CALL FOR IDEAS

Round 1

As the Governor’s Task Force on Housing identifies and considers recommendations for securing Minnesota’s housing future, we want to hear from you. There is a wealth of expertise and knowledge in communities across Minnesota. Please share with the Task Force your best ideas on housing related to:

- Homeownership,
- Rental housing, or
- Housing stability for households with the lowest incomes or facing the largest barriers.

In April, we may hold a second call for ideas that will focus on specific topics, but for now, we are sending out a broad call for ideas.

If you have an idea on how to enhance and improve housing options and availability in Minnesota, please describe it in a 2 to 3 page overview (1,500 word maximum). For clarity and ease of review, we ask that you organize your submission by addressing the seven items/questions listed below. Please use each set of items/questions as section headers in your prepared document and submit it in either Word or PDF format.

Send your submission(s) for review by the Task Force to Merritt Clapp-Smith, Project Manager for the Governor’s Task Force on Housing, at merritt.clapp-smith@state.mn.us. Please attach your submission to the email. If you have any questions, contact Merritt by email or phone at 651-296-9792.

Submissions, including contact information identified, will be public documents. You may submit anonymously (not including your name and email in the contact information); but if you wish for Task Force staff to be able to follow up with you, please indicate how they should do so in the email you send with the attached submission.

Information to be Included in Idea Submission

1. **Contact** Information (optional):
   a. Name
   b. Email Address

2. What **housing issue** will your idea address? Why is it critical that Minnesota address this issue? (About 75 words)
3. What is your idea/solution? How will it work? Who will implement it? How will it address the issue? Please be as specific as possible with key components of the program or policy. (About 350 words)

4. What would be the potential benefits and positive outcomes of the idea/solution? (About 250 words)

5. What would be the potential costs, hurdles, burdens, and negative outcomes of the idea/solution? (About 250 words)

6. Has this idea/solution been implemented elsewhere? If yes, where and how well did it work? Please cite the specific community or state where it was implemented, the official program or policy name, and any evaluations or reports documenting the program/policy and outcomes. Feel free to include hyperlinks to polices, statutes, reports, and/or other relevant documents. (About 300 words)

7. Please provide any additional information that would indicate: (1) the likelihood that your idea/solution would be successful in Minnesota, and (2) the size of the net benefit in Minnesota. (About 250 words)