

RESILIENCY BRIDGE

HOUSING AS A PLATFORM FOR ECONOMIC MOBILITY

For low-wage workers to build a stable career and achieve financial independence, they need employment credentials in high-mobility fields. But too many families lack the housing security needed to access those training programs. Resiliency Bridge closes that divide by blending affordable housing, worker development, and wrap-around supports to help motivated individuals gain entry to high-demand, downturn-resistant sectors. This initiative supports career transitions during the pandemic recovery while remaining responsive to our systemic housing needs, bolstering our state's economic competitiveness and moving our local community closer to eliminating the 54,000-household affordability gap.



WORKFORCE CREDENTIALS

Participants complete job training programs that result in stable, higher-paying careers



HOUSING STABILITY

Families receive safe, affordable housing to increase education access and support career goals



WRAP-AROUND SUPPORTS

Workers are connected to a resource network that includes childcare, broadband, & other supports

Resiliency Bridge is projected to begin pilot programming in Fall 2021. It is supported by a multisector coalition of local leaders including the Affordable Housing Alliance of Central Ohio, Columbus Metropolitan Housing Authority, Columbus State Community College, ColumbusWorks, Community Shelter Board, the Columbus Partnership, Habitat for Humanity Mid-Ohio, Homeless Families Foundation, Homeport, Impact Community Action, Mid-Ohio Food Collective & ReadySkill, and the Workforce Development Board of Central Ohio.

Resiliency Bridge welcomes funding support to expand impact to more households and additional partners to provide in-kind supports to our participating families. To learn more or help, contact AHACO at admin@ahaco.org.