

NEIGHBORHOOD & HOUSING SERVICES



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Neighborhood & Housing Services Department



Our Mission

Create **stable** and **diverse neighborhoods** through the delivery of programs focused on providing **safe** and **affordable housing** for our community.



Neighborhood & Housing Services Department

 Department created in 2017 with reorganized housing positions to build on City's commitment to stronger neighborhoods

Planning and Community
Development
(67 staff)

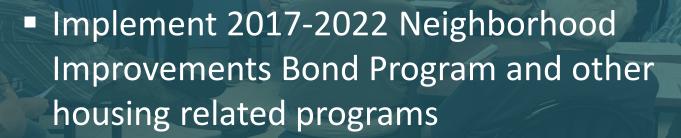
Neighborhood & Housing Services (47 Staff)

City & Regional Planning (20 Staff)



Neighborhood & Housing Services Department

- Interface with Neighborhoods
 - ✓ Communication
 - ✓ Support
 - ✓ Education

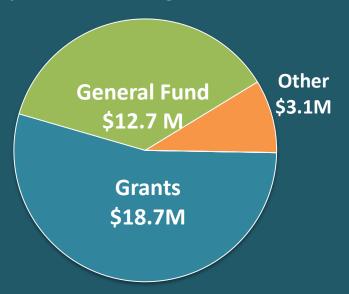






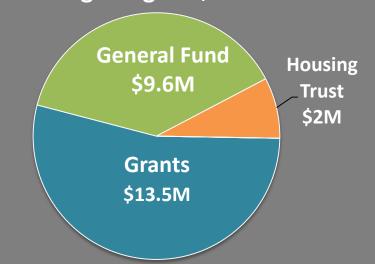
2019 Proposed Budget

Department Budget - \$34.5 Million



	FY 2018	FY 2019	Increase
Positions	55	79	24

Housing Budget - \$25.1 Million



	FY 2018	FY 2019	Increase
General Fund	\$2.1	\$9.6	\$7.5
Grants	4.6	13.5	8.9
Housing Trust	1.3	2.0	0.7
Total	\$8.0	\$25.1	\$17.1





Neighborhood Engagement



Housing Program Delivery



Coordinated Housing System



Housing Bond



Grants Administration



Fair Housing & Navigators



Tax Increment Financing

Equity

The Neighborhood & Housing Services Department improves the quality of life for residents by ensuring everyone lives with dignity in healthy and affordable neighborhoods.



Neighborhood Engagement

- Community liaisons providing information on City policies, events, and initiatives
- Staff: Neighborhood Engagement
 Administrator & three Officers
- Develops and delivers workshops and presentations for neighborhoods on housing topics:
 - HOA Rights
 - Neighborhood Leadership Academy





Equity

The Neighborhood Engagement initiative improves the quality of life of residents by building trust with the community.

Short Term

- Residents know how to use NHSD's programs and services
- NHSD staff is aware of residents' needs and concerns with regards to housing and neighborhoods



 Residents trust that the City is honest, proactive and consistently responsive

Neighborhood Improvements Bond

- \$20 Million affordable housing program
- Purchases distressed properties in one or more of 12 eligible areas
- Makes properties shovel-ready for housing development
- Competitively bids to contract with nonprofit and private developers to build housing
- Half of the housing must serve 80% AMI or below





