

SACRAMENTO COUNTY HOUSING ELEMENT OUTREACH SUMMARY 2021-2029				
FOCUS GROUP MEETING TOPIC	CHALLENGES IDENTIFIED	ADDITIONAL DATA SOURCES	RESOURCES	BEST PRACTICES/RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE COUNTY
Housing for People with Disabilities (May 5, 2020)	Housing affordability; aging housing stock; limited affordable and accessible housing stock; lack of training for HUD housing providers; multiple disputes with landlords/property owners regarding disability requirements (e.g., clear path of travel, accessible parking spaces, common spaces etc.); renters do not know their rights; physical, systemic and economic barriers.	Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency (SHRA) data for reasonable accommodations; data from housing providers, advocates, or legal aid groups to understand the type of reasonable accommodation requests being received (both the overall volume and range of issues).	211 phone line and Resources for Independent Living (RIL) Sacramento has a resource list available online.	Expand on existing Universal Design program; incentivize development of additional accessible units; develop a system to share new accessible units that are built with stakeholders; encourage higher than the minimum Building Code requirements for developing accessible units; streamline the process for developing accessible units – consider fee waivers or deferrals; resources to educate landlords and solutions for long term tenants; incentivize modifications to existing housing stock to make it accessible.
Disability Advisory Committee (May 5, 2020)	New home construction is still inaccessible and costly to modify/retrofit after the fact; affordability; Universal Design to include aging in place; housing is not	Veteran Affairs; Wellness and Recovery Center North.	County and State resources; Alta Regional; Capital People First; Disability Rights California; California Congress of	Increase accessibility in existing multi-family units/communities; consolidate Housing Element resources in one location – e.g. 311; training for homeless housing managers to understand disabled needs in shelters; revise In Home Supportive Services (IHSS) program to obtain more qualified caretakers,

	near mass transit; difficulty finding housing utilizing Section 8 vouchers; need more subsidized housing; reasonable accommodations are hard to obtain as a renter; the need for more housing units that are affordable and accessible.		Seniors; AARP; RIL Sacramento.	update the list of caretaker and provide clients with sufficient hours.
Farmworker Housing (June 4, 2020)	Lack of affordable housing; overcrowding; substandard housing conditions; distance from services and resources with no transportation; housing provided by employer which means that workers are unwilling to report substandard housing issues for fear of losing job.	Surveys from farmworker groups; farm labor contractors; Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG) data on Rural-Urban Connections; American Communities Survey (ACS); CA Rural Legal Assistance; Agriculture Commissioner crop data; and California Institute of Rural Services.	N/A	To see what other jurisdictions are doing about this population; promote ADU development; utilize motels/hotels for temporary farmworker housing; proactive inspection process with code enforcement (do not wait for complaints); USDA Financing opportunities (developers, homebuyers, counseling programs); statewide rural development administration; conduct a farmworker housing study; H2A ordinance.
Senior Housing	Lack of affordable housing; the type of	SACOG data; ACS data.	Programs of All-Inclusive Care	Encourage multigenerational complexes (CR Health Foundation)

(June 10, 2020)	housing available has accessibility issues and does not meet the social and emotional needs of older adult residents; senior housing placed on the outskirts of communities away from amenities and social activities/interactions; existing housing has long wait lists; unregulated private room rentals lead to lack of safety; need to welcome and honor various cultural communities within older adult housing; and housing is too expensive for a fixed income.		for the Elderly (PACE) Medicare program to allow elderly to stay in their community and receive medical and social services including access to healthy food and transportation.	because it will help to draw away the stigma that older adults need help and creates socialization for all levels; explore Medicare funding to create cohousing; encourage affordable housing; remove single family density zoning; and, allow multifamily/higher density housing projects to be permitted by right.
FOCUS GROUP MEETING TOPIC	REVISIONS TO EXISTING POLICIES	NEW PROGRAM IDEAS	EXISTING PROGRAMS TO BE CONTINUED	BEST PRACTICES/RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE COUNTY
Goals, Policies and Programs (May 7, 2020)	Increase Housing Trust Fund fees; re-evaluate a fee only program (Affordable Housing Ordinance); conduct a Housing	Programs needed to keep people (particularly renters) in their homes such as eviction	Encourage Transportation Oriented Design Action Plan and development.	City of Napa is funding ADUs using CDBG funds; City of Sacramento is reforming Planning Commission approval process for multi-family projects; the Housing Element Updates are aspirational and

	<p>Trust Fund nexus study to look at funding for senior and permanent supportive housing – not just work force housing; implement a requirement to build affordable housing; strengthen streamlining for multi-family and affordable projects; Community Planning Advisory Councils (CPAC) need to be revised to reduce barriers to housing; use CDBG funds to help low and moderate income homeowners create accessory dwelling units (ADU) and pair with loan deferrals or a forgivable loan program when ADUs are rented out to low-income households.</p>	<p>protections; homeless diversions due to income insecurity; aging in place programs; funds to increase accessibility in existing housing stock; Universal Design; prepare presentation on the cost/benefit of Universal Design to provide to developers; Countywide age-friendly communities initiative; tenant protection (such as just cause eviction protections); revisit and effectively utilize County Rent Escrow Account Program; infill development and rezones to increase capacity near transit; Housing Incentive</p>		<p>performance measures/goals need to be provided to demonstrate measurable improvements.</p>
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		Program (HIP) amendments; the need for fair housing analysis in Housing Element, access programs, strengthen rental housing inspection program, and a recommendation to talk with people experiencing homeless to understand their lived experience; Housing Element needs direct responses to COVID-19 impacts.		
FOCUS GROUP MEETING TOPIC	BARRIERS TO HOUSING AND SERVICES	INCENTIVES	DATA SOURCES	COUNTY'S ROLE
Housing and Services for People Experiencing Homelessness (May 28, 2020)	Nimbyism and xenophobia; general opposition; broader community education effort is needed to help the public to accept different types of housing; lack of local match money.	Reduce fees and provide housing incentives; provide a cohesive set of standards across jurisdictions; permit tiny homes and alternative	Recommend reaching out to surrounding colleges (e.g., Sacramento State and community colleges) because schools	Have open discussion with communities about what it would take to support homeless services; provide services on site so that it would be accessible to those that need it; protection for housing and service providers; leadership from the "top down" for homeless programs; do not deviate from the Housing Element

		housing types; and allow more flexibility in the types of housing, such as campgrounds, because not everyone does well in traditional housing.	count students that are homeless; County Board of Education. Both of these sources use a different definition of homelessness than U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).	plans despite objections; offer services everywhere in Sacramento region; provide a consistent approach to permitting facilities across jurisdictions.
PUBLIC WEBINAR	COMMUNITY REPRESENTATION	HOUSING ASSETS WITHIN THE COMMUNITY	HOUSING CHALLENGES WITHIN THE COMMUNITY	COUNTY'S ROLE
May 13, 2020	Arden Arcade.	Tree lined streets; large lots; real community feel; diversity of housing options.	Need various housing options to keep residents housed; disparity of how to address the homelessness.	Offer incentives to build affordable housing and higher densities.
May 27, 2020	Elverta, Citrus Heights, and Fair Oaks.	Access to nearby green spaces (e.g., Dry Creek trail), parks, and mixed-use projects.	Homeless camps throughout the community and public spaces; lack of resources for senior housing.	Provide programs/consideration of modular housing to include in multifamily projects; construction period on modular housing create a cost benefit for developers; get people experiencing homelessness into housing; assist seniors with keeping their home.

