

MAYOR'S HOUSING POLICY TASK FORCE

The Mayor's Housing Policy Task Force worked with over 550 community members with a goal to increase housing opportunities for San Antonians.

Their recommendations ultimately serve as a roadmap to help reach a significant piece of the **SA2020** Community Vision:

*San Antonio is renowned as the best place to raise a family. Its neighborhoods are places where residents thrive. Additionally, San Antonio is known for its cohesive neighborhoods with compelling and unique personalities. Our smart growth patterns result in a **livable and vibrant community**.*



Affordable housing is defined as housing that does not cost more than **30%** of a household's income.



In 2016, **one-third** of all San Antonio households were spending more than 30% of their income on housing.

Source: SA2020 2017 Impact Report

Between 2005 and 2016, the median price of a home in San Antonio rose from **\$120,000** to **\$180,000**. Over the same time period, area median income (AMI) increased from **\$40,100** to **\$49,300**.

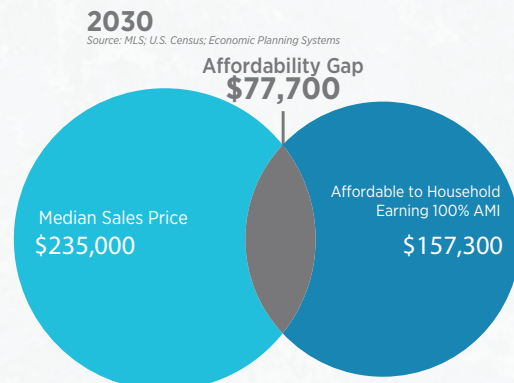
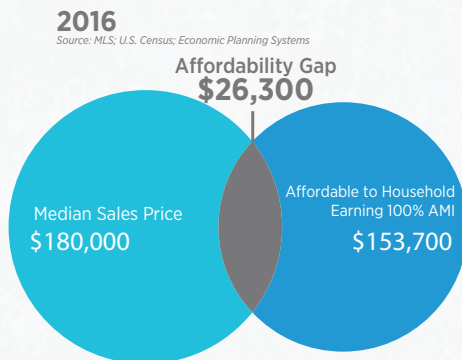
Median home price

+4.7%
per year

Median income

+1.9%
per year

If this trend continues...



The Housing Policy Task Force, the technical working group members, and community members focused on **opportunity**, **systems**, and **sustainability** to increase housing opportunities for all.

See the full report with strategies for implementation:
sanantonio.gov/HousingTaskForce



RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1 Develop a coordinated housing system** that prioritizes housing in the City’s organizational structure and allows the City to be a leader in creating a community-wide housing system inclusive of public and private housing providers. To do this, the City must immediately create an executive housing position with responsibility and accountability for housing policy citywide, fully resource the Neighborhood and Housing Services Department and fund the creation of a One-Stop Housing Center.



- 2 Increase City investment in housing** with a **10-year funding plan** that leverages local public funds with government, private and philanthropic investments. This requires that the City increase general fund revenue for affordable housing, create dedicated revenue sources, and establish financial leverage as a top priority. The 10-Year Plan assumes General Funds, General Obligation Bonds and requires a City Charter amendment.

- 3 Increase affordable housing production, rehabilitation and preservation** by focusing on homeownership and rental housing production, rehabilitation and preservation while striving to achieve balance in the location and access to public transportation, employment opportunities and cultural assets.



- 4 Protect and promote neighborhoods** by preventing and mitigating **housing displacement** in neighborhoods experiencing redevelopment, reducing housing discrimination and expanding opportunity. This includes dedicated financial resources, increased staff capacity to proactively assist families and a citywide educational and outreach campaign about the importance of housing.

- 5 Ensure accountability to the public** by elevating the issue of housing, instituting performance metrics, developing and tracking community indicators, and strengthening the Housing Commission and the San Antonio Housing Trust.

