



# OASAC Update on the Statewide Referral Network

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# About the Illinois Housing Development Authority (IHDA)

- IHDA is an independent bonding authority created in 1967 with a mission to finance the creation and preservation of affordable housing.
- IHDA's programs help first-time homebuyers, renters, older adults, and others find quality housing that meets their needs.
- IHDA programs are funded with tax-exempt bonds, Low-Income Housing Tax Credits, and other affordable housing programs.
- More than **\$27.8 billion** in state, federal, and leveraged affordable housing financing since 1967.
  - **3,510 new or preserved rental units in 2024**
  - **5,116 IHDA homebuyers in 2024**



# Statewide Referral Network

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**The SRN** is a partnership of State Agencies and Social Service Providers connecting households with supportive housing.

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All affordable housing developments in IL include a 5%-10% set-aside for the SRN.

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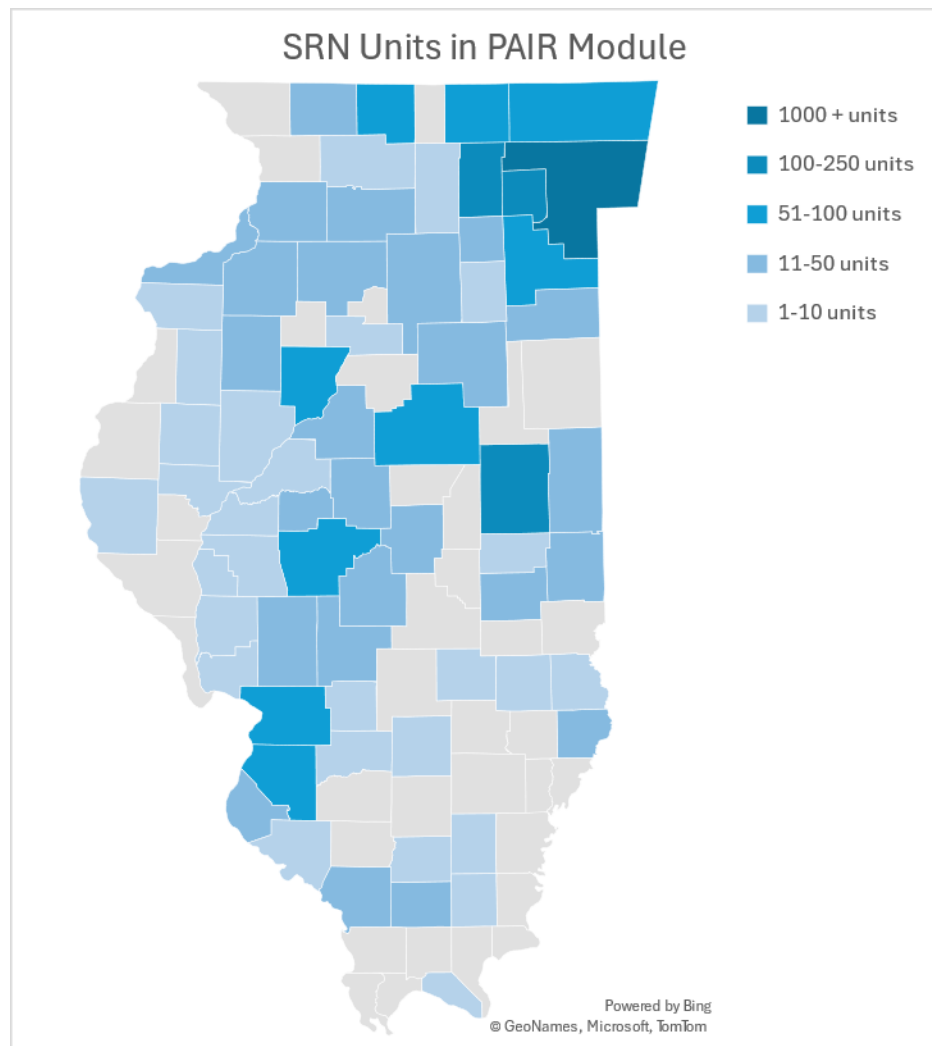
Supportive housing, senior developments, and general affordable housing buildings are included.





## Statewide Referral Network Background

- SRN units currently in 67 out of 102 counties.
- Over 1,300 units in Cook County (over 800 in Chicago)
- Over 1800 throughout the rest of the state.
- Consideration for new units includes evaluation of existing demand/need.
- Illinois Housing Blueprint, *Home Illinois Report* report demonstrate continued need for deeply affordable housing across the state.

