



A Community Conversation: Affordable Housing

**Saturday, February 6, 2016
9:30 a.m. to 1:15 p.m.
Takoma Park Community Center
7500 Maple Avenue, Takoma Park MD**

The first in a series of Community Conversations designed to provide participants with an opportunity to learn about current affordable housing trends, engage in a discussion about the City's approach to housing, and consider new ideas for addressing the issue of affordable housing in Takoma Park.

9:30 a.m. Welcome and Introductions

9:40 a.m. Panel Presentations

Overview of Takoma Park and the City's current housing programming
Sara Anne Daines, HCD Director, City of Takoma Park
Lisa Govoni, Research Planner, Montgomery County Planning Department
Mario Cristaldo and Rozanne Look, Organizers, City of Takoma Park

Renters Perspective on Housing in Takoma Park
Vineda Myers, Director of Housing Programs, CHEER

Landlords Perspective on Takoma Park's Housing Laws
Peter Aron, Takoma Park Landlord

Local Housing Market from a Realtor's Perspective
Dan Metcalf, Finn Family Group of Long & Foster, Realtors

The Non-Profit Model and Community Partnerships
Artie Harris, Vice President Real Estate, Montgomery Housing Partnership

A Regional Perspective - Housing Security in the Washington Region
Hilary Chapman, Housing Program Manager, Metropolitan Washington COG
Peter Tatian, Senior Fellow, Urban Land Institute

New Approaches and Ideas for Addressing Housing Needs
Chris Estes, President and CEO, National Housing Conference

11:00 a.m. Break

11:15 a.m. Small Group Discussions

Group A: Discussion of community priorities and affordable housing goals, current housing programs, and potential policy changes

Group B: Discussion of new approaches and ideas for housing, what might work in Takoma Park, and what do we want to try.

12:15 p.m. Setting Goals and Identifying Next Steps

What should be the goal of City's affordable housing policies?

What changes are necessary to advance these goals?

What new ideas should the City pursue in the upcoming three years?

1:00 p.m. Closing Remarks

Takoma Park Mayor and City Council Members

1:15 p.m. Adjourn

**All times are estimated.*

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