



Housing and Community Development Annual Report Fiscal Year 2026

This year marked significant milestones in our collective efforts to expand housing opportunities and serve Raleigh residents. Together with our partners, we advanced a comprehensive strategy to increase affordable housing, support homeownership, preserve existing homes, and address housing needs across our community.

We produced and preserved 793 affordable rental homes this fiscal year, contributing to more than 5,800 affordable homes over the past decade. We also supported 76 first-time homebuyers and financed repairs for 46 homes owned and occupied by residents with low incomes. Through these programs, we are helping residents achieve their dreams of homeownership, while ensuring longtime homeowners can remain in the places and communities many have called home for years.

We completed the first update to Raleigh's Affordable Housing Plan in nearly ten years. *A Home for Every Neighbor* sets three core goals: increase the supply of affordable housing, improve affordability across the overall housing market, and end and prevent homelessness.

Our homelessness response efforts brought important progress. One year into the Unsheltered Homelessness Response Pilot, 90% of participants are no longer sleeping outdoors. The Care Navigation Team connected more than 33 households with housing solutions and services. Partnerships with local nonprofits helped more than 300 households stay housed or find new homes, including over 170 households that were rehoused or diverted from entering homelessness.

These accomplishments reflect the commitment of the Housing and Community Development Department and our partners to meeting Raleigh's housing needs and furthering our mission to increase the supply of safe, stable and affordable housing and end and prevent homelessness. Housing stability supports people's health, education, employment, and ability to plan for the future. As Raleigh grows, we remain dedicated to building a community where every resident has a place to call home.

Thank you to our staff, partners, community organizations, and residents who make this work possible. We are proud of what we achieved together this year and look forward to continuing to serve Raleigh residents in the year ahead.

In partnership,
Emila Sutton, Director, Housing & Community Development

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By the Numbers



2,900

Affordable housing units in the pipeline using City funding

669

New affordable rental units completed with City funding

124

Affordable rental units preserved with City funding

76

First-time homebuyers assisted with home purchase

46

Homeowners assisted with home repairs

33

People experiencing housing instability supported through Care Navigation

80

Households provided with eviction diversion support through Campbell Law School

227

Households supported through Homelessness Prevention, Diversion, and Rapid Exit

4,275

Total responses to code enforcement complaints

11,917

Total code enforcement inspections completed

225

Structures brought into code compliance through rehabilitation

128

Rentals from the tool library

VISION: A Raleigh where all residents have a safe, stable, and affordable place to call home.

MISSION: The City of Raleigh Housing and Community Development Department strives to increase the supply of safe, stable, and affordable housing and actively end and prevent homelessness.

