Housing Advisory Board

The Housing Advisory Board meets on the Second Wednesday of every month at 12:00 PM. The meeting room is wheelchair accessible. Accommodations and access to City meetings for people with other special needs must be requested of the City Clerk at (707) 441-4175 in advance of the meeting. The agenda and other materials are available in alternative formats upon request.

Board Members

Maggie Kraft, Chair
Mike Newman, Vice-Chair
Charles Bean
Felicia Costa
Kay Escarda
Thavisak “Lucky” Syphanthong
Vacant Seat

Meeting Location

City Council Chamber
Second Floor
Eureka City Hall
531 K Street
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Housing Programs

Economic Development & Housing Division

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Housing Advisory Board
Housing Advisory Board Members are Eureka Citizens appointed by the Mayor and serve four year terms. The Chair and Vice Chair are elected by the board each January for a one-year term. Messages for Board Members may be left with Economic Development & Housing Staff at (707) 441-4209.

Housing Staff
Housing Staff are City of Eureka employees who work with the public on housing and affordable housing development related matters. Housing Staff prepare staff reports and recommendations for the Housing Advisory Board for all matters relating to affordable housing, housing program loans, and housing related issues.

Eligibility Requirements
The City's housing programs comply with specific state and federal guidelines and regulations. All homeowners, homebuyers, or rental rehabilitation tenants must meet income eligibility requirements. Programs are generally geared toward households and tenants who are in a low to moderate income bracket.

The purpose of these programs is to upgrade the City’s housing stock and improve living conditions within the community. Primary concerns are for health and safety improvements including Lead Based Paint Hazard Reduction. All properties must be located within the city limits of Eureka. Loans may be deferred or amortized and typically have a 15 to 30 year term. All loans will be subject to a Promissory Note, and recorded Deeds of Trust and Loan Agreement. All Rental Rehabilitation Loans will be subject to a recorded Rent Limitation Agreement to restrict tenant income and rents for the term of the loan regardless of payback.

Housing Programs
Housing Programs are administered through the Housing Division of the City of Eureka’s Development Services Department

Housing Rehabilitation Loans
Housing Rehabilitation Loans provide funding to owner occupants to make much needed repairs to their homes at, or below, market interest rates. The Primary concern is health and safety repairs, and can include energy efficient and handicapped accessibility improvements. This financing is funded by a variety of sources, including, but not limited to the US Dept. of Housing and Urban Development and the State of California Dept. of Housing and Community Development.

CDBG Homebuyer Program
CDBG Homebuyer Program offers prospective low and moderate income households an opportunity to purchase a home within the city limits. Applicants must qualify for an amortized payment, first mortgage loan on their own, and be eligible for the City deferred payment, down payment assistance loan as a second mortgage to fill the gap between the first mortgage loan and the purchase price. A Waiting List may be established.

Lead Based Paint Evaluation & Reduction Grant Program
In order to comply with Federal LBP Hazard compliance regulations, any City Housing Program funded rehabilitation on a residence built pre-1978 is subject to LBP Hazard reductions. Grants are available for inspections, testing, and mitigation of detected LBP Hazards. Grants are available contingent upon availability of funding sources and are limited by program guidelines.

Dumpster Program
The Dumpster program places a dumpster, at no cost, for low income residential property owners and neighborhoods located within the Eureka city limits. Unfortunately, commercial and Rental properties are ineligible. For all inquiries and information regarding eligibility requirements for this program please call the Economic Development & Housing Division.

Senior Home Repair Grants
Senior Home Repair Grants are available to low to moderate income seniors 60 years or older for small home repairs. Please contact the Humboldt Senior Resource Center who administers the program at (707) 443-9747.

Graffiti Program Grants
Graffiti Program Grants provide Graffiti removal materials as sponsored by Shafer's Ace Hardware for the removal of graffiti on residential properties. For eligibility requirements and further information call City Housing Staff.

Assembly Bill 987
List of Affordable Housing At-Risk of Converting to market rate. The housing units on this list are required to remain affordable to low and moderate income households. Rents are to remain affordable to households with gross annual incomes at or below 80% of Humboldt County Median Income.

Policies & Procedures
Many programs have established waiting lists and all loan application materials received by the City of Eureka will be a matter of public record.