Table 4: Supporting Homeowners/Tenants

THE PROBLEM	Strategies	Examples
Homeowners facing foreclosure	Preventative	
	Education about avoiding predatory loans; classes; credit workshops; foreclosure counseling.	Neighborhood Housing Services of the South Shore City of Cambridge City of New Bedford NeighborWorks Homeownership Center of Worcester
	STABILIZING	
	Foreclosure 'with dignity' Post foreclosure work with homeowners to repair credit.	HUD Hope for Homeowners MassHousing's HomeSaver Program Federal Reserve Bank of Boston: The Informed Homebuyer Commonwealth of Massachusetts: Foreclosure Resources Homeownership Preservation Foundation HOPENOW: Support and Guidance for Homeowners
Tenants in foreclosed properties	Preventative	
	Education about new federal protections for tenants including requirement to honor Section 8 leases.	Tenant Protections at Foreclosure Protecting Tenants at Foreclosure Act
	Policy to keep tenants at fair market rents in foreclosed homes owned by Fannie Mae.	Fannie Mae Help for Renters
	STABILIZING	
	Receivership Receivership provides for the property to be placed under the control of a judicially supervised receiver who is able to collect rents, make repairs and borrow money when necessary, ensuring that tenants can continue to remain in the building.	Local Receivership Programs Worcester Community Housing Resources HAP, Inc./City of Springfield MHP Receivership Handbook Attorney General's Office: Abandoned Properties Initiative

