

**Tackling Cincinnati's Housing Crisis, Together:**

Done/Doing\*\*  
 (\*\*some in this category are not fully finished; they may either be 'in-the-works' or need minimal final action)

A Multi-Faceted Framework for Envisioning Equitable, Sustainable, & Resilient Growth\*

Priorities moving forward

SUPPORT THE HOMELESS		KEEP PEOPLE IN HOMES***		SECURE PEOPLE HOMES****		BUILD HOMES					
ISSUE: our homelessness crisis		ISSUE: our eviction crisis + poor living conditions for low-income residents (**SAFE HOMES)		ISSUE: our housing affordability/inaccessibility crisis (****ACCESSIBLE & AFFORDABLE HOMES)		ISSUE: our housing supply crisis					
DEPENDS ON: keeping people in homes →		→ DEPENDS ON: securing people homes →		→ DEPENDS ON: building homes →		→ ROOT(S) OF THE ISSUE					
House The Homeless		Strengthen Tenants Rights & Resources		Assist Rent-Burdened Residents		Create The Conditions To Build Our Housing Supply & Incentivize 'Balanced' Development					
Fund shelters, emergency housing, and long-term care programming		Establish 'Right to Counsel' in City of Cincinnati		Ensure 'rent supports' for low-income renters (who don't qualify for housing choice vouchers)		Dismantle exclusionary zoning practices & revoke restrictive land-use policies to better promote affordable and sustainable housing opportunities (density, parking requirements, ADUs [accessory dwelling units] + more)					
Continuously Improve City Operations & Services		Establish Eviction Prevention Fund for emergency housing support		Tackle Section 8 discrimination		Reform residential tax abatement system					
Reform City contracts to be 'Performance/ results-based,' in order to improve the services of non-profit City partners		Institutionalize a 'Tenant 'Bill of Rights'		Create & maintain regional utility support programs: - Waterworks low-income ratepayer relief - MSD low-income ratepayer relief		Reform LIHTC Abatement System; cut red tape for building low-income housing					
Nurture strong communication between City, partners, and other resources		Establish 'Pay to Stay' Ordinance for Cincinnati		Make Homeownership More Inclusive		Institutionalize the 'Balanced Development Priority Analysis' to make Cincinnati's development priorities clear up front (fair labor practices, minority & small-business empowerment, affordable housing, sustainable building + more)					
Better City's policies regarding homeless encampments; prioritize connecting residents to resources		Raise the Living Standards For ALL Residents		Assist prospective low-income & minority homeowners through subsidies programming (eg. The Port purchasing agreements, access to homeownership programs, etc.)		Incentivize transit-oriented development					
		Refine code enforcement process for 'problem properties' /buildings that don't meet safety codes for low-income residents				Establish minority real estate development program (and/or expand, strengthen existing programs & initiatives)					
		Expand Rental Inspection Pilot program				Incentivize renovation and improvement of vacant, abandoned properties					
		Support the housing rehabilitation needs of low-income homeowners, to ensure they avoid code-enforcement-foreclosure (eg. HARBOR program + more)				Fund The Preservation & Development of Affordable & Accessible Housing					
						Fully finance the affordable housing trust fund					
						Grow VTICA (voluntary tax incentive contribution agreement)					
						Enact tax on Air BnBs (w/ collected \$ going into affordable housing development)					
						Effectively leverage, connect, and support Cincinnati Development Fund + other private & community partners to progress and encourage projects					
						Assist DCED, CMHA, etc. with debt forgiveness on target properties					
						Advance accessible housing, where possible (eg. aid organizations like LADD, which creates housing for disabled residents)					
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\*This framework does NOT include every action that is or should be taken on the issue of housing. It's merely intended to provide an overview of how some actions that have been taken AND actions this Council is actively working on/planning to take/believe warrant prioritization, fit together, in an over-arching framework of equitable growth.