



SUMMER ANNUAL MEETING

July 28, 2022

Statewide Association of Community and Economic Development Organizations

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AGENDA

- Welcome
- Working with USDA
- Break
- State of Housing in Ohio Forum

WORKING WITH USDA

- Jonathan McCracken, USDA State Director (Ohio)



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Jonathan McCracken, State Director

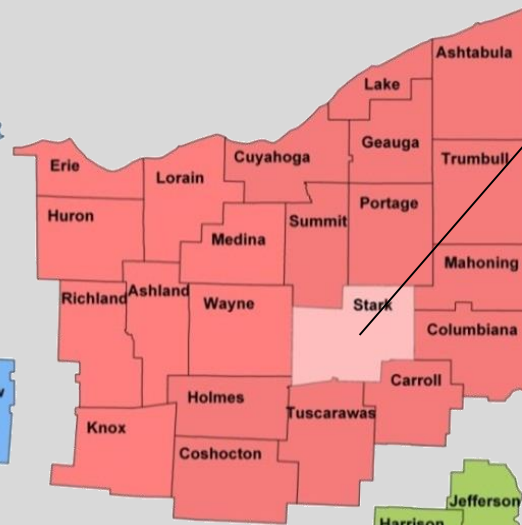
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USDA Ohio Rural Development Office Locations

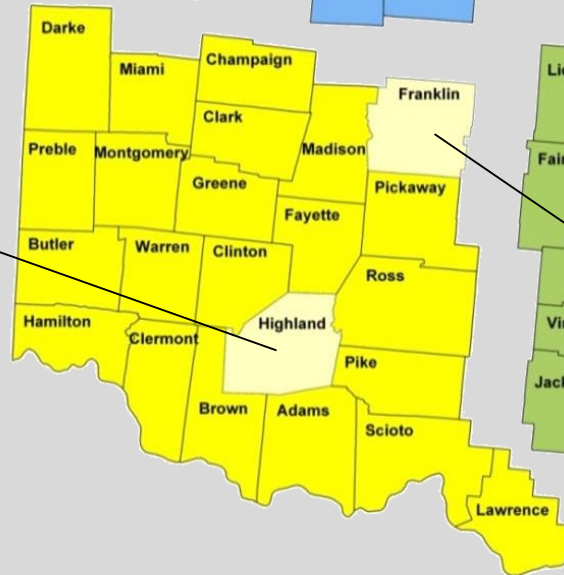
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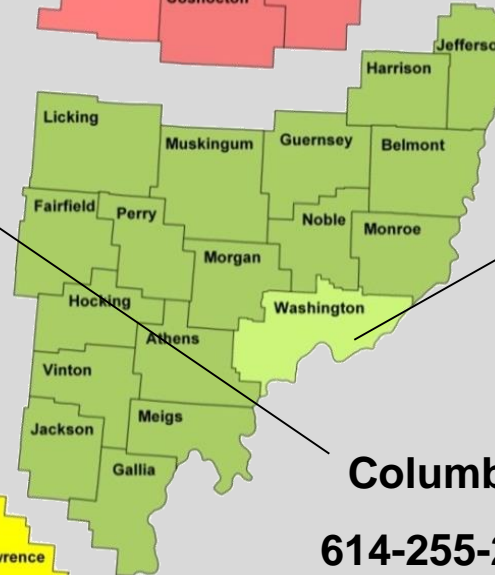
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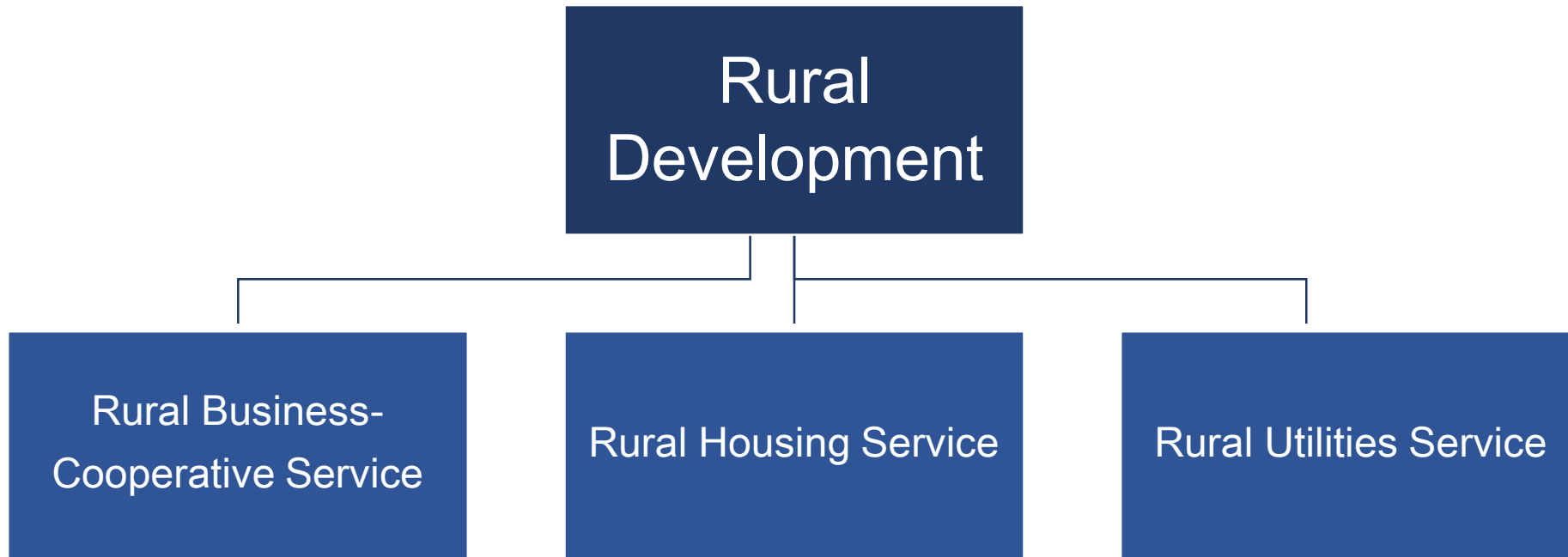


