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What is Your Housing Story?

For the next few minutes, we invite you to share your housing story with the person sitting next to you at the table. Below are a few conversation starters.

Which neighborhood or community do you live in? Why did you to choose to move there? What has your housing journey been like up until this point?

Housing 2040 Master Plan

Kick Off Meeting #2

September 25, 2024

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Please use the note cards at your table to jot down questions!

Why we are here tonight

PROVIDE information about the Housing 2040 process and purpose

HEAR your thoughts on Housing 2040 goals, principles, and topics

SHARE opportunities to become engaged

What is the purpose of a Housing Master Plan?

Evaluates and recommends zoning and other tools to incentivize the creation and preservation of affordable housing

Guides City investments in affordable housing programs and projects

Housing Master Plan Informs City legislative priorities with respect to housing issues

A housing master plan establishes a vision, goals, tools and policy recommendations to address community housing needs.

Serves as
foundation for
housing
recommendations
in Small Area Plans

Shapes policies and procedures regarding affordable housing contributions

What does a **Housing Master** Plan mean for me, my family, friends and coworkers?

With our partners, **Housing 2040** will help us work towards:

- creating and preserving affordable rental and homeownership options, including more deeply affordable housing;
- enhancing tenant protections;
- supporting older condominium communities;
- expanding housing choices for our seniors and persons with disabilities; and
- your housing ideas.

Housing Master Plan

City Master Plan

Small Area Plans

- After a multi-year process, the City adopted its first <u>Housing Master Plan</u> (HMP) in January 2014 as a chapter of the City's Comprehensive Plan
- The HMP established policy goals, principles, and affordability goals through 2025 and the commitment to *Housing for*



Topical Chapters **Housing Master** Plan **Mobility Plan** Open Space Plan Sanitary Sewer Plan Historic Preservation **Urban Forestry RPCA Plan**

Other Chapters

Housing Master Plan Principles



1. All Income Levels

Alexandria's housing stock should include a variety of housing options for households of all incomes.



4. Location-Efficient Affordable Housing

values/big ideas that guide the HMP.

Principles are the underlying, fundamental

Access to transportation and services, should be a key factor in the future distribution and allocation of affordable housing in the city.



2. All Ages and Abilities

Alexandria's housing stock should be expanded to offer greater housing choice to people of all ages and abilities.



5. Mixed-Income Communities

Mixed-income communities are the optimal way of maintaining social and cultural diversity through increased opportunities for interaction rather than isolation or polarization.



3. Partnerships

Partnerships are key to achieving measurable improvement in the affordable housing stock in Alexandria. The City can better leverage resources by being an active advocate and partner with Alexandria Redevelopment and Housing Authority (ARHA), nonprofit and for profit developers.



6. Economic Sustainability

Affordable housing is an important element of a healthy and growing economy.

Housing Master Plan Goals

- Guided by the HMP principles, **goals** are the results the HMP is tasked with achieving through its strategies, tools, and partnerships.
- Goal 1: Preserve the long-term affordability and physical condition of the existing stock of publicly assisted rental housing, as well as market rental housing where affordability commitments can be secured.
- Goal 2: Provide or secure long-term affordable and workforce rental housing through strategic new development and redevelopment.
- Goal 3: Provide and support the provision of affordable and workforce home purchase opportunities for Alexandria residents and workers.
- Goal 4: Enable homeowners to remain in their homes safely, comfortably, and affordably.
- Goal 5: Provide a variety of safe, quality housing choices that are affordable and accessible to households of all ages and abilities.
- Goal 6: Enhance public awareness of the benefits of affordable housing and promote available housing and partnership opportunities.
- Goal 7: Enhance public awareness of the benefits of healthy, well-designed, and energy efficient housing that fosters the well-being of Alexandria residents.

Housing Master Plan 2013 to today











114 Homebuyers supported

187 units preserved





166 Rehab and accessibility projects completed

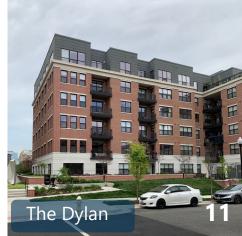








728
net new units constructed



Challenges

- City's resources to address housing challenges and opportunities are limited.
- Creating deep affordability (30-40% of the area median income or AMI) is challenging due to the depth of subsidies and investment required.
- Market affordable and committed affordable units are at risk without reinvestment.
- Tenant protections are limited by State authority.
- Many condominiums and apartments have aging infrastructure/mechanical systems.
- Federal funding for public housing is declining.
- Racial disparities in homeownership reflect historic discrimination in housing market.

Trends

- Housing cost burden remains high and continues to grow, in particular, among low-income renters and lowwage workers.
- Our senior (65+) population is growing (projected to reach 16% of city's population in 2040 up from 12%).
- 20-34 year olds represent a shrinking proportion of the city's population.
- New market-rate rental development is generally priced at 81-100%+ AMI and for-sale development at 120%+ AMI.

Housing 2040 Purpose



Learn. Learn from our past, our neighbors and partners, and from best practices



Review and update the HMP's principles and goals



Outline a workplan for City's housing programs, initiatives and priorities through 2040



Establish housing priorities to set affordability targets and guide City investments and policy decisions



Identify and evaluate
housing strategies and
tools through a series of
topics



Strengthen existing and explore new **partnerships** to leverage City resources

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Incorporate City commitments to equity and sustainability



Community ideas and input

Eco-City Charter/EAP

Adopted to advance a comprehensive approach to sustainability

ALL Alexandria Resolution

Adopted to promote policies and

structures to advance racial and

social equity

Round Table Discussions

Step 1: Review the 2013-2025 Housing Master Plan Principles and Goals.

Do you see your housing priorities and values reflected in the Principles & Goals? Do the Principles & Goals address the housing challenges and trends we have discussed so far? What is missing?

- Step 2: Prioritize as a group the top 1-2 Principles and top 1-2 Goals (existing or new ones) that you would like to focus on during the meeting.
- Step 3: "Dig" into those Principles and Goals.

Are the principles and goals you chose to discuss relevant, meaningful, and comprehensive as written for 2026-2040? If not, what would you change or add? If you have identified a new Principle or Goal, note why.

Remember to designate a reporter, take notes along the way, and highlight key points for report outs!

Step 4: Report out 1-2 key points

Discussion Ground Rules

Treat speakers and each other with respect.

Give everyone a chance to participate.

Only one person speaks at a time.

Listen as an ally, not an adversary everyone should feel comfortable expressing their opinion regardless of differences.

How Housing 2040 Topics and Projects Are Being Identified



Housing 2040 Timeline

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Next Steps

Learn more through **Housing Education Month** in October!

Ways to Engage

- Send comments via our <u>Comment Form</u>
- Attend our pop-up listening sessions in October-November
- What's Your Housing Story (coming soon!)
- Housing 2040 project meetings

How did we do? Please take a moment to complete our meeting evaluation.



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