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RE: HCD Submittal of City of Morgan Hill's Draft 2023-2031 Housing Element

Housing Elements Team,

This letter serves to transmit the City of Morgan Hill's draft sixth cycle Housing Element (City of Morgan Hill Draft 2023-2031 Housing Element) that encompasses the 2023-2031 planning period. As an introduction to the City's Draft Housing Element, we would like to highlight the City's housing story and how the City's journey throughout the years has established the groundwork for success in the sixth housing cycle.

The historical backdrop to Morgan Hill's unique housing story began in 1977, when the voters adopted the Residential Development Control System (RDCS), a smart growth residential pacing policy. For 40 years, RDCS worked as a "de facto" Inclusionary Housing Ordinance, incentivizing the creation of high-quality, affordable housing throughout the City. Historically, the City has built a model program with one in every eight units being affordable and income restricted. The RDCS program not only provided a significant amount of affordable housing within Morgan Hill, but it also provided an opportunity for park lands and open space, safe routes to schools, and proximity to the downtown businesses and services.

In 2018, RDCS was suspended with the enactment of Senate Bill 330 ("SB 330") which went into law, effective as of January 1, 2020. In preparation for the suspension of RDCS, the City of Morgan Hill adopted an Inclusionary Housing Ordinance (IHO) in August of 2018 to replace the RDCS mechanism that allowed for the creation of Below Market Rate (BMR) units. Thus, the IHO has carried on the good policy of requiring all new housing neighborhoods to produce 15% affordable units if the project is located outside of downtown, and 10% if it is located within downtown.

Morgan Hill's primary housing mission is to continue the City's legacy to improve, preserve, and create safe quality housing in Morgan Hill for residents at all income levels, in the form of both rental and ownership opportunities. Overall, a significant number of housing units have been built, particularly for people experiencing homelessness. The City has been able to continue to support affordable development by systematically partnering with local housing stakeholders, such as the County of Santa Clara and through its participation in Measure A, a \$950 million Affordable Housing Bond passed by the Santa Clara County voters in November of 2016.

In evaluating the progress of meeting the current housing cycle's (2015-2023) RHNA goals, the City achieved meeting the Low-, Moderate-, and Above Moderate-Income baseline assigned to the City, but was lacking in the achievement of obtaining the last remaining goal of producing Very Low-Income units. In acknowledging the lack of achieving the Very Low-Income units' goal, in December of 2021, the City Council adopted an amendment to the IHO to create a funding mechanism that will allow the City to advance projects that meet its Very Low-Income and Extremely Low-Income goals moving forward.

#### **Site Inventory/Pipeline Projects**

The steps that the City has taken in previous years has put the City in position for success during the sixth housing cycle. The City has a significant supply of residential projects in the "Pipeline" which accommodates all the City of Morgan Hill's housing allocation of 1,037 units, including housing at all income levels. There are 1,832 housing units in the pipeline, of which 545 units are for lower-income households, that are counted toward meeting the RHNA. This pipeline number does not include an additional 835 proposed units that require legislative approvals. Therefore, the City did not identify any sites within the Sites Inventory since the housing goals are exceeded by the pipeline projects. However, the City acknowledges significantly more housing will be built within the City than identified within the Draft 2023-2031 Housing Element, as the pipeline projects are expected to be constructed within the first few years of the sixth housing cycle.

#### Planning for the Seventh Housing Cycle

With all of the success that the City has established for the sixth housing cycle, the City also acknowledges that the seventh housing cycle (2031-2039) will be difficult to develop and that planning for the seventh housing cycle must occur during the 2023-2031 Housing Element. Hence several policies and programs within the Draft 2023-2031 Housing Element are geared towards planning in advance of the next Housing Element cycle.

#### **Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing (AFFH)**

Even with the success of meeting the City's sixth housing cycle RHNA goals, the City understands the need of self-reflection and the need to affirmatively further fair housing (AFFH). The City of Morgan Hill recognizes that we must take proactive steps, consistent with our AFFH obligation, to address existing disparities in housing and access to opportunity in a regional context and to take steps to prevent the emergence of segregated patterns. Although a majority of the Draft 2023-2031 Housing Element was prepared in-house by experienced City Staff, the City felt the need to hire a consultant to conduct a fair and unbiased assessment of fair housing within the City and the region. Therefore, for this review, the City contracted with the Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law to prepare Appendix H-5: Assessment of Fair Housing.

#### **Outreach and Public Participation (AB 215)**

The City implemented an outreach and engagement program to inform the community and seek input regarding the Housing Element Update. The initial efforts began in May and June of 2021, with a series of workshops. The initial workshops served as a springboard to leap into a deeper community engagement process. The City used a variety of methods to solicit public input on the Housing Element update, including distributing surveys, hosting public workshops, providing information at community events, conducting focus groups, giving presentations to the Community, and holding several workshops with the community and the Planning Commission. The City prioritized involvement and engagement of residents and community members that are most directly impacted by the plan and development, especially Latinx, homeless, and other underrepresented or underserved groups.

The City held 25 virtual stakeholder focus group meetings from January through March 2022 to gather input from various stakeholders, including developers, home builders, non-profit organizations, advocacy groups, and public agencies on key housing issues. The City also issued a follow-up survey to the stakeholders to address barriers to accessing decent, safe, affordable housing and which housing priorities are most important for Morgan Hill. In addition, the City held workshops with the Planning Commission from January through May 2022 to share work progress to date and obtain early direction and feedback.

Pursuant to Assembly Bill 215 (AB 215), the City distributed the City of Morgan Hill's Draft 2023-2031 Housing Element for a 30-day public review period from June 3, 2022, to July 5, 2022. Public notification included social media postings, notifications through emails, and a display ad within the

local newspaper. The City also held a virtual Citywide Town Hall on June 23, 2022, to accompany the release of the Public Draft Housing Element and to collect verbal comments.

The City received ten (10) comments with feedback on subject areas such as support of the Draft Housing Element, a greater need for education regarding affordable housing, and continuing to address senior needs. The City received comments from a housing advocacy group, SV@Home, including: claims that the Housing Element does not incorporate local knowledge or analysis; concerns regarding the large number of policies and programs identified within the Draft Housing Element; the Site Inventory not responding to Morgan Hill's housing needs; and statements that AFFH analysis must be conducted on pipeline projects. HCD was copied on the SV@Home comment letter. The City also received a blanket comment that the City needs to analyze governmental and nongovernmental constraints.

Based on the public comments received, changes were made to the Draft 2023-2031 Housing Element and were reviewed by the City Council at its August 17, 2022 meeting including clarification that local knowledge was utilized in conjunction with the Housing Needs Assessment to guide new policies and programs; clarification that AFFH analysis does not apply to pipeline projects pursuant to Government Code Section 65583 and HCD's Housing Element Site Inventory Guidebook; clarification that the City did not analyze ADUs as part of the pipeline projects to meet RHNA goals; and updates were made to reflect recently acquired 2021 developmental disability data and correction to the definition of developmental disabilities.

#### **HCD Review and Next Steps**

We look forward to working closely with your staff on their review of the City of Morgan Hill's Draft 2023-2031 Housing Element. The City appreciates direction and feedback from HCD to achieve a Housing Element that is found to be in compliance with State Law.

Questions or comments on the Draft Housing Element may be directed to the following City contact:

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To assist in facilitating HCD's review, attached please find the completed Housing Element Completeness Checklist for the City of Morgan Hill's Draft 2023-2031 Housing Element which correlates the page numbers for each requirement. In addition, the City requests to meet with HCD's Housing Element review team to facilitate and discuss HCD's review of the City of Morgan Hill's Draft 2023-2031 Housing Element prior to the release of HCD's comment letter. Please coordinate with Principal Planner, Adam Paszkowski at the appropriate time during your review.

On behalf of the City of Morgan Hill, thank you for the review of the City of Morgan Hill's Draft 2023-2031 Housing Element. We look forward to receiving your feedback.

Respectfully,

Christina Turner City Manager



# Appendix H1

# Housing Needs Assessment

City of Morgan Hill Housing Element 2023-2031

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# **APPENDIX H-1 | Housing Needs Assessment**

#### 1.1 Introduction

The Bay Area continues to see growth in both population and jobs, which means more housing of various types and sizes is needed to ensure that residents across all income levels, ages, and abilities have a place to call home. While the number of people drawn to the region over the past 30 years has steadily increased, housing production has stalled, contributing to the housing shortage that communities are experiencing today. In many cities, this has resulted in residents being priced out, increased traffic congestion caused by longer commutes, and fewer people across incomes being able to purchase homes or meet surging rents.

The 2023-2031 Housing Element Update provides a roadmap for how to meet our growth and housing challenges. Required by the state, the Housing Element identifies the existing housing conditions and community needs, reiterates goals, and creates a plan for more housing. The Housing Element is an integral part of the General Plan, which guides the policies of Morgan Hill.

#### 1.2 Summary of Key Facts

- **Population** Generally, the population of the Bay Area continues to grow because of natural growth and because the strong economy draws new residents to the region. The population of Morgan Hill increased by 38.3% from 2000 to 2020, which is above the growth rate of the Bay Area.
- **Age** In 2019, Morgan Hill's youth population under the age of 18 was 11,606, and senior population 65 and older was 6,240. These age groups represent 26.0% and 14.0%, respectively, of Morgan Hill's population.
- Race/Ethnicity In 2020, 49.0% of Morgan Hill's population was White while 1.7% was African American, 13.7% was Asian, and 31.3% was Latinx. People of color in Morgan Hill comprise a proportion below the overall proportion in the Bay Area as a whole.<sup>1</sup>
- **Employment** Morgan Hill residents most commonly work in the *Health & Educational Services* industry. From January 2010 to January 2021, the unemployment rate in Morgan Hill decreased by 6.6 percentage points. Since 2010, the number of jobs located in the jurisdiction increased by 3,680 (28.0%). Additionally, the jobs-household ratio in Morgan Hill has increased from 1.18 in 2002 to 1.19 jobs per household in 2018.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Census Bureau's American Community Survey accounts for ethnic origin separate from racial identity. The numbers reported here use an accounting of both such that the racial categories are shown exclusive of Latinx status, to allow for an accounting of the Latinx population regardless of racial identity. The term Hispanic has historically been used to describe people from numerous Central American, South American, and Caribbean countries. In recent years, the term Latino or Latinx has become preferred. This report generally uses Latinx, but occasionally when discussing US Census data, we use Hispanic or Non-Hispanic, to clearly link to the data source.

- Number of Homes The number of new homes built in the Bay Area has not kept pace with the demand, resulting in longer commutes, increasing prices, and exacerbating issues of displacement and homelessness. The number of homes in Morgan Hill increased, 19.4% from 2010 to 2020, which is above the growth rate for Santa Clara County and above the growth rate of the region's housing stock during this time period.
- Home Prices A diversity of homes at all income levels creates opportunities for all Morgan Hill residents to live and thrive in the community.
  - Ownership The largest proportion of homes had a value in the range of \$750k-\$1M in 2019. Home prices increased by 100.6% from 2010 to 2020.
  - Rental Prices The typical contract rent for an apartment in Morgan Hill was \$1,680 in 2019. Rental prices increased by 37.2% from 2009 to 2019. To rent a typical apartment without cost burden, a household would need to make \$67,440 per year.<sup>2</sup>
- Housing Type It is important to have a variety of housing types to meet the needs of a community today and in the future. In 2020, 59.0% of homes in Morgan Hill were single family detached, 17.7% were single family attached, 5.5% were small multifamily (2-4 units), and 9.8% were medium or large multifamily (5+ units). Between 2010 and 2020, the number of single-family units increased more than multi-family units. Generally, in Morgan Hill, the share of the housing stock that is detached single family homes is above that of other jurisdictions in the region.
- Cost Burden The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development considers housing to be affordable for a household if the household spends less than 30% of its income on housing costs. A household is considered "cost-burdened" if it spends more than 30% of its monthly income on housing costs, while those who spend more than 50% of their income on housing costs are considered "severely cost-burdened." In Morgan Hill, 20.1% of households spend 30%-50% of their income on housing, while 15.3% of households are severely cost burden and use the majority of their income for housing.
- Displacement/Gentrification According to research from The University of California, Berkeley, 0.0% of households in Morgan Hill live in neighborhoods that are susceptible to or experiencing displacement, and 0.0% live in areas at risk of or undergoing gentrification. 22.6% of households in Morgan Hill live in neighborhoods where low-income households are likely excluded due to prohibitive housing costs. There are various ways to address displacement including ensuring new housing at all income levels is built.
- Neighborhood 0.0% of residents in Morgan Hill live in neighborhoods identified as "Highest Resource" or "High Resource" areas by State-commissioned research, while 23.9% of residents live in areas identified by this research as "Low Resource" or "High

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Note that contract rents may differ significantly from, and often being lower than, current listing prices.



Segregation and Poverty" areas. These neighborhood designations are based on a range of indicators covering areas such as education, poverty, proximity to jobs and economic opportunities, low pollution levels, and other factors.<sup>3</sup>

• Special Housing Needs – Some population groups may have special housing needs that require specific program responses, and these groups may experience barriers to accessing stable housing due to their specific housing circumstances. In Morgan Hill, 9.1% of residents have a disability of any kind and may require accessible housing. Additionally, 13.3% of Morgan Hill households are larger households with five or more people, who likely need larger housing units with three bedrooms or more. 10.9% of households are female-headed families, which are often at greater risk of housing insecurity.

#### 1.3 Looking to the Future: Regional Housing Needs

#### 1.3.1 Regional Housing Needs Determination

The Plan Bay Area 2050<sup>4</sup> Final Blueprint forecasts that the nine-county Bay Area will add 1.4 million new households between 2015 and 2050. For the eight-year time frame covered by this Housing Element Update, the Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) has identified the region's housing need as 441,176 units. The total number of housing units assigned by HCD is separated into four income categories that cover housing types for all income levels, from very low-income households to market rate housing. <sup>5</sup> This calculation, known as the Regional Housing Needs Determination (RHND), is based on population projections produced by the California Department of Finance, as well as adjustments that incorporate the region's existing housing need. The adjustments result from recent legislation requiring HCD to apply additional adjustment factors to the baseline growth projection from California Department of Finance, in order for the regions to get closer to healthy housing markets. To this end, adjustments focus on the region's vacancy rate, level of overcrowding and the share of cost burdened households, and seek to bring the region more in line with comparable ones. <sup>6</sup> These new laws governing the methodology for how HCD calculates the RHND resulted in a significantly higher number of housing units for which the Bay Area must plan compared to previous RHNA cycles.

Very Low-income: 0-50% of Area Median Income Low-income: 50-80% of Area Median Income

Moderate-income: 80-120% of Area Median Income

Above Moderate-income: 120% or more of Area Median Income

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> For more information on the "opportunity area" categories developed by HCD and the California Tax Credit Allocation Committee, see this website: <a href="https://www.treasurer.ca.gov/ctcac/opportunity.asp">https://www.treasurer.ca.gov/ctcac/opportunity.asp</a>. The degree to which different jurisdictions and neighborhoods have access to opportunity will likely need to be analyzed as part of new Housing Element requirements related to affirmatively furthering fair housing. ABAG/MTC will be providing jurisdictions with technical assistance on this topic this summer, following the release of additional guidance from HCD.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Plan Bay Area 2050 is a long-range plan charting the course for the future of the nine-county San Francisco Bay Area. It covers four key issues: the economy, the environment, housing and transportation

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> HCD divides the RHND into the following four income categories:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> For more information on HCD's RHND calculation for the Bay Area, see this letter sent to ABAG from HCD on June 9, 2020: https://www.hcd.ca.gov/community-development/housing-element/docs/abagrhna-final060920(r).pdf

#### 1.3.2 Regional Housing Needs Allocation

A starting point for the Housing Element Update process for every California jurisdiction is the Regional Housing Needs Allocation or RHNA – the share of the RHND assigned to each jurisdiction by the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG). State Housing Element Law requires ABAG to develop a methodology that calculates the number of housing units assigned to each city and county and distributes each jurisdiction's housing unit allocation among four affordability levels. For this RHNA cycle, the RHND increased by 135%, from 187,990 to 441,776. For more information on the RHNA process this cycle, see ABAG's website: https://abag.ca.gov/our-work/housing/rhna-regional-housing-needs-allocation

Almost all jurisdictions in the Bay Area are likely to receive a larger RHNA this cycle compared to the last cycle, primarily due to changes in state law that led to a considerably higher RHND compared to previous cycles.

In January 2021, ABAG adopted the RHNA Methodology and adopted the Final RHNA Plan, issuing final RHNA allocations, on December 16, 2021. For Morgan Hill, the RHNA to be planned for this cycle is 1,037 units, a slated increase from the last cycle. The RHNA allocation that Morgan Hill received is broken down by income category as follows:

Table H 1-1 Illustrative Regional Housing Needs Allocation from Draft Methodology								
Income Groups	Morgan Hill Units	Santa Clara County Units	Bay Area Units	Morgan Hill Percent	Santa Clara County Percent	Bay Area Percent		
Very Low Income (<50% of AMI)	/n /	32316	114442	25.3%	24.9%	25.9%		
Low Income (50%- 80% of AMI)		18607	65892	14.6%	14.4%	14.9%		
Moderate Income (80%-120% of AMI)	174	21926	72712	16.8%	16.9%	16.5%		
Above Moderate Income (>120% of AMI)	450	56728	188130	43.4%	43.8%	42.6%		
Total	1,037	129,577	441,176	100%	100%	100%		

Source: Association of Bay Area Sovernments Methodology and tentative numbers were approved by ABAG's Executive board on January 21, 2021 (Resolution No. 02-2021). ABAG's Executive board adopted the Final RHNA Plan on December 16, 2021.



#### 1.4 Population, Employment, and Household Characteristics

#### 1.4.1 Population

The Bay Area is the fifth-largest metropolitan area in the nation and has seen a steady increase in population since 1990, except for a dip during the Great Recession. Many cities in the region have experienced significant growth in jobs and population. While these trends have led to a corresponding increase in demand for housing across the region, the regional production of housing has largely not kept pace with job and population growth. Since 2000, Morgan Hill's population has increased by 38.3%; this rate is above that of the region as a whole, at 14.8%. In Morgan Hill, roughly 11.7% of its population moved during the past year, a number 1.7 percentage points smaller than the regional rate of 13.4%.

Table H 1-2	Population Growth Trends						
Geography	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020
Morgan Hill	23,928	26,924	33,586	36,292	37,882	42,380	46,454
Santa Clara County	1,497,577	1,594,818	1,682,585	1,752,696	1,781,642	1,912,180	1,961,969
Bay Area	6,020,147	6,381,961	6,784,348	7,073,912	7,150,739	7,595,694	7,790,537

Universe: Total population

Source: California Department of Finance, E-5 series

In 2020, the population of Morgan Hill was estimated to be 46,454 (see Table 2). From 1990 to 2000, the population increased by 40.4%, while it increased by 12.8% during the first decade of the 2000s. In the most recent decade, the population increased by 22.6%. The population of Morgan Hill makes up 2.4% of Santa Clara County.<sup>7</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> To compare the rate of growth across various geographic scales, Figure 1 shows population for the jurisdiction, county, and region indexed to the population in the year 1990. This means that the data points represent the population growth (i.e. percent change) in each of these geographies relative to their populations in 1990.



**Figure H 1-1: Population Growth Trends** 

Source: California Department of Finance, E-5 series Note: The data shown on the graph represents population for the jurisdiction, county, and region indexed to the population in the first year shown. The data points represent the relative population growth in each of these geographies relative to their populations in that year.

DOF uses the decennial census to benchmark subsequent population estimates.

#### 1.4.2 Age

The distribution of age groups in a city shapes what types of housing the community may need in the near future. An increase in the older population may mean there is a developing need for more senior housing options, while higher numbers of children and young families can point to the need for more family housing options and related services. There has also been a move by many to age-in-place or downsize to stay within their communities, which can mean more multifamily and accessible units are also needed.

In Morgan Hill, the median age in 2000 was 32.9; by 2019, this figure had increased, landing at around 39 years. More specifically, the population of those under 14 has increased since 2010, while the 65-and-over population has increased (see Figure 2).

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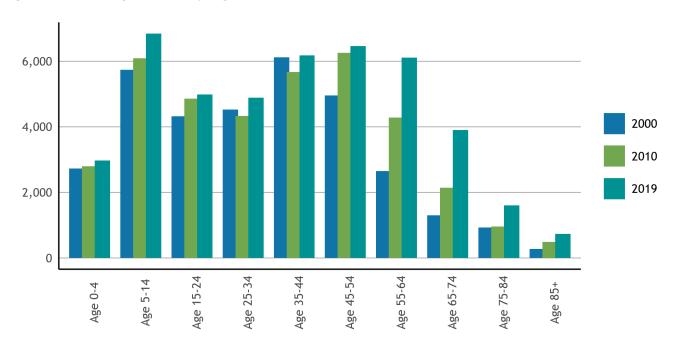


Figure H 1-2: Population by Age, 2000-2019

Universe: Total population
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2000 SF1, Table P12; U.S. Census Bureau, Gensus 2010 SF1, Table P12; U.S. Census Bureau,
American Community Survey 5-Year Data (2015-2019), Table B01001

Looking at the senior and youth population by race can add an additional layer of understanding, as families and seniors of color are even more likely to experience challenges finding affordable housing. People of color<sup>8</sup> make up 19.2% of seniors and 29.6% of youth under 18 (see Figure 3).

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Here, we count all non-white racial groups

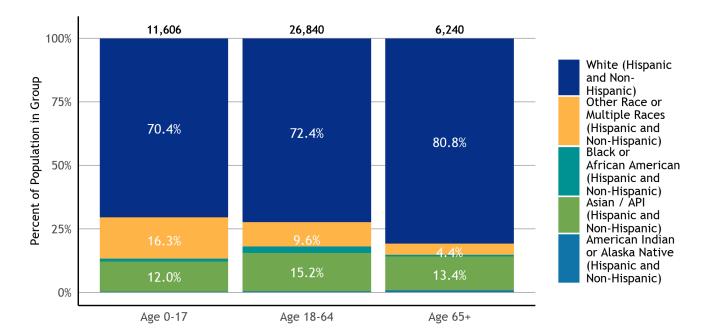


Figure H 1-3: Senior and Youth Population by Race

Universe: Total population

Notes: In the sources for this table, the Census Bureau does not disaggregate racial groups by Hispanic/Latinx ethnicity, and an overlapping category of Hispanic/ non-Hispanic groups has not been shown to avoid double counting in the stacked bar chart.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-Year Data (2015-2019), Fable B01001(A-G)

#### 1.4.3 Race and Ethnicity

Understanding the racial makeup of a city and region is important for designing and implementing effective housing policies and programs. These patterns are shaped by both market factors and government actions, such as exclusionary zoning, discriminatory lending practices and displacement that has occurred over time and continues to impact communities of color today<sup>9</sup>. Since 2000, the percentage of residents in Morgan Hill identifying as White has decreased – and by the same token the percentage of residents of all *other* races and ethnicities has *increased* – by 14.2 percentage points, with the 2019 population standing at 21,880 (see Figure 4). In absolute terms, the *Hispanic or Latinx* population increased the most while the *American Indian or Alaska Native, Non-Hispanic* population decreased the most.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> See, for example, Rothstein, R. (2017). The color of law: a forgotten history of how our government segregated America. New York, NY & London, UK: Liveright Publishing.

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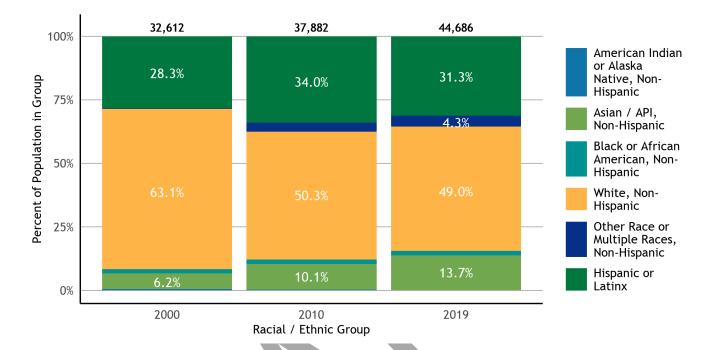


Figure H 1-4: Population by Race, 2000-2019

Universe: Total population

Notes: Data for 2019 represents 2015-2019 ACS estimates. The Census Bureau defines Hispanic/Latinx ethnicity separate from racial categories. For the purposes of this graph, the "Hispanic or Latinx" racial/ethnic group represents those who identify as having Hispanic/Latinx ethnicity and may also be members of any racial group. All other racial categories on this graph represent those who identify with that racial category and do not identify with Hispanic/Latinx ethnicity.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2000, Table P004; U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-Year Data (2015-2019), Table B03002

#### 1.4.4 Employment Trends

#### 1.4.4.1 Balance of Jobs and Workers

A city houses employed residents who either work in the community where they live or work elsewhere in the region. Conversely, a city may have job sites that employ residents from the same city, but more often employ workers commuting from outside of it. Smaller cities typically will have more employed residents than jobs there and export workers, while larger cities tend to have a surplus of jobs and import workers. To some extent the regional transportation system is set up for this flow of workers to the region's core job centers. At the same time, as the housing affordability crisis has illustrated, local imbalances may be severe, where local jobs and worker populations are out of sync at a sub-regional scale.

One measure of this is the relationship between *workers* and *jobs*. A city with a surplus of workers "exports" workers to other parts of the region, while a city with a surplus of jobs must conversely "import" them. Between 2002 and 2018, the number of jobs in Morgan Hill increased by 27.1% (see Figure 5).

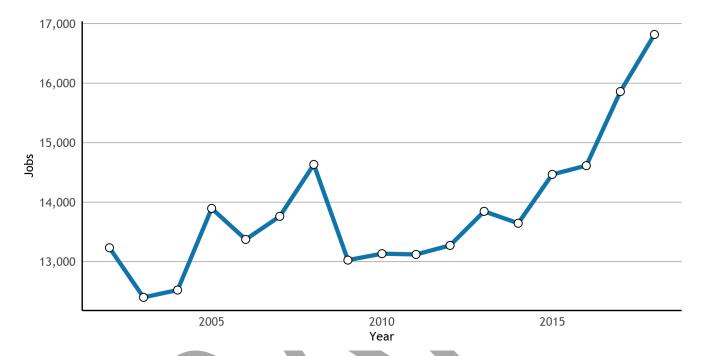


Figure H 1-5: Jobs in a Jurisdiction

Universe: Jobs from unemployment insurance-covered employment (private, state and local government) plus United States Office of Personnel Management-sourced Federal employment

Notes: The data is tabulated by place of work, regardless of where a worker lives. The source data is provided at the census block level.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Longitudinal Employer-Household Dynamics, Workplace Area Characteristics (WAC) files, 2002-2018

There are 21,775 employed residents, and 18,428 jobs<sup>10</sup> in Morgan Hill - the ratio of jobs to resident workers is 0.85; Morgan Hill is a net exporter of workers.

Figure 6 shows the balance when comparing jobs to workers, broken down by different wage groups, offering additional insight into local dynamics. A community may offer employment for relatively low-income workers but have relatively few housing options for those workers. Conversely, it may house residents who are low wage workers, but offer few employment opportunities for them. Such relationships may cast extra light on potentially pent-up demand for housing in particular price categories. A relative *surplus* of jobs relative to residents in a given wage category suggests the need to import those workers, while conversely, surpluses of workers in a wage group relative to jobs means the community will export those workers to other jurisdictions. Such flows are not inherently bad, though over time, sub-regional imbalances may appear. Morgan Hill has more low-wage *jobs* than low-wage *residents* (where low-wage refers to jobs paying less than \$25,000). At the other end of the wage spectrum, the city has more high-

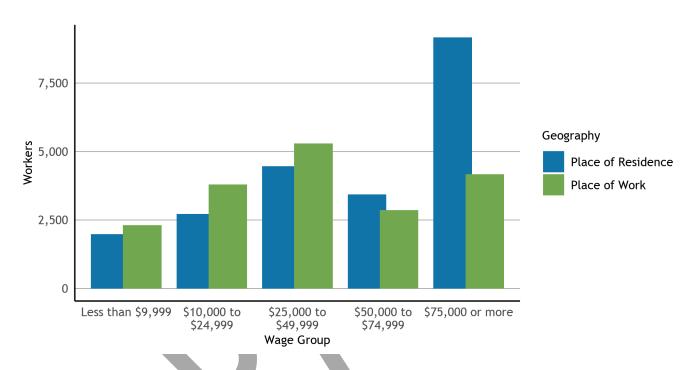
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> Employed *residents* in a jurisdiction is counted by place of residence (they may work elsewhere) while *jobs* in a jurisdiction are counted by place of work (they may live elsewhere). The jobs may differ from those reported in Figure 5 as the source for the time series is from administrative data, while the cross-sectional data is from a survey.



wage *residents* than high-wage *jobs* (where high-wage refers to jobs paying more than \$75,000) (see Figure 6).<sup>11</sup>

Figure H 1-6: Workers by Earnings, by Jurisdiction as Place of Work and Place of Residence



Universe: Workers 16 years and over with earnings Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-Year Data 2015-2019, B08119, B08519

Figure 7 shows the balance of a jurisdiction's resident workers to the jobs located there for different wage groups as a ratio instead - a value of 1 means that a city has the same number of jobs in a wage group as it has resident workers - in principle, a balance. Values above 1 indicate a jurisdiction will need to import workers for jobs in a given wage group. At the regional scale, this ratio is 1.04 jobs for each worker, implying a modest import of workers from outside the region (see Figure 7).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> The source table is top-coded at \$75,000, precluding more fine grained analysis at the higher end of the wage spectrum.

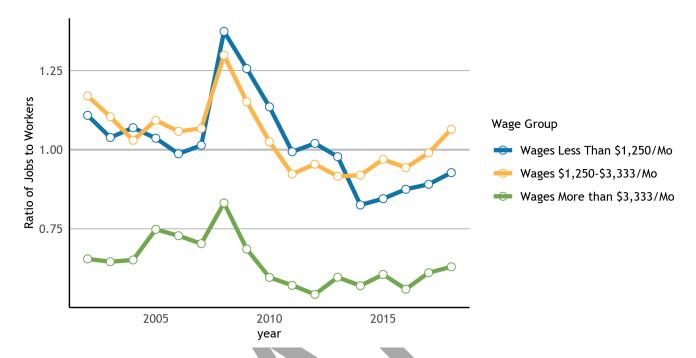


Figure H 1-7: Jobs-Worker Ratios, By Wage Group

Universe: Jobs in a jurisdiction from unemployment insurance-covered employment (private, state and local government) plus United States Office of Personnel Management-sourced Federal employment

Notes: The ratio compares job counts by wage group from two tabulations of LEHD data: Counts by place of work relative to counts by place of residence. See text for details.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Longitudinal Employer-Household Dynamics, Workplace Area Characteristics (WAC) files (Jobs); Residence Area Characteristics (RAC) files (Employed Residents), 2010-2018

Such balances between jobs and workers may directly influence the housing demand in a community. New jobs may draw new residents, and when there is high demand for housing relative to supply, many workers may be unable to afford to live where they work, particularly where job growth has been in relatively lower wage jobs. This dynamic not only means many workers will need to prepare for long commutes and time spent on the road, but in the aggregate it contributes to traffic congestion and time lost for all road users.

If there are more jobs than employed residents, it means a city is relatively jobs-rich, typically also with a high jobs to household ratio. Thus bringing housing into the measure, the *jobs-household ratio* in Morgan Hill has increased from 1.18 in 2002, to 1.19 jobs per household in 2018 (see Figure 8).



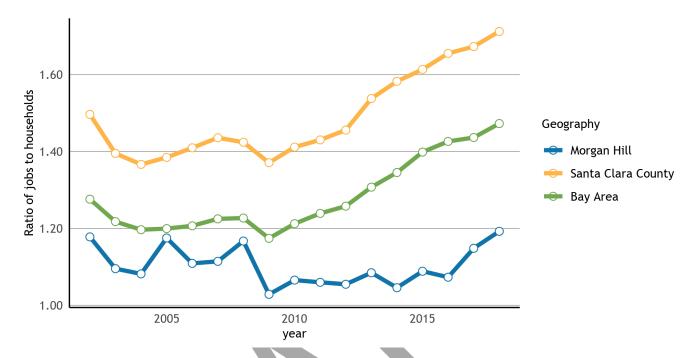


Figure H 1-8: Jobs-Household Ratio

Universe: Jobs in a jurisdiction from unemployment insurance-covered employment (private, state and local government) plus United States Office of Personnel Management-sourced Federal employment, households in a jurisdiction

Notes: The data is tabulated by place of work, regardless of where a worker lives. The source data is provided at the census block level. These are crosswalked to jurisdictions and summarized. The ratio compares place of work wage and salary jobs with households, or occupied housing units. A similar measure is the ratio of jobs to housing units. However, this jobs-household ratio serves to compare the number of jobs in a jurisdiction to the number of housing units that are actually occupied. The difference between a jurisdiction's jobs-housing ratio and jobs-household ratio will be most pronounced in jurisdictions with high vacancy rates, a high rate of units used for seasonal use, or a high rate of units used as short-term rentals.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Longitudinal Employer-Household Dynamics, Workplace Area Characteristics (WAC) files (Jobs), 2002-2018; California Department of Finance, E-5 (Households)

#### 1.4.4.2 Sector Composition

In terms of sectoral composition, the largest industry in which Morgan Hill residents work is *Health & Educational Services*, and the largest sector in which Santa Clara residents work is *Health & Educational Services* (see Figure 9). For the Bay Area as a whole, the *Health & Educational Services* industry employs the most workers.



Figure H 1-9: Resident Employment by Industry

Universe: Civilian employed population age 16 years and over

Notes: The data displayed shows the industries in which jurisdiction residents work, regardless of the location where those residents are employed (whether within the jurisdiction or not). Categories are derived from the following source tables: Agriculture & Natural Resources: C24030\_003E, C24030\_03E; Construction: C24030\_006E, C24030\_03E; Manufacturing, Wholesale & Transportation: C24030\_007E, C24030\_034E, C24030\_008E, C24030\_035E, C24030\_010E, C24030\_037E; Retail: C24030\_009E, C24030\_036E; Information: C24030\_013E, C24030\_014E, C24030\_014E, C24030\_017E, C24030\_014E, C24030\_017E, C24030\_017E, C24030\_017E, C24030\_017E, C24030\_028E, C24030\_028E, C24030\_021E, C24030\_024E, C24030\_051E; Other: C24030\_027E, C24030\_054E, C24030\_028E, C24030\_055E

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-Year Data (2015-2019), Table C24030

#### 1.4.4.3 Unemployment

In Morgan Hill, there was a 6.6 percentage point decrease in the unemployment rate between January 2010 and January 2021. Jurisdictions through the region experienced a sharp rise in unemployment in 2020 due to impacts related to the COVID-19 pandemic, though with a general improvement and recovery in the later months of 2020.



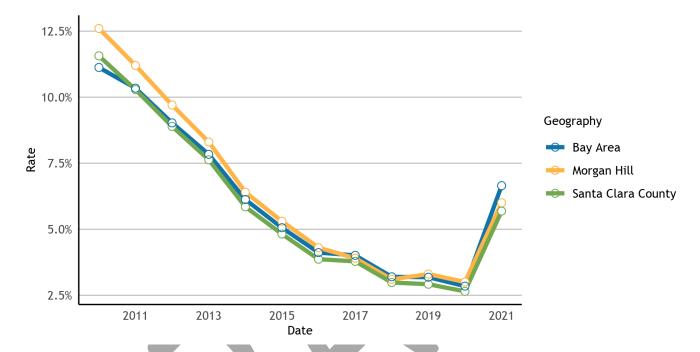


Figure H 1-10: Unemployment Rate

Universe: Civilian noninstitutional population ages 16 and older Source: California Employment Development Department, Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS), Sub-county areas monthly updates, 2010-2021.

#### 1.4.5 Extremely Low-Income Households

Despite the economic and job growth experienced throughout the region since 1990, the income gap has continued to widen. California is one of the most economically unequal states in the nation, and the Bay Area has the highest income inequality between high- and low-income households in the state 12.

In Morgan Hill, 55.2% of households make more than 100% of the Area Median Income (AMI)<sup>13</sup>, compared to 13.9% making less than 30% of AMI, which is considered extremely low-income (see Figure 11).

Regionally, more than half of all households make more than 100% AMI, while 15% make less than 30% AMI. In Santa Clara County, 30% AMI is the equivalent to the annual income of \$39,900 for a family of four. Many households with multiple wage earners – including food service workers,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> Bohn, S.et al. 2020. Income Inequality and Economic Opportunity in California. *Public Policy Institute of California*.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> Income groups are based on HUD calculations for Area Median Income (AMI). HUD calculates the AMI for different metropolitan areas, and the nine county Bay Area includes the following metropolitan areas: Napa Metro Area (Napa County), Oakland-Fremont Metro Area (Alameda and Contra Costa Counties), San Francisco Metro Area (Marin, San Francisco, and San Mateo Counties), San Jose-Sunnyvale-Santa Clara Metro Area (Santa Clara County), Santa Rosa Metro Area (Sonoma County), and Vallejo-Fairfield Metro Area (Solano County). The AMI levels in this chart are based on the HUD metro area where this jurisdiction is located. Households making between 80 and 120 percent of the AMI are moderate-income, those making 50 to 80 percent are low-income, those making 30 to 50 percent are very low-income, and those making less than 30 percent are extremely low-income. This is then adjusted for household size.

full-time students, teachers, farmworkers and healthcare professionals – can fall into lower AMI categories due to relatively stagnant wages in many industries.

HCD's guidance notes that instead of using U.S. Census data to calculate the percentage of very low-income RHNA that qualifies for extremely low-income households, local jurisdictions can presume that 50% of their RHNA for very low-income households qualifies for extremely low-income households. Therefore, the City of Morgan Hill assumes that 50% of Morgan Hill's very low-income RHNA is for extremely low-income households.

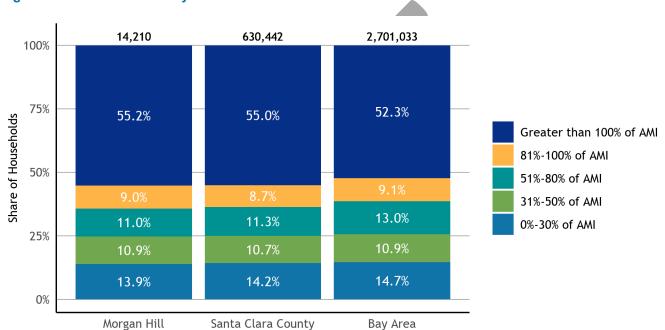


Figure H 1-11: Households by Household Income Level

Universe: Occupied housing units

Notes: Income groups are based on HUD calculations for Area Median Income (AMI). HUD calculates the AMI for different metropolitan areas, and the nine county Bay Area includes the following metropolitan areas: Napa Metro Area (Napa County), Oakland-Fremont Metro Area (Alameda and Contra Costa Counties), San Francisco Metro Area (Marin, San Francisco, and San Mateo Counties), San Jose-Sunnyvale-Santa Clara Metro Area (Santa Clara County), Santa Rosa Metro Area (Sonoma County), and Vallejo-Fairfield Metro Area (Solano County). The AMI levels in this chart are based on the HUD metro area where this jurisdiction is located. The data that is reported for the Bay Area is not based on a regional AMI but instead refers to the regional total of households in an income group relative to the AMI for the county where that household is located. Local jurisdictions are required to provide an estimate for their projected extremely low-income households (0-30% AMI) in their Housing Elements. HCD's official Housing Element guidance notes that jurisdictions can use their RHNA for very low-income households (those making 0-50% AMI) to calculate their projected extremely low-income households.

Source: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy (CHAS) ACS tabulation, 2013-2017 release

Throughout the region, there are disparities between the incomes of homeowners and renters. Typically, the number of low-income renters greatly outpaces the amount of housing available that is affordable for these households.

In Morgan Hill, the largest proportion of renters falls in the *Greater than 100% of AMI* income group, while the largest proportion of homeowners are found in the *Greater than 100% of AMI* group (see Figure 12).

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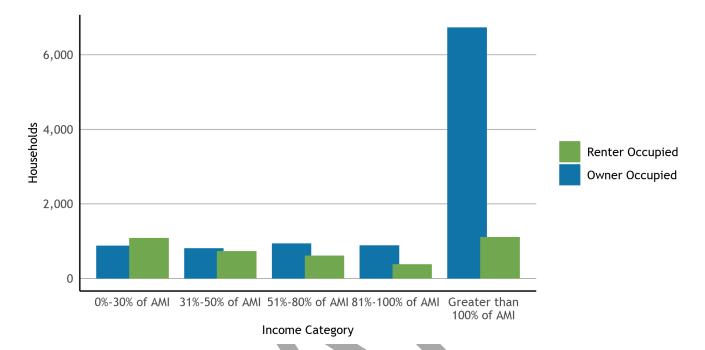


Figure H 1-12: Household Income Level by Tenure

Universe: Occupied housing units

Notes: Income groups are based on HUD calculations for Area Median Income (AMI). HUD calculates the AMI for different metropolitan areas, and the nine county Bay Area includes the following metropolitan areas: Napa Metro Area (Napa County), Oakland-Fremont Metro Area (Alameda and Contra Costa Counties), San Francisco Metro Area (Marin, San Francisco, and San Mateo Counties), San Jose-Sunnyvale-Santa Clara Metro Area (Santa Clara County), Santa Rosa Metro Area (Sonoma County), and Vallejo-Fairfield Metro Area (Solano County). The AMI levels in this chart are based on the HUD metro area where this jurisdiction is located.

Source: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy (CHAS) ACS tabulation, 2013-2017 release

For the data table behind this figure, please refer to the Data Packet Workbook, Table POPEMP-21.

Currently, people of color are more likely to experience poverty and financial instability as a result of federal and local housing policies that have historically excluded them from the same opportunities extended to white residents. <sup>14</sup> These economic disparities also leave communities of color at higher risk for housing insecurity, displacement or homelessness. In Morgan Hill, Other Race or Multiple Races (Hispanic and Non-Hispanic) residents experience the highest rates of poverty, followed by American Indian or Alaska Native (Hispanic and Non-Hispanic) residents (see Figure 13).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> Moore, E., Montojo, N. and Mauri, N., 2019. Roots, Race & Place: A History of Racially Exclusionary Housing the San Francisco Bay Area. *Hass Institute*.

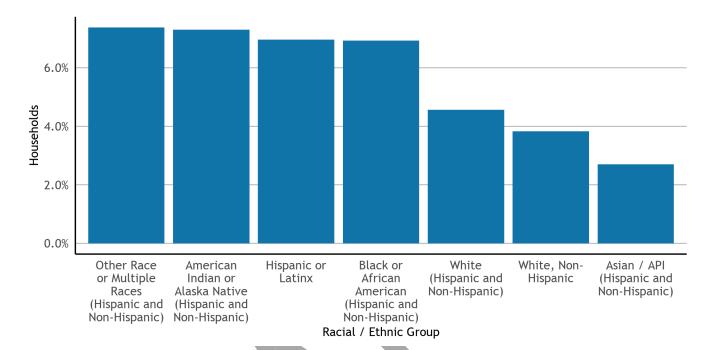


Figure H 1-13: Poverty Status by Race

Universe: Population for whom poverty status is determined

Notes: The Census Bureau uses a federally defined poverty threshold that remains constant throughout the country and does not correspond to Area Median Income. For this table, the Census Bureau does not disaggregate racial groups by Hispanic/Latinx ethnicity. However, data for the white racial group is also reported for white householders who are not Hispanic/Latinx. Since residents who identify as white and Hispanic/Latinx may have very different experiences within the housing market and the economy from those who identify as white and non-Hispanic/Latinx, data for multiple white sub-groups are reported here. The racial/ethnic groups reported in this table are not all mutually exclusive. Therefore, the data should not be summed as the sum exceeds the population for whom poverty status is determined for this jurisdiction. However, all groups labelled "Hispanic and Non-Hispanic" are mutually exclusive, and the sum of the data for these groups is equivalent to the population for whom poverty status is determined.

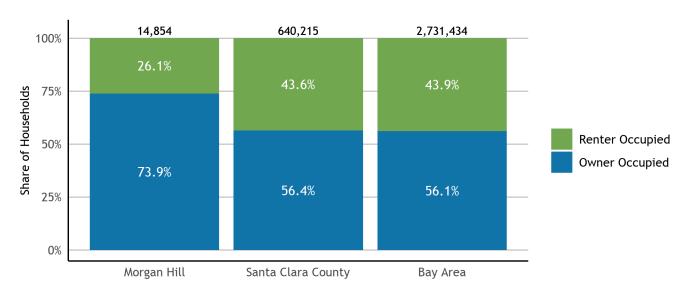
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-Year Data (2015-2019), Table B17001(A-I)

#### 1.4.6 Tenure

The number of residents who own their homes compared to those who rent their homes can help identify the level of housing insecurity – ability for individuals to stay in their homes – in a city and region. Generally, renters may be displaced more quickly if prices increase. In Morgan Hill there are a total of 14,854 housing units, and fewer residents rent than own their homes: 26.1% versus 73.9% (see Figure 14). By comparison, 43.6% of households in Santa Clara County are renters, while 44% of Bay Area households rent their homes.



Figure H 1-14: Housing Tenure



Universe: Occupied housing units

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-Year Data (2015-2019), Table B25003

Homeownership rates often vary considerably across race/ethnicity in the Bay Area and throughout the country. These disparities not only reflect differences in income and wealth but also stem from federal, state, and local policies that limited access to homeownership for communities of color while facilitating homebuying for white residents. While many of these policies, such as redlining, have been formally disbanded, the impacts of race-based policy are still evident across Bay Area communities. In Morgan Hill, 46.3% of Black households owned their homes, while homeownership rates were 83.9% for Asian households, 53.3% for Latinx households, and 73.4% for White households. Notably, recent changes to state law require local jurisdictions to examine these dynamics and other fair housing issues when updating their Housing Elements.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> See, for example, Rothstein, R. (2017). The color of law: a forgotten history of how our government segregated America. New York, NY & London, UK: Liveright Publishing.

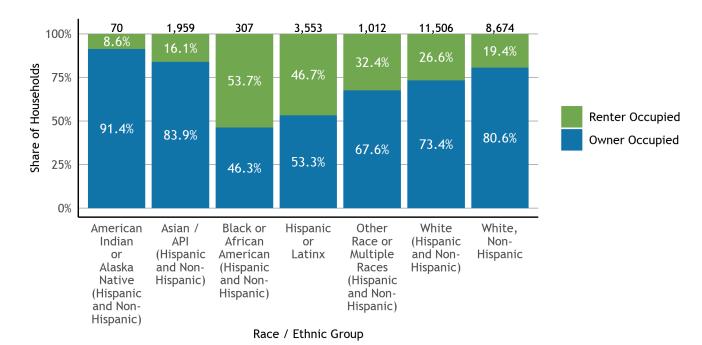


Figure H 1-15: Housing Tenure by Race of Householder

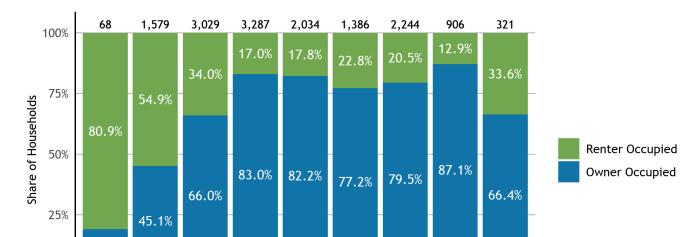
Universe: Occupied housing units

Notes: For this table, the Census Bureau does not disaggregate racial groups by Hispanic/Latinx ethnicity. However, data for the white racial group is also reported for white householders who are not Hispanic/Latinx. Since residents who identify as white and Hispanic/Latinx may have very different experiences within the housing market and the economy from those who identify as white and non-Hispanic/Latinx, data for multiple white sub-groups are reported here. The racial/ethnic-groups reported in this table are not all mutually exclusive. Therefore, the data should not be summed as the sum exceeds the total number of occupied housing units for this jurisdiction. However, all groups labelled "Hispanic and Non-Hispanic" are mutually exclusive, and the sum of the data for these groups is equivalent to the total number of occupied housing units.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-Year Data (2015-2019), Table B25003(A-I)

The age of residents who rent or own their home can also signal the housing challenges a community is experiencing. Younger households tend to rent and may struggle to buy a first home in the Bay Area due to high housing costs. At the same time, senior homeowners seeking to downsize may have limited options in an expensive housing market.

In Morgan Hill, 41.2% of householders between the ages of 25 and 44 are renters, while 19.8% of householders over 65 are (see Figure 16).



Age

60-64

Age

65-74

Age

75-84

Age 85+

Figure H 1-16: Housing Tenure by Age

Universe: Occupied housing units

19.1%

Age

15-24

Age

25-34

0%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-Year Data (2015-2019), Table B25007

Age

45-54

Age

55-59

Age Group

Age

35-44

In many cities, homeownership rates for households in single-family homes are substantially higher than the rates for households in multi-family housing. In Morgan Hill, 90.1% of households in detached single-family homes are homeowners, while 5.3% of households in multi-family housing are homeowners (see Figure 17).



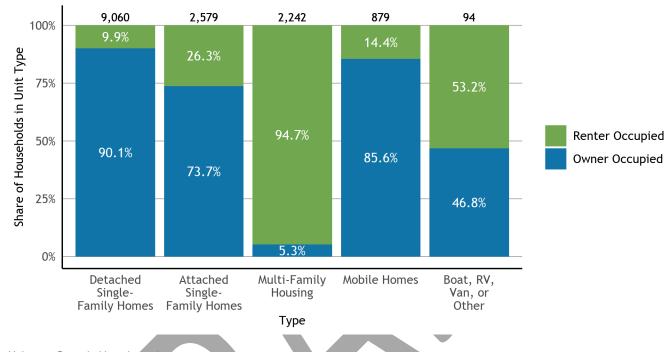


Figure H 1-17: Housing Tenure by Housing Type

Universe: Occupied housing units

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-Year Data (2015-2019), Table B25032

#### 1.4.7 Displacement

Because of increasing housing prices, displacement is a major concern in the Bay Area. Displacement has the most severe impacts on low- and moderate-income residents. When individuals or families are forced to leave their homes and communities, they also lose their support network.

The University of California, Berkeley has mapped all neighborhoods in the Bay area, identifying their risk for gentrification. They find that in Morgan Hill, 0.0% of households live in neighborhoods that are susceptible to or experiencing displacement and 0.0% live in neighborhoods at risk of or undergoing gentrification.

Equally important, some neighborhoods in the Bay Area do not have housing appropriate for a broad section of the workforce. UC Berkeley estimates that 22.6% of households in Morgan Hill live in neighborhoods where low-income households are likely to be excluded due to prohibitive housing costs.<sup>16</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> More information about this gentrification and displacement data is available at the Urban Displacement Project's Specifically, https://www.urbandisplacement.org/. can learn more about different webpage: one the gentrification/displacement typologies shown Figure 18 https://www.urbandisplacement.org/sites/default/files/typology\_sheet\_2018\_0.png. Additionally, one can view maps that show which typologies correspond to which parts of a jurisdiction here: https://www.urbandisplacement.org/sanfrancisco/sf-bay-area-gentrification-and-displacement

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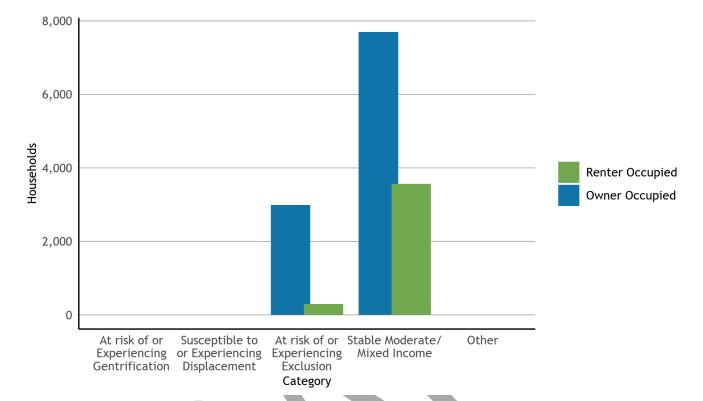


Figure H 1-18: Households by Displacement Risk and Tenure

Universe: Households

Notes: Displacement data is available at the census tract level. Staff aggregated tracts up to jurisdiction level using census 2010 population weights, assigning a fract to jurisdiction in proportion to block level population weights. Total household count may differ slightly from counts in other tables sourced from jurisdiction level sources. Categories are combined as follows for simplicity: At risk of or Experiencing Exclusion: At Risk of Becoming Exclusive, Becoming Exclusive; Stable/Advanced Exclusive At risk of or Experiencing Gentrification: At Risk of Gentrification, Early/Ongoing Gentrification; Advanced Gentrification Stable Moderate/Mixed Income: Stable Moderate/Mixed Income Susceptible to or Experiencing Displacement: Low-Income/Susceptible to Displacement; Ongoing Displacement Other: High Student Population; Unavailable or Unreliable Data

Source: Orban Displacement Project for classification, American Community Survey 5-Year Data (2015-2019), Table B25003 for tenure.

#### 1.5 Housing Stock Characteristics

#### 1.5.1 Housing Types, Year Built, Vacancy, and Permits

In recent years, most housing produced in the region and across the state consisted of single-family homes and larger multi-unit buildings. However, some households are increasingly interested in "missing middle housing" – including duplexes, triplexes, townhomes, cottage clusters and accessory dwelling units (ADUs). These housing types may open up more options across incomes and tenure, from young households seeking homeownership options to seniors looking to downsize and age-in-place.

The housing stock of Morgan Hill in 2020 was made up of 59.0% single family detached homes, 17.7% single family attached homes, 5.5% multifamily homes with 2 to 4 units, 9.8% multifamily homes with 5 or more units, and 8.0% mobile homes (see Figure 19). In Morgan Hill, the housing type that experienced the most growth between 2010 and 2020 was *Single-Family Home: Detached*.

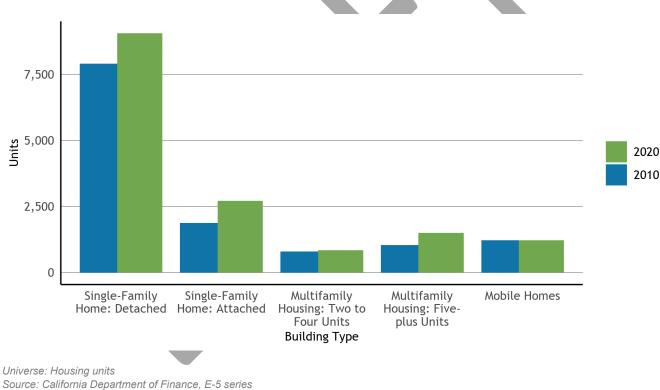


Figure H 1-19: Housing Type Trends

Production has not kept up with housing demand for several decades in the Bay Area, as the total number of units built and available has not yet come close to meeting the population and job growth experienced throughout the region. In Morgan Hill, the largest proportion of the housing stock was built 1980 to 1999, with 5,632 units constructed during this period (see Figure 20). Since 2010, 11.6% of the current housing stock was built, which is 1,761 units.

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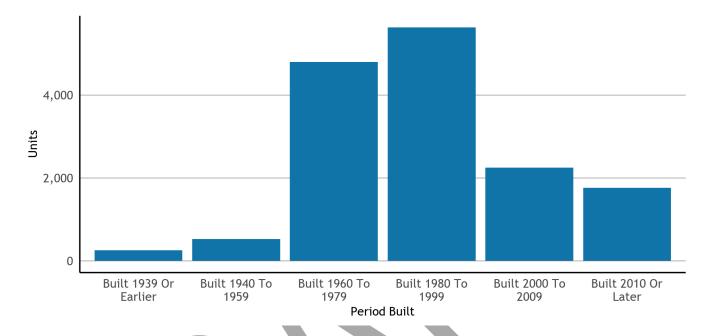


Figure H 1-20: Housing Units by Year Structure Built

Universe: Housing units

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-Year Data (2015-2019), Table B25034

Vacant units make up 2.5% of the overall housing stock in Morgan Hill. The rental vacancy stands at 4.3%, while the ownership vacancy rate is 0.7%. Of the vacant units, the most common type of vacancy is *For Rent* (see Figure 21).<sup>17</sup>

Throughout the Bay Area, vacancies make up 2.6% of the total housing units, with homes listed for rent; units used for *recreational or occasional use*, and units not otherwise classified (*other vacant*) making up the majority of vacancies. The Census Bureau classifies a unit as vacant if no one is occupying it when census interviewers are conducting the American Community Survey or Decennial Census. Vacant units classified as "for recreational or occasional use" are those that are held for short-term periods of use throughout the year. Accordingly, vacation rentals and short-term rentals like AirBnB are likely to fall in this category. The Census Bureau classifies units as "other vacant" if they are vacant due to foreclosure, personal/family reasons, legal proceedings, repairs/renovations, abandonment, preparation for being rented or sold, or vacant for an extended absence for reasons such as a work assignment, military duty, or incarceration. <sup>18</sup> In a region with a thriving economy and housing market like the Bay Area, units being renovated/repaired and prepared for rental or sale are likely to represent a large portion of the "other vacant" category.

