



ACADIANA HOUSING ALLIANCE

2023 HOUSING PRIORITIES

1. Remove outdated legislation that prevents opportunities for the creation of group homes and other shared living scenarios.
2. Increase equitable development with the intent to undo the negative impacts of redlining.
3. Increase affordable developments in proximity to jobs, services, and public transportation.
4. Develop a strategy to help homeowners who do not have the funds for necessary home repairs.
5. Create a convergent partnership with healthcare providers to increase access to affordable housing for those suffering from health problems.
6. Recruit more local developers to partner with and commit to affordable housing development.
7. Increase Homebuyer Education & Financial Literacy opportunities.
8. Invest in sustainable development for quality neighborhoods (affordable opportunities, long-term floodwater management planning, etc.), as well as weatherization upgrades for older housing stock.
9. Increase home-ownership opportunities for low- and moderate-income renters, i.e. a Section 8 home-ownership program, mobile home-ownership as an affordable option, and "Soft Second Programs" (a second mortgage with payments that are forgiven, deferred, or subsidized in some fashion, generally until resale of the mortgaged property)
10. Improve alignment between all financial counseling services and create a strong marketing campaign for financial literacy that caters to a broader group of individuals.
11. Increase permanent and emergency housing opportunities for the displaced households in the region.
12. Improve or establish public transportation mechanisms for individuals living in affordable housing to travel to and from their jobs.