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## Housing Analysis in Oregon

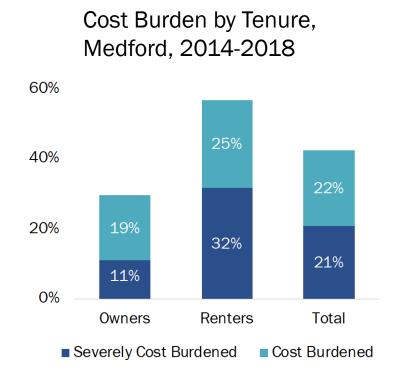
The Department of Land Conservation and Development (DLCD) illustrates the Goal 10 framework as follows:



Source: DLCD, HB 2003 Webinar, September 9, 2021

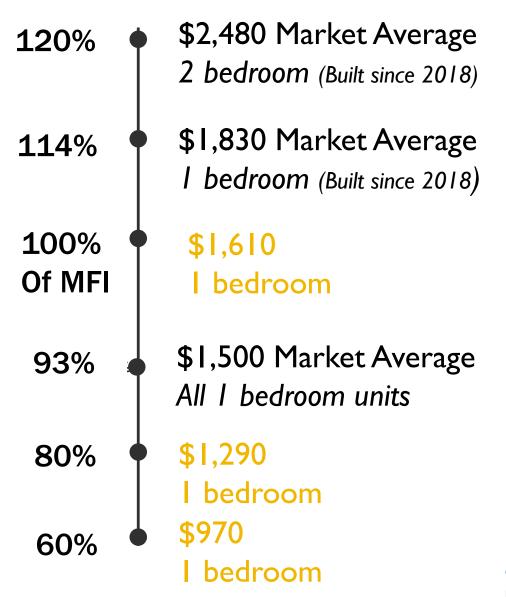
## Why should a City Conduct an HPS?

- Need for affordable housing is enormous across Oregon
- Build on efforts to meet the city's housing needs
  - Recent Housing Needs Analysis or other housing policy work
- The city is required to develop an HPS
  - OAR 660-008 describes the requirements of an HPS, starting with OAR 660-008-0050



Source: 2014-2018 American Community Survey, U.S. Census

## The market builds high-end housing



#### Example from Gresham

Rents in Gresham have not typically been high enough to support new market-rate construction.

That may be changing with development like Alta Civic Station.

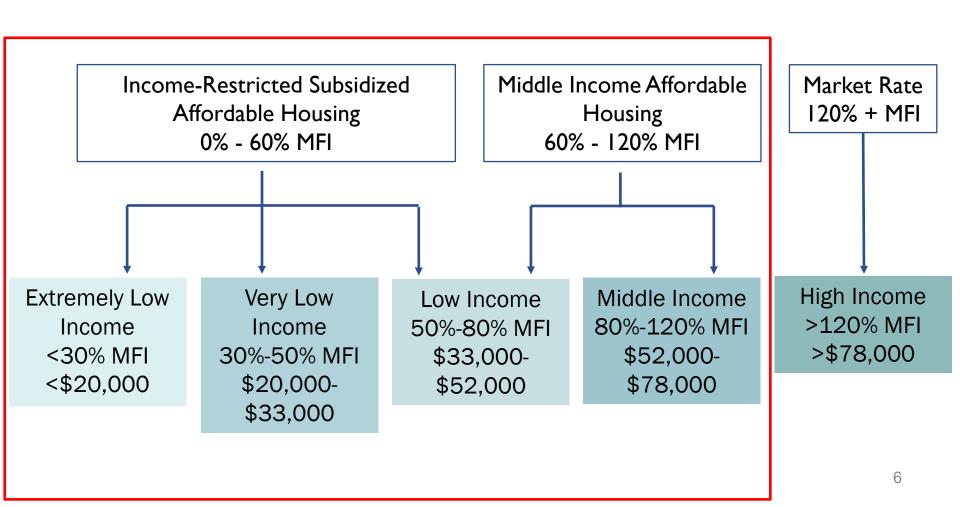
For the market rents (in black), information is based on Co-Star for the Portland Region and includes \$150 per month in utilities for a 2 bedroom unit and \$100 per month in utilities for a 1 bedroom unit.