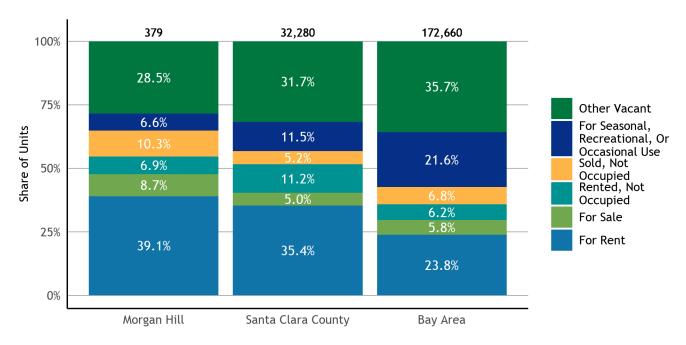
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> The vacancy rates by tenure is for a smaller universe than the total vacancy rate first reported, which in principle includes the full stock (2.5%). The vacancy by tenure counts are rates relative to the rental stock (occupied and vacant) and ownership stock (occupied and vacant) - but exclude a a significant number of vacancy categories, including the numerically significant *other vacant*.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> For more information, see pages 3 through 6 of this list of definitions prepared by the Census Bureau: <a href="https://www.census.gov/housing/hvs/definitions.pdf">https://www.census.gov/housing/hvs/definitions.pdf</a>.

Additionally, the need for seismic retrofitting in older housing stock could also influence the proportion of "other vacant" units in some jurisdictions. 19





Universe: Vacant housing units

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-Year Data (2015-2019), Table B25004

Between 2015 and 2019, 1,542 housing units were issued permits in Morgan Hill. 77.8% of permits issued in Morgan Hill were for above moderate-income housing, 8.8% were for moderate-income housing, and 13.4% were for low- or very low-income housing (see Table 3).

Table H 1-3 Housing Permitt	ing
Income Group	Value
Above Moderate Income Pern	nits 1,200
Low Income Pern	nits 165
Moderate Income Pern	nits 136
Very Low Income Pern	nits 41

Universe: Housing permits issued between 2015 and 2019

Notes: HCD uses the following definitions for the four income categories: Very Low Income: units affordable to households making less than 50% of the Area Median Income for the county in which the jurisdiction is located. Low Income: units affordable to households making between 50% and 80% of the Area Median Income for the county in which the jurisdiction is located. Moderate Income: units affordable to households making between 80% and 120% of the Area Median Income for the county in which the jurisdiction is located.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup> See Dow, P. (2018). Unpacking the Growth in San Francisco's Vacant Housing Stock: Client Report for the San Francisco Planning Department. University of California, Berkeley.



Above Moderate Income: units affordable to households making above 120% of the Area Median Income for the county in which the jurisdiction is located.

Source: California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD), 5th Cycle Annual Progress Report Permit Summary (2020)

#### 1.5.2 Assisted Housing Developments At-Risk of Conversion

While there is an immense need to produce new affordable housing units, ensuring that the existing affordable housing stock remains affordable is equally important. Additionally, it is typically faster and less expensive to preserve currently affordable units that are at risk of converting to market-rate than it is to build new affordable housing.

The data in the table below comes from the California Housing Partnership's Preservation Database, the state's most comprehensive source of information on subsidized affordable housing at risk of losing its affordable status and converting to market-rate housing. However, this database does not include all deed-restricted affordable units in the state, so there may be at-risk assisted units in a jurisdiction that are not captured in this data table. There are 1,160 assisted units in Morgan Hill in the Preservation Database. Of these units, 0.0% are at *High Risk* or *Very High Risk* of conversion.<sup>20</sup>

Table H 1-4 Assisted Units at Risk of Conversion								
Inc	come	Morgan Hill	Santa Clara County	Bay Area				
	Low	1,160	28,001	110,177				
	Moderate	0	1,471	3,375				
	High	0	422	1,854				
	Very High	0	270	1,053				
Total Assiste	d Units in Database	1,160	30,164	116,459				

Universe: HUD, Low-Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC), USDA, and CalHFA projects. Subsidized or assisted developments that do not have one of the aforementioned imancing sources may not be included.

Notes: While California Housing Partnership's Preservation Database is the state's most comprehensive source of information on subsidized affordable housing at risk of losing its affordable status and converting to market-rate housing, this database does not include all deed-restricted affordable units in the state. Consequently, there may be at-risk assisted units in a jurisdiction that are not captured in this data table. California Housing Partnership uses the following categories for assisted housing developments in its database: Very-High Risk: affordable homes that are at-risk of converting to market rate within the next year that do not have a known overlapping subsidy that would extend affordability and are not owned by a large/stable non-profit, mission-driven developer. High

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> California Housing Partnership uses the following categories for assisted housing developments in its database: Very-High Risk: affordable homes that are at-risk of converting to market rate within the next year that do not have a known overlapping subsidy that would extend affordability and are not owned by a large/stable non-profit, mission-driven developer.

High Risk: affordable homes that are at-risk of converting to market rate in the next 1-5 years that do not have a known overlapping subsidy that would extend affordability and are not owned by a large/stable non-profit, mission-driven developer.

Moderate Risk: affordable homes that are at-risk of converting to market rate in the next 5-10 years that do not have a known overlapping subsidy that would extend affordability and are not owned by a large/stable non-profit, mission-driven developer.

Low Risk: affordable homes that are at-risk of converting to market rate in 10+ years and/or are owned by a large/stable non-profit, mission-driven developer.

Risk: affordable homes that are at-risk of converting to market rate in the next 1-5 years that do not have a known overlapping subsidy that would extend affordability and are not owned by a large/stable non-profit, mission-driven developer. Moderate Risk: affordable homes that are at-risk of converting to market rate in the next 5-10 years that do not have a known overlapping subsidy that would extend affordability and are not owned by a large/stable non-profit, mission-driven developer. Low Risk: affordable homes that are at-risk of converting to market rate in 10+ years and/or are owned by a large/stable non-profit, mission-driven developer. Source: California Housing Partnership, Preservation Database (2020)

#### 1.5.3 Substandard Housing

Housing costs in the region are among the highest in the country, which could result in households, particularly renters, needing to live in substandard conditions in order to afford housing. Generally, there is limited data on the extent of substandard housing issues in a community. The City's Building Division was surveyed to determine the number of housing units that are in need of rehabilitation (repair) or those in need of replacement (demolition) in calendar year 2021. The Building Division serves the residents and developers within the City by providing plan review services, issuing grading and building permits, and much more. In addition, the Building Division is responsible for code compliance and enforcement of the Morgan Hill Municipal Code. The Building Division indicated that there were zero units in dire need of rehabilitation or replacement that have been made aware to the City in 2021. Although the City's housing stock is in good condition, more than a third (37%) of the City's housing stock is more than 40 years old and may also be in need of rehabilitation. Programs which assist lower-income and/or elderly homeowners with home maintenance and repair should continue to be an important part of the City's housing program.

The City takes a proactive approach toward housing conditions through housing rehabilitation programs. The City has participated in the Urban Counties Consortium Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds to provide rehabilitation assistance. Over the last housing element period, from January 1, 2015 through January 1, 2020, 159 units were rehabilitated within the City of Morgan Hill.

Although the City's housing stock is in good condition, the Census Bureau data included in the graph below gives a sense of some of the substandard conditions that may be present in Morgan Hill. For example, 2.7% of renters in Morgan Hill reported lacking a kitchen and 1.0% of renters lack plumbing, compared to 0.1% of owners who lack a kitchen and 0.0% of owners who lack plumbing.



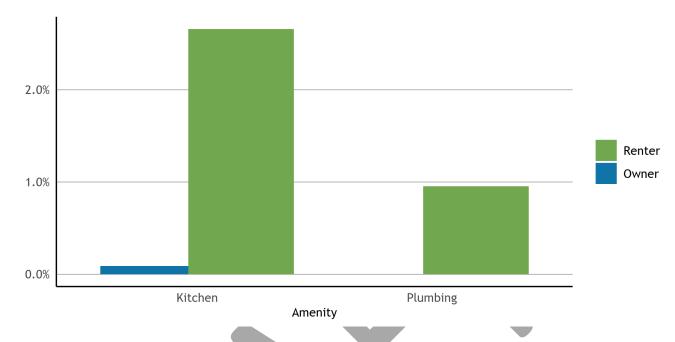


Figure H 1-22: Substandard Housing Issues

Universe: Occupied housing units

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-Year Data (2015-2019), Table B25053, Table B25043, Table B25049

#### 1.5.4 Home and Rent Values

Home prices reflect a complex mix of supply and demand factors, including an area's demographic profile, labor market, prevailing wages and job outlook, coupled with land and construction costs. In the Bay Area, the costs of housing have long been among the highest in the nation. The typical home value in Morgan Hill was estimated at \$1,055,130 by December of 2020, per data from Zillow. The largest proportion of homes were valued between \$750k-\$1M (see Figure 23). By comparison, the typical home value is \$1,290,970 in Santa Clara County and \$1,077,230 in the Bay Area, with the largest share of units valued \$1m-\$1.5m (county) and \$500k-\$750k (region).

The region's home values have increased steadily since 2000, besides a decrease during the Great Recession. The rise in home prices has been especially steep since 2012, with the median home value in the Bay Area nearly doubling during this time. Since 2001, the typical home value has increased 123.1% in Morgan Hill from \$472,850 to \$1,055,130. This change is below the change in Santa Clara County, and below the change for the region (see Figure 24).

Figure H 1-23: Home Values of Owner-Occupied Units

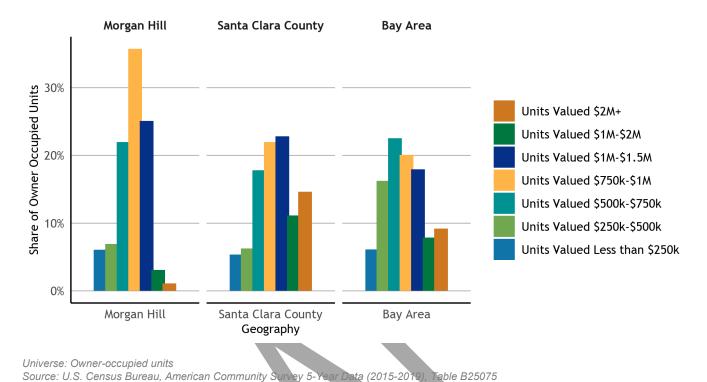
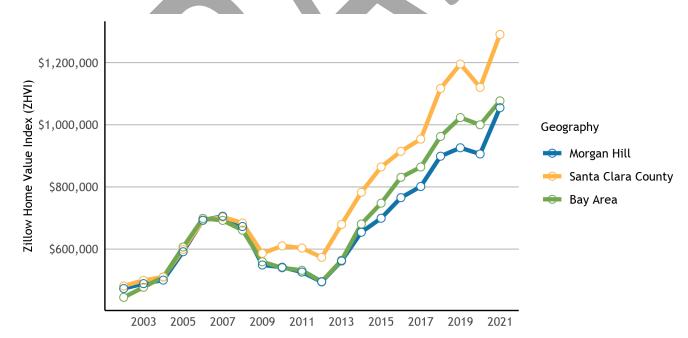


Figure H 1-24: Zillow Home Value Index (ZHVI)



Universe: Owner-occupied housing units

Notes: Zillow describes the ZHVI as a smoothed, seasonally adjusted measure of the typical home value and market changes across a given region and housing type. The ZHVI reflects the typical value for homes in the 35th to 65th percentile range. The ZHVI includes all owner-occupied housing units, including both single-family homes and condominiums. More information on the ZHVI is available



from Zillow. The regional estimate is a household-weighted average of county-level ZHVI files, where household counts are yearly estimates from DOF's E-5 series For unincorporated areas, the value is a population weighted average of unincorporated communities in the county matched to census-designated population counts.

Source: Zillow, Zillow Home Value Index (ZHVI)

Similar to home values, rents have also increased dramatically across the Bay Area in recent years. Many renters have been priced out, evicted or displaced, particularly communities of color. Residents finding themselves in one of these situations may have had to choose between commuting long distances to their jobs and schools or moving out of the region, and sometimes, out of the state.

In Morgan Hill, the largest proportion of rental units rented in the *Rent \$1500-\$2000* category, totaling 26.9%, followed by 24.2% of units renting in the *Rent \$1000-\$1500* category (see Figure 25). Looking beyond the city, the largest share of units is in the *\$2000-\$2500* category (county) compared to the *\$1500-\$2000* category for the region as a whole.

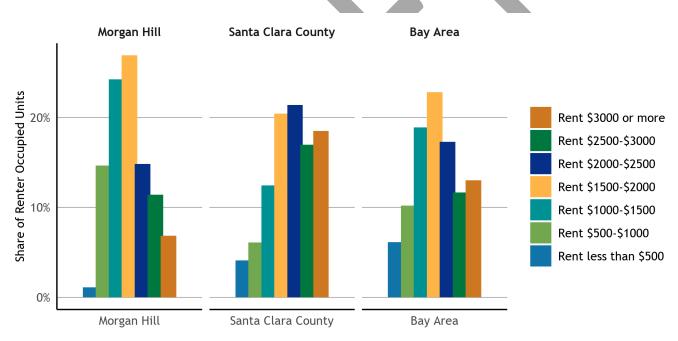


Figure H 1-25: Contract Rents for Renter-Occupied Units

Universe: Renter-occupied housing units paying cash rent Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-Year Data (2015-2019), Table B25056

Since 2009, the median rent has increased by 36.6% in Morgan Hill, from \$1,230 to \$1,680 per month (see Figure 26). In Santa Clara County, the median rent has increased 67.7%, from \$1,285 to \$2,150. The median rent in the region has increased significantly during this time from \$1,200 to \$1,850, a 54% increase.<sup>21</sup>

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> While the data on home values shown in Figure 24 comes from Zillow, Zillow does not have data on rent prices available for most Bay Area jurisdictions. To have a more comprehensive dataset on rental data for the region, the rent data in this document comes from the U.S. Census Bureau's American Community Survey, which may not fully reflect

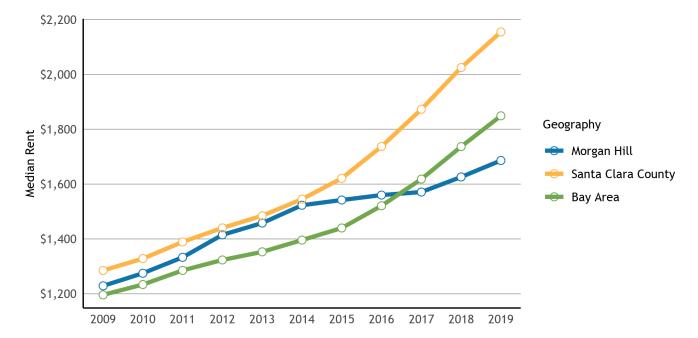


Figure H 1-26: Median Contract Rent

Universe: Renter-occupied housing units paying cash ren

Notes: For unincorporated areas, median is calculated using distribution in B25056.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-Year Data releases, starting with 2005-2009 through 2015-2019, B25058, B25056 (for unincorporated areas). County and regional counts are weighted averages of jurisdiction median using B25003 rental unit counts from the relevant year.

## 1.5.5 Overpayment and Overcrowding

A household is considered "cost-burdened" if it spends more than 30% of its monthly income on housing costs, while those who spend more than 50% of their income on housing costs are considered "severely cost-burdened." Low-income residents are the most impacted by high housing costs and experience the highest rates of cost burden. Spending such large portions of their income on housing puts low-income households at higher risk of displacement, eviction, or homelessness.

current rents. Local jurisdiction staff may want to supplement the data on rents with local realtor data or other sources for rent data that are more current than Census Bureau data.

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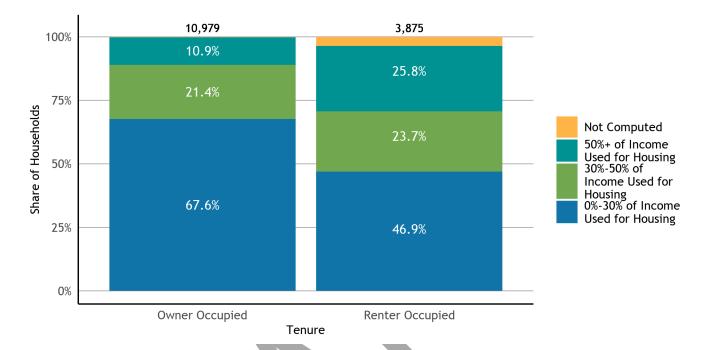


Figure H 1-27: Cost Burden by Tenure

Universe: Occupied housing units

Notes: Cost burden is the ratio of housing costs to household income. For renters, housing cost is gross rent (contract rent plus utilities). For owners, housing cost is "select monthly owner costs", which includes mortgage payment, utilities, association fees, insurance, and real estate taxes. HUD defines cost-burdened households as those whose monthly housing costs exceed 30% of monthly income, while severely cost-burdened households are those whose monthly housing costs exceed 50% of monthly income. Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-Year Data (2015-2019), Table B25070, B25091

Renters are often more cost-burdened than owners. While the housing market has resulted in home prices increasing dramatically, homeowners often have mortgages with fixed rates, whereas renters are more likely to be impacted by market increases. When looking at the cost burden across tenure in Morgan Hill, 23.7% of renters spend 30% to 50% of their income on housing compared to 21.4% of those that own (see Figure 27). Additionally, 25.8% of renters spend 50% or more of their income on housing, while 10.9% of owners are severely cost-burdened.

In Morgan Hill, 15.3% of households spend 50% or more of their income on housing, while 20.1% spend 30% to 50%. However, these rates vary greatly across income categories (see Figure 28). For example, 64.2% of Morgan Hill households making less than 30% of AMI spend the majority of their income on housing. For Morgan Hill residents making more than 100% of AMI, just 0.4% are severely cost-burdened, and 85.8% of those making more than 100% of AMI spend less than 30% of their income on housing.

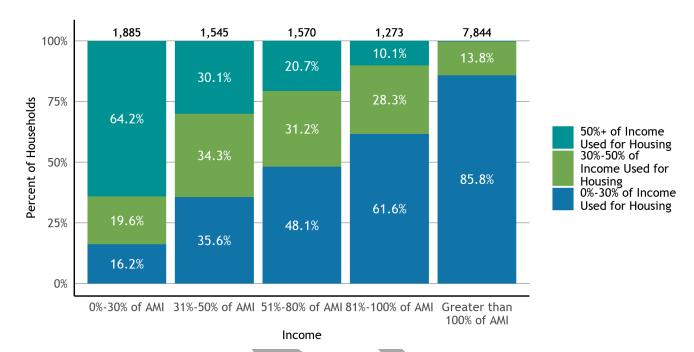


Figure H 1-28: Cost Burden by Income Level

Universe: Occupied housing units

Notes: Cost burden is the ratio of housing costs to household income. For renters, housing cost is gross rent (contract rent plus utilities). For owners, housing cost is "select monthly owner costs", which includes mortgage payment, utilities, association fees, insurance, and real estate taxes. HUD defines cost-burdened households as those whose monthly housing costs exceed 30% of monthly income, while severely cost-burdened households are those whose monthly housing costs exceed 50% of monthly income. Income groups are based on HUD calculations for Area Median Income (AMI). HUD calculates the AMI for different metropolitan areas, and the nine county Bay Area includes the following metropolitan areas: Napa Metro Area (Napa County), Oakland-Fremont Metro Area (Alameda and Contra Costa Counties). San Francisco Metro Area (Marin, San Francisco, and San Mateo Counties), San Jose-Sunnyvale-Santa Clara Metro Area (Santa Clara County), Santa Rosa Metro Area (Sonoma County), and Vallejo-Fairfield Metro Area (Solano County). The AMI levels in this chart are based on the HUD metro area where this jurisdiction is located. Source: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy (CHAS) ACS tabulation, 2013-2017 release

Currently, people of color are more likely to experience poverty and financial instability as a result of federal and local housing policies that have historically excluded them from the same opportunities extended to white residents. As a result, they often pay a greater percentage of their income on housing, and in turn, are at a greater risk of housing insecurity.

Black or African American, Non-Hispanic residents are the most cost burdened with 31.4% spending 30% to 50% of their income on housing, and Hispanic or Latinx residents are the most severely cost burdened with 21.5% spending more than 50% of their income on housing (see Figure 29).

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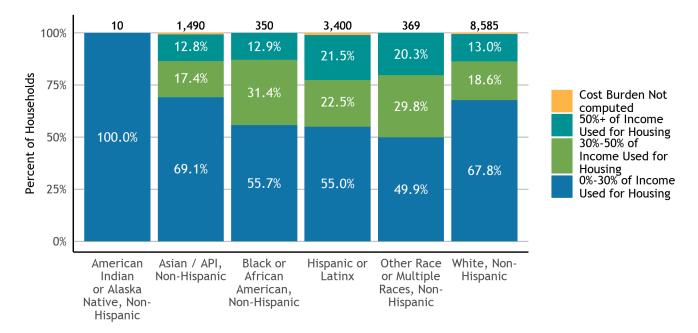


Figure H 1-29: Cost Burden by Race

Universe: Occupied housing units

Notes: Cost burden is the ratio of housing costs to household income. For renters, housing cost is gross rent (contract rent plus utilities). For owners, housing cost is "select monthly owner costs", which includes montage payment, utilities, association fees, insurance, and real estate taxes. AUD defines cost-burdened households as those whose monthly housing costs exceed 30% of monthly income, while severely cost-burdened households are those whose monthly housing costs exceed 50% of monthly income. For the purposes of this graph, the "Hispanic o Latinx" racial/ethnic group represents those who identify as having Hispanic/Latinx ethnicity and may also be members of any racial group. All other racial categories on this graph represent those who identify with that racial category and do not identify with Hispanic/Latinx ethnicity.

Source: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy (CHAS) ACS tabulation, 2013-2017 release

Large family households often have special housing needs due to a lack of adequately sized affordable housing available. The higher costs required for homes with multiple bedrooms can result in larger families experiencing a disproportionate cost burden than the rest of the population and can increase the risk of housing insecurity.

In Morgan Hill, 17.9% of large family households experience a cost burden of 30%-50%, while 17.3% of households spend more than half of their income on housing. Some 20.4% of all other households have a cost burden of 30%-50%, with 15.0% of households spending more than 50% of their income on housing (see Figure 30).

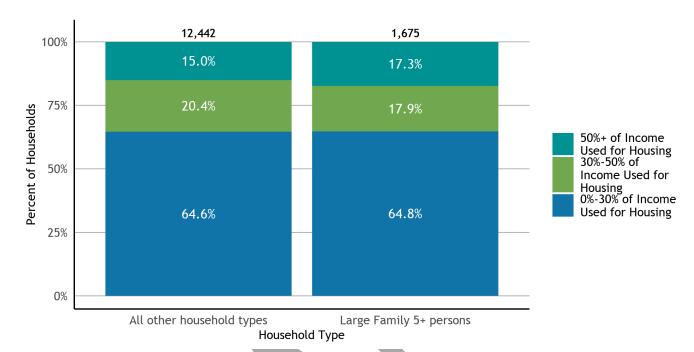


Figure H 1-30: Cost Burden by Household Size

Universe: Occupied housing units

Notes: Cost burden is the ratio of housing costs to household income. For renters, housing cost is gross rent (contract rent plus utilities). For owners, housing cost is "select monthly owner costs", which includes montage payment, utilities, association fees, insurance, and real estate taxes. HUD defines cost-burdened households as those whose monthly housing costs exceed 30% of monthly income, while severely cost-burdened households are those whose monthly housing costs exceed 50% of monthly income. Source: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy (CHAS) ACS tabulation, 2013-2017 release

When cost-burdened seniors are no longer able to make house payments or pay rents, displacement from their homes can occur, putting further stress on the local rental market or forcing residents out of the community they call home. Understanding how seniors might be cost-burdened is of particular importance due to their special housing needs, particularly for low-income seniors. 51.9% of seniors making less than 30% of AMI are spending the majority of their income on housing. For seniors making more than 100% of AMI, 85.0% are not cost-burdened and spend less than 30% of their income on housing (see Figure 31).

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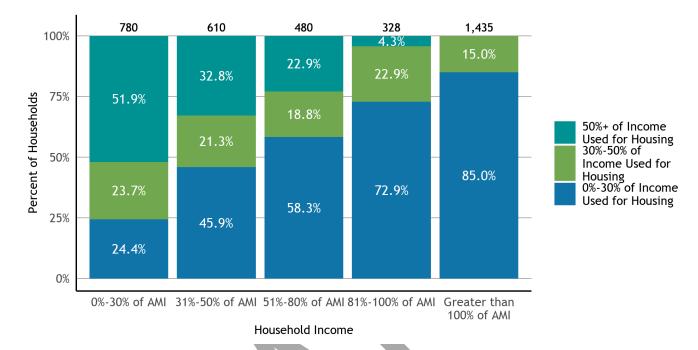


Figure 1-31: Cost-Burdened Senior Households by Income Level

Universe: Senior households

Notes: For the purposes of this graph, senior households are those with a householder who is aged 62 or older. Cost burden is the ratio of housing costs to household income. For renters, housing cost is gross rent (contract rent plus utilities). For owners, housing cost is "select monthly owner costs", which includes mortgage payment, utilities, association fees, insurance, and real estate taxes. HUD defines cost-burdened households as those whose monthly housing costs exceed 30% of monthly income, while severely cost-burdened households are those whose monthly housing costs exceed 50% of monthly income. Income groups are based on HUD calculations for Area Median Income (AMI). HUD calculates the AMI for different metropolitan areas, and the nine county Bay Area includes the following metropolitan areas: Napa Metro Area (Napa County), Oakland-Fremont Metro Area (Alameda and Contra Costa Counties), San Francisco Metro Area (Marin, San Francisco, and San Mateo Counties), San Jose-Sunnyvale-Santa Clara Metro Area (Santa Clara County). Santa Rosa Metro Area (Sonoma County), and Vallejo-Fairfield Metro Area (Solano County). The AMI levels in this chart are based on the HUD metro area where this jurisdiction is located.

Source: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy (CHAS) ACS tabulation, 2013-2017 release

Overcrowding occurs when the number of people living in a household is greater than the home was designed to hold. There are several different standards for defining overcrowding, but this report uses the Census Bureau definition, which is more than one occupant per room (not including bathrooms or kitchens). Additionally, the Census Bureau considers units with more than 1.5 occupants per room to be severely overcrowded.

Overcrowding is often related to the cost of housing and can occur when demand in a city or region is high. In many cities, overcrowding is seen more amongst those that are renting, with multiple households sharing a unit to make it possible to stay in their communities. In Morgan Hill, 4.6% of households that rent are severely overcrowded (more than 1.5 occupants per room), compared to 0.2% of households that own (see Figure 32). In Morgan Hill, 9.2% of renters experience moderate overcrowding (1 to 1.5 occupants per room), compared to 1.6% for those own.

7.5%
5.0%
2.5%
Owner Occupied
Tenure

More than 1.5
Occupants per
Room
1.0 to 1.5
Occupants per
Room

Renter Occupied

Figure H 1-32: Overcrowding by Tenure and Severity

Universe: Occupied housing units

Notes: The Census Bureau defines an overcrowded unit as one occupied by 1.01 persons or more per room (excluding bathrooms and kitchens), and units with more than 1.5 persons per room are considered severely overcrowded.

Source: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy (CHAS) ACS tabulation, 2013-2017 release

Overcrowding often disproportionately impacts low-income households. 2.3% of very low-income households (below 50% AMI) experience severe overcrowding, while 0.0% of households above 100% experience this level of overcrowding (see Figure 33).

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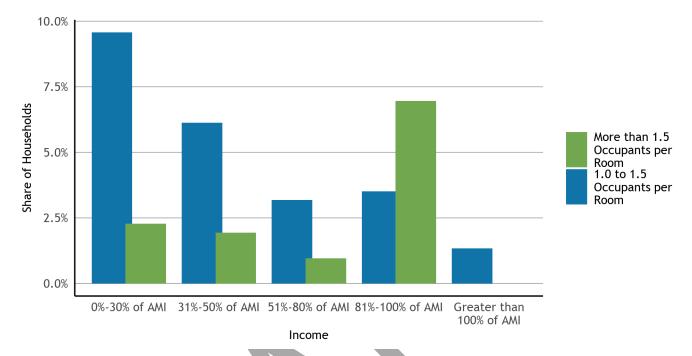


Figure H 1-33: Overcrowding by Income Level and Severity

Universe: Occupied housing units

Notes: The Census Bureau defines an overcrowded unit as one occupied by 1.01 persons or more per room (excluding bathrooms and kitchens), and units with more than 1.5 persons per room are considered severely overcrowded. Income groups are based on HUD calculations for Area Median Income (AMI). HUD calculates the AMI for different metropolitan areas, and the nine county Bay Area includes the following metropolitan areas: Napa Metro Area (Napa County), Oakland-Fremont Metro Area (Alameda and Contra Costa Counties), San Francisco Metro Area (Marin, San Francisco, and San Mateo Counties), San Jose-Sunnyvale-Santa Clara Metro Area (Santa Clara County), Santa Rosa Metro Area (Sonoma County), and Vallejo-Fairfield Metro Area (Solano County). The AMI levels in this chart are based on the HUD metro area where this jurisdiction is located.

Source: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy (CHAS) ACS tabulation, 2013-2017 release

Communities of color are more likely to experience overcrowding similar to how they are more likely to experience poverty, financial instability, and housing insecurity. People of color tend to experience overcrowding at higher rates than White residents. In Morgan Hill, the racial group with the largest overcrowding rate is *Hispanic or Latinx* (see Figure 34)

Share of Households 10.0% 5.0% 0.0% White, Non-American Asian / API Black or Hispanic or Other Race White Indian or (Hispanic and African Latinx or Multiple (Hispanic and Hispanic Alaska Native Non-Hispanic) American Races Non-Hispanic) (Hispanic and (Hispanic and (Hispanic and Non-Hispanic) Non-Hispanic) Non-Hispanic) Racial / Ethnic Group

Figure H 1-34: Overcrowding by Race

Universe: Occupied housing units

Notes: The Census Bureau defines an overcrowded unit as one occupied by 1.01 persons or more per room (excluding bathrooms and kitchens), and units with more than 1.5 persons per room are considered severely overcrowded. For this table, the Census Bureau does not disaggregate racial groups by Hispanic/Latinx ethnicity. However, data for the white racial group is also reported for white householders who are not Hispanic/Latinx. Since residents who identify as white and Hispanic/Latinx may have very different experiences within the housing market and the economy from those who identify as white and non-Hispanic/Latinx, data for multiple white sub-groups are reported here. The racial/ethnic groups reported in this table are not all mutually exclusive. Therefore, the data should not be summed as the sum exceeds the total number of occupied housing units for this jurisdiction. However, all groups labelled "Hispanic and Non-Hispanic" are mutually exclusive, and the sum of the data for these groups is equivalent to the total number of occupied housing units.

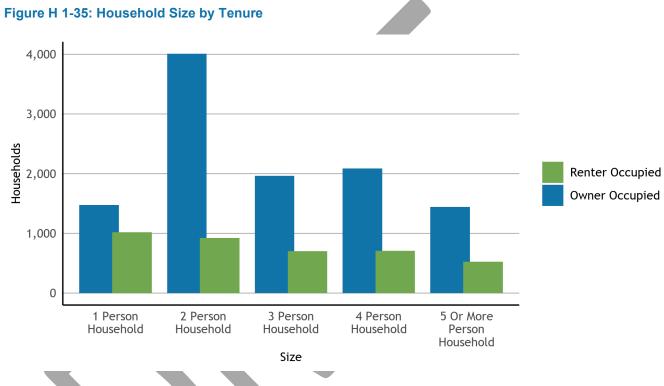
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-Year Data (2015-2019), Table B25014



# 1.6 Special Housing Needs

## 1.6.1 Large Households

Large households often have different housing needs than smaller households. If a city's rental housing stock does not include larger apartments, large households who rent could end up living in overcrowded conditions. In Morgan Hill, for large households with 5 or more persons, most units (73.2%) are owner occupied (see Figure 35). In 2017, 23.3% of large households were very low-income, earning less than 50% of the area median income (AMI).



Universe: Occupied housing units
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-Year Data (2015-2019), Table B25009

The unit sizes available in a community affect the household sizes that can access that community. Large families are generally served by housing units with 3 or more bedrooms, of which there are 10,992 units in Morgan Hill. Among these large units with 3 or more bedrooms, 12.9% are renter-occupied and 87.1% are owner-occupied (see Figure 36).



Figure H 1-36: Housing Units by Number of Bedrooms

Universe: Housing units

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-Year Data (2015-2019), Table B25042

## 1.6.2 Female-Headed Households

Households headed by one person are often at greater risk of housing insecurity, particularly female-headed households, who may be supporting children or a family with only one income. In Morgan Hill, the largest proportion of households is *Married-couple Family Households* at 63.6% of total, while *Female-Headed Households* make up 10.9% of all households.

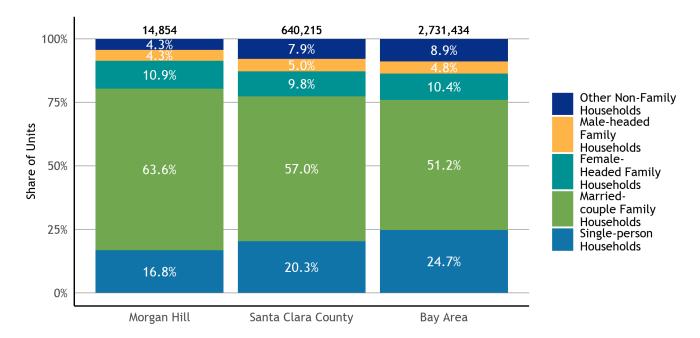


Figure H 1-37: Household Type

Universe: Households

Notes: For data from the Census Bureau, a "family household" is a household where two or more people are related by birth, marriage, or adoption. "Non-family households" are households or one person living alone, as well as households where none of the people are related to each other.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-Year Data (2015-2019), Table B11001

Female-headed households with children may face particular housing challenges, with pervasive gender inequality resulting in lower wages for women. Moreover, the added need for childcare can make finding a home that is affordable more challenging.

In Morgan Hill, 20.2% of female-headed households with children fall below the Federal Poverty Line, while 1.5% of female-headed households *without* children live in poverty (see Figure 38).

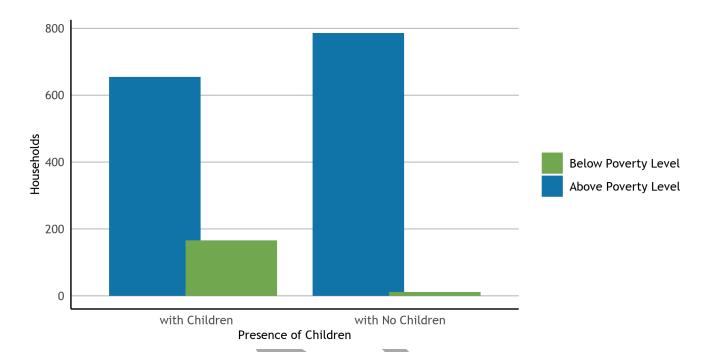


Figure H 1-38: Female-Headed Households by Poverty Status

Universe: Female Households

Notes: The Census Bureau uses a federally defined poverty threshold that remains constant throughout the country and does not correspond to Area Median Income.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-Year Data (2015 2019), Table B17012

#### 1.6.3 Seniors

Senior households often experience a combination of factors that can make accessing or keeping affordable housing a challenge. They often live on fixed incomes and are more likely to have disabilities, chronic health conditions and/or reduced mobility.

Seniors who rent may be at even greater risk for housing challenges than those who own, due to income differences between these groups. The largest proportion of senior households who rent make 0%-30% of AMI, while the largest proportion of senior households who are homeowners falls in the income group *Greater than 100% of AMI* (see Figure 39).

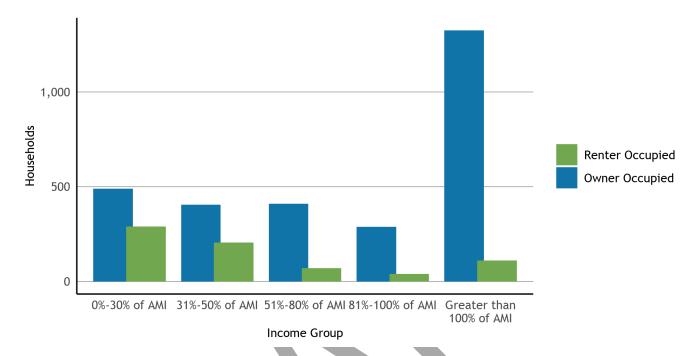


Figure H 1-39: Senior Households by Income and Tenure

Universe: Senior households

Notes: For the purposes of this graph, senior households are those with a householder who is aged 62 or older. Income groups are based on HUD calculations for Area Median Income (AMI). HUD calculates the AIM for different metropolitan areas, and the nine county Bay Area includes the following metropolitan areas: Nasa Metro Area (Napa County), Oakland-Fremont Metro Area (Alameda and Contra Costa Counties), San Francisco Metro Area (Marin, San Francisco, and San Mateo Counties), San Jose-Sunnyvale-Santa Clara Metro Area (Santa Clara County), Santa Rosa Metro Area (Sonoma County), and Vallejo-Fairfield Metro Area (Solano County). The AMI levels in this chart are based on the HUD metro area where this jurisdiction is located.

Source: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy (CHAS) ACS tabulation, 2013-2017 release

# 1.6.4 People with Disabilities

People with disabilities face additional housing challenges. Encompassing a broad group of individuals living with a variety of physical, cognitive and sensory impairments, many people with disabilities live on fixed incomes and are in need of specialized care, yet often rely on family members for assistance due to the high cost of care.

When it comes to housing, people with disabilities are not only in need of affordable housing but accessibly designed housing, which offers greater mobility and opportunity for independence. Unfortunately, the need typically outweighs what is available, particularly in a housing market with such high demand. People with disabilities are at a high risk for housing insecurity, homelessness and institutionalization, particularly when they lose aging caregivers. Figure 40 shows the rates at which different disabilities are present among residents of Morgan Hill. Overall, 9.1% of people in Morgan Hill have a disability of any kind.<sup>22</sup>

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup> These disabilities are counted separately and are not mutually exclusive, as an individual may report more than one disability. These counts should not be summed.

Proportion of Senior Population Reporting 4.0% 3.0% 2.0% 1.0% With a self-care With an With a cognitive With an With a hearing With a vision ambulatory independent difficulty difficulty difficulty difficulty difficulty living difficulty Disability

Figure H 1-40: Disability by Type

Universe: Civilian noninstitutionalized population 18 years and over

Notes: These disabilities are counted separately and are not mutually exclusive, as an individual may report more than one disability. These counts should not be summed. The Census Bureau provides the following definitions for these disability types: Hearing difficulty: deaf or has serious difficulty hearing. Vision difficulty: blind or has serious difficulty seeing even with glasses. Cognitive difficulty: has serious difficulty concentrating, remembering, or making decisions. Ambulatory difficulty: has serious difficulty walking or climbing stairs. Self-care difficulty: has difficulty dressing or bathing. Independent living difficulty: has difficulty doing errands alone such as visiting a doctor's office or shopping.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-Year Data (2015-2019), Table B18102, Table B18103, Table B18104, Table B18105, Table B18106, Table B18107.

State law also requires Housing Elements to examine the housing needs of people with developmental disabilities. Developmental disability means a disability that originates before an individual attains 18 years of age; continues, or can be expected to continue, indefinitely; and constitutes a substantial disability for that individual. Developmental disability includes intellectual disability, autism, epilepsy, cerebral palsy, and related conditions. Developmental disabilities do not include handicapping conditions that are solely physical in nature. Some people with developmental disabilities are unable to work, rely on Supplemental Security Income, and live with family members. In addition to their specific housing needs, they are at increased risk of housing insecurity after an aging parent or family member is no longer able to care for them.

In Morgan Hill, of the population with a developmental disability, children under the age of 18 make up 31.3%, while adults account for 68.7%.

Table H 1-5 Population with Developmental Disabilities by Age				
Age Group	Value			
Age	e 18+ 222			
Age Und	der 18 101			



Source: San Andreas Regional Center, November 2021 data provided via direct communication (April 15, 2022)

The most common living arrangement for adult individuals with developmental disabilities in Morgan Hill is the home of family.

Table H 1-6 Adult Population with Developmental Disabilities by Residence						
Res	sidence Type	Value				
	158					
	43					
Own Apa	21					
	Other	0				

Source: San Andreas Regional Center, November 2021 data provided via direct communication (April 15, 2022)

#### 1.6.5 Homelessness

Homelessness remains an urgent challenge in many communities across the state, reflecting a range of social, economic, and psychological factors. Rising housing costs result in increased risks of community members experiencing homelessness. Far too many residents who have found themselves housing insecure have ended up unhoused or homeless in recent years, either temporarily or longer term. Addressing the specific housing needs for the unhoused population remains a priority throughout the region, particularly since homelessness is disproportionately experienced by people of color, people with disabilities, those struggling with addiction and those dealing with traumatic life circumstances. In Santa Clara County, the most common type of household experiencing homelessness is those without children in their care. Among households experiencing homelessness that do not have children, 76.4% are unsheltered. Of homeless households with children, most are sheltered in emergency shelter (see Figure 41).

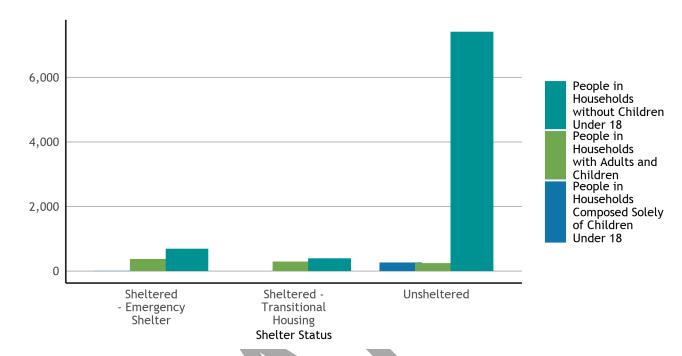


Figure H 1-41: Homelessness by Household Type and Shelter Status, Santa Clara County

Universe: Population experiencing homelessness

Notes: This data is based on Point-in-Time (PIT) information provided to HUD by CoCs in the application for CoC Homeless Assistance Programs. The PIT Count provides a count of sheltered and unsheltered homeless persons on a single night during the last ten days in January. Each Bay Area county is its own CoC, and so the data for this table is provided at the county-level. Per HCD's requirements, jurisdictions will need to supplement this county-level data with local estimates of people experiencing homelessness.

Source: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), Continuum of Care (CoC) Homeless Populations and Subpopulations Reports (2019)

People of color are more likely to experience poverty and financial instability as a result of federal and local housing policies that have historically excluded them from the same opportunities extended to white residents. Consequently, people of color are often disproportionately impacted by homelessness, particularly Black residents of the Bay Area. In Santa Clara County, White (Hispanic and Non-Hispanic) residents represent the largest proportion of residents experiencing homelessness and account for 43.9% of the homeless population, while making up 44.5% of the overall population (see Figure 42).

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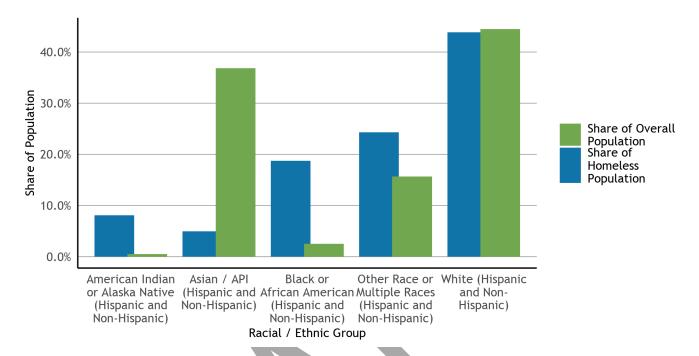


Figure H 1-42: Racial Group Share of General and Homeless Populations, Santa Clara County

Universe: Population experiencing homelessness

Notes: This data is based on Point-in-Time (PIT) information provided to HUD by CoCs in the application for CoC Homeless Assistance Programs. The PIT Count provides a count of sheltered and unsheltered homeless persons on a single night during the last ten days in January. Each Bay Area county is its own CoC, and so the data for this table is provided at the county-level. Per HCD's requirements, jurisdictions will need to supplement this county-level data with local estimates of people experiencing homelessness. HUD does not disaggregate racial demographic data by Hispanic/Latinx ethnicity for people experiencing homelessness. Instead, HUD reports data on Hispanic/Latinx ethnicity for people experiencing homelessness in a separate table. Accordingly, the racial group data listed here includes both Hispanic/Latinx and non-Hispanic/Latinx individuals.

Source: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), Continuum of Care (CoC) Homeless Populations and Subpopulations Reports (2019); U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-Year Data (2015-2019), Table B01001(A-I)

In Santa Clara, Latinx residents represent 42.7% of the population experiencing homelessness, while Latinx residents comprise 25.8% of the general population (see Figure 43).

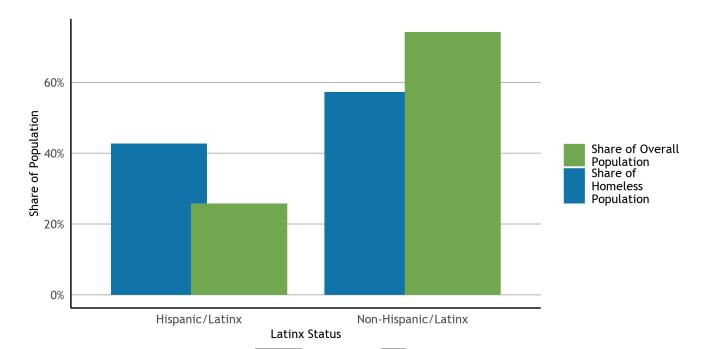


Figure H 1-43: Latinx Share of General and Homeless Populations, Santa Clara County

Universe: Population experiencing homelessness

Notes: This data is based on Point-in-Time (PIT) information provided to HUD by CoCs in the application for CoC Homeless Assistance Programs. The PIT Count provides a count of sheltered and unsheltered homeless persons on a single night during the last ten days in January. Each Bay Area county is its own CoC, and so the data for this table is provided at the county-level. Per HCD's requirements, jurisdictions will need to supplement this county-level data with local estimates of people experiencing homelessness. The data from HUD on Hispanic/Latinx ethnicity for individuals experiencing homelessness does not specify racial group identity. Accordingly, individuals in either ethnic group identity category (Hispanic/Latinx or non-Hispanic/Latinx) could be of any racial background. Source: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), Continuum of Care (CoC) Homeless Populations and Subpopulations Reports (2019); U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-Year Data (2015-2019), Table B01001(A-I)

Many of those experiencing homelessness are dealing with severe issues – including mental illness, substance abuse and domestic violence – that are potentially life threatening and require additional assistance. In Santa Clara County, homeless individuals are commonly challenged by severe mental illness, with 2,659 reporting this condition (see Figure 12). Of those, some 87.6% are unsheltered, further adding to the challenge of handling the issue. According to the Santa Clara County Homeless Census and Survey, within Morgan Hill there were 114 persons experiencing homelessness, a 71% decrease from 2017 (388 persons experiencing homelessness). However, the number of persons experiencing homelessness has increased since 2013; in which the Santa Clara County Homeless Census and Survey identified 61 people experiencing homelessness in 2013 and 81 people experiencing homelessness in 2015.

Table H 1-7	Homeless Population within Morgan Hill					
2013	2015	2017	2019			
61	81	388	114			

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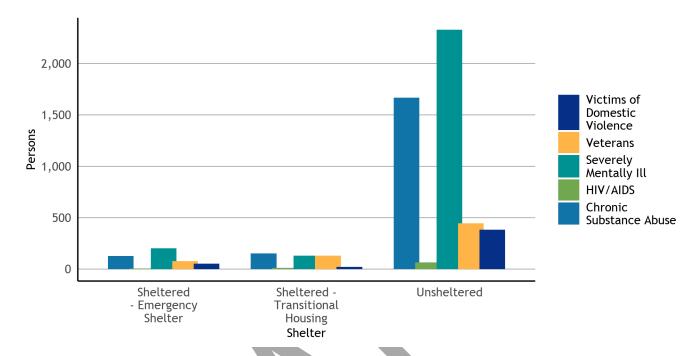


Figure H 1-44: Characteristics for the Population Experiencing Homelessness, Santa Clara County

Universe: Population experiencing homelessness

Notes: This data is based on Point-in-Time (PIT) information provided to HUD by CoCs in the application for CoC Homeless Assistance Programs. The PIT Count provides a count of sheltered and unsheltered homeless persons on a single night during the last ten days in January. Each Bay Area county is its own CoC, and so the data for this table is provided at the county-level. Per HCD's requirements, jurisdictions will need to supplement this county-level data with local estimates of people experiencing homelessness. These challenges/characteristics are counted separately and are not mutually exclusive, as an individual may report more than one challenge/characteristic. These counts should not be summed.

Source: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), Continuum of Care (CoC) Homeless Populations and Subpopulations Reports (2019)

In Morgan Hill, the student population experiencing homelessness totaled 280 during the 2019-20 school year and increased by 23.3% since the 2016-17 school year. By comparison, Santa Clara County has seen a 3.5% increase in the population of students experiencing homelessness since the 2016-17 school year, and the Bay Area population of students experiencing homelessness decreased by 8.5%. During the 2019-2020 school year, there were still some 13,718 students experiencing homelessness throughout the region, adding undue burdens on learning and thriving, with the potential for longer term negative effects.

The number of students in Morgan Hill experiencing homelessness in 2019 represents 12.2% of the Santa Clara County total and 2.0% of the Bay Area total.

Table H 1-8 Students in Local Public Schools Experiencing Homelessness						
Academic Year	Morgan Hill	Santa Clara County	Bay Area			
2016-17	227	2,219	14,990			
2017-18	320	2,189	15,142			
2018-19	292	2,405	15,427			
2019-20	280	2,297	13,718			

Universe: Total number of unduplicated primary and short-term enrollments within the academic year (July 1 to June 30), public schools

Notes: The California Department of Education considers students to be homeless if they are unsheltered, living in temporary shelters for people experiencing homelessness, living in hotels/motels, or temporarily doubled up and sharing the housing of other persons due to the loss of housing or economic hardship. The data used for this table was obtained at the school site level, matched to a file containing school locations, geocoded and assigned to jurisdiction, and finally summarized by geography.

Source: California Department of Education, California Longitudinal Pupil Achievement Data System (CALPADS), Cumulative Enrollment Data (Academic Years 2016-2017, 2017-2018, 2018-2019, 2019-2020)

### 1.6.6 Farmworkers

Across the state, housing for farmworkers has been recognized as an important and unique concern. Farmworkers generally receive wages that are considerably lower than other jobs and may have temporary housing needs. Finding decent and affordable housing can be challenging, particularly in the current housing market.

In Morgan Hill, the migrant worker student population totaled 120 during the 2019-20 school year and has decreased by 34.9% since the 2016-17 school year. The trend for the region for the past few years has been a decline of 2.4% in the number of migrant worker students since the 2016-17 school year. The change at the county level is a 49.7% decrease in the number of migrant worker students since the 2016-17 school year.

Table H 1-9 Migrant Worker Student Population								
Academic Year   Morgan Hill   Santa Clara County   Bay Area								
2016-17	149	978	4,630					
2017-18	151	732	4,607					
2018-19	120	645	4,075					
2019-20	97	492	3,976					

Universe: Total number of unduplicated primary and short-term enrollments within the academic year (July 1 to June 30), public schools

Notes: The data used for this table was obtained at the school site level, matched to a file containing school locations, geocoded and assigned to jurisdiction, and finally summarized by geography.

Source: California Department of Education, California Longitudinal Pupil Achievement Data System (CALPADS), Cumulative Enrollment Data (Academic Years 2016-2017, 2017-2018, 2018-2019, 2019-2020)

According to the U.S. Department of Agriculture Census of Farmworkers, the number of permanent farm workers in Santa Clara County has increased since 2002, totaling 2,418 in 2017, while the number of seasonal farm workers has decreased, totaling 1,757 in 2017 (see Figure 45).

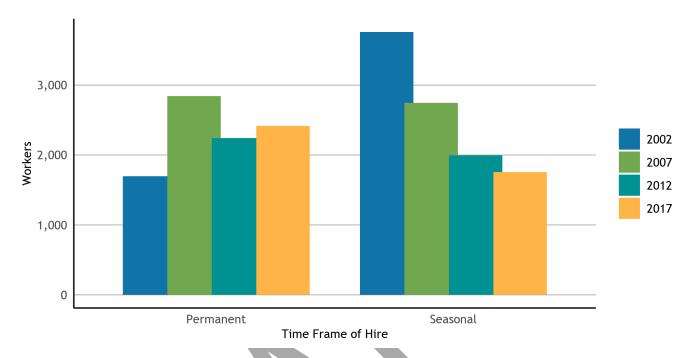


Figure H 1-45: Farm Operations and Farm Labor by County, Santa Clara County

Universe: Hired farm workers (including direct hires and agricultural service workers who are often hired through labor contractors)

Notes: Farm workers are considered seasonal if they work on a farm less than 150 days in a year, while farm workers who work on a farm more than 150 days are considered to be permanent workers for that farm.

Source: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Census of Farmworkers (2002, 2007, 2012, 2017), Table 7: Hired Farm Labor

# 1.6.7 Non-English Speakers

California has long been an immigration gateway to the United States, which means that many languages are spoken throughout the Bay Area. Since learning a new language is universally challenging, it is not uncommon for residents who have immigrated to the United States to have limited English proficiency. This limit can lead to additional disparities if there is a disruption in housing, such as an eviction, because residents might not be aware of their rights or they might be wary to engage due to immigration status concerns. In Morgan Hill, 3.8% of residents 5 years and older identify as speaking English not well or not at all, which is below the proportion for Santa Clara County. Throughout the region the proportion of residents 5 years and older with limited English proficiency is 8%.

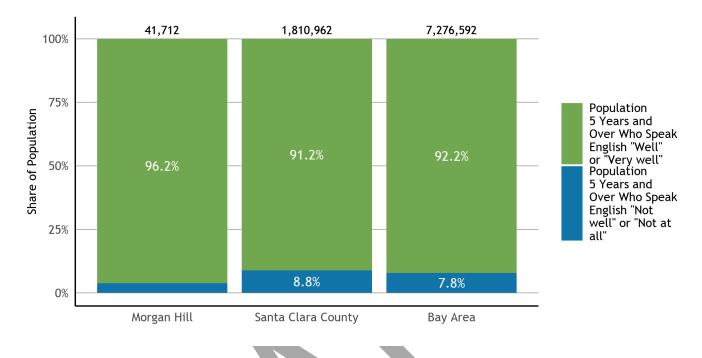


Figure H 1-46: Population with Limited English Proficiency

Universe: Population 5 years and over

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-Year Data (2015-2019), Table B16005

# 1.7 Summary

Although data in this appendix is derived from a variety of sources (the most prominent data source used is the U.S. Census data, in varying forms), and complied to show relationships, major trends, and to respond to known issues and concerns, as well as to inform the Housing Element as well as the community of the trends of Morgan Hill, the data is consistent with local knowledge gathered through the City's outreach process. City staff used a variety of methods to solicit public input on the Housing Element update, including distributing three survey's (two pertaining to Assessment of Fair Housing (AFH)), hosting public workshops, providing information at community events, conducting focus groups, giving presentations to the Community, and holding several workshops with the community and the Planning Commission. Staff prioritized involvement and engagement of residents and community members that are most directly impacted by the plan and development, especially Latinx, homeless, and other underrepresented or underserved groups.

