Housing Market & Fair Housing Analysis for Kansas City, Missouri

Housing Committee Meeting October 20, 2021

Today's Meeting



- Background
- What We've Heard
 - Feedback from stakeholders
- What We've Learned
 - Census data and much more
- Draft Recommendations
 - Priorities discussion

Background

A Plan for All Kansas City

- Describes the planning and management process
- Assesses the city's housing and community needs, identifies policies and strategies over the period to address those needs
- Recommends how to invest funds from federal and other sources on an annual basis
 - Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)
 - Housing Opportunities for People with AIDS (HOPWA)
 - Home Investment Partnership Program (HOME)
 - Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)

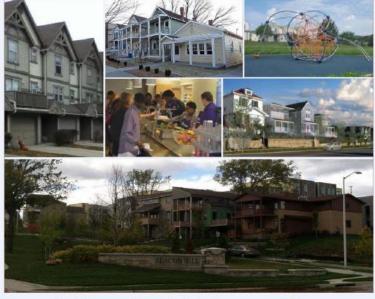
City of Kansas City, Missouri





2017-2021

Five Year Consolidated Plan and One Year Action Plan



A Plan for All Kansas City

Current Project

Housing Market & Fair Housing Analysis for Kansas City, Missouri



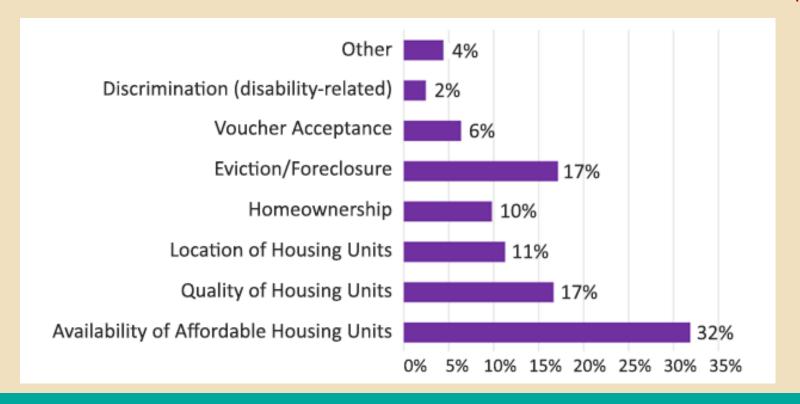
What We've Heard

Interviews and Focus Groups

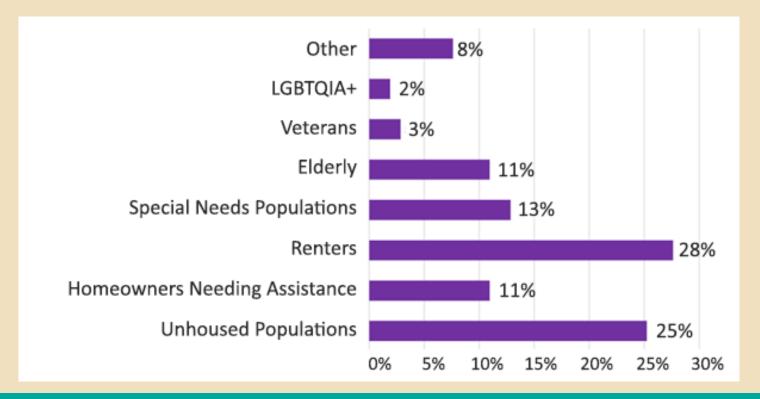


- City Staff
- Landlords
- Boards and Commissioners
- Public Sector
- Non-profits
- Community Groups
- Elected Officials
- Tenants
- Neighborhoods

What We've Heard Interviews and Focus Groups



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What the <u>City</u> Can Do to Help Address Housing Issues & Those Most Affected by Them

- Housing type and location
- Plans, policies, and processes
- Capital improvements
- Housing rehabilitation
- Coordination and resources
- Urban core and smaller developers / projects
- Funding and incentives



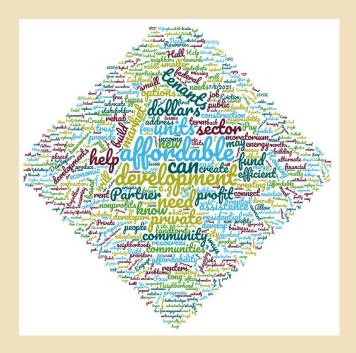
What the **Non-Profit Sector** Can Do to Help Address Housing Issues & Those Most Affected by Them



