



City of Tifton Housing Plan

Purpose

To promote quality housing options which are safe, affordable, and sustainable.

Objectives

Maintain an adequate supply of rental and ownership housing options for all income levels to meet the current and projected community needs.

Work to eliminate dilapidated housing, substandard housing, and blight properties through code enforcement and redevelopment strategies.

Support zoning policies and changes which support the housing plan and work program

Encourage voluntary redevelopment or rehabilitation of neighborhoods by private owners and developers.

Promote sustainable neighborhoods and mixed use developments which create housing, jobs, amenities, and services

Promote fair housing practices and accessibility to ensure housing opportunities are accessible to all residents without discrimination.

Support short-term, temporary, and permanent housing services and programs which support persons who are homeless or at risk of homelessness.

Promote housing developments which preserve and protect the environment, preserve greenspace, and provide access for sidewalks to promote a healthy active lifestyle

Provide outreach and programs which promote affordable housing, home ownership, community cleanness, beautification, code enforcement, and housing preservation

Work Plan

The work plan is a guide for dedicating staff time, resources, and funding which support the housing plan objectives and City's redevelopment goals.



City of Tifton Work Plan

Project	Goal/Objective	Actions	Year	Responsible Party
Recruit Additional Team Members	Outreach	Actively recruit additional team members and partners to assist in achieving plan goals	2018-2019	Team Members
Team Education & Outreach	Education	Team Members attend training annually in Code Enforcement, Community Development, DCA training, and GICH	Annually	Staff Team Members
Community Wide Cleanup Event	Community Cleanness & Beautification	Organize annual event to support community cleanness, code enforcement, & beautification efforts	Annually	City Staff KTB
Code Enforcement & Blight Reduction Campaign	Outreach & Education	Develop Catchy Team Name Develop material to promote code enforcement efforts on Social Media, Website, and Gov. Channel	On-going	Community Development Staff
Adopt Vacant Property Ordinance	Blight Reduction	Develop Ordinance for Council Consideration	2019-2020	Community Development, Management, Elected Officials
Adopt Ordinance for Blight Tax	Blight Reduction	Develop Ordinance for Council Consideration	2019-2020	Community Development, Management, Elected Official
Identify Target Areas	Quality Housing	Identify Additional Target Areas for Redevelopment	2019	City Staff
Matt Wilson Redevelopment	Quality Housing Blight Reduction Quality Neighborhoods	Complete Revitalization Area Strategy (RAS) for area Complete housing assessment in target area Apply for funding to address housing needs	2019-2020	City Staff, Volunteers, Consultants, Regional Commission
Establish a Land Bank	Redevelopment Quality Housing	Encourage County and City Officials to develop a land bank for Tift County	On-going	Elected Officials

Façade Grants	Redevelopment	DDA's efforts in offering funding to improve building exterior in Downtown	On-going	DDA
Adopt Ordinance to allow for cottage/tiny homes	Quality Housing	Research and draft ordinance to allow for small cottage styles homes as identified in the Tift County Comp Plan	2020	City Staff, City Attorney, Elected Officials