



Housing LOUISIANA

Shreveport Region Housing Priorities 2018

- **Create designated revenue streams for local and statewide Housing Trust Funds to increase affordable housing production.**
- Implement code enforcement policy that addresses the low-quality housing options available to renters.
- Streamline first-time homebuyer and financial fitness courses for the community in order to prepare people for better housing opportunities.
- Provide Fair Housing training and implementation of better practices to decrease discrimination based on criminal history or poor credit.
- Establish a centralized system for renter's rights and protections, and landlord enforcement. (Rental registry, absentee landlord policy, online community forum)
- Increase homeownership opportunities for low- and moderate-income renters. (Section 8 homeownership program, mobile homeownership as affordable option, Soft Second Programs)
- Secure funding for a robust owner-occupied home rehabilitation program in order to bring properties up to code standards.
- Invest in alternative financing sources for equitable development. (Designate funding for Soft Second program, cultivate diverse pool of funders, etc.)
- Invest in sustainable development and weatherization for quality neighborhoods that will lower utility bills and increase energy efficiency.

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