

# Washtenaw County Office of Community & Economic Development

## Affordable Housing/Equity Leadership Team Work Plan 2016

OBJECTIVE: Achieve regional equity balance (skills, education, and housing) to help ensure Washtenaw County is positioned for economic growth.

### All Communities

- Platt Road advocacy for inclusion of affordable housing
- Inventory/analyze publicly-owned land for potential for opportunity units in Ann Arbor and Pittsfield Township, and for economic development and market-rate units in Ypsilanti and Ypsilanti Township
- Advocate for state legislative changes to allow for inclusionary zoning, performance zoning and fee-in-lieu options

### Washtenaw County

- Develop a process to evaluate all county investments through an equity lens
- Consider/analyze ability to provide land bank functionality for demand and supply strategies
- Hold vote on Platt Road site disposition
- Publish 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Affordable Housing Progress Report

### City of Ann Arbor – goal of 140 units/year

- Consider various means to increase funding of Ann Arbor Affordable Housing Trust Fund
- Adopt revised zoning ordinance allowing ADUs

### Pittsfield Township – goal of 17 units/year

- Consider Payment In Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) policy
- Complete Charrette for Packard/Carpenter and State Street to include focus on mixed-income housing

### Ypsilanti Township – goal of 140 households/year

- Continue/Increase funding for neighborhood stabilization
- Consider expanding rental inspection program to all rentals
- Implement non-motorized plan improvements & amenities

### City of Ypsilanti – goal of 69 households/year

- Creation and Adoption of property disposition strategy
- Adoption and implementation of Neighborhood Enterprise Zone (with grant support)
- Restoration of Amtrak service
- Support of YHC rehabilitation of all existing units

### OCED research

- Role Community Benefits Agreements (CBA) can play in affordable housing
- Research appropriate payment for fee-in-lieu options once available
- Continue work with MML and MAP on potential for legislative changes

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