Neighborhood Improvements Bond

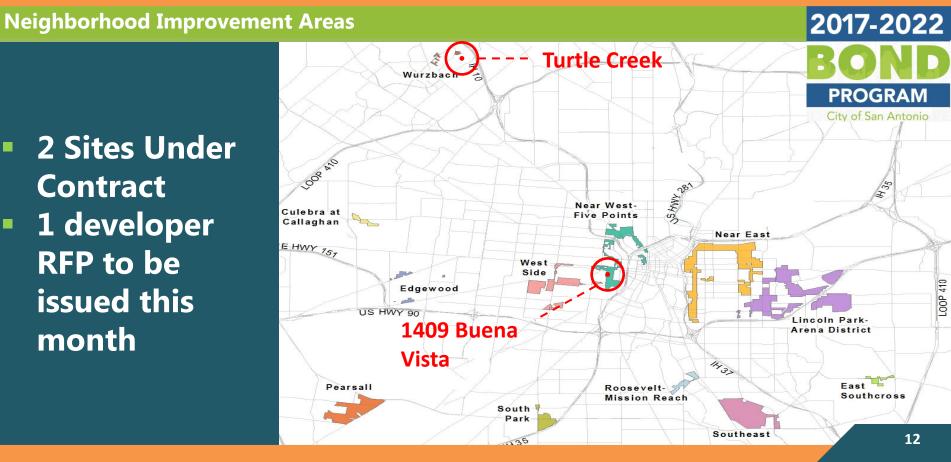
- Participation is voluntary
- No use of eminent domain
- No family displacement/relocation
- City does not construct the housing units
- Proceeds from sale reinvested in Neighborhood Improvements program
- Will ensure compatibility with surrounding neighborhood



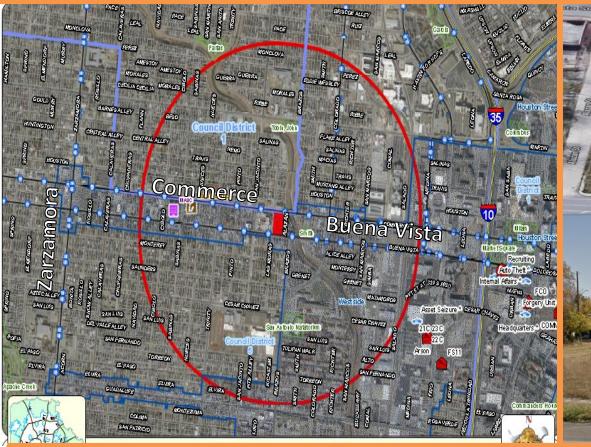
Neighborhood Improvements Bond

2 Sites Under **Contract**

1 developer RFP to be issued this month



1409 Buena Vista Street





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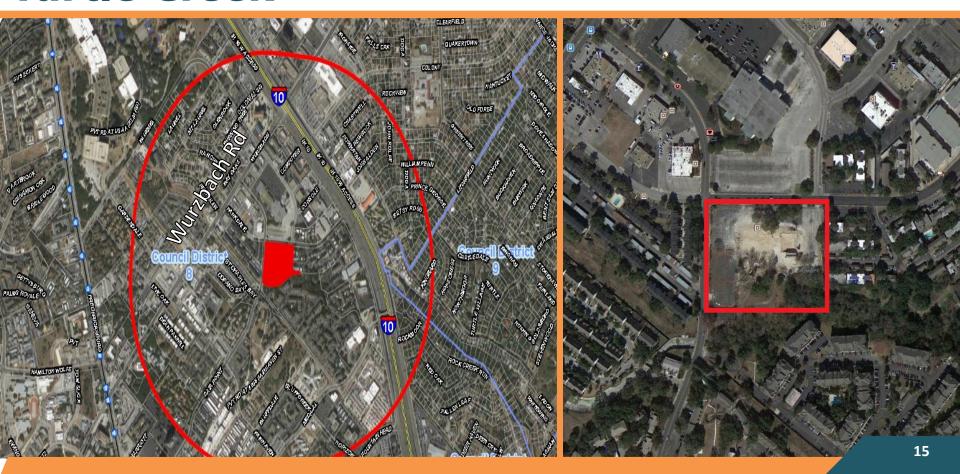
Proposed Development

- Council District 5
- Multi-Family approx. 60 units
- Under Contract RFP to be issued in this Friday

Property Facts

- 1.71 acres total
- 2.1 miles to downtown and 1.6 miles to a grocery store
- Natatorium, Bazan Branch Library, and Smith Park

