

# Support the Linkage Fee for Affordable Homes



## LA Needs a Permanent Source of Funds for Building Affordable Homes.

Los Angeles faces an extreme housing crisis. Many Angelenos are caught between low wages and rising rents:

- 63,000 children in LA County schools are homeless.
- 250,000 seniors live on the verge of homelessness in the County.
- A third of renters pay over half their income on rent, making other necessities unaffordable.

Since 2010, **the City has lost 75% of its state and federal funding for affordable housing.**

In order to address the housing crisis, the City needs a stable source of funds.

## In Many Cities, Developers Help Build or Fund Affordable Homes.

More than 150 cities in California require developers to help fund affordable homes, including: Pasadena, West Hollywood, Santa Monica, San Diego, San Francisco, Sacramento, and San Jose.

The Affordable Housing or **Livable City Linkage Fee** would have developers pay to offset the additional need they are creating for affordable homes. It would establish a dedicated source of local funds to build affordable homes and make LA a Livable City.

## How Would This Be Different From Recent LA Housing Ballot Measures?

- Prop. HHH (Nov 2016) will build homes for people facing chronic homelessness.
- Measure H (March 2017) will fund primarily homeless services.
- The Livable City Linkage Fee addresses a **broader population** of seniors, families, youth, people with disabilities, and veterans who are struggling to afford a decent home, as well as people facing homelessness.
- With the two ballot measures, voters agreed to tax themselves to address the crisis. The Livable City Linkage Fee requires developers to contribute their fair share.

## How Will the Livable City Linkage Fee Funds Be Used?

- The funds will **build between 8,000 and 30,000 affordable homes** over the next 10 years, depending on the fee level.
- All funds will be tracked and monitored to ensure maximum accountability and transparency.

## Who supports the Livable City Linkage Fee?

A growing coalition of faith, senior, community and developer organizations including:



### Help Make LA a Livable City for Everyone!

My organization wants to join the campaign to create more affordable homes in LA!

**Organization**

**Address**

**City, State, Zip**

**Contact Name**

**Phone**

**Email**

We will also help in the following ways:

Collect endorsements from other community leaders, organizations, and businesses in the City:

Attend a hearing:

Reach out to our LA City Council member

**Send your completed endorsement form to:**

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