



DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING

**Self-assessment – Housing Visioning**

1. Have you developed a vision for housing in your community? If so, what is it? Does it include a vision for affordable housing?
2. Have you engaged your stakeholders in a discussion about housing in your community? If so, who are the stakeholders?
3. Does your comprehensive plan include a housing element?
4. Does your housing vision or comprehensive plan address the provision of workforce housing?
4. Have you incorporated housing, one of the 12 visions the Land Use Article requires, into your previous comprehensive plans? How?
5. When planning for housing in your jurisdiction, have you considered fair housing laws?
6. When considering housing in your community, have you accounted for a regional perspective, including economic, transportation, and labor market impacts? Have you considered how your local housing needs fit into the larger regional housing market?
7. Do you have a local department or division dedicated to housing development and needs?
8. Have you consulted the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) plans and programs, such as the Consolidated Plan and Single Family/Multi Family residential financing programs?
9. Have you researched how neighboring jurisdictions are planning for housing? Have you engaged them in a housing discussion?
10. Do your comprehensive plan or other planning documents include goals and objectives for housing? What about housing diversity and housing for all residents?
11. Do your comprehensive plan or other planning documents include goals and objectives for affordable, workforce, and low-income housing?
12. Does your local housing market enable the development of naturally occurring affordable housing, that which is not subsidized or incentivized (e.g., tax credits)?
13. Does your local housing market include subsidized or income restricted housing?
14. Have you considered the needs of housing for your population of senior residents?
15. Have you considered the needs of housing for your population of persons experiencing homelessness?
16. Do you consider housing planning in the context of other planning areas, such as transportation and economic/community development? For example, have you considered opportunities for affordable housing in the context of Transit Oriented Development.
17. Have you engaged partners, such as local and regional community development corporations and employers, in a discussion about housing needs in your jurisdiction?
18. Have you considered housing needs in your community for both the existing housing stock and future residential development?