FOR AFFORDABLE AND PUBLIC HOUSING

Technology Trends for PHAs

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Hello!



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Hello!

Who do we have in the room today?

IT

S8

PH

Property Managers

Finance

Maintenance

ED



Today's agenda

- Market Analysis
- 2. Technology Areas of Focus
- 3. Technology Adoption Best Practices
- 4. Q&A



What we are seeing across the industry





Current Trends

COVID-19 has impacted need in communities

- Increased demand for housing assistance
- Created turnover in PHAs
- ERAP/EHAP funding stabilized housing for people
- Still concern that funding can't cover the gap



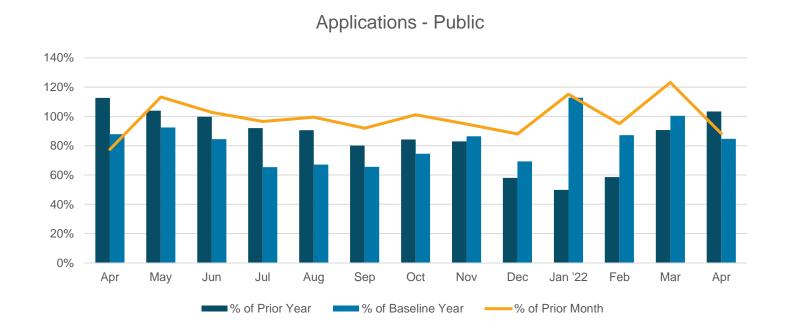
Current Trends

Technology Adoption Remains Strong

- Provides a better experience for clients
- Streamlines processes for staff
- Ensures the right people are being accepted on your program
- Offers added layer of safety

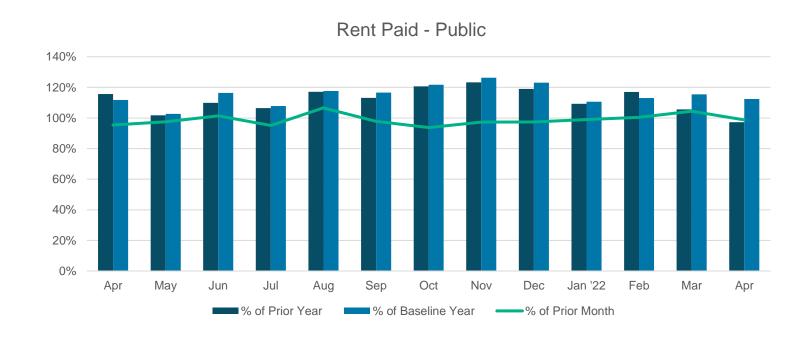


Online applications overall flat or below previous.





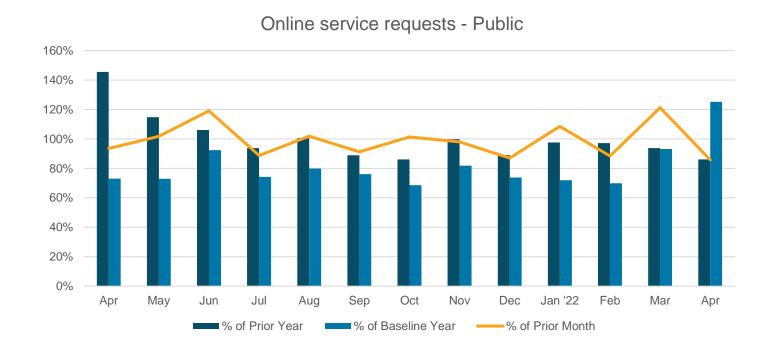
Online payments are up 12% over prior year.



Details available in "MRI Software Market Insights: Reflecting on a summer of recovery for Multifamily" - August 2021



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Technology Areas of Focus





Manage **Demand**

Providing the community with an easy way to apply for assistance.



Resident **Self-Service**

Allow residents to get the information they need 24/7 and accomplish routine tasks.



Automated Communications

Stay in touch with your residents in a way they prefer.



Business Continuity

Provide your operational staff with the tools they need to more easily accomplish daily tasks.