- Targeting
- Filling the gaps, partnering, and coordinating
- Financing
- Community engagement / coordination
- Services and resources

What the <u>Private Sector</u> Can Do to Help Address Housing Issues & Those Most Affected by Them

- Quantity of affordable housing units
- Housing type, size, and tenure
- New funding approaches
- Development approaches
- Landlord / owner and tenant needs

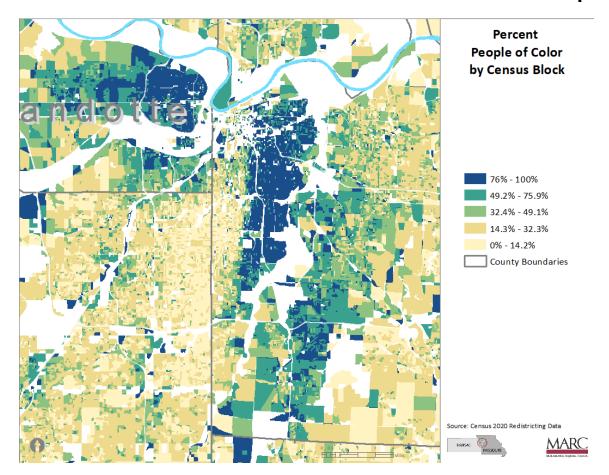


Additional Stakeholder Meetings

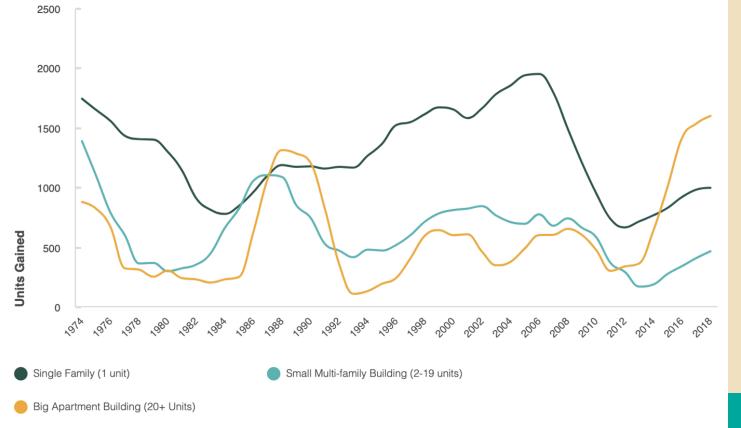
- Fair Housing Stakeholders (Sept. 15)
- Hickman Mills United Neighborhoods (Sept. 27)
- Vineyard Neighborhood Association (Sept. 28)
- Council of Neighborhood Leaders (Oct. 4)
- Washington Wheatley-Wendell Phillips Neighborhood (Oct. 18)



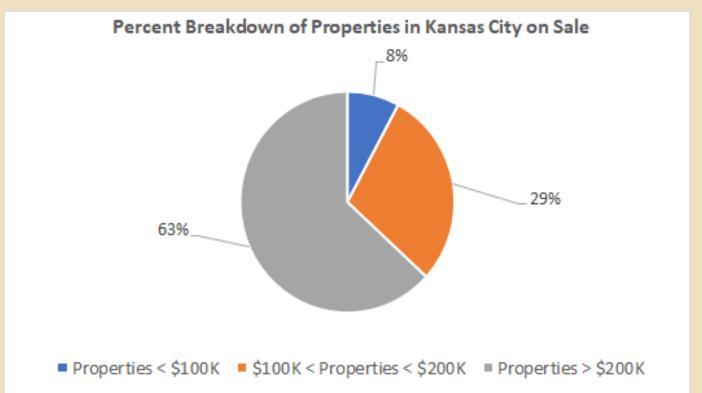
2020 Census – Concentrations of People of Color



