

ORANGE COUNTY 2022 Affordable Housing Needs Report *Supplemental Information*

LOCAL POLICY RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ORANGE COUNTY



The Kennedy Commission calls on County and City leaders to take the following actions to provide relief to low-income families struggling with unaffordable and unstable housing:

1. Create a Countywide Affordable Housing Strategic Plan that establishes annual production goals for affordable homes to be developed in each city and the County and provides a clear path to meeting local housing needs.
2. Initiate a one-billion-dollar countywide local housing bond to leverage state housing resources and fund new affordable housing for low-income families and people experiencing homelessness.
3. Allow new residential development on commercial, industrial, and mixed-use zones where at least 20 percent of the developments are affordable to very low- and low-income families in exchange for by right entitlement concessions and incentives.
4. Establish new “Housing Opportunities Zoning” in each jurisdiction that allows multi-family home developments that are 100% affordable to lower-income households to be built by-right.
5. Identify and dedicate city-owned land for the development of affordable housing.

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