

# BeyondBackgrounds

## Suburban Metro Continuum of Care Impact Report September 2017 – August 2020



**Renters Housed: 104**



**Risk Fund Claims: 1**



**Housed within the program: 49**



**Housed outside the program: 55**



**Renter participants: 185**



**Landlord participants: 85**



**Leases terminated early: 3**



**% who used Risk Fund: 2%**

### Race and Ethnicity of Renters Housed Within the Program

Black or African American  
**31%**

White  
**61%**

Asian  
**2%**

Hispanic  
**10%**

American Indian or Alaskan  
Native  
**6%**

### Race and Ethnicity of Renters Housed Outside the Program

Black or African American  
**25%**

White  
**65%**

Other  
**5%**

Hispanic  
**11%**

American Indian or Alaskan  
Native  
**4%**

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## Barriers of Renters Housed Within the Program

- 40% have a criminal history of any kind.
- 38% have a felony.
- 35% had an eviction within the past two years.
- 55% have a credit score below 550.



## Barriers of Renters Outside the Program

- 40% have a criminal history of any kind.
- 29% have a felony.
- 37% had an eviction within the past two years.
- 55% have a credit score below 550.

## Testimonials



“The tenant and her daughter were very excited to have a home. Even though her backgrounds was a bit suspicious, we felt comfortable renting to her with extra support. ”

→ K.H., *Inver Grove Heights Landlord*



“I was having a lot of trouble getting accepted to an apartment. I finally found a place that was close to the neighborhood my children were used to. I didn’t meet the qualifications for renting because my income and credit score were a little lower than they wanted. Thankfully, the landlord was willing to accept the landlord insurance policy in place of the eligibility criteria, and my kids and I now have a safe place to live.”

→ L.J., *West St. Paul Renter*

## Total Graduated from the Program

29

## Total Graduated with a Lease Renewal

19

## Total Graduated and Moved to Another Place

10



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