

Fix housing, fix the economy

Minnesota Housing Policy Work Group Talking Points

Vision Statement: A stable and balanced housing market is fundamental to a strong economy, a stable workforce, and healthy, prosperous communities.

- Any economic stimulus package must include an infusion of new funding for housing.
- The foreclosure crisis revealed a broken housing market that failed to offer what people needed – a variety of housing options.
- There must be housing accessible to people of all income levels for the market to be stable and balanced.
- Economic vitality depends on a range of housing options.
 - Local businesses depend on a range of housing options for their employees.
 - Families depend on a range of housing options to address family size, income, work, school and transportation needs.
 - Children who grow up in stable, healthy housing are more successful in school, and are physically and socially healthier.
- Everyone benefits from a stable housing market and subsequently, a stable economy.