How technology can assist with intake and screening





Common Scenario

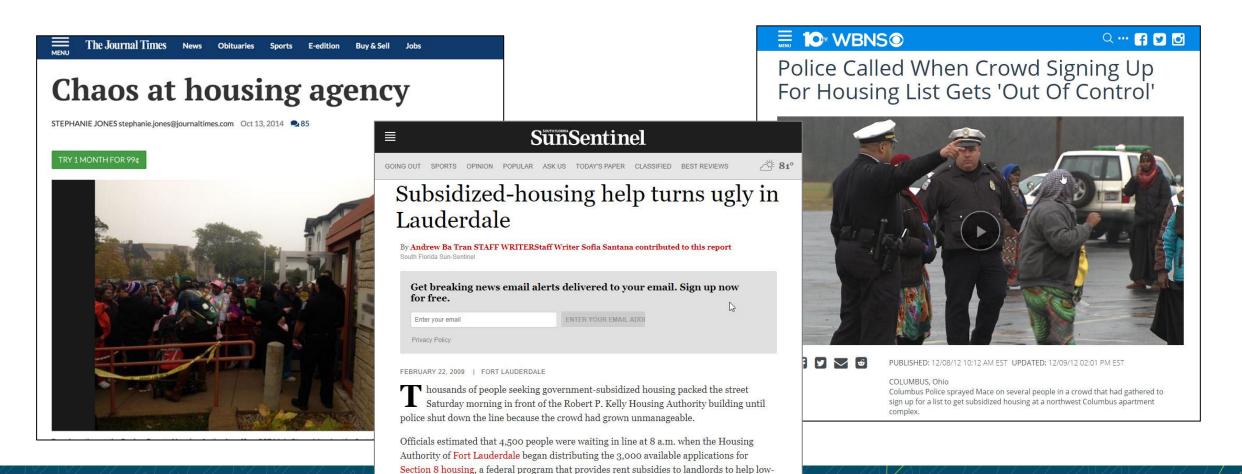
- Executive Director of a PHA
- Eviction moratorium lifting + "return to normal" creates an unprecedented demand
- Turnover and hiring issues impact staff bandwidth and resources

How do you handle this additional demand while keeping applicants and staff safe?





Here is What to Avoid...



income people find affordable housing.



Opening Your List Online

Make it smooth as possible by using technology to avoid:

- Onsite applicants/ unnecessary travel
- Security concerns
- Stacks of paperwork

Applicant's first interaction with your organization (so make it a good one!)



Benefits of Opening Your List Online

Safety & Convenience

Applicants can complete form online 24/7 from safety of home

- No exposure to public transportation
- No face-to-face office visits

Provide immediate response to Applicant

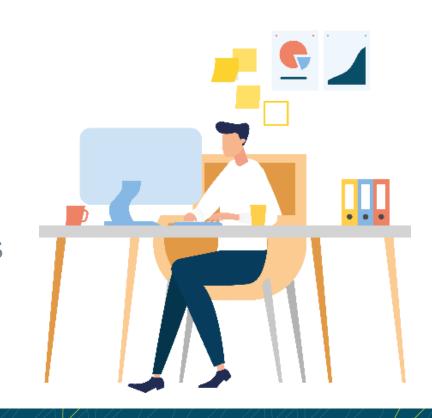
- Applicant provided with a receipt
- View status of application immediately



Benefits of Opening Your List Online

Collect Better Information

- Reduce incomplete or invalid applications
 - Missing fields
 - Incorrect data (missing digit in SSN)
 - Consider all follow up that takes place to correct these errors (valuable staff time)
- Prevent duplicates
 - Allow applicants to only apply once regardless of status
- Precise time and date stamping





Benefits of Opening Your List Online

How do I measure ROI?

