

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CA



ROUND 1 AWARD: \$6,700,000

Overview: To expand housing supply and lower housing costs, HUD's Office of Community Planning and Development awarded **\$6.7 million to the County of Los Angeles.** This grant funding will be used to identify and remove barriers to affordable housing production and preservation. The County is home to over 10 million residents, and includes over 125 unincorporated areas.

The County faces a shortfall of at least 499,430 affordable homes. In the most recent Regional Housing Need assessment, LA County is required to plan for an additional 90,000 units.

Through PRO Housing, the County of Los Angeles will support housing goals in unincorporated areas — improving utility infrastructure, creating Transit Oriented Districts, and coordinating regional land use strategies.

Diversity of Needs, Geographies, and Housing Types

 A single solution is not feasible to account for the cultural, geographic, and housing type diversity across the County. Coordination across 125+ unique communities is challenging.

Restrictive Local Regulations

 Local regulations and processes are outdated, unequitable, and may vary across communities. The County notes that racist terminology in regulatory definitions, impacts of historic redlining, and restrictive land use policies constrain housing production.

Aging Infrastructure

Infrastructure improvements are needed to support development.

LOCAL BARRIERS TO HOUSING IDENTIFIED BY LA COUNTY

RECENT ACTIONS TO BOOST HOUSING SUPPLY LOCALLY

The County of Los Angeles

- Developed an Affordable Housing Action Plan which provides a road map for implementing recommendations to increase the supply of affordable housing.
- Drafted and adopted updated land use policies to facilitated housing development such as ordinances to support accessory dwelling units, gentle density increases, reasonable accommodations, supportive housing, mixedincome development, design standards, and conversion of commercial properties for residential uses.
- Since 2019, approximately 1,005 Accessory Dwelling Units are built annually—as a result of regulatory changes and permit streamlining efforts.
- Streamlined permitting processes and deployed community development strategies to support new affordable housing.





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COUNTY APPLICANT
TOTAL POPULATION: 10,014,009
UNINCORPORATED: 1,034,689

ANTICIPATED IMPACT OF PRO HOUSING FUNDING

as contemplated in grant application

Upgrade Housing Enabling Infrastructure

- Unincorporated areas comprise approximately 64% of the land area in Los Angeles County. The County's goal is to update their local land use policies and processes to accommodate over 56,000 units of housing.
- To support this development, the County will use PRO Funding for planning and infrastructure activities to ensure transit, utilities, stormwater, and other infrastructure can support new housing development.
- The County will prepare capital improvement plans—based on the needs of each planning area—that will prioritize new infrastructure and improvements to existing infrastructure.

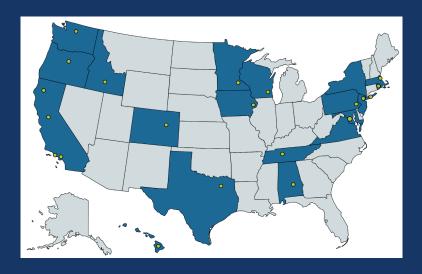
Update Local Plans to Support Transient Oriented Development

- To facilitate the development of housing and community resources in areas supported by public transit infrastructure, the County has created Transit Oriented Districts for regional planning. Through PRO Housing funding, Los Angeles County will update several of their TOD specific plans.
- By encouraging equitable development and mobility, the Transit Oriented Districts benefit low-and moderate-income individuals.

Identify Opportunities for Equitable Community Development

■ The County intends to conduct assessments to understand needs and identify opportunities to improve land use policies, enable the construction of duplexes, triplexes, and fourplexes, and modernize regulations and definitions to ensure equitable housing opportunities.

HUD AWARDED \$85 MILLION TO 21 APPLICANTS THROUGH ROUND 1 OF THE PRO HOUSING COMPETITION



- PRO Housing provides first-of-its-kind funding to identify and remove barriers to housing production and preservation.
- The competition prioritizes communities that demonstrate an acute need for affordable housing.
- Successful applications demonstrated local actions — such as updates to land use policies, developer incentives, financing, and innovative strategies to address barriers and boost housing supply.



