

2025 Policy Priorities

Everyone should be able to live in an affordable home in a community of their choice. As we have increasingly seen the nation's housing stock be outpaced by demand, we learned that where someone lives is a holistic matter with social, economic and health implications. Housing Partnership Network (HPN) is a collaborative of mission-driven organizations who believe that housing is the foundation for a healthy community. HPN works across the spectrum of affordable housing needs from preventing homelessness to producing rental housing and providing for homeownership opportunities. We respond to community needs in urban, suburban, and rural areas. Realizing that physical housing is only one part of home, we are committed to creating thriving neighborhoods. To ensure that all people have a home they can afford, we believe that Congress can take the following actions to pass bipartisan legislation and strengthen proven programs.

Tax

- Expand and strengthen the Low-Income Housing Tax Credit. Since its inception in 1986, LIHTC has financed the development of 3.8 million affordable rental homes.
- Advocate for the permanence and expansion of the New Markets Tax Credit. The NMTC program incentivizes economic and community development in underserved areas, including financing for affordable homeownership.
- Support the creation of the Neighborhood Homes Investment Act to help finance the development and rehabilitation of single-family homes.

Appropriations

- Protect funding for the CDFI Fund and its critical programs. CDFIs finance hundreds of thousands of affordable housing units every year.
- Maintain level funding or increase resources for HUD programs including: the Community Development Block Grant, HOME Investment Partnerships Program, rental assistance and Housing Counseling. These programs provide critical resources directly to local communities to address their housing challenges.
- Support USDA Rural Housing Programs.

Regulation

- Require the Federal Home Loan Banks to invest more in affordable housing.
- Provide the Secretaries of HUD, USDA and Treasury with statutory authority to waive certain regulatory requirements for programs that support the production, preservation and operation of affordable housing and to streamline reporting requirements in affordable housing deals that layer multiple sources of federal funding.