Housing Recovery Board Work Planning

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People and the Environment

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The City established four temporary Helene Recovery Boards to support recovery efforts from the storm.

- The Recovery Boards had their initial convening on November 4, 2025.
- The Housing Recovery Board convened December 3, 2025.
- The Recovery Boards will hold regularly scheduled meetings until June 30, 2027 based on alignment with city priorities and work plans.

Housing Recovery Board Scope

- Provides input to City Council on policy recommendations that advance post-disaster housing stability efforts.
- Provides input to City Council on policy recommendations that support temporary and permanent housing solutions for displaced residents.
- Provides input to City Council on policy recommendations that support the development of strategies to proactively address future displacement events.
- Supports City Council by helping residents navigate post-disaster housing challenges by communicating resources and funding opportunities through each member's respective networks.

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Housing Recovery Board - Impact to Date

Provides input to City Council on policy recommendations that advance post-disaster housing stability efforts.

- **Advised on Prioritization for the Renew NC Program,** which led to priority parameters within the City of Asheville for the Renew NC Single-Family Home Reconstruction & Repair Program.

Provides input to City Council on policy recommendations that support the development of strategies to proactively address future displacement events.

- **Provided Support for Affordable Multi-Family Housing Investments,** which led to the award of $17.89M in CDBG-DR funds for 331 affordable units to help mitigate future housing crises.

Provides input to City Council on policy recommendations that support temporary and permanent housing solutions for displaced residents.

- **Provided Input and Feedback to the Housing and Community Development Committee (HCD) & City Council on Reallocation for Home Repair Program,** which resulted in the reallocation of CDBG-DR Infrastructure and Affordable Multi-Family Housing funds to the Renew NC Single-Family program.

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Housing Recovery Board Work Plan: up next

To continue to understand Helene's impact on housing instability, we will hear from three critical sources on unmet needs for recovery.

- **First, FEMA disaster data** provides overview of impacts and damage assessments for homeowner and rental households.
- **Second, the Buncombe County Long Term Recovery Group (LTRG)** shares their data and offers on-the-ground qualitative insights on recovery needs.
- **In October, the Continuum of Care (CoC) Point-in-Time (PIT) count and CoC Strategic Plan** identifies needs among our unhoused individuals and families and strategies identified to meet those needs.

August:
FEMA Data

August:
LTRG

October:
CoC PIT

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CDBG-DR Housing Programs, Staff Work Plan: up next

Implement approved CDBG-DR housing investments; continue to move forward with remaining funding considerations.

- **Implement CDBG-DR multi-family housing investments.** NCHFA will announce tax credit awards in August, and funding partners have indicated their goal to finalize agreements this calendar year.
- **Implement additional funding to Renew NC.** Ongoing communication and coordination to support Renew NC.
- ***In development: Housing & Economic Security Support Services Funding ($2M).*** *Staff is developing the approach to this program and will engage the Housing Recovery Board. Seeking to build upon insights gained from unmet needs analysis and work with Housing Recovery Board and CoC to finalize priorities for this funding opportunity.*

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Questions?

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