

Open the Door to Housing Affordability in Your Community

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When regulatory barriers stand between you and the completion of your affordable housing project, call or visit the Regulatory Barriers Clearinghouse for practical, real-world solutions.



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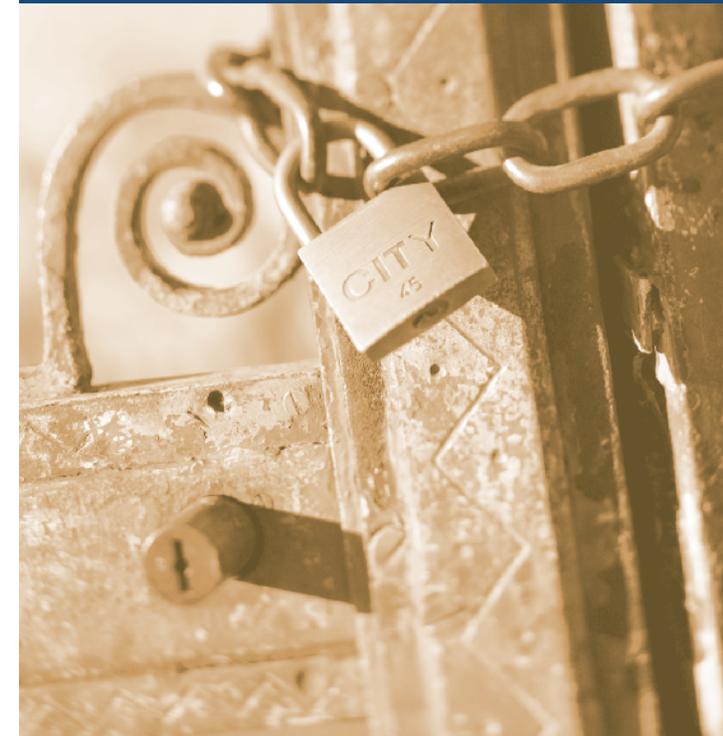
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Solutions That Work

Did you know that in some communities, housing regulations and fees can account for *up to a third of the cost* of a new home? Overly restrictive regulations, zoning laws, and NIMBY sentiments are driving up the cost of housing. In response, HUD's Office of Policy Development and Research created the Regulatory Barriers Clearinghouse (RBC). Together with the America's Affordable Communities Initiative, launched by HUD to help cities and towns across America identify and overcome regulatory barriers, we're finding solutions and reducing impediments to housing affordability.

The state and local affordable housing strategies available at RBC have achieved positive results in other communities and can easily be adapted to work in your hometown as well.



These attractive, affordable homes were built as a direct result of regulatory reform.

Key RBC Offerings

Database

Our searchable database starts with brief descriptions of state and local strategies and resources we've discovered in our research. A click expands each record summary to reveal a more detailed analysis, and another click takes you to the unabridged source. Whether you choose to conduct a quick scan or delve more deeply into the specifics, it's easy to find the affordable housing strategies you need.

Newsletter

RBC's e-newsletter, *Breakthroughs*, highlights successful real-world strategies, case studies, and the people who make affordable housing happen. *Breakthroughs* is delivered automatically with your RBC eList subscription.

eList

Strategy-of-the-Month Club, a bimonthly eList that keeps you informed on the latest developments in affordable housing. *Strategy-of-the-Month Club* is delivered as part of your free RBC eList subscription.

Toll-Free Number

A toll-free number staffed by knowledgeable housing professionals at (800) 245-2691, option 4.

Proven Strategies

The RBC website maintains a searchable database of effective, affordable housing strategies that have proven successful at state and local levels. Subscribe to the RBC eList to have *Breakthroughs* and the *Strategy-of-the-Month Club* delivered to your desktop. Here are just a few of the issues we take on each month:

- Streamlining the Administrative Process
- Building and Housing Codes
- Fees and Dedications including impact fees and permit costs
- Redevelopment and Infill
- Rent Control
- Tax Policies
- Fair Housing and Neighborhood Deconcentration
- Planning and Growth Restrictions
- Environmental and Historic Preservation Regulations
- Zoning, Land Development, Construction, and Subdivision Regulations

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