The key themes gathered from community feedback, which reflects the findings of this appendix, included: provide a range of housing opportunities affordable to Morgan Hill workforce; prevent homelessness and address the housing needs of people experiencing homelessness; promote extremely low-income housing; establish special needs housing for seniors, persons with disabilities, and veterans; conduct community education/outreach to inform residents about affordable housing and how to seek assistance; integrate affordable housing throughout the



community; ensure children who grew up in Morgan Hill have housing options so they can live in Morgan Hill as adults; preserve, maintain, and rehabilitate existing housing to ensure neighborhood livability and promote continued housing affordability; create an affordable housing overlay district; zone more land and/or change zoning regulations for multi-family to increase affordable housing; pass a commercial linkage fee ordinance; and pass a rent stabilization ordinance. These key themes, coupled with the findings of this appendix, were incorporated into goals, policies, and implementation programs/actions of the 2023-2031 City of Morgan Hill Housing Element.





# Appendix H2

# Site Inventory City of Morgan Hill Housing Element 2023-2034



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# **APPENDIX H-2 | Site Inventory**

### 2.1 Introduction

California law (Government Code Sections 65583 (a)(3)) requires that the Housing Element contain an inventory of land suitable for residential development, that can be developed for housing within the planning period and nonvacant (i.e., underutilized) sites having potential for redevelopment. State law also requires an analysis of the relationship of zoning and public facilities and services to these sites. In addition, Assembly Bill 686, Statutes 2018, requires that a jurisdiction identify sites throughout the community, in a manner that is consistent with its duty to affirmatively further fair housing (AFFH) pursuant to Government Code Section 65583. In the context of AFFH, the site identification requirement involves not only an analysis of site capacity to accommodate the RHNA, but also an analysis and conclusion of whether the identified sites improve or exacerbate conditions for each of the fair housing areas as outlined in Appendix H-5 Assessment of Fair Housing.

Pursuant to the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) Housing Element Inventory Guidebook, projects that have been approved, permitted, or received a certificate of occupancy since the beginning of the Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) project period may be credited toward meeting the RHNA allocation based on the affordability and unit count of the development. In addition, Government Code Section 65583 identifies a city's or county's inventory of land suitable for residential development, or a "site", as: (1) Vacant sites zoned for residential use; (2) Vacant sites zoned for nonresidential use that allows residential development; (3) Residentially zoned sites that are capable of being developed at a higher density; or (4) Sites zoned for nonresidential use that can be redeveloped for residential use. Therefore, the fair housing analysis requirement does not apply to residential units in the pipeline (i.e. pending, approved, or permitted development).

This appendix presents residential projects within Morgan Hill city limits that are expected to be developed and occupied during the planning period of this Housing Element, January 31, 2023 to January 31, 2031. The analysis presented in this appendix chapter demonstrates there is an adequate supply of residential projects in the "Pipeline" to accommodate the City's housing allocation of 1,037 units, including housing at all income levels. The analysis also demonstrates that a limited number of residential projects in the "Pipeline" allowing for higher density development are located within existing communities considered "low resource". There are 1,183 acres of low resource area within the City boundary, which is approximately 14 percent of the City. Consequently, there are no areas within the City of Morgan Hill which are classified as "high resource".

The appendix starts with a description of the City's housing target for the 2023-2031 planning period, called the Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA). It then describes the number of residential units in the "Pipeline", consisting of both planned and entitled projects. The appendix then provides information on the availability of infrastructure to support development of housing.

# 2.2 Regional Housing Needs Allocation

RHNA is the California State-required process that seeks to ensure cities and counties are planning for enough housing to accommodate all economic segments of the community. The process is split into the following three steps:

1. **Regional Determination:** The California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) provides each region a Regional Determination of housing need, which

includes a total number of units split into four income categories. The City of Morgan Hill is within the region covered by the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG). HCD provided ABAG a Regional Determination of 441,176 units for the 6<sup>th</sup> Cycle RHNA (2023-2031). This is the total number of units that the cities and counties in the ABAG region must collectively plan to accommodate.

- 2. RHNA Methodology: Councils of Governments (COG), including ABAG, are responsible for developing a RHNA Methodology for allocating the Regional Determination to each city and county in the COG's region. This methodology must further specific state objectives, including but not limited to: promoting infill, equity, and environmental protection; ensuring jobs-housing balance; and affirmatively furthering fair housing.
- 3. **Housing Element Updates:** Each city and county must then adopt a housing element that demonstrates how the jurisdiction can accommodate its assigned RHNA through its zoning. HCD reviews each jurisdiction's housing element for compliance with state law.

The City of Morgan Hill's share of the regional housing need was determined by a methodology prepared by ABAG as part of the Regional Housing Needs Plan, adopted in December 2021. For the low- and very low-income allocations, the methodology used three adjustments: access to high opportunity areas, job proximity by automobile, and job proximity by transit. For the moderate and above moderate allocations, the methodology used two adjustments: access to high opportunity areas, and job proximity by automobile. Lastly, the methodology applied an equity adjustment that identified 49 jurisdictions that exhibited higher racial segregation and high median incomes than regional averages. As a result, Morgan Hill's RHNA was reduced by 10 units due to the equity adjustment.

In accordance with ABAG's Regional Housing Needs Plan, the City must plan to accommodate a total of 1,037 housing units between January 31, 2023, and January 31, 2031. This is equal to a yearly average of 130 housing units. Table H 2-1 below shows the City's RHNA by income category. Of the 1,037 total units, the City must plan to accommodate 262 units for very low-income households, 151 units for low-income households, 174 units for moderate-income households, and 450 units for above moderate-income households.

Table H 2-1 City of Morgan Hill Regional Housing Needs Allocation, 2023-2031							
Income Category Units Percent of Total							
Very Low-Income	262	25.3%					
Low-Income	151	14.6%					
Moderate-Income	174	16.8%					
Above Moderate-Income	450	43.4%					
TOTAL	1,037	100.0%					

Source: Association of Bay Area Governments, Regional Housing Needs Plan, 2023-2031. Adopted December 2021.

State law also requires the City to identify the projected need for extremely low-income housing. The City assumes that 50 percent of the very low-income housing need is equal to the extremely low-income housing need. As such, there is a projected need for 131 extremely low-income housing units.

# 2.3 Planned and Entitled Projects

#### 2.3.1 Overview

Morgan Hill has a significant pipeline of development projects that are seeking entitlements or are entitled and actively pursuing construction. Table H 2-2 summarizes the current inventory of residential and mixed-use projects with submitted or active entitlements. As of March 1, 2022, there were an estimated 1,823 housing units in the pipeline that are counted toward meeting the RHNA, which include single-family dwellings, deed-restricted affordable units, market rate condominiums and multi-unit development, and individual affordable housing developments. These projects range in size from smaller infill projects with fewer than 100 units, to larger developments with hundreds of units.

There are 545 units in the pipeline that will provide affordable housing for lower-income households. The inventory includes several individual affordable housing developments in the pipeline, including a 249-unit affordable development at 18960 Monterey Road; a 66-unit affordable development at 17965 Monterey Road; a 73-unit affordable development at 15440 Monterey Road; and an 82-unit affordable development at 16685 Church Street.

## 2.3.2 Summary of Pipeline Residential Development

In total, there are 1,823 units in planned and entitled projects that are counted toward meeting the RHNA. Based on affordability restrictions, the projects listed in Table H 2-2 are anticipated to provide 545 affordable lower-income units consisting of 158 extremely low-income units, 149 very low-income units, and 238 low-income units. In addition to the affordable lower-income units, there are 445 moderate-income units in the pipeline and 833 above moderate-income units.

Table H 2-2 Pipeline Residential Projects								
Project Name	Above Mod. Income Units	Moderate Income Units	Low- Income Units	Very Low- Income Units	Extremely Low-Income Units	Total Units		
SR2020-0017 Monterey-Lucky Shing Manzinita Park (APN 725-010-18) <sup>2</sup>	57	10	-	-	-	67		
SR2018-0020 E. Dunne- Young (Andalusia) (ARNs 726-020-51 & 726-020-52) <sup>3</sup>		1	3	-	-	46		
SR2021-0003 Dakota-Dunne (APN 726-090-24) <sup>2</sup>	3	3	-	-	-	6		
SR2019-0003 Depot-Latala (Hale Lumber) (APN 726-130- 49) <sup>3</sup>	49	-	-	-	-	49		
SR2019-0026 Monterey-City Ventures (APN 726-250-06) <sup>3</sup>	86	15	-	-	-	101		
SR2019-0015 Jarvis-MH Apartments (Braddock & Logan) (APN 726-250-95) <sup>3</sup>	-	311	-	78	-	389		
SR2020-0027 Monterey-Minor (Jemcor) (APN 726-360-59) <sup>3</sup>	-	3	196	25	25	249		
SR2021-0014 Monterey-Kerley (DeNova Homes) (APNs 726- 420-01 & 726-420-02) <sup>1</sup>	79	14	-	-	-	93		

Table H 2-2 Pipeline Res	idential P	rojects (co	nt.)			
Project Name	Above	Moderate	Low-	Very Low-	Extremely	Total
	Mod.	Income	Income	Income	Low-Income	Units
	Income	Units	Units	Units	Units	
	Units					
SR2020-0010 Half-Dividend	229	40	-	-	-	269
(Crosswinds) (APNs 728-300-						
01 through 728-300-04) <sup>1</sup>						
SR2021-0011 Cochrane-Toll	114	25	-	-	-	139
Brothers (APNs 728-340-32 &						
728-340-33) <sup>3</sup>						
SR2018-0009 Tilton-Lee	1	1	-	-	-	2
Schmidt (APN 764-090-04) <sup>2</sup>						
SR2021-0005 Monterey-First	-	1	14	9	42	66
Community Housing		_				
(Magnolias) (APN 764-120-06) <sup>2</sup>						
SD2021-0002 Campoli-Squires	1	-	-	-	-	1
(APN 764-240-05) <sup>2</sup>						
SD2020-0001 Sanchez-Brewer	1		-	-	-	1
(APN 764-240-76) <sup>2</sup>				·		
AAE2021-0002 Old Monterey-	5	2	- 4	-	-	7
Appletree (Kelly Vo) (APN 764-						
240-61) <sup>2</sup>						
SR2020-0028 Spring-Ginacola	19	3	-	-	-	22
(APN 767-110-30) <sup>3</sup>						
SR2022-0001 Edes-Alcini	18	3	- '	-	-	21
(TTLC Morgan Hill) (APN 767-						
180-46)1						
SR2018-0025 Llagas-Strolata	4	-	-	-	-	4
Properties (Silvas) (APN 773-						
320-13)2						
SR2020-0023 Watsonville-		1	-	24	48	73
Hordness (Crossings at						
Monterey/Royal Oaks Village)						
(APN 779-040-75) <sup>3</sup>						
SR2020-0005 Monterey-	-	1	25	13	43	82
Morgan Hill Senior Housing						
(APN 817-020-67) <sup>2</sup>						
SR2020-0014 Tennant-Osito	14	2	-	-	-	16
Holdings (APN 817-040-59) <sup>2</sup>						
SR2022-0002 (Lillian	111	9	-	-	-	120
Commons/Rosewood) (APN						
817-090-41) <sup>1</sup>						
Subtotal	833	445	238	149	158	1,823
Source: City of Morgan Hill Development	Candiana Dan	artmont May 1	2022			

Source: City of Morgan Hill Development Services Department, May 1, 2022.

Notes: 1 Pending project based on the affordability and unit count within the proposed project expected to be built within the 2023-2031 planning period.

The City of Morgan Hill received Building Permit applications for several of the projects identified in Table H 2-2 totaling 1,068 units. These projects include: 1. SR2018-0020 E. Dunne-Young (Andalusia) (APNs 726-020-51 & 726-020-52); 2. SR2019-0003 Depot-Latala (Hale Lumber)

Entitled project based on the affordability and unit count of the approved development expected to be built within the 2023-2031 planning period.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Affordability and unit count of the approved development based on Building Permits submitted to City of Morgan Hill and expected to be built within the 2023-2031 planning period.

(APN 726-130-49); 3. SR2019-0026 Monterey-City Ventures (APN 726-250-06); 4. SR2019-0015 Jarvis-MH Apartments (Braddock & Logan) (APN 726-250-95); 5. SR2020-0027 Monterey-Minor (Jemcor) (APN 726-360-59); 6. SR2021-0011 Cochrane-Toll Brothers (APNs 728-340-32 & 728-340-33); 7. SR2020-0028 Spring-Ginacola (APN 767-110-30); and 8) SR2020-0023 Watsonville-Hordness (Crossings at Monterey/Royal Oaks Village) (APN 779-040-75).

To estimate the number of proposed pipeline development projects that are expected to reach completion during the 6th cycle, the City examined completion rates of pipeline development projects during the 5th cycle (2015 through 2022). For discretionary entitlements, completion rates were found by drawing upon all planning entitlement applications and approvals and finding the percentage of those projects which have obtained a building permit and therefore reached completion. This analysis found that entitlement applications had a completion rate of 88.7%, while approved entitlements had a completion rate of 91.7%. For building permit applications and approved permits, completion rates were established based on evaluating all residential building permits issued for new residential units, as well as all issued building permits that have been finaled/received a certificate of occupancy, from January 1, 2015, through December 31, 2020. The report found that building permits have a 99.2% completion rate for issued permits. Those completion rates were then applied to the current pipeline to determine the number that would be expected to be completed within the next eight years.

Table H 2-3 Summary of Expected Pipeline Residential Projects								
Project Type by Income Category	Proposed Units Added	% Units Expected to be Completed	Units Expected to be Completed					
Active Planning Entitlements								
Lower Income	-	-	-					
Moderate Income	66	88.7%	59					
Above Moderate Income	437	88.7%	388					
Total Units	503	88.7%	447					
Approved	Approved Planning Entitlements with No Building Permit							
Lower Income	146	91.7%	134					
Moderate Income	20	91.7%	18					
Above Moderate Income	86	91.7%	79					
Total Units	252	91.7%	231					
	Building Perm	it Applications						
Lower Income	399	99.2%	396					
Moderate Income	359	99.2%	356					
Above Moderate Income	310	99.2% 308						
Total Units	1,068	99.2%	1,060					

Table H 2-4 shows the expected breakdown of this pipeline development potential, by expected income category. The income categories for individual development projects are based on the actual proposed affordability level requested or approved as part of the entitlement request.

Table H 2-4 Total Pipeline Development Potential, by Income Category							
Above Mod. Moderate Low- Very Low- Extremely Total Income Income Income Low-Income Develop							
	Units	Units	Units	Units	Units	Potential	
Active Planning Entitlements	388	59	-	-	-	447	
Approved Planning Entitlements with No Building Permit	79	18	36	20	78	231	
Building Permit Applications	308	356	197	126	73	1,060	
Total Pipeline Development Projects	775	433	233	146	151	1,738	

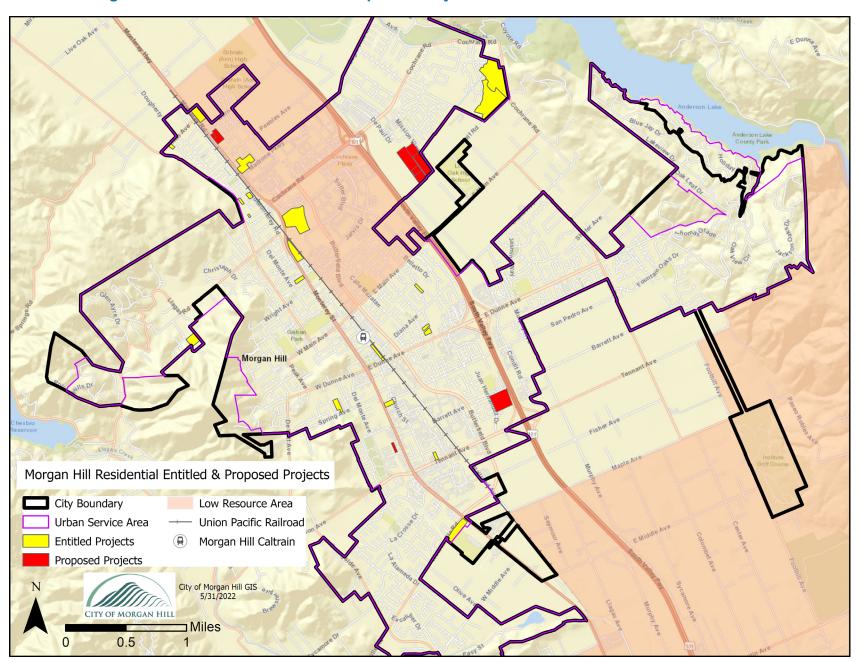
# 2.4 Summary of Capacity/Potential to Accommodate the RHNA

State law requires each jurisdiction to demonstrate that sufficient land is zoned to provide housing capacity that is adequate to meet the RHNA for each income level. Table H 2-5 below provides a summary of total residential development capacity and potential included in the site inventory compared to the City's 6<sup>th</sup> Cycle RHNA. As shown in the table, the City has a total residential development pipeline capacity for 1,823 units. After incorporating the success criteria percentages identified in Table H 2-3 above, the City has a total residential development pipeline potential of 1,738 units, which is sufficient capacity to accommodate the RHNA of 1,037 units. The site inventory includes capacity for 413 lower-income units (i.e., extremely low-, very low-, and low-income units), 174 moderate income units, and 450 above moderate-income units.

Table H 2-5 Summary of Residential Capacity/Potential Compared to 6 <sup>th</sup> Cycle RHNA by Income, City of Morgan Hill, January 31, 2023 to January 31, 2031								
	Extremely Low- Income Units	Very Low- Income	Low- Income	Moderate- Income Units	Above Moderate- Income Units	Total		
	income omis	Units	Units	income omis	income onits	Units		
RHNA	131	131	151	174	450	1,037		
Pipeline Residential Capacity	158	149	238	445	833	1,823		
Pipeline Residential Potential	151	146	233	433	775	1,738		
Surplus(+)/ Deficit(-)	+20	+15	+82	+259	+325	+701		

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Figure H 2-1: Morgan Hill Residential Entitled & Proposed Projects



## 2.5 Infrastructure Availability

This section addresses the availability of infrastructure to accommodate planned residential growth throughout the Housing Element planning period (2023-2031). The Housing Element includes programs to help support infrastructure improvements in areas targeted for development to ensure that there is enough water, sewer, and dry utility capacity to meet housing units projected in the RHNA.

As development occurs throughout the city, upgrades to water and wastewater conveyance facilities may be required. The precise location and connection would need to be determined at the time development is proposed. Any future line size modifications or connections would be designed in accordance with applicable provisions of the Morgan Hill Municipal Code and to the satisfaction of the City Engineer. Increased development density has the potential to impact the capacities of local utilities infrastructure, which may require the expansion or construction of new facilities. However, all new development is subject to its own CEQA process where project-specific impacts associated with water supply and wastewater would be analyzed.

The availability of adequate public facilities and services in relation to the pending pipeline residential projects identified in Table H 2-2 has been evaluated, and the City has determined there are no public facilities or service constraints that would impede development of housing units to meet Morgan Hill's allocation. Existing water delivery and wastewater collection infrastructure is available to all properties located in the City's Urban Service Area, which includes all the pipeline residential projects identified in Table H 2-2, and the City has adequate water and wastewater capacity to accommodate the RHNA of 1,037 units. All of the pipeline residential projects are adjacent to existing public roadways and are serviceable by the City's police and fire departments, as well as private companies that provide telephone, cable, gas, and electric service.

Senate Bill (SB) 1087, effective January 2006, requires water and sewer providers to grant priority for service allocations to proposed developments that include units affordable to lower income households. Pursuant to these statutes, upon adoption of its Housing Element, the City of Morgan Hill will immediately deliver the Housing Element to local water and sewer providers, along with a summary of its RHNA.



## Appendix H3

# Opportunities for Energy Conservation

City of Morgan Hill Housing Element 2023-2031

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## APPENDIX H-3 | Opportunities for Energy Conservation

#### 3.1 Introduction

California law (Government Code Sections 65583(a)(8)) requires Housing Elements to contain an analysis of opportunities for residential energy conservation. According to the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD), the energy conservation section of a Housing Element must inventory and analyze the opportunities to encourage energy saving features, energy saving materials, and energy efficient systems and design for residential development.

The term "residential energy" refers to the total energy used in residential buildings, including heating, cooling, and "plug load" from appliances, lights, and electrical devices. "Energy conservation" refers to reducing energy use through using less of an energy service, such as lowering the thermostat in the winter or raising the thermostat in the summer.

Housing and energy efficient, resilient, and healthy buildings are key components for achieving community vitality and serving the needs of residents. Energy efficient buildings increase occupant health by reducing infiltration of moisture, pests, or air pollution. They increase comfort and decrease utility bills. In the case of existing buildings, this can help prevent residents from having utilities turned off due to inability to pay or resorting to unsafe practices for heating a home, such as relying on gas ovens. Energy efficient housing is also more resilient to climate change, preventing infiltration of wildfire smoke and keeping homes thermally comfortable during extreme heat events.

Residential energy efficiency can be improved by sealing the building envelope and HVAC ducts; insulating the attic or ceiling, walls, and floor; installing efficient heating and cooling systems; and energy efficient lighting and appliances. Passive heating, cooling, and lighting can also be employed when designing new buildings. Housing type also makes a difference in building energy consumption, with the average multi-unit housing unit using half the energy of an average single-unit detached home. Multi-unit homes tend to be more energy efficient because they tend to be smaller than single-unit detached homes and the shared walls amongst units have a self-insulating effect that create further efficiencies.

In addition to reducing greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions and conserving limited energy resources, reducing residential energy consumption also has economic benefits. Energy conservation measures can result in lower monthly housing costs and contribute to greater long-term housing affordability.

The City of Morgan Hill has a central goal of reducing GHG emissions and reaching carbon neutrality by 2045 and is committed to reaching this goal through a number of goals, action items, and planning efforts identified in the Morgan Hill 2021 Climate Action Plan. Energy efficiency and conservation measures are key components of these efforts. Energy conservation can help achieve the City's goal for carbon neutrality by both reducing use of natural gas, which will reduce emissions, and reducing use of electricity, which will reduce demand on the grid and increase

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Location Efficiency and Housing Type: Boiling it Down to BTUs, U.S. EPA and Jonathan Rose Companies. 2011

reliability. In addition, energy conservation reduces residents' energy costs and makes their homes more comfortable, healthy, and resilient. Using electricity instead of natural gas to fuel homes can also help to reduce climate impacts and improve health. Housing needs to be constructed expeditiously in order to address the housing crisis; however, if it is not built to also address the climate crisis, it will be challenging for jurisdictions and the State to meet aggressive climate goals. This Energy Conservation appendix describes the ways the City is currently addressing the conservation of energy resources as part of larger climate action and adaptation processes.

#### 3.2 Framework for Conserving Energy Resources

#### 3.2.1 2035 General Plan Update

The City of Morgan Hill adopted the 2035 General Plan on July 27, 2016, which includes a set of policies and actions within the Natural Resources and Environment Element, with an overall goal to conserve energy resources, that guides future development in an effort to reduce the City's greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions. The following is a summary of residential conservation of energy resources policies and actions from the City's 2035 General Plan:

- Policy NRE-16.1 Energy Standards for New Development. New development, including public buildings, should be designed to exceed State standards for the use of energy.
- **Policy NRE-16.2** Energy Conservation. Promote energy conservation techniques and energy efficiency in building design, orientation, and construction.
- **Policy NRE-16.3** Energy Use Data and Analysis. Provide information to increase building owner, tenant, and operator knowledge about how, when, and where building energy is used.
- **Policy NRE-16.4**Retrofit Financing. Promote existing and support development of new private financing options for building retrofits and renewable energy development.
- Policy NRE-16.5 Energy Efficiency. Encourage development project designs that protect and improve air quality and minimize direct and indirect air pollutant emissions by including components that promote energy efficiency.
- Policy NRE-16.6 Landscaping for Energy Conservation. Encourage landscaping plans for new development to address the planting of trees and shrubs that will provide shade to reduce the need for cooling systems and allow for winter daylighting.
- **Policy NRE-16.7** Renewable Energy. Encourage new and existing development to incorporate renewable energy generating features, like solar panels and solar hot water heaters.
- **Policy NRE-16.9** Subdivision Design. In compliance with Section 66473.1 of the State Subdivision Map Act, promote subdivision design that

provides for passive solar heating and natural cooling through the Development Review Committee subdivision review procedures.

Action NRE-16.A Community Choice Aggregation. Partner with other Santa Clara

County jurisdictions to determine the feasibility for development of a regional CCA program, including identification of the geographic scope, potential costs to participating jurisdictions and residents,

and potential liabilities.

Action NRE-16.C Local Energy Ordinances. Develop local ordinances that promote

energy conservation and efficiency. Examples of such ordinances include: energy audits, solar access, solar swimming pool heating,

insulation and solar retrofit, and solar water heating.

#### 3.2.2 Morgan Hill 2021 Climate Action Plan

The City of Morgan Hill is invested in preparing a resilient future for our community and the environment overall. The Morgan Hill 2021 Climate Action Plan (CAP) was developed out of the urgency that the City Council saw to address climate change and focus efforts toward the initiatives that will make the most significant positive impacts in the most timely manner. Thus, it was determined that a limited CAP be developed with a focus on reducing greenhouse gas emissions in the transportation and building sectors. The strategies in the CAP focus on areas of decarbonizing buildings and reducing emissions from on-road and off-road vehicles by increasing electric vehicles and electric equipment to reach net zero emissions.

The main goal of the CAP is to reduce Morgan Hill's net CO2 emissions in the building and transportation sectors 35% below the 2020 baseline level by 2030 and 100% below the 2020 baseline level by 2045.

The residential sub-goals of the CAP include the following:

- 1. Expand electric vehicle charging station access for existing multi-family complexes by 30%, (i.e., the number of chargers in multi-family complexes will be equivalent to at least 30% of the number of units in multi-family complexes) by the year 2025 and 100% by 2035.
- 2. Require newly-constructed residential buildings to have the necessary capacity to facilitate electric vehicle charging.
- 3. Transition 95% of existing buildings in Morgan Hill to be all-electric by 2045, with additional targets every five years consisting of:
  - 1% of existing buildings by 2025
  - 10% of existing buildings by 2030
  - 35% of existing buildings by 2035
  - 70% of existing buildings by 2040

#### 3.2.3 Energy Efficiency Building Requirements

Title 24, Part 6, of the California Code of Regulations (Building Energy Efficiency Standards for Residential and Nonresidential Buildings) contains California's building standards for energy efficiency. These regulations respond to California's energy crisis and need to reduce energy bills, increase energy delivery system reliability, and contribute to an improved economic condition for

the state. Each city and county must enforce these standards as part of its review of building plans and issuance of building permits. The standards, prepared by the California Energy Commission, were established in 1978 in response to a State legislative mandate to reduce California's energy consumption. The standards are updated periodically to consider and incorporate new energy efficiency technologies and methods.

The 2019 California Building Code (including Title 24, Part 6, described above) went into effect in the City on January 1, 2020, see Chapter 15.08 (Building Code) of the City's Municipal Code. All new construction must comply with the standards in effect on the date a building-permit application is submitted.

The California Green Building Standards Code, within Title 24, Part 11, of the California Code of Regulations, includes green building regulations, also referred to as the CALGreen Code, to encourage more sustainable and environmentally friendly building practices, require low pollution emitting substances that can cause harm to the environment, conserve natural resources, and promote the use of energy efficient materials and equipment. There are mandatory measures, which apply statewide, and voluntary measures, which can be adopted locally. Voluntary measures are organized into 2 tiers with their own respective prerequisites and elective measures: Tier 1 prerequisites set a higher baseline than CALGreen mandatory measures; while Tier 2 prerequisites include all of Tier 1 prerequisites plus some enhanced or additional measures.

#### **Prohibition of Natural Gas Infrastructure in New Buildings Ordinance**

Following the passage of Senate Bill (SB) 100, which mandates that California utilities provide carbon-neutral electricity by 2045, local governments began passing ordinances that are variations on the theme of prohibiting fossil fuel energy sources in new construction.

Decarbonization through electrification is one of the key strategies for reducing GHG emissions. In order for Morgan Hill to reach carbon neutrality, the majority of the buildings in the City will need to be carbon neutral. All-electric buildings have been shown to be cost-effective for new construction and the electrification of new residential construction is expected to reduce the overall cost to build new housing. Avoiding the cost of gas infrastructure provides significant savings (approximately \$7,000 per unit), and most electric appliances have similar or lower operating costs compared to natural gas appliances.

In November 2019, the City Council adopted Ordinance 2306 establishing Chapter 15.63 (Prohibition of Natural Gas Infrastructure in New Buildings) requiring all new buildings (residential, commercial, and industrial), after March 1, 2020, to be all-electric. Electrification allows buildings to use 100 percent carbon neutral electricity.

#### 3.3 Energy Efficiency and Conservation Programs

This Section briefly describes some of the potential ways to achieve energy savings through the regulations and programs of the City, the State, and local utility providers.

#### 3.3.1 Rehabilitation Program, Minor Home Repair

Morgan Hill has established a minor home repair rehabilitation program that was operational during the entire previous Housing Element cycle. This fund was initially established by a one-time developer contribution and was intended to be used for senior housing-related support services. The Housing Division in the past contracted with the non-profit, Rebuilding Together of

Silicon Valley (Rebuilding Together) to administer and manage a rehabilitation program funded by the Senior Housing Trust. Rebuilding Together has been providing the South County with home repair service for thirty years and provides a "lifeline" Home Repair Rehab Program for fixed income seniors in Morgan Hill, as well as lower income tenants. The original fund has been exhausted and this program is now funded by the Community Development Block Grant for which Morgan Hill participates through a Joint Powers Agreement with the County of Santa Clara. Through this Rehabilitation Program, the City of Morgan Hill rehabilitated 169 units from 2015 through 2021, administered by Rebuilding Together.

#### 3.3.2 Local Utility Programs

#### **Pacific Gas and Electric**

PG&E offers the following financial and energy-related assistance programs for its low-income customers:

- Energy Savings Assistance Program. PG&E's Energy Savings Assistance program offers free weatherization measures and energy-efficient appliances to qualified low-income households. PG&E determines qualified households through the same sliding income scale used for CARE. The program includes measures such as attic insulation, weather stripping, caulking, and minor home repairs. Some customers qualify for replacement of appliances including refrigerators, air conditioners, and evaporative coolers.
- \* Energy Efficiency for Multifamily Properties. The Energy Efficiency for Multifamily Properties program is available to owners and managers of existing multi-family residential dwellings containing five or more units. The program encourages energy efficiency by providing rebates for the installation of certain energy-saving products.
- California Alternate Rates for Energy (CARE). PG&E offers this rate reduction program for low-income households. PG&E determines qualified households by a sliding income scale based on the number of household members. The CARE program provides a discount of 20 percent or more on monthly energy bills. Approximately 16.8% of Morgan Hill customers/households are enrolled in the CARE program.
- \* REACH (Relief for Energy Assistance through Community Help). The REACH program is sponsored by PG&E and administered through a non-profit organization. PG&E customers can enroll to give monthly donations to the REACH program. Qualified low-income customers who have experienced uncontrollable or unforeseen hardships, that prohibit them from paying their utility bills may receive an energy credit. Eligibility is determined by a sliding income scale based on the number of household members. To qualify for the program, the applicant's income cannot exceed 200 percent of the Federal poverty guidelines.
- Medical Baseline Allowance. The Medical Baseline Allowance program is available to households with certain disabilities or medical needs. The program allows customers to get additional quantities of energy at the lowest or baseline price for residential customers.

#### **Santa Clara Valley Water District**

The Santa Clara Valley Water District (Valley Water) offers the following financial and energy-related assistance programs for residents:

- Landscape Rebate Program. This program is designed to encourage residents to convert approved high-water use landscape, such as lawns and pools, to low-water use landscape, as well as to retrofit existing irrigation equipment with approved high-efficiency irrigation equipment. Valley Water's Landscape Rebate Program offers four rebate categories that can help save water:
  - Landscape Conversion Rebate
  - In-Line Drip Irrigation Conversion Rebate
  - Irrigation Equipment Upgrade Rebate
  - Rainwater Capture Rebate
- Graywater Rebate. Through Valley Water's Graywater Rebate Program, rebates are offered to residents who install a Graywater Laundry-to-Landscape System.
- Submeter & Private Well Rebates. Valley Water offers rebates for installing qualifying submeters and water meters.

#### 3.3.3 Federal and State Energy Assistance Programs

#### California Department of Community Services and Development (CSD)

In addition to the local programs described above, the California Department of Community Services and Development (CSD) administers the Federally funded Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP). This program provides two types of assistance: Home Energy Assistance and Energy Crisis Intervention. The first type of assistance is a direct payment to utility bills for qualified low-income households. The second type of assistance is available to low-income households that are in a crisis. CSD also offers free weatherization assistance, such as attic insulation, caulking, water heater blankets, and heating and cooling system repairs to low-income households.

The California Arrearage Payment Program (CAPP) is a state program to help pay customers' eligible past due energy bills that increased during the COVID-19 pandemic. CAPP reduces qualified customers' unpaid energy bills by directly applying a bill credit to their energy bill. Customers do not need to apply for CAPP and assistance will be disbursed by state utility companies electing to participate in CAPP. CAPP bill credits are courtesy of the State of California and are targeted to help utility customers that fell behind on their energy bills because of the economic impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. Customers may qualify for a CAPP credit if they had an unpaid energy utility bill over 60 days past due incurred between March 4, 2020 and June 15, 2021.

The new federal Low Income Household Water Assistance Program (LIHWAP) will provide financial assistance to low-income Californians to help manage their residential water utility costs. Established by Congress in December 2020, this federally funded program will help low-income households pay down their outstanding water bills. California has been allocated \$116 million in one-time funding to provide LIHWAP assistance. The Department of Community Services and Development (CSD) has been designated the administering agency for LIHWAP in California. CSD, in consultation with stakeholders, is in the process of defining the scope of the LIHWAP

program and service delivery through the development of a LIHWAP State Plan. The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Community Services, has provided guidance that LIHWAP should be modeled on existing processes, procedures, policies, and systems in place to provide assistance, such as the CSD administered Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP).

#### **Solar on Multifamily Affordable Housing (SOMAH)**

The Solar on Multifamily Affordable Housing (SOMAH) Program provides financial incentives for installing photovoltaic (PV) energy systems on multi-family affordable housing in California. The program will deliver clean power and credits on energy bills to hundreds of thousands of the state's affordable housing residents. SOMAH's unique, community-based approach ensures long-term, direct financial benefits for low-income households, helps catalyze the market for solar on multi-family housing and creates jobs. The SOMAH Program is overseen by the California Public Utilities Commission.

#### **Self-Generation Incentive Program (SGIP)**

The Self-Generation Incentive Program (SGIP) is a California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) program that offers rebates for installing energy storage technology in a home. These storage technologies include battery storage systems that can function in the event of a power outage. Any PG&E customer can apply for this program to receive a rebate that is 15-20% of the average battery cost. Medical Baseline customers and customers who reside in affordable housing could receive a rebate that is 85-100% of the average battery cost.



## Appendix H4

## **Constraints Analysis**

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## **APPENDIX H-4 | Constraints Analysis**

#### 4.1 Introduction

The purpose of this section, per Government Code Section 65583(a)(5-6), is to identify nongovernmental and governmental factors (constraints) that impact the feasibility, costs, and timelines of housing projects, which in turn affect the City's ability to meet the housing needs of all its residents and to affirmatively further fair housing goals. Constraints affect a housing development's location selection, density, design, and permitting process which impact whether housing can be developed, maintained, or improved. Examples of such constraints are land and construction costs, access to credit, permit fees, development standards, and compliance with Federal and State laws intended to facilitate housing for lower-income and special needs households. A thorough understanding of the constraints to development can help to create appropriate policy responses to mitigate constraints and make it easier and more affordable to develop housing.

#### 4.2 Nongovernmental Constraints

State law (California Government Code, Section 65583[a][6]) requires Housing Elements to contain an analysis of nongovernmental constraints to the maintenance, improvement, or development of housing for all income levels, including the availability of financing, the price of land, and the cost of construction. Potential nongovernmental constraints are largely determined by market conditions over which local jurisdictions have little control. However, local governments can influence market conditions and their associated costs, even if only indirectly. Governmental interventions that affect nongovernmental constraints will be explored in more detail in Section 5.3.

#### 4.2.1 Availability of Financing

The availability of financing is a critical factor that can influence the cost and supply of housing. There are generally two types of financing used in the housing market: (1) capital used for initial site preparation and construction; and (2) capital used to finance the purchase of units by homeowners and investors. Interest rates substantially impact home construction, purchase, and improvement costs. A small fluctuation in rates can make a dramatic difference in the annual income needed to qualify for a loan. In general, financing for new residential development in the City is available at reasonable rates. While interest rates have been historically low in recent years, interest rates have increased within the past year, leading to credit tightening. The availability of financing in a community depends on a number of factors, including the type of lending institutions active in the community, lending practices, rates and fees charged, laws and regulations governing financial institutions, and equal access to those institutions. Through analysis of Home Mortgage Disclosure Act (HMDA) data on the disposition of residential loan applications, an assessment can be made of the availability of residential financing within a community.

Table H 4-1 summarizes HMDA data for both the City of Morgan Hill and Santa Clara County, providing information on the approval status of all home purchase, refinance, and home improvement loan applications during 2020.

Of the total 1,045 completed applications for home purchase loans in Morgan Hill, 95

percent were approved and five percent were denied, above the 90 percent approval rate County-wide. In 2018, the approval rate for home purchase loans in Morgan Hill was 88 percent, indicating access to mortgage financing has improved in the City. Review of loan denials in 2020 by Morgan Hill's nine census tracts indicates three tracts (5123.05, 5123.08, 5123.14) with loan denial rates significantly above the five percent citywide average.

- The volume of applications for refinance loans in Morgan Hill was nearly three times that of home purchase loans due to historically low interest rates in 2020, with 89 percent of the total 3,432 applications receiving approval and 11 percent denied, similar to the regional average.
- The number of applications for home improvement loans in Morgan Hill was very limited at just 99, with 66 percent of applications receiving approval and 34 percent being denied, slightly better than the 38 percent denial rate County-wide. Home improvement loans typically have higher denial rates because homeowners may already have high debt-toincome ratios on their home mortgage or refinance loans.

Table H 4-1 Status of Home Purchase, Refinance, and Home Improvement Loans 2020								
Loan Type	Morgan Hill	Loans Ap	Loans Approved		Denied			
	Completed Loan Applications	n morgan riii can	Santa Clara County	Morgan Hill	Santa Clara County			
	Conventional Home Purchase Loans							
# of Applications	1,100	1,045	14,744	55	1,596			
% Approval/Denial	-	95%	95% 90%		10%			
		Refinancing Lo	ans					
# of Applications	3,432	3,041	65,758	391	7,658			
% Approval/Denial	-	89%	90%	11%	10%			
Home Improvement Loans								
# of Applications	151	99	2,724	52	1,639			
% Approval/Denial	-	66%	62%	34%	38%			

#### 4.2.2 Development Costs

The cost to develop housing, whether single-unit or multi-unit, includes the cost of land, construction, infrastructure, and "soft costs," which refers to engineering and architectural fees, insurance, financing, administrative costs, and marketing costs.

Century Urban, LLC (Century | Urban) has performed research on the development costs of certain residential prototypes (2,600 square foot single-family dwelling, 5,000 square foot single-family dwelling, 10-unit multi-family building, and a 100-unit multi-family building) in Santa Clara County, including the City of Morgan Hill. The research findings are based on Century | Urban's recent work on other assignments as well as on third-party data sources.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Century Urban, LLC; April 2022. San Mateo and Santa Clara Counties Development Cost & San Mateo County Unit Mix Research.



#### **Land Costs**

The availability and price of land are potential constraints to the development of housing for all income levels. The scarcity of vacant land in the Silicon Valley, including the City of Morgan Hill, results in land cost being very expensive, especially in denser and more desirable areas. Compared with other residential development cost components, land cost is the most prone to variations in price by location, school district, nearby amenities, and zoning.

To generate the single-family land values utilized in the development cost estimates, Century | Urban collected sales data for land lots totaling one acre or less which transacted over the past three years. The data does not include properties with existing homes or infrastructure that were redeveloped as new single-family homes. 11 data points were collected for the City of Morgan Hill. According to the Century | Urban report, land sales costs for single-family home land sites in Morgan Hill range from a low of \$1 to a maximum of \$495 per square foot; with the median rate at \$15 per square foot and the average at \$79 per square foot.

Century | Urban collected available multi-family land sales data from 2013 to the present in Santa Clara County. Of the 40 data points collected for Santa Clara County, one was located in Morgan Hill with a land cost of \$86,000 per unit; whereas the county land cost per unit average is \$60,000.

#### **Hard Costs**

The cost of labor and material, referred to as hard construction costs, represent the largest component of housing development costs. The greatest determinant of construction costs is the type of building. Single-story, wood-framed structures are the least costly to build, whereas multistory steel-reinforced, poured-in-place concrete structures are the most expensive.

According to a report released in March 2020 on multi-unit construction costs in California from the Terner Center, hard construction costs make up more than 60 percent of total development costs. The Terner Center study found that on average, construction costs were about \$222 per square foot in 2018 compared to \$177 in 2008-2009, representing a 25 percent increase. Costs have continued to increase since 2018. Several factors have caused the increased cost of materials, including global trade patterns and federal policy decisions, such as tariffs, as well as state and local regulations, such as building codes. The COVID-19 pandemic has also influenced the cost and availability of construction materials. Supply chain disruptions have resulted in project delays and increased costs due to a shortage of construction materials and equipment.

Labor costs have also increased in recent years, as the labor pool has not kept pace with the increase in demand. Since the recession, California has seen a severe tightening in the construction labor market, especially for workers trained in specific construction trades. The lack of an available labor force drives up the cost of labor and leads to project delays as workers are either unavailable or lost to more profitable projects.<sup>2</sup>

However, in the more recent, and focused, Century | Urban report, the hard costs for a 2,600 square foot single-family dwelling were found to be \$420 per square foot in San Mateo and Santa Clara Counties; and the hard costs for a 5,000 square foot single-family dwelling were found to be \$525 per square foot. Whereas the hard costs for a 10-unit multi-family building were found to be \$522 per square foot; and the hard costs for a 100-unit multi-family building were found to be

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Forscher,T; Kneebone, E.; Raetz, H.; and Reid, C. March 2020. The Hard Costs of Construction: Recent Trends in Labor and Material Costs for Apartment Buildings in California. Terner Center for Housing Innovation, UC Berkeley.

\$517 per square foot according to the Century | Urban report.

#### **Soft Costs**

Other costs, often called "soft costs," include engineering and architectural fees, insurance, financing, administrative costs, and marketing costs. According to the Century | Urban report, soft costs are generally assumed to be around 30% of hard costs, with single-unit development prototypes studied ranging from about \$133 to \$147 per square foot, and the soft costs for the multi-unit development projects ranging from \$159 to \$165 per square foot.

#### **Total Development Costs**

Figures H 4-1 and H 4-2 summarizes total costs per site square footage, including construction and soft cost estimates for the four prototypes complied by Century | Urban. Based on the cost estimates for the residential prototypes shown in Figures H 4-1 and H 4-2, the cost to construct a single-unit home in Santa Clara County ranges from approximately \$936 to \$1,060 per square foot. The cost to construct an apartment project in Santa Clara County range from \$748 to \$755 per square foot. These estimates account for the cost of land.





Figure H 4-1: Total Development Costs: Single-Family

#### Total Development Costs - San Mateo and Santa Clara Counties

Large numbers rounded to nearest \$'000 or nearest \$'0,000

		Single Far	nily Small	Single Fan	nily Large
		Total	\$ / SF	Total	\$/SF
Prototype Elemen 1		2,600		5,000	
Hard Costs					
1 2 3 4	Site improvements and utilities Grading and erosion control	\$1,040,000	\$400	\$2,500,000	\$500
5	_	\$52,000	\$20	\$125,000	\$25
<b>Total Hard Costs</b>		\$1,092,000	\$420	\$2,625,000	\$525
Soft Costs					
1 2	,	\$270,000 \$75,000	\$104 \$29	\$660,000 \$75,000	\$132 \$15
3	, ,	\$20,000	\$8	\$40,000	\$8
<b>Total Soft Costs</b>		\$365,000	\$133	\$775,000	\$147
	% of hard costs	33%		30%	
Land Costs		Total	Per SF Bldg	Total	Per SF Bldg
1	) Land Costs - San Mateo	\$1,030,000	\$396	\$1,030,000	\$206
2	) Land Costs - Santa Clara	\$1,320,000	\$508	\$1,320,000	\$264
Single Family Lan	d Cost Range				
SFH Land - Lower		\$210,000	\$81	\$210,000	\$42
SFH Land - Middl		\$730,000	\$281	\$730,000	\$146
SFH Land - Highe	r Price Tier	\$2,510,000	\$965	\$2,510,000	\$502
Total Developmen	nt Cost - San Mateo	\$2,487,000	\$949	\$4,430,000	\$878
Total Developmen	nt Cost - Santa Clara	\$2,777,000	\$1,060	\$4,720,000	\$936
Total Developme	nt Cost by Range of Land Cost				
	wer Land Price Tier	\$1,667,000	\$633	\$3,610,000	\$714
	ddle Land Price Tier	\$2,187,000	\$833	\$4,130,000	\$818
	gher Land Price Tier	\$3,967,000	\$1,518	\$5,910,000	\$1,174

Source: Century Urban, LLC; April 2022. San Mateo and Santa Clara Counties Development Cost & San Mateo County Unit Mix Research.

Figure H 4-2: Total Development Costs: Multi-Family

#### Total Development Costs - San Mateo and Santa Clara Counties

Large numbers rounded to nearest \$'000 or nearest \$'0,000

Se numbers rounded	to nearest \$'000 or nearest \$'0,	,000						
			Multi-	Family S	mall	Multi-	Family I	arge
			Total	\$/SF	\$ / Unit	Total	\$ / SF	\$ / Unit
Prototype Elements								
1)	Gross Residential Square I	Feet	10,000			93,750		
2)	Parking Square Footage		3,750			40,000	,	
3) 4)	Parking Type Units		Surface Lot 10			Standalone ab 100	ove grad	e
5)	Avg Net SF / Unit		850			750		
6)	Efficiency		85%			80%		
Hard Costs								
1)	Residential Hard Costs		\$4,150,000	\$415	\$420,000	\$39,840,000	\$425	\$400,0
2)	Site improvements and uti		\$605,000			\$1,165,000		
3)	Grading and erosion contr	ol	\$110,000			\$335,000		
4)	Parking Hard Costs	E0/	\$100,000	\$28	<b>#21</b> 000	\$4,800,000	\$120	<b>#20</b> 0
5)	Contingency	5%	\$250,000	\$21	\$21,000	\$2,310,000	\$21	\$20,0
Total Hard Costs			\$5,215,000	\$522	\$521,500	\$48,450,000	\$517	\$484,5
Soft Costs								
1)	Soft Costs	25.0%	\$1,303,750	\$130	\$130,000	\$12,110,000	\$129	\$120,00
2)	City Fees		\$350,000	\$35	\$35,000	\$2,800,000	\$30	\$28,00
3)	Soft Cost Contingency	5%	\$80,000	\$8	\$8,000	\$750,000	\$8	\$7,50
Total Soft Costs			\$1,733,750	\$165	\$165,000	\$15,660,000	\$159	\$148,0
	% of hard costs		33%			32%		
Land Costs			Total		Per Unit			Per Uni
1)	Land Costs - San Mateo		\$1,000,000		\$100,000	\$10,000,000		\$100,00
2)	Land Costs - Santa Clara		\$600,000		\$60,000	\$6,000,000		\$60,00
Range of Land Cost								
Apts/Condo- Lower			\$400,000		\$40,000	\$4,000,000		\$40,0
Apts/Condo-Middl			\$800,000		\$80,000	\$8,000,000		\$80,0
Apts/Condo- Highe	er Cost Tier		\$1,600,000		\$160,000	\$16,000,000		\$160,0
Total Development			\$7,948,750	\$795	\$786,500	\$74,110,000	\$791	\$732,5
Total Development	Cost - Santa Clara		\$7,548,750	\$755	\$746,500	\$70,110,000	\$748	\$692,5
	Cost by Range of Land Cos	<u>t</u>	d= c : c == -		d=0 < =00	dico di a a a a		A
Apts/Condo- Lower			\$7,348,750		\$726,500	\$68,110,000		\$672,5
Apts/Condo-Middl			\$7,748,750 \$8,548,750		\$766,500 \$846,500	\$72,110,000		\$712,5 \$792.5
Apts/Condo- Highe	er Land Price Her		\$8,548,750		\$846,500	\$80,110,000		\$792,5

Source: Century Urban, LLC; April 2022. San Mateo and Santa Clara Counties Development Cost & San Mateo County Unit Mix Research.

#### 4.2.3 Requests for Housing Developments at Reduced Densities

New State Housing Element law now requires the non-governmental constraints analysis to evaluate developer requests to build at densities below the density identified in the Housing



Element sites inventory. In Morgan Hill, properties generally develop at or above the allowed density (such as with a density bonus).

## 4.2.4 Length of Time between Project Approval and Applications for Building Permits

New State Housing Element law now also requires an examination of the length of time between receiving approval for a housing development and submittal of an application for building permits. The time between application approval and building permit issuance is influenced by a number of factors, none of which are directly impacted by the City. Factors that may impact the timing of building permit issuance include: required technical or engineering studies; completion of construction drawings and detailed site and landscape design; securing construction and permanent financing; and retention of a building contractor and subcontractors.

In Morgan Hill, most approved projects are constructed in a reasonable time period. Projects with entitlements nearly always move forward with construction, the one recent exception being an approved three-story mixed-use building and 15 residential units, consisting of twelve attached single-family homes and three condominium units in the mixed-use building (SR2016-0017 Monterey-Gunter) at 17620 Monterey Road (APN 726-23-008). As a small city, Morgan Hill staff have the advantage of working closely with applicants through the review and approval process, thereby helping to expedite the issuance of building and zoning permits. Furthermore, the City's contract with its building plan check consultant includes a requirement that the first plan check for development projects be completed within two weeks, whereas the Building Division's standard has been four weeks for a large residential master plan review and two weeks for an individual dwelling.

Building Permits are generally issued within two years of a project getting entitled. For example, Sunsweet (SR2017-0004 Depot-Sunsweet), a mixed-use building complex project consisting of 83 apartment units, was entitled in April of 2017 with building permits for the project's 83-units issued in May of 2018.

#### 4.2.5 **Environmental Constraints**

The environmental setting affects the feasibility and cost of residential development. Environmental issues range from the suitability of land for development, the provision of adequate infrastructure and services, as well as the cost of energy. Morgan Hill currently encompasses about 8,256 acres of land. The majority of the parcels in the City's boundary are developed. Most of the undeveloped parcels are in areas surrounding El Toro in the central-western boundary of the City and in the central-eastern portion of the City near the Jackson Oaks neighborhood. These areas contain environmental constraints on development, such as steep slopes, landslide hazards, fire hazards, or flood hazards, and therefore, much of the undeveloped land has been set aside as open space. The following are environmental constraints and hazards that affect, in varying degrees, existing and future residential developments.

#### **Seismic Hazards**

The Coyote Creek fault and Calaveras fault zone is located near the eastern boundary of the City. Major problems could result from ground shaking, which is likely to be amplified in the areas underlain by relatively unconsolidated deposits, especially in the eastern part of the City. Liquefaction is also a possibility in these areas. There is potential for landslides on all slopes; however, site-specific investigations can differentiate the degree of risk.

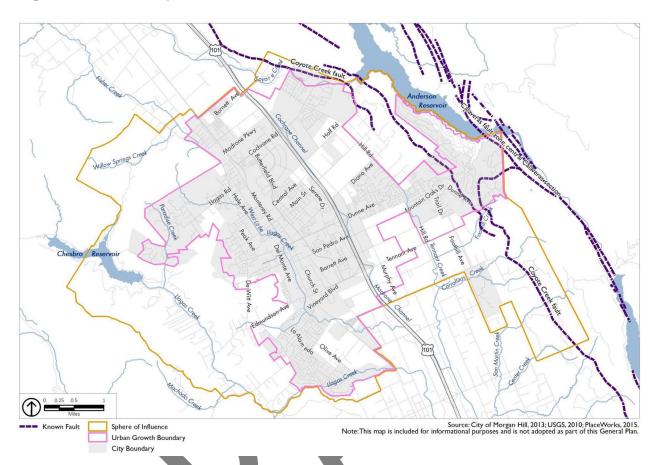


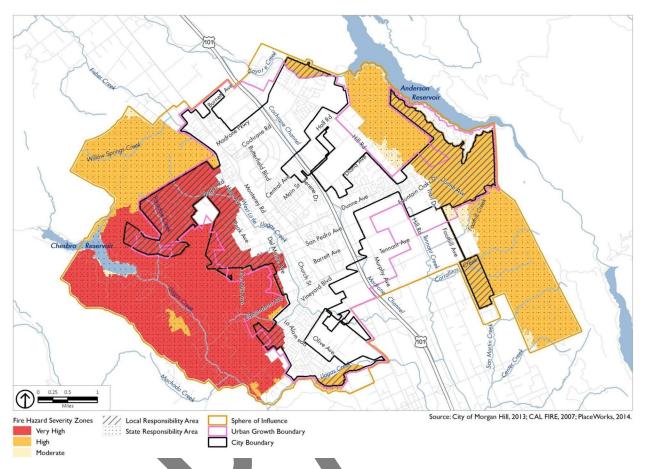
Figure H 4-3: Earthquake Faults

#### **Fire Hazards**

Much of the open space, hillside area of Morgan Hill is located along the western and eastern borders of the city. There is higher potential for fire in these areas including grass or wildland fires as shown in Figure H 4-4. The risk in these areas is compounded by limited emergency access to open space areas and, in some cases, by insufficient fire hydrants/water flow to meet fire-fighting requirements. The Safety, Services, and Infrastructure Element of the General Plan sets forth approaches to reduce this risk in developed areas and in the design and location of new development in the hillsides.



Figure H 4-4: Fire Hazard Severity Zones



#### Flood Hazards

All of the creeks in the city have flooding potential. Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) standards govern development in the 100-year floodplain (see Figure H 4-5) and floodways. A 100-year floodplain is the area next to a river or stream with a 1 percent or greater chance of being flooded in any year. A 500-year floodplain is the area next to a river or stream with a 0.2 percent chance of being flooded in any year. A floodway, a smaller area within the floodplain, is a river or stream and the area within immediate proximity of a river or stream that is capable of conveying the 100-year flood with no more than a 1-foot rise in water.

Development in the floodplain and floodway must be controlled because it can increase flooding hazards by raising water levels upstream and by adding flow, velocity, and debris downstream. Figure H 4-5 shows both 100-year and 500-year FEMA flood zones.

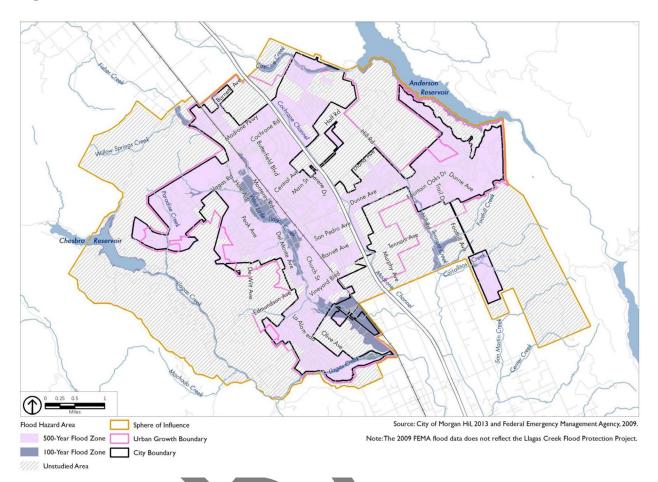


Figure H 4-5: FEMA Flood Zones

#### 4.3 Governmental Constraints

Governmental policies and regulations can result in both positive and negative effects on the availability and affordability of housing. This section, as required by Government Code Section (a)(5), describes City policies and regulations that could potentially constrain the City's ability to achieve its housing goals. Potential constraints to housing include land use controls (through General Plan policies and zoning regulations), development standards, infrastructure requirements, development impact fees, and the development approval processes. While government policies and regulations are intended to serve public objectives and further the public good, the City of Morgan Hill recognizes that its actions can potentially constrain the availability and affordability of housing to meet the community's future needs.

