Enterprise was built on a simple premise:
Housing is more than just shelter. It’s a platform – the critical first rung on the ladder of opportunity.

Since 1982, Enterprise has created nearly 380,000 homes and invested $28.9 billion. Our work has touched millions of lives and helped connect people and communities to opportunity nationwide.

In addition to our headquarters in the Mid-Atlantic, we have offices in markets nationwide, from New York to Los Angeles – as well as local, state and national partnerships throughout the country.

Enterprise is a proven and powerful nonprofit that improves communities and people’s lives by making well-designed homes affordable. We bring together nationwide know-how, partners, policy leadership and investment to multiply the impact of local affordable housing development.

- Within Enterprise are entities that lend funds, finance development, and manage and build affordable housing.
- We partner with national and local groups that help us create programs to strengthen communities.
- We advance policies to increase the supply and quality of affordable housing.

A COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH

Enterprise is the only housing organization in the U.S. with deep expertise in each of the three catalysts for systemic change: impact capital, innovative solutions on the ground and transformative public policy. In short, Enterprise delivers the capital, develops the programs and advocates for the policies needed to create and preserve well-designed homes that people can afford in inclusive and connected communities.

Capital.
At Enterprise, we direct public and private capital to the right places, having delivered more than $28.9 billion to low-income communities across the U.S.

Solutions.
We work with local partners and national networks to continuously improve and innovate housing solutions that help families succeed.

Policy.
Enterprise is a crucial voice for America’s low-income communities – we work with government leaders by offering nonpartisan advice and support.
Fostering Community Development From the Ground Up

At Enterprise, we make well-designed homes affordable and create communities where people thrive, with connections to resources like health care, schools, jobs and transportation.

For 35 years, we’ve multiplied the impact of affordable homes for people and communities nationwide, and we’ll keep finding solutions to make a lasting impact. We developed the standards for greener and healthier neighborhoods – Enterprise Green Communities – and we continuously implement strategies responding to national and local challenges.

Everything we do is centered around the people we serve. We may have similar goals in life, but not the same opportunities – and where you live affects the life you can have. By bringing together the right expertise and know-how to make well-designed homes affordable, we make a difference.

JOIN US.

Urban visionary Jim Rouse and his wife Patty founded Enterprise as one of the original social enterprises.

That structure endures: We are driven by mission, fueled by business discipline and sustained by philanthropic support.

And we make it possible for individuals and businesses to support our housing and community development work through their charitable donations and investments in socially responsible funds and tax credits, all of which advances our mission and translates to real and lasting impact.

We leverage every dollar donated into more than $60 of support to low-income communities, helping us to reach a scale that few other housing organizations can match. And when you invest with Enterprise, you partner with a company that reinvests its earnings directly back into the affordable housing industry.

At Enterprise, we know that we’re all better off when everyone in our community has an affordable place to call home and the opportunity to thrive.