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USDA Rural Development



Rural Business-Cooperative Service

Rural Business-Cooperative Service (RBS) Programs

- Rural Business Development Grant
- Intermediary Relending Program
- Rural Microentrepreneur Assistance Program
- Business & Industry Loan Guarantee Program
- Food Supply Chain Guaranteed Program
- Rural Energy for America Program



Other Business Programs

- Agricultural Innovation Center Program
- Bio Preferred Program
- Meat and Poultry Processing Expansion Program (MPPEP)
- Rural Innovation Stronger Economy Program (RISE)
- Value Added Producer Grants (VAPG)
- Socially-Disadvantaged Group Grants (SDGG)
- Higher Blends Infrastructure Incentive Program
- Rural Business Investment Program (RBIP)
- Rural Cooperative Development Grants (RCDG)

Please refer to the link below for the above programs:

<https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/business-programs>

Business & Industry Loan Guarantees

- Convert, enlarge, repair, modernize, or develop business
- Purchase and develop land, easements, rights-of-way, buildings, or facilities
- Purchase equipment, machinery, supplies, or inventory
- Refinance when new jobs will be created, and other conditions are met



Rural Business Development Grant (RBDG)

- Competitive grant designed to support targeted technical assistance, training, and other activities leading to the development or expansion of small and emerging private businesses in rural areas with fewer than 50 employees and less than \$1 million in gross revenue
- Program activities are separated into enterprise or opportunity grant activities.