#### 4.3.1 Land Use Controls

#### **Land Use General Plan Designations**

A city's Comprehensive General Plan is the constitution for development within the community. The City and Neighborhood Form Element, one of the seven State mandated elements of the General Plan, sets forth the city's goals, policies, and programs for guiding physical development within the city. The Transportation, Natural Resources and Environment, and Safety, Services,



and Infrastructure Elements help determine land use areas within the community. The Housing Element has become a significant component in shaping the land use makeup within the community. State law also requires that the General Plan be internally consistent, and that zoning and development standards be consistent with the General Plan. While the General Plan is general in nature, its implementation, through zoning, subdivision, and other development codes are more specific.

The City's Land Use Element provides for the following range of intensities for residential development:

- Residential Estate, up to 1 unit/acre
- Residential Detached Low, up to 4 units/acre
- Residential Detached Medium, up to 7 units/acre
- Residential Detached High, 6-12 units/acre
- Residential Attached Low, 6-16 units/acre
- Residential Attached Medium, 16-24 units/acre
- Residential Downtown, 24-46 units/acre
- Mixed Use, per adopted Downtown Specific Plan
- Mixed Use Flex, 7-24 units/acre

Morgan Hill is illustrative of how the availability of sufficient sites for multi-family development can outweigh zoning regulations as a determining factor of whether such development, including affordable housing, occurs. As the City's zoning map below reflects, most of the City's residentially zoned land is zoned for single-family homes. Nonetheless, multi-family zoned areas are sufficient to ensure that there are enough permitted developments in the pipeline for Morgan Hill to meet its RHNA targets at all income levels for the 6th Housing Element cycle. At the same time, as identified in the Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing (AFFH) Appendix, the relative lack of land zoned for multi-family housing in the eastern portion of the City is a concern, and relatively stringent maximum heights and density limits for multi-family housing could curb multi-family housing development and affordable housing development in the future if developers' cost constraints change.<sup>3</sup> Regionally, exclusionary zoning is a much more significant issue as many high resource cities accommodate far less multi-family development than Morgan Hill has. However, the City has implemented the following measures to create opportunities for affordable housing development in the eastern portions of the city and the need to consider changes to multi-family development standards in the future:

- Action HE-3.A Identify opportunities and sites for affordable housing development in eastern Morgan Hill.
- **Action HE-3.B** Study the creation of affordable housing overlay districts in advance of the next Housing Element cycle.

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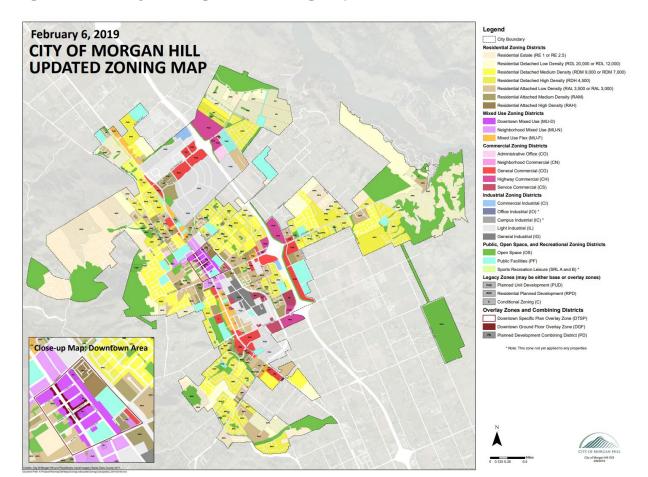


Figure H 4-6: City of Morgan Hill Zoning Map

#### 4.3.2 Development Standards

The City's Zoning Code implements the General Plan and contains development standards for each zoning district consistent with the land use designations of the General Plan. The City adopted a comprehensive update of the Zoning Code to provide consistency with the 2035 General Plan. Table H 4-2 illustrates Morgan Hill's residential General Plan Designations and corresponding Zoning Districts.



Table H 4-2	Base Zoning Districts	
Zoning District Symbol	Name of Zoning District	General Plan Designation
RE 10	Residential Estate (10 acre lots)	Residential Estate
RE 2.5	Residential Estate (2.5 acre lots)	
RE 1	Residential Estate (1 acre lots)	
RDL 20,000	Residential Detached Low Density (20,000 sq. ft. lots)	Residential Detached Low
RDL 12,000	Residential Detached Low Density (12,000 sq. ft, lots)	
RDM 9,000	Residential Detached Medium Density (9,000 sq. ft. lots)	Residential Detached Medium
RDM 7,000	Residential Detached Medium Density (7,000 sq. ft. lots)	
RDH 4,500	Residential Detached High Density (4,500 sq. ft. per lots)	Residential Detached High
<b>RAL 3,500</b>	Residential Attached Low Density (3,500 sq. ft. per unit)	Residential Attached Low
RAL 3,000	Residential Attached Low Density (3,000 sq. ft. per unit)	
RAM	Residential Attached Medium Density (2,000 sq. ft. per unit)	Residential Attached Medium
RAH	Residential Attached Hight Density (1,100 sq. ft. per unit)	Residential Downtown
MU-D	Downtown Mixed Use	Downtown Mixed Use
MU-N	Neighborhood Mixed Use	
MU-F	Mixed Use Flex	Mixed Use Flex

The General Plan and Zoning Code provide for the following residential and mixed-use land use designation zones:

- Residential Estate. This designation is intended to promote and encourage a suitable environment for families living on relatively large parcels of land. Concentrated along the western and southern City borders, the Residential Estate designation allows single-family homes, accessory dwelling units, appropriate agricultural uses, and associated community services and facilities. The maximum allowable density is 1 unit per net acre.
- Residential Detached Low. The Residential Detached Low designation is intended to accommodate families in suburban single-family homes, including manufactured homes on medium-sized parcels. Accessory dwelling units are allowed under this designation. The highest concentrations of the Residential Detached Low designation are at the eastern City limit, especially in the hills near the Anderson Reservoir. This designation allows up to 4 units per net acre.
- Residential Detached Medium. Residential Detached Medium areas allow detached homes on smaller lots, including courtyard homes, manufactured homes, and small-lot single-family homes. Accessory dwelling units are allowed under this designation. Up to 25 percent of the total number of units in a project in the Residential Detached Medium designation may be duets. The Residential Detached Medium designation is dispersed throughout the City, often providing a transition from nonresidential areas to lower-density neighborhoods. The largest areas with this designation are centered around East Dunne Avenue and West Main Avenue between Highway 101 and the railroad. This designation allows up to 7 units per net acre.
- Residential Detached High. The Residential Detached High designation is intended to accommodate detached single-family homes on small lots at a density of 6 to 12 units per

- net acre. This land use is meant to serve as a transition between single-family and multi-family land uses. Up to 25 percent of the total number of units in a project in the Residential Detached High designation may be duets.
- Residential Attached Low. The Residential Attached Low designation is primarily meant to accommodate attached homes including duplexes/duets, courtyard homes, townhomes, and garden apartments. Up to 25 percent of a Residential Attached Low site may include small-lot single family detached homes when those units are located adjacent to an existing single family detached neighborhood. Residential Attached Low areas generally are located in or next to existing residential neighborhoods and close to commercial corridors, including West Dunne Avenue and Monterey Road. This designation allows 6 to 16 units per net acre.
- Residential Attached Medium. This designation allows attached housing types including townhomes, garden apartments, and stacked flats. Pockets of Residential Attached Medium are primarily centered around the Downtown. Frequently found near commercial areas that in part serve the adjacent residents, this designation accommodates 16 to 24 units per net acre, most of which are townhomes, apartments, or condominiums.
- Residential Downtown. Small pockets of Residential Downtown, the highest-density residential designation is centered around Downtown and the commuter rail station. Development within this area must be supportive of transit oriented design. This designation allows 24 to 46 units per net acre, most of which are apartments or condominiums.
- ❖ Mixed Use. Applied in accordance with the Downtown Specific Plan, this designation applies to the majority of the parcels in and around the core of the Downtown area, especially parcels along Monterey Road and all the parcels between Monterey Road and Depot Street. It is intended to encourage a mixture of retail uses and residences. Consistent with the adopted Downtown Specific Plan, the Mixed Use designation generally allows a density between 8 to 20 units per net acre, except for the Central Business District (CBD), where there is no maximum or minimum density.
- Mixed Use Flex. The Mixed Use Flex designation, which is primarily applied to properties along the Monterey Road corridor north and south of downtown, allows for a mix of residential, commercial, and office uses applied either vertically (i.e., one structure with multiple uses) or horizontally (i.e., structures with different land uses located adjacent to one another). Density should transition from higher to lower at the ends of Monterey corridor. The Mixed Use Flex designation allows 7 to 24 units per acre and a maximum FAR of 0.5. Prior to development of Residential or Mixed-Use projects within the Mixed Use Flex designation a block level master plan is required to identify how commercial uses will be incorporated within the development of the block and how individual development projects will connect with each other. Commercial development may proceed without preparation of a block level master plan consistent with the Commercial designation.

Morgan Hill's residential development standards are summarized in Tables H 4-3 through H 4-8.

Table H 4-3 Residential Estate (RE) District Development Standards								
Site Requirements	RE-10	RE-2.5	RE-1					
Lot Area, Minimum	10 acres	2.5 acres	1 acre					
Lot Width, Minimum	200 ft.	150 ft.	100 ft.					
Lot Depth, Minimum	200 ft.	150 ft.	100 ft.					
Building Coverage, Maximum	15%	25%	30%					
Structure Requirements	RE-10	RE-2.5	RE-1					
Setbacks, Minimum								
Front	50 ft.	50 ft.	25 ft.					
Rear	50 ft.	25 ft.	25 ft.					
Interior Side	50 ft.	25 ft.	20 ft.					
Street Side	25 ft.	15 ft.	15 ft.					
Height, Maximum	30 ft.	30 ft.	30 ft.					

Table H 4-4 Residential Detached Low and Medium Density District Development Standards									
Site Requirements	RDL-20,000	RDL-12,000	RDM-9,000	RDM-7,000					
Lot Area, Minimum									
Single-Family Lot	20,000 sq. ft.	12,000 sq. ft.	9, <b>000</b> sq. ft.	7,000 sq. ft.; 7,500 sq. ft. for corner lots					
Corner Duet Lot			4,200 sq. ft.	3,500 sq. ft.					
Lot Width, Minimum									
Single-Family Lot	100 ft.	75 ft.	70 ft.	60 ft.					
Corner Duet Lot			40 ft.	40 ft.					
Lot Depth, Minimum	100 ft.	100 ft.	85 ft.	85 ft.					
Building Coverage, Maximum	40%	40%	50%	50%					
Structure Requirements	RDL-20,000	RDL-12,000	RDM-9,000	RDM-7,000					
Setbacks, Minimum		-							
Front	25 ft.	25 ft.	First Story: 20 ft. Upper Stories: 25 ft.	First Story: 20 ft. Upper Stories: 25 ft.					
Rear	25 ft.	25 ft.	First Story: 20 ft. Upper Stories: 25 ft.	First Story: 20 ft. Upper Stories: 25 ft.					
Interior Side	15 ft.	First Story: 10 ft.	First Story: 5 ft.	First Story: 5 ft.					
		Upper Stories: 15 ft.	Upper Stories: 12.5 ft.	Upper Stories: 12.5 ft.					
Street Side	15 ft.	15 ft.	15 ft.	15 ft.					
Height, Maximum	30 ft.	30 ft.	30 ft.	30 ft.					

Table H 4-5 Residential Detached High Density District Development Standards							
Site Requirements	RDH-4,500						
Lot Area, Minimum							
Single-Family Detached Lots	4,500 sq. ft.						
Corner Single-Family Detached Lots	5,000 sq. ft.						
Duet Lots	3,500 sq. ft.						
Lot Width, Minimum							
Lots Less Than 5,000 sq. ft.	40 ft.						
Lots 5,000 sq. ft. or greater	50 ft.						
Lot Depth, Minimum	85 ft.						
Floor Area Ratio, Maximum	52%						
Structure Requirements	RDH-4,500						
Setbacks, Minimum							
Front	First Story: 15 ft.						
	Upper Stories; 20 ft.						
Rear	15 ft.						
Interior Side	First Story: 10 % of lot width						
	Upper Stories: 15% of lot width						
Street Side	9 ft.						
Height, Maximum	35 ft.						

Table H 4-6 Resident	ial Attached Low Density District	Dovolonment Standards
Site Requirements	RAL-3,500	RAL-3,000
Lot Area, Minimum		
Duplex Lots	7,000 sq. ft.	6,000 sq. ft.
Duplex Corner Lots	7,500 sq. ft.	6,500 sq. ft.
Duet Lots	3,500 sq. ft.	3,000 sq. ft.
Duet Corner Lots	3,750 sq. ft.	3,250 sq. ft.
Multi-Family and Other Uses	3,500 sq. ft.	3,000 sq. ft.
Lot Width, Minimum		
Duplex Lots	70 ft.	70 ft.
Duplex Corner Lots	80 ft.	80 ft.
Duet and Single-Family Attached Lots	30 ft.	30 ft.
Duet and Single-Family Attached Corner Lots	40 ft.	40 ft.
Lot Depth, Minimum	85 ft.	85 ft.
Building Coverage, Maximum	50%	50%
Site Area per Dwelling Unit, Minimum	3,500 sq. ft.	3,000 sq. ft.
Structure Requirements	RAL-3,500	RAL-3,000
Setbacks, Minimum		
Front	20 ft.	20 ft.
Rear	15 ft.; or 20 ft. for two-story, located adjacent to a single-family district	15 ft.; or 20 ft. for two-story, located adjacent to a single-family district
Interior Side	5 ft.	5 ft.
Street Side	15 ft.	15 ft.
Height, Maximum	30 ft.	30 ft.

Table H 4-7 Residential Attached Medium Density and High Density District Development Standards									
Site Requirements	RAM	RAH							
Lot Area, Minimum	6,000 sq. ft.;	6,000 sq. ft.;							
	4,500 sq. ft. for corner lots	6,500 sq. ft. for corner lots							
Lot Width, Minimum	60 ft.	40 ft.							
Lot Depth, Minimum	85 ft.	75 ft.							
Building Coverage, Maximum	60%	60%							
Site Area per Dwelling Unit, Minimum	2,000 sq. ft.	1,100 sq. ft.							
Structure Requirements	RAM	RAH							
Setbacks, Minimum									
Front	15 ft.	15 ft.							
Rear	20 ft.	15 ft.							
Interior Side	5 ft.	5 ft.							
Street Side	15 ft.	15 ft.							
Height, Maximum	3 stories or 40 ft., whichever is less; min. 10 ft. for roof element on 3 story structure	3 stories or 40 ft., whichever is less; min. 10 ft. for roof element on 3 story structure							

Table H 4-8 Mixed Use Zoning District Development Standards							
Site Requirements	MU-D		MU-N		MU-F		
Lot Area, Minimum	3,500	) sq. ft.	6,000	sq. ft.	6,000	6,000 sq. ft.	
Lot Width, Minimum	40	0 ft.	60	ft.	60	) ft.	
Lot Depth, Minimum	81	0. ft.	100	) ft.	10	O ft.	
Floor Ara Ratio, Maximum	2.0		1.	0	0	.5	
<b>Residential Density</b>							
Minimum	None		8 du/acre		7 du/acre		
Maximum	None		20 du/acre		24 du/acre		
Building Coverage, Maximum	None		75%		50%		
Structure Requirements	М	U-D	MU	I-N	M	U-F	
Setbacks	Res.	Non-Res.	Res.	Non-Res.	Res.	Non-Res.	
Front	Min: 6 ft.	Min: 0 ft.	Min: 6 ft.	Min: 0 ft.	Min: 15 ft.	Min: 10 ft.	
	Max: 15 ft.	Max: 10 ft.	Max: 15 ft.	Max: 10 ft.	Max: None	Max: None	
Rear, Minimum	0 ft.	0 ft. 10 ft.		10 ft.	20 ft.	10 ft.	
Interior Side, Minimum	5 ft.	0 ft.	5 ft.	0 ft.	5 ft.	0 ft.	
Street Side, Minimum	6 ft.	0 ft.	6 ft.	0 ft.	10 ft.	10 ft.	
Height, Maximum	3 stories	and 45 ft.	35	ft.	35	5 ft.	

#### **Downtown Specific Plan**

The Downtown Specific Plan, adopted in 2009, provides a long-term strategy for revitalizing central Morgan Hill by strengthening Downtown as the gathering place, a connecting force, the social and activity heart of Morgan Hill. A place where residents from all segments of the community can live, work, meet, shop, dine and participate in public celebrations, and share in the richness of Morgan Hill's community life. The primary urban design goals and objectives addressed by the Downtown Specific Plan include:

- Creating an active Downtown village through intensifying residential, retail, restaurant, and entertainment uses, within an urban setting improved with unified landscaping and streetscape improvements;
- Making Monterey Road and Third Street more pedestrian and retail friendly, and improve other roads with better street lighting and streetscape improvements;
- Strengthening Downtown's identity and scale with new design related to a traditional character; and
- Creating visual and physical linkages to Downtown with landscaping, bike paths and entry area features; and with linking downtown commercial uses to common parking areas available to the general public.

#### Monterey Corridor Form-Based Code

The City of Morgan Hill is in the process of preparing a Draft Form-Based Code (FBC) for the Monterey Corridor. The City of Morgan Hill is guided by several key policy and regulatory documents to manage future growth. Adopted by the City Council in July 2016, the Morgan Hill 2035 General Plan establishes a vision for a prosperous, vibrant city supported by a framework of goals, policies, and actions that guide the City's decisions for the next two decades. The Morgan Hill Downtown Specific Plan, adopted in November 2009, complements the General Plan, ensuring that residential and commercial development standards support the community's vision for a vibrant and accessible Downtown village. The General Plan vision for the Monterey Corridor is as follows:

"North and south of Downtown will transform from its current predominantly strip commercial character to a vibrant mixed-use corridor that encourages walking and biking. Buildings will front onto the street and a range of commercial and office uses will be located within close proximity to attached residential units. Density will decrease with distance from Downtown."

State law also continues to influence the City's growth and development. Legislation that facilitates and accelerates the development of housing, with an emphasis on affordable housing, will play a role in shaping municipal policies, permit processes, and development standards for years to come.

In light of the visions and policies of the 2035 General Plan and the Morgan Hill Downtown Specific Plan, the draft Monterey Corridor Form-Based Code (FBC) proposes to facilitate development that complies with local requirements and State law. The draft FBC is also intended to build on the success of public and private investments in Downtown, which has become a cherished community gathering place and a desirable tourist destination, all supported by a pedestrian-oriented, mixed-use built environment. The draft FBC is meant to expand on Downtown's success along the Corridor, encouraging walking, biking, a mix of uses, and a range of housing options consistent with the General Plan.

Regulations and standards in a Form-Based Code are presented graphically in simple diagrams and photographs as well as supplemental text. While Form-Based Codes focus on an intended physical form, they also regulate use by allowing a mix of appropriate land uses chosen to ensure compatibility among different contexts and the intended physical form of the area. The standards ultimately shape the relationship between building facades and the public realm (i.e., the public and private space between buildings), the form and mass of buildings in relation to one another, and the scale and type of blocks.

The draft FBC establishes development standards that are objective and implement the community vision, emphasizing pedestrian-oriented building form and streamlined housing development with an appropriate mix of uses. The draft FBC is designed with a user-friendly organizational structure, where City staff and community members can easily navigate and recognize the standards and requirements that apply to the applicable development site. The draft FBC proposes the following three Form-Based Zoning Districts within the FBC:

**Neighborhood Form-Based (FB-N).** A variety of housing opportunities that are accessible to a range of income levels in a walkable environment with neighborhood-serving retail and services.

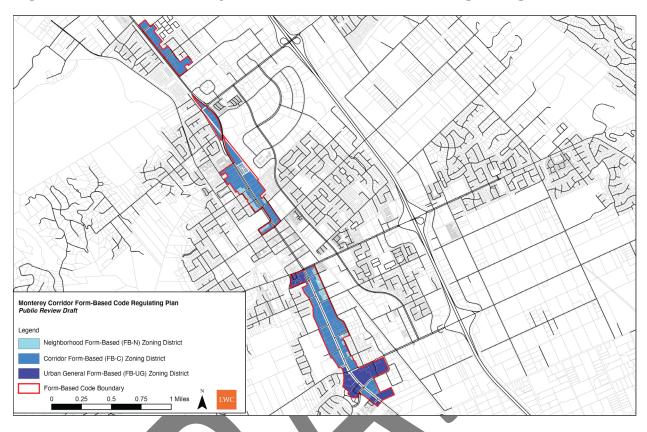
**Corridor Form-Based (FB-C).** Variable intensities of infill and redevelopment with a mix of walkable uses, such as retail, service, and commercial, that are sensitive to the scale and character of the area.

**Urban General Form-Based (FB-UG).** Mixed-use commercial and residential hubs with a variety of uses and clustered job opportunity centers. Accessible corridors and streets with internal block patterns and an improved pedestrian experience transitioning from an auto-centric environment to a walkable environment.

These three Form-Based Zoning Districts are keyed to a plan, referred to as a Regulating Plan, that functions like a zoning map, assigning an appropriate form-based zone to specific lots. The proposed Regulating Plan boundary, in which the FBC would apply to, generally includes parcels adjacent to Monterey Road within the City limit, excluding the Downtown Specific Plan Area and parcels south of Watsonville Road (see Figure H 4-7 below). The boundary extends north and south of Downtown from approximately Main Ave north to Burnett Ave and from approximately Dunne Ave south to Rome Ave.



Figure H 4-7: Draft Monterey Corridor Form-Based Code Regulating Plan



#### **Local Ordinances**

State law now requires jurisdictions to analyze in their Housing Elements any locally adopted ordinances that directly impact the cost and supply of residential development. The City of Morgan Hill has an Inclusionary Housing Ordinance (Chapter 14.04 Inclusionary Housing) which is analyzed in the following section and a Residential Development Control System (Chapter 18.156 of the Municipal Code), which was suspended until 2030 pursuant to Senate Bill 330 and Senate Bill 8, is analyzed below.

The historical backdrop to Morgan Hill's unique housing story began in 1977, when the voters adopted the Residential Development Control System (RDCS), a smart growth residential pacing policy. This was done in response to the community's concern for the amount and pace of residential growth and its impacts on city services and infrastructure. While RDCS limited the number of residential homes to 215 building permits per year, it did more than manage growth. It was a well-designed, intentional program that effectively incentivized and prioritized affordability in most developments in Morgan Hill. For 40 years, RDCS worked as a "de facto" Inclusionary Housing Ordinance, incentivizing the creation of high-quality, affordable housing throughout the entire city. The pacing of residential development with services (or smart growth) continued through a city-initiated ballot, Measure S, which was approved in November of 2016 and effective March 2017.

The RDCS program provided an opportunity for developers to compete for allocations to build housing based upon a competition system that paced growth with infrastructure development and revenue streams. Points were awarded for park lands and open space, safe routes to schools, proximity to the downtown businesses and services. Points were awarded for providing affordable housing. Additionally, the program encouraged developers to offer a wide range of housing types and sizes in their proposals. Through RDCS, Morgan Hill has been able to obtain a significant amount of affordable housing, developer fees, and other public benefits that it is no longer able to obtain.

Major housing legislation began in 2017 with a package of 15 new housing laws that address the state's critical housing shortage. On top of that, more than 45 laws of significance have been adopted since the 2017 housing package. These include changes in Housing Element requirements, a focus on streamlining housing production, creating ministerial approval processes, and constraining local land use authority to increase supply. In 2018, as suspected, RDCS was suspended when Governor Newsom signed Senate Bill 330 ("SB 330") into law, effective as of January 1, 2020. SB 330 enacted Government Code Section 66300, the "Housing Crisis Act of 2019". The Housing Crisis Act preempts and precludes the enforcement of RDCS while the State of California's Housing Crisis Act is in effect. The HAA establishes the state's overarching policy that a local government may not deny, reduce the density of, or make infeasible housing development projects, emergency shelters, or farmworker housing that are consistent with objective local development standards. The legislature amended the HAA to expand and strengthen its provisions to effectively curb the capacity of local governments to deny, reduce the density, or render housing development projects infeasible via the following laws: (2017) Senate Bill 167, Assembly Bill 678, Assembly Bill 1515; (2018) Assembly Bill 3194; (2019) Senate Bill 330) and (2021) Senate Bill 8.

In 2018, the City of Morgan Hill adopted an Inclusionary Housing Ordinance (IHO) requiring residential developments to provide 15% of the units outside of Downtown, and 10% of the units in Downtown, as part of the City's efforts to create and maintain an income-based housing inventory of Below Market Rate (BMR) units to archive the City's housing goals. Due to the passage of Senate Bill (SB) 330, the IHO is a result of the loss of the City's Residential



Development Control System (RDCS) growth management program which has been the mechanism for the City to obtain BMR housing units for many years.

The IHO was amended in December 2021 to clarify the intent to broaden the first-time homebuyer pool to include households whose gross annual income ranges from 110% of the AMI to 120% of the AMI; thus, maintaining a moderate ownership program with a sales price that is capped at 110%. This work originally began when the City retained Keyser Marston & Associates (KMA) to evaluate:

- 1. The additional financial cost to new for-sale residential projects to provide the deeper levels of on-site affordable units with the original consideration of adding lower income units to the BMR IHO ownership program requirement; and
- 2. The evaluation of proposed changes to current in-lieu fee levels that would approximate the cost of providing the proposed deeper levels of on-site affordable units.

KMA identified opportunities to deepen the overall level of affordability of for-sale inclusionary units. KMA prepared a report summarizing the findings of the evaluation. Staff held a workshop with KMA and the development community on May 24, 2021, to discuss the possibility of deepening the overall level of affordability of for-sale inclusionary units. The consensus from the development community was that adding lower-income units to the ownership program is not economically feasible due to high construction costs, the uncertainty of the pandemic, and the overall economic implications to a project. KMA also did not recommend adding low-income ownership to the Inclusionary Program. Although the analysis by KMA was supportive in helping the team arrive at the final recommendations, the work and the recommendations have continued to evolve throughout the process.

As housing workshops were held with the City Council and community from May through June 2021, it resulted in a shift in priorities in the Housing Program. The City Council prioritized meeting the City's RHNA at all affordability levels to ensure income-based inclusivity.

The City, like all cities and counties, has historically struggled to achieve the RHNA goals for very low-income units and extremely low-income units. With the priority set to meet the very low-income goal earlier in this next 6th Housing Element planning cycle (2023-2035), the City's Housing team used this opportunity to further amend the Inclusionary Housing Ordinance to address the City Council's goal of finding opportunities to meet the very low and extremely low-income goal. To that end, the Inclusionary Housing Ordinance has been modified to create needed flexibility to best use the program to meet the RHNA requirements, while at the same time deepening the affordability of the built BMR units.

As part of the 2021 IHO update, the two main changes to the IHO would permit, by right, up to 50% of the affordable housing requirement to be satisfied with an in-lieu fee. This fee would provide the City with a funding mechanism to support projects that produce units that contribute to meeting the RHNA goals and achieve its very low income and extremely low-income goals. The second significant change clarifies that the sales price for moderate-income units is based on an affordability level of 110% of AMI.

At the Planning Commission's hearing, two programmatic suggestions were discussed. The first notion was to consider allowing the BMR homeowners with a 45-year agreement to exit the BMR Program early if they have paid off their 30-year mortgage. This would allow the BMR home to be sold at the market value. While the BMR Program allows individuals/families to enjoy home ownership security at a much-reduced cost with lower consistent stable mortgages and property tax benefits, BMRs in Morgan Hill have not been intended to serve as the way a family achieves investment or significant asset building. Staff acknowledges that each homeowner's journey is different, and some families may certainly choose to stay in their BMR for 45 years or more;

however, the City also expects and counts on the fact that some families will choose to move on, providing a resale opportunity for the next income-qualified family. Allowing the exit of the BMR program early, would impact the City's BMR inventory and limit the City's ability to continue to have a robust income-based housing inventory. Allowing for an early sale of the BMR at market-rate would not be consistent with the intent of the City's BMR goals, which is to create a path to a first-time homebuyer opportunity, not a "forever home." A change to the contract terms based on an attempt to increase value or equity for one household would likely reduce a good number of BMR homes in the Program, as well as future resale families for additional families. Therefore, it was not recommended that the City consider altering contracts but rather to continue to focus on the preservation of affordable units.

The second item that was brought up by the Planning Commission was the consideration of Commercial Linkage Fees (CLF). CLF is a type of fee that some cities add to new commercial or industrial development to offset a portion of the need for affordable housing created by new jobs. While CLFs are commonly used in job-rich cities, they would disincentivize commercial development. Morgan Hill currently struggles with the high cost of green field development. Commercial and Industrial development in Morgan Hill requires a certain amount of investment that provides for the high cost of infrastructure. Therefore, given the high impact fees in Morgan Hill, a Commercial Linkage Fee was not adopted in the 2021 IHO update. However, the City acknowledges the need to reevaluate CLF in the future.

The following is a summary of the notable changes from the 2018 IHO to the updated 2021 IHO:

- 1. In-Lieu Fee Election for One-Half of Required Inclusionary Units. Developers may elect to satisfy the applicable requirements (For-sale in Downtown, For-sale Outside Downtown, Rental Projects in Downtown and Rental Projects outside Downtown) by paying an in-lieu fee for up to one-half of the number of required inclusionary units and constructing the remaining required inclusionary units for their remaining affordability requirement. If the required number of inclusionary units results in a fractional number, the provisions of the preceding paragraph regarding payment of a fee shall apply to the fractional unit. These funds would provide the City with the ability to leverage outside funding sources to build very low-income and extremely low-income units.
- 2. **In-lieu fee schedule.** Fees will be automatically increased for inflation.
- 3. "Affordable Sales Price" defined. Moderate-Income units that are built would be priced for households whose gross annual income does not exceed 110% of AMI.
- 4. Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs). ADU's constructed within for-sale projects will not be counted toward satisfaction of the requirement to construct inclusionary units. ADU's are not deed restricted for affordability and the City cannot require them to be rented out.
- 5. **Alternatives.** For developers who choose an alternative method for complying with the IHO, the City is requiring a deeper level of affordability or a higher number of units built to benefit the City.
- 6. **Incentives.** Section 14.04.120 related to incentives to building on-site inclusionary housing units was removed as these are available automatically through State Density Bonus Law.

Although the City recently updated its Inclusionary Housing Ordinance, the City recognizes that there is a need to revisit the IHO during the 6th Housing Element cycle to ensure that the IHO is meeting its objectives, is functional, and to further evaluate the needs to provide affordable housing for all segments of the community. In addition, currently, the City's Inclusionary Housing Ordinance requires the provision of units affordable to moderate-income households in for-sale developments. Requiring that developers achieve deeper owner-occupied affordability through



cross-subsidization and existing incentives may not be effective. However, the City could seek to bridge the gap between inclusionary for-sale units and low-income households by providing financial support. Therefore, the City has implemented the following measures to further evaluate the Inclusionary Housing Ordinance:

**Policy HE-2.19** Commercial Linkage Fee. Consider new commercial and industrial development to meet the housing demand they generate, particularly the need for affordable housing for lower-income workers, through a Commercial Linkage Fee Ordinance or similar mechanism.

**Action HE-3.G** Review the Inclusionary Housing Ordinance to provide deeper for-sale affordability beyond the updated 2021 Inclusionary Housing Ordinance.

#### 4.3.3 Building Codes and Code Compliance

Building codes regulate the construction of dwellings and apply to plumbing, electrical, and mechanical systems as well as other aspects of construction. The purpose of building codes and their enforcements is to protect the public from unsafe conditions associated with faulty construction. As of January 1, 2020, the City of Morgan Hill required all new development to comply with the California 2019 Building Standards Code and applicable code amendments. Building code modifications and City code compliance practices are described below.

#### **Prohibition of Natural Gas Infrastructure in New Buildings**

The City of Morgan Hill enforces State building code standards (Title 24) for all structures subject to the code, including the construction and rehabilitation of housing. In 2019, the City of Morgan Hill adopted Chapter 15.63 (Prohibition of Natural Gas Infrastructure in New Buildings) pursuant to Ordinance No. 2306 N.S. requiring all new buildings to rely solely on electricity as their energy source if they apply for a building permit after March 1, 2020.

Emissions from natural gas combustion, and propane in areas unserved by natural gas, have become the largest source of greenhouse gas emissions associated with buildings. These emissions make up about one-third of the greenhouse gas emissions in our region. Of these emissions in a typical dwelling, about 49% come from water heating, 37% from space heating, and 7% from cooking, with the remainder being pool heating, clothes drying, etc. While the exact numbers for nonresidential buildings vary widely with the type of occupancy, the aggregate nonresidential numbers are 32% for water heating, 36% for space heating, 23% for cooking, and 9% miscellaneous.

Although natural gas was considered superior to electricity because it was more efficient in the past, this is no longer the case. Three modern electric appliances (heat pump water heaters, heat pump space heaters, and induction cooktops) now offer enhanced efficiency and performance.

In terms of construction costs, avoiding the installation of gas pipelines into a development can save approximately \$7,000 per unit. While the increased cost of installing larger electrical transformers will reduce the net savings, depending on the location, all-electric construction is expected to be less expensive on average.

On the operational cost side, it is difficult to definitively determine whether an all-electric building will cost more or less to operate because the relative costs of electricity and natural gas fluctuate over time. What is certain is that property owners have the opportunity to own their own solar energy systems, which can offset some or all of their electricity use, and the same cannot be said for their natural gas use. The only practical way to "zero-out" a gas utility bill is to rely solely on electricity.

Lastly, all-electric homes are considered substantially safer than their dual-fuel counterparts because there are no emissions within the home from gas combustion and there are no gas pipes that can leak due to wear, age, or earthquake.

### **Code Compliance**

Building safety standards are upheld through the Code Compliance section of the Building Division utilizing the 2018 International Property Maintenance Code. In the last three years, data reflecting prevalence of residential habitability issues, such as mold, vermin, broken windows, non-functioning utilities, etc. have indicated that there were 19 code enforcement violations that involved health and safety issues. City enforcement removed these hazardous and dangerous situations. The expanded use of this program has helped to address building condition issues before they progress to conditions requiring demolition or substantial rehabilitation, and to promote the exploration of rehabilitation opportunities before demolition.

Based on efforts to use code enforcement as a tool to catch problems before they require more extensive repairs or demolition, building code and code compliance practices and regulations by the City of Morgan Hill are not considered to represent a constraint to the provision of housing or affordable housing in the City.

### 4.3.4 Infrastructure Requirements

Various City departments implement on- and off-site improvement requirements, including standards for street construction, sidewalks, curbs, gutters, on-street parking and bicycle lanes. Residential development may also necessitate constructing water, sewer, and drainage improvements. All improvements are generally required as conditions of approval and are developer financed. Complying with certain infrastructure improvements may be perceived as a constraint on the provision of housing for all income levels.

For infill projects, the City Code requires the construction of standard improvements that may include repair of defective sidewalks, construction of standard driveways, and maneuvering areas. The Code also requires dedication and improvement of full-street or alley frontages. Section 12.02.190 (Exceptions) of Chapter 12.02 (Street and Sidewalk Development) of Title 12 (Streets, Sidewalks and Public Places) of the Municipal Code allows the Planning Commission to recommend that the City Council authorize conditional exceptions to any of the requirements and regulations of Chapter 12.02 (Street and Sidewalk Development).

Although infrastructure requirements represent a cost to developing housing, these improvement standards are not unreasonable nor do they represent a significant constraint.

### 4.3.5 Jurisdiction Fees

Like cities throughout California, the City of Morgan Hill collects development fees to recover the capital costs of providing the required citywide infrastructure that supports increased development and the administrative cost associated with processing applications.

New housing typically requires payment of the following fees: building permits, school impact, fire sprinkler permit, solar permit, meter deposit, water impact, sewer impact, storm drain impact, traffic impact, park impact, public facilities impact, library impact, community/recreation center impact, public safety impact, and burrowing owl mitigation fees. These fees are necessary to pay for services rendered during the processing of the project, but can, however, add to housing costs. In addition, subdivisions and multi-family projects may incur the cost of preparing environmental documentation, traffic studies, soils reports, and filing fees for tentative and final maps. These are requirements of California law. In addition, multi-family projects may require a Conditional Use



Permit, Design Permit, a SB 330 Preliminary application, and a Santa Clara Valley Habitat Agency Review Fee. Such fees are typically based on the rates of city employees (including overhead) and the number of hours spent processing the application or performing the associated work.

A recent Santa Clara County Planning Collaborative analysis in April 2022, performing a regional fee comparison, showed that the City of Morgan Hill's impact fees typically fall just under the average when compared with other jurisdictions in the region. The City's fees are not considered a constraint on housing production. Table H 4-9 summarizes the total fees (entitlement fees, building permits, and impact fees) per unit by jurisdiction for all local jurisdictions within Santa Clara County, including the City of Morgan Hill, that contribute to the overall cost of development which apply to new residential construction as found in the Santa Clara County Planning Collaborative analysis. The residential prototypes used in this analysis include a 2,600 square foot single-family dwelling, a 10-unit multi-family building, and a 100-unit multi-family building.

Table H 4-9 Total Fees per Unit (by Jurisdiction)									
Jurisdiction	Single Family	Small Multi-Family	Large Multi-Family						
Campbell	\$72,556	\$20,599	\$18,541						
Cupertino	\$136,596	\$77,770	\$73,959						
Gilroy	\$69,219	\$40,195	\$39,135						
Los Altos Hills	\$146,631	N/A	N/A						
Los Gatos	<b>\$32,</b> 458	\$5,764	\$3,269						
Milpitas	\$77,198	\$74,326	\$59,740						
Monte Sereno	\$33,445	\$4,815	\$4,156						
Morgan Hill	\$55,903	\$41,374	\$36,396						
Mountain View	\$90,423	\$69,497	\$82,591						
San Jose	\$9,919	\$23,410	\$23,410						
Santa Clara	\$14,653	\$6,733	\$2,156						
Saratoga	\$64,272	\$17,063	\$15,391						
Sunnyvale	\$133,389	\$126,673	\$98,292						
Unincorporated County	\$25,166	N/A	N/A						

### 4.3.6 On- and Off-Site Improvements

The City has developed Design Standards and Standard Details for Construction in alignment with Title 12 (Streets, Sidewalks, and Public Places) of the Morgan Hill Municipal Code to ensure that minimum levels of design and construction quality are maintained, and adequate levels of street improvements are provided. Per the Design Standards and Standard Details for Construction, typical residential streets must be 60 feet wide to accommodate the right of way, including a minimum of five feet for sidewalks. Street sections may be modified for infill. Lane widths are to be no less than 10 feet unless otherwise approved by the City Engineer. The Design Standards and Standard Details for Construction have a potential to affect housing costs but are necessary to provide a minimum level of design and construction quality in the City's neighborhoods.

### 4.3.7 Permit Processing

The City of Morgan Hill meets or exceeds State-required timelines for the approval of development permits; and when compared to other local jurisdictions within Santa Clara County, Morgan Hill is on par for the amount of time to process development permits, as shown in Table H 4-10. The time required for development approval is not generally a constraint or substantial

cost to housing developers. Further descriptions of permits and their processing procedures are provided in the following subsections.

Table H 4-10 Permit Processing Times, in Months (by Jurisdiction)									
Jurisdiction	ADU Process	Ministerial By-Right	Discretionary By-Right	Discretionary (Hearing Officer)	Discretionary (Planning Commission)	Discretionary (City Council)			
Campbell	1	1	3	NA	5	1			
Cupertino	1 – 3	1 – 6	2 – 4	2 – 4	3 – 6	1 – 3			
Gilroy	1 – 2	1 – 2	2 – 4	NA	4 – 5	1 – 2			
Los Altos Hills	1 – 2	0.5 – 2	2-3	3 – 4	4 – 6	1 – 2			
Los Gatos	No data	3 – 6	1 – 2	2 – 4	4 – 6	No data			
Milpitas	3 – 5	4 – 6	2-3	6 – 18	NA	3 – 5			
Monte Sereno	0.75	0.75	1	1-2	1 – 2	0.75			
Morgan Hill	1 – 2	1 – 3	2-3	2 – 3	4 – 6	1 – 2			
Mountain View	3 – 5	4 – 6	(2-3)	6 – 18	NA	3 – 5			
San Jose	2	1 – 3	7	7	7 – 11	2			
Santa Clara	0 – 1	0 – 1	0-3	4-9	6 - 9	0 – 1			
Saratoga	1	1 – 2	2 – 3	NA	4 – 6	1			
Sunnyvale	1 – 3	1 – 3	3-6	6 – 9	9 – 18	1 – 3			
Unincorporated County	4 – 6	6 – 8	9 – 12	12 – 15	15 – 18	4 – 6			

### Senate Bill 35

Senate Bill (SB) 35, passed in 2017, requires jurisdictions that have not approved enough housing projects to meet their RHNA to provide a streamlined, ministerial entitlement process for housing developments that incorporate affordable housing. Per SB 35, review and approval of proposed project's with at least 50 percent affordability must be based on objective standards and cannot be based on subjective design guidelines. However, to be eligible, projects must also meet a long list of other criteria, including prevailing wage requirements. In order for applicants to take advantage of SB 35, per Government Code Section 65913.4 (10)(b)(1)(a)(et seq.) they need to submit a Notice of Intent and jurisdictions need to give Native American tribes an opportunity for consultation. The City of Morgan Hill has developed a Notice of Intent form consistent with the law. Additionally, the City Council adopted "Residential Development Design and Development Standards" to meet the requirements of objective standards that are consistent with the Morgan Hill 2035 General Plan.

#### Senate Bill 330

Senate Bill (SB) 330, Housing Crisis Act of 2019, prohibits cities and counties from enacting a development policy, standard, or condition that would impose or enforce design standards that are not objective design standards on or after January 1, 2020 [Government Code Section 663300 (b)(C)]. The bill also established specific requirements and limitations on development application procedures.

Per SB 330, housing developers may submit a "preliminary application" for a residential development project. Submittal of a preliminary application allows a developer to provide a specific subset of information on the proposed housing development before providing the full amount of information required by the local government for a housing development application.



Submittal of the preliminary application secures the applicable development standards and fees adopted at that time. The project is considered vested and all fees and standards are frozen, unless the project changes substantially.

The City of Morgan Hill has developed a preliminary application form consistent with SB 330. In addition, the bill limits the application review process to 30 days, for projects less than 150 units, and 60 days, for projects greater than 150 units, and no more than five total public hearings, including planning commission, design review, and city council.

SB 330 also prohibits cities and counties from enacting a development policy, standard, or condition that would have the effect of: (A) changing the land use designation or zoning to a less intensive use or reducing the intensity of land use within an existing zoning district below what was allowed on January 1, 2018; (B) imposing or enforcing a moratorium on housing development; (C) imposing or enforcing new design standards established on or after January 1, 2020, that are not objective design standards; or (D) establishing or implementing certain limits on the number of permits issued or the population of the city or county.

### **Design Permit**

Design Permits are required for projects that are not eligible for ministerial review. A design permit is a discretionary action that enables the City to ensure that proposed development exhibits high quality design consistent with the General Plan and any other applicable Specific Plan or Area Plan adopted by the City Council. The design permit process is also intended to ensure that new development and uses are compatible with their surroundings and minimize negative impacts on neighboring properties. The Development Services Director reviews and acts on all Design Permit applications, except the Director may elevate any Design Permit application to the Planning Commission for review and final decision. In addition, the City Council shall review and act on all design permit applications for new City projects determined to be significant; and the Planning Commission shall act on any Design Permit applications determined to be significant. The Design Permit process is described in the City's Zoning Ordinance under Section 18.108.040 (Design Permit) of Chapter 18.108 (Specific Permit Requirements).

Design Permits are required for the following types of projects:

- Three or more new residential units.
- One or more new residential unit on a sensitive site
- New non-residential buildings, structures physical site improvements determined to be significant.
- Additions to existing buildings, structures, or other physical site improvements visible from a public right-of-way and determined to be significant. Single-family homes are exempt unless the home is on a sensitive site.
- Additions to existing residences located on a sensitive site.
- Site alterations that change the topography of the currently developed site area on a sensitive site.
- Relocation of existing buildings, structures or other physical site improvements.
- Exterior changes to existing buildings, structures or other site improvements determined to be significant. Single-family homes are exempt unless the home is on a sensitive site.
- Grading of more than fifty cubic yards on slopes greater than ten percent.
- New accessory structures including secondary dwelling units or guest homes on a sensitive site.

### **Conditional Use Permit Process**

Housing is allowed by-right in most zones as a permitted use. Conditional use permits (CUPs) are only required for Group Homes, Nursing Homes and Long-Term Care, and Residential Care Facilities as well as most housing uses in the MU-F zoning district. An Administrative Use Permit is required for Live/Work units in the MU-N and MU-F zoning districts. The CUP process is described in the City's Zoning Ordinance under Section 18.108.030 (Conditional Use Permits) of Chapter 18.108 (Specific Permit Requirements). A CUP is required for land uses that are generally appropriate within a district, but potentially undesirable on a particular parcel or in large numbers. A CUP is a discretionary action that enables the Planning Commission to ensure that a proposed use is consistent with the General Plan and will not create negative impacts to adjacent properties or the general public. An Administrative Use Permit has the same meaning as a CUP but grants discretion to the Development Resources Director. The Administrative Use Permit process is described in the City's Zoning Ordinance Under Section 18.108.020 (Administrative Use Permit).

### 4.3.7 Zoning for a Variety of Housing Types

Housing Element law specifies that jurisdictions identify adequate sites to be made available through appropriate zoning and development standards to encourage the development of various types of housing for all economic segments of the population, including multi-family rental housing, manufactured housing, accessory dwelling units, single room occupancies, emergency shelters, and transitional and supportive housing. Table H 4-11 summarizes the variety of housing types permitted within Morgan Hill's zoning districts.

Table H 4-11 Permitted Residential Land Uses by Zoning District									
Key	RE	RDL	RDM	RDH	RAL	RAM	RAH	MU-N	MU-F
P Permitted Use									
A Administrative Use Permit									
C Conditional Use Permit									
– Use not allowed									
Accessory Dwelling Unit	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р
Duets	-		P	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	С
Duplexes	-	7	-	-	Р	Р	Р	Р	С
Emergency Shelters								-	С
Group Housing	1	-	ı	1	O	C	C	С	С
Live/Work Unit	_	-	1	ı	•	ı	1	Α	Α
Mixed Use Residential	-	-	ı	-	-	ı	1	Р	Р
Multi-Family Dwellings	-	-	ı	1	Р	Р	Р	Р	С
Nursing Homes and Long-Term Care	-	-	1	ı	O	C	O	С	С
Residential Care Facilities	-	-	ı	-	С	С	С	С	С
Residential Care Facilities, Small	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р
Senior Housing, Independent Living	-	-	-		-	-	-	Р	С
Single-Family Attached Dwellings	-	-	-	-	Р	Р	Р	Р	С
Single-Family Detached Dwellings	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	С

### **Manufactured Housing**

State law requires that cities and counties allow the placement of manufactured homes (also referred to as factory-built homes and modular homes) meeting Federal construction standards

and manufactured home subdivisions in single-unit neighborhoods.5 Government Code Sections 65852.3 through 65852.5 require that manufactured homes be permitted in single-unit districts subject to the same land use regulations as conventional homes. In keeping with State law, Section 18.124.020 of Morgan Hill's Zoning Code specifies that manufactured housing is considered a single-family dwelling and is subject to the same property development and design standards in the same residential zones as dwellings.

### **Accessory Dwelling Units**

Over the last several years the State legislature has passed a series of bills aimed at encouraging single-family homeowners to add Accessory Dwelling Units ("ADUs" also known as "second units" or "granny flats") to their property by requiring local jurisdictions to adopt regulations to facilitate their production and streamline their approval. ADUs are complete independent housing units that can be either detached or attached from an existing single-family or multi-family residence. In December 2019, the Morgan Hill City Council adopted Ordinance No. 2313 amending Chapter 18.84 (Accessory Dwelling Units) of the Zoning Ordinance consistent with State laws.

### **Housing for Persons with Disabilities**

SB 520, signed into law in 2001, requires that Housing Elements analyze the potential and actual governmental constraints on the development of housing for persons with disabilities. The City must demonstrate its efforts to remove constraints such as accommodation procedures for the approval of group homes, ADA retrofit efforts, and evaluation of the zoning code for ADA compliance. The Housing Element should provide measures that provide flexibility in the development of housing for persons with disabilities.

As noted in the Special Needs section of the Housing Needs Assessment, persons with disabilities have a number of housing needs related to accessibility of dwelling units; access to transportation; employment and commercial services; and alternative living arrangements that include on-site or nearby supportive services. The City of Morgan Hill ensures that new housing developments comply with California building standards (Title 24 of the California Code of Regulations) and federal requirements for accessibility. The following is a description of City regulations, policies, and procedures that support housing opportunities for people with disabilities.

### Reside Care Facilia

State law requires that State-licensed group homes of six or fewer residents be regulated in the same manner as single-unit residences for zoning purposes. The City of Morgan Hill Zoning Code allows group homes with six or fewer residents (called "Residential Care Facilities, Small" in the City code) by right in zones that permit single-unit dwellings (RE, RDL, RDM, RDH, RAL, RAM, RAH, and MU-N) consistent with State law as well in the MU-F zoning district. Group homes with more than six residents (defined by the City code as "Residential Care Facilities") are permitted with a Conditional Use Permit in the following zoning districts: RAL, RAM, RAH, MU-N, and MU-F.

### Definition of Family

Historically zoning codes have included narrow definitions of the term family that have been used to deny housing opportunities for unrelated individuals. Although the City's Zoning Code defines 'Family' as, "An individual or group of individuals living together who constitute a bona fide single housekeeping unit in a dwelling unit. 'Family' does not include a group of individuals occupying a hotel or lodging house of any kind," the City does not use the term family to discriminate against unrelated persons with disabilities living together.

Universal Design

Universal design focuses on making homes safe and accessible for everyone, regardless of age, physical ability, or stature. Universal design features can include grab bars, no step entries, and wider doorways. Other features could include accessible bedrooms, bathrooms, and kitchens; and general amenities like lever door handles and rocker light switches. Although the City does not have a universal design ordinance, the City has identified two Policies within the Housing Element to encourage and promote universal design for people with disabilities and allow older adults to age in place, maximizing on visitablity and building upon Title 24.

- Policy HE-6.1 Work with Affordable Housing Developers to Encourage Universal Design. Encourage universal design and maximize visitability, building on Title 24.
- Policy HE-6.12 Universal Design in New Housing. Strive to achieve universal design in new residential housing units to provide housing for people with disabilities and allow older adults to age in place.

Reasonable Accommodation Ordinance

Both the federal Fair Housing Act and the California Fair Employment and Housing Act impose an affirmative duty on local governments to make Reasonable Accommodations (i.e., modifications or exceptions) in their zoning and other land use regulations when such accommodations may be necessary to afford disabled persons an equal opportunity to use and enjoy a dwelling. For example, it may be a Reasonable Accommodation to allow covered ramps in the setbacks of properties that have already been developed to accommodate residents with mobility impairments.

The City of Morgan Hill has a process to ensure that reasonable accommodations are made for persons with disabilities. The process, codified in Chapter 18.118 of the Zoning Code, was established to provide people with disabilities a way to ensure that their needs are met by the City's zoning, building, and permitting process.

### **Emergency Homeless Shelters**

State law (Government Code section 65583) requires each jurisdiction to identify one or more zoning districts where emergency homeless shelters are allowed without a discretionary permit. The jurisdiction must demonstrate in the Housing Element that the zoning provides sufficient capacity on available sites to meet the shelter needs of the local homeless population, as identified in the most recent point-in-time count.

Within the Zoning Ordinance, Chapter 18.124 (Land Use Definitions) defines Emergency Shelters as "housing with minimal supportive services for homeless persons that is limited to occupancy of six months or less by a homeless person. No individual or household may be denied emergency shelter because of an inability to pay." Emergency Shelters are permitted by right in the PF (Public Facilities) zoning district and allowed with a Conditional Use Permit within the MU-F (Mixed Use Flex) zoning district.

State law (Government Code Section 65583(a)(4)) limits the development standards and locational restrictions that can be applied to emergency shelters. Emergency shelters may only be subject to those development and management standards that apply to residential or commercial development within the same zone except that a local government may apply written, objective standards that include all of the following:

- the maximum number of beds or persons permitted to be served nightly by the facility;
- sufficient parking to accommodate all staff working in the emergency shelter, provided that the standards do not require more parking for emergency shelters than other residential or commercial uses within the same zone:

- the size and location of exterior and interior onsite waiting and client intake areas;
- the provision of onsite management;
- the proximity to other emergency shelters, provided that emergency shelters are not required to be more than 300 feet apart;
- the length of stay;
- lighting; and
- security during hours that the emergency shelter is in operation.

Section 18.92.050 (Emergency Shelters) of Chapter 18.92 (Supplemental Standards) of the Zoning Ordinance requires the following minimum performance standards:

- The number of beds shall be limited to thirty.
- Parking requirements shall be either one space per three hundred square feet of habitable floor area, or sufficient to serve the parking demand determined in a study prepared by the applicant and approved by the development services department.
- The size of outdoor waiting areas shall be sufficient to accommodate the expected number of clients without infringing upon the public right-of-way.
- On-site management shall be provided during the hours that the emergency shelter is in operation.
- An emergency shelter shall be located at least three hundred feet from other emergency shelters.
- The length of stay at any emergency shelter shall not exceed ninety days, unless the management plan provides for longer residency by those enrolled and regularly participating in a training or rehabilitation program.
- Exterior lighting of the property shall be designed to provide a minimum maintained horizontal illumination of at least one foot candle of light on parking surfaces and walkways that serve the facility.
- Security shall be provided during the hours that the emergency shelter is in operation.

### Capacity Emergency Hungless 5 ters

Government Code Section 65583(a)(4)(A) requires the Housing Element to address new planning and approval requirements for emergency shelters and to determine if sufficient capacity to accommodate the need for emergency shelter identified in the most recent point-in-time count conducted before the start of the planning period. Jurisdictions with an unmet need for emergency shelters for the homeless are required to identify a zone(s) where emergency shelters will be allowed as a permitted use without a conditional use or other discretionary permit. The identified zone must have sufficient capacity to accommodate the shelter need, and at a minimum provide capacity for at least one year-round shelter. Permit processing, development and management standards for emergency shelters must be objective and facilitate the development of, or conversion to, emergency shelters.

The 2019 Santa Clara County Homeless Census and Survey Report point-in-time count identified 114 unsheltered homeless individuals within the Morgan Hill city limits. As described above, Emergency Shelters are permitted by right in the PF (Public Facilities) zoning district and allowed with a Conditional Use Permit within the MU-F (Mixed Use Flex) zoning district. Within the City, there are 5.7 acres of vacant land zoned PF where emergency shelters would be allowed byright. These sites have a maximum capacity for 120 beds. Therefore, these sites theoretically

have sufficient capacity for shelters to accommodate the 114 unsheltered individuals on the night of the 2019 point-in-time count.

In addition, an inclement cold weather shelter has been established at Community Christian Church, located at 305 W. Main Ave in Morgan Hill. Also, Morgan Hill Bible Church operates a homeless safe parking program for 8 families, 30 people maximum, at 15055 Monterey Road within the City.

### **Low Barrier Navigation Centers**

Assembly Bill 101, passed in 2019, requires that a low barrier navigation center be a use permitted by right in mixed-use zones and non-residential zones permitting multi-unit uses if it meets specified requirements. AB 101 defines "low barrier navigation center" as a housing first, low-barrier, service-enriched shelter focused on moving people into permanent housing that provides temporary living facilities while case managers connect individuals experiencing homelessness to income, public benefits, health services, shelter, and housing. The Housing Element includes an implementation program to amend the Zoning Code to comply with this new requirement.

