Overcoming Housing Barriers for Immigrants

In recent decades, the Twin Cities region has become a gateway to the U.S. for many immigrant families, but too many face significant and systemic barriers to finding and maintaining adequate and affordable housing. The Minnesota Budget Project, Minnesota Housing Partnership and University of Minnesota’s Center for Urban and Regional Affairs interviewed more than a dozen leaders from the Hmong, Latino and Somali communities to explore not only what BARRIERS exist, but also what RESOURCES and COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT strategies are needed to remedy their constituents’ housing challenges. Read the full report: bit.ly/MN-immigrant-housing

RESOURCES

FUNDING for cultural and community organizations

INVESTMENT in disinvested neighborhoods

Culturally relevant housing programs and resources

Educational workshops

Community support through word of mouth

Community Engagement

Community engagement

FOSTER TRUST

Be accountable & transparent

CO-CREATE instead of lead

Build community POWER

INCLUDE as staff and on boards

Priorities come from the GROUND UP

Residents are EXPERTS

LOCAL COMMUNITY

Organizations coming into community

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