



Shreveport Regional Housing Priorities 2020

- **Create designated revenue streams for local and statewide Housing Trust Funds to increase affordable housing production**
- Addressing substandard housing conditions
- Increase support for aging-in-place policies that increase accessibility for seniors, as well as addresses affordable rents for fixed incomes.
- Increase support for special needs populations.
- Rapid supportive services for residents on the edge of homelessness.
- Raising the minimum wage to match the housing wage.
- Adopt and implement the Smart Housing Mix, a mandatory inclusionary zoning policy that can create hundreds of new affordable housing opportunities in areas with quality access to jobs, education, and other opportunities.
- Employer Assisted Housing Programs with Workforce Development and Job Training.
- Addressing blight by getting vacant lots and properties back into commerce
- Ban the box to prevent background checks on the formally incarcerated from find housing opportunities.
- Increase homeownership opportunities for low-and moderate-income renters (Section 8 homeownership program, mobile homeownership as affordable option, down-payment assistance programs)
- Stronger Community Reinvestment Act Requirements

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- Educating community leaders and members about affordable housing development to increase engagement and participation in public processes that relate to affordable housing
- Title Clearing and succession issues increasing neighborhood degradation and slowing development
- Insurance: (Lowering cost of insurance, increasing access to affordable insurance)
- Energy efficiency and weatherization programs to address expensive utility bills
- Working with housing developers on equitable transit oriented development to connect residents to transit for better opportunities
- Increase homebuyer education and financial literacy opportunities
- Eviction and renter protections
- Neighborhood and community housing plans
- Building "SAFER" communities to support children, starting with training students in high school about home ownership and wealth development.
- Affordable Building Practices through research on code simplification, which would allow for modular and other types of innovative housebuilding
- Assist investors with getting properties back into commerce from tax sale
- Housing Opportunities for Youth

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