



Fair Housing Task Force Presentation

February 1, 2021



Past Accomplishments + Review and Commentary

El Paso Regional Housing Plan

- The FHTF provided input on the El Paso Regional Housing Plan regarding increasing affordable housing options and will be participating in the Joint Housing Task Force Fair Housing and Social Justice Working Group.

2) 5-Year Consolidated Plan

- The FHTF participated in distribution and collection of the community needs survey informing both the AI and Consolidated Plan.

3) Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice

- In addition to the survey work, the FHTF provided critical information for the action plan to increase access to fair housing choice for all El Pasoans, including amending the Fair Housing Ordinance to include protections for individuals identifying as LGBTQ.

COVID 19 Impact

- The FHTF has adapted to functioning under stay at home orders and will be looking to continue new and improved processes beyond the pandemic.



More focused Agendas



Online Meetings



External Presenters

COVID 19 Impact

- The FHTF will also be tracking eviction cases as moratoria expire to ensure equity across the community, and is prepared to work with staff to make recommendations should inequities become apparent.



Rapid Rehousing



Community Awareness



Advocacy



Fair Housing Ordinance Protection for LGBTQ individuals

Purpose: The Fair Housing Act contemplates that, across the country, state and local governments will enact and enforce their own statutes and ordinances that are substantially equivalent to the Fair Housing Act.

“To bring about through fair, orderly and lawful procedures, the opportunity of each person to obtain housing without regard to *race, color, creed, religion, sex, national origin, disability, marital status, familial status, sexual orientation, gender identity, age, or source of income.*” – *City of Austin*

Priorities + Goals for Task Force Members

- Prioritize housing as a *human right* in order to implement *fair housing as an economic equity issue*.
- Address quality housing for those experiencing *homelessness* and directly impacted by *COVID-19*.
- Promote widespread community understanding of *fair housing and available resources*.
- Leverage ex-officio members identified in the Task Force Charter.



2021 Fair Housing Task Force Goals

- ***Expand stakeholder involvement***, including coordination with City Council Representatives and ex-officio members.
- Identify affordable housing resources to ***increase housing stock***.
- Implement a communications strategy to provide awareness and dispel falsehoods about affordable housing, and ***combat (Not In My Back Yard) NIMBYism***.



Mission

Deliver exceptional services to support a high quality of life and place for our community



Vision

Develop a vibrant regional economy, safe and beautiful neighborhoods and exceptional recreational, cultural and educational opportunities powered by a high performing government



Values

Integrity, Respect, Excellence, Accountability, People



Misión

Brindar servicios excepcionales para respaldar una vida y un lugar de alta calidad para nuestra comunidad



Visión

Desarrollar una economía regional vibrante, vecindarios seguros y hermosos y oportunidades recreativas, culturales y educativas excepcionales impulsadas por un gobierno de alto desempeño



Valores

Integridad, Respeto, Excelencia, Responsabilidad, Personas