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# 2026 Work Plan Saint Paul Housing and Redevelopment Authority

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# 2026 HRA Work Plan - HOUSING

## AFFORDABLE HOUSING

- **Strategic goal – Increase production and preservation of affordable housing across Saint Paul.**
- In working with developers to secure all funding sources, we are planning for approximately 4 closings, totaling more than 250 affordable housing units.
- Specific projects include Joseph's Pointe, 1036 Marshall, Serenity Townhomes, and Torre de San Miguel.

## HOUSING PRODUCTION

- **Strategic goal – Deliver high quality affordable housing that serves diverse community needs.**
- In working with developers to complete construction and receive a certificate of occupancy, we are planning for approximately 4 building openings, resulting in an additional 252 affordable housing units in our city.
- Specific projects include Kimball Court, Mary Hall, The Williams, and 652 Sherburne Ave.



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## HOUSING INSTABILITY

- **Strategic goal – Prevent displacement and support economic stability.**
- We opened our Emergency Rental Assistance (ERA) program at the end of 2025. Improvements were made to process additional applications and increase efficiencies to shorten turnaround time.
- We expect to process over 700 ERA applications in 2026, with an approval rate of approximately 55-66% (resulting in 385-455 applications processed, approved, and paid).

## OWNERSHIP OPPORTUNITY

- **Strategic goal – Expand pathways to ownership and wealth building.**
- We expect to serve approximately 62 people through our Downpayment Assistance Fund, which would be an increase from the 50 people served last year (citywide program).
- We are planning on opening the Inheritance Fund, under expanded guidelines, later this summer and expect to spend around 50% of the funds.



# 2026 HRA Work Plan – ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

## BUSINESS SUPPORT

- **Strategic goal – Invest in business as a community anchor, foster vibrant business corridors, and support equitable business growth.**
- We are creating an Economic Development Strategy to guide our work on business attraction, retention, downtown revitalization, and equitable growth that will be completed this year.
- We will continue to administer the Commercial Corridors fund, the Business Assistance Fund, and have created the Downtown Vitality Fund.

## DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITY

- **Strategic goal – Support transformative development opportunities and use HRA assets to catalyze equitable growth of our tax base and create community assets.**
- We plan on completing RFP 8 for Inspiring Communities projects and continue focus on delivering projects in the Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP).
- We expect to complete marketing on all HRA lots identified as ready for sale and have a year-to-year disposition strategy based on the broader HRA Disposition Strategy.



# 2026 HRA Work Plan - PLANNING

## LONG RANGE PLANNING

- **Strategic goal – Plan for resilience, livability, and growth while modernizing tools that support equitable growth.**
- Downtown 2040 – we will consolidate and modernize downtown planning and policies beginning in 2026, with project completion in spring of 2027.
- Comprehensive Plan – we expect to complete the scope and outreach strategy in 2026, kicking off this three-year regional planning effort.

## DEVELOPMENT SUPPORT

- **Strategic goal – Advance planning initiatives that support increasing housing supply.**
- Our Permit Ready Plans RFP is completed, and we expect to execute on a contract by summer, with plan development continuing through 2026.



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