

## Sources for Action Steps and Rubrics

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## K. Housing Stability

1. Government and Public Data Sources
  - U.S. Census Bureau
    - Data: American Community Survey (ACS), Housing Vacancy Survey, and Median Income Reports.
    - Website: <https://www.census.gov>
  - Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)
    - Data: Housing affordability, foreclosure rates, eviction statistics, and local housing policies.
    - Website: <https://www.hud.gov>
  - Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS)
    - Data: Regional employment rates, income data, and inflation trends.
    - Website: <https://www.bls.gov>
2. Local Government and Planning Agencies
  - City or County Housing Authorities
    - Data: Local eviction rates, rental price trends, and community housing initiatives.
  - Regional Planning Commissions or Councils



- Data: Local occupancy rates, development plans, and economic diversity statistics.
- 3. Real Estate and Housing Market Platforms
  - Zillow Research
    - Data: Housing price trends, rent affordability, and foreclosure rates.
    - Website: <https://www.zillow.com/research>
  - Redfin Data Center
    - Data: Housing market trends, sales prices, and neighborhood statistics.
    - Website: <https://www.redfin.com/news/data-center>
- 4. Community and Advocacy Organizations
  - Eviction Lab
    - Data: National eviction database, trends, and research on eviction policies.
    - Website: <https://evictionlab.org>
  - National Low Income Housing Coalition (NLIHC)
    - Data: Housing affordability gap reports and low-income housing availability.
    - Website: <https://nlihc.org>
- 5. Research Institutions and Universities
  - Urban Institute
    - Data: Housing stability research, neighborhood assessments, and policy impact studies.
    - Website: <https://www.urban.org>
  - Joint Center for Housing Studies at Harvard University
    - Data: Housing affordability and market trends.
    - Website: <https://www.jchs.harvard.edu>
- 6. Nonprofit and Private Sector Reports
  - CoreLogic
    - Data: Foreclosure rates, housing market analytics.
    - Website: <https://www.corelogic.com>
  - National Association of Realtors (NAR)
    - Data: Market trends and economic data related to homeownership and rentals.
    - Website: <https://www.nar.realtor>
- 7. Community Engagement Data
  - Local Surveys
    - Conduct surveys to gauge community participation and housing concerns.
  - Community Organization Reports
    - Data from local nonprofits or housing advocacy groups on engagement levels.
- 8. Legal and Policy Analysis Tools
  - Legal Aid Organizations
    - Data: Tenant protection cases and eviction assistance statistics.
  - State and Local Policy Databases
    - Information on zoning laws, rent control, and housing development regulations.