10k

50k

Minutes to Enter an Application

Applications Received

Minutes or 21 Weeks of Data Entry

Assuming \$30,000 salary = \$12,115 in salary just to enter applications (if they type non-stop for 21 weeks; not including data validation)



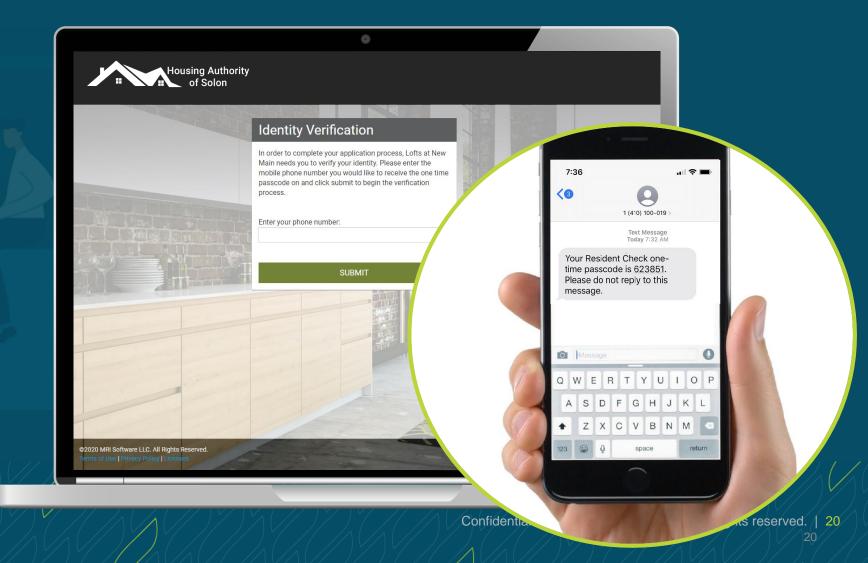
Background Screening

Automate the process to prevent fraud and relieve administrative burden

Create a safe and comfortable community environment

Minimize liability and fair housing risk

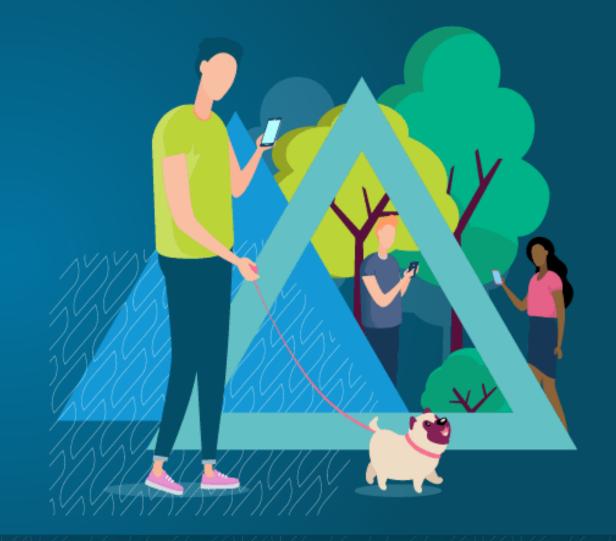
Leverage multi-factor authentication to verify identity