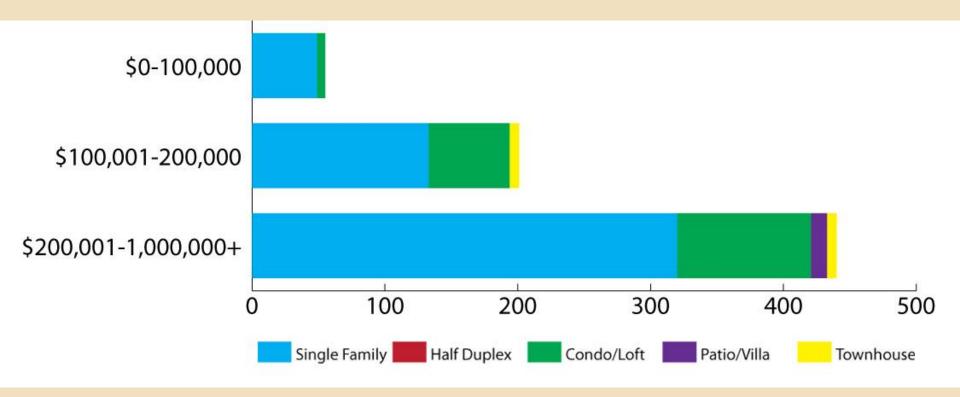
Housing Permits by Type (5-Year Rolling Average)



Homes for Sale in Kansas City



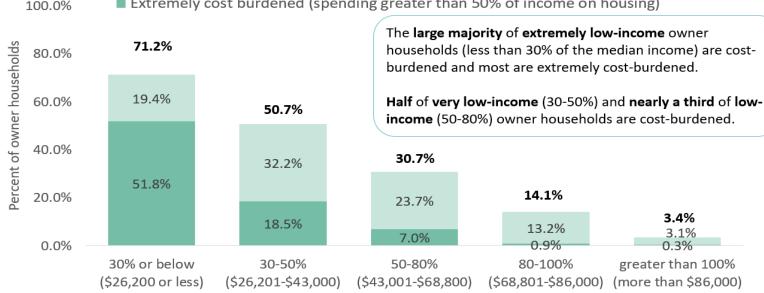
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Cost Burdened Residents: Owners

Percent of Owner Households that are Cost-Burdened or Extremely Cost-Burdened

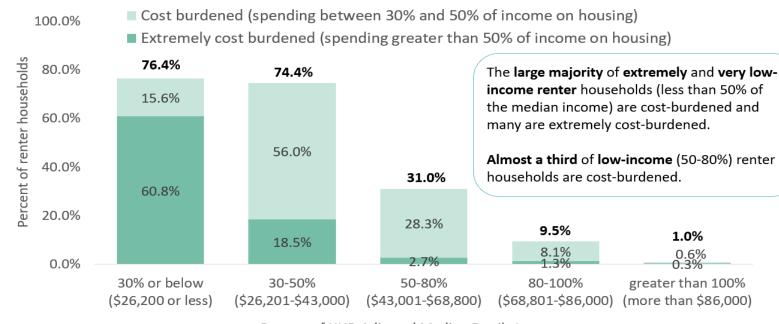




Percent of HUD Adjusted Median Family Income (range for a household of four)

Cost Burdened Residents: Renters

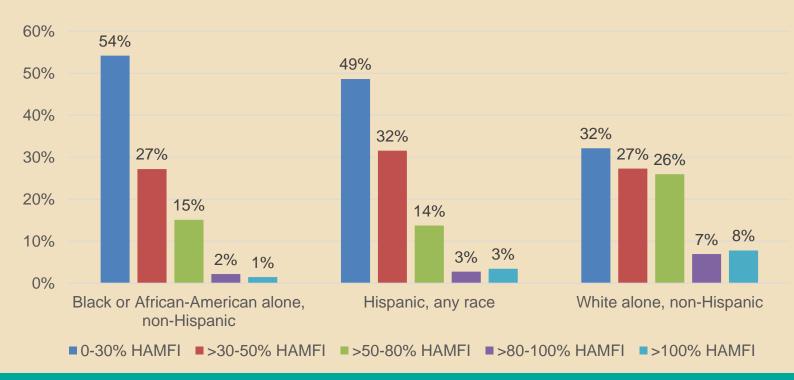
Percent of **Renter** Households that are Cost-Burdened or Extremely Cost-Burdened by Income Level



Percent of HUD Adjusted Median Family Income (range for a household of four)

