

As President and CEO of CHA, **Fulton Meachem** is responsible for the oversight and effective operation of one of the most progressive housing authorities in the nation. He has over 20 years experience in the affordable housing industry and has extensive experience in developing and executing workforce housing, resident services, and housing operations. He is skilled in developing community partnerships and fostering strong relationships with Boards, staff and residents.

Due to an entrepreneurial nature, Fulton started two 501(c)(3) organizations to garner private dollars for public causes such as funds for post-secondary education and the construction of high quality affordable housing. He has successfully led development efforts which resulted in the creation of over 1600 mixed-income apartments using a myriad of sources such as HOPE VI funding, Low-Income Housing Tax Credits and Tax Exempt Bond Financing.

With a passion for helping people, Fulton believes that CHA is “more than bricks & sticks” and that able-bodied people should work. During his career, he has developed comprehensive supportive services programs incorporating case management, education and job placement. He believes the key to upward mobility is housing + supportive services + education + employment.

Fulton serves on a number of boards and committees including the Centralina Council of Governments' Connect Our Future Consortium, Urban Land Institute (ULI) Steering Committee, Charlotte Works and the Charlotte Mecklenburg Coalition on Housing. He is a member of the Council of Large Public Housing Authorities, National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials and the Public Housing Authorities Directors Association.

He is married to Jeanette Meachem and serves as the part-time bus driver for his baseball star son, Bryce. His oldest son, Brannon, is a student at his alma mater, North Carolina Central University.