## What is Housing Need?

- Need for buildable land to accommodate housing development (determined in the HCA)
- Housing that is affordable based on income
  - Access to housing where housing costs are less than 30% of a households' gross income
    - HUD standard that does not account for wealth, debts, special costs
- Access to housing that meets the unique needs of a household
  - Size and household composition
  - Location relative to work and school, "high opportunity" areas
  - Characteristics of unit and neighborhood
  - Access without discrimination (Fair Housing)

## Housing Affordability by Income Levels

The housing market cannot produce income-restricted, subsidized affordable housing and often does not produce middle income affordable housing without subsidy.



#### A Housing Production Strategy is...

Contextualizing
Housing Need:
What is Medford's
future housing
need



Stakeholder engagement, especially of protected classes

...a 6 or 8 year action plan that identifies strategies to meet the city's housing needs, both in the nearterm and strategies that will play out over the long-term.

Develop
strategies to
meet future
housing need



Evaluation of all strategies to achieve fair and equitable housing outcomes

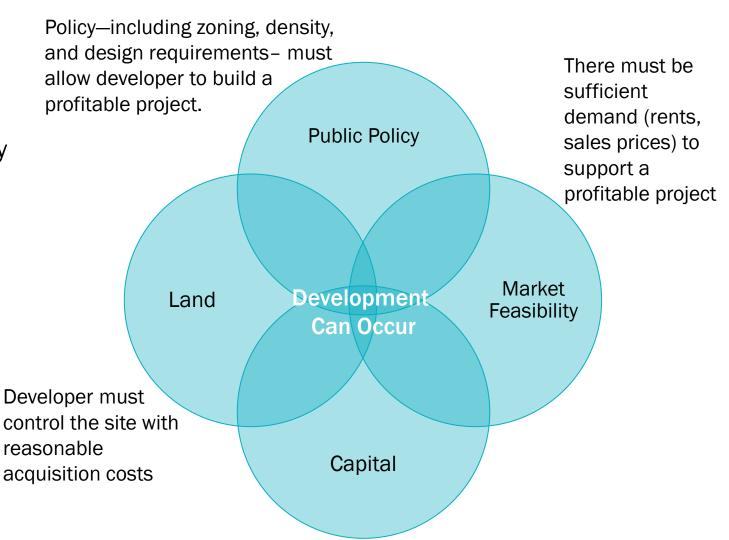


Housing Production Strategy Report with policies or actions that the City will implement

# What is a city's role housing development?

Cities can directly influence public policy, land, and infrastructure.

Cities may have limited influence on market feasibility



Developer must be able to access resources for investment (e.g., equity investment, bank loans)

## Develop Strategies to Meet Future Housing Need

#### Types of Strategies to Support Housing Production



Produce Informational Resources



Partner to
Leverage Efforts
and Resources



Remove Regulatory Barriers



Waive or Reduce Upfront or Ongoing Charges on Development



Allocate Funding



Land
Acquisition and
Disposition

Less Impactful

More Impactful

#### How to support dev. of housing that is affordable?

- Many approaches to addressing unmet housing need:
  - Supporting development of income-restricted housing
  - Support attainability of homeownership affordable to lower-income households
  - Preservation & rehabilitation of existing affordable housing, avoiding displacement
  - Identifying funding sources to support development of affordable housing
  - Regulatory and other changes
  - And other approaches
- Each city will have to identify solutions to address its housing needs (part of developing the housing production strategy)

## The City's Commitments with the HPS

- For strategies identified in the final HPS, cities are expected to:
  - Commit to trying to implement each strategy
  - Be required to update DLCD on implementation progress, and be required to comment on its effectiveness in the future
- Monitor housing production, especially that resulting from the strategies in the HPS
- Strategies not identified in the HPS may still be implemented by the city

## Experience with HPS

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