

Housing Strategies for a Smart Growth City

Following WRN's initial Housing for the City public forum series last fall, this new series brings key policy and funding issues into sharp focus. This four-part forum series addresses current dilemmas and opportunities for building and maintaining affordable housing and mixed income neighborhoods in the District of Columbia and the region. In part, this series will inform the D.C. Comprehensive Housing Strategy Task Force process. The series will also explore how federal policies dramatically impact local affordable housing supply.

D.C.'s Different Neighborhoods: How a Comprehensive Housing Strategy Can Help

Martha Davis, Shaw Housing Initiatives, Manna Community Development Corporation

Retta Gilliam, Executive Director, East of the River Community Development Corporation

Oramenta Newsome, Director, Washington, D.C. Office, Local Initiatives Support Corporation

October 20, 2004

How can a comprehensive housing strategy best address the varied needs of city neighborhoods? Learn from a panel of community leaders and thinkers about how the city needs to address particular concerns in neighborhoods as different as East of the River communities and rapidly gentrifying Shaw.

Inclusionary Zoning: How Would It Work for the District of Columbia?

Ellen McCarthy, Deputy Director, District of Columbia Office of Planning

John McIlwain, Senior Resident Fellow, Urban Land Institute

Nina Dastur, Equal Justice Works Fellow, Center for Community Change

November 16, 2004

Requiring private residential developers to provide a certain amount of affordable housing, called "inclusionary zoning," assures that private developers help meet low- and moderate-income housing needs. This event explores the implications of the current inclusionary zoning strategies proposed for the city.

Changing Federal Housing Policies and Local Impacts

Danilo Pelletiere, Research Director, National Low Income Housing Coalition

December 8, 2004

Vouchers, HOPE VI, expiring federal contracts on low income housing all have profound effects on the local housing market. Our speaker provides insight into federal policies, trends, and politics and how they impact the local level.

An Equitable Housing Strategy for D.C. and the Region

Margery Turner, Director, Metropolitan Housing and Community Policy Center, Urban Institute

January 12, 2005

Housing expert Margery Turner addresses how jobs and housing can work together for smart regional economic growth. Turner's latest research, including *An Equitable Housing Strategy for the District of Columbia* and the third report for the Fannie Mae Foundation's series *Housing in the Nation's Capital*, addresses D.C. housing needs while linking them to trends in regional jobs and housing markets.

Location and time: All events begin at 6:00 pm for refreshments, 6:30 pm for the program, at the John A. Wilson Building, 1350 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Room 412, Washington, D.C. 20004, rear entrance, photo ID required. Metro Center or Federal Triangle Metro.

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