

# Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE January 8, 2024

TO Honorable Chair and Members of the Ad Hoc Committee on Legislative Affairs

SUBJECT **Housing and Homelessness Committee Solutions Proposed 2025 Legislative Priorities**

As the City of Dallas prepares for the 89th Texas Legislature and 119th Congress, both set to convene in 2025, the Housing and Homelessness Solutions Committee worked with the Office of Government Affairs and stakeholders to develop the City's legislative programs for consideration by the City Council.

Preliminary legislative priorities pertaining to housing and the unsheltered include:

- Preserve owner prosperity for the elderly in rapidly developing communities. **(State)**
- Protect rental subsidies from landlord discrimination. **(State)**
- Support tenant protections, including a right to cure, throughout the eviction process. **(State)**
- Remove barriers to growing the housing stock, including availability of condos. **(State)**
- Continue expanding funding for the Community Development Block Grant Program and the HOME Investment Partnerships Program **(Federal)**
- Expand the Low-Income Housing Tax Credit Program to include blight remediation **(Federal)**
- Enhance Point-in-Time standards on number of hours to search to ensure homeless threshold is accurately reflected **(Federal)**
- Seek funding for homelessness services, including cost recovery for unsheltered services provided by certain municipalities. **(Both)**

In addition to the items above, we urge legislative efforts include maintaining existing funding streams at both the state and federal levels.

We understand additional items may arise between now and the start of the next legislative session, and we understand City Councilmembers can bring forward items as desired through the Ad Hoc Committee on Legislative Affairs at any time.

Should you have any questions or comments please contact Carrie Rogers, Director of Government Affairs, at [Carrie.Rogers@dallas.gov](mailto:Carrie.Rogers@dallas.gov).

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Sincerely,



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