# Housing Plans at a Glance

## Purpose & Use of This Resource

This handout provides background on the City's housing priorities and regional homelessness response efforts. It is intended to help applicants understand how their existing services may contribute to housing stability and homelessness prevention, and to provide context for the additional housing-related questions in the HSG application.

**The questions help the City better understand connections between HSG services and broader housing priorities. They do not establish new eligibility requirements, additional scoring criteria, or a funding preference for housing-related programs.**

## Housing Plans & Initiatives

- **A Home for Every Neighbor (2026–2030 Affordable Housing Plan).** The City's affordable housing strategy, including the need for affordable housing, priorities for action, and approaches to preventing and ending homelessness.
- **2026–2030 Consolidated Plan.** The City's federally required five-year framework for CDBG, HOME, and ESG resources. It identifies priority needs and goals, including affordable housing, homelessness prevention, and housing stabilization services.
- **Wake at Home.** A countywide homelessness response initiative led by the Wake County Continuum of Care, with participation from local governments and service providers. Its work emphasizes housing connections, rapid resolution, and coordination across systems.

## Shared Housing Priorities & Approaches

- Increase access to affordable housing, including options for households with very low incomes.
- Prevent and reduce homelessness and help households obtain or maintain stable housing.
- Connect housing assistance with appropriate supportive services and collaboration among community partners.
- Coordinate with the Wake County Continuum of Care and other housing and human services providers where relevant.

## Reflected Housing Approaches

The City's housing plans and regional homelessness response efforts identify several approaches to preventing homelessness, helping residents obtain housing, and promoting long-term housing stability. These include:

- **Homelessness prevention:** Helping households address housing crises before they result in homelessness, including eviction prevention, emergency assistance, and connections to supportive resources.
- **Rapid resolution and housing placement:** Helping individuals and families experiencing homelessness identify immediate housing solutions and connect with available housing opportunities.
- **Housing stabilization and supportive services:** Helping residents maintain housing through case management, referrals, and connections to services addressing barriers to housing stability.

- **Coordination across providers:** Strengthening referrals, partnerships, and service coordination to connect residents with appropriate resources and reduce unnecessary duplication.

These approaches are examples of strategies reflected in the plans, not required service models or separate scoring criteria for HSG applicants.

## Relationship with HSG Application

Applicants whose programs help residents prevent homelessness or housing instability, or find and keep stable housing, answer application questions C.20–C.23 for the housing-related portion of their program. Programs without a housing component skip this section.

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| **C.20 — Housing stability focus** | **Identify the type of housing-related assistance provided.** |
| **C.21 — Housing results** | Describe expected results, target numbers, timeframe, and how progress will be measured. |
| **C.22 — Basis for the approach** | Describe why the approach is expected to work, drawing on program experience, relevant practice, or other available information. Formal research citations are not required. |
| **C.23 — Coordination** | Explain collaboration, referrals, or complementary roles with other housing and homelessness providers. |

These answers inform review under existing goals/objectives and collaboration criteria; they do not create new point categories. Reviewers assess housing and non-housing programs under the same scoring framework.

## Housing-Related Programs

Plain-language ways to connect your program to the plans: describe a measurable housing result such as households that stay housed or avoid eviction, say what shows your approach works, and explain how you work with other housing providers and the Continuum of Care. You do not need to quote the plans.

For complete details, consult the plans themselves and the FY 2027-28 Human Services Agency Funding Guidelines.