Resident Self-Service

Serving residents through improved technology





Resident Portals

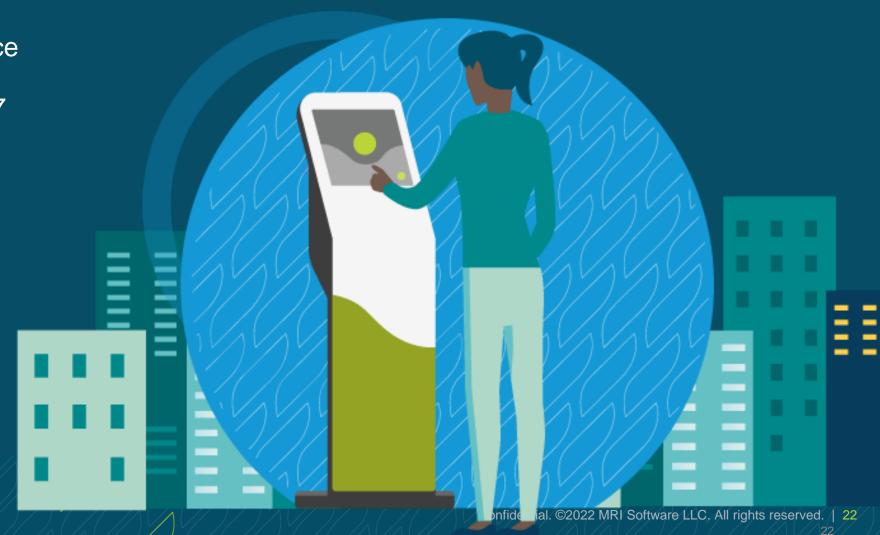


Keep residents happy with convenience and self-service

Online portals provides 24/7 access to community info

Empower residents with self-service tools

Automate routine tasks such as annual reexams





Resident Portals

How Clients Access



Desktop Computer



Mobile Device



Lobby Kiosk



Online rent payment

Simplify the rent collection process using a payments portal

Electronic Payments



Payment Channels















Online

Mobile App

Text Message

Email

Phone

Check scanning

Bank Bill Pay

Payment Types







Credit Card















eCheck (ACH)



MAINTENANCE/SERVICE REQUESTS





Service applications help eliminate

- After hours calls for non-emergencies
- Insufficient information on first call
- Repeated calls for status
- Delays in data entry
- No documentation of damages
- No confirmation of resident acceptance
- Preventative maintenance not consistent



Best Practices

Implementing Self-Service Portals

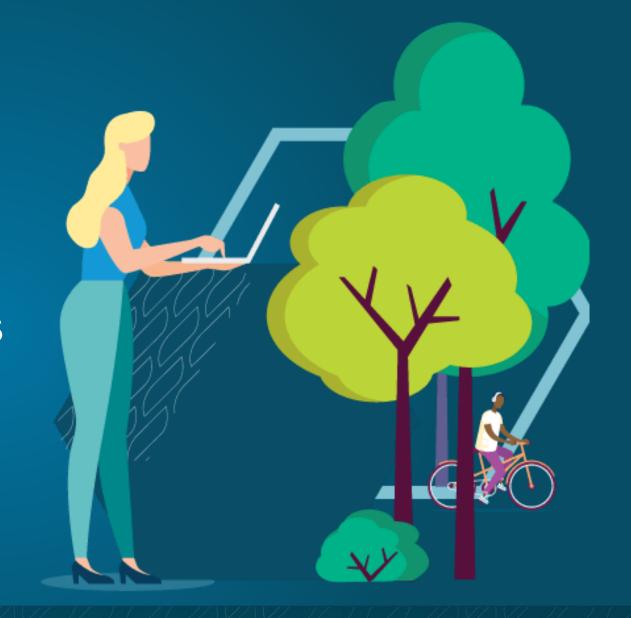
- Timing of launch
- Method of communication
- Services to offered
- Online documents to offer
- Internal documentation





Automated Communications

Engage with your residents in their preferred way



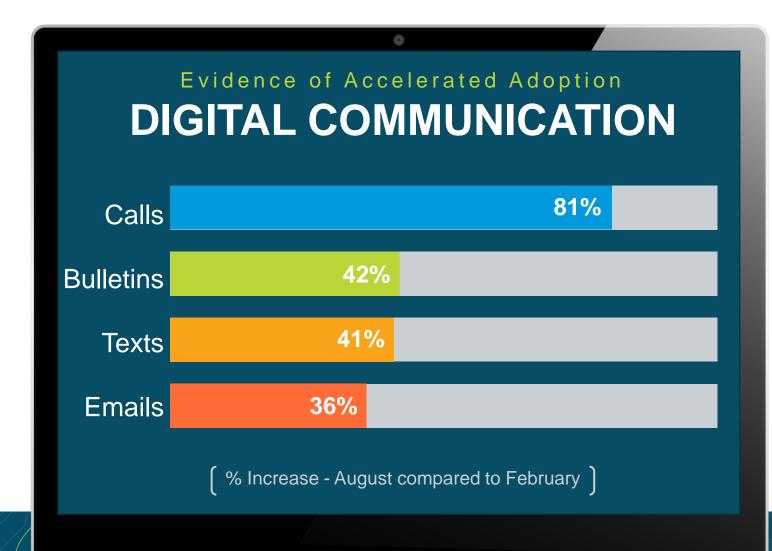


Automated Communications

Get information to residents using their preferred method of communication

Share information about community events, weather warnings, rent reminders, security notices, routine maintenance, and more

Reduce the amount of calls to your office





Business Continuity

Technology to Keep Your Office Running





Business Continuity

Several areas impacted by higher tech adoption

- Increase staff efficiency and boost retention with scalable, automated processes
- Free up your staff to focus on helping those in the community
- Remote accessibility is more important than ever
- Electronic signatures can keep documents flowing while limiting personal interaction

How do you provide access to remote workers while maximizing the safety of those returning?





