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For Immediate Release...

## **New Board Member Announced**

### **Brigadier General Peter L. Corey, USA (Ret.) joins AHEAD**

Littleton, NH – AHEAD – Affordable Housing, Education & Development is pleased to announce the appointment of Brigadier General Peter L. Corey, USA (Ret.) to their Board of Directors. Headquartered in Littleton, NH and founded in 1991, the mission of AHEAD is to develop and provide quality affordable rental housing, financial education and home ownership opportunities that strengthen the families and communities in Northern New Hampshire.



Corey last served as the Director, Joint Staff of the New Hampshire National Guard. He was responsible for the supervision and management of the Joint Staff with special emphasis on Homeland Defense/Homeland Security, the State Partnership Program, and Service Member and Family Services. General Corey served as the Adjutant General's primary staff officer for all matters related to Domestic Support Operations and coordinated with State and Federal agencies accordingly. He received his Bachelor of Science Degree, Plant Science and Agriculture in 1983 at UNH, and in 2002 his Master's Degree, Community Economic Development at Southern NH University. "I've always admired AHEAD's mission and goals and appreciate the very tangible benefits provided to North Country residents and communities. As a Littleton native and Whitefield resident, I see firsthand many of the challenges facing area citizens when it comes to affordable housing. I believe that AHEAD and its programs play an integral role in helping to maintain vibrant communities in northern NH and VT, and I'm excited to be part of this dynamic and caring organization," states Corey. "I learned of AHEAD while studying for my Master's Degree in Community Economic Development at Southern NH University in Manchester. AHEAD's Executive Director at the time, was one of my course instructors."

The 12 member Board of Directors oversees the non-profit organization and is led by Board President and Chair, Benoni Amsden. AHEAD has 24 full-time and 6 part-time staff members and is led by Executive Director Mike Claflin, "Peter brings a unique experience in leadership and service to our board. His exposure to the economic and social challenges of developing third world countries will be incredibly valuable to our organization, and our efforts to eliminate the causes and effects of poverty in rural New Hampshire," comments Claflin. "Additionally, his knowledge of Veteran's issues will provide AHEAD with a better understanding of this underserved portion of our population."

AHEAD currently owns and operates 399 units of affordable multifamily rental housing in nine northern New Hampshire communities. Their division Better Homes AHEAD, provides energy efficient factory built homes. AHEAD also offers extensive home ownership education programs to assist those ready to take their first steps into homeownership, and counseling for those facing foreclosure. AHEAD is located at 161 Main Street in Littleton, NH. Call 603-444-1377, or visit [www.homesahead.org](http://www.homesahead.org) for more information.

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