



## **Baton Rouge Regional Housing Priorities 2020**

- **Create designated revenue streams for local and statewide Housing Trust Funds to increase affordable housing production**
- Address racial and income segregation that is prevalent in Baton Rouge
- 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
- Increasing capital (increase existing funding to create more housing, secure new funding sources, and use current resources more efficiently)
- Recruit more local developers to partner with and commit to affordable housing development
- Work with developers to develop more homeownership units for LMI families
- Ensure that affordable housing does not equate to substandard housing by setting habitability requirements for landlords and the city to abide by
- Invest in sustainable development for quality neighborhoods as well as weatherization upgrades for older housing stock.
- Revising HUD and LHC Standards to receive funding
- Create a comprehensive housing strategy that addresses title and succession issues to create more affordable housing

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- Education and Community Engagement Around Affordable Housing
- Increase Homebuyer Education & Financial Literacy opportunities
- Increase wages to meet the housing wage for Baton Rouge (\$18.87/hr)
- Prohibit source of income discrimination to allow residents with vouchers to move into areas of opportunity
- Create mechanisms to lock in affordability, such as Community Land Trust
- Increase transit-oriented development and density in high transit corridors to offset neighborhood displacement for locals
- Research Anti-Displacement policies and create community revitalization strategies

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