Action HE-5.A Amend the Zoning Code by 2024 to facilitate by-right processing procedures for Low Barrier Navigation Centers consistent with Assembly Bill 101.

### **Transitional/Supportive Housing**

Transitional housing is defined as temporary housing (generally six months to two years) for a homeless individual or family who is transitioning to permanent housing. This housing can take several forms, including group housing or multi-family units, and typically includes a supportive services component to allow individuals to gain necessary life skills in support of independent living.

Supportive housing is generally defined as permanent, affordable housing with onsite services that help resident's transition into stable, more productive lives. Services may include childcare, after-school tutoring, career counseling, etc.

The Morgan Hill Zoning Code accommodates transitional housing and supportive housing as "Residential Care Facilities" as a conditional use within several zoning districts (RAL, RAM, RAH, MU-N, and MU-F).

Per recent changes in State law (AB 2162), the City must also allow 100 percent affordable projects that include 25 percent, or 12 units of supportive housing, by right where multi-unit and mixed-use development is permitted. Therefore, the Housing Element includes an implementation program to comply with this new provision of State law.

Action HE-5.B Amend the Zoning Code by 2024 to facilitate by-right transitional and supportive housing where multi-unit and mixed-use development is permitted consistent with Assembly Bill 2162.

### **Housing for Agricultural Workers**

Farmworkers are traditionally defined as persons whose primary incomes are earned through seasonal agricultural work. Farmworkers have special housing needs because they earn lower incomes than many other workers. The housing needs of this group are addressed under Morgan Hill's overall programs for affordability. Although little agricultural activity remains within the Morgan Hill City limits, the greater region includes agricultural activity that attracts farmworkers and their families. The City recognizes the need to provide housing affordable to farmworkers and agricultural employees and is committed to assisting in providing this need by implementing several policies regarding prioritizing farmworker/agricultural employee housing.

**Policy HE-2.21 Prioritize Farmworker Housing.** Establish farmworker housing as an affordable housing priority within the City.

**Policy HE-2.23** Farm Worker Housing Advocacy. On an ongoing basis, advocate for federal, state, and County funding for farmworker/agricultural employee housing, including housing that meets the needs of the County's agricultural industry and its workers.

Policy HE-2.24 Partner with Developers. Continue to work with non-profit developers and employers to develop innovative housing solutions for farmworkers and agricultural employees and identify and pursue all potential funding sources and assist owners and developers in applying for funding.

The provisions of Section 17021.5(b) of the California Health and Safety Code state that employee housing for six or fewer employees must be treated like any other single-unit dwelling. The City does not regulate the occupancy of single unit dwellings and there are no provisions in the City's code to restrict employee housing for six or fewer employees, therefore, the City complies with this requirement.

California Health and Safety Code Section 17021.6, requires that farmworker housing of no more than 36 beds in a group quarters or 12 units shall be deemed an agricultural use. No conditional use permit, zoning variance, or other discretionary zoning clearance shall be required of this housing that is not required of any other agricultural activity in the same zone. The City currently allows Agricultural Labor Accommodations (i.e. farmworker housing) as a conditional use in the OS (Open Space) zone; therefore, the Housing Element includes an implementation program to comply with this provision of State law.

Action HE-2.A Amend the Zoning Code by 2024 to facilitate by-right Agricultural Labor Accommodations within the OS (Open Space) zoning district consistent with Section 17021.6 of the California Health and Safety Code.

# Appendix H5

## Assessment of Fair Housing

City of Morgan Hill Housing Element 2023-2031



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## **APPENDIX H-5 | Assessment of Fair Housing**

### **5.1 Executive Summary**

This Assessment of Fair Housing (AFH) is a component of the Housing Element of the City of Morgan Hill. The AFH is intended to provide a holistic look – informed by data, maps, community input, and policy analysis – into the trends and factors affecting access to housing and opportunity on the basis of protected characteristics under federal and state fair housing laws. The federal Fair Housing Act prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, sex. familial status, and disability status. The California Fair Employment and Housing Act adds several additional protected characteristics including, but not limited to, sexual orientation, gender identity, military of veteran status, and source of income. The AFH includes goals and priorities that are intended to foster more integrated communities, reduce disparities in housing (such as higher rates of housing cost burden), and increase access to opportunity by addressing the roots causes of inequality. The City's Housing Element must include an AFH component as a result of A.B. 686, a law passed by the California Legislature in 2018 to incorporate a duty to affirmatively further fair housing (AFFH) into state law. Recipients of federal housing and community development funds have had an AFFH obligation since 1968. Having long received HUD funds as a subgrantee of Santa Clara County, the City's contribution to fair housing planning efforts has historically been channeled through collaboration at the County level.

The City of Morgan Hill is located in the southern portion of Santa Clara County. It is bordered by the unincorporated communities of Coyote to the north and San Martin to the south. The areas to the east and west of the city are primarily comprised of open space. More significantly, downtown Morgan Hill is located just over ten miles north of downtown Gilroy and just over 20 miles south of downtown San Jose. With a population of 44,686 as of the 2015-2019 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates, Morgan Hill has experienced significant growth in recent decades as Santa Clara County has emerged as the center of the global technology industry.

High and rising housing costs have come with the incredible growth of both Morgan Hill and the Region, and the impact of those high housing costs have not been felt equally by all. Hispanic households, persons with disabilities, and large families all face housing insecurity at higher rates and tend to have less access to the highest resource parts of the Region. Although the Region and Morgan Hill have small Black populations, which makes it difficult to draw some conclusions about disparities, rates of homelessness among the Region's small Black population are shockingly high. For purposes of this AFH, the Region is defined as the San Jose-Sunnyvale-Santa Clara, CA Metropolitan Statistical Area, which consists of Santa Clara and San Benito Counties combined.

In the Region, the most pronounced disparities tend to arise between cities rather than within them. In general, access to opportunity among White and Asian population is highest in the communities that comprise the West Valley. Housing costs in these communities are often prohibitive for disproportionately low-income Hispanic households, in particular, as well as for younger people with disabilities and large families. By contrast, access to opportunity is relatively lower, and Hispanic population is often higher, in downtown and East San Jose as well as in the eastern portions of Gilroy. Many relatively low resource parts of East San Jose also have significant population of Vietnamese ancestry, a community with disproportionately lower income levels in the Region than other Asian ancestry groups.

In most ways, Morgan Hill is not situated on either extreme of these trends. Income levels are similar to those countywide, housing is slightly more affordable, and access to opportunity is moderate in most neighborhoods. With regard to race and ethnicity, Morgan Hill is slightly more

heavily Hispanic and White than the Region and less heavily Asian. Additionally, within Morgan Hill, housing patterns are not highly segregated. Although the eastern portion of the city is slightly more heavily White and less heavily Hispanic than the downtown area, which is home to a large majority of the city's subsidized housing), those differences are modest in comparison to most communities within the Region. Due to its location in the southern portion of Santa Clara County (often called South County), Morgan Hill residents have somewhat limited access to public transportation, less proximity to job centers, and, as a result, longer and more burdensome commutes than many other residents of the Region. All of these issues are addressed across the sections of this AFH, which discuss patterns of segregation and integration, racially and ethnically concentrated areas of poverty, disparities in access to opportunity, disproportionate housing needs, fair housing issues affecting residents of publicly supported housing, fair housing issues affecting persons with disabilities, and trends in fair housing enforcement and outreach. The AFH also assesses potential "contributing factors" that may be the driver of patterns of segregation, disparities and access to opportunity, and other fair housing issues.

It is incumbent on the City of Morgan Hill to take proactive steps, consistent with its AFFH obligation, to address existing disparities in housing and access to opportunity in regional context and to take steps to prevent the emergence of segregated patterns. The goals and priorities below, which are discussed in much greater detail in that section of the AFH, are a roadmap for doing so.

- I. Increase Affordable Housing Opportunities for Protected Class Members in Eastern Morgan Hill.
  - A. Identify opportunities and sites for affordable housing development in eastern Morgan Hill.
  - B. Study the creation of affordable housing overlay districts in advance of the next Housing Element cycle.
- II. Protect Tenants from Displacement.
  - A. Consider adoption of a mediation requirement for rent increases of 5% or more.
  - B. Study the possibility of a tenant relocation assistance ordinance.
  - C. Seek funding or develop paths of support for access to counsel in possessory eviction cases.
  - D. Support shared-equity homeownership models.
  - E. Review the Inclusionary Housing Ordinance to provide deeper for-sale affordability beyond the updated 2021 Inclusionary Housing Ordinance.
  - F. Adopt preferences for tenants who have been displaced from rental housing in Morgan Hill.
- III. Connect Morgan Hill Residents to Employment Opportunities.
  - A. Prioritize the creation of jobs that are accessible to low- and very low-income workers who reside within the Downtown Morgan Hill Priority Development Area (PDA).
  - B. Create incentives for local businesses to hire Morgan Hill residents.
  - C. Advocate for VTA to expand bus service in Morgan Hill.
  - D. Study local first mile/last mile transit service solutions in Morgan Hill building on lessons learned from the first on-call shuttle service established within the City.
- IV. Increase Fair Housing Enforcement, Outreach, and Education in Morgan Hill.

Robust community engagement is essential to the development of an effective AFH, and, in addition to the outreach already conducted, the City welcomes input on this draft and, in particular, on the goals and priorities outlined above. Implementing the City's goals and priorities in the years to come will be a collaborative endeavor on the part of the City, key stakeholders, intergovernmental partners, and, most importantly, residents.



### 5.2 Community Participation Process

1. The 2022 update of the Housing Element involved an extensive community engagement process. The initial efforts began in May and June of 2021, with a series of workshops that were held to provide a roadmap of past, present, and future housing in Morgan Hill, to communicate how we got here, and to discuss the housing needs of current and future residents. The opportunity was taken to share the mandates for housing production adopted by the State of California in response to the housing crisis, which are geared towards increasing the supply. The initial workshops served as a springboard to leap into a deeper community engagement process. City staff used a variety of methods to solicit public input on the Housing Element update, including distributing three surveys (two pertaining to Assessment of Fair Housing (AFH)), hosting public workshops, providing information at community events, conducting focus groups, giving presentations to the community, and holding several workshops with the community and the Planning Commission. Staff prioritized involvement and engagement of residents and community members that are most directly impacted by the plan and development, especially Latinx, homeless, and other underrepresented or underserved groups.

Community outreach and engagement opportunities were designed to provide a safe engagement process that followed safe public health protocols around COVID-19, and to implement a meaningful engagement process that promoted a sense of ownership and real participation among community members. Staff involved a diverse range of participants, seeking input from the business community, community-based organizations, and other stakeholders.

- 2. The City of Morgan Hill started the engagement process for the Housing Element in May 2021. Below is a list of meetings and community-based organizations (CBO's) that City staff met with and consulted during the community participation process:
  - 5/18/21 What is Affordable Housing 101, Spanish with English (Zoom presentation)
  - 5/19/21 All Things Housing Community Workshop (Zoom presentation)
  - 5/22/21 All things Housing In-person
  - 5/23/21 Hablando Vivienda con Nuestras Familias En Espanol (Zoom presentation)
  - 5/28/21 Agricultural Workforce Housing in South County (Zoom presentation)
  - 6/2/21 Community Workshop State Mandates for Housing Production, City Council Meeting, (Zoom presentation)
  - 6/10/21 Town Hall Creating Inclusive Communities through Design Form, (Zoom presentation)
  - 6/16/21 Community Workshop Housing Affordability, (Zoom presentation)
  - 6/23/21 Community Workshop Housing and Long-term Sustainability, (Zoom presentation)
  - 11/11/21 South County Collaborative (Zoom presentation and interactive focus group with 30 CBOs)
  - 1/11/22 @ Social Services Agency, South County Staff (Zoom presentation & interactive focus group)
  - 1/13/22 Morgan Hill Unified School District (MHUSD) Fawn Meyers HR Director (Zoom interview)
  - 1/18/22 Compassion Center Staff (CBO Zoom interactive focus group)
  - 1/18/22 COVID Testing day, obtained feedback from attendees
  - 1/18/22 Gavilan College South County Basic Needs Staff (CBO Zoom interactive focus group)

- 1/20/22 Parents Helping Parents (CBO Zoom interactive focus group)
- 1/20/22 Digital Nest serving youth in South County (CBO Zoom interactive focus group)
- 1/20/22 Morgan Hill Library (Zoom interactive focus group)
- 1/25/22 Medical Social Worker Valley Health Center and Saint Louise Hospital (Zoom interactive focus group)
- 1/25/22 Richard Prato Director of Human Resources, Christopher Ranch Agriculture Employer (phone interview)
- 1/19/22 Eden Housing (Jasmine Square) Jonathan Crowther James (Affordable Housing Developer Focus Group)
- 1/28/22 St. Vincent De Paul and St. Catherine's (faith based and CBO interactive Zoom interview)
- 1/31/22 Building Back Better, Joint Venture Silicon Valley, Executive Director Quency Phillips (interactive Zoom interview)
- 2/2/22 Catholic Charities, Greg Kepferle (interactive Zoom interview)
- 2/3/22 Employment Development Department (Zoom interview)
- 2/3/22 Saint Joseph's Food Pantry, David Cox (CBO Zoom interview)
- 2/3/22 South County Collaborative Board Members (CBO interactive Zoom focus group)
- 2/3/22 Morgan Hill Bible Church Homeless Safe Park (focus group in person with unhoused families)
- 2/10/22 Townhall Housing Element (Zoom presentation)
- 2/14/22 Silicon Valley Independent Living Center, Patricia Cokes (CBO Zoom interview)
- 2/17/22 Townhall Housing Element (Zoom presentation and community feedback)
- 3/7/22 Silicon Valley @Home (CBO interactive Zoom focus group)
- 3/14/22 Edward Boss Prado Foundation, Cecilia Ponzini (telephone interview)
- 3/21/22 Voices School, (surveying of parents, in-person)
- 3/26/22 Spanish mass at Saint Catherine's (in person surveying)
- 3/27/22 Spanish mass at Saint Catherine's (in person surveying)
- 4/9/22 City Booth at the Farmers' Market/Sidewalk Saturdays
- 3. The outreach activities elicited broad community participation during the development of the AFH. The City conducted numerous outreach activities to reach all segments of the community and purposely focused on reaching Latinx residents, individuals and families currently housed in affordable housing, homeless, and other underrepresented or underserved groups. The City prioritized outreach by conducting small interactive focus groups with service providers/CBO's via Zoom as outlined above. The City also reached out purposefully to the Latinx community by translating all surveys to Spanish and conducting in person meetings as well as Zoom workshops in Spanish. City staff also conducted outreach during the Spanish mass at St. Catherine's as identified above.

In addition, two AFH surveys were provided (both in English and Spanish), one for Community Based Organizations (in which the City received 25 responses) and another survey geared towards underrepresented or underserved individuals and families (in which the City received 651 responses). The surveys were provided electronically and in hard-copy format to the following organizations and locations:

Affordable Rental Housing locations

- Cochrane Village
- Crest Avenue Apartments
- The Crossings at Morgan Hill
- The Crossings Monterey
- Depot-Commons
- Jasmine Square
- Murphy Ranch Family Townhomes
- Royal Court Apartments
- San Pedro Gardens
- The Skeel Apartments
- Terracina at Morgan Hill
- The Willows Apartments
- Villa Ciolino
- Orchards Ranch Scattered Sites
- Park Place
- CBOs
  - i. Building Back Better, Joint Venture Silicon Valley
  - ii. Catholic Charities
  - iii. Christopher Ranch
  - iv. Destination Home Silicon Valley
  - v. Digital Nest
  - vi. Employment Development Department
  - vii. Eden Housing
  - viii. Gavilan College
  - ix. Morgan Hill Unified School District
  - x. Parents Helping Parents
  - xi. The Compassion Center
  - xii. Morgan Hill Library
  - xiii. Saint Louise Hospital
  - xiv. St. Vincent De Paul
  - xv. St. Catherine's
  - xvi. Saint Joseph's Food Pantry
  - xvii. Silicon Valley @Home
  - xviii. Silicon Valley Independent Living Center
  - xix. Social Services Agency
  - xx. Valley Health Center
  - xxi. Voices School
- Panaderia bakery
- Morgan Hill Senior Center
- Rotary
- Senior Affordable Rental Housing locations
  - i. Svcamore Glen
  - ii. Horizons
  - iii. Bella Terra Apartments
  - iv. The Lodge at Morgan Hill
  - v. The Huntington
- Unhoused individuals through outreach to encampments

Feedback that the City received regarding the outreach conducted was that material and surveys to non-English speakers was lengthy and therefore non-English speakers may not have been as engaged as English speakers or more educated individuals. Therefore, additional steps that might

improve or increase community participation from non-English speakers could be to decrease the length of surveys or other materials to be more compact. In addition, as part of the Housing Element Update, the City will be conducting additional outreach to non-English speakers inperson during a series of open-house style one-on-one or small group meetings called "Cafecito con Edith".

**4.** There were several themes that where common among all comments obtained in the community participation process, from both, CBO's as well as individuals.

Comments obtained from CBO's that were developed into Goals for the Housing Element are summarized below:

- Provide a range of housing opportunities affordable to Morgan Hill workforce.
- Promote Extremely Low-Income housing.
- Prevent homelessness and address the housing needs of people experiencing homelessness.
- Establish special needs housing for seniors, persons with disabilities, and veterans.
- Conduct community education/outreach to inform residents about affordable housing and how to seek assistance.

Some specific comments that were brought up by CBO's that were developed into key Policies include:

- An affordable housing overlay district could be used to increase affordable housing.
- Pass a commercial linkage fee ordinance.
- Zone more land and/or change zoning regulations for multi-family to increase affordable housing.
- Pass a rent stabilization ordinance.
- Integrate affordable housing throughout the community.
- Protect residents from displacement.

Common themes obtained in the community participation process among individuals that provided feedback that were developed into Goals or Policies are summarized below:

- Provide a range of housing opportunities affordable to Morgan Hill workforce.
- Prevent homelessness and address the housing needs of people experiencing homelessness.
- Integrate affordable housing throughout the community.
- Ensure that children who grew up in Morgan Hill have housing options so they can live in Morgan Hill as adults.
- Preserve, maintain, and rehabilitate existing housing to ensure neighborhood livability and promote continued housing affordability.
- Pass a rent stabilization ordinance.
- Create an affordable housing overlay district.
- Zone more land to allow multi-family rental housing.
- Increase for housing education, outreach, and enforcement.

One comment or view that was not accepted, or not included, in the Housing Element Update that was common among several CBO's, as well as individuals, was the request to 'pass an affordable



housing bond issue to provide funding to construct multi-family housing'. The City did not include an affordable housing bond as a policy in the Housing Element Update as passing an affordable housing bond is costly, would require voter approval, and other policies and actions were identified that can achieve the same goal of developing multi-family housing, such as studying the creation of an affordable housing overlay, considering a commercial linkage fee, and expand multi-family zoning areas throughout the City.



### 5.3 Fair Housing Analysis

### a. Demographic Summary

This Demographic Summary provides an overview of data concerning race and ethnicity, sex, familial status, disability status, limited English proficiency, national origin, and age. The data included reflects the composition of both the city of Morgan Hill and the San Jose-Sunnyvale-Santa Clara, CA Metropolitan Statistical Area.

1. Describe demographic patterns in the jurisdiction and region, and describe trends over time (since 1990).

Table 1: Demographics, Morgan Hill and San Jose-Sunnyvale-Santa Clara, CA Region

	Jurisdiction Region					
Race/Ethnicity	#		%	#		%
White, Non-Hisp.		21,880	49.0%		628,606	31.6%
Black, Non-Hisp.		777	1.7%		45,713	2.3%
Hispanic		13,977	31.3%		527,059	26.5%
Asian/Pacific Island,						
Non-Hisp.		6,130	13.7%		707,309	35.6%
Native American, Non-					-	
Hisp.		13	0.0%		3,552	0.2%
National Origin						
					139,30	
#1 country of origin	Mexico	2,188	4.9%	Mexico	6	7.0%
					128,06	
#2 country of origin	Vietnam	989	2.2%	India	9	6.4%
					101,24	
#3 country of origin	Philippines	648	1.5%	Vietnam	6	5.1%
				China,		
				Excluding		
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#4 country of origin	India	481	1.1%	and Taiwan	85,593	4.3%
	China,					
	excluding					
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#5 country of origin	& Taiwan	357	0.8%	Philippines	59,640	3.0%
#6 country of origin	Korea	341	0.8%	Taiwan	30,893	1.6%
#7 country of origin	Canada	239	0.5%	Korea	21,365	1.1%
#8 country of origin	Iran	220	0.5%	Iran	15,949	0.8%
#9 country of origin	Hong Kong	160	0.4%	Japan	11,786	0.6%
#10 country of origin	Iraq	135	0.3%	Hong Kong	11,411	0.6%
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#2 LEP Language	Chinese	353	0.9%	Vietnamese	72,373	4.0%
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#3 LEP Language	e	241	0.6%	Chinese	67,865	3.8%
#4 LEP Language	Tagalog	103	0.3%	Tagalog	20,924	1.2%



#5 LEP Language	Portuguese	69	0.2%	Korean	11,561	
				Other Asian		
#6 LEP Language	Korean	68	0.2%	Languages	8,186	0.6%
#7 LEP Language	Japanese	64	0.2%	Japanese	6,870	0.4%
				Other Indic		
#8 LEP Language	German	49	0.1%	Languages	6,739	0.4%
#9 LEP Language	Arabic	45	0.1%	Persian	5,514	0.3%
	Other Asian					
#10 LEP Language	Languages	40	0.1%	Russian	5,285	0.3%
Disability Type						
Hearing difficulty		992	2.2%		46,279	2.3%
Vision difficulty		621	1.4%		27,671	1.4%
Cognitive difficulty		1,597	3.9%		61,783	3.3%
Ambulatory difficulty		1,894	4.6%		82,592	4.4%
Self-care difficulty		913	2.2%		38,520	2.1%
Independent living difficulty		1,570	4.8%		69,507	4.5%
Sex						
Male		21,684	48.5%		1,004,573	50.5%
Female		23,002	51.5%		983,273	49.5%
Age						
Under 18		11,606	26.0%		440,060	22.3%
18-64		26,840	60.0%		1,282,083	64.5%
65+		6,240	14.0%		261,703	13.2%
Family Type						
Families with children		5,357	46.7%		214,550	45.8%

### Race and Ethnicity

A plurality of the population of Morgan Hill is White, and Hispanic residents are the second largest segment of the city's population, accounting for nearly one-third of residents. Asian and Pacific Islander residents are the third largest group. In comparison to the region, the population of Morgan Hill is much more heavily white, somewhat more heavily Hispanic, and much less heavily Asian and Pacific Islander. Like Morgan Hill itself, the region has low populations of Black and Native American residents.

### **National Origin**

Consistent with the discussion above, individuals of Mexican national origin comprise the largest group of foreign-born residents in Morgan Hill. Among Asian national origin groups, individuals of Vietnamese national origin are the largest followed by Filipino-Americans, Indian-Americans, Chinese-Americans, and Korean-Americans. Lastly, there are small populations of people of Iranian, Canadian, and Iraqi national origin. For purposes of interpreting Census and ACS data, it is important to note that persons of Iranian and Iraqi national origin are generally categorized as White. In Morgan Hill, there are smaller concentrations than in the region of every national origin group that appears in the top ten most populous national origin groups for both the city and the region. The gap is narrower for people of Mexican and Filipino national origin in Morgan other groups. It is notable that the percentage of residents of Mexican national origin in Morgan

Hill is lower than in the region despite the percentage of Hispanic residents being higher. The higher concentration of children, who are more likely to have been born in the United States than their parents, in Morgan Hill may explain this apparent disconnect.

### **Limited English Proficiency**

Spanish speakers with limited English proficiency (LEP) are by far the largest group of LEP individuals in Morgan Hill. Speakers of Chinese, Vietnamese, and Tagalog are the next largest groups of LEP residents. There is no other language that more than 100 LEP residents speak in Morgan Hill. This is largely consistent with the national origin data discussed above though it is also clear that some immigrant communities in Morgan Hill are comparatively less likely to be have LEP status than others. In particular, individuals of Indian national origin comprise the fourth largest national origin group in the city, but no South Asian language is among the ten most spoken languages by LEP individuals. There are higher concentrations in the region than in the city of all LEP groups that appear in the top ten LEP groups for both the city and the region. The gap is smallest for LEP Spanish speakers, of whom there is only a slightly higher concentration in the region than in the city.

### **Disability**

In Morgan Hill, the most common types of disabilities are, in order, independent living disabilities, ambulatory disabilities, cognitive disabilities, hearing disabilities, self-case disabilities, and vision disabilities. It is important to note that each of these types of disabilities can be co-occurring with one or more other types of disabilities. Additionally, persons under the age of 18, by definition, cannot have independent living disabilities. With the exception of individuals with hearing disabilities, concentrations of persons with all other types of disabilities are higher in Morgan Hill than in the broader region. The difference is larger for persons with cognitive disabilities than it is for any other category.

### Sex

Women comprise a slight majority of the population of Morgan Hill. This is in contrast to the region where men comprise a barer majority of the population. This juxtaposition may be due to the disproportionate employment of men in the technology industry in the northern part of Santa Clara County, on the one hand, and the relatively smaller role of the technology industry in South County.

### Age

Non-elderly adults are a majority of the population of Morgan Hill, but that share is smaller than the proportion of the regional population comprised of non-elderly adults. Residents of Morgan Hill are much more likely to be children and are slightly more likely to be elderly adults than are residents of the region.

### **Familial Status**

Just under one half of households in Morgan Hill are families with children. Families with children comprise a slightly larger share of households in Morgan Hill than they do in the region.



Table 2: Demographic Trends

	C	City of Mo	organ Hill				
	1990 T	rend	2000 T	rend	2010	Trend	
Race/Ethnicity	#	%	#	%	#	%	
White, Non-Hispanic	16,616	69.4%	20,720	61.6%	19,073	50.3%	
Black, Non-Hispanic	364	1.5%	421	1.3%	667	1.8%	
Hispanic	5,594	23.4%	9,237	27.5%	12,863	34.0%	
Asian or Pacific Islander, Non- Hispanic	1,188	5.0%	2,091	6.2%	3,819	10.1%	
Native American, Non-Hispanic	120	0. 5%	92	0.3%	125	0.3%	
National Origin							
Foreign-born	2,639	11.0%	5,104	15.2%	7,585	18.6%	
LEP							
Limited English Proficiency	1,680	7.5%	3,104	10.1%	3,855	10.1%	
Sex							
Male	26,844	50.1%	16,727	49.7%	18,738	49.5%	
Female	11,984	49.9%	16,908	50.3%	19,144	50.5%	
Age							
Under 18	7,226	30.2%	10,339	30.7%	10,838	28.6%	
18-64	14,874	62.2%	20,898	62.2%	23,446	61.9%	
65+	1,828	7.6%	2,398	7.1%	3,598	9.5%	
Family Type							
Families with children	3,409	54.9%	4,821	55.9%	5,495	56.7%	
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	1990 Trend 2000 Trend 2010 Trend						
Race/Ethnicity	#	%	#	%	#	%	
White, Non-Hispanic	888,530	57.90%	768,747	44.29%	648,063	35.28%	
Black, Non-Hispanic	52,557	3.42%	52,151	3.00%	52,208	2.84%	

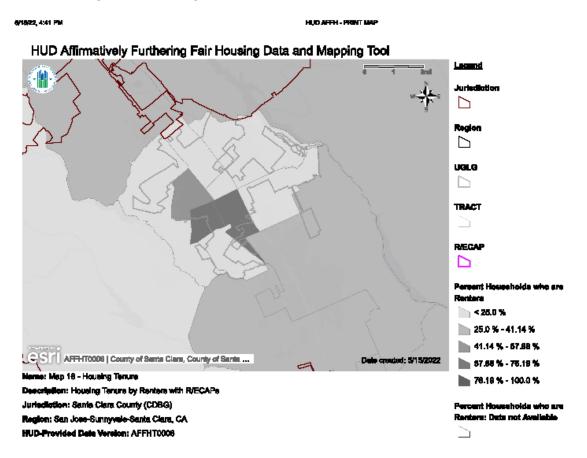
Hispanic	331,183	21.58%	428,868	24.71%	510,396	27.79%
Asian or Pacific						
Islander, Non- Hispanic	251,953	16.42%	459,718	26.48%	611,013	33.26%
Native American, Non-Hispanic	6,717	0.44%	11,780	0.68%	10,290	0.56%
National Origin						
Foreign-born	353,465	23.04%	583,157	33.60%	655,016	35.66%
LEP						
Limited English Proficiency	212,940	13.88%	351,953	20.28%	366,129	19.93%
Sex						
Male	777,230	50.66%	878,445	50.61%	921,480	50.16%
Female	757,116	49.34%	857,377	49.39%	915,431	49.84%
Age						
Under 18	369,600	24.09%	444,818	25.63%	445,611	24.26%
18-64	1,032,260	67.28%	1,127,524	64.96%	1,188,996	64.73%
65+	132,486	8.63%	163,480	9.42%	202,304	11.01%
Family Type						
Families with children	180,450	48.31%	180,388	49.79%	217,181	49.33%

Since 1990, the population of Morgan Hill has become less heavily White and more heavily Hispanic and Asian or Pacific Islander while the Black and Native American population concentrations have been relatively stable. These changes have occurred over a period of significant population growth in Morgan Hill, and, accordingly, the total White population has not actually declined since 1990 (though it did slightly between 2000 and 2010 before increasing again between 2010 and the 2015-2019 American Community Survey). Both the foreign-born population and the population of people with limited English proficiency have increased though the latter increased more significantly between 1990 and 2000 than it has in recent years. The population of older adults has increased over time while the proportions of the population comprised of working-age adults and children have declined slightly. There has been little change in population by sex, and there has been a slight increase in the proportion of families that include minor children. Regional trends largely mirror changes seen in Morgan Hill with the exception that there has been a small but notable decrease in Black population regionally (though not in Morgan Hill).

2. Describe the location of homeowners and renters in the jurisdiction and region, and describe trends over time.



Map 1: Housing Tenure, Morgan Hill

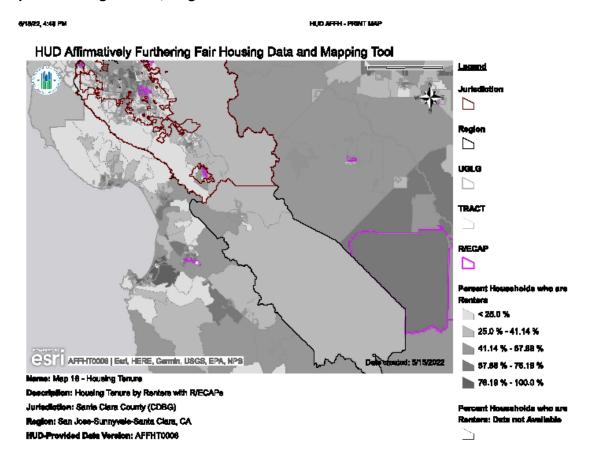


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In Morgan Hill, renters are relatively concentrated in the downtown area, which is in the south-central and southwestern portions of the city. The eastern half of the city is heavily owner-occupied.



Map 2: Housing Tenure, Region



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In the region, renters are heavily concentrated in the downtown, northern, and eastern portions of San Jose and in the northern portions of Santa Clara, Sunnyvale, and Mountain View. Homeowners are concentrated in the West Valley.

### b. General Issues

### i. Segregation/Integration

## 1.a. Describe and compare segregation levels in the jurisdiction and region. Identify the racial/ethnic groups that experience the highest levels of segregation.

**Dissimilarity Index** 

-	Value	Level of Segregation
Dissimilarity Index Value (0-100)	0-40	Low Segregation
	41-54	Moderate Segregation
	55-100	High Segregation

Table 1: Dissimilarity Index Values by Race and Ethnicity for Morgan Hill.

Racial/Ethnic Dissimilarity Index	1990 Trend	2000 Trend	2010 Trend	2020 Trend
Black/White	10.2	16.6	17.2	16.1
Hispanic/White	16.6	29.3	27.3	24.4
Asian/White	9.7	6.0	16,6	13.9

Source: HUD AFFH Tool Table 3 – Racial/Ethnic Dissimilarity Trends

Table 2: Dissimilarity Index Values by Race and Ethnicity for San José-Sunnyvale-Santa Clara, CA Metropolitan Statistical Area.

Racial/Ethnic Dissimilarity Index	1990 Trend	2000 Trend	2010 Trend	2020 Trend
Black/White	43.4	40	38.6	35.3
Hispanic/White	48	50.8	47.6	45.4
Asian/White	39	42.1	43	39.8

Source: HUD AFFH Tool Table 3 – Racial/Ethnic Dissimilarity Trends

The tables above reflect the Dissimilarity Indices for Morgan Hill and the San José-Sunnyvale-Santa Clara, MSA. The Dissimilarity Index measures the percentage of a certain group's population that would have to move to a different census tract in order to be evenly distributed within a city or metropolitan area in relation to another group. The higher the Dissimilarity Index, the higher the extent of the segregation.

Morgan Hill has low levels of segregation across all racial and ethnic groups. In the broader region, there are higher levels of segregation for all groups than in Morgan Hill. In particular, Hispanic residents are subject to moderate levels of segregation in relation to White residents, and, while segregation for Black and Asian residents are lower, index levels for Asians are at the highest extreme of the low range and index levels for Blacks indicate moderate segregation.

In addition to the Dissimilarity Index, social scientists also use the Isolation and Exposure Indices to measure segregation. These indices, when taken together, capture the neighborhood demographics experienced, on average, by members of a particular racial or ethnic group within a city or metropolitan area. The Isolation Index measures what percentage of the census tract in which a person of a certain racial identity is exposed only to other persons of that same racial/ethnic group. Values for the Isolation Index range from 0 to 100. The Exposure Index is a



group's exposure to all racial groups. Values for the Exposure Index also range from 0 to 100. A larger value means that the average group member lives in a census tract with a higher percentage of people from another group.

Table 3: Isolation Index Values by Race and Ethnicity in Morgan Hill

Isolation Index	1990	2000	2010	2020
White/White	69.8	63.5	53.0	45.9
Black/Black	1.6	2.1	2.5	3.1
Hispanic/Hispanic	25.4	32.7	38.9	36.9
Asian/Asian	5.4	8.1	13.7	19.0

Source: Diversity and Disparities, Spatial Structures in the Social Sciences, Brown University

Table 4: Exposure Index Values for Morgan Hill

Exposure Index		1990	2000	2010	2020
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Black/White		70.9	59.0	48.6	42.9
Hispanic/White		67.9	56.5	46.2	41.1
Asian/White		70.9	62.8	51.2	44.5
White/Black		1.6	1.9	2.3	2.8
Hispanic/Black		1.4	2.1	2.5	3.0
Asian/Black		1.6	1.9	2.4	2.9
White/Hispanic	,	22.9	25.3	31.2	30.9
Black/Hispanic		21.4	29.8	35.7	34.2
Asian/Hispanic		21.4	25.5	31.6	31.2
White/Asian		5.1	7.7	12.5	17.8
Black/Asian		5.3	7.4	12.1	17.4
Hispanic/Asian		4.6	6.9	11.4	16.6

Source: Diversity and Disparities, Spatial Structures in the Social Sciences, Brown University

As the tables above show, all groups reside in neighborhoods that are plurality White. In general, an individual Morgan Hill resident's race or ethnicity does not suggest a likelihood of living in materially more segregated conditions. Additionally, while the Isolation Index for White residents is higher than all other groups, it is only slightly higher than the Exposure Indices for Asian, Black, and Hispanic residents. Isolation and exposure indexes for White and Hispanic residents have been reduced over the past decade.

Table 4: Isolation Index Values by Race and Ethnicity in San José-Sunnyvale-Santa Clara, CA Metropolitan Statistical Area.

Isolation Index	1990	2000	2010	2020
White/White	67	56.5	47.6	39.1
Black/Black	5.3	4.2	4	3.8
Hispanic/Hispanic	37	41.7	43.4	41.1
Asian/Asian	24.3	37.6	45.4	51.1

Source: Diversity and Disparities, Spatial Structures in the Social Sciences, Brown University

Table 4: Exposure Index Values for San José-Sunnyvale-Santa Clara, CA Metropolitan Statistical Area

Exposure Index	1990	2000	2010	2020
Black/White	48.1	38.8	32.8	28.1
Hispanic/White	42	31.2	26.7	23.3
Asian/White	49.6	37.1	29.4	24.9
White/Black	2.8	2.6	2.6	2.7
Hispanic/Black	4.1	3.3	3	3
Asian/Black	4.3	3.2	2.8	2.6
White/Hispanic	15.6	17.3	21.1	21.3
Black/Hispanic	25.5	27.1	29.7	28.8
Asian/Hispanic	21.3	20.8	21.7	20.1
White/Asian	14	22.1	27.8	35.1
Black/Asian	20.4	28.5	32.7	37.5
Hispanic/Asian	16.2	22.4	26.1	31

Source: Diversity and Disparities, Spatial Structures in the Social Sciences, Brown University

As with the Dissimilarity Index, regional Isolation and Exposure Index data reflects more segregated patterns than are evident within Morgan Hill. It is clear that White (74.2%) and Asian (76%) residents are more likely to live in neighborhoods that have higher combined concentrations of White and Asian residents than are Hispanic (54.3%) residents, in particular, and Black (65.6%) residents, to a lesser extent.

### 1.b. Explain how these segregation levels have changed over time (since 1990).

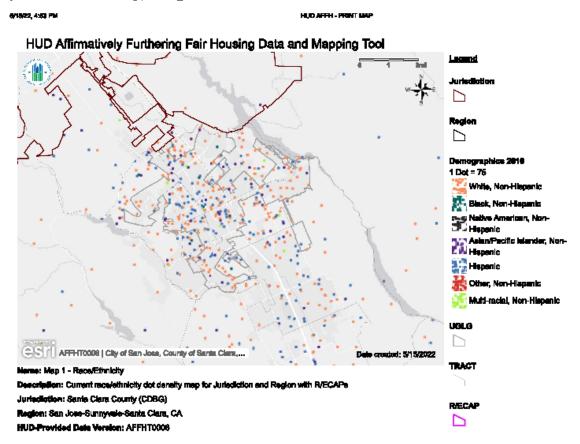
With respect to Dissimilarity Index data and the Isolation and Exposure Indices, there has been a decrease in the levels of segregation among White and Hispanic residents over the past decade. There has been a slight increase in isolation among Black and Asian residents.

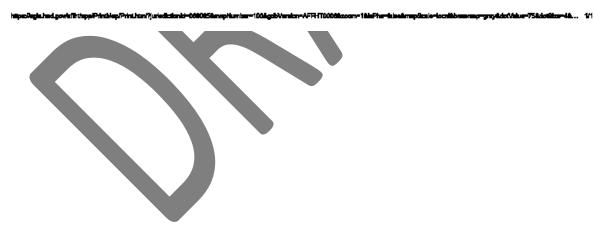
In the region, Dissimilarity Index levels for Black residents in relation to White residents have decreased over time while Dissimilarity Index levels for Hispanic and Asian residents, respectively, in relation to White residents have been little changed. Exposure to White residents (and isolation for White residents) has decreased over time for all groups while exposure to Asian residents (and isolation for Asian residents) has increased over time for all groups. Exposure to Hispanic residents (and isolation for Hispanic residents) has been relatively unchanged. For Black residents, the trend has been toward decreased exposure (and isolation for Black residents), but exposure to Black residents for White residents is an exception, being largely unchanged.

1.c. Identify areas in the jurisdiction and region with relatively high segregation and integration by race/ethnicity, national origin, or LEP group, and indicate the predominant groups living in each area.



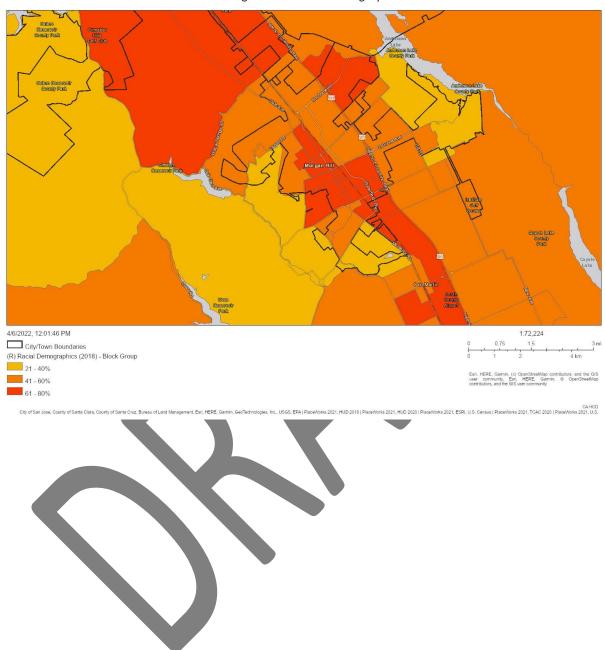
Map 1: Race/Ethnicity, Morgan Hill





Map 2: Racial Demographics, Morgan Hill

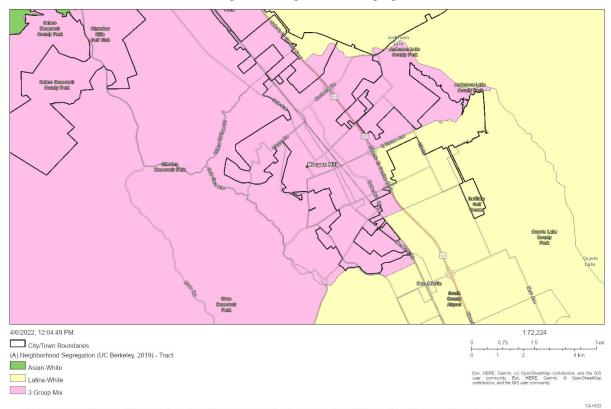
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Map 3: Neighborhood Segregation, Morgan Hill

Morgan Hill Neighborhood Segregation





Map 4: Diversity Index, Morgan Hill



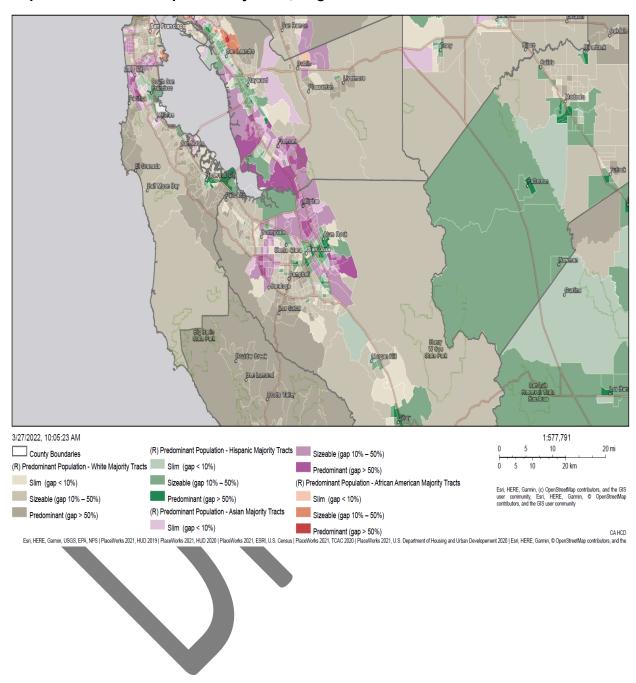


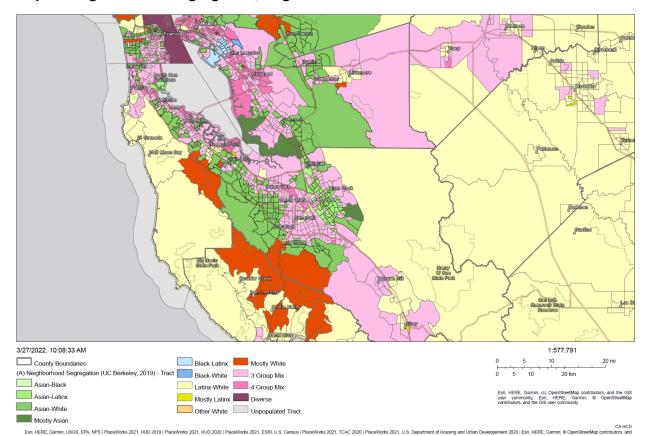
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The maps above reflect that Morgan Hill has a low level of segregation. White, Asian, and Hispanic residents are interspersed in the city, while the eastern portion of the city as well as adjoining unincorporated areas are less integrated. North and east of the city have minimal residential development, and tend to be populated by White and Hispanic residents.



Map 5: Predominant Population by Race, Region





Map 6: Neighborhood Segregation, Region

The map above reflects more substantial patterns of segregation in the region. There are at least two different ways of conceptualizing the region. First, consistent with most regional data presented in this Assessment, the San José-Sunnyvale-Santa Clara, CA Metropolitan Statistical Area, which consists of Santa Clara and San Benito Counties, can be thought of as the region. Second, Morgan Hill can be situated in the broader Bay Area.

Under the narrower conception, areas of White population concentration consist primarily of portions of South and West San José, smaller cities in the West Valley, and portions of Mountain View and Palo Alto, along with some rural portions of San Benito County. There are no areas of Black population concentration within the more narrowly defined region. Areas of Hispanic population concentration consist of parts of Downtown, East, and South San José, part of Morgan Hill, most of Gilroy and Hollister, and small portions of Santa Clara and Sunnyvale. Outside of Morgan Hill itself, areas of Asian population concentration include parts of East, North, and West San José, virtually all of Cupertino, most of Sunnyvale, and parts of Santa Clara.

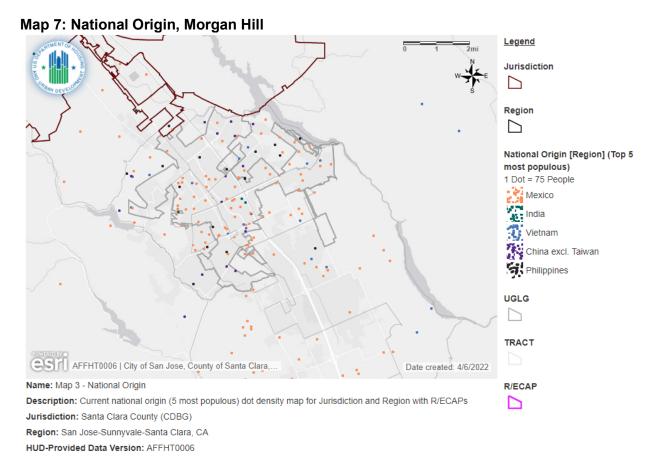
Broadening the scope of analysis, it is clear that there are areas of Black population concentration in East and West Oakland, the Bayview-Hunter's Point neighborhood of San Francisco, Richmond, and small parts of Dublin, Pittsburg, and Vallejo. Additional areas of White population concentration include much of central Contra Costa County, the Oakland Hills, Berkeley, much of northern and western San Francisco, most of Marin County, and parts of San Mateo County such as Belmont, Menlo Park, San Carlos, and Woodside. Additional areas of Hispanic population concentration include much of Hayward, parts of East Oakland, the Mission District in San Francisco, much of Richmond and adjoining San Pablo in western Contra Costa County, much of



Bay Point and Pittsburg in eastern Contra Costa County, and East Palo Alto in San Mateo County. Additional areas of Asian population concentration include Fremont, Union City, and southern San Leandro; Downtown Oakland; Hercules; Daly City and Foster City; and much of southeastern and western San Francisco, along with the more centrally located Chinatown area.



## **National Origin & Limited English Proficiency**



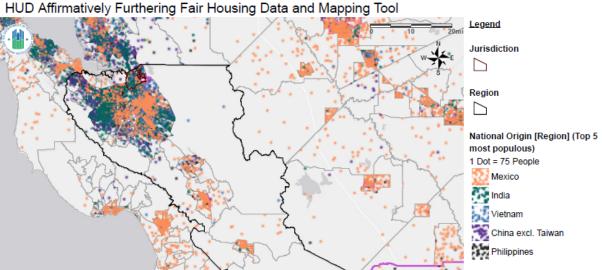
Within Morgan Hill, people of Mexican national origin live throughout the city with slightly higher concentrations in the center of the city. People of Indian national origin live throughout the city, People of Vietnamese national origin live primarily in the eastern portion of the city. People of Chinese national origin live in the eastern portions of the city, and people with Filipino national origin are located throughout the city.



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Map 8: National Origin, Region



Name: Map 3 - National Origin

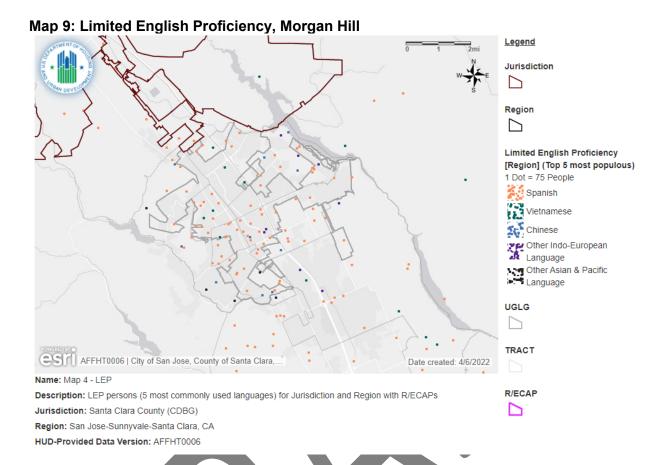
Description: Current national origin (5 most populous) dot density map for Jurisdiction and Region with R/ECAPs

Jurisdiction: Milpitas City (CDBG)

Region: San Jose-Sunnyvale-Santa Clara, CA HUD-Provided Data Version: AFFHT0006

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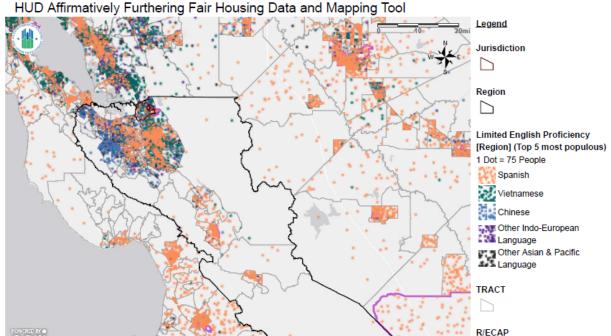
Regionally, people of Mexican national origin are concentrated in Downtown, South, and East San José and in parts of Morgan Hill, Gilroy, and Hollister. People of Indian national origin are concentrated in Sunnyvale and Santa Clara, as well as North San José. People of Vietnamese national origin are concentrated in East San José and Milpitas. People of Chinese national origin are concentrated in Cupertino, Mountain View, and both West and North San José. People of Filipino national origin are not highly concentrated in particular areas.



Within Morgan Hill, persons with limited English proficiency (LEP) who speak Spanish as their primary language are dispersed throughout the city and in the southern outskirts. while those who speak Vietnamese and Chinese are located throughout the city.







Name: Map 4 - LEP

Description: LEP persons (5 most commonly used languages) for Jurisdiction and Region with R/ECAPs

Jurisdiction: Milpitas City (CDBG)

Region: San Jose-Sunnyvale-Santa Clara, CA HUD-Provided Data Version: AFFHT0006

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In the region, LEP Spanish speakers are concentrated in Downtown, South, and East San José as well as in Morgan Hill, Gilroy, and Hollister. LEP Vietnamese speakers are concentrated in East San José and Milpitas. LEP Chinese speakers are concentrated in Cupertino and West San José. There do not appear to be significant concentrations of LEP speakers of other languages.

1.d. Consider and describe the location of owner and renter occupied housing in the jurisdiction and region in determining whether such housing is located in segregated or integrated areas, and describe trends over time.

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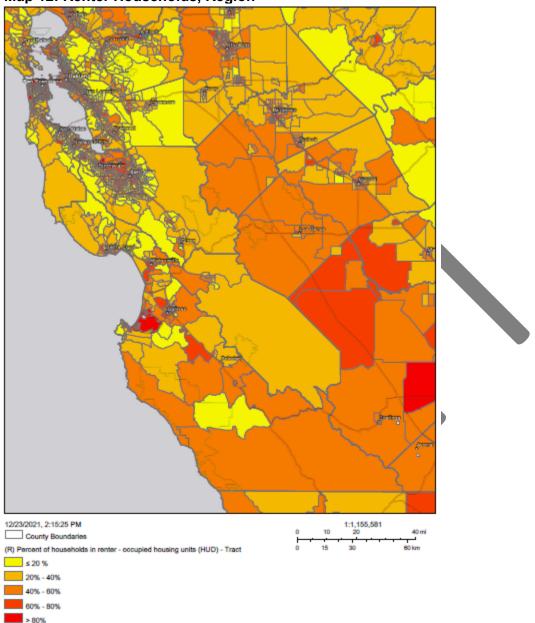
Map 11: Percent of Households in Renter Occupied Housing Units, Morgan Hill

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Within Morgan Hill, areas with higher concentrations of renters include the central city and the western center. Higher concentrations of homeowners are located in the eastern, northwestern, and southwestern portions of the city and the western outskirts. The areas with the lower rates of homeownership tend to have a higher percentage of Hispanic residents.



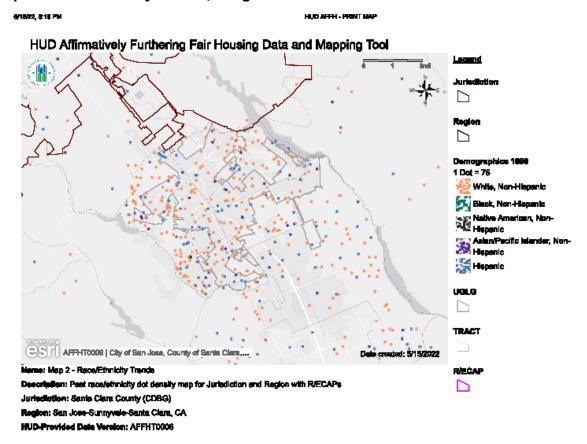
Map 12: Renter Households, Region



In the region, areas with the highest concentration of renters include Downtown and North San José; the northern portions of Mountain View, Sunnyvale, and Santa Clara; and the eastern portion of Gilroy. Areas with high concentrations of homeowners include the West Valley and large portions of South San José. In general, areas with concentrations of renters are more heavily Hispanic than the region as a whole, and areas with concentrations of homeowners are more heavily White than the region as a whole. Most of the region's R/ECAPs feature concentrations of renters.

# 1.e. Discuss how patterns of segregation have changed over time (since 1990).

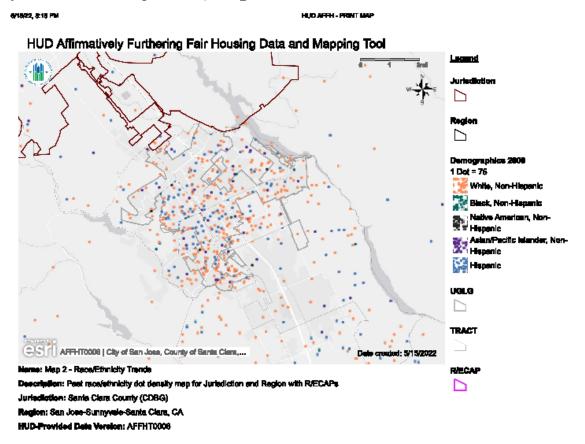
# Map 13: Race/Ethnicity in 1990, Morgan Hill







Map 14: Race/Ethnicity in 2000, Morgan Hill



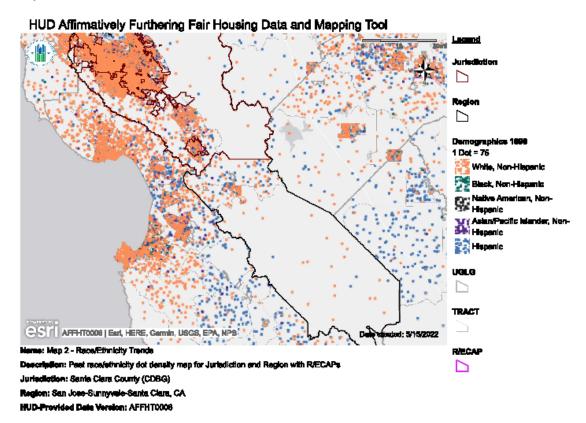
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There have been subtle demographic changes between 1990-2000. The White population has decreased in tandem with increases in Mexican and Asian populations across the city. There has been greater integration throughout the city over the last decade.

