

Affordable Housing Group: Action Steps

1. **Develop Rubric (by ____ 2025):**

The City Manager's Office and/or Healthy Neighborhoods Committee will create a measurable rubric, using reliable data to assess how well each of Cincinnati's 52 neighborhoods is thriving.

2. **Include Key Criteria:**

The rubric will reflect best practices and include:

Safety and security Walkability and accessibility Community engagement and social cohesion Green spaces and outdoor recreation Economic outlook, opportunities, and employment Housing affordability, quality, and diversity	Education and schools Socio-economic diversity and inclusivity Health and wellness Local amenities and services Housing and stability
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3. **Create Public Dashboard:**

Upgrade CincyInsights or create a new public dashboard with thorough, accurate, up-to-date rubric data for all 52 neighborhoods.

4. **Set Targets:**

Define clear goals and benchmarks.

Example Goal: All neighborhoods score at least 3 (moderate) by ____.

Benchmark: Neighborhoods scoring below 3 improve by at least 1 point in one area by ____.

5. **Pilot the Rubric:**

Test the rubric on 9 neighborhoods—3 each from high-, middle-, and low-income ranges—using 2024 data.

6. **Review and Revise:**

Share the draft rubric, targets, and pilot results with Vice Mayor Kearney and the Affordable Housing Task Force for feedback. Make appropriate revisions.

7. **Create and Post Baseline Scores for the Whole City**

Use the rubric to evaluate the remaining 43 neighborhoods, using 2024 data, and post on the dashboard.

8. **Hold Town Hall:**

Hold an open town hall to present the plan and share baseline scores. Invite all community councils and CDCs..

9. **Committee Review:**

Present findings at a Healthy Neighborhoods Committee meeting for refinement and endorsement.

10. **Council Approval:**

Submit the final rubric and process to City Council.

11. **Conduct Full Evaluation (by Dec. 2025):**

Use 2025 data to rate all 52 neighborhoods with the approved rubric.

12. **Publish and Notify:**

Post final results on the new or improved dashboard and inform all community councils and CDCs.

13. **Provide Support for Low-Scoring Areas:**

Assign City experts to help neighborhoods that miss benchmarks develop improvement plans.

14. **Conduct Public Forums:**

Host two open town halls annually to review results, set future goals, and discuss Connected Communities updates.