Eligible Applicants



- Rural Public Entities
- Towns
- Communities
- State Agencies
- Authorities
- Nonprofit Corporations
- Institutions of Higher Education
- Federally–recognized Tribes
- Rural Cooperatives

Examples of Enterprise / Opportunity Grant Uses

- Feasibility study for a new campus district
- Equipment for a kitchen incubator
- Pay a consultant for technical assistance to assist Rural Business owners
- Revolving loan fund
- Computer equipment to assist with technical assistance
- A roadway for an industrial park



Energy Programs

- Advanced Biofuel Payment Program
- Biorefinery, Renewable Chemical, and Biobased Product Manufacturing Assistance Program
- Repowering Assistance Program
- Rural Energy for America Program (REAP)
- Energy Audits & Renewable Energy Development Grants
- Renewable Energy Systems & Energy Efficiency Improvement Loans & Grants





REAP

- Install energy efficient lighting
- Upgrade refrigeration systems
- Improve insulation, duct work, windows, and other building upgrades
- Lower heating and cooling costs with heating, ventilation, and air conditioning upgrades
- Install solar panels or wind turbines
- Purchase anaerobic digesters

Rural Housing Service (RHS)

A smiling firefighter, a Black man with glasses, stands in front of a fire truck. He is wearing a white t-shirt, yellow fire pants with black knee patches, and black suspenders. He holds a fire helmet in his right hand. The background is a blurred fire truck with red and white stripes.

Community Facilities Grant and Loan Program

- Hospitals, nursing homes, health clinics
- Schools and Daycares
- Libraries
- Fire houses, first responder vehicles and equipment
- Community centers, food banks, and more.
- Eligibility is communities under 20,000

A woman with glasses and a black shirt sits next to a young boy in a blue polo shirt and khaki shorts on a dark brown couch. They are in a living room with a white console table, a kitchen in the background, and a side table with a lamp. The text 'Single-Family Housing' is overlaid on the right side of the image.

Single-Family Housing

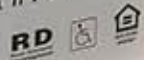
- No Down Payment
- 100 Percent Affordable Fixed Rate Financing
- Closing Costs and Repairs may be included
- No Prepayment Penalties

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**Multi-Family
Housing**

Single-Family Home Repair Loans and Grants

- Access for persons with disabilities
- Roofs and septic tanks
- Energy-saving upgrades, and more
- Grants available for homeowners 62 and older