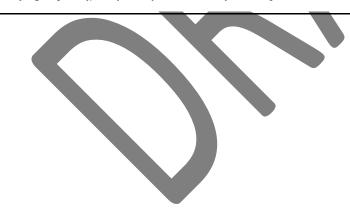


Map 16: Racial Demographics in 1990, Region

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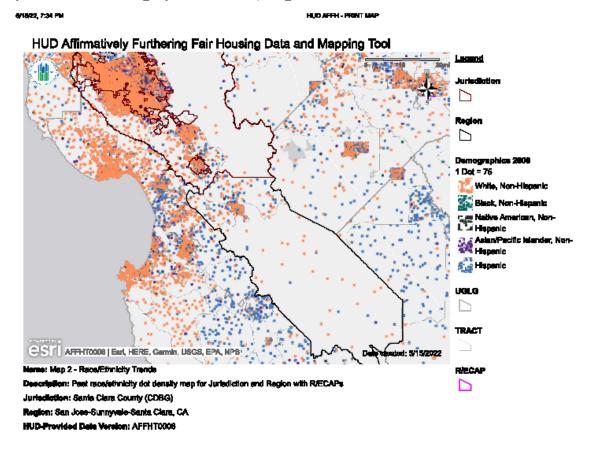


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Map 17: Racial Demographics in 2000, Region



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Regionally, the most evident trends since 1990 include significant reductions in White population in Milpitas, Cupertino, Santa Clara, Sunnyvale, and areas through San José, paired with significant increases in Asian population throughout those areas. When a broader view of the region is adopted, there have also been significant reductions in Black population in historical centers like East Palo Alto, East and West Oakland, the Western Addition in San Francisco, and Richmond, along with increases in Black population in eastern Contra Costa County and Vallejo.

### Contributing Factors of Segregation

Consider the listed factors and any other factors affecting the jurisdiction and Region. Identify factors that significantly create, contribute to, perpetuate, or increase the severity of segregation.

### Please see the Appendix for the following Contributing Factors to Segregation:

- Community opposition
- Displacement of residents due to economic pressures
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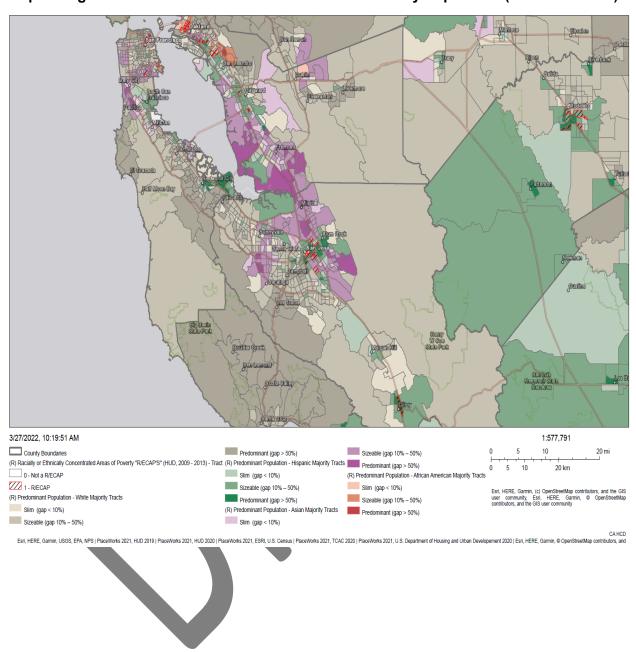


## ii. Racially or Ethnically Concentrated Areas of Poverty

R/ECAPs are geographic areas with significant concentrations of poverty and minority populations. HUD has developed a census-tract based definition of R/ECAPs. In terms of racial or ethnic concentration, R/ECAPs are areas with a non-White population of 50 percent or more. With regards to poverty, R/ECAPs are census tracts in which 40 percent or more of individuals are living at or below the poverty limit or that have a poverty rate three times the average poverty rate for the metropolitan area, whichever threshold is lower.

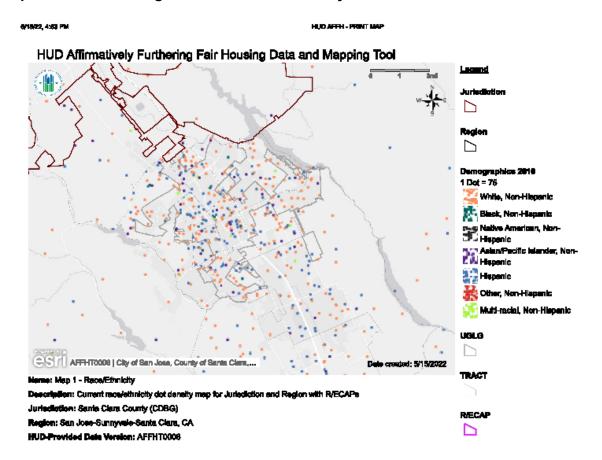
Where one lives has a substantial effect on mental and physical health, education, crime levels, and economic opportunity. Urban areas that are more residentially segregated by race and income tend to have lower levels of upward economic mobility than other areas. Research has found that racial inequality is thus amplified by residential segregation. Concentrated poverty is also associated with higher crime rates and worse health outcomes. However, these areas may also offer some opportunities as well. Individuals may actively choose to settle in neighborhoods containing R/ECAPs due to proximity to job centers. Ethnic enclaves in particular may help immigrants build a sense of community and adapt to life in the U.S. The businesses, social networks, and institutions in ethnic enclaves may help immigrants preserve their cultural identities while providing a variety of services that allow them to establish themselves in their new homes. Overall, identifying R/ECAPs facilitates understanding of entrenched patterns of segregation and poverty.

# 1.a. Identify any R/ECAPs or groupings of R/ECAP tracts within the jurisdiction and region. Map 1: Regional R/ECAPs with Predominant Race/Ethnicity Population (2009-2013 data)





Map 2: R/ECAP in Morgan Hill with Race/Ethnicity



R/ECAPs in the region are concentrated in downtown and east San José, and there are more isolated R/ECAPs in Stanford, Milpitas, and Gilroy, as well. In general, areas with R/ECAPs tend to have higher Hispanic population concentrations than the region as a whole though Stanford is an outlier.

1.b Describe and identify the predominant protected classes residing in R/ECAPs in the jurisdiction and region. How do these demographics of the R/ECAPs compare with the demographics of the jurisdiction and region?

Table 1: R/ECAP Race/Ethnicity Demographics for Morgan Hill and San José-Sunnyvale-Santa Clara, CA Metropolitan Statistical Area.

	Morgan Hill		San Jose-Sunnyvale-Santa Clara Region	
R/ECAP Race/Ethnicity	#	%	#	%
Total Population in R/ECAPs	N/A	N/A	62,428	-
White, Non- Hispanic	N/A	N/A	10,865	17.40%
Black, Non- Hispanic	N/A	N/A	1,338	2.14%
Hispanic	N/A	N/A	29,552	47.34%
Asian or Pacific Islander, Non- Hispanic	N/A	N/A	18,924	30.31%
Native American, Non-Hispanic	N/A	N/A	85	0.14%
Other, Non- Hispanic	N/A	N/A	1,664	2.67%

There are no R/ECAPs in Morgan Hill. In the region, Hispanic residents make up the plurality of R/ECAP populations, at 47.34%. Asian and Pacific Islander, Non-Hispanic residents in the broader region make up 30.31% of the R/ECAP populations.

Table 2: R/ECAP Familial Status Demographics for Morgan Hill and San José-Sunnyvale-Santa Clara, CA Metropolitan Statistical Area.

	Morgan Hill		San Jose-Sunnyvale-Santa Clara Region		
R/ECAP Family Type					
Total Families in R/ECAPs	N/A	N/A	16,308	-	



Families with children	N/A	N/A	5,701	34.96%
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In the R/ECAP in the region, households are less likely to be families with children than they are in either the city as a whole or in R/ECAPs in the broader region.



Table 3: R/ECAP National Origin Demographics for Morgan Hill and San José-Sunnyvale-Santa Clara, CA Metropolitan Statistical Area.

	Morgan Hill		San Jose-Sunnyvale-Santa Clara Region			
R/ECAP National Origin						
Total Population in R/ECAPs	N/A N/A 25,056		)56	-		
#1 country of origin	N/A	N/A	N/A	Mexico	9,736	38.86%
#2 country of origin	N/A	N/A	N/A	Vietnam	6,491	25.91%
#3 country of origin	N/A	N/A	N/A	China, excl. Hong Kong and Taiwan	1,579	6.30%
#4 country of origin	N/A	N/A	N/A	Philippines	1,344	5.36%
#5 country of origin	N/A	N/A	N/A	India	1,033	4.12%
#6 country of origin	N/A	N/A	N/A	El Salvador	396	1.58%
#7 country of origin	N/A	N/A	N/A	Taiwan	373	1.49%
#8 country of origin	N/A	N/A	N/A	Korea	289	1.15%
#9 country of origin	N/A	N/A	N/A	Cambodia	212	0.85%
#10 country of origin	N/A	N/A	N/A	Brazil	196	0.78%

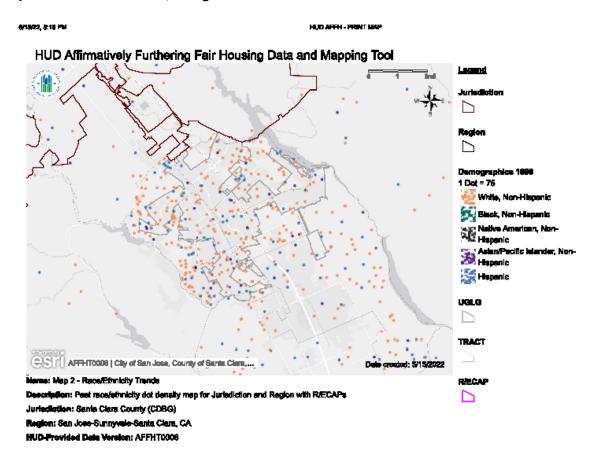


There are no R/ECAPs in Morgan Hill. In the R/ECAPs in the region, a significant majority of residents live in San Jose, are predominantly Mexican or Vietnamese national origin, and are more likely to be of Filipino, Taiwanese, or Indian national origin.



# 1.c. Describe how R/ECAPs have changed over time in the jurisdiction and region (since 1990).

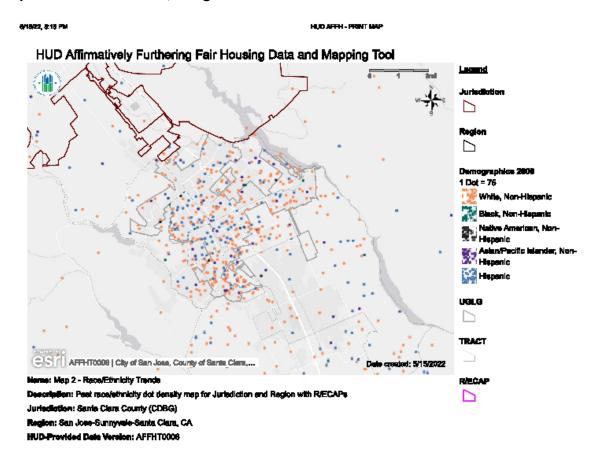
Map 3: R/ECAPs in 1990, Morgan Hill







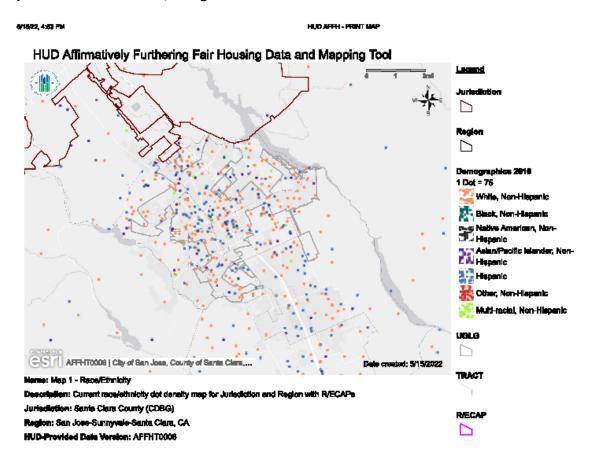
Map 4: R/ECAPs in 2000, Morgan Hill







Map 5: R/ECAPs in 2010, Morgan Hill



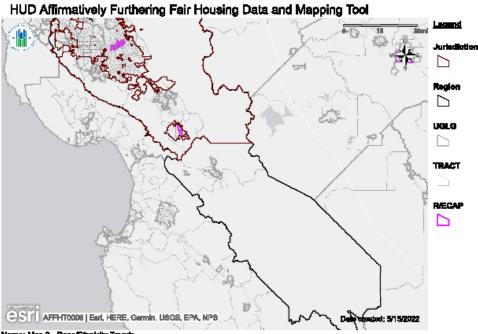
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There were no R/ECAPs in Morgan Hill in 1990, 2000, and 2010,



Map 6: R/ECAPs in 1990, San Jose-Sunnyvale-Santa Clara Region



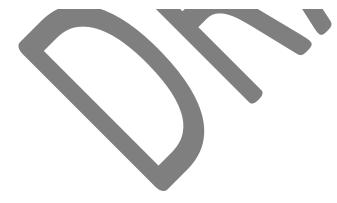


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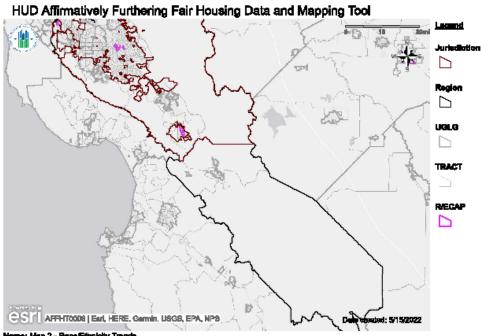
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Map 7: R/ECAPs in 2000, San Jose-Sunnyvale-Santa Clara Region





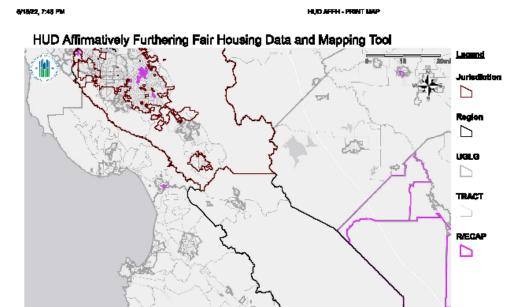
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Map 8: R/ECAPs in 2010, San Jose-Sunnyvale-Santa Clara Region



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The San José-Sunnyvale-Santa Clara Region has seen significant change since 1990. In the cluster of R/ECAPs in San José, Hispanic residents have become a greater concentration of the population as White residents have moved outwards. In contrast, the two census tracts designated as R/ECAPs in Gilroy in 2000 were no longer designated as census tracts in 2010, despite having a greater concentration of Hispanic residents than earlier. However, those two census tracts have been re-designated as R/ECAPs as of the latest data. In the northwest corner of the region, Stanford University has been designated as a R/ECAP since 2000, but this change likely comes from the fact that the university's student population has included a smaller proportion of White residents over time.

### **Contributing Factors of R/ECAPs**

Please see the Appendix for the following Contributing Factors to R/ECAPs:

- Community opposition
- Deteriorated and abandoned properties
- Displacement of residents due to economic pressures
- Lack of community revitalization strategies
- Lack of local or regional cooperation
- Lack of private investments in specific neighborhoods
- Lack of public investments in specific neighborhoods, including services or amenities
- Land use and zoning laws
- Location and type of affordable housing
- Loss of affordable housing
- Occupancy codes and restrictions
- Private discrimination
- Source of income discrimination



### iii. Disparities in Access to Opportunity

- a. Disparities in Access to Opportunity Education
- i. Describe any disparities in access to proficient schools in the jurisdiction and region.

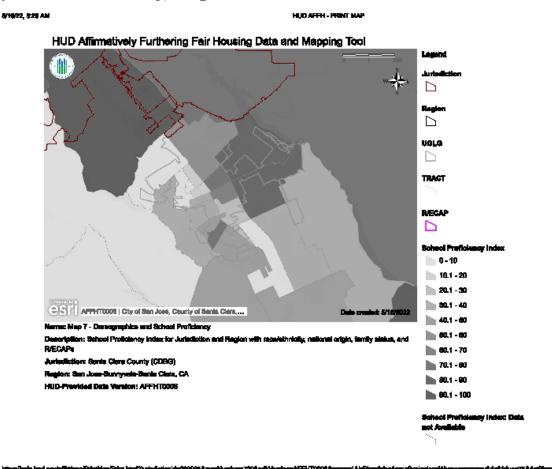
Table 1: School Proficiency Index for Morgan Hill and San José-Sunnyvale-Santa Clara, CA Metropolitan Statistical Area

Jurisdiction	Morgan Hill	Region
Total Population		
White, Non-Hispanic	53.85	76.43
Black, Non-Hispanic	53.24	64.99
Hispanic	47.91	59.06
Asian or Pacific Islander, Non-Hispanic	46.87	71.48
Native American, Non-Hispanic	N/A	65.33

In Morgan Hill, the School Proficiency Index reflects extremely slight disparities in access to proficient schools with White and Black students having somewhat greater access to proficient schools than Hispanic and Asian students, respectively. Regionally, the slight disparities found in Morgan Hill are magnified, with White and Asian or Pacific Islander students having significantly greater access to proficient schools than Native American, Hispanic and Black students.

ii. Describe how the disparities in access to proficient schools relate to residential living patterns in the jurisdiction and region.

Map 1: School Proficiency, Morgan Hill



Within Morgan Hill, there is some disparity between access to proficient schools relative to the concentration of Hispanic, Asian American, Black, and Native American residents. The portion of the city with the greatest access to proficient schools are in the eastern part of the city, which has a higher rate of White residents. Hispanic and Asian residents are more likely to live in other portions of the city with access to less proficient schools. There does not appear to be a relationship between access to proficient schools and familial status in Morgan Hill.

Regionally, disparities in access to proficient schools and race, ethnicity, and national origin are closely linked though, again, familial status does not appear to be correlated with access to proficient schools. The areas with the least access to proficient schools are concentrated in Downtown and East San José, including areas with concentrations of Hispanic residents as well as residents of Mexican and Vietnamese ancestry.

iii. Informed by community participation, any consultation with other relevant government agencies, and the participant's own local data and local knowledge, discuss programs, policies, or funding mechanisms that affect disparities in access to proficient schools.

In addition to the data discussed above, one key observation about disparities in access to proficient schools is that school districts in the broader region are highly fragmented. Not only does each city within Santa Clara County generally have its own school district, but many cities



are part of multiple school districts. This fragmentation hampers efforts to promote student mobility from areas with schools facing severe challenges to highly-resourced schools.

Morgan Hill also has a number of private schools for affluent families such as the Oakwood School, which has a tuition of almost \$28,000 per year.

#### b. Disparities in Access to Opportunity – Employment

# i. Describe any disparities in access to jobs and labor markets by protected class groups in the jurisdiction and region.

The Labor Market Engagement Index and the Jobs Proximity Index are used to measure the strength of the labor market and location of available jobs within a location. The Labor Market Engagement Index provides a summary of the relative intensity of labor market engagement and human capital in a neighborhood. The Jobs Proximity Index quantifies a location's accessibility to employment. The indexes scores range from 0-100. A higher score correlates to greater access to employment.

Table 2: Labor Market and Jobs Proximity Indices, Morgan Hill and the Region

Morgan Hill	Labor Market Index	Jobs Proximity Index
Total Population		
White, Non-Hispanic	65.54	39.61
Black, Non-Hispanic	67.44	44.52
Hispanic	63.05	41.69
Asian or Pacific Islander, Non-Hispanic	64.27	44.76
Native American, Non-Hispanic	N/A	N/A
Region		
Total Population		
White, Non-Hispanic	77.72	51.47
Black, Non-Hispanic	66.37	49.26
Hispanic	54.64	40.37

Asian or Pacific Islander, Non-Hispanic	72.36	50.40
Native American, Non-Hispanic	64.12	46.65
Population below federal poverty line		
White, Non-Hispanics	72.46	54.66
Black, Non-Hispanic	61.15	47.46
Hispanic	49.31	41.30
Asian or Pacific Islander, Non-Hispanic	61.63	48.66
Native American, Non-Hispanic	54.76	49.93

In the city of Morgan Hill, Black residents have the highest Labor Market Engagement Index value when compared to other residents across racial/ethnic categories. Black residents experience a Labor Market Engagement Index value of 67.44, followed by White residents at 65.54, Asian or Pacific Islander residents at 64.27. Conversely, Hispanic residents have the lowest Labor Market Engagement Index values at 63.05. However, the range of indices across racial and ethnic categories is quite narrow.

Regionally, White residents have the highest Labor Market Engagement Index value when compared to other residents across racial/ethnic categories, and these disparities are greater regionally than in the City of Morgan Hill. White residents in the San Jose-Sunnyvale-Santa Clara, CA region experience a Labor Market Engagement Index value of 77.72, followed Asian or Pacific Islander residents at 72.36. Hispanic residents have the lowest Labor Market Engagement Index values across racial/ethnic categories in the San Jose-Sunnyvale-Santa Clara, CA region. Further, with the exception of Hispanic residents, non-White racial/ethnic groups have lower Labor Market Engagement Index values across the board when compared to Morgan Hill. Regionally, Hispanic residents experience a Labor Market Engagement Index value of 54.64, followed by Native American residents at 64.12, Black residents at 66.37.

In the city of Morgan Hill, Asian or Pacific Islander have the highest Jobs Proximity Index value at 44.76, followed by Black residents at 44.52 and Hispanic residents at 41.69. White residents have the lowest Jobs Proximity Index value at 39.61.

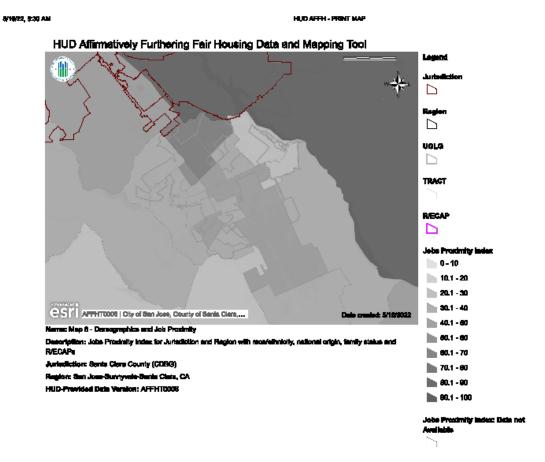
Regionally, all racial/ethnic groups experience higher Job Proximity Index values than the city of Morgan Hill except for Hispanic residents. In the San Jose-Sunnyvale-Santa Clara, CA region, White residents have a Jobs Proximity Index value of 51.47, followed by Asian or Pacific Islander residents at 50.40, Black residents at 49.26, Native American residents at 46.65 and Hispanic residents 40.37. In the City of Morgan, the racial/ethnic groups with the closest proximity to employment experience the highest engagement with the labor market except for White residents.



ii. For the protected class groups HUD has provided data, describe how disparities in access to employment relate to residential living patterns in the jurisdiction and region.



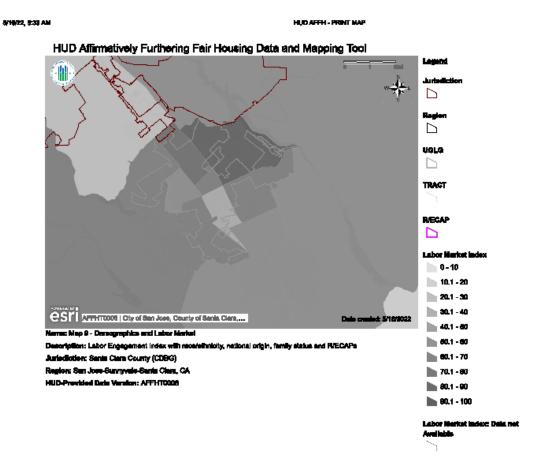
**Map 2: Jobs Proximity, Morgan Hill** 

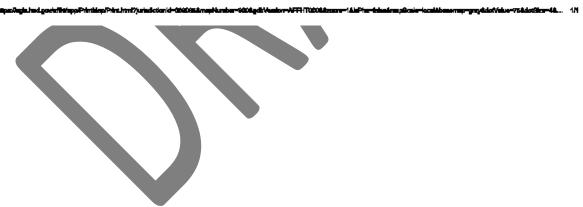


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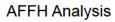


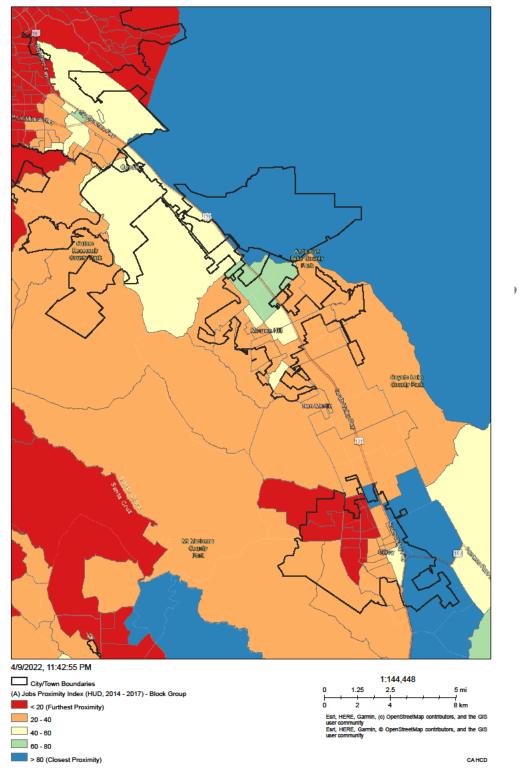
Map 3: Labor Market, Morgan Hill





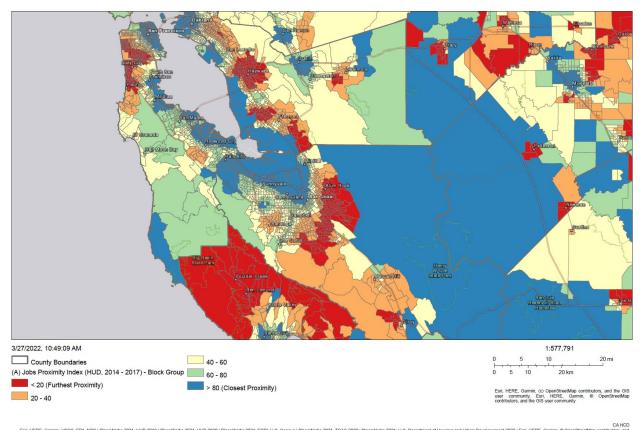
Map 4: Jobs Proximity Index, Morgan Hill











In Morgan Hill, disparities in both job proximity and labor-market engagement are small, and patterns of segregation do not appear to play a significant role in explaining them. Throughout the city there are similar jobs proximity and labor engagement. There is also similar jobs proximity throughout the city, with the northern section having a slightly higher jobs proximity. Regionally, however, the concentration of Hispanic, both in parts of East San José and in South County, which have low jobs proximity, does appear to explain disparities in jobs proximity. Additionally, the concentration of Hispanic residents in similar areas, including in R/ECAPs, partially explains the lack of social capital associated with lower labor market engagement.

iii. Informed by community participation, any consultation with other relevant government agencies, and the participant's own local data and local knowledge, discuss whether there are programs, policies, or funding mechanisms that affect disparities in access to employment.

Although Morgan Hill is home to some employers, it lacks the major employment centers of San Jose and northern Santa Clara County, which are home to major technology companies as well as higher education institutions and more government offices. The location of employers thus results in many Morgan Hill residents having long and costly commutes. According to the 2015-2019 American Community Survey, 22.7% of Morgan Hill workers have commutes of 60 minutes or longer as opposed to just 10.6% of Santa Clara County workers. The costs of these long commutes are more difficult for lower wage workers, who are disproportionately Hispanic, to bear than they are for others.

- c. Disparities in Access to Opportunity Transportation
- i. For the protected class groups HUD has provided data, describe any disparities in access to transportation related to costs and access to public transit in the jurisdiction and region.

The Low Transportation Cost Index and Transit Trips Index are used to measure access to transportation within a location. The Low Transportation Cost Index measures access to low-cost transportation services, and the Transit Trips Index measures how often residents take transit trips. The index scores range from 0-100. A higher score correlates to greater transportation access.

Table 3: Transit and Low Transportation Cost Indices, Morgan Hill and the Region

Morgan Hill	Transit Index	Low Transportation Cost Index
Total Population		
White, Non-Hispanic	56.81	89.24
Black, Non-Hispanic	56.44	89.86
Hispanic	57.13	90.14
Asian or Pacific Islander, Non-Hispanic	56.82	89.39
Native American, Non-Hispanic	N/A	N/A
Region		
Total Population		
White, Non-Hispanic	75.69	93.05
Black, Non-Hispanic	79.03	94.25
Hispanic	76.70	93.43
Asian or Pacific Islander, Non-Hispanic	78.43	93.54



Native American, Non-Hispanic	76.14	93.31
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In Morgan Hill, there is not much variance between Transit Trip Index values among racial/ethnic groups. Hispanic residents have the highest Transit Index value at 57.13, followed closely by Asian or Pacific Islander residents at 56.82, White residents at 56.81, and Black residents at 56.44. There is less than one point on the Transit Trip Index separating the highest and lowest racial/ethnic groups which speaks to the consistency of transit trips among those groups.

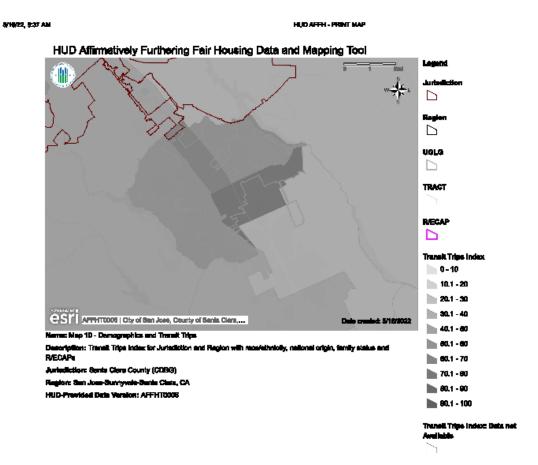
Similarly, in Morgan Hill there is not much variance between Low Transportation Cost Index values among racial/ethnic groups. Hispanic residents have the highest Low Transportation Cost Index value at 90.14, closely followed by Black residents at 89.86, Asian or Pacific Islander residents at 89.39, and White residents at 89.24. There is less than one point on the Low Transportation Cost Index separating the highest and lowest racial/ethnic groups which speaks to the consistency of transportation costs among those groups.

Regionally, in the San Jose-Sunnyvale-Santa Clara, CA region there is not much variance between Transit Trip Index values among racial/ethnic groups. Black residents have the highest Transit Trip Index value at 79.03, followed by Asian or Pacific Islanders at 78.43, Hispanic residents at 76.70, Native American residents at 76.14, and White residents at 75.69.

Similarly, Low Transportation Cost Index values are also consistent among racial/ethnic groups. Black residents have the highest Low Transportation Cost Index value at 94.25, followed by Asian or Pacific Islanders 93.54, Hispanic residents at 93.51, and Native American residents at 93.31, Asian or Pacific Islanders 93.22 and White residents at 93.05. There is approximately one point on the Low Transportation Cost Index separating the highest and lowest racial/ethnic groups which speaks to the consistency of transportation costs among those groups. These regional values are also all within 5 points of their respective Morgan Hill values, which at least superficially highlights the consistency in transportation cost among the city of Morgan Hill and the surrounding region.

ii. For the protected class groups HUD has provided data, describe how disparities in access to transportation related to residential living patterns in the jurisdiction and region.

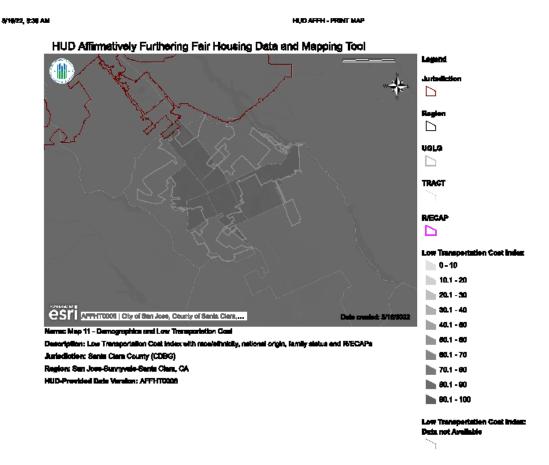
Map 6: Transit Trips, Morgan Hill



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Map 7: Low Transportation Cost, Morgan Hill



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As discussed above, there do not appear to be significant disparities in transit access based on race and ethnicity in either Morgan Hill or the broader region. Therefore, patterns of segregation do not appear to be fueling disparities, which are not present. With that said, some of the highest resource communities in the region – like those in the West Valley – have extremely limited transit access. Although this does not fuel disparities in access to transit among groups that are less likely to be able to live in these cities, their lack of transit may fuel exclusion by, for instance, decreasing the viability of mixed-income transit-oriented development that would help diversify communities.

iii. Informed by community participation, any consultation with other relevant government agencies, and the participant's own local data and local knowledge, discuss whether there are programs, policies, or funding mechanisms that affect disparities in access to transportation.

Public transportation is extremely limited in Morgan Hill. Caltrain<sup>1</sup> and VTA<sup>2</sup> offer regional service between Morgan Hill and San Jose, but that service is relatively infrequent. Additionally, Caltrain fares are unaffordable for some low-income commuters. VTA also operates local bus service in Morgan Hill, but that service also suffers from geographic coverage gaps in the eastern part of the city and long headways.<sup>3</sup>

- d. Disparities in Access to Opportunity Access to Low Poverty Neighborhoods
- i. For the protected class groups HUD has provided data, describe any disparities in access to low poverty neighborhoods in the jurisdiction and region.

Table 4: Low Poverty Index, Morgan Hill and the Region

Morgan Hill	Low Poverty Index
Total Population	
White, Non-Hispanic	67.46
Black, Non-Hispanic	61.99
Hispanic	62,56
Asian or Pacific Islander, Non-Hispanic	67.12
Native American, Non-Hispanic	N/A
Region	
Total Population	
White, Non-Hispanic	75.89
Black, Non-Hispanic	64.86
Hispanic	56.33
Asian or Pacific Islander, Non-Hispanic	71.81

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> https://www.caltrain.com/stations/systemmap.html

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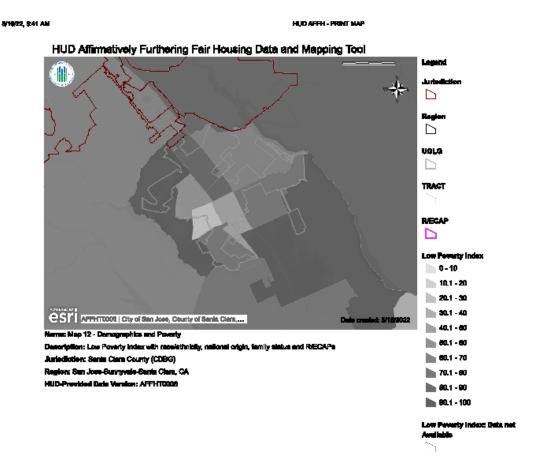


Native American, Non-Hispanic	65.04
Population below federal poverty line	
White, Non-Hispanics	69.23
Black, Non-Hispanic	63.00
Hispanic	49.41
Asian or Pacific Islander, Non-Hispanic	62.03
Native American, Non-Hispanic	60.52

In Morgan Hill, there are minimal disparities among protected class groups with respect to access to low poverty neighborhoods, although Hispanic and Black households have slightly less access to low poverty neighborhoods than do other groups. Regionally, disparities are much more pronounced, and Hispanic households, in particular, and Black and Native American households, to a lesser extent, have much lower access to low poverty neighborhoods than do White and Asian or Pacific Islander households.

ii. For the protected class groups HUD has provided data, describe how disparities in access to low poverty neighborhoods relate to residential living patterns of those groups in the jurisdiction and region.

Map 8, Low Poverty Neighborhoods, Morgan Hill



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In Morgan Hill, Census Tract 5123.13 has a Low Poverty Indices of 28, the lowest in the city. In that census tract, Hispanics residents comprise over sixty percent of residents, which is considerably higher than the rest of the city. The predominant national origin in that census tract is Mexican-American. There are two census tracts with a high Low Poverty Indices. One tract, 5123.10, is located on the east side of the City adjacent to the lowest poverty tract and has a White population of almost seventy percent. The other census tract with a high Low Poverty Indices is located in a majority-White unincorporated area to the south of the city. Regionally, the association between areas with limited access to low poverty neighborhoods and disproportionately Hispanic areas is even stronger, and areas with more concentrated population of Vietnamese national origin also have somewhat lower levels of access to low poverty neighborhoods. Families with children do not appear to be cut off from access to low poverty neighborhoods, whether in Morgan Hill or the broader region.

iii. Informed by community participation, any consultation with other relevant government agencies, and the participant's own local data and local knowledge, discuss whether there are programs, policies, or funding mechanisms that affect disparities in access to low poverty neighborhoods.



Efforts by Morgan Hill to foster the development of affordable housing for families are likely to reduce disparities in access to low poverty neighborhoods. The city is fairly well integrated and has developed numerous affordable housing units. The limited public transportation options and lack of local job centers present limitations in truly increasing opportunities for all.

- e. Disparities in Access to Opportunity Access to Environmentally Healthy Neighborhoods
- i. For the protected class groups for which HUD has provided data, describe any disparities in access to environmentally healthy neighborhoods in the jurisdiction and region.

Table 5: Environmental Health Index, Morgan Hill and the Region

Morgan Hill	Environmental Health Index
Total Population	
White, Non-Hispanic	62.46
Black, Non-Hispanic	63.08
Hispanic	61.90
Asian or Pacific Islander, Non-Hispanic	62.16
Native American, Non-Hispanic	N/A
Region	
Total Population	
White, Non-Hispanic	46.93
Black, Non-Hispanic	41.34
Hispanic	42.87
Asian or Pacific Islander, Non-Hispanic	47.20
Native American, Non-Hispanic	44.16

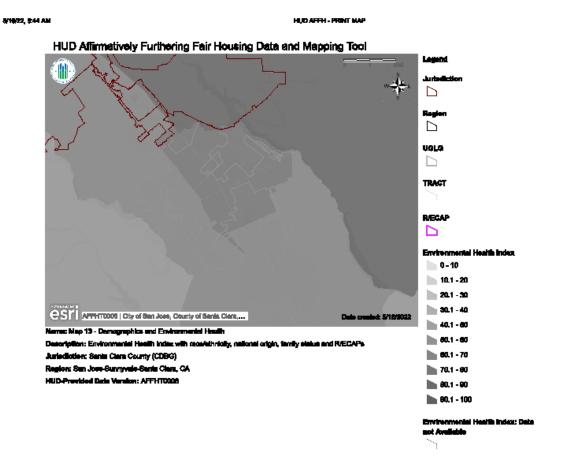
Population below federal poverty line	
White, Non-Hispanics	44.03
Black, Non-Hispanic	41.98
Hispanic	41.17
Asian or Pacific Islander, Non-Hispanic	43.23
Native American, Non-Hispanic	45.72

In Morgan Hill, any disparities in access to environmentally healthy neighborhoods are practically imperceptible. Regionally, disparities still are not vast, but they are wide enough to signify that Hispanic and Asian American residents have slightly lower access to environmentally healthy neighborhoods than do White and Asian or Pacific Islander residents. It is also worth noting that the Environmental Health Index is significantly higher in Morgan Hill than it is region-wide. Morgan Hill's 2035 General Plan's Natural Resources and Environment Element lays out numerous strategies for preserving open space, agricultural uses, hillsides, riparian areas, wildlife habitat, and other natural features.

ii. For the protected class groups for which HUD has provided data, describe how disparities in access to environmentally healthy neighborhoods relate to residential living patterns in the jurisdiction and region.

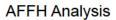


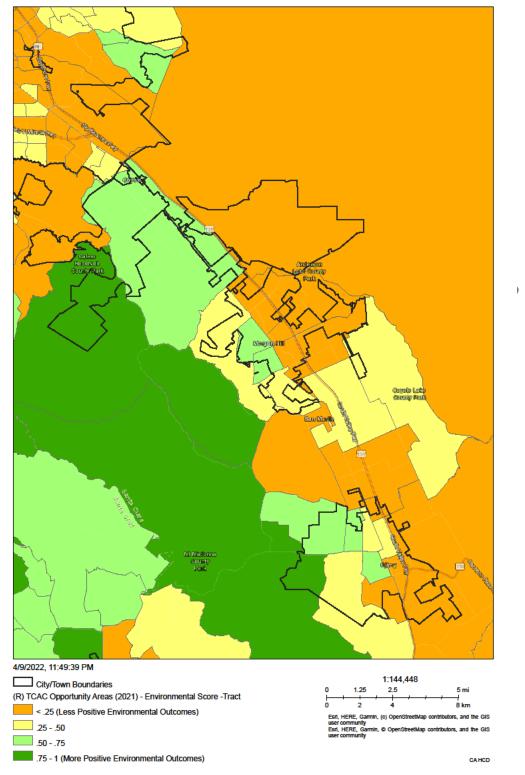
Map 9: Environmental Health, Morgan Hill





Map 10: Environmental Score, Morgan Hill





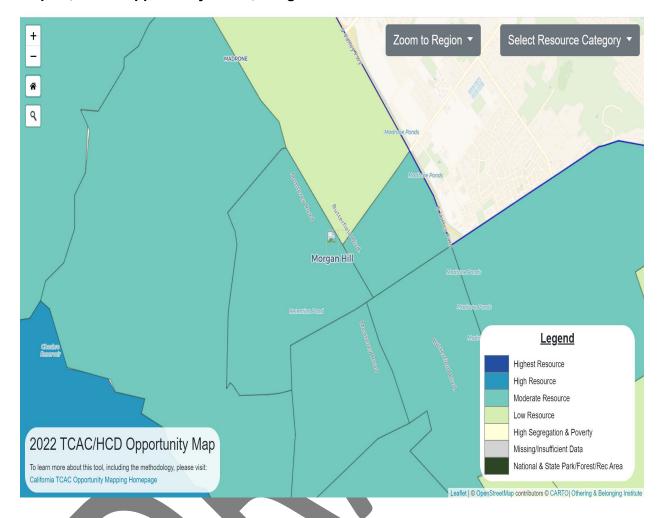


In Morgan Hill, patterns of segregation do not appear to fuel disparities in access to environmentally healthy neighborhoods as, again, such disparities do not exist. There is minimal racial and ethnic segregation in Morgan Hill. In the region, by contrast, patterns of segregation of Hispanic residents in San José, in particular, do appear to contribute to disparities in access to environmentally healthy neighborhoods.

iii. Informed by community participation, any consultation with other relevant government agencies, and the participant's own local data and local knowledge, discuss whether there are programs, policies, or funding mechanisms that affect disparities in access to environmentally healthy neighborhoods.

In Morgan Hill, highways and vehicle emissions are by far the most significant driver of poor environmental health. There are ongoing efforts to reduce vehicle trips through transit expansion – including the Morgan Hill Transit Center, which currently consists of VTA rail service and VTA bus service. Consistent with State Law, the city adopted a Morgan Hill Community-Based Transportation Plan (CBTP) to improve transit access and reduce car emissions and is implementing SB 743 on a project-by-project basis.

- f. Disparities in Access to Opportunity Patterns in Disparities in Access to Opportunity
- i. For the protected class groups for which HUD has provided data, identify and discuss any overarching patterns of access to exposure to adverse community factors. Include how these patterns compare to patterns of segregation, integration, and R/ECAPs. Describe these patterns for the jurisdiction and region.



Map 11, TCAC Opportunity Areas, Morgan Hill

Overall, in Morgan Hill, most areas of the city generally have high access to opportunity and limited exposure to adverse community factors, but there are some nuances within the city. The California Tax Credit Allocation Committee's 2022 map of Opportunity Areas rates all residentially developed portions of Morgan Hill as Moderate or Low Resource. The north portion of the city is considered low resource while the rest of the city is considered moderate resource. This is likely due to the lack of good transportation and limited access to local jobs.

Many of these trends are replicated regionally. With some notable exceptions, such as jobs-rich Cupertino, areas with greater transit and job access tend to be those with worse environmental health. Additionally, areas with less transit and job access tend to be those with greater access to proficient schools and low poverty neighborhoods. This mirrors patterns of segregation and R/ECAPs in the region. R/ECAPs, which tend to be disproportionately Hispanic, generally have higher access to transportation and higher job proximity (which does not necessarily mean that neighborhood residents are able to secure those jobs) and less access to proficient schools, environmentally healthy neighborhoods, and low poverty neighborhoods.

ii. Based on the opportunity indicators assessed above, identify areas that experience (A) high access; and (b) low access across multiple indicators.



In Morgan Hill, disparities between neighborhoods are generally slight with respect to most indicators except for the Low Poverty Index and the School Proficiency Index. With respect to those two indices, downtown Morgan Hill has less access to opportunity than other parts of the city, and eastern Morgan Hill has more access. Regionally, job proximity and transit access are greatest in the northern part of Santa Clara County though access is lower in the West Valley than it is in the cities of Santa Clara, Sunnyvale, Mountain View, and Palo Alto. Access to proficient school and low poverty neighborhoods is highest in the West Valley as well as in the parts of larger North County cities that are further south and west of U.S. Route 101. South County generally has higher access to environmentally healthy neighborhoods.

#### Contributing Factors of Disparities in Access to Opportunity

Please see the Appendix for the following Contributing Factors to Disparities in Access to Opportunity:

- Access to financial services
- Availability, type, frequency, and reliability of public transportation
- Impediments to mobility
- Lack of access to opportunity due to high housing costs
- Lack of private investments in specific neighborhoods
- Lack of public investments in specific neighborhoods, including services or amenities
- Lack of local or regional cooperation
- Land use and zoning laws
- Lending discrimination
- Location and type of affordable housing
- Location of employers
- Location of environmental health hazards
- Location of proficient schools and school assignment policies
- Loss of affordable housing
- Occupancy codes and restrictions
- Private discrimination
- Source of income discrimination

#### iv. Disproportionate Housing Needs

1.a Which groups (by race/ethnicity and family status) experience higher rates of housing cost burden, overcrowding, or substandard housing when compared to other groups? Which groups also experience higher rates of severe housing burdens when compared to other groups?

As shown in the tables below, a slightly greater percent of households in Morgan Hill experience housing problems than in the region generally. White and Asian American Households in Morgan Hill, but not Hispanic or Black households, are less likely to experience housing problems than in the region as a whole. However, almost one-half of Hispanic households in Morgan Hill experience housing problems.

Non-family households and larger families, comprised of five or more people in a household, also experience high rates of housing problems (54.7% and 45.7% respectively) in comparison to smaller family households.

Table 1: Demographics of Households with Disproportionate Housing Needs. Morgan Hill and the Region

Disproportionate Housing Needs	Morgan Hill			Morgan Hill Region		
Households experiencing any of 4 housing problems	# with problem s	total # household s	% with problem s	# with problem s	total # household s	% with problem s
Total	5,565	14,670	37.9%	234,515	653,265	35.9%
White, Non- Hispanic	2,935	8,785	33.4%	79,900	270,985	29.5%
Black, Non- Hispanic	145	355	40.8%	7,345	15,835	46.4%
Hispanic	1,695	3,515	48.2%	69,000	128,450	53.7%
Asian or Pacific Islander, Non- Hispanic	600	1,645	36.5%	71,917	220,540	32.6%
Family households, <5 people	2,945	9,585	30.7%	90,400	350,225	25.8%
Family households, 5+ people	860	1,880	45.7%	28,475	64,170	44.4%
Non-family households	1,750	3,200	54.7%	31,315	127,410	24.6%



Households	# with	total #	% with	# with	total #	% with
experiencing any of 4 Severe Housing	severe problem	household s	severe problem	severe problem	household s	severe problem
Problems	S	3	S	S	3	S
Total	2,775	14,670	18.9%	148,550	653,265	22.7%
White, Non- Hispanic	1,325	8,785	15.1%	44,145	270,985	16.3%
Black, Non- Hispanic	45	355	12.7%	4,690	15,835	29.6%
Hispanic	984	3,515	28.0%	48,175	128,450	37.5%
Asian or Pacific Islander, Non- Hispanic	345	1,645	21.0%	47,952	220,540	21.7%

Note 1: The four housing problems are: incomplete kitchen facilities, incomplete plumbing facilities, more than 1 person per room, and cost burden greater than 30%. The four severe housing problems are: incomplete kitchen facilities, incomplete plumbing facilities, more than 1 person per room, and cost burden greater than 50%.

Note 2: All % represent a share of the total population within the jurisdiction or region, except household type and size, which is out of total households.

Note 3: Data Sources: CHAS

Note 4: Refer to the Data Documentation for details (www.hudexchange.info/resource/4848/affhdata-documentation).

The disparities in severe housing problems across races show that 28% of Hispanic households and 21% of Asian American households in Morgan Hill experience severe housing problems. Over 15% of White households and over twelve percent of Black households experience severe housing problems.

Table 2: Demographics of Households with Severe Housing Cost Burden

Households with Severe Housing Cost Burden	Morgan Hill			evere Housing			Region	
Race/Ethnicity	# with severe cost burden	# household s	% with severe cost burden	# with severe cost burden	# household s	% with severe cost burden		
Total	2,145	14,670	14.6%	43,535	653,265	6.7%		
White, Non- Hispanic	1,165	8,785	13.3%	20,070	270,985	7.4%		

Black, Non-						
Hispanic	45	355	12.7%	770	15,835	4.9%
Hispanic	620	3,515	17.6%	8,460	128,450	6.6%
Asian or Pacific Islander, Non-						
Hispanic	250	1,645	15.2%	13,365	220,540	6.1%
Household Type ar	nd Size					
Family						
Family households, <5 people	1,030	9,680	10.6%	53,045	350,225	15.1%
households, <5 people Family	1,030	9,680	10.6%	53,045	350,225	15.1%
households, <5 people	1,030	9,680	10.6%	53,045 9,025	350,225 64,170	15.1% 14.1%

Note 1: Severe housing cost burden is defined as greater than 50% of income.

Note 2: All % represent a share of the total population within the jurisdiction or region, except household type and size, which is out of total households.

Note 3: The # households is the denominator for the % with problems, and may differ from the # households for the table on severe housing problems.

Note 4: Data Sources: CHAS

Note 5: Refer to the Data Documentation for details (www.hudexchange.info/resource/4848/affh-data-documentation).

In Morgan Hill, Hispanic households are most likely to experience severe housing cost burden, followed by Asian American families. In fact, all groups in Morgan Hill have higher levels of severe cost burden than the region. Between 12.7% and 17% of households have a high cost burden in Morgan Hill versus a range of 4.9% to 7.4% in the region.

Non-family households in both Morgan Hill and the region are most likely to have a high cost burden. In Morgan Hill, large family households have the second highest percentage of cost burdened households, followed by small family households. In the region, small family households have a slightly higher percentage of severe cost-burdened households, followed by large families.

Table 3: Percentage of Overcrowded Households by Race or Ethnicity, Morgan Hill

	Non-Hispanic White Households	Black Households	Asian American or Pacific Islander Households	Hispanic Households
Morgan Hill	1.7%	0%	5.3%	13.9%



Region	2.6%	7.3%	8.4%	17.1%

In addition to the data provided by HUD above, the American Community Survey also provides data detailing the numbers of households subject to overcrowding or incomplete plumbing and kitchen facilities. 13.9% Hispanic households experience overcrowding, followed by 5.3% of Asian American households. In the region, Hispanic and Asian Americans are also most likely to experience overcrowding. Overcrowding is not a common issue for White or Black households in Morgan Hill.

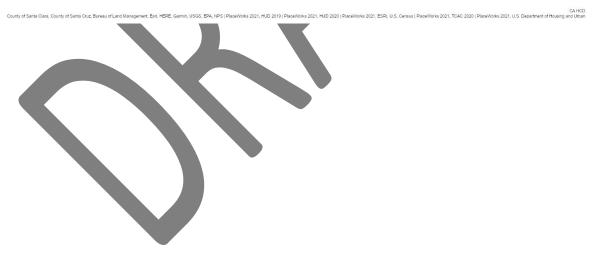
1.b. Which areas in the jurisdiction and Region experience the greatest housing burdens? Which of these areas align with segregated areas, integrated areas, or R/ECAPs and what are the predominant race/ethnicity or national origin groups in such areas?



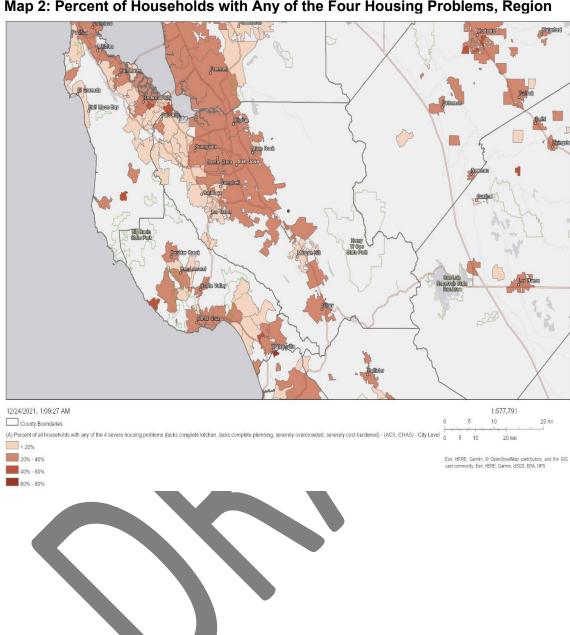
Map 1: Percent of Households with Any of the Four Housing Problems, Morgan Hill

Households with Severe Housing Problems



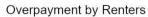


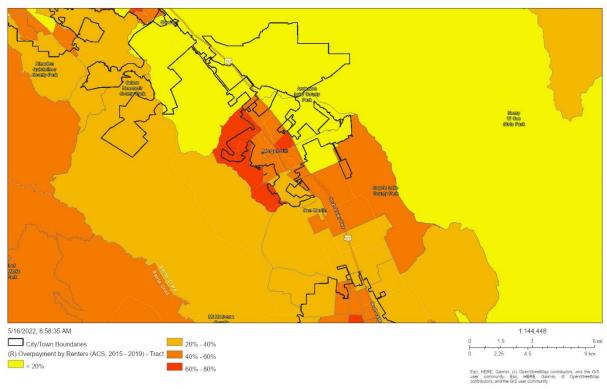


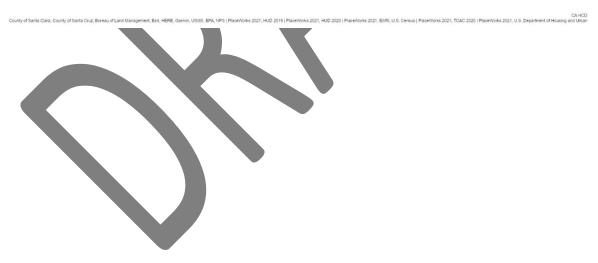


Map 2: Percent of Households with Any of the Four Housing Problems, Region

Map 3: Overpayment by Renters, Morgan Hill

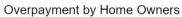


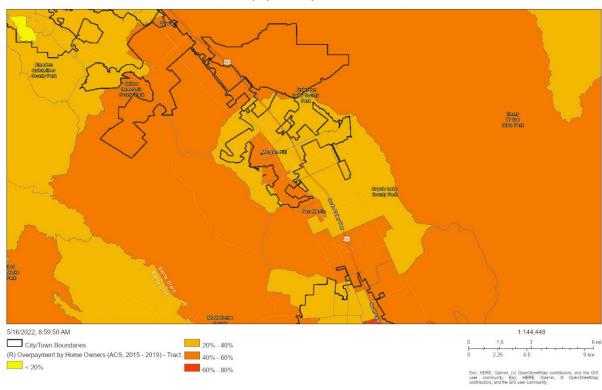


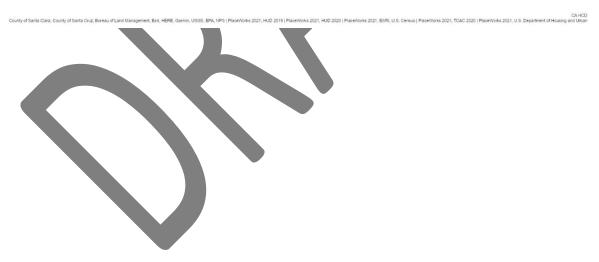




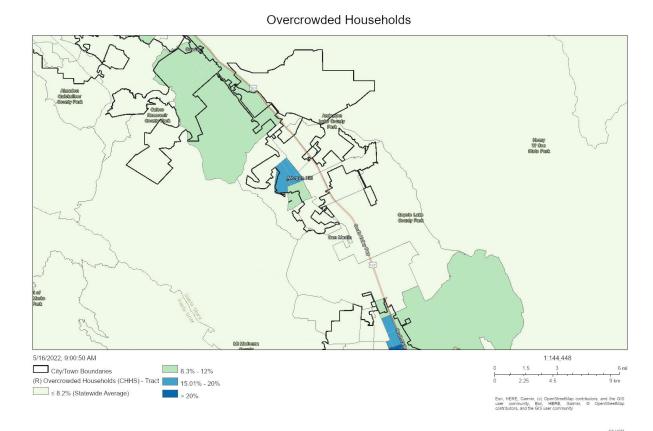
# Map 4: Overpayment by Home Owners, Morgan Hill







Map 5: Overcrowded Households, Morgan Hill



In Morgan Hill, there are higher concentrations of households with housing problems in the downtown area of the city, including in areas that are more heavily Hispanic and Asian American than the city as a whole. Regionally, the highest concentrations of households with housing problems are found in Downtown and East San José, both areas with more heavily Hispanic populations than the region as a whole.



