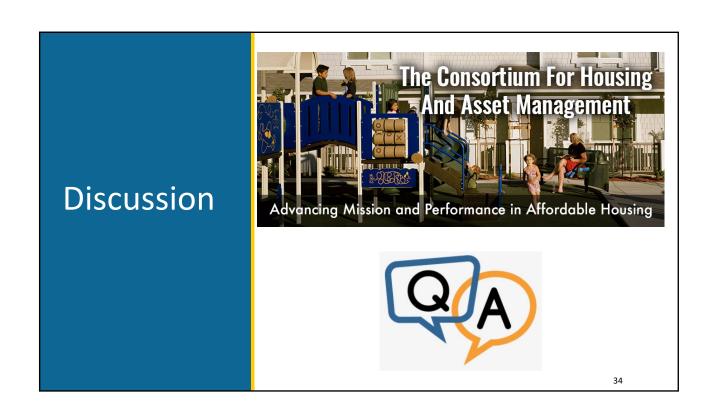


## TRAINING ACADEMY E-LEARNING PLATFORM



- 2,500 users currently on system / double YE 2017 user base
- Initial course offerings include:
  - Fair Housing training
  - Introduction to the LIHTC program
  - Service Coordination
- Actively seeking to grow content offerings via licensing arrangements
- Creating opportunities to grow relationships with key partners!





## Resources

#### **CHAM Lessons from the Field**

The Asset and Property Management Interface, with Emmanuel Arellano of the San Diego Housing Commission

- Collaboration with property management
- •Pros and cons of locating asset managers by region
- Data systems technology
- Role of development

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