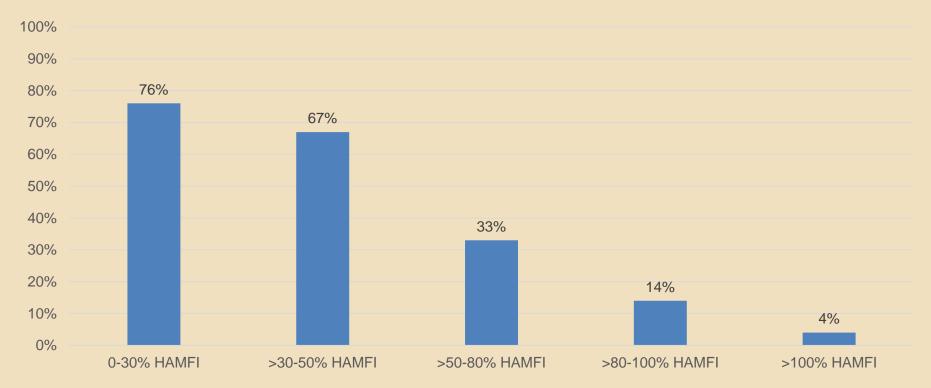


Households with Housing Problems by Race/Ethnicity



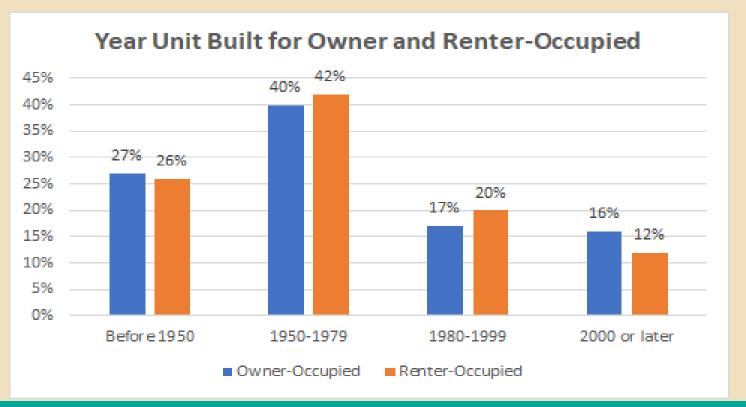
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Share of Households with Housing Problems by Income



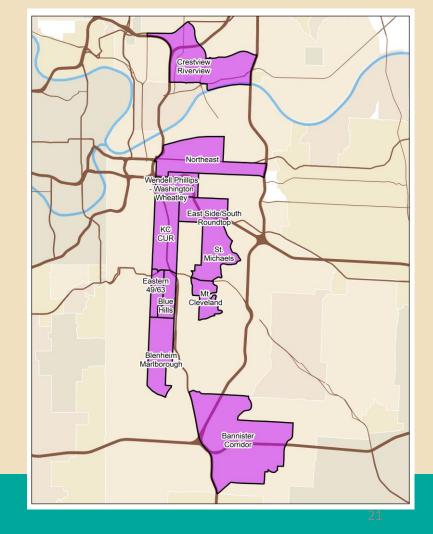
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Age of Units



Target Areas

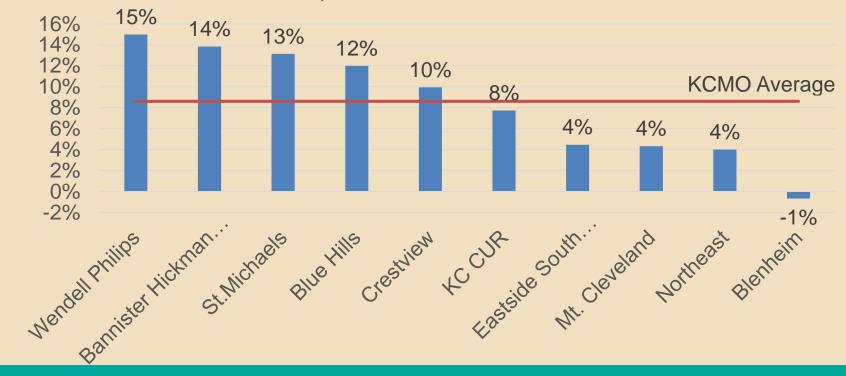
- Bannister Corridor
- Blenheim Marlborough
- Blue Hills (Eastern 49/63)
- Crestview/Riverview
- East Side/South Round-up
- KC CUR
- Mt. Cleveland
- Northeast
- St. Michaels
- Wendell-Phillips / Washington-Wheatley



