

St Cloud Housing and Community Dialogue
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Breakout notes

Three Big Ideas
Three Next Steps

Multi Family Rental Housing:

Big Ideas:

- Tweak/fix HTC scoring.
- Keep existing affordable units
- housing available for 61-80% median income
- Increase local support

Next Steps:

- Comparable to other states- (inquire what other states do)
- Public education/advocacy (fix NIMBY)
- Naturally occurring affordable housing

Supportive Housing/Housing with services:

Big Ideas:

- More affordable housing/workforce housing
- Community engagement/clear messaging
- Community commitment

Next Steps:

- City of St Cloud to adopt in the comp plan workforce housing- language is life cycle housing- plan to include workforce housing- attend city council meetings
- Identify and train allies from greater community- business, church, political and community members
- Create a regional coalition- united force and message

Single Family Housing Rehab/Production

Big Ideas:

- Create a group, or use existing housing group to find similarities, challenges and opportunities- all work together. Rely on community groups to provide resources (GMHF)

Next Step:

- Plan/pull together the group. Make it happen

Successful Homeownership:

Big Ideas:

- Need for financial management, (credit scores, etc.)

Homebuyer education
Challenges with credit, savings accounts

Next Steps:

Improve materials, education for first time homebuyers (provide opportunity to learn)
Central Information for info (marketing) or create centralized website
Collaborations