How do we build affordable housing for it to be able to fix housing issue costs in certain areas in Santa Rosa?

INTERVIEW WITH MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY

Family of 5 Single mother 3 jobs Single mother Two children 2 jobs

EXISTING CONDITIONS

• Population growth; the city has a projected growth of 9% by 2025

• Overcrowding; over 10,000 housing units are over crowded with severely impacted units doubling from 1% to 2% from 2010 to 2019

• Overpaying;40.6 percent of all households in Santa Rosa payed more than 30% of monthly income on housing which is considered overpaying

• Single family homes make up the majority of housing in santa rosa making up 66.8% of all housing in santa rosa.

CASE STUDIES

There is a similar situation that is happening in atlanta.

They added new housing supply which would increase affordability. A battle has been raging over amendments to the current zoning ordinance that would allow for a greater variety of housing choices – such as accessory dwelling units (think garage apartments or in-law suites) – that would help bring more affordable housing choices in certain residential areas of the city.

Its very relevant to our problem because they have a similar population and are having the same problems that we are having in santa rosa.

LESSONS LEARNED

santa rosa is just being affected in high density housing but so are lot of other places with similar

population are being affected by the topic.

a lot goes into putting new apartments and new houses because there are so many laws and things you have to go through in order to build housing in certain places.

It is a long process to get approved for low income homes it can even take years to get approved for some

LONG TERM RECOMMENDATIONS

Get building permits to build more apartment in places like

- 3575 Mendocino avenue
- 888 Fourth Street



SHORT-TERM RECOMMENDATIONS

- Conversion of garages
- Help landowners have more affordable permits to build rentals on their backyards
- Incentive to promote the building of Accessory dwelling units







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