

Roundtable on the coordination of housing and services

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Maximizing impact

The theme of this conference is “What YOU can do to help solve the housing crisis.” Each break-out session moderator will be invited to remind attendees of the conference theme and of these 4 questions at the start of the session and then provide 5 minutes for attendees to make notes about them near the end of the session.

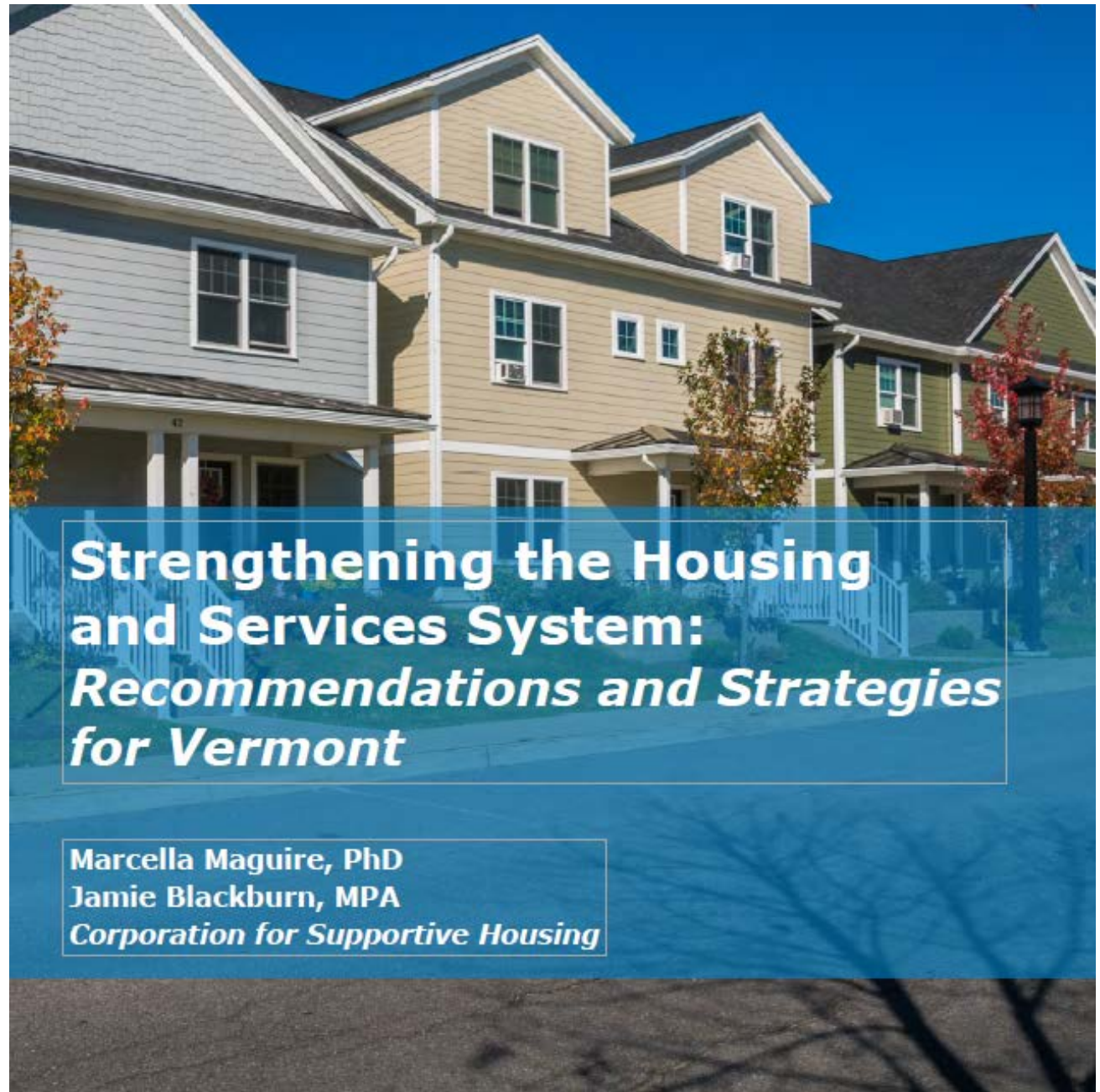
1. **What is inspiring you today?** (Ah-ha moment, new way of approaching your work, person/org, etc.)
2. **What do you want to explore further?** (Strategies, ideas, funding sources, partnerships, etc.)
3. **Who do you want/need to connect with?** (Person, organization, resource)
4. **What will YOU do to help solve the housing crisis?** (One thing you will do in your work, personal, or community life that will help make positive change)

Roundtable Goal:

Further ongoing discussions about how to effectively coordinate housing and services, with a focus on vulnerable residents of affordable housing. What is working? What is replicable? What should we be working on over the next year?

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Strengthening the Housing and Services System: *Recommendations and Strategies for Vermont*

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THEMES

CSH undertook a qualitative analytical approach, conducting focus groups with five categories of stakeholders, including housing providers, shelter operators, service providers, Designated Agencies, and individuals with lived experience of homelessness. There was significant overlap of general themes:

Cross-systems alignment

Barriers attributed to low housing stock

Behavioral health acuity and support

Workforce needs



VALUES AND OTHER ESSENTIAL COMPONENTS OF SUCCESSFUL HOUSING AND SERVICES MODELS

The experience of the housing sector and the voices of Persons with Lived Expertise (PLE) highlight values present in different effective models aligning housing and services nationwide. Those values include:

CHOICE

PERSON-CENTERED

RELATIONSHIP-BASED

TRAUMA-INFORMED

COORDINATION OF SERVICES

SCALABLE AND SUFFICIENT

FLEXIBLE

ASSERTIVE ENGAGEMENT



Recommendations

Address Workforce Needs

Cross Sector Collaboration

Build on the opportunity of the PSH Pilot within the Global Commitment to Health Medicaid Waiver

Innovation HUB

Provider Capacity Building

Create a state-based supportive services fund aligned with housing

Strengthen opportunities for collaboration

Use ARPA resources to jointly align housing and services sector activities