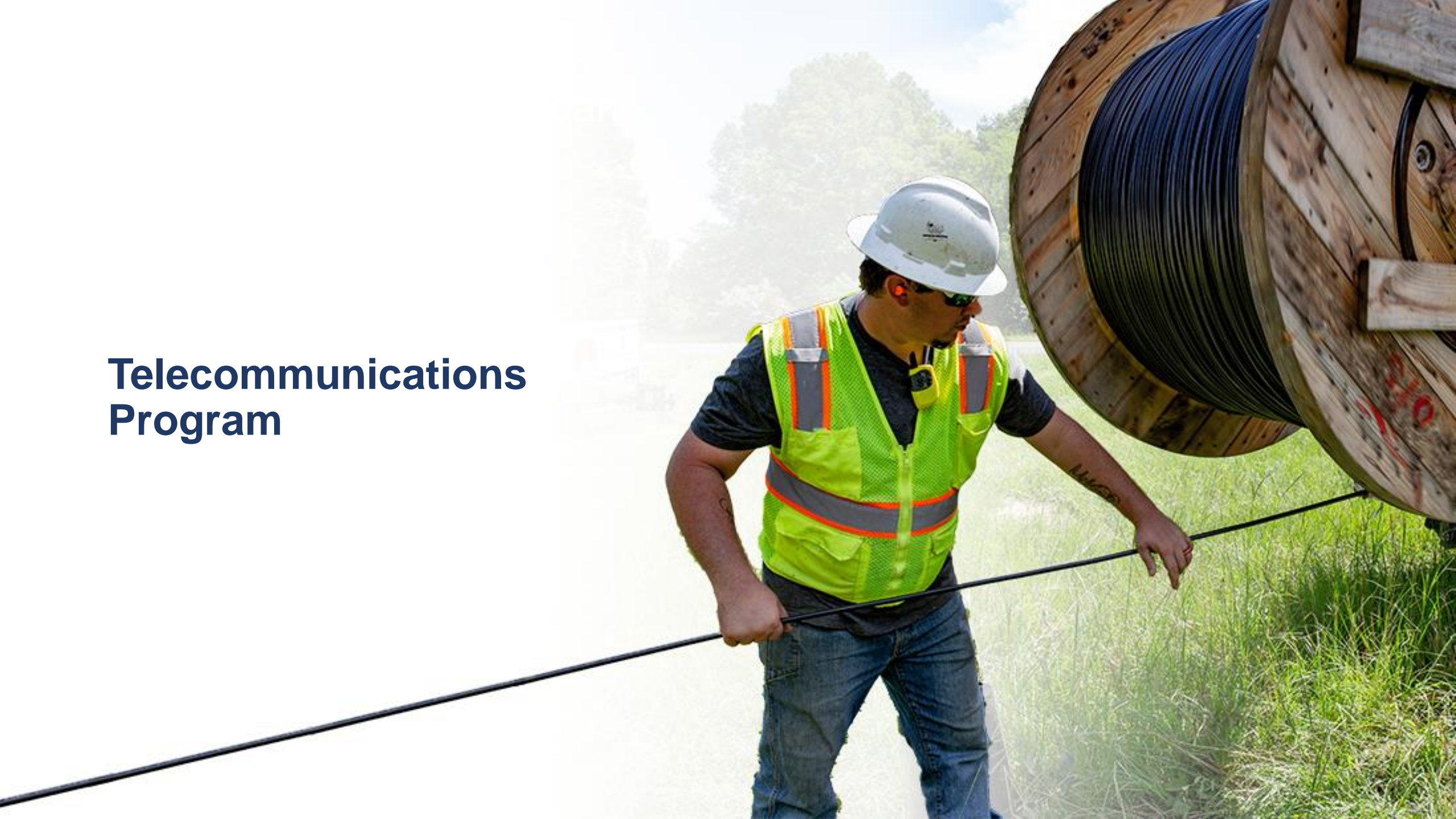


Rural Utilities Service (RUS)



Electric Program

Telecommunications Program





Water and Waste Disposal Loans and Grants

- Improve infrastructure
- Support public health and safety or
- Promote economic development.
- Grants, loans, loan guarantees, TA
- Under 10,000 in population

Contact Information

Assistance under USDA Rural Development programs is available to applicants in areas designated as “rural.” Under law, the definition of “rural area” is different for each program.

Have questions?

Ohio State Office
200 North High Street, Room 507
Columbus, Ohio 43215
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Or go to: www.rd.usda.gov/oh

Or call (800) 670-6553 (toll free)

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15-Minute Break
Next Session begins at
10:45 a.m.

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STATE OF HOUSING IN OHIO FORUM

- Ashley Reynolds, Special Projects Coordinator,
Ohio Department of Development
- Megan Meadows, Chief, Community Services
Division, Ohio Department of Development



Community Forum on Housing and Homelessness



Department of
Development

Community Forum Expectations

**Listen respectfully,
without interrupting.**

**Criticize ideas, not
individuals.**

**Allow everyone the
chance to speak.**

**Avoid assumptions
and generalizations.**

**We are accountable
for our words and
their impact.**

**Personal information
should be kept
confidential.**



Barriers to Housing

What are the biggest barriers in your region for those that are not permanently housed?



Interconnectivity

Housing can be an interconnected topic, impacted by mental health, transportation, education, healthcare, and employment. Are there any specific topics that are contributing directly to the housing needs in your area?



Barriers to Housing Stock

What do you see as the biggest barrier to increasing housing stock in your region? Ex: zoning laws, community buy-in/NIMBYism, multifamily development, blight, etc.



Landlord Participation

- What does landlord outreach look like in your region?
- What subsidy programs do landlords in your region participate in?
- If most landlords in your region do not participate in such programs, what efforts have been undertaken to increase participation?



Best Practices

Are there any highlights or best practices in your region related to housing?



Housing Priorities

If money were not a factor,
what actions or projects
would you prioritize to
improve housing access
and stock in your region?



Funding Barriers

What barriers do you face in accessing or spending funds from the federal, state, and local government?



*THANK
YOU*

Questions/
Comments

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Close of Summer Meeting

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**Thank you for attending Day 2 of the OCCLD
Summer Annual Meeting.**

**You will receive a separate email later today for
the virtual HUD and ODOD Breakouts
scheduled for Friday, July 29, 2022**