Turtle Creek



Turtle Creek

Proposed Development

- In Council District 8
- Multi-Family approx. 200 units
- Under Contract RFP to be issued September 2018

Property Facts

- 7.1 acres total
- Within Medical Center Regional Center

Housing Program Delivery & Housing Entity Partnerships

- Delivery of housing programs
 - Let's Paint/ Minor Home Repair
 - Owner Occupied Rehab
 - Under 1 Roof
- Coordinate Housing Partnerships
 - San Antonio Housing Trust
 - San Antonio Housing Authority (SAHA)
 - LISC San Antonio
 - Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDO)



Grants Administration & Fair Housing & Navigators

HUD Compliance & Fiscal Administration

- HUD funded programs
- CDBG and HOME funds

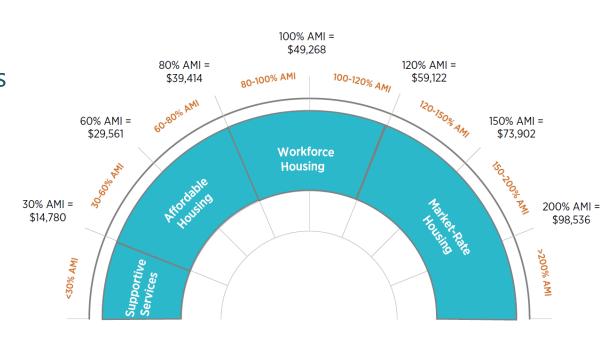


Fair Housing Program

- Tenant and landlord mediation
- Loan modifications/counseling for homeowners to avoid foreclosure
- Rental Assistance to keep families housed
- Housing Navigator assistance

What is Affordable Housing?

- Housing is affordable when no more than 30% of household income goes to housing costs
- Affordable housing serves families earning **less than or at 80%** of the Area Median Income (AMI)
- 80% AMI for the San Antonio area is \$39,414