Remote Accessibility (Cloud Hosting)



Anytime, anywhere

You'll have quick and easy access to your data and system from wherever you need to work



Peace of mind

Relax knowing software experts are on the job - extensive data backup services and audit controls protect your data



Cost efficiency

Control costs, free up your workstations, eliminate your on-premise servers, and protect your investment with affordable access to advanced technologies



Focus on housing

Don't be distracted by technology concerns and refocus your energies on the activities that drive your Agency



Eliminate hassle

Provider takes care of product updates saving valuable time



Workplace Management Solution

Create and deploy return-to-office plans, connect employees to their workspaces and identify space optimization and cost reduction opportunities

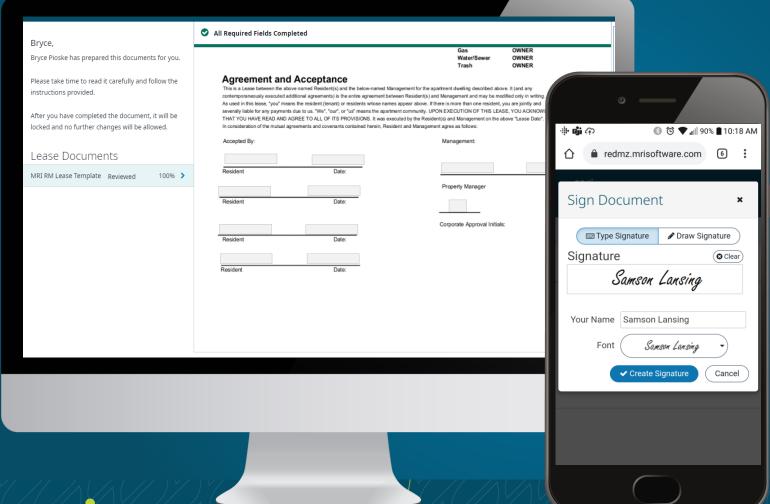
Solutions for:

- Space Planning
- Space Scheduling
- Space Utilization
- People Presence Management





Digital Documents & E-Signatures



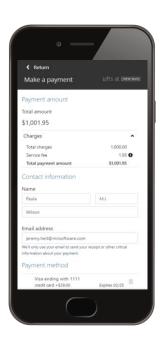


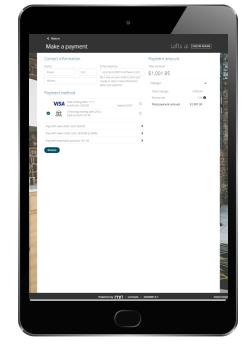


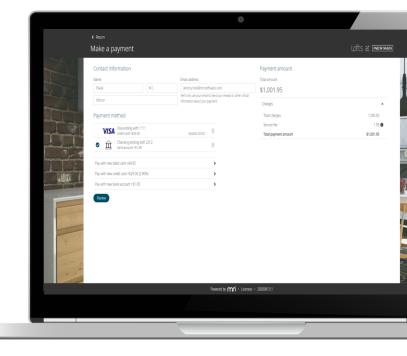


ANYTIME, ANYWHERE... AND ON ANY DEVICE









Smart Phone

Tablet

Laptop/Desktop



Keep mobile accessibility in mind when researching technology



(Preparing for) Artificial Intelligence





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A quick Al tutorial











Get data

(pictures, contracts)

Label data

dog

Find patterns

(build model)

