

# Regional Homelessness Forum on Housing

Wednesday, February 17, 2021



## Event Agenda

Feb. 17, 2021; 9:30-11:30 a.m.



Regional Collaborative on Homelessness



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### 1. Opening Plenary (15 minutes)

#### a. Welcome by Deb Sydenham, Urban Land Institute

##### a. Purpose of the Forum

To gather information from housing experts regarding challenges and opportunities in the region's ability to offer a variety of appropriate housing solutions for people experiencing homelessness and those at risk.

##### b. Overview of Outcomes

- Inform the development of regional strategies with the goal of reducing the numbers of people experiencing homelessness, increasing access to housing and services, and strengthening the safety net for those at risk of homelessness
- Ongoing discussion to vet the draft regional strategies and plan for implementation

##### c. Overview of Event by Dr. Linda Elliott Nelson, Arizona Town Hall

- Breakout session format
- Post-event survey

### 2. Breakout Sessions (one hour, ten minutes)

#### a. What are the greatest strengths of the region in providing an array of housing options that could be used to address homelessness?

- Consider rentals: short-term and long-term, affordable housing, home ownership, and shelter and transitional housing.
- Consider also the roles of the private sector, nonprofit sector, and public sector in this work.

#### b. To what extent do barriers exist in expanding the locations of housing options? If so, describe specific examples and opportunities for overcoming those barriers (funding, partners, assets, incentives).

#### c. If you could ask regional and community leaders to take one action to address homelessness, what would it be?

### 3. Break (5 minutes)

### 4. Closing Plenary (30 minutes)

#### a. Report Out and Group Discussion

#### b. Closing comments by Deb Sydenham, Urban Land Institute