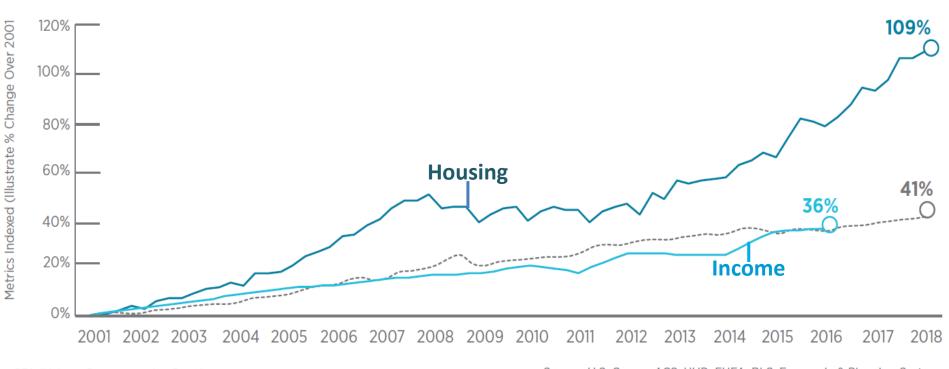


Source: U.S. Census ACS 1-year estimates, 819019; Economic & Planning Systems

Housing Affordability Core Issues

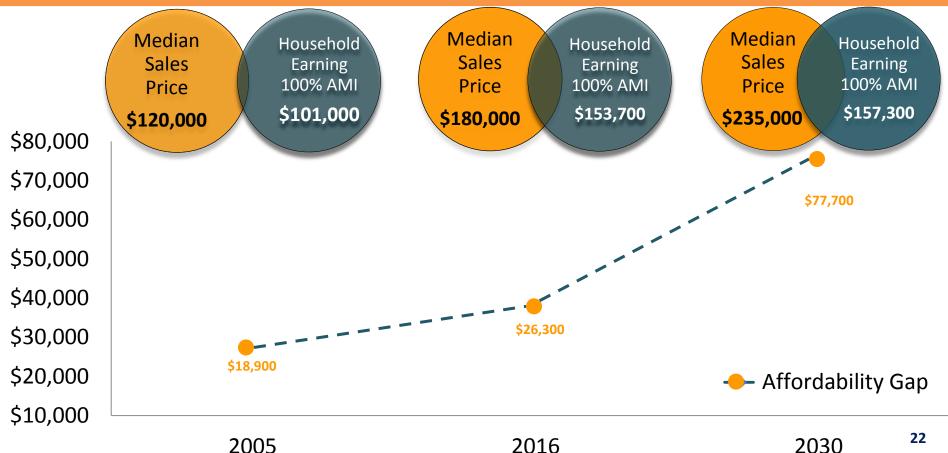
- Housing costs are outpacing incomes
- Growing housing affordability gap
- Households spending more of their income on housing
- Supply-demand mismatch
- Drop in home ownership rate
- Neighborhood change

Housing Cost vs. Income



CPI (Urban Consumers) - South Median Household Income (Census) House Price Index (FHFA) Source: U.S. Census ACS, HUD, FHFA, BLS; Economic & Planning Systems

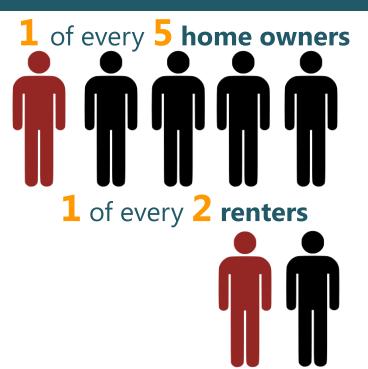
Growing Affordability Gap



Spending More on Housing

- 165,000 of 498,000 total households spending more than 30% of income on housing
- Cost burdened households spending on average \$330 more per month on housing than they should

Cost Burdened Households



Supply-Demand Mismatch

- Supply/demand mismatch of 34,000 affordable rental housing units for households earning 30% or below AMI
- Supply/demand mismatch of 16,400 affordable owner households units for households earning 30% or below AMI



Drop in Home Ownership & Neighborhood Change

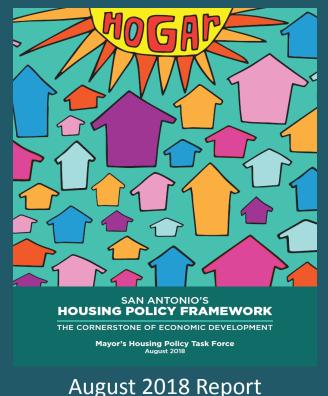
- Over 10-year period (2005 2016), City's home ownership rate declined from 61% to 54%
- Displacement pressures from redevelopment and investment in neighborhoods



Budget Recommendations Consistent with Mayor's Housing Policy Task Force



June City Council "B" Session Recommendations



Task Force Priorities

- 1. Increase City Investment in Housing
- 2. Develop Coordinated Housing System
- 3. Ensure Accountability to the Public
- 4. Increase Affordable Housing Production, Rehabilitation and Preservation
- 5. Protect and Promote Neighborhoods