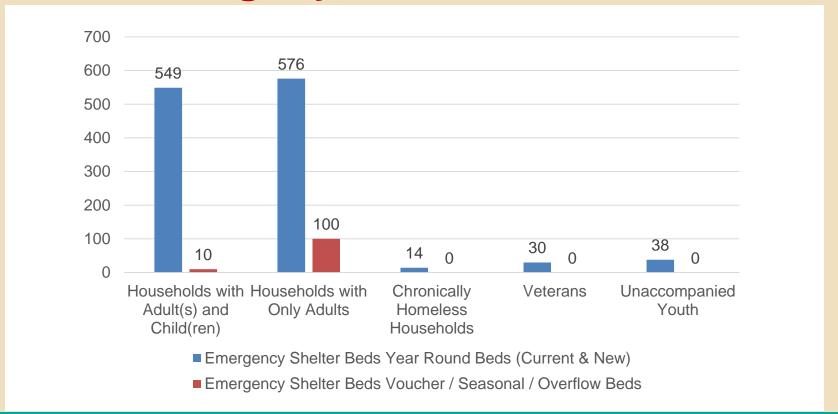
Market Asking Rent Per Unit, 2021 Q2



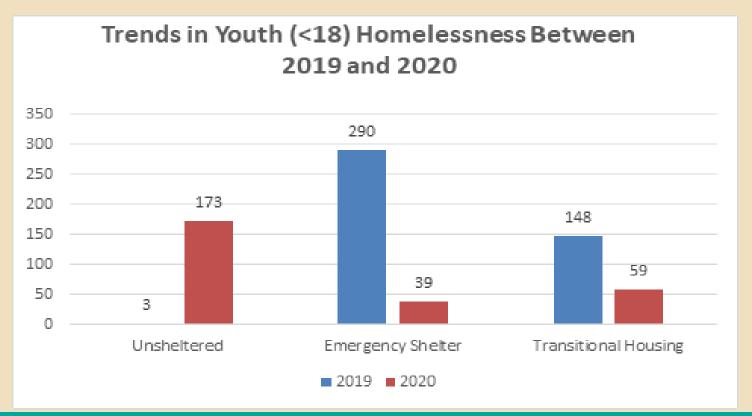
Percent Change in Market Asking Rent per Unit, 2018 Q1 - 2021 Q2



Emergency Shelter Beds - 2020



Youth (<18) Homelessness (2019 & 2020)



Community Members with Disabilities

60,966 disabled persons live in Kansas City

- 12.7% of total population; 25.5% have income below the poverty level
- 4,350 children with disabilities; 4% are under 18 years.
- 11.2% adults with disabilities are 18–64 years of age
- 36% are over 65 years old

38.3% of all housing discrimination complaints filed with HUD over the past 5 years in Kansas City identified disability as the reason for discrimination.

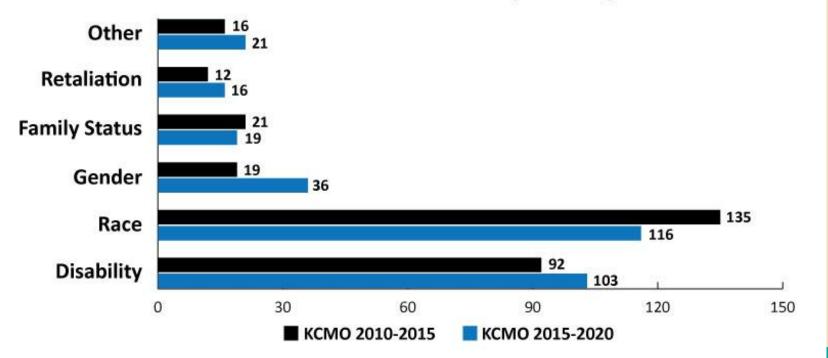
Data Source: 2019 American Community Survey estimate

What We've Learned

- The city is growing and becoming more diverse
- Housing costs are rising for both renters and owners.
- The supply of housing is more of a challenge fewer vacancies for renters and fewer homes on the market for buyers
- Cost-burdened households are increasing.
- Evictions are up.
- There are disproportionate impacts on persons of color and people living with disabilities.