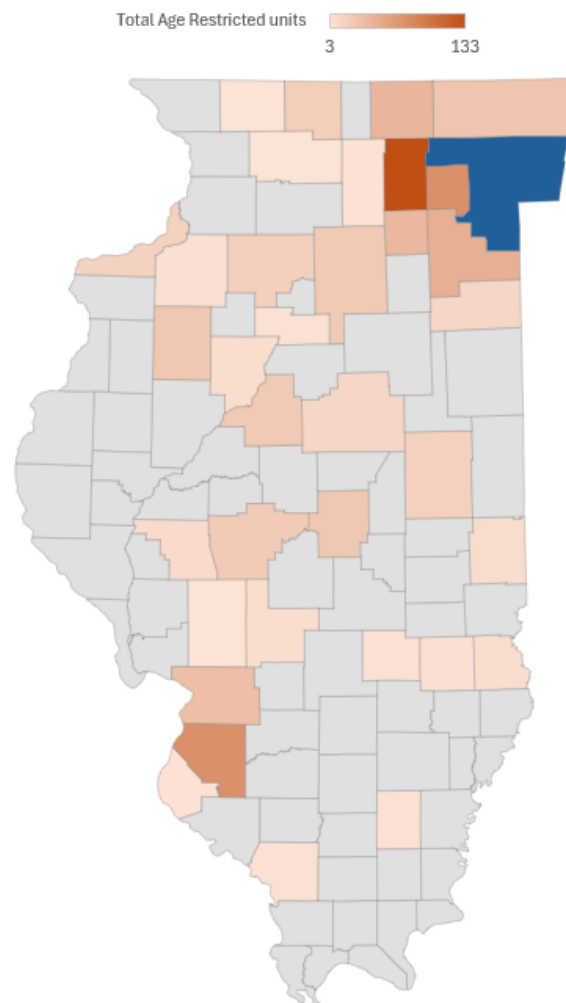




## Statewide Referral Network Background

- Over 1,200 units in age-restricted developments
- 2/3 (approx. 800) of these units outside of Cook County
- About half of these are 55+ and 62+ developments

Total Age-Restricted SRN units in PAIR Module (excluding Cook County)



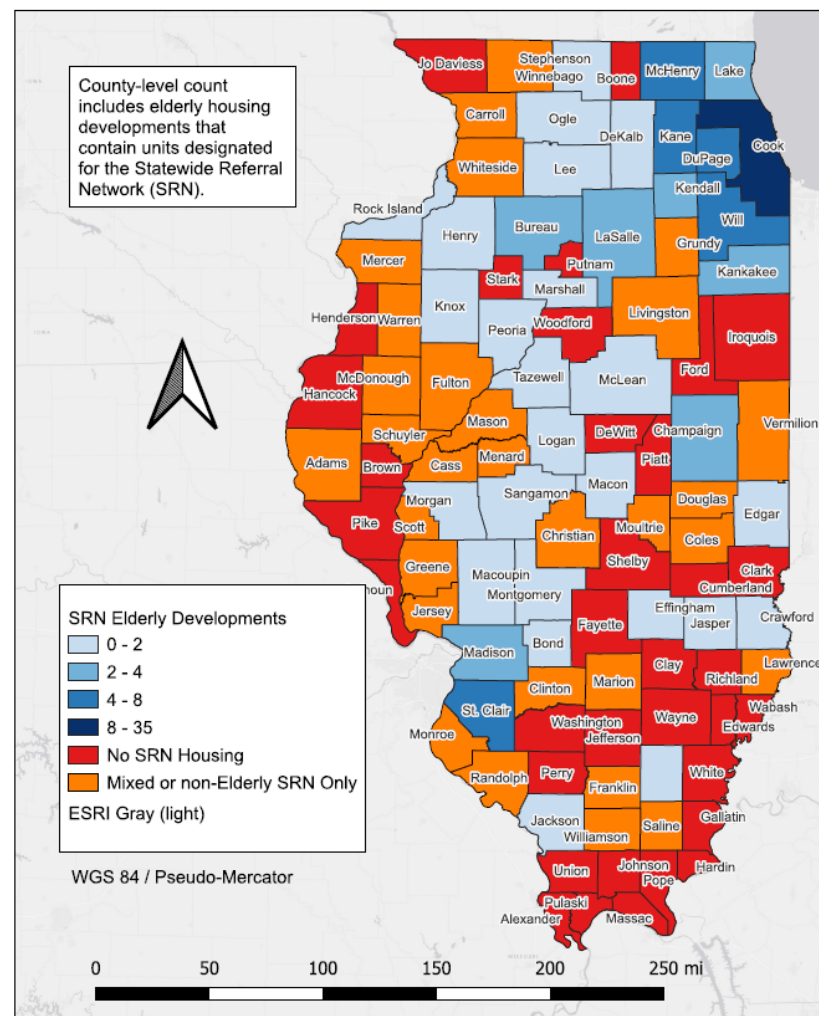




## Statewide Referral Network Background

- SRN units in 124+ age-restricted developments in 35+ counties
- Includes:
  - ~ 60 62+ communities and
  - ~ 60 55+ communities