\$25.1 Million

Funding for Affordable Housing





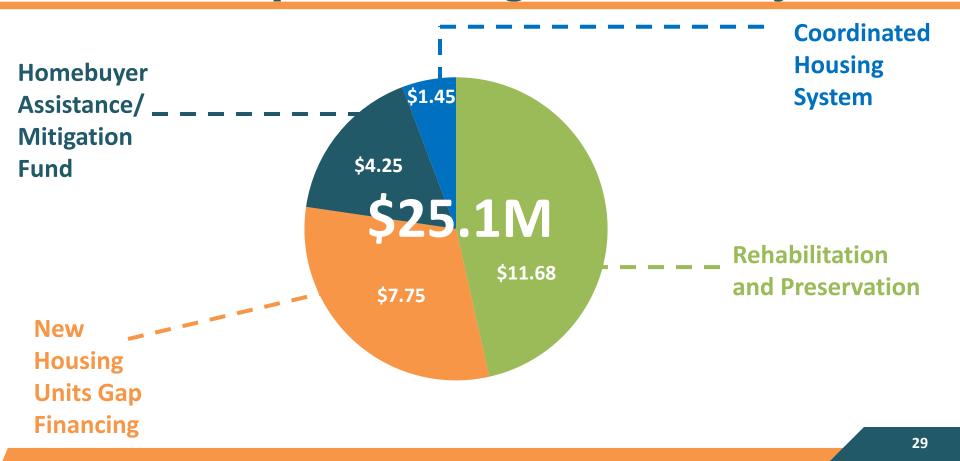
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New Funding

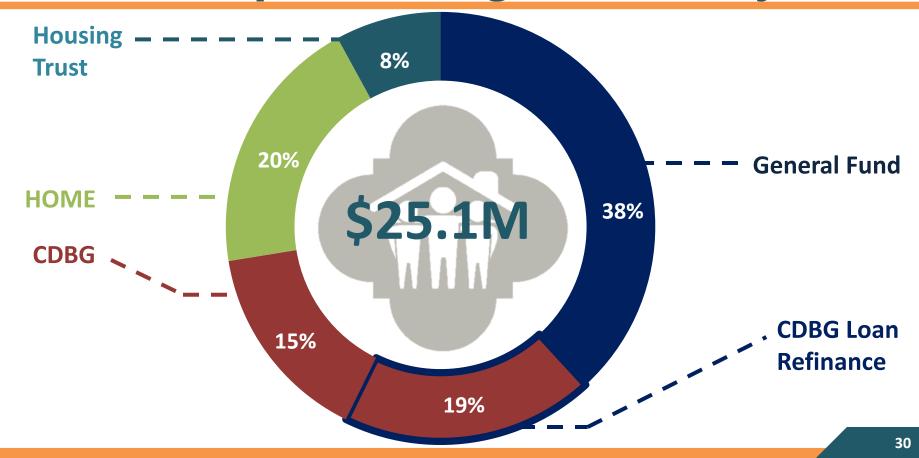


13 New Positions
11 Reorg Positions

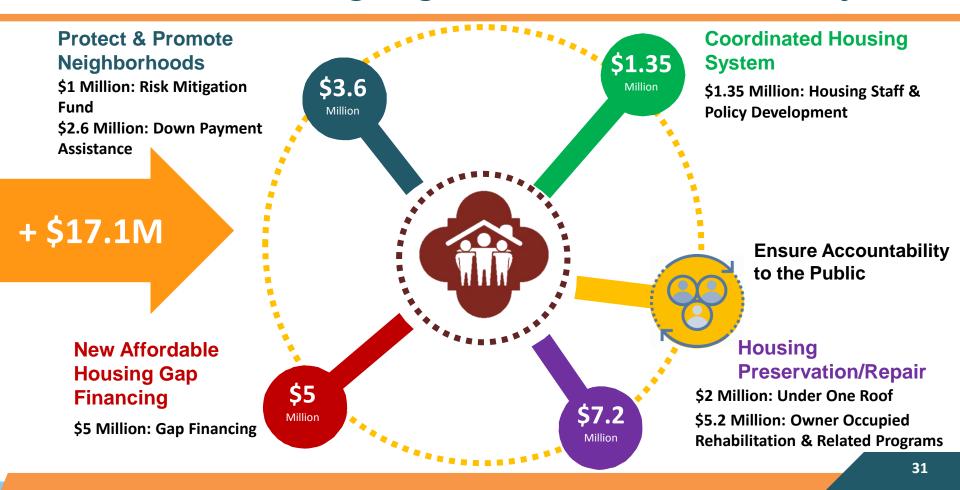
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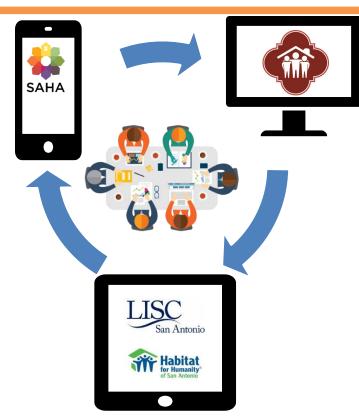


