Columbus Housing Strategy

Developing the housing infrastructure to address our housing shortage and its the impacts on our community.



THE CITY OF COLUMBUS ANDREW J. GINTHER, MAYOR

ISSUE:

Central Ohio has a housing shortage because we are not building the housing infrastructure needed to support our growing community

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Jobs created to housing built between 2009-2019:

THE COLUMBUS HOUSING STRATEGY



Double the number of units built over the next 15 years

- Make residential construction easier
- Diversify the types of housing available
- Support small and medium sized developers and new, innovative building products



Doubling the Number of Units

- Comprehensive Zoning Code Update
- Cross-departmental Review of Site Compliance
 Process and infrastructure requirements
- Leading the region to make changes



THE COLUMBUS HOUSING STRATEGY



Fund new affordable housing and support for households that make less than \$50,000/year.

- Fund new affordable housing
- Fund affordable homeownership
- Fund human services and the shelter system.
- Advocate for increased state and federal funding for affordable housing.



AFFORDABLE HOUSING FUND

2019 - \$50M Affordable Housing Bond

	Units	City Bond Dollars	Total Development Cost
2020	586	\$14.2	\$113.6M
2021	560	\$21.2M	\$141.3M
2022	178	\$14.6 M	\$45.9M
TOTAL	1,324	\$50M	\$300.8M



AFFORDABLE HOUSING FUND

2022 - \$200M Affordable Housing Bond Request - November



- \$80M New Affordable Rental Housing
- \$50M New Affordable Homeownership
- \$40M Preservation of Existing Affordability
- \$30MPermanent Supportive Housing



THE COLUMBUS HOUSING STRATEGY

INCLUDE

Ensure all our neighborhoods are economically diverse and everyone has access to opportunities.

- Encourage regional solutions
- Implement inclusive housing policies
- Invest in Black homeownership
- Align housing investments with other public investments



Residential Tax Abatement Policy:

- Incentivize residential construction
- Incentivize the inclusion of below market-rate units in higher rent neighborhoods.
- Support the development of affordable housing throughout the City.



2022 Residential Tax Abatement Policy

Market-Ready

- 100%, 15-year abatement on new construction improvements
- Affordability Requirements: 10% @ 60%AMI and 10% @80%AMI OR 30% @ 80%AMI
- For sale units qualify if buyer is below 120%AMI
- Fee-in-Lieu: \$32,000/unit

Ready for Revitalization

- 100%, 15-year abatement on new construction improvements
- Affordability Requirements: 10% @ 60%AMI and 10% @80%AMI **OR** 30% @ 80%AMI
- For sale units qualify if buyer is below 120%AMI
- Fee-in-Lieu: \$16,000/unit

Ready for Opportunity

- 100%, 15-year abatement on new construction improvements
- Affordability Requirements: 10% @
 80%AMI and 10% @ 100%AMI
- No affordability requirement on for sale units
- Fee-in-Lieu: \$5,000/unit



THE COLUMBUS HOUSING STRATEGY PRESERVE

Ensure residents are stably housed.

- Support renters and low-income homeowners to stay housed
- Prevent evictions
- Preserve existing affordable units
- Minimize displacement in changing neighborhoods



Keeping Residents Housed

- Strategic acquisition of naturally occurring affordability
- Support for low income homeowners
- Rental assistance and tenant stabilization programs