1.c. Compare the needs of families with children for housing units with two, and three or more bedrooms with the available existing housing stock in each category of publicly supported housing for the jurisdiction and region.

Table 4: Publicly Supported Housing by Program Category: Units by Number of Bedrooms and Number of Children, Morgan Hill

	Households in 0-1 Bedroom Units	Households in 2 Bedroom Units	Households in 3+ Bedroom Units	Households with Children
Housing Type	%	%	%	%
Public Housing	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/a
Project-Based Section 8	64%	0%	36%	18%
Other Multifamily	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
HCV Program	29%	37%	34%	42%

In Morgan Hill, there are more housing opportunities for families with children in the Housing Choice Voucher program than in the Project-Based Section 8 program. There are no public housing or Other Multifamily units in Morgan Hill. Public housing refers to subsidized housing that is operated by the local housing authority under Section 9 of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937. Other Multifamily units refer primarily to HUD-subsidized housing designated for the elderly (Section 202) and people with disabilities (Section 811) but also include some less common programs like the Section 221(d)(4) loan guarantee program.

# 1.d. Describe the differences in rates of renter and owner-occupied housing by race/ethnicity in the jurisdiction and Region.

Table 5: Housing Tenure by Race, Morgan Hill and the Region

		Morga	n Hill		Region					
Housing Tenure	Owner Occupied		Renter Occupied		Owner O	ccupied	Renter Occupied			
	#	%	# %		#	%	#	%		
Total	10,979	73.9%	3,875	26.1%	372,659	56.6%	285,691	43.4%		
White, Non- Hispanic	6,993	80.6%	1,681	19.4%	161,091	61.8%	99,462	38.2%		
Black	142	46.3%	165	53.7%	5,329	31.2%	11,736	68.8%		
Hispanic	1,895	53.3%	1,658	46.7%	48,341	37.6%	80,092	62.4%		

Asian or Pacific Islander		83.9%	315	16.1%	142,664	60.2%	94,250	39.8%
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Homeownership rates are generally higher in Morgan Hill than in the region as a whole. Black and Hispanic households are least likely to be homeowners than Asian American and White households. This also holds true in the region. In Morgan Hill, almost 84% of Asian American households and over 80% of White households are homeowners. By contrast over 53% of Black households and over 46% of Hispanic households rent rather than own their homes in Morgan Hill, and these percentages are even higher in the region.

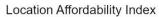
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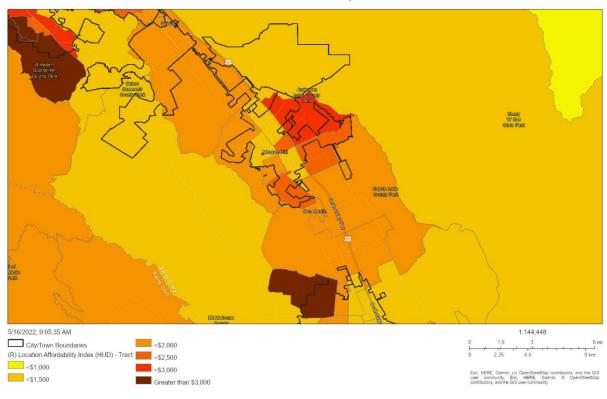
2.a. Beyond the HUD-provided data, provide additional relevant information, if any, about disproportionate housing needs in the jurisdiction and Region affecting groups with other protected characteristics.

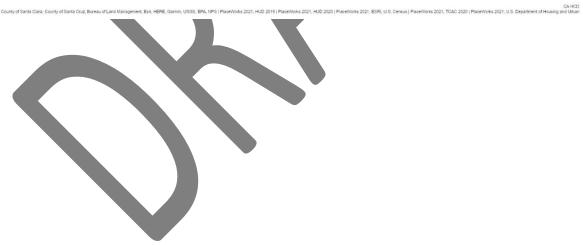


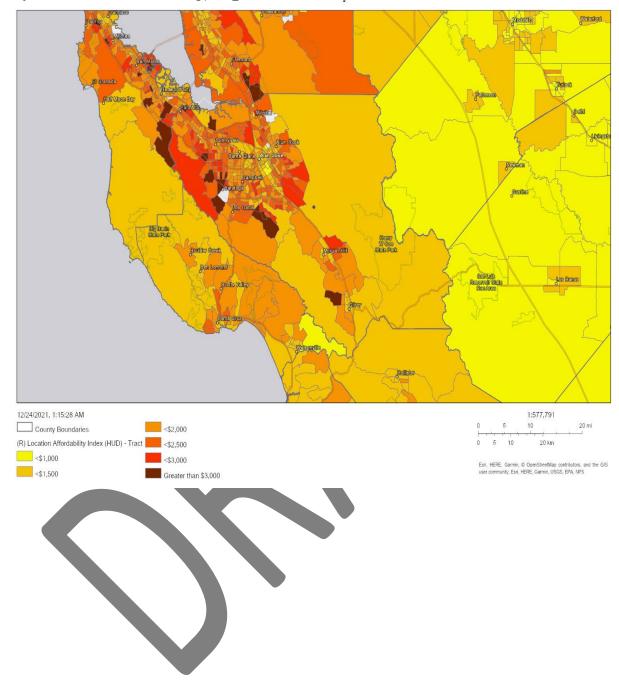


# Map 6: Location Affordability, Morgan Hill







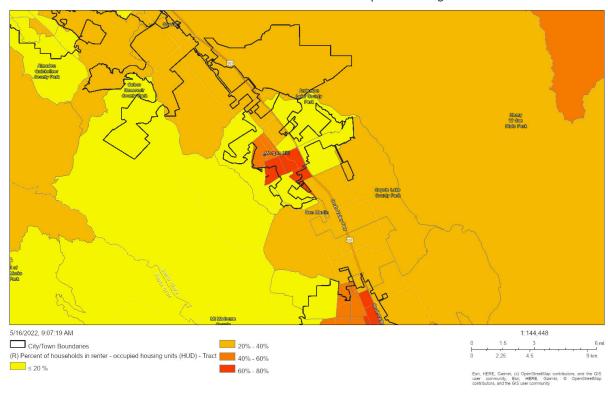


Map 7: Location Affordability, Region

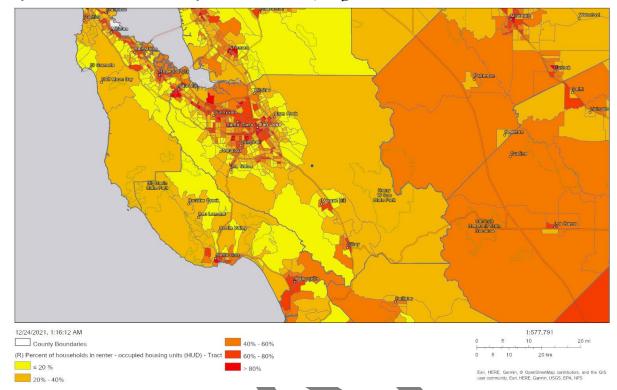


# Map 8: Percent Renter Occupied Households, Morgan Hill









Map 9: Percent Renter Occupied Households, Region

The eastern portion of Morgan Hill has the least affordable housing according to the Location Affordability Index. This area also has a low rate of renter-occupied housing. By contrast, the city center has a relatively higher concentration of renters and more affordable housing. The southwest portion has a higher concentration of renters and less affordable housing.

Local data from the City of Morgan Hill reflecting code enforcement violations involving health and safety issues from 2019 through March 2022 showed that, out of 19 code enforcement violations, 18 were at properties in the central and western portions of Morgan Hill and only one was in eastern Morgan Hill. Although the overall number of violations was not high, violations were concentrated in the most heavily Hispanic parts of the city. Among the 18 violations in the central and western portions of Morgan Hill, a majority were in properties located in and near downtown Morgan Hill.

# 2.b. The program participant may also describe other information relevant to its assessment of disproportionate housing needs. For PHAs, such information may include a PHA's overriding housing needs analysis.

The Santa Clara County Housing Authority has shifted its hard unit portfolio from public housing to Project-Based Vouchers. A "hard unit" is defined as affordable rental housing resulting from new construction, substantial rehabilitation, acquisition, or existing housing stock. Hard units do not include unsubsidized units in which households use tenant-based rental assistance such as Housing Choice Vouchers. Layering more Project-Based Vouchers into multifamily housing developments in Morgan Hill, particularly those including family-sized units, could be an effective means of reducing disproportionate housing needs in the city.



#### **Contributing Factors of Disproportionate Housing Needs**

Please see the Appendix for the following Contributing Factors to Disproportionate Housing Needs:

- Availability of affordable units in a range of sizes
- Displacement of residents due to economic pressures
- Displacement of and/or lack of housing support for victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking
- Lack of access to opportunity due to high housing costs
- Lack of private investments in specific neighborhoods
- Lack of public investments in specific neighborhoods, including services or amenities
- Land use and zoning laws
- Lending discrimination
- Loss of affordable housing
- Source of income discrimination



#### c. Publicly Supported Housing Analysis

#### 1. Analysis

#### a. Publicly Supported Housing Demographics

Table 1: Publicly Supported Housing Units by Program Category, Morgan Hill

	Morgan Hill								
Housing Units	#	%							
Total housing units	15,233	N/A							
Public Housing	0	0%							
Project-based Section 8	30	0.2%							
Other Multifamily	0	0%							
HCV Program	336	2.2%							

i. Are certain racial/ethnic groups more likely to be residing in one program category of publicly supported housing than other program categories (public housing, project-based Section 8, Other Multifamily Assisted developments, and Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) in the jurisdiction?

**Table 2: Publicly Supported Housing Demographics** 

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Jurisdiction	White	Black	Hispanic	Islander
Housing Type	%	%	%	%
Public Housing	-		-	-
<b>Project-Based Section 8</b>	18%	7%	64%	11%
Other Multifamily	-	-	-	•
HCV Program	24%	8%	62%	5%
Total Households	8,785	355	3,515	1,645
0-30% of AMI	51.2%	2.9%	31.6%	11.5%
0-50% of AMI	49.6%	1.6%	35.1%	10.9%
0-80% of AMI	52.5%	1.3%	33.9%	9.4%
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Region	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian or
				Asian or Pacific
Region	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian or Pacific Islander
Region Housing Type	White %	Black	Hispanic	Asian or Pacific Islander
Region Housing Type Public Housing	White %	Black % -	Hispanic % -	Asian or Pacific Islander %
Region Housing Type Public Housing Project-Based Section 8	White % - 26.08%	Black % - 3.41%	Hispanic % - 15.07%	Asian or Pacific Islander % - 47.40%
Region Housing Type Public Housing Project-Based Section 8 Other Multifamily	White % - 26.08% 26.59%	Black % - 3.41% 3.02%	Hispanic % - 15.07% 22.05%	Asian or Pacific Islander % - 47.40% 47.13%
Region Housing Type Public Housing Project-Based Section 8 Other Multifamily HCV Program	White % 26.08% 26.59% 17.44%	Black % - 3.41% 3.02% 12.66%	Hispanic % - 15.07% 22.05% 32.01%	Asian or Pacific Islander % - 47.40% 47.13% 37.20%
Region Housing Type Public Housing Project-Based Section 8 Other Multifamily HCV Program Total Households	White % 26.08% 26.59% 17.44% 276,844	Black % - 3.41% 3.02% 12.66% 16,174	Hispanic %	Asian or Pacific Islander %

In Morgan Hill, Hispanic households account for a majority of households occupying Project-Based Section 8 housing and utilizing Housing Choice Vouchers. White households represent the second highest percentage of households occupying Project-Based Section 8 housing and



utilizing Housing Choice Vouchers. There is no public housing or Other Multifamily housing in Morgan Hill. The vast majority of publicly supported housing units are Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) units.

ii. Compare the racial/ethnic demographics of each program category of publicly supported housing for the jurisdiction to the demographics of the same program category in the region.

Compared to the region, for the categories of publicly supported housing present in Morgan Hill, a higher proportion of residents in Morgan Hill are Hispanic and a lower proportion are Asian or Pacific Islander. This is true for both the Project-Based Section 8 and Housing Choice Voucher programs and is consistent with the demographics of the city in relation to the region.

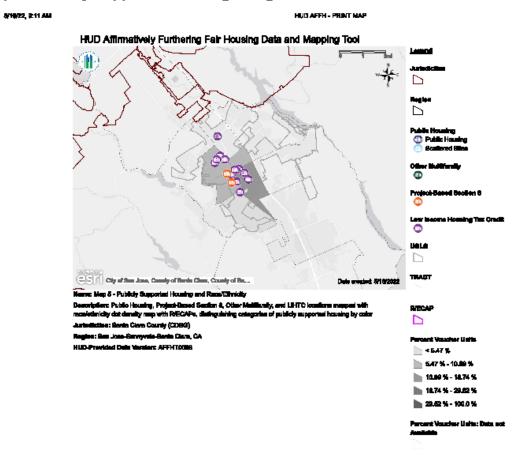
iii. Compare the demographics, in terms of protected class, of residents of each program category of publicly supported housing (public housing, project-based Section 8, Other Multifamily Assisted developments, and HCV) to the population in general, and persons who meet the income eligibility requirements for the relevant program category of publicly supported housing in the jurisdiction and region. Include in the comparison, a description of whether there is a higher or lower proportion of groups based on protected class.

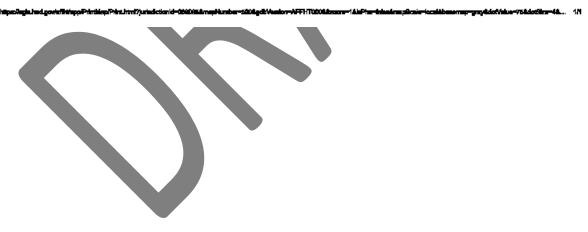
In Morgan Hill, White households appear to be underrepresented in Project-Based Section 8 housing and as HCV holders in comparison to the income-eligible population. Black and Hispanic households are overrepresented in Project-Based Section 8 housing and as HCV holders in comparison to the income-eligible population. Asian or Pacific Islander households comprise similar proportions of households in Project-Based Section 8 housing and as HCV holders compared to their share of the income eligible population.

#### b. Publicly Supported Housing Location and Occupancy

i. Describe patterns in the geographic location of publicly supported housing by program category (public housing, project-based Section 8, Other Multifamily Assisted developments, HCV, and LIHTC) in relation to previously discussed segregated areas and R/ECAPs in the jurisdiction and region.

Map 1: Publicly Supported Housing. Morgan Hill

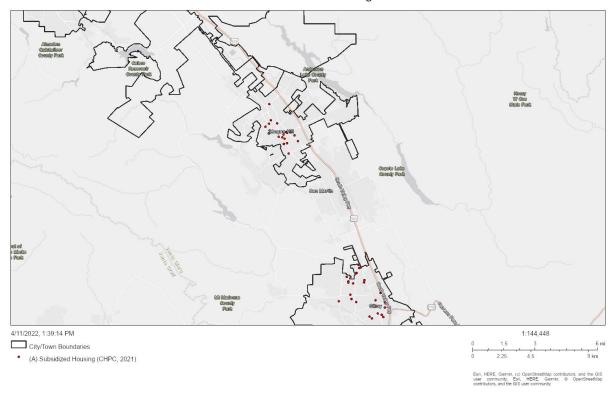


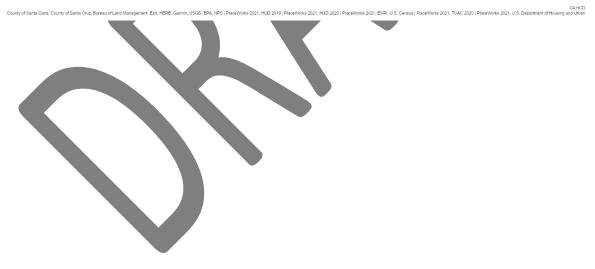




# Map 2: Subsidized Housing, Morgan Hill

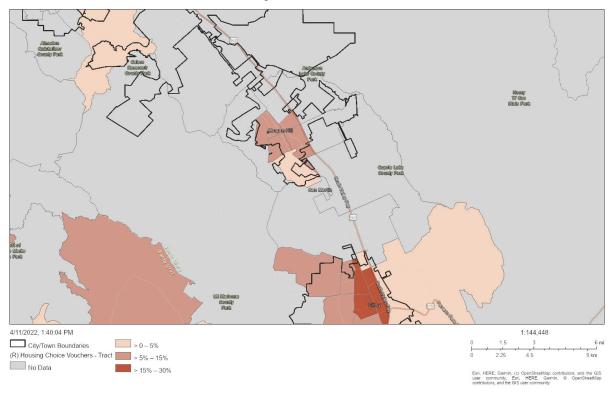
#### Subsidized Housing





Map 3: Housing Choice Voucher Concentration, Morgan Hill

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In Morgan Hill, hard units of publicly supported are concentrated in the center of the city. There are zero hard units east of the South Valley Freeway (Highway 101). The same holds true of HCV holders. HCV holders are also concentrated in the center of the city and zero HCV holders east of the south valley freeway (Highway 101).

i. Describe patterns in the geographic location for publicly supported housing that primarily serves families with children, elderly persons, or persons with disabilities in relation to previously discussed segregated areas or R/ECAPs in the jurisdiction and region.

There are no R/ECAPs in Morgan Hill.

ii. How does the demographic composition of occupants of publicly supported housing in R/ECAPS compare to the demographic composition of occupants of publicly supported housing outside of R/ECAPs in the jurisdiction and region?

Table 3: Publicly Supported Housing Demographics by R/ECAP and Non R/ECAP Tracts

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	Total #				% Asian	%			
	units				or	Families			
	(occupied	%	%	%	Pacific	with	%	% with a	
Jurisdiction	)	White	Black	Hispanic	Islander	children	Elderly	disability	



Public								
Housing								
R/ECAP		N/A						
tracts	N/A							
Non R/ECAP		N/A						
tracts	N/A							
Project-								
based								
Section 8								
R/ECAP	N/A							
tracts								
Non-R/ECAP								
tracts	29	18%	7%	64%	11%	18%	79%	7%
Other								
Multifamily								
R/ECAP	N/A							
tracts								
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Non R/ECAP								
tracts	336	24%	8%	62%	5%	42%	36%	19%

i. Do any developments of public housing, properties converted under the RAD, and LIHTC developments have a significantly different demographic composition, in terms of protected class, than other developments of the same category for the jurisdiction? Describe how these developments differ.

Table 4: Publicly Supported Housing Demographics

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Project-Based Section 8										
Jurisdiction										
# Units Whit e Black Hispani Asia s w Child										
Park Place		10	*4	*	*	*	*			
Sycamore Glen		20	32%	0%	52%	16%	0%			

In Morgan Hill, the Park Place housing development, which is a Project-Based Section 8 housing, is much more White than other Project-Based Section 8 housing in the city. Hispanic households make up the majority of Project-Based Section 8 households throughout the city. The Sycamore Glen housing development, which is also Project-Based Section 8 housing, has a higher percentage of White and Asian or Pacific Islander households when compared to other Project-Based Section 8 housing in the city. Conversely, Black and Hispanic households are underrepresented in Sycamore Glen when compared to Project-Based Section 8 housing

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Data suppressed because of small number of units.

throughout the city. Data regarding the occupancy of Park Place is suppressed due to the small number of units, but it can be inferred that a higher percentage of residents are Black or Hispanic than at Sycamore Glen. This is the case because there are just two Project-Based Section 8 developments in the city, so Park Place, by necessity, must comprise the units that make of the remainder of the citywide aggregate figures for the program after Sycamore Glen is considered.

i. Provide additional relevant information, if any, about occupancy, by protected class, in other types of publicly supported housing for the jurisdiction and region.

Demographic information about LIHTC housing in Morgan Hill is not available though it is likely that a greater proportion of such housing is available to families with children than is true for Project-Based Section 8 and Other Multifamily housing.

Additionally, in 2021, Morgan Hill updated its Inclusionary Housing Ordinance which requires that any new housing development of two or more units reserve at least 10% or 15% (depending on location) of units for occupancy by very low, low, and moderate-income households. The updated ordinance also clarifies whether ownership or rental units are required based on income levels. The City currently has a balance of \$5,712,128.73 in in-lieu fees and of \$4,315,833.75 redevelopment successor agency funds. Such financial resources are essential for efforts to create extremely low-income units, which typically cannot be produced through cross-subsidization in inclusionary developments alone.

i. Compare the demographics of occupants of developments in the jurisdiction, for each category of publicly supported housing (public housing, project-based Section 8, Other Multifamily Assisted developments, properties converted under RAD, and LIHTC) to the demographic composition of the areas in which they are located. For the jurisdiction, describe whether developments that are primarily occupied by one race/ethnicity are located in areas occupied largely by the same race/ethnicity. Describe any differences for housing that primarily serves families with children, elderly persons, or persons with disabilities.

Table 5: Publicly Supported Housing Demographics and Surrounding Census Tract Demographics

Prog ram Type	Proje ct Name	Uni ts in Pro ject	Pr op ert y W hit e (%	Pro pert y Blac k (%)	Pr op ert y Hi sp ani c (%	Pro per ty Asi an (%)	Hous ehold s with child ren in the devel opme nt	Cen sus Trac t Num ber	Trac t Whit e %	Tra ct Bla ck (%)	Trac t His pani c (%)	Tra ct Asi an (%)	Cen sus Trac t Pov erty Rate
PBR	Park	10	-	-	-	-	-	5123	29.7	3.6	52.7	10.	9.0
Α	Place							.13	%	%	%	7%	%
PBR	Syca	20	32	0%	52	16	0%	5123	29.7	3.6	52.7	10.	9.0
Α	more		%		%	%		.13	%	%	%	7%	%
	Glen												



It is likely that the Park Place housing development is located in a census tract that is less White than the housing development. The census tract has more Black, Hispanic and Asian or Pacific Islander households than the Park Place housing development likely has.

The Sycamore Glen housing development is located in a census tract that is less White and Asian or Pacific Islander than the housing development. Sycamore Glen also has a lower percentage of Black households than the census tract in which it is located. The percentages of Hispanic households are similar between the Sycamore Glen development and its census tract.

#### c. Disparities in Access to Opportunity

i. Describe any disparities in access to opportunity for residents of publicly supported housing in the jurisdiction and region, including within different program categories (public housing, project-based Section 8, Other Multifamily Assisted Developments, HCV, and LIHTC) and between types (housing primarily serving families with children, elderly persons, and persons with disabilities) of publicly supported housing.

Overall, publicly supported housing in Morgan Hill is concentrated in the center of the city. There is little to no publicly supported housing in the eastern portion of the city. The eastern portion of Morgan Hill has the greatest access to proficient schools. The center portion of the city has low access to proficient schools. Therefore, in Morgan Hill, households living in publicly supported housing are more likely to live in areas with lower access to proficient schools.

# Contributing Factors of Publicly Supported Housing Location and Occupancy

Consider the listed factors and any other factors affecting the jurisdiction and region. Identify factors that significantly create, contribute to, perpetuate, or increase the severity of fair housing issues related to publicly supported housing, including Segregation, R/ECAPs, Disparities in Access to Opportunity, and Disproportionate Housing Needs. For each contributing factor that is significant, note which fair housing issue(s) the selected contributing factor relates to.

# Please see the Appendix for the following Contributing Factors to Publicly Supported Housing Location and Occupancy:

- Admissions and occupancy policies and procedures, including preferences in publicly supported housing
- Community opposition
- Displacement of residents due to economic pressures
- Displacement of and/or lack of housing support for victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking
- Impediments to mobility
- Lack of access to opportunity due to high housing costs
- Lack of meaningful language access for individuals with limited English proficiency
- Lack of local or regional cooperation
- Lack of private investment in specific neighborhoods
- Lack of public investment in specific neighborhoods, including services and amenities
- Land use and zoning laws
- Loss of affordable housing

- Occupancy codes and restrictions
- Quality of affordable housing information programs
- Siting selection policies, practices, and decisions for publicly supported housing, including discretionary aspects of Qualified Allocation Plans and other programs
- Source of income discrimination





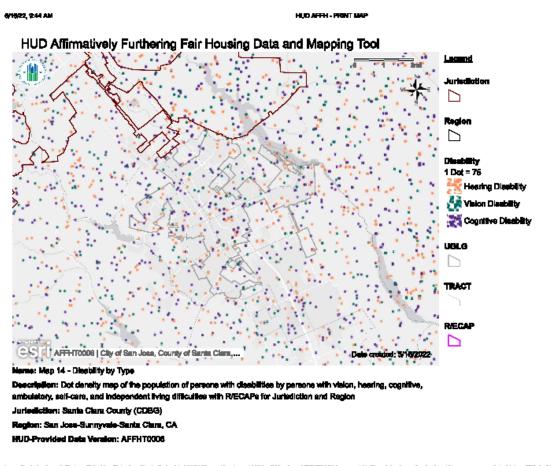
## d. Disability and Access Analysis

In 1988, Congress extended the Fair Housing Act's protections against housing discrimination to people with disabilities. In addition to protection against intentional discrimination and unjustified policies that have disproportionate effects, the Fair Housing Act includes three provisions that are unique to persons with disabilities. First, the Fair Housing Act prohibits the denial of requests for reasonable accommodations for persons with disabilities if said accommodations are necessary to afford an individual equal opportunity to use and enjoy a dwelling. Reasonable accommodations are departures from facially neutral policies and are generally available, so long as granting the accommodation request would not place an undue burden on the party providing the accommodation or result in a direct threat to the health or safety of others. Permitting an individual with an anxiety disorder to have a dog in their rental unit as an emotional support animal despite a broad "no pets" policy is an example of a reasonable accommodation. Second, the Act also prohibits the denial of reasonable modification requests. Modifications involve physical alterations to a unit, such as the construction of a ramp or the widening of a door frame, and must be paid for by the person requesting the accommodation unless the unit receives federal financial assistance and is subject to Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act. Lastly, the design and construction provision of the Fair Housing Act requires most multi-family housing constructed since 1991 to have certain accessibility features. This section of the Assessment looks at the housing barriers faced by persons with disabilities, including those that result in the segregation of persons with disabilities in institutions and other congregate settings.

#### 1. Population Profile



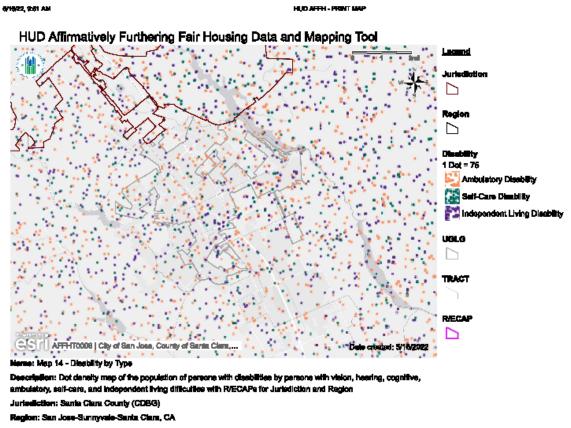
Map 1: Disability by Type (Hearing, Vision, Cognitive), Morgan Hill



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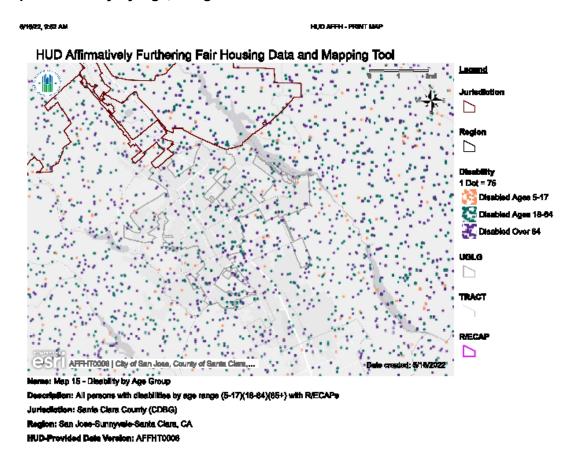


Map 2: Disability by Type (Ambulatory, Self-Care, Independent), Morgan Hill



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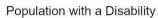
Map 3: Disability by Age, Morgan Hill

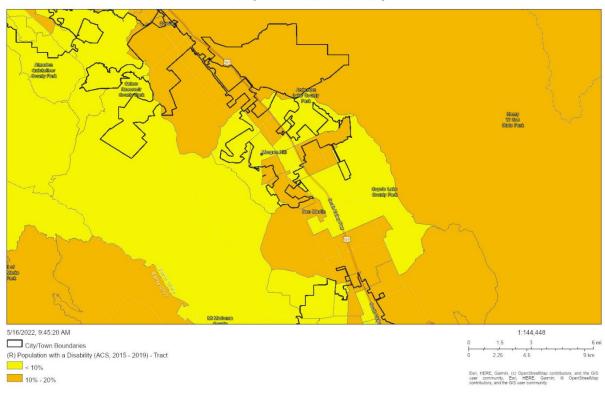


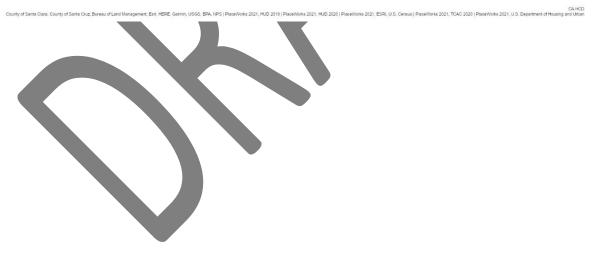




# Map 4: Population with a Disability, Morgan Hill







**Table 1: Disability by Type, Morgan Hill** 

Disability Type	#	%
Hearing Difficulty	1,282	2.9%
Vision Difficulty	725	1.6%
Cognitive Difficulty	1,509	3.6%
Ambulatory Difficulty	1,881	4.5%
Self-Care Difficulty	885	2.1%
Independent Living Difficulty	1,381	4.2%

1.a. How are people with disabilities geographically dispersed or concentrated in the jurisdiction and region, including R/ECAPs and other segregated areas identified in previous sections?

## **ACS Disability Information**

Morgan Hill has a moderate proportion of residents with disabilities. According to the 2019 American Community Survey (ACS) 5-Year Estimate, roughly 4,033 residents of Morgan Hill have disabilities—9.1% of the total population.<sup>5</sup> Of the non-institutionalized residents, 1,881 have ambulatory difficulties<sup>6</sup>; 1,282 have hearing difficulties, 1,381 have independent living difficulties, 1,509 have cognitive difficulties; 885 have self-care difficulties, and 725 have vision difficulties.<sup>7</sup>

Of the total population of people with disabilities, 106 individuals or approximately 2.6 percent of people with disabilities in Morgan Hill between the age of 20 to 64 have incomes below the poverty line, by contrast, 852 individuals below the poverty line do not have a disability. Median earnings for people without disabilities in Morgan Hill is \$58,721, while it is only \$34,700 for people with disabilities. This disparity in income between individuals with or without a disability means that individuals without a disability have median earnings that are \$20,000 dollars more than those with a disability. The economic gap for people with disabilities is likely even greater in reality, as the data does not include institutionalized individuals. There is not census data categorized by disability type for individuals living below the poverty line in Morgan Hill, so it is difficult to ascertain how many residents are in need of accessible and affordable units. Furthermore, the data does

 $<sup>^5</sup> https://data.census.gov/cedsci/table?q=morgan\%20 hill\&t=Disability\&tid=ACSST5Y2019.S1810$ 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> The definition of ambulatory disabilities is "having serious difficulty walking or climbing stairs." People with ambulatory disabilities may not need a fully accessible unit, particularly if they do not use wheelchairs. They may require a unit on the ground floor or in an elevator building, perhaps with some architectural modifications. Therefore, ambulatory disabilities is not a perfect indicator of the number of accessible mobility units needed since some people with ambulatory disabilities do not necessarily move to a wheelchair.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> https://data.census.gov/cedsci/table?q=morgan%20hill&t=Disability&tid=ACSST5Y2019.S1810

<sup>8</sup>https://data.census.gov/cedsci/table?q=Morgan%20Hill,%20California%20Income%20and%20Poverty&t=Disability&tid=ACSDT5Y2020.B23024

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup>https://data.census.gov/cedsci/table?q=Morgan%20Hill,%20California%20Income%20and%20Poverty&t=Disability



not indicate how much overlap there is between these categories, nor does the data say how many of those individuals need accessible units.<sup>10</sup>

#### **Geographic Concentration and Patterns**

People with disabilities in Morgan Hill are relatively evenly dispersed throughout the city but more individuals with hearing or cognitive difficulties tend to be concentrated in two census tracts: 5123.14 and 5123.09, while individuals with ambulatory and independent living difficulties are more concentrated in the central and western portions of the city with some residents dispersed throughout the eastside, however, very few residents with these types of disabilities live near the central corridor. No R/ECAPs are displayed on the map of Morgan Hill.

# 1.b. Describe whether these geographic patterns vary for people with each type of disability or for people with disabilities in different age ranges for the jurisdiction and region.

Individuals with ambulatory disabilities are most numerous but are dispersed relatively evenly throughout the city. All categories of disabilities become more prevalent as individuals age, with the number of people in the region 65 and over (4,001) with a disability outnumbering the amount of people under 65 (2,265) with a disability. People above 65 with disabilities are also relatively evenly distributed throughout the city. In terms of age, individuals between the age of 18 to 64 are mostly concentrated in the norther side of the City, individuals over 64 tend to be clustered in the central and western portions of the city and the few individuals below the age of 18 appear to be scattered throughout in no discernible pattern.

## 2. Housing Accessibility

# 2.a. Describe whether the jurisdiction and region have sufficient affordable, accessible housing in a range of unit sizes.

# **Accessibility Requirement for Federally-Funded Housing**

HUD's implementation of Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (24 CFR Part 8) requires that publicly supported federal housing developments make 1) five percent (5%) of total units accessible to individuals with mobility impairments and 2) an additional two percent (2%) of total units accessible to individuals with sensory disabilities. It requires that each property, including site and common areas, meet the Federal Uniform Accessibility Standards (UFAS) or HUD's Alternative Accessibility Standard. Public Housing and Project-Based Section 8 units are both considered to be Publicly Supported Housing subject to its mandate.

In Morgan Hill, there are 0 public housing units and 30 Project-Based Section 8 units, all of which are subject to Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act. As of 2020, 7% of residents living in Project-Based Section 8 units in Morgan Hill are persons with disabilities, but it is unknown how many of the Project-Based Section 8 units are accessible or what portion of the 7% require accessible units. It is also possible that more than 7% of Project-Based Section 8 residents have disabilities but that there is an undercount because publicly supported housing developments often classify residents as elderly or as having a disability but not as both. This occurs even though elderly individuals are more likely to have disabilities than the broader population. Assuming that each of

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> 24 CFR § 8.22 (b).

Morgan Hill's two Project-Based Section 8 developments has the number of accessible units required by Section 504, there would be two units accessible to individuals with mobility disabilities and two units accessible to individuals with sensory disabilities in the city – one of each type of accessible unit in each development.

#### Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) Units

According to data from HUD's LIHTC database, there are 1,009 low-income units in LIHTC-financed developments in Morgan Hill.

The question of whether Section 504 or Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act applies to LIHTC developments has not been resolved by the courts. 12 However, in 2015, the California Tax Credit Allocation Committee (CTCAC) issued guidance stating that the California Building Code (CBC) for public housing (Chapter 11B) accessibility requirements also apply to LIHTC developments. Chapter 11B is the California equivalent of the 2010 ADA Standards. Section 1.9.1.2.1. of the CBC states that the accessibility requirements apply to "any building, structure, facility, complex . . . used by the general public." Facilities made available to the public, include privately owned buildings. CTCAC has even increased the ADA's required number of units: 10% of total units in a LIHTC development must be accessible to people with mobility disabilities and 4% must be accessible to people with sensory (hearing/vision) disabilities. All but one of Morgan Hill's LIHTC developments predate these requirements, so it is difficult to say if any units are fully accessible for building constructed prior to 2015 (though all of the city's LIHTC developments were subject to the Fair Housing Act's less extensive design and construction standards at the time of construction). The only site post-dating this law is the Morgan Hill Family-Scattered Site newly constructed in 2018 which offer four bedrooms accessible to individuals with mobility impairments and one unit for individuals with sensory impairments.

Also, effective 2015, CTCAC requires that 50% of total units in a new construction project and 25% of all units in a rehabilitation project located on an accessible path be mobility accessible units in accordance with CBC Chapter 11B. CTAC also provides incentives for developers to include additional accessible units through its Qualified Allocation Plan. Morgan Hill does not have readily available information on new construction or rehabilitation projects on accessible paths, so there is some uncertainty in calculating a definitive number of units.

# **Housing Choice Vouchers**

Housing Choice Vouchers make otherwise unaffordable housing in the private market, which may or may not be accessible, available to low-income people, including those with disabilities. There are 336 Housing Choice Vouchers in use in Morgan Hill. Of this total, 19% of individuals in households with vouchers are people with disabilities. However, this does not represent a proxy for actual accessible units, as it is not certain that the 19% of tenants with disabilities actually live in accessible units within the publicly supported housing. Unless another source of federal financial assistance is present, units assisted with Housing Choice Vouchers are not subject to Section 504. Of course, participating landlords remain subject to the Fair Housing Act's duty to provide reasonable accommodations and to allow tenants to make reasonable modifications at their own expense. Even assuming that all 19% of people with disabilities using vouchers have

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> Title II of the ADA prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability in all service, programs, and activities provided to the public by non-federal governmental entities except transportation services. The 2010 ADA Standards (ADAS) differ from Section 504 in some respects but essentially, they contain the same types of requirements including the requirement for 5% mobility units and 2% hearing/vision units.



accessible units, which is almost certainly an overestimation, the absolute number of accessible units is 64.

#### **Fair Housing Amendments Act Units**

The Fair Housing Amendments Act of 1988 (FHAA) covers all multifamily buildings of four or more units that were first occupied on or after March 13, 1991 – not just affordable housing developments. The FHAA added protections for people with disabilities and prescribed certain basic accessibility standards, such as having at least one building entrance that is accessible; an accessible route throughout the development; and public rooms and common rooms that are accessible. 42 U.S.C.§ 3604(f)(3)(c). Although these accessibility requirements are not as extensive as those of Section 504, they were an important first step in making many apartment developments accessible to people with disabilities. Given its broad application to housing, regardless of federal funding, the FHAA has benefited many middle-income and upper-income people with disabilities who also need accessible housing. Notwithstanding the fact that units subject to the FHAA are not fully accessible, these units are an important source of housing for people with disabilities.

In Morgan Hill, there are 580 units in structures with five or more units that have been built from 2000 to the present and a further 596 built from 1980 through 1999. Because the FHAA does not mandate a certain number of accessible units like Section 504 or ADA Title II, it cannot be utilized as a proxy for the number of accessible housing units available. Additionally, it is not possible to determine the number of units in structures with exactly four units built from 1991 to the present as the American Community Survey reports individual units in four-unit structures in a combined category with duplexes and triplexes.

## Accessible Units for Families with Children.

Unfortunately, data breaking down the number of private affordable, accessible units by number of bedrooms is not available. For Publicly Supported Housing, most (64%) of Project-Based Section 8 units are studios or one-bedroom units while 36% have three or more units. This suggests that one of the two developments in the city is oriented towards seniors while the other is family-occupancy. For Housing Choice Vouchers, there is a more even distribution of unit sizes for families, as 29% of HCVs holders live in studio or one-bedroom units, while 37% live in two-bedroom units, and 34% live in units with three or more bedrooms.

Table 2, Publicly Supported Housing by Units and Households with Children

	Households in 0-1 Bedroom Units	Households in 2 Bedroom Units	Households in 3+ Bedroom Units	Households with Children
Housing Type	%	%	%	%
Public Housing	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/a
Project-Based Section 8	64%	0%	36%	18%
Other Multifamily	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

<b>HCV Program</b>	29%	37%	34%	42%

#### Summary

The supply of affordable, accessible units in Morgan Hill is insufficient to meet the need. In the city, some 1,282 residents have a hearing difficulty, 725 residents have a vision difficulty, and 1,881 residents have an ambulatory difficulty, potentially requiring the use of accessible units. Assuming full compliance with federal law and regulations, the only accessible units that can be confirmed with certainty are the four Section 8 units subject to Section 504's requirements and the 5 LIHTC units mandated by its California regulatory equivalent.

2.b. Describe the areas where affordable, accessible housing units are located in the jurisdiction and region. Do they align with R/ECAPs or other areas that are segregated?

Affordable, accessible housing is mostly concentrated in neighborhoods adjacent to Monterey Road. This area has the highest percentage of voucher holders and LIHTC developments. Morgan Hill does not have any R/ECAPS, however, there is a large concentration of Hispanic residents living in the same area where voucher holders are present in higher numbers.

2.c. To what extent are people with different disabilities able to access and live in the different categories of publicly supported housing in the jurisdiction and region?

Table 3: Disability by Publicly Supported Housing Program Category

	People with a Disability
Morgan Hill	%
Public Housing	N/A
Project-Based Section 8	7%
Other Multifamily	N/A
HCV Program	19%

The American Community Survey does not facilitate the disaggregation of the population of people with disabilities by income, so it is impossible to determine what percentage of households that are income-eligible for Publicly Supported Housing include one or more people with disabilities. As the table above reflects, the portion of people with disabilities appears to be over-represented in HCVs and underrepresented at project-based-voucher properties.

3. Integration of People with Disabilities Living in Institutions and Other Segregated Settings



# 3.a. To what extent do people with disabilities in or from the jurisdiction or region reside in segregated or integrated settings?

Up until a wave of policy reforms and court decisions in the 1960s and 1970s, states, including California, primarily housed people with intellectual and developmental disabilities and individuals with psychiatric disabilities in large state-run institutions. In California, institutions for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities are called developmental centers, and institutions for people with psychiatric disabilities are called state hospitals. Within these institutions, people with disabilities have had few opportunities for meaningful interaction with individuals without disabilities, limited access to education and employment, and a lack of individual autonomy.

The transition away from housing people with disabilities in institutional settings and toward providing housing and services in home and community-based settings accelerated with the passage of the Americans with Disabilities Act in 1991 and the U.S. Supreme Court's landmark decision in *Olmstead v. L.C.* in 1999. In *Olmstead*, the Supreme Court held that, under the regulations of the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) implementing Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), if a state or local government provides supportive services to people with disabilities, it must do so in the most integrated setting appropriate to the needs of a person with a disability and consistent with their informed choice. This obligation is not absolute and is subject to the ADA defense that providing services in a more integrated setting would constitute a fundamental alteration of the state or local government's programs.

The transition from widespread institutionalization to community integration has not always been linear, and concepts of what comprises a home and community-based setting have evolved over time. Although it is clear that developmental centers and state hospitals are segregated settings and that an individual's own house or apartment in a development where the vast majority of residents are individuals without disabilities is an integrated setting, significant ambiguities remain. Nursing homes and intermediate care facilities are clearly segregated though not to the same degree as state institutions. Group homes fall somewhere between truly integrated supported housing and such segregated settings, and the degree of integration present in group homes often corresponds to their size.

Below, this assessment includes detailed information about the degree to which people with intellectual and developmental disabilities and individuals with psychiatric disabilities reside in integrated or segregated settings. The selection of these two areas of focus does not mean that people with other types of disabilities are never subject to segregation. Although the State of California did not operate analogous institutions on the same scale for people with ambulatory or sensory disabilities, for example, many people with disabilities of varying types face segregation in nursing homes. Data concerning people with various disabilities residing in nursing homes is not as available as data relating specifically to people with intellectual and developmental disabilities and people with psychiatric disabilities.

Table 4: Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities, Performance of Tri-Counties Regional Center, December 2018

Reports consumers live in	More children live with families home setting	Fewer children live in large s facilities (more	Fewer adults live in large facilities (more
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				than 6 people)	than 6 people)
State Average	0.21%	99.32%	79.61%	0.04%	2.47%
San Andreas Regional Center	0.04%	98.95%	78.32%	0.04%	1.58%

In California, a system of regional centers is responsible for coordinating the delivery of supportive services primarily to individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities. The regional centers serve individuals with intellectual disabilities, individuals with autism spectrum disorder, individuals with epilepsy, and cerebral palsy. These disabilities may be co-occurring. Although there is some variation from regional center to regional center, individuals with intellectual disabilities and individuals with autism spectrum disorder predominate among consumers. All data regarding the regional centers is drawn from their annual performance reports.

In the region, there is one regional center – the San Andreas Regional Center – that serves all of Santa Clara County and San Benito County, as well as Monterey and Santa Cruz Counties just to the south and southwest of the region. Unfortunately, the San Andreas Regional Center does not disaggregate its publicly reported data by county or city to allow a Santa Clara County-specific or city-specific analysis. Nonetheless, since Santa Clara County is significantly larger than the other three counties combined, most of what is reflected in data from the San Andreas Regional Center reflects conditions in Santa Clara County, though Morgan Hill is not representative of Santa Clara county as a whole.

On an annual basis, these regional centers report to the California Department of Developmental Services on their performance in relation to benchmarks for achieving community integration of persons with intellectual and developmental disabilities. As reflected in the table above, the San Andreas Regional Center simultaneously has lower rates of persons with developmental disabilities living in institutional settings but also lower rates of persons with developmental disabilities living in home or family-based settings than statewide. In some cases, disparities between the San Andreas Regional Center and the state are very small and may not support an inference that structural factors are playing a particularly acute role in perpetuating the segregation of persons with intellectual and developmental disabilities in the region.

California is in the process of closing all development centers to transition these residents into the community. At the end of 2018, the California Department of Developmental Services closed the Sonoma Developmental Center, which was the last remaining large, state-run institution for persons with developmental disabilities in the Bay Area. Porterville Developmental Center, located in the Central Valley, is the closest remaining institution to Morgan Hill. The facility was scheduled to close by the end of 2021 but remains open with no new closure date announced. As of November 2019, there were between 1 and 10 individuals from the area served by the San Andreas Regional Center residing in developmental centers like the Porterville Developmental Center.

The San Andreas Regional Center reports the number of individuals served by type of setting by race or ethnicity. The categories included are Home, Residential, ILS/SLS, Institutions, Med/Rehab/Psych, and Other. The category of Home includes the home of a parent or guardian,



a foster home for children, and a family home for adults. The category of Residential includes community care facilities and intermediate care facilities (ICFs) and continuous nursing. The category of ILS/SLS solely includes independent living and supported living. Institutions include developmental centers, state hospitals, and correctional institutions. The category of Med/Rehab/Psych includes skilled nursing facilities, psychiatric treatment facilities, rehabilitation centers, sub-acute care, and community treatment facilities. The Other category includes individuals who are homeless as well as individuals who do not fall into any category (and one individual living outside of California). In general, Home and ILS/SLS settings are the most integrated, and Institutions and Med/Rehab/Psych are the most segregated. Residential settings fall somewhere in between with community care facilities being more integrated than ICFs within the category. Clearly, homelessness is not consistent with meaningful community integration. The table below reflects the percentage of individuals with intellectual or developmental disabilities served in each type of setting.

Table 5 - Type of Setting by Race or Ethnicity, San Andreas Regional Center, 2018-2019

Type of Setting	Total Served	% Non- Hispanic White	% Black	% Asian or Pacific Islander	% Hispanic	% Other or Multi- Racial
Home	17,265	20.7%	1.6%	21.1%	42.7%	13.1%
Residential	1,859	59.0%	3.8%	11.3%	19.3%	6.2%
ILS/SLS	1,229	62.2%	4.8%	6.5%	20.6%	5.6%
Institutions	20	25.0%	5.0%	20.0%	35.0%	15.0%
Med/Rehab/Psyc h	81	40.7%	3.7%	18.5%	28.4%	7.4%
Other	65	40.0%	9.2%	4.6%	33.8%	12.3%

In the service area of the San Andreas Regional Center, Asian or Pacific Islander residents appear to be underrepresented in the population receiving services for intellectual and developmental disabilities. With respect to individual types of settings, Hispanic residents are most likely to reside in home-based settings while White residents have the greatest access to independent living and supported living environments. Black residents are overrepresented in Institutions and Other, which includes homelessness. This data suggests that, for Black individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities, the effects of mass incarceration on their prospects for integration may be compounded by both race and disability status. The high representation of Hispanic residents in home-based settings and their low concentration in independent living and supported living settings may suggest a need for planning around helping adults with developmental disabilities who are living with their parents gain access to and transition to independent living when their parents are no longer able to serve as care providers.

Overall, this data shows that, within the County and the region, persons with intellectual and developmental disabilities are typically at least slightly less likely to be segregated in institutional settings than statewide. The data shows that a minority of adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities, in particular, reside in comparatively segregated, congregate settings. It is highly likely that not all persons with intellectual and developmental disabilities who would like to live in integrated settings in the County, the cities of Cupertino, Gilroy, Mountain View, Palo

Alto, San Jose, Santa Clara, and Sunnyvale, and the region have the opportunity to do so. The trend in Morgan Hill closely follows the pattern for the region as a whole with more individuals with developmental disabilities living in home settings versus institutionalized ones. Based on its latest Housing Element, Morgan Hill has 158 adult residents who live at home with a guardian, 43 adult residents living in licensed facilities, and 21 adult residents living in an apartment with supportive services. <sup>13</sup>

# **Psychiatric Disabilities**

Napa State Hospital is the primary large institution for individuals with psychiatric disabilities serving the part of California including Morgan Hill. As of November 2016, the facility had 1,267 patients, slightly over its official capacity of 1,255 beds. The hospital's website breaks down the patient population among four categories of admittees. 47% were committed by virtue of being found not guilty of a crime by reason of insanity. 30% were committed because they had been found incompetent to stand trial. 17% were civilly committed. Lastly, 6% were classified as mentally disordered offenders. Thus, a significant majority of individuals with psychiatric disabilities institutionalized within Northern California reside in institutions because of contact with the criminal justice.

The Department of State Hospitals does not disaggregate publicly available data about patients by county of origin nor does it disaggregate detailed demographic data about patients by hospital. Nonetheless, some system-wide information is useful. Across California, those institutionalized in state hospitals are disproportionally male (87%), Black (25%), and have low levels of educational attainment (79% lack a high school diploma). This data is consistent with the fact that the criminal justice system is the primary gateway into the state hospital system. 4.3% of all residents of state hospitals and participants in jail-based mental health treatment statewide are from Santa Clara County. The most common diagnosis for patients (40%) is schizophrenia followed by schizoaffective disorder (24%). Interventions, like those offered through the Santa Clara County Behavioral Health Services' Criminal Justice Services program, that target non-punitive services to children and transition-age youth in overpoliced, disproportionately Hispanic and Black communities in the County could advance efforts to reduce the institutionalization of persons with psychiatric disabilities in state hospitals, jails, and prisons.

Santa Clara County Behavioral Health Services is responsible for coordinating the provision of supportive services for persons with psychiatric disabilities in Santa Clara County, including Morgan Hill. The only facility in Morgan Hill that provides residential psychiatric services is Community Solutions La Casa Del Puente Treatment Center, there are also facilities nearby in San Jose and Santa Cruz. Gradually phasing out the use of these inpatient settings and reducing their scale while increasing the availability of supportive housing, with intensive services and supports if needed and chosen by the patient, would increase the integration of persons with psychiatric disabilities in Santa Clara County.

# 3.b. Describe the range of options for people with disabilities to access affordable housing and supportive services in the jurisdiction and region.

Morgan Hill does not have specific programs to assist people with disabilities in accessing housing. Through its partnership with Housekeys, the City administers the below market rate rental program to assist low-income individuals in becoming homeowners, which would

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<sup>13</sup> https://www.morgan-hill.ca.gov/DocumentCenter/View/40365/DRAFT-H1\_MH-HE Housing Needs Assessment?bidId=



theoretically help people with disabilities, given their on-average lower earnings. The City also partners with a number of organizations that help seniors obtain housing, who are more likely to have disabilities. The City also provides a database on its website that links to various low-income housing resources including a list of existing and planned affordable housing and supportive services throughout the City and region. <sup>14</sup>

In Santa Clara County, the primary source of affordable housing available to persons with disabilities consists of permanent supportive housing built with the assistance of Measure A bond funds. The County's Office of Supportive Housing has prioritized the use of Measure A funds for permanent supportive housing, specifically seeking developments in which at least 50% of units are permanent supportive housing through its notice of funding availability. Although early funded developments focused most heavily on meeting the housing needs of chronically homeless individuals with disabilities who frequently have psychiatric disabilities, the County's most recent notice of funding availability includes a set-aside of funds for development of permanent supportive housing for persons with developmental disabilities. One concern is that 50% is a higher concentration of persons with disabilities than is typically considered truly integrated when developing permanent supportive housing. Reducing that target to 25% would foster community integration while still yielding a large number of units. Still, the Measure A Bond have been somewhat successful in expanding affordable accessible housing with at least 1,690 units approved for construction to meet the needs of the chronically homeless and persons with disabilities and their families. <sup>15</sup>

Additionally, the Santa Clara County Housing Authority has multiple waiting list preferences that have the effect of increasing access to affordable housing for persons with disabilities. These include its Chronically Homeless Direct Referral Program, Special Needs Population Direct Referral Program, Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing Program, and Mainstream Voucher Program. These programs likely contribute to the higher levels of access that persons with disabilities have to the Housing Choice Voucher program in Santa Clara County and its cities than they do to other publicly supported housing programs.

Morgan Hill has been able to construct one building with supportive housing units and is planning to develop a second project through funding provided by Measure A bonds. <sup>16</sup> Opened since January 2020, the Crossings on Monterrey is an affordable housing development offering 39 affordable units, 20 of which are reserved for supportive housing needs. The other development, Royal Oak Village, will provide 71 units with 18 reserved for supportive housing at completion. The City also has several affordable housing developments targeting seniors including: Sycamore Glen, Horizons, Bella Terra Apartments, the Lodge at Morgan Hill, and the Huntington. Because seniors will often have disabilities as well, these developments also provide affordable housing for elderly residents with disabilities. <sup>17</sup>

#### 4. Disparities in Access to Opportunity

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> https://www.morgan-hill.ca.gov/DocumentCenter/View/19598/Housing-Resource-Guide-Updated-08-20-2021?bidId=

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> https://osh.sccgov.org/sites/g/files/exjcpb671/files/documents/Measure%20A%201-pager%202022%20-%20Final.pdf

<sup>16</sup> https://housingtoolkit.sccgov.org/tools/supportive-housing-map

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> https://www.morgan-hill.ca.gov/DocumentCenter/View/19598/Housing-Resource-Guide-Updated-08-20-2021?bidId=

# 4.a. To what extent are people with disabilities able to access the following in the jurisdiction and region? Identify major barriers faced concerning:

#### i. Government services and facilities

Morgan Hill's website does not provide information on its accessibility policies, except for stating its guarantee that its website itself is accessible and compliant with Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act. There does not appear to be information about filing a complaint or grievance related to disabilities. If the City has an ADA/504 coordinator, they have not made that information easily accessible. The City's zoning code does provide a procedure to request a reasonable accommodation in land use, zoning, and building regulations for individuals with a disability. Notice of an individual's right to request a reasonable accommodation will be posted in City Hall and forms to apply for one will also be available there.