\$17.1M in New Funding Aligns with Task Force 5 Priority Areas



Coordinated Housing System

- New staff team to:
 - Coordinate information with30 Housing Entities
 - Meet new housing production goals
 - Housing navigators
- Online Housing Accountability Dashboard
- Create recommendations for New Housing Policies



Owner Occupied Rehab

\$6.5 M

- ☐ Assists homeowners with rehabilitation of substandard homes
- ☐ Up to \$75,000 for rehabilitation and \$95,000 for reconstruction
- ☐ Eligibility: ≤ 80% AMI
- ☐ Equity-based Lottery
 - ☐ Lottery #1 deadline September 14th
 - ☐ Lottery #2 opens October 1

FY 2018 FY 2019

18 Homes 63 Homes 81 Homes



Under 1 Roof

\$4.25 M

- ☐ Replaces worn and damaged roofs with new, energy-efficient roofs.
- ☐ Assistance is provided as a one-time grant up to \$14,000
- ☐ City-wide
- □ Eligibility: ≤ 80% AMI; Veteran; Disabled;Over 65
- ☐ Equity-based Qualifications being developed

FY 2018 FY 2019

161 Roofs 321 Roofs



Minor Home Repair & Let's Paint

	Minor Home Repair	Let's Paint
Program Description	One-time Grant up to \$25,000 for Minor Repairs	One-time Grant up to \$7,000 for exterior repair and painting
Eligibility	≤ 80% AMI; City-wide	≤ 80% AMI; Districts 4 & 5
Application Process	first-come	, first served
Units Produced FY 2019	6 Units	64 Units



New Housing Units Gap Financing (\$7.75M)

- ☐ New Units Built by Developer
 - Request for Application Procurement
- ☐ Affordable Housing and Rental Housing for Household income below 80% AMI
- ☐ Forgivable Low Interest Loan to Developer
- ☐ Eligible Cost include Acquisition, Site Prep, & Construction Costs

FY2018 FY2019

35 Units 111 Units

☐ Includes \$250K for LISC San Antonio





Homebuyer Assistance & Risk Mitigation





Provides down payment and closing cost assistance to eligible first-time homebuyers.

Fund to mitigate displacement impacts by providing relocation assistance, rapid re-housing and housing navigators.

FY 2018	FY 2019
48 Homeowners	243 Homeowners
\$689,018	\$3.25 M



Affordable Housing Policy Priorities FY 2019 FY 2020

San Antonio Housing Trust

Displacement Mitigation

Fee waiver

By-Right Zoning



Fee Waiver

By-Right Zoning

Housing Bond Charter Amendement

One-stop Housing Center

Analyze Gap Financing Funding Sources

Evaluate Dedicated Revenue Sources

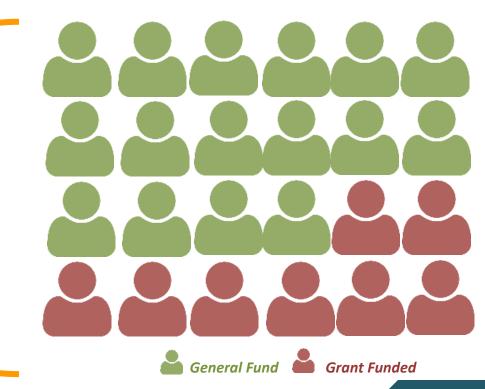
Housing Bond Funding Strategy

Legislative Strategy (property taxes)

