

Kim Stands has worked in the field of housing with the City of Columbus since 1982. In his first position with the City, Kim conducted workshops for low income families on no cost/low cost weatherization techniques, and provided them free materials to install in their homes. Over 10,000 households were served through this initiative.

In 1987, Kim initiated an effort to establish Habitat for Humanity of Greater Columbus which 26 years later continues to produce affordable homeownership opportunities for low income families.

In 2005, Kim coordinated a green charrette for affordable housing with Enterprise Green Communities, National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL), local builders, engineers, architects, nonprofit organizations, government agencies and others. One outcome of the charrette was Green View Estates, Columbus' first green subdivision in the central city, through a partnership with MiraCit Development Corporation. Kim was instrumental in the development of the first Platinum LEED home in Ohio working with Columbus Housing Partnership (CHP) dba Homeport and H.O.M.E. Based Foundation. Working with Homeport, Kim also facilitated the completion of the City's first green residential rehab of a vacant and abandoned residential property.

Since 2008 Kim has provided leadership to the City's homeowner rehabilitation programs and the City's housing development programs. Currently, Kim is focused on the implementation of community and housing development efforts shaped by the City's Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP 1, 2 and 3). As part of the NSP effort, Kim brought key City and Franklin County partners together to develop the [AWARE Manual for Sustainable Accessible Living](#). This is the reference manual for building standards for the entire City and County's NSP initiatives which have produced both new and renovated green residential building in several Columbus neighborhoods.

Kim currently serves on the board of the Community Development Collaborative of Greater Columbus and the Rebuilding Lives Funder Collaborative.