IHDA Portfolio - Elderly Housing with SRN Units



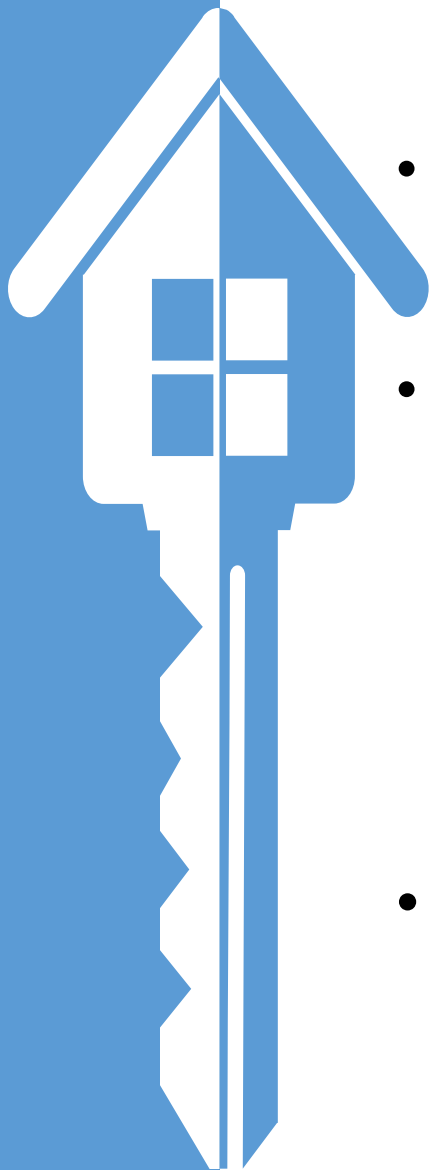
## SRN ELIGIBLE HOUSEHOLDS

People who earn 30% of the Area Median Income or below, are connected to a service partner, and identify as:

People in institutions or at risk of institutionalization, OR

People experiencing homelessness or at risk of homelessness, OR

Head of household with a disability



## SRN Data

- Approximately **800 SRN homes will be available this year** across Illinois
- 5012 households with an SRN application are of 55+
  - 4066 of these households are in Cook County
  - Most areas of the State with SRN senior housing have little to no waitlist
- Since the start, **1402 people 55+ have been housed** through the SRN.





## Challenge

- There are many occasions of having SRN housing available without being able to link people to these homes
  - Sometimes there are no people 55 or 62 and above with an SRN application in the region
- There is a mis-match between need and SRN applications



## Solution

- Continued need to support SRN units across the state targeted to older adults
  - Need for additional service providers to be able to pre-screen and refer clients in to available housing
  - Particular need in the following counties that have significant number of SRN units in age-restricted buildings and/or significant numbers of waivers. This includes:
    - DuPage
    - Kane
    - Kendall
    - LaSalle
    - Madison
    - Morgan
    - McHenry
    - McLean
    - St. Clair
    - Tazewell
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# Examples of SRN Housing

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## Supportive Housing

- Examples of Senior Housing Across Illinois
- Tiger Senior Apartments in Paris, Edgar County





## Supportive Housing

- Pawnee Senior Homes, Sangamon County







## Supportive Housing

- Morton Estates, Tazewell County







## Supportive Housing

- The New Broadview, E. St. Louis, St. Clair County





## Supportive Housing

- Huntley Horizon Senior Living, Kane County





## Supportive Housing

Laborer's Home Development, Jacksonville, Morgan County





## Supportive Housing

- Gillespie Senior Residences, Macoupin County





## Joining as An SRN Service Partner

- Help participants complete an online application for the SRN
- Respond when asked if a participant they serve would like a housing referral
- Support referred households through the housing application process
- Continue to provide voluntary services and/or link people to community resources



## WHY JOIN AS AN SRN PARTNER?

- This will open the door to affordable and subsidized housing for those in need.
- It is free and easy to join and people you serve can benefit from this opportunity.





# HOW TO BECOME A SERVICE PARTNER

- This involves staff:
  - (1) Participating in on virtual onboarding session OR listening to a recorded session, and
  - (2) Completing an SRN User Agreement
- The details are listed on our website at [www.csh.org/ILSRN](http://www.csh.org/ILSRN)
- We will be happy to walk anyone through the process and can be reached at [srn@csn.org](mailto:srn@csn.org)



# ACCREDITATION OF CARE COORDINATORS AND OTHER AGING NETWORK PROVIDERS

## Why on-board Care Coordinators?

- Care Coordinators already have the knowledge of statewide participants' housing needs
- Only SRN Service Providers may use the PAIR Module to find appropriate housing for seniors
- Free and statewide
- Available accessible and affordable housing for seniors
- With both pieces of the formula working together (SRN & CCP), older adults win!



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Questions?