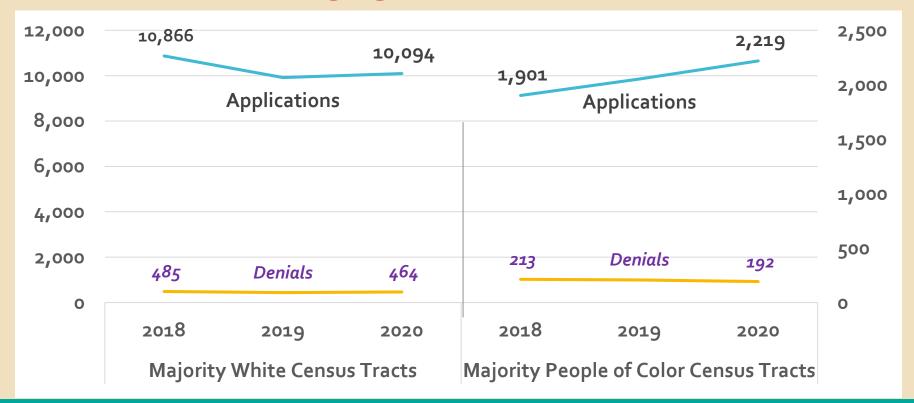
Housing Discrimination Complaints 2010 - 2020





Data Source: HUD Region 7

Home Mortgage Disclosure Act Data



Home Purchase Loan Trends 2018-2020

Data Source: Consumer Financial Protection Bureau

Draft Housing Market & Fair Housing Goals

- Looking for your feedback
- The survey includes this information groups strategies by goal areas
- Many are focused on challenges for renters; some for homeowners
- How might the city use its funding (or raise funds) to address these challenges?



Goal - Relationships: Strengthen relationships with Missouri officials.

- Meet regularly and discuss housing needs and possible solutions.
- Explore how state programs and services can support Kansas City.
- Engage and share information with key public officials.
- Push for stronger housing legislation at the state and federal levels.



Goal - Barriers: Address barriers to securing **rental** housing.

- Examine best practices and use them to help low-income households.
- Provide training, workshops, education, and other opportunities for low-income renters.
- Explore options available through agencies and non-profits to secure housing.

- Implement a housing locator service.
- Make source of income a protected category under the city's fair housing regulations.

Goal - Evictions: Reduce evictions.

- Review and regularly update housing and eviction data.
- Create a strong system for legal services to reduce evictions.

 Provide resources for case management and rent and utility assistance.



Goal - Funding: Allocate funds to implement and evaluate housing goals.

- Set annual goals for producing new affordable housing.
- Evaluate programs to support homeownership and home rehabilitation.
- Implement Housing Preservation Task Force recommendations.

- Set goals for annual investments in neighborhood stabilization.
- Identify priority areas for removal of blight
- Respond to gentrification with replacement/protection of affordable housing units.

Goal - Programs & Services: Support aging in place programs and housing supportive services.

- Leverage existing programs to assist with home repairs and modifications.
- Set priorities for Low-Income Housing Tax Credit projects to include units for older adults, nonelderly disabled persons, and special needs populations.
- Build new and renovate existing housing units that reduce mobility barriers.



Goal - Low & Very-Low Income: Increase the number of housing units available to very low and low-income residents.

 Market existing vacant singlefamily homes, multi-family properties, and vacant lots for affordable redevelopment opportunities.



Goal - Housing Trust Fund (HTF): Fully fund the Housing Trust Fund.

- Establish policies for the use of the HTF and process for evaluating funding requests.
- Grow the HTF by setting annual funding goals and designating sources of funds.
- Identify specific projects that leverage other city or community investments to increase the supply of affordable units.



Goal - Minority Business Enterprise / Women Business Enterprise: Maximize Section 3 and MBE/WBE participation.

- Set MBE/WBE and Section 3 goals for housing projects and identify and encourage participation in contracts by MBE/WBE firms.
- Identify opportunities for Section 3 and WBE/MBE to become a supplier of goods or services for larger area businesses, especially when related to housing production.



Goal - Affordable Housing: Develop plans and strategies for affordable housing in transit corridors and within close proximity to education, health care, retail and recreation.

- Provide incentives for affordable rental housing along transit corridors.
- Provide incentives for rental housing for older adult households in target areas around health care facilities.



Goal – Development Approval Process:

Expedite the planning process for affordable housing and mitigate opposition.

- Identify and remove barriers in the development review process, so proposals secure zoning and plan approval.
- Engage community ambassadors to communicate the need for and value of affordable housing and build support for affordable developments.

Goal - Rights & Equity: Increase understanding of housing rights and ensure equitable housing access.

- Take steps to communicate fair housing rights to tenants and prospective homeowners through city communications (website, social media).
- Help households that have been subject to discrimination.
- Create and fund a Fair Housing Initiatives Program (FHIP) in Kansas City.



What's Next

- Opinion Survey through October 31 (www.surveymonkey.com/r/kcmohousing2)
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Scan and comment through Oct. 31, 2021

Thank You!