

Mandate

To respond to the public health emergency with respect to COVID-19 or its negative economic impacts for programs or services that benefit populations, households, or geographic areas disproportionately impacted by the COVID-19 public health emergency, focusing on programs or services that address housing insecurity, lack of affordable housing, or homelessness.

Strategic Pillars

Expand Capacity	Stabilize Existing Affordable Housing	Strengthen the Safety Net	Ensure Access and Equity
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase access to flexible capital sources and allow innovation to reduce cost • Align critical infrastructure investments with housing investments • Increase new supply of affordable housing (rental and ownership) • Purchase land and property to secure for later development • System changes/regulatory framework to expand capacity 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Keep people housed through investments in emergency rental assistance and mortgage programs to be available long-term • Enhance Market stability by purchasing and preserving existing affordable housing supply (rental and ownership) • Use policies/covenants and other tools to ensure long-term affordability 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Invest in solutions for housing insecurity and instability to prevent people from entering the cycle of homelessness • Invest in transition planning and services (systems shouldn't be able to discharge people into homelessness). • Invest in homelessness resolution for those who are experiencing it today with vouchers and transitional and long-term housing options • Overcome the long-term detrimental effects of homelessness and integration with other safety net systems and other supportive services. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prioritize historically disproportionately affected households and communities for investment • Invest in statewide housing needs assessment and strategy to evaluate and respond to housing inequities • Promote equitable access to homeownership and rental housing through: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Inclusionary policies ○ Innovative and creative tools for affordable, accessible homeownership, including loans ○ Land trusts and land-banking, economic coops, protection of renter/tenants, ○ Expansion of flexible rental vouchers and subsidies

FOUNDATION

Housing is defined as access to affordable, safe, and attainable housing for all, via rental or home ownership, in order to prevent homelessness and housing instability and allows all community members to thrive. When homelessness and housing instability are unavoidable, ensure there are systems in place to make the experience rare, one-time, brief, and quickly resolvable. Solutions to be proposed to the Affordable Housing Transformational Task Force, and ultimately the General Assembly, will be policy or funding oriented.