

Ohio CDC Association Regional Retreats Mad Libs Templates

Note: Please keep conversations related to community development work. This includes affordable housing, food access, community engagement, community economic development, and financial empowerment.

Madlib for Electeds

_____, my name is _____ and I represent _____.
Salutation *your name* *district # and location*

My district includes _____ and within it, I enjoy _____.
geographic boundary *verb/noun*

In my role I _____ and, in the ____ years I've had this position, I've
verb *#*

learned the most surprising resource available for public use through my office is

_____.
resource

Neighborhood Impact Story:

In _____ we've seen _____.
region/service area *a challenge your community/residents have faced*

To address this, _____ took action by _____.
Org name *intervention from org*

Addressing these challenges includes partnering with _____ to ensure
Lawmaker/org/funder

_____.
Impact/results

The Importance of Funding Story:

_____ work is made possible by _____ which allows our organization
Org name Specific fund(s)

to _____. Investing in community development resources through
Capacity from specific funds

partnerships with _____ is important because...
legislator/lawmaker

Modified for Welcome Home Ohio (WHO):

Funding from the Welcome Home Ohio program supports _____ that allows our
special project

organization to _____. Funding has allowed our organization
Community impact from WHO funds

to [help ___ residents become homeowners // rehab ___ vacant properties.]
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With more programs like WHO, development in our community can continue to grow into

_____.
Other projects/ideas that could be funded with similar dollars

Modified for Ohio Housing Trust Fund:

Funding from the Ohio Housing Trust Fund supports _____
Your org

in _____.
services you or other orgs deliver, or projects you have done with OHTF funding

With OHTF funding, we can _____.
ways impact can be expanded: community specific

The Ohio Housing Trust Fund ensures _____ in our community.
Positive attribute

Without OHTF, projects would _____.
describe the project without funds (if any project at all)

What's at Stake Story:

Before our organization existed, _____ were facing _____.
Neighborhood or individuals *Struggle or hardship*

Our work helps ensure our community _____ and residents _____.
Verb and/or adjective *Verb and/or adjective*

One sentence Mad-Lib for Added Umph:

When CDCs are supported in _____, this _____ happens.
Community development activity *economic outcome*

OR

Supporting community development infrastructure means partnering with _____.
member org/lawmaker

To maximize _____.
Output from Collaborative project

Property Taxes:

_____ property taxes serve our community by _____.
Adjective *verb*

And _____ property taxes **do not serve our community** by _____.
adjective *verb*