Department Staff Enhancements

- 13 New Positions
- 11 Reorganized
 - 8 DHS (Fair Housing)
 - 3 EastPoint

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Three Year Business Plan

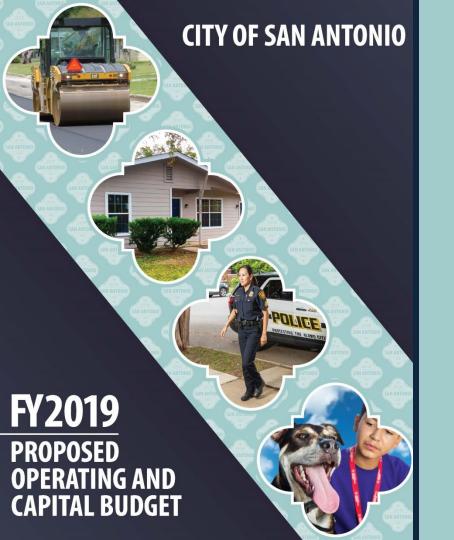
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Activity	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	
Consolidate City Housing Staff into NHSD	Reorg Staff		Evaluate Staf or Efficiencie						
Affordable Housing Coordination across all Housing Entities & Policy Development	Administr Analysts, 8	Hire Housing Administrator, 2 Sr. Analysts, & 2 Admin Staff (5 FTEs)		Hire Sr. Housing Coordinator (1 FTE)		Hire Sr. Analyst (1 FTE)			p Team; te Housing
Restructure Housing Commission		n Mayor to mplish							
Establish Financial Leverage: LISC Support	LISC (\$250K)								
Housing Preservation: Under 1 Roof	•	\$2.25M in General Fund: 161 Units \$2M in SA Housing Trust Request: 140 Units				\$2.25M in General Fund: 161 Units \$2M in SA Housing Trust Request: 140 Units			
Housing Preservation: Owner Occupied Rehab	& Contr	Accounting, act Staff TE)	ct Staff \$6.5M: 81 Units		\$2M in General Fund: 23 Units Pending HUD Entitlement Award				TBD
Homebuyer Assistance & Counseling Programs		re 1 Intake Staff (1 FTE) \$3.25M: 265 Clients			\$2.32M in General Fund: 172 Clients Pending HUD Entitlement Award				TBD 40

Three Year Business Plan (Continued)

	FY 2019				FY 2020				FY 2021
Activity	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	
Housing Trust Strategic Plan	Operationa	tant for Il Analysis & gic Plan		ategic Plan If recommended, provide dedicated revenue source to fund Housing Trust					
Accountability Dashboard & Annual Report				Design, Develop and Implement (\$200K)					
City Charter Amendment for Housing Bond					Nov. 2019 Election				
One-Stop Housing Center					Feasibility Study (If practical, implement in FY 2021)				
Add Gap Financing Funding in General Fund to Leverage Housing Units					\$3M to \$4M			\$3M to \$4M	
Evaluate Dedicated Revenue Source(s) to fund affordable housing						•	Study: Imple 021, if practi		

Three Year Business Plan (Continued)

	FY 2019					FY 2021			
Activity	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	
Develop a Risk Mitigation Fund Policy (Mitigate Private or Public Funded Projects)	1 Sr. Analyst Assigned	Complete	e Displacemo	ent Policy					
Create a Risk Mitigation Fund to offset a portion of mitigation costs	Fund \$	1M in the R	isk Mitigatio	n Fund	Fund \$	1M in the R	isk Mitigatio	n Fund	\$1M
Implement a City-Wide Public Education Campaign & Develop Recs for 2021 Housing Bond									
2021 City Housing Bond and Subsequent Bond Programs									
Evaluate policy for exempting fees for affordable housing						Fund Fee Wa	aiver Program	s, if practical	
Evaluate By-Right Zoning Policy for Affordable Housing									
Develop a legislative strategy and lobbying efforts to address rising									
property taxes on housing									42



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