



Housing LOUISIANA

Statewide Housing Priorities 2018

1. **Create designated revenue streams for local and statewide Housing Trust Funds to increase affordable housing production.**
2. Increase permanent and emergency housing opportunities with wraparound services for special needs populations, including at-risk youth, people who are mentally ill, homeless individuals, people who were formerly incarcerated, and victims of domestic violence.
3. Invest in sustainable development (energy efficiency, weatherization, long-term floodwater management planning, etc.) for the creation of quality neighborhoods
4. Increase homeownership opportunities for low- and moderate-income renters. (Section 8 homeownership program, mobile homeownership as affordable option, Soft Second Programs)
5. Streamline first-time homebuyer and financial fitness courses for the community in order to prepare people for better housing opportunities.
6. Strengthen code enforcement policies that address the quality of rental properties that are substandard and present health risks, including market rate and subsidized housing
7. Develop robust continuum of care that addresses the needs of homeless families and individuals across the region and at all times, with the intention of achieving “functional zero” for homelessness.
8. Establish a mechanism for data collection to be used regionally, and eventually statewide.
9. Establish a centralized system for renter’s rights and protections, and landlord enforcement. (Rental registry, absentee landlord policy, online community forum)
10. Create a regional housing plan with implementation tool to ensure the plan is executed regardless of changing political leadership.

HousingLOUISIANA is network of regional housing alliances across the entire state. Our membership hopes you’ll support policy and legislation that secures funding for housing for those impacted by disaster, special needs populations and for families and individuals who face housing insecurity. For more information, please visit our website www.puthousingfirst.org.