Douglas County Housing Partnership Programs 2015

Homebuyer Education

This program provides educational support for first time homebuyers, giving community members the information that allows them to make the decision about whether they are ready to purchase a home.

- 290 families attended class in 2015
- **41** families came from Castle Rock (14%); we predicted 30 in our performance objectives. For comparison:
- 251 families attended class in 2014
- 45 families came from Castle Rock (18%)

Home Ownership Program

The Home Ownership Program provides assistance to community members who need some financial support to purchase a home in Douglas County. The support is provided as a \$15,000 amortizing second mortgage at a below market interest rate or as an investment by DCHP (shared equity) up to 20% of the purchase price (\$50,000 max) which is repaid when the home is sold or refinanced.

- 20 families were assisted in getting their first home in 2015
- **10** of these homes were for purchases in Castle Rock (50%); we predicted 9 purchases in Castle Rock in our performance objectives.

For comparison:

- 20 families were provided down payment assistance in 2014
- 10 were for purchases in Castle Rock (50%)

Foreclosure Mitigation Counseling

This program assists families who are delinquent on their mortgages and their lender has filed for foreclosure. Counselors help them determine their options, including working with their bank for a loan modification.

- **166** counseling sessions were given in 2015
- 24 of these sessions were with families from Castle Rock (14%); we predicted 75 in our performance objectives. Foreclosures fell dramatically in 2015; there were only 75 foreclosures filed in Castle Rock in 2015. DCHP provided services to 1/3 of those.

For comparison:

- 554 counseling sessions were given in 2014
- **95** of these sessions were with families from Castle Rock (17%)

Reverse Mortgage Counseling

This program lets homeowners over age 62 determine if they should tap into the equity in their home and use the monies for living expenses.

- 94 households received Home Equity Conversion Mortgage (HECM) counseling in 2015
- 10 households came from Castle Rock in 2014 (11%); we predicted 2 in our performance objectives.

For comparison:

• 50 households received HECM counseling in 2014; five (10%) were from Castle Rock.

Rental Real Estate

DCHP is owner of the 64-unit Oakwood Senior Apartments and a partner in the 90-unit Auburn Ridge senior apartments and 200 unit Reserve at Castle Highlands for families. These 3 properties are in Castle Rock.