Collaboration between PHAs, Continuums of Care (CoCs), and other community stakeholders is critical to effectively end homelessness. This document highlights sample approaches to assist with building strategic partnerships.

**STRATEGIC PLANNING**
Engage in system-level priority setting and planning (e.g., homeless/disaster preference).

**Houston Example:** CoC and PHA work collaboratively to establish a homeless preference for project-based voucher units in Houston, TX.

**Tulsa Example:** CoC and PHA jointly redevelop a housing project in Tulsa, OK.

**ESTABLISH POINTS OF CONTACT**
It is important to understand staffing roles at both PHAs and CoCs to foster greater collaboration.

**SHARE DATA**
Implement a data-sharing agreement that allows PHAs, CoCs, and/or other strategic partners to collaborate more effectively. A data-informed approach, using shared data, helps each party equitably and effectively serve households experiencing homelessness and/or at risk of experiencing homelessness.

**LEVERAGE STAFF**
Identify opportunities where staff can be leveraged to expedite processes and remove barriers:
- CoCs can assign liaisons to reach out to providers and navigation staff to engage participants near or at the top of the PHA waiting list.
- PHAs can assign liaisons as points of contact to "troubleshoot" applications.
- Navigation staff can assist with obtaining PHA/CoC requirements (e.g., documents with virtual or wet signatures).

**HAVE CLEAR GOALS**
Determine ways to best help each other:
- What does the CoC need?
- What does the PHA need?
- What do community stakeholders need?
- How can they most strategically help each other?