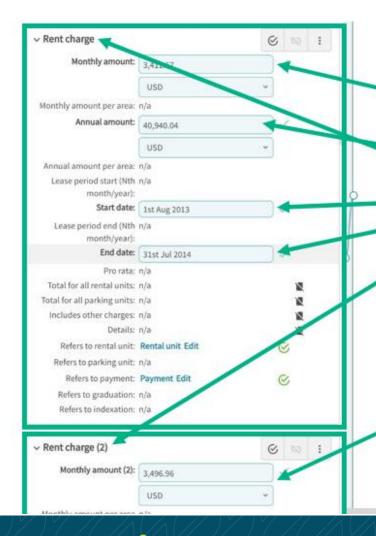
Get predictions

Store feedback



Contract Intelligence





NOW THEREFORE, the parties agree to amend the Lease as follows:

- In Section II.G., the Termination Date shall be extended to July 31, 2018 and, regarding option to extend the Term, the Notice Window shall be from November 1, 2017 to January 31,
- 4s of August 1, 2013, in Sections II.J.&K., the Base Rent and Monthly Installments of shall be as follow

Losse Period	Base Rent Per Atman	Monthly Installments of Base Rent
8/1/13-7/31/14	\$40,940.04	\$3,411.67
8/1/14-7/31/15	41,963.52	3,496.96
8/1/15-7/31/16 8/1/16-7/31/17 8/1/17-7/31/18	42,987.00 44,010.48 45,033.96	3,582.25 3,667.54 3,752.83

- 3. As soon as commercially reasonably possible after the date of this Amendment, Landlord expense, replace the carpet in the Premises and repaint the Premises in accordance with the Specifications (Work). Tenant acknowledges that Landlord shall be performing the Work whil in occupancy of the Premises candlord shall have no liability to Tenant nor shall Tenant's cov obligations under this Lase or any prior lease be reduced or abated in any manner whatsoeve of any inconvenience, annoyance, interruption or injury to business arising from Landlord's pa of the Work and Tenant shall use reasonable efforts to minimize any interference with Landlard shall nevertheless use reasonable efforts to minimize any interference with Tenant's he Premises. Except as set forth in this Section, Landlord has no other agreement with Tenant other obligation to do any other work with respect to the Premises.
- 4. Tenant and Landlord each warrants and represents to the other that it has not dealt with party (including a broker or other agent) in connection with this Lease except Sandner Comm Estate, Inc. (Broker). Each party shall indemnify and defend the other party for, from and & claims, expenses, liabilities and losses (including reasonable attorneys' fees) resulting compensation, commissions or charges claimed by or owing to any other party in connection Lease by reason of any act of the indemnifying party. Landlord shall be responsible for any c

- Reads scanned documents
- 2. Understands layout
- Classifies the document
- Finds relevant information
- Extracts information
- Filters information
- Groups





HOW DO YOU ENSURE ADOPTION BY STAFF AND RESIDENTS?

WITH ALL THESE BENEFITS, WHY **DOESN'T NEW** SOFTWARE ALWAYS **MEAN INSTANT GAINS** IN PRODUCTIVITY AND **REDUCTION IN** COSTS??





ONE REASON:

NO ONE LIKES CHANGE

Change affects every level of your organization from management to employees to residents/participants



ELEPHANT ANALOGY FROM "SWITCH"

The Rider | The Elephant | The Path

People have to start acting differently when you make a change.



DIRECT THE RIDER

Rational/thinking part of changing behavior. Lots of ways to direct the rider.

Motivate the Elephant

The emotional side. Lots of ways to motivate the elephant.

Shape the Path

The path are the systems you have set up at your agency.



ONBOARDING & ENGAGEMENT





Keys to successful adoption of technology

- Remote implementations
- Staff training
- Resident campaigns
- Client and resident support

TAKEAWAYS

Technology investment is about tradeoffs between efficiency, cost, level of detail/precision, accessibility, and more.

Plan to put the time in upfront to think through what you need and what the priorities are

Managing housing programs requires a lot of information processing and analysis

Reporting and communicating information is critical to enable well-informed and proactive decision-making

Document management is an important part of organizing information

No system is perfect, and will do exactly what you want off-the-shelf



Q & A
Thank You!



