

2014 Housing Program Accomplishments

The table below presents the disposition of housing activities featured in the staff report for the February 27, 2014 Administrative Committee meeting followed by other milestone accomplishments in on-going housing program work not singled out for mention.

Featured Housing Activities	Disposition
1 Support the California Homes and Jobs Act, SB 391 (DeSaulnier) dedicated revenue source for affordable housing.	Worked with housing advocacy organizations and legislative leaders to support passage of SB 391.
2 Support legislation that enables creation of Infrastructure Financing Districts (IFDs) that supports affordable housing production and preservation.	Supported legislative efforts to expand applicability and viability of IFDs.
3 Assure that guidelines for allocation of revenues from State cap and trade auction support Plan Bay Area implementation.	Worked with Strategic Growth Council staff to develop guidelines for the Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities (AHSC) that encourage affordable housing and PDA implementation.
4 Promote the acquisition and rehabilitation of existing properties as an affordable housing and anti-displacement strategy, and advocate for changes to the TOAH fund to fully support this strategy.	Developed memo outlining the benefits of acquisition and rehabilitation as a Plan Bay Area implementation strategy.
5 Explore ways to support local jurisdictions that want to conduct the nexus studies necessary to implement development impact fees as a dedicated local source of funding for affordable housing, especially subregional strategies.	Compiled data about jurisdictions with residential and commercial nexus fee studies. Reached out to jurisdictions potentially interested in conducting their own studies or implementing fees. Presented to Alameda County Planning Directors
6 Work with HCD and housing advocacy organizations to develop a package of standard demographic data and a toolkit of best practices for use by local government staff as they update their Housing Elements for the 2014-2022 period.	Developed an HCD-approved data set. Facilitated HCD office hours at ABAG for jurisdictions to get feedback on Housing Elements. Developed a “best practices” policy toolkit in collaboration with housing organizations.
7 Provide data and technical assistance to county Congestion Management Agencies (CMAs) as they prepare their first required Priority Development Area Investment and Growth Strategy reports as condition of receipt of OBAG planning block grants.	Tracked residential permitting activity within and outside of PDAs for 2013.
8 Develop a more streamlined and transparent data collection and reporting system (aka “development	Work in progress on feasibility analysis

dashboard”) for tracking local housing production.

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| 9 | Research and promote best-practices that local jurisdictions may employ to mitigate displacement of businesses and residents by targeted growth in PDAs. | Researched and developed a regional Housing Policy Database. Developed a “best practices” policy toolkit in collaboration with housing organizations. |
| 10 | Count congregate housing (e.g., senior assisted living facilities) toward Regional Housing Need Allocation goals and make Housing Element provisions related to acquisition/ rehabilitation easier to use | Laid foundation for ABAG invitation to participate in 2015 Housing Element Working Group where this issue can be addressed. |
| 11 | Provide data, fact sheets and/or talking points that make the case for affordable housing development and displacement mitigation tailored to local needs | Created an “Affordable Housing 101” piece disseminated at General Assembly. Researched and developed a regional Housing Policy Database. Developed a “housing best practices” policy toolkit for jurisdictions in collaboration with housing organizations |
| 12 | Develop annual progress report on affordable housing development | Tracked residential permitting activity in 2013; will continue to track for 2014. |
| 13 | Develop annual progress report on local adoption of policies and programs that address displacement | Researched and developed a regional Housing Policy Database. |
| 14 | Establish county or corridor working groups to address housing issues | Spearheaded the creation of a housing working group in ongoing work with the East Bay Corridors initiative. |

Other Major Housing Activities

Disposition

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| 15 | RHNA Sites inventory | Mapped housing opportunity jurisdictions identified in 2007-2014 Housing Elements and made information available on ABAG website. |
| 16 | Housing Website | Reorganized and refreshed website to make information more easily accessible. |
| 17 | Ongoing tracking of promising housing funding sources | Monitored housing legislation and research into promising funding sources for affordable housing development or preservation. |