Targeted efforts to create and preserve dedicated affordable housing in resource-rich areas

overview

Many of the policy tools that cities, towns and counties use to create and preserve dedicated affordable housing can be targeted specifically to low-poverty areas that offer access to neighborhood resources like high-performing schools and reliable public transit service.

By focusing housing affordability programs on resource-rich areas, cities, towns, and counties can help ensure that low- and moderate-income households benefit from the same advantages and opportunities available to their higher-income peers. To be successful, such approaches must help affordable housing developers overcome the challenges of high land prices, competition from private developers, and other obstacles that make it difficult to develop affordable housing in resource-rich areas.