# ii. Public infrastructure (e.g., sidewalks, pedestrian crossings, pedestrian signals)

Although the City does not have ordinances related to accessible public infrastructure requirements, it has passed several community development policies that touch upon this issue. First, recreational activities must be accessible to individuals with a disability.<sup>19</sup> Second, "all facilities shall comply with State and Federal accessibility codes and standards" including the Americans with Disability Act (ADA) and California Access Code (Title 24, California Code of Regulation).<sup>20</sup>

#### iii. Transportation

Morgan Hill is part of the regional Community Based Transportation Plan and recently conducted a study to identify the transportation needs of its residents with a particular focus on vulnerable communities. <sup>21</sup> One project designed to further transit access is the Morgan Hill Transit Center, a regional transportation hub in the southern part of Santa Clara County. Presently the site provides a designated area for individuals with disabilities to board the train and shaded waiting areas. Two accommodations that provide easier and safer access to transit. In its downtown area, the City plans to build several pedestrian improvements including more accessible sidewalks for residents. Additional transportation supports for individuals with disabilities are available through the VTA which provides paratransit services though those services can be expensive and time-consuming.

#### iv. Proficient schools and educational programs

The Morgan Hill Unified School District provides a range of disability services for residents up to the age of 22. Such programming includes "Individualized Education Planning," which is a plan designed to meet the individual needs of the student based on adequate assessment.<sup>22</sup> The District also offers an employment training program called the "Transition Partnership Program to students ranging from 14 to 22, that gives mentorship, general training, and job opportunities to program participants. Despite these available services, students with disabilities in Morgan Hill

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> Morgan Hill Muni. Code, § 18.118.010.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup> C.D. 18.a

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> C.D. 18.e

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> https://www.vta.org/sites/default/files/2021-05/Morgan%20Hill CBTP Report%20Final.pdf

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup> https://www.cde.ca.gov/sp/se/as/caselpas.asp



rank 15<sup>th</sup> out of 28 districts in math and reading comprehension with only 18% of these students deemed proficient in English and only 12% deemed proficient in math.<sup>23</sup>

#### v. Jobs

Data in Morgan Hill shows that for the most part very few individuals with disabilities are employed, comprising less than 3.4% of the total labor force. The data also shows that the median wage for these employees is also nearly 20,000 dollars less than for individuals without a disability. When compared to the County as a whole, there is a significant disparity in employment opportunities for individuals with disabilities in Morgan Hill with a notably lower percentage of residents actively employed. It is clear that people with disabilities face many barriers in obtaining employment. It should be noted that the table includes elderly individuals in the population assessed. That may make this data seem more dramatic than it truly is, but low levels of access to employment for people with disabilities nonetheless remain a problem.

Few job training programs are available locally in Morgan Hill, but there is a vocational services program called Social Vocational Services in San Jose that provides educational training and supports for those with cognitive impairments.<sup>25</sup>

Table 6: 2013-2017 ACS 5-year Estimates, civilian noninstitutionalized population with disabilities aged 16 and over, employment and disability

	% in Labor Force	% Employed
Santa Clara County	24.4%	21.4%
San Jose-Sunnyvale, Santa Clara, CA Region	24.5%	21.5%
Morgan Hill	3.6%	3.4%

The table below corroborates this trend, showing low levels of employment for persons with developmental disabilities who receive services through the San Andreas Regional Center. The San Andreas Regional Center appears to slightly lag statewide averages with respect to the percentage of individuals with earned income but part of that gap may result from a lower proportion of individuals working in segregated settings like sheltered workshops.

Table 7: 2016 Employment Metrics for Adults with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities, San Andreas Regional Center

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>23</sup> https://innovateschools.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/2017-Spotlight-on-Students-with-Disabilities-in-Schools-within-SJUSD.pdf

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>24</sup> https://data.census.gov/cedsci/table?q=Morgan%20Hill&t=Disability&tid=ACSDT5Y2020.C18120

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>25</sup> https://socialvocationalservices.org/

Regional Center	Percentage of Adults Earning Below Minimum Wage	Percentage of Consumers with Earned Income	Percentage of Adults with a Paid Job in a Community- Based Setting	Percentage of Adults with Integrated Employmen t As a Goal in Their Individual Program Plan	Percentage of Adults Current Unemploye d But Wanting a Job in the Community
State Average	57%	14.2%	13%	27%	45%
San Andreas Regional Center	54%	11.3%	13%	23%	45%

4.b. Describe the processes that exist in the jurisdiction and region for people with disabilities to request and obtain reasonable accommodations and accessibility modifications to address the barriers discussed above.

#### i. Government services and facilities

Morgan Hill's website includes readily identifiable accessibility pages that provide key information regarding website accessibility and the process for requests related to that subject.<sup>26</sup> The website does not have easily identifiable resources regarding how to submit a reasonable accommodation more broadly.

The code of ordinances does provide for a process for applying for a reasonable accommodation in regulations related to zoning and land use. In addition, the City's website provides information on how to request an accommodation for public hearings and meetings.

# ii. Public infrastructure (e.g., sidewalks, pedestrian crossings, pedestrian signals)

Morgan Hill does not have a readily identifiable online tool for requesting accessibility improvements, such as curb cuts.

#### iii. Transportation

The VTA, which serves Morgan Hill, has a clear, dedicated page that describes its reasonable accommodations process, though it is not specific to Morgan Hill. The VTA's policy appears to be consistent with legal requirements and best practices.

#### iv. Proficient schools and educational programs

Morgan Hill school district's website provides a wealth of information for parents and families in need of special education services. Not only does it provide information on how to access supportive services, the website also offers information on students' rights and the array of programs available to students in need of special supports. But no information is posted about

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>26</sup> https://www.morgan-hill.ca.gov/site/accessibility



how to request a reasonable accommodation or the districts' policies regarding the evaluation of requests. This leaves a gap with respect to students who simultaneously have disabilities, such as mobility impairments, but may not require ongoing special education services. School districts should add content describing their reasonable accommodation policies to their websites.

#### v. Jobs

It is generally very difficult to find information online regarding employers' reasonable accommodation policies and practices, but the ADA requires most private employers and all state and local entities to provide reasonable accommodations if the requester satisfies the legal conditions for an accommodation.

# 4.c. Describe any difficulties in achieving homeownership experienced by people with disabilities and by people with different types of disabilities in the jurisdiction and region.

The American Community Survey does not disaggregate disability status by housing tenure. Accordingly, it is not possible to precisely determine the homeownership rate for people with disabilities. Additionally, this Assessment did not reveal any local studies on homeownership among people with disabilities or lending discrimination against people with disabilities in Morgan Hill. Nationally, people with disabilities often face specific barriers in the mortgage lending process, including disparate treatment by mortgage brokers and failures to treat disability income as income. Despite the shortcomings in the California Fair Employment and Housing Act's source of income protections, as interpreted by the courts, that law unambiguously prohibits discrimination in mortgage lending on the basis of receipt of Supplemental Security Income or Social Security Disability Income. Thus, people with disabilities have more protection from lending discrimination in California than they do in many other states.

## Contributing Factors of Disability and Access

Consider the listed factors and any other factors affecting the jurisdiction and region. Identify factors that significantly create, contribute to, perpetuate, or increase the severity of fair housing issues related to disability and access, including Segregation, R/ECAPs, Disparities in Access to Opportunity, and Disproportionate Housing Needs. For each contributing factor that is significant, note which fair housing issue(s) the selected contributing factor relates to.

# Please see the Appendix for the following Contributing Factors to Disability and Access:

- Access for persons with disabilities to proficient schools
- Access to publicly supported housing for persons with disabilities
- Access to transportation for persons with disabilities
- Inaccessible public or private infrastructure
- Lack of access to opportunity due to high housing costs
- Lack of affordable, accessible housing in range of unit sizes
- Lack of affordable in-home or community-based supportive services;
- Lack of affordable, integrated housing for individuals who need supportive services
- Lack of assistance for transitioning from institutional settings to integrated housing:
- Lack of local or regional cooperation
- Land use and zoning laws
- Lending discrimination

- Location of accessible housing
- Loss of Affordable Housing
- Occupancy codes and restrictions
- Regulatory barriers to providing housing and supportive services for persons with disabilities
- Source of income discrimination
- State or local laws, policies, or practices that discourage or prohibit individuals with
- Disabilities from living in apartments, family homes, supportive housing, shared housing and other integrated settings





## e. Fair Housing Enforcement, Outreach Capacity and Resources

List and summarize any of the following that have not been resolved:

- A charge or letter of finding from HUD concerning a violation of a civil rights-related law;
- A cause determination from a substantially equivalent state or local fair housing agency concerning a violation of a state or local fair housing law;
- Any voluntary compliance agreements, conciliation agreements, or settlement agreements entered into with HUD or the Department of Justice;
- A letter of findings issued by or lawsuit filed or joined by the Department of Justice alleging a pattern or practice or systemic violation of a fair housing or civil rights law;
- A claim under the False Claims Act related to fair housing, nondiscrimination, or civil rights generally, including an alleged failure to affirmatively further fair housing;
- Pending administrative complaints or lawsuits against the locality alleging fair housing violations or discrimination.

Presently, no outstanding fair housing complaints are unresolved in Morgan Hill, however, California's Department of Housing and Community Development AFFH Mapping Tool indicates that 12 complaints were made since 2013.<sup>27</sup> Of the total complaints, three were for disability discrimination, two were for racial discrimination, and 1 was for familial status discrimination, but no violation was found for any of these 12 complaints.<sup>28</sup> Given the relatively small proportion of complaints made, fair housing discrimination is not a pronounced issue here, however, this data alone does not show whether violations occurred but only whether a complaint for the violation was made. Therefore, the information provided should be viewed with this consideration in mind.

Describe any state or local fair housing laws. What characteristics are protected under each law?

#### California Laws

The State Department of Fair Employment and Housing (DFEH) enforces California laws that provide protection and monetary relief to victims of unlawful housing practices. The Fair Employment and Housing Act (FEHA) (Government Code Section 12955 et seq.) prohibits discrimination and harassment in housing practices, including:

- Advertising
- Application and selection process
- Unlawful evictions
- Terms and conditions of tenancy
- Privileges of occupancy
- Mortgage loans and insurance
- Public and private land use practices
- Unlawful restrictive covenants

The following categories are protected by FEHA:

Race or color

- Ancestry or national origin
- Sex, including Gender, Gender Identity, and Gender Expression
- Marital status
- Source of income
- Sexual orientation
- Familial status (households with children under 18 years of age)
- Religion
- Mental/physical disability
- Medical condition
- Age
- Genetic information

Although an individual with a criminal record is not considered a protected class under the law, new protections are in place to prevent a per se ban on individuals with criminal records. In 2021, California's Housing and Community Development agency issued regulations regarding the use of criminal records in housing applications. The regulation forbids "any practice of a person that includes seeking information about, consideration of, or use of criminal history information" when it results in a discriminatory effect or constitutes intentional discrimination, or a discriminatory statement. 2 C.C.R. § 12265. It also prohibits a housing provider's use of blanket bans on tenants with criminal histories and instead, requires the provider to use a multi-factor test to evaluate the applicant. 2 C.C.R. § 12269(5). Additionally, arrests or charges that did not lead to a conviction cannot be used in this criminal history review. 2 C.C.R. § 12265(a-b).

In addition, FEHA contains similar reasonable accommodations, reasonable modifications, and accessibility provisions as the Federal Fair Housing Amendments Act. FEHA explicitly provides that violations can be proven through evidence of the unjustified disparate impact of challenged actions and inactions and establishes the burden-shifting framework that courts and the Department of Fair Employment and Housing must use in evaluating disparate impact claims.

The Unruh Civil Rights Act provides protection from discrimination by all business establishments in California, including housing and accommodations, because of age, ancestry, color, disability, national origin, race, religion, sex, and sexual orientation. While the Unruh Civil Rights Act specifically lists "sex, race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, disability, and medical condition" as protected classes, the California Supreme Court has held that protections under the Unruh Act are not necessarily restricted to these characteristics. In practice, this has meant that the law protects against arbitrary discrimination, including discrimination on the basis of personal appearance.

Furthermore, the Ralph Civil Rights Act (California Civil Code Section 51.7) forbids acts of violence or threats of violence because of a person's race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, age, disability, sex, sexual orientation, political affiliation, or position in a labor dispute. Hate violence can include: verbal or written threats; physical assault or attempted assault; and graffiti, vandalism, or property damage.

The Bane Civil Rights Act (California Civil Code Section 52.1) provides another layer of protection for fair housing choice by protecting all people in California from interference by force or threat of force with an individual's constitutional or statutory rights, including a right to equal access to



housing. The Bane Act also includes criminal penalties for hate crimes; however, convictions under the Act may not be imposed for speech alone unless that speech itself threatened violence.

Finally, California Civil Code Section 1940.3 prohibits landlords from questioning potential residents about their immigration or citizenship status. In addition, this law forbids local jurisdictions from passing laws that direct landlords to make inquiries about a person's citizenship or immigration status.

In addition to these acts, Government Code Sections 11135, 65008, and 65580-65589.8 prohibit discrimination in programs funded by the State and in any land use decisions. Specifically, changes to Sections 65580-65589.8 require local jurisdictions to address the provision of housing options for special needs groups, including:

- Housing for persons with disabilities (SB 520)
- Housing for homeless persons, including emergency shelters, transitional housing, and supportive housing (SB 2)
- Housing for extremely low income households, including single-room occupancy units (AB 2634)
- Housing for persons with developmental disabilities (SB 812)

Although the FEHA purports to protect against source of income discrimination, the provision has been largely toothless. In October of 2019, the governor of California signed into law SB 329, prohibiting discrimination in housing based on source of income statewide.

#### **Jurisdiction Ordinances**

The City has passed several ordinances to expand the supply of affordable housing. In 2016, the City passed the Below Market Rate law that implements a program to preserve and increase the construction of affordable housing. The ordinance imposes deed restrictions on owner-based and rental-based properties, identifies eligible participants, and sets out the procedures to register and monitor these units as well as an enforcement provision for violations of the law.<sup>29</sup> To supplement and strengthen this law, the City enacted its inclusionary zoning ordinance in 2018. The new law requires that any new housing development of two or more units reserve at least ten percent of units for occupancy by very low, low, and moderate-income households.<sup>30</sup> But like other jurisdictions, the City allows for alternative means of satisfying this mandate including the payment of in-lieu fees, the construction of housing off-site or the donation of land for the construction of affordable units. <sup>31</sup> The fees collected are exclusively earmarked for expenditures related to funding affordable housing.<sup>32</sup>

The City's existing zoning code also raised potential fair housing related concerns. Previously, the predominating challenge to the expansion of affordable housing in Morgan Hill was its Residential Development and Control Ordinance that limited housing growth and did not exempt affordable housing units from this residential growth cap.<sup>33</sup> But in 2020, the State of California passed Senate Bill 330 suspending local ordinances that restrict housing construction until 2030.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>29</sup> Morgan Hill Muni. Code, 14.12.10.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>30</sup> Morgan Hill Muni. Code, 14.04.010.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>31</sup> Morgan Hill Muni. Code, 14.08.010; 14.04.070.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>32</sup> Morgan Hill Muni. Code, 14.04.080.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>33</sup> Morgan Hill Muni. Code, 18.156.010.

Since this law is relatively new, the impact of it on local growth cannot be discerned presently. Moreover, currently, most of the City is zoned for single family homes, and very few districts offer multi-family housing to residents, and of the multi-family housing available, even fewer units are reserved for households in need of low-cost housing.<sup>34</sup> This is likely to have a disparate impact on communities of color, individuals on a fixed income such as persons with disabilities, and larger families who are low-income.

Similarly, the City restricts employee housing on agricultural land to "transient labor" meaning agricultural laborers who permanently reside in the area cannot rely on this housing source.<sup>35</sup> This is likely to indirectly lead to national origin discrimination because work related immigration status may impact one's own and one's family's access to housing.

The City does provide a reasonable accommodation provision in its zoning code that describes the process for requesting a modification of existing zoning standards.<sup>36</sup> This ordinance furthers Fair Housing goals.

Identify any local and regional agencies and organizations that provide fair housing information, outreach, and enforcement, including their capacity and the resources available to them.

Information about service and information providers in Morgan Hill is provided below. There appears to be a gap between the availability of these organizations' services and public awareness of them. Over half of respondents to a survey conducted by the City of Morgan Hill as part of the community engagement process for this Assessment reported not knowing where they could get help if they experienced housing discrimination, and, of those who said that they did know where to turn, very few referenced the service providers listed below by name.

#### Morgan Hills Housekeys

Housekeys Inc. is a private company hired by the City to administer its affordable housing program. Housekeys assists residents with affordable home ownership and rental and also educates and assists developers or other entities with the permitting and processing involved in the development of affordable housing. The entity does not provide advocacy related to fair housing but does post fair housing information on its website including several FAQs and Know Your Rights pamphlets.<sup>37</sup> Because Housekeys is the primary administrator for affordable housing but offers few supports for individuals concerned with fair housing issues, its range of services are inadequate to meet the fair housing needs of local residents.

#### **Project Sentinel**

Project Sentinel is the primary Fair Housing contact in Morgan Hill and is the sole entity identified on the City's website. It is a non-profit organization focused on assisting in housing discrimination matters, dispute resolution, and housing counseling. Project Sentinel 's housing practice assists individuals with housing problems such as discrimination, mortgage foreclosure and delinquency, rental issues including repairs, deposits, privacy, dispute resolution, home buyer education, post purchase education, and reverse mortgages. Additionally, their Fair Housing Center provides education and counseling to community members, housing providers, and tenants about fair

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>34</sup> Morgan Hill Zoning Map, <a href="https://www.morgan-hill.ca.gov/DocumentCenter/View/328/Zoning-Map">https://www.morgan-hill.ca.gov/DocumentCenter/View/328/Zoning-Map</a>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>35</sup> Morgan Hill Muni. Code, 18.124.020.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>36</sup> Morgan Hill Muni. Code, 18.118.010

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>37</sup> https://www.housekeys1.com/fair-housing-information



housing laws, and investigate complaints and advocate for those who have experienced housing discrimination. The City's website only identifies Project Sentinel as a resource for fair housing advocacy.

#### Bay Area Legal Aid

BALA represents low- and very low-income residents within their seven county service area, which includes Santa Clara County. Their housing practice provides legal assistance regarding public, subsidized (including Section 8 and other HUD subsidized projects) and private housing, fair housing and housing discrimination, housing conditions, rent control, eviction defense, lock-outs and utility shut-offs, residential hotels, and training advocates and community organizations. It's important to note that Legal Aid is restricted from representing undocumented clients.

#### Law Foundation of Silicon Valley

The Law Foundation of Silicon Valley provides free legal advice and representation to low-income individuals in Santa Clara County. In their housing practice, they assist with defending eviction lawsuits, housing discrimination issues such as reasonable accommodation requests for individuals with disabilities, enforcing the San Jose Tenant Protection Ordinance, legal outreach and support for renter organizing/campaigns, help with housing authority hearings, Section 8 and other low-income housing issues like terminations and eligibility determinations, legal advice and information to tenants regarding notices, and advice and information about foreclosure prevention.

# Senior Adults Legal Assistance

SALA is a nonprofit elder law office, providing free legal services to residents of Santa Clara County who are age 60 and older. SALA provides legal services across multiple, non-housing contexts, and in the housing context SALA provides legal assistance in landlord-tenant matters, subsidized/senior housing matters, and mobile home residency matters.

#### Asian Law Alliance

The Asian Law Alliance provides services at a free or low cost basis to Asian/Pacific and low income people, and offers services in Mandarin, Cantonese, Spanish, Vietnamese, Tagalog, Korean, and other languages as needed. In the housing realm, their mission is to ensure access to decent housing, and prevent and combat illegal and discriminatory housing practices.

#### Santa Clara County Self-Service Center/Family Law Facilitators Office

The Santa Clara County Self-Service Center is a program based out of San Jose that provides information on court procedures and referrals to organizations that can provide legal assistance in emergency circumstances including individuals facing eviction. The Center does not provide direct representation nor provide legal advice based on an individual plaintiff's case, however, it will assist a pro-se individual with filling out paper work and navigating the court system generally.

#### Department of Fair Employment and Housing

The California DFEH is a state agency dedicated to enforcing California's civil rights laws. Its mission targets unlawful discrimination in employment, housing and public accommodations, hate

violence, and human trafficking. Victims of discrimination can submit complaints directly to the department.

#### **Additional Information**

Provide additional relevant information, if any, about fair housing enforcement, outreach capacity, and resources in the jurisdiction and region.

This Assessment did not reveal any additional relevant information.

#### Contributing Factors of Fair Housing Enforcement

Consider the listed factors and any other factors affecting the jurisdiction and region. Identify factors that significantly create, contribute to, perpetuate, or increase the severity of fair housing issues related to fair housing enforcement, including Segregation, R/ECAPs, Disparities in Access to Opportunity, and Disproportionate Housing Needs. For each contributing factor that is significant, note which fair housing issue(s) the selected contributing factor relates to.

# Please see the Appendix for the following Contributing Factors to Fair Housing Enforcement, Outreach and Resources:

- Lack of local private fair housing outreach and enforcement
- Lack of local public fair housing enforcement
- Lack of resources for fair housing agencies and organizations
- Lack of state or local fair housing laws
- Unresolved violations of fair housing or civil rights law
- Other



# 5.4 Fair Housing Goals and Priorities

I. Increase Affordable Housing Opportunities for Protected Class Members in Eastern Morgan Hill.

Although Morgan Hill is a relatively integrated city, affordable housing is not evenly distributed throughout it, with the city's large number of Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) units clustered in or near downtown Morgan Hill. The downtown portions of Morgan Hill tend to have higher concentrations of Hispanic residents and relatively lower access to proficient schools than do areas to the east. Additionally, an outsized share of undeveloped land that is within the City's sphere of influence is in the eastern part of the city or in neighboring unincorporated areas. As these areas are likely to see significant market-rate development, ensuring the availability of affordable housing in these areas will help ensure inclusion and access to opportunity.

a. Identify opportunities and sites for affordable housing development in eastern Morgan Hill.

Although the City of Morgan Hill has sufficient permitted development in its pipeline to ensure that it does not need to identify additional sites to meet its RHNA targets, identifying sites in eastern Morgan Hill would advance the goal of fostering greater integration and ensure a steady supply of affordable housing in the future. Additionally, identifying sites for affordable housing in eastern Morgan Hill now for purposes of the City's next Housing Element could increase the likelihood of 100% affordable housing developments and units for extremely low-income households created separately from affordable housing created through mandatory inclusionary housing. Prioritize the housing subsidies in eastern Morgan Hill to achieve affordability set-asides and depth of affordability exceeding the requirements of the Inclusionary Housing Ordinance.

For developments that are in the pipeline but for which the final mix of affordability levels is not yet determined, the City should prioritize making funds available to developments in eastern Morgan Hill where a higher percentage of affordable units and units affordable at lower income levels would help foster greater integration and access to proficient schools.

b. Study the creation of affordable housing overlay districts in advance of the next Housing Element cycle.

For future Housing Element cycles, zoning changes may be necessary in Morgan Hill. Affordable housing overlay districts are a tool that can help meet the need for units for very low- and extremely low-income households while avoiding the opportunity cost of scarce rezoned sites being snatched up for predominantly market-rate development.

II. Protect Tenants from Displacement.

Morgan Hill has a significant homeownership gap with 80.6% of White households owning their homes as opposed to just 53.3% of Hispanic households. While homeownership can protect residents from the impact of rising housing costs, tenants are left vulnerable. A.B. 1482 limits extremely high rent increases, but even allowable increases can still push tenants out, especially if repeated year-after-year. In addition to Hispanic families, adults ages 18 through 64 who have disabilities are also disproportionately likely to rent.<sup>38</sup> Although families with children are not

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>38</sup> Overall, persons with disabilities are not disproportionately likely to rent because the population of persons with disabilities is disproportionately older and older adults are disproportionately likely to be homeowners.

disproportionately likely to rent, the impact of displacement on families that do rent can be particularly acute due to disruption to school assignment and attendance. Morgan Hill should deploy a variety of policy tools to curb displacement.

a. Consider adoption of a mediation requirement for rent increases of 5% or more.

California's Costa-Hawkins Act preempts the application of local rent stabilization ordinances to single-family homes, condominiums, and homes built after February 1, 1995. As a city that has roughly doubled in population since 1990, that means that a significant proportion of Morgan Hill's relatively modest stock of multifamily housing would be exempt from any rent stabilization ordinance. As a result, the costs of administering rent stabilization may outweigh the benefits that it would deliver to tenants. By contrast, the Costa-Hawkins Act does not prevent California cities from adopting rent increase mediation requirements as some other jurisdictions in the Bay Area have. A mediation requirement might seek to encourage landlords to forgo the opportunity to raise rents by levels that exceed what might be allowed under nearby rent stabilization ordinances (5% in San Jose) but that are not unlawful under A.B. 1482 (10% due to recent increases in inflation).

b. Study the possibility of a tenant relocation assistance ordinance.

California cities are able to adopt tenant relocation assistance ordinances that require landlords to provide financial assistance to low- and moderate-income tenants displaced as a result of the landlords' actions. The City of Morgan Hill should study the value and feasibility of adopting such a policy locally, looking at (1) the frequency with which tenants are displaced in Morgan Hill through the types of actions that could be triggering events for relocation assistance, (2) the amount of relocation benefits that would be necessary to enable Morgan Hill residents at income levels typical for affected buildings to be able to remain in the city, and (3) the efficacy of relocation assistance ordinances in other cities in the Bay Area at enabling displaced tenants to find new housing near their former homes.

c. Seek funding or develop paths of support for access to counsel in possessory eviction cases.

Access to counsel has a significant impact on tenant outcomes in possessory eviction cases, potentially preventing eviction but also having the potential to facilitate better relocation outcomes for tenants who do end up relocating. By providing additional funding to close the gap between the current capacity of legal services providers and the total need for representation in possessory eviction cases. Increased access to counsel may have particular benefits for tenants with disabilities who may have additional defenses available to them in eviction cases that are unavailable to others.

d. Support shared-equity homeownership models.

Another way of protecting protected class members who are tenants from displacement is to create opportunities for them to access homeownership. Although creating homeownership opportunities for very low- and extremely low-income households can be difficult, shared-equity models like limited equity cooperatives and community land trusts have proven track records. The City could seek to support these models both through land donation and through the commitment of subsidy dollars. Shared-equity homeownership models may also provide opportunities for the creation of affordable housing in locations that are not realistic candidates for major rezoning. Single-family homes on small lots may be a viable housing type for a shared-equity homeownership effort.



e. Review the Inclusionary Housing Ordinance to provide deeper for-sale affordability beyond the updated 2021 Inclusionary Housing Ordinance.

Currently, the City's Inclusionary Housing Ordinance requires the provision of units affordable to moderate-income households in for-sale developments. Requiring that developers achieve deeper owner-occupied affordability through cross-subsidization and existing incentives may not be effective. However, the City could seek to bridge the gap between inclusionary for-sale units and low-income households by providing financial support. Additionally, in light of the homeownership gap in Morgan Hill, the City should require developers to affirmatively market for-sale inclusionary units to Hispanic households.

f. Adopt preferences for tenants who have been displaced from rental housing in Morgan Hill.

The City should consider implementing an admissions preferences for affordable housing for tenants who have recently been displaced. These tenants are more likely to be members of protected classes. Such a preference could apply both in inclusionary developments and in affordable developments that receive City funds.

III. Connect Morgan Hill Residents to Employment Opportunities.

In general, access to a wide range of types of opportunity are available to residents of Morgan Hill. Although school proficiency is not equal across the city, there are high-performing schools in the city. Access to environmental health is generally higher than in much of the region. Key related exceptions involve transportation and job access. Morgan Hill does not have the abundance of job opportunities that exist further north in Santa Clara County. The disconnect between where Morgan Hill residents — a population that is more heavily Hispanic than the broader region — live and where jobs are concentrated can be addressed in two broad ways. First, the City can seek to increase employment opportunities in Morgan Hill itself. Second, the City can seek to address transportation gaps in order to make it easier for residents to reach jobs in northern Santa Clara County.

a. Prioritize the creation of jobs that are accessible to low- and very low-income workers who reside within the Downtown Morgan Hill Priority Development Area (PDA).

The burden of long commutes to northern Santa Clara County does not fall evenly on all workers. Employees in high-paying technology and other professional jobs are better able to absorb the cost of relatively high fares on Caltrain or car maintenance and gas (or the expense of buying an electric of more fuel-efficient vehicle). Additionally, they are more likely to have jobs that allow them to work at home some or all of the time. For lower income workers, often living in downtown Morgan Hill, in service, retail, manufacturing, and logistics jobs, high transportation costs may be a significant burden with the potential to cancel out the reduced housing costs of living in Morgan Hill rather than northern Santa Clara County. When making zoning decisions with implications for types of job creation and determining how to utilize limited resources for incentivizing job creation, the City should prioritize the creation of jobs that strike a balance between decent wages and low barriers to entry (in terms of educational attainment and other credentials).

b. Create incentives for local businesses to hire Morgan Hill residents.

For jobs that exist in Morgan Hill, increasing the likelihood that Morgan Hill residents obtain those jobs would help to reduce disparities in access to employment faced by Hispanic residents. These incentives could include expedited processing of permit applications, a tax break or some other subsidy for each job filled by a Morgan Hill resident.

c. Advocate for VTA to expand bus service in Morgan Hill.

Morgan Hill has both local bus service and connections to San Jose through VTA bus lines, but local service is limited, both in terms of areas served and frequency, and hours of service. The City does not have control over VTA's bus network but should encourage expansions of service that make commuting by bus a more realistic option for workers in Morgan Hill, including service and retail workers who are more likely to work evenings and weekends. In particular, the corridor along Dunne Avenue has significant development but lacks local bus service.

d. Study local first mile/last mile transit service solutions in Morgan Hill building on lessons learned from the first on-call shuttle service established within the City.

To the extent that VTA or Caltrain services expansion are both outside the City's control and may be unlikely to occur, the City can still focus on the development of first mile/last mile options that connect residents to Caltrain and regional bus service. If the City is successful in facilitating affordable housing development in the eastern portion of the city, which has less access to regional transportation networks, it will be critical ensure that first mile/last mile solutions are coordinated with such development.

IV. Increase Fair Housing Enforcement, Outreach, and Education in Morgan Hill.

Santa Clara County contracts with Project Sentinel, a private, nonprofit organization, to provide fair housing services throughout the Santa Clara Urban County, which includes Morgan Hill. As the largest city in the Urban County, however, it is likely that Morgan Hill could benefit from more geographically targeted enforcement, outreach, and education efforts to counter housing discrimination. Such efforts might focus on discrimination against Housing Choice Voucher holders, which only became unlawful as of January 2020. The City might consider either entering into a separate contract with Project Sentinel or providing funds to Santa Clara County to increase its contract amount and target some portion of Project Sentinel's efforts to Morgan Hill specifically.



# 5.5 Contributing Factors Appendix

#### Access to financial services

This analysis of access to financial services is measured by physical access to bank branch locations. The FDIC provides information on the location of banks by physical addresses, cities and towns, counties, and states. According to the FDIC dataset, Morgan Hill has nine FDIC-Regulated Full-Service Brick and Mortar Branches<sup>39</sup> for their population of just over 45,000 people. This is relatively consistent with the amount of financial services offered throughout other municipalities in Santa Clara County. Although the existence of physical financial services does not examine discriminatory practices within these services, it does suggest that many residents have sufficient access to financial services.

## Access to proficient schools for persons with disabilities

Morgan Hill Unified School District (MHUSD) offers special education services to 1,072 students with disabilities. Programs include WorkAbility, a training program for special education students ages 14.9-22 that provides career awareness and exploration in addition to secondary education. HHUSD's Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) provides strategic and intensive interventions in support to underperforming student groups such as Low Socioeconomic Status, English Learner, Migrant, and Foster/Homeless.

Students with disabilities in MHUSD disproportionately face suspension, with the average suspension rate being 5% in 2018-2019 (pre-COVID, when schools were open), but the rate for students with disabilities being almost double the rate at 9.7%. <sup>43</sup> Disproportionate student punishment can be an additional barrier for students with disabilities from accessing and staying within proficient schools.

Across Santa Clara County, students are not easily able to transfer between school districts without actually changing residences, and access to high-quality programs that may not be available in their home district generally is not grounds for inter-district transfer. Disparities in school discipline also decrease access to proficient schools and to any education whatsoever. Across Santa Clara County, the suspension rate for students with disabilities is over three times the rate for students who do not have disabilities. This is a higher rate of disparity than the statewide rate.

#### Access to publicly supported housing for persons with disabilities

Data from HUD shows that, across jurisdictions in Santa Clara County, persons with disabilities are underrepresented in Project-Based Section 8 developments in relation to their proportion of the income-eligible populations. Because local governments in the area do not play a direct role in the administration of Project-Based Section 8 developments, support for fair housing organizations to engage in testing of these developments may be the most effective way of

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>39</sup> All FDIC-related data derived from: *Download Data*, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, https://banks.data.fdic.gov/bankfind-

suite/bankfind?activeStatus=0%200R%201&branchOffices=true&city=Morgan%20Hill&pageNumber=1&resultLimit=25&stalp=CA

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>40</sup> All population and minority population data derived from: *QuickFacts*, UNITED STATES CENSUS BUREAU, (https://www.census.gov/quickfacts/fact/table/morganhillcitycalifornia/BZA010219.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>41</sup> DataQuest, California Department of Education, Morgan Hill Unified Report, 2019-20 Enrollment by Subgroup for Charter and Non-Charter Schools

https://dq.cde.ca.gov/dataquest/dqcensus/EnrCharterSub.aspx?cds=4369583&agglevel=district&year=2019-20&ro=y

<sup>42</sup> MHUSA LCAP Plan, https://drive.google.com/file/d/1wQ7bfUZcUZ5\_r-CCqanA1KnkGndBI\_-u/view

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>43</sup> Morgan Hill Unified School District, Local Control Accountability Plan and Annual Update (LCAP) Template (2018).

addressing this underrepresentation. Although the data does not reflect similar disparities for other types of publicly supported housing, low-income persons with disabilities may also have limited access to Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) units due to the way rents are set in those developments.

Morgan Hill has a moderate proportion of residents with disabilities. According to the 2019 American Community Survey (ACS) 5-Year Estimate, roughly 4,033 residents of Morgan Hill have disabilities, amounted to 9.1% of the total population. In contrast, approximately 8.0% of county residents have a disability. Organizations supporting people living with disabilities in housing matters in Morgan Hill are not based in in the city itself. Instead, disability housing services are mostly based in San José, or other areas.

### Access to transportation for persons with disabilities

In Santa Clara County, VTA Access Paratransit (a non-profit organization) works with the county's Valley Transit Authority to provide rides to seniors and adults under the American Disabilities Act (ADA) who cannot drive. A person must only have a partial disability and live in the county to become eligible for VTA Access service. It costs \$4.00 for a one-way trip of any distance. <sup>44</sup> This is cheaper than rideshare services. The person must schedule their ride one to three days in advance, and their pickup and drop-off locations have to be in the county. The person must also go through their eligibility certification process, which includes a one-page Data Card and a phone interview. The Data Card asks for basic personal information, such as the person's birthdate, addresses, primary language; explanation of the person's primary disability; and information regarding any mobility aids or specialized equipment. <sup>45</sup>

Morgan Hill has a Caltrain stop at 17300 Depot Street in Morgan Hill. This station is in Zone 6, and it takes approximately two hours to reach San Francisco

Ken Transportation is also available for all residents of Santa Clara County who need nonemergency rides. It is intended for people in wheelchairs or that need assistance using vehicles.<sup>46</sup>

The barrier to access to transportation for persons with disabilities, which is closely tied to broader issues with transportation in the area, is an overall lack of public transportation. Due to their disproportionately low incomes and the decreased likelihood of being able to use private vehicles for transportation, persons with disabilities bear the brunt of deficiencies in the system. Lack of transportation is connected to health and employment outcomes as low-income persons with disabilities often need public transportation to get to medical appointments or to workplaces.

# Admissions and occupancy policies and procedures, including preferences in publicly supported housing

The Santa Clara County Housing Authority (SCCHA) administers admissions and occupancy policies and procedures for Housing Choice Voucher holders in Morgan Hill. SCCHA lists only one local preference for its Housing Choice Voucher Program: income eligible families displaced as a result of a federally-declared disaster. Additionally, SCCHA states in its HCV Administrative Plan that it will issue available 59-Mainstream vouchers to eligible people on the Section 8 Waiting List who have a disabled (elderly or non-elderly) head of household, spouse, and/or co-head. SCCHA receives direct applicant referrals from partnering agencies for the following programs:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>44</sup> Paratransit and elder transport services, Sarah Care of Campbell, https://sarahcarecampbell.com/paratransit-services.php (last visited Jun 10, 2021).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>45</sup> Personal Data Card, Certification and Authorization for Release of Protected Health Information, EnglishApp\_2017.pdf, http://vtaorgcontent.s3-us-west-1.amazonaws.com/Site\_Content/EnglishApp\_2017.pdf (last visited Jun 10, 2021).

<sup>46</sup> Ken Transportation | A Medical Transportation Provider in San Jose, California | About Us, , http://www.kentransport.com/medical-transportation-about-us (last visited Jun 10, 2021).



Chronically Homeless Direct Referral Program, Special Needs Population Direct Referral Program, and Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing Program. Those who are referred from these programs are able to bypass the Section 8 or Project-Based Voucher waiting lists. Finally, SCCHA may draw from the waiting list and/or receive direct referrals from the Santa Clara County Office of Supportive Housing for the Mainstream Voucher Program

SCCHA also applies criminal background screening policies which are fairly consistent with fair housing best practices. The Housing Authority applies a reasonable lookback period of just three years. However, their policy also states that they *may* terminate assistance "if a household member has engaged in criminal activity (by preponderance of evidence) regardless of whether the member has been arrested or convicted." Still, in determining whether to deny or terminate assistance, the Housing Authority considers a multitude of factors, including the seriousness of the case, the effect of termination on other household members, the participation or culpability of other household members, the time elapsed, recent history, and likelihood of favorable conduct in the future.

#### The availability of affordable units in a range of sizes

Morgan Hill has a substantial supply of LIHTC and BMR housing but few units produced through other programs. There are no 3+ bedroom BMR units in the city. 47 At the same time, at least 366 LIHTC units in Morgan Hill (more than one-third of the total supply) appear to have three or more bedrooms. 48 A lack of affordable units in a range of sizes can cause overcrowding as families are forced to share smaller units. In Morgan Hill, 14% of renter households experience overcrowding (the same rate as renters in the county). 0% of Black, 0% of Native American, 5% of White, 5% of Asian American or Pacific Islander, and 14% of Hispanic residents of the city experience overcrowding. (These racial categories are all referring to individuals of that race alone, except Hispanic which is referring to Hispanic people of all races.) This issue is compounded by the lack of 3+ bedroom BMR housing. The Morgan Hill Family - Scattered Site project is a new construction 41-unit apartment project located in the Morgan Hill. Altogether, 18 of these units are 3-bedroom units (including one reserved for a staff manager). 49 Besides the manager unit, all units are reserved for Project-Based Voucher holders. SCCHA's Housing Choice Voucher waiting list last formally opened in 2006 and the average wait for a household to receive a housing voucher is 8-10 years. However, SCCHA has begun opening "interest lists" for HCV assistance. and households are able to sign up for the interest list at this time.

# The availability, type, frequency, and reliability of public transportation

Public transportation is extremely limited in Morgan Hill. Caltrain<sup>50</sup> and VTA<sup>51</sup> offer regional service between Morgan Hill and San Jose, but that service is relatively infrequent. Additionally, Caltrain fares are unaffordable for some low-income commuters. VTA also operates local bus service in Morgan Hill, but that service also suffers from geographic coverage gaps in the eastern part of the city and long headways.<sup>52</sup>

The public transportation system in Santa Clara County has significant gaps that render existing systems, including those of the Valley Transportation Authority and Caltrain less usable to low-income individuals who are disproportionately members of protected classes. Specifically, bus service is extremely limited in many parts of the county, particularly outside of San Jose, with

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>47</sup> City of Morgan Hill, <u>BMR Rental List - Updated October 2021</u>.

<sup>48</sup> https://lihtc.huduser.gov/

<sup>49</sup> MORGAN HILL FAMILY APARTMENTS, 41 UNITS (A SCATTERED SITE PROJECT).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>50</sup> <u>https://www.caltrain.com/stations/systemmap.html</u>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>51</sup> https://www.vta.org/go/routes/68

<sup>52</sup> https://www.vta.org/go/routes/87

some major arterial streets lacking any service. Even where service exists, 30-minute headways or wait times between buses are common. Transportation between South County and San Jose can be extremely time-consuming with trip times of nearly two hours, not accounting for unexpected traffic, between Gilroy and San José. Faster forms of transportation, such as Caltrain, are often too expensive for daily use by members of protected classes, and the Valley Transportation Authority's light rail system is limited in scope, not traveling past Mountain View to Palo Alto, not connecting to Cupertino, and not connecting to South County. Advocates and stakeholders reported that the VTA's bus network is spread too thin and has too few buses and/or wait times between buses to efficiently and effectively meet people's needs. In turn, those problems reduce ridership, resulting in decreased fare revenue and a justification for cutting service further.

# **Community opposition**

Community opposition has not derailed or delayed the development of affordable housing to nearly the extent of some other cities in Santa Clara County and the broader Bay Area. Morgan Hill's large supply of LIHTC and BMR units, as well as the fact that it already has sufficient permitted units to meet its RHNA allocation for the next Housing Element cycle are all indicative of community support for affordable housing. By contrast, particularly in the highest resource portions of the region, housing production, and affordable housing production in particular, has lagged, in part due to community opposition.

## **Deteriorated and abandoned properties**

Between its relatively young housing stock and the high demand for housing in both the city and the region, <sup>53</sup> Morgan Hill has few issues with deteriorated and abandoned properties. For the most part, that high demand in the region ensures that housing is turned over and rehabilitated frequently. This demand has created gentrification that, in turn, has led to a rapid increase in highend, luxury buildings replacing deteriorated older housing – creating cost difficulties for existing neighborhood residents and leading a large proportion of households to be rent-burdened. At the same time, this gentrification has ensured housing stock is rarely on the market long enough to become deteriorated or abandoned.<sup>54</sup> Gentrification and displacement risk in Morgan Hill are of concern but not to the same extent as in other cities in the region that have higher concentrations of renters and more renters living in non-deed restricted older units.

# <u>Displacement and lack of housing support for victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking</u>

Domestic violence (DV) remains a notable issue within Morgan Hill. Santa Clara County, where Morgan Hill is located, averages 9 deaths a year due to domestic violence with many more people being affected by non-fatal forms of interpersonal violence<sup>55</sup>. Across the country and within Morgan Hill, victims and survivors of domestic violence are forced to make the decision between remaining within a physically or emotionally abusive relationship or household to ensure themselves access to housing or to adopt the risk of losing such shelter in order to escape this violence. The accessibility of domestic violence shelters within Santa Clara County is notably

<sup>53</sup> COUNTY OF SANTA CLARA, HOUSING ELEMENT UPDATE 2015-2022, 29 (2014),

https://www.sccgov.org/sites/dpd/DocsForms/Documents/HealthElement\_2015\_Adopted\_Final.pdf.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>54</sup> Bruce Colbert, Resolving California's Housing and Homeless Crisis, New Geography (Nov. 15, 2018),

https://www.newgeography.com/content/006142-resolving-californias-housing-and-homeless-crisis (discussing the effects of gentrification, including reductions in deteriorated housing).

<sup>55</sup> Emanuel Lee, Domestic Violence Cases Decrease During Pandemic San Jose Inside (2020),

https://www.sanjoseinside.com/news/domestic-violence-cases-decrease-during-pandemic/ (last visited Jun 23, 2021).



limited when compared to the number of survivors in need of housing support; 2,500 people are turned away from such shelters annually within the area.

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and the County of Santa Clara Office of Supportive Housing are aware of the dangerous decision that many people, disproportionately women, are forced to make, and included within a larger 2019 grant to combat homelessness within the area, the county received \$1 million in federal funding to be allocated to housing support for survivors of domestic violence. As accessible and affordable housing continues to be a priority within Morgan Hill and Santa Clara County, it is imperative that there are intentional steps taken to ensure this accessibility remains true for domestic violence survivors.

Additionally, California state law protects victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking, human trafficking, or abused elder or dependent adult who terminates their lease early.<sup>57</sup> The tenant must provide written notice to the landlord, along with a copy of a temporary restraining order, emergency protective order, or protective order that protects the household member from further domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking, human trafficking, or abuse of an elder or dependent adult. Alternatively, proof may be shown by submitting a copy of a written report by a peace officer stating that the victim has filed an official report, or documentation from a qualified third party acting in their professional capacity to indicate the resident is seeking assistance for physical or mental injuries or abuse stemming from the abuse at issue. Notice to terminate the tenancy must be given within 180 days of the issuance date of the qualifying order or within 180 days of the date that any qualifying written report is made.

#### Displacement of residents due to economic pressures

For the most part, the high demand for housing in Santa Clara County, <sup>58</sup> including in Morgan Hill, ensures that housing is turned over and rehabilitated frequently. This demand has created gentrification that, in turn, has led to a rapid increase in high-end, luxury buildings replacing deteriorated older housing – creating cost difficulties for existing neighborhood residents and leading to cost-burden and severe cost-burden. Morgan Hill has not experienced decline in its population of people of color, likely as a result of its strong affordable housing production and relatively lower housing costs than in northern Santa Clara County. There is a need for strong anti-displacement policies in Morgan Hill to prevent low-income residents, who are disproportionately likely to be Hispanic and/or to have disabilities, from being pushed out of the city, if housing costs in Morgan Hill rise to the levels of northern Santa Clara County or if affordability covenants for deed-restricted units expire.

#### Impediments to mobility

There are no mobility counseling programs in Santa Clara County, including in Morgan Hill.

Santa Clara County utilizes exception payment standards to bring more apartments in high opportunity areas within reach of Housing Choice Voucher holders. For example, the payment standard for a one-bedroom unit is \$2,360. A Zillow search conducted during this Assessment of Fair Housing process revealed 20 advertised units within that price range. The payment standard

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>56</sup> Laurel Anderson & Marina Hinestrona, County of Santa Clara Receives over \$21 Million in Federal Funding for Homeless Housing Programs County News (2019),

https://www.sccgov.org/sites/opa/newsroom/Pages/federalfundingforhomelesshousingprograms.aspx (last visited Jun 23, 2021).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>57</sup> Cal. Civ. Code § 1946.7

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>58</sup> County of Santa Clara, Housing Element Update 2015-2022, 29 (2014),

https://www.sccgov.org/sites/dpd/DocsForms/Documents/HealthElement\_2015\_Adopted\_Final.pdf.

for a two-bedroom unit is \$2,851. A Zillow search again revealed 20 available units under that price.

Santa Clara County uses separate waiting lists for its various affordable housing programs and has a policy of absorbing all incoming vouchers porting into the county. The City of Morgan Hill uses a single partner — Housekeys — to administer the lease-up process for all of its BMR properties, which, in turn, makes it easier for tenants to find affordable units in the city regardless of location.

## <u>Inaccessible buildings, sidewalks, pedestrian crossings, or other public or private infrastructure</u>

This Assessment did not reveal any current or ongoing concerns about inaccessibility within government facilities and services within Morgan Hill. Santa Clara County has additional measures to ensure that government facilities and services are accessible. This includes the position of a Coordinator of Programs for the Disabled whose role is to ensure accommodations and field complains of accessibility violations within the county, <sup>59</sup> as well as a newly established Office of Disability Affairs who will ensure compliance and equitableness within county accessibility. <sup>60</sup> This is a positive sign that the government facility and services within the City of Morgan Hill will match this accessibility, as there are otherwise county-wide measures to hold them accountable if they do not.

#### Inaccessible government facilities or services

This Assessment did not reveal any current or ongoing concerns about inaccessibility within government facilities and services within Morgan Hill. The city website is accessible to persons with disabilities (particularly users with vision impairments) as required with Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act.<sup>61</sup>

#### Lack of access to opportunity due to high housing costs

In Morgan Hill, the average home value is \$1,399,720, which has increased by 26.4% between 2021 and 2022.<sup>62</sup> The median rent for a one-bedroom apartment is \$2,841, which is a 17% year-over-year change from 2020.<sup>63</sup> These high housing costs are out of reach for households at many income levels but particularly for extremely low- and very-low income households that are disproportionately Hispanic and that disproportionately include persons with disabilities. High housing costs make it difficult to move to Morgan Hill, and, within Morgan Hill, they make the downtown area, where the vast majority of deed-restricted affordable housing is located, the primary viable living option. However, downtown Morgan Hill may not afford residents as high access to proficient schools as eastern Morgan Hill where housing costs are even more out of reach. These issues are in many ways even more intense in the broader region as northern Santa Clara County – particularly the West Valley – has many areas with extremely high housing costs as well as abundant educational and employment opportunities.

#### Lack of affordable, accessible housing in a range of unit sizes

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>59</sup> Public Access functional for Under the Americans with Disabilities Act, Public Access Under the Americans with Disabilities Act - County of Santa Clara, https://www.sccgov.org/sites/scc/Pages/public-access-americans-disabilities-act.aspx (last visited Jun 25, 2021).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>60</sup> Katie Lauer, Santa Clara County Creates Office of Disability Affairs to Improve Accessibility San Jose Inside (2021), https://www.sanjoseinside.com/news/santa-clara-county-creates-office-of-disability-affairs-to-improve-accessibility/ (last visited Jun 25, 2021).

<sup>61</sup> https://www.morgan-hill.ca.gov/accessibility

<sup>62</sup> https://www.zillow.com/morgan-hill-ca/home-values/

<sup>63</sup> https://www.zumper.com/rent-research/morgan-hill-ca



Although Morgan Hill has been successful in its efforts to foster significant development of LIHTC and BMR housing in recent years, BMR development has included relatively more one- and two-bedroom units than three-bedroom units. There appear to be no available three-bedroom BMR units whatsoever.<sup>64</sup> As discussed above, with at least 366 LIHTC units with three or more bedrooms, larger LIHTC units are relatively more available than are larger BMR units. Because most affordable multifamily development in Morgan Hill has been fairly recent, most such units were subject to accessibility requirements.

It is also imperative that not only is there a sufficient amount of affordable housing, but that there are also enough units across a range of unit sizes so that these developments are accessible to groups or families of all numbers. A lack of affordable units in a range of sizes can cause overcrowding as families are forced to share smaller units. Overcrowding is already an issue in Santa Clara County, especially among Hispanic households. The 2015-2019 American Community Survey shows that Hispanic households experience overcrowding at a rate of 17.9%. This is almost double the rate of the next-highest group, which is Asian American households (9.2%).

#### Lack of affordable in-home or community-based supportive services

Much of the infrastructure for in-home and community-based supportive services in Morgan Hill consists of private businesses and small nonprofit organizations rather than government or public services, and few nonprofit or governmental services are based in Morgan Hill itself. For example, the San Andreas Regional Center, a nonprofit that serves individuals with developmental disabilities and their families, operates in Monterey, San Benito, Santa Clara, and Santa Cruz Counties. Similarly, resources regarding in-home and community-based supportive services are provided primarily at the county level rather than the city level. At the county level, due to the absence of any waiting list for Home and Community-Based Services for persons with developmental disabilities, this issue primarily affects people with psychiatric disabilities. A robust array of services, including the most intensive models of community-based services like Assertive Community Treatment, are available. Additionally, across types of disabilities, undocumented adults face barriers due to federal restrictions of Medicaid assistance for undocumented people. The California Legislature has approved state funding for Medi-Cal services for undocumented people until they reach the age of 26, a critical investment that exceeds that of any other state, but there remains a funding gap for services for most undocumented adults.

#### Lack of affordable, integrated housing for individuals who need supportive services

There is a large overall shortage of affordable housing in Morgan Hill, as suggested by the large proportion of households that are rent-burdened. Without more overall affordable housing, it is impossible to provide more affordable, integrated housing for individuals who need supportive services. Morgan Hill is home to one development assisted with Measure A funds – Crossings on Monterey – and has one more in the pipeline – Royal Oak Village. These developments either have or are planned to have fewer units than most Measure A developments assisted by Santa Clara County. Housing for individuals who need supportive services in Santa Clara County is largely located outside of Morgan Hill—for example, in San José. As a consequence, only around 5% of those in need of supportive services qualify for Permanent Supportive Housing, which has led to increasing homelessness in the region, which affects Morgan Hill alongside its neighbors.

#### Lack of assistance for housing accessibility modifications

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https://www.morgan-hill.ca.gov/DocumentCenter/View/24873/BMR-Rental-Unit-List-October-2021-PDF
 https://osh.sccgov.org/housing-community-development/2016-measure-affordable-housing-bond/2016-measure-housing-bond

The City of Morgan Hill provides funding to Rebuilding Together to assist with home rehabilitation, which often includes accessibility modifications.<sup>66</sup>

Farewell to Falls is a free, home-based program intended to prevent seniors from falling in their homes in Santa Clara County (and San Mateo County). The program focuses on home modifications. Farewell to Falls works through the Trauma Service and Emergency Department at Stanford University Medical Center.<sup>67</sup>

Home Safety Services provides home modifications, such as grab bars, stair railings and wheelchair ramps, for seniors. Rebuilding Together *Silicon Valley* also aid with home modifications for low-income homeowners in Morgan Hill, among other cities and unincorporated areas of Santa Clara County.<sup>68</sup>

#### Lack of assistance for transitioning from institutional settings to integrated housing

Much of the Morgan Hill assistance available to those from marginalized communities attempting to transition from an institutional setting to integrated housing is non-specific to the city and instead operates at a county level for all of Santa Clara. This does allow for the assistance to be more robust and cover more groups in need of transition help. For disabled adults, the Silicon Valley Independent Living Center offers resources and supportive housing-related services. The Santa Clara Resource Reentry Center offers housing assistance and referrals for individuals attempting to reintegrate into society after leaving the criminal justice system. Although not an institutional setting, there are attempts to help homeless individuals transition into integrated housing as well such as through the Community Plan to End Homelessness<sup>69</sup> which has been endorsed by Morgan Hill. <sup>70</sup>

#### Lack of community revitalization strategies

The City of Morgan Hill does not lack community revitalization strategies. The city's downtown area is the most racially, ethnically, and socioeconomic part of the city, as well as the part of the city that has the highest concentration of residents in greater need of access to opportunity. The Downtown Specific Plan presents a holistic vision for ensuring that the downtown area is economically vibrant and affords residents access to opportunity.<sup>71</sup> Regionally, there also does not appear to be a lack of place-based revitalization planning.

#### Lack of local private fair housing outreach and enforcement

There are multiple fair housing organizations serving Morgan Hill. The organization most directly focused on fair housing is Project Sentinel, a non-profit based in Santa Clara (but serving the entire county) which aims to promote fair housing through fair housing testing, the filing of administrative complaints, and landlord-tenant mediation. To Santa Clara County provides CDBG funds to Project Sentinel to serve a geographic area that includes Morgan Hill. Other organizations include Bay Area Legal Aid, Law Foundation of Silicon Valley, Senior Adults Legal Assistance, Legal Aid Society of Santa Clara County, and Asian Law Alliance, each of which

<sup>66</sup> https://www.morgan-hill.ca.gov/316/Housing-Rehabilitation

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>67</sup> Senior & Aging Adult Resources - Santa Clara County Fire Department, https://www.sccfd.org/education-and-preparedness-overview/safety-information-referral-assistance/senior-aging-resources (last visited Jun 24, 2021). <sup>68</sup> Ibid.

<sup>69</sup> Santa Clara County, Santa Clara County Community Plan to End Homelessness 2020-2025 (2020).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>70</sup> https://www.morgan-hill.ca.gov/DocumentCenter/View/37598/20-069-Endorsing-2020-Community-Plan-to-End-Homelessness?bidId=

<sup>71</sup> https://www.morgan-hill.ca.gov/668/Downtown-Specific-Plan

<sup>72</sup> https://www.housing.org/about

<sup>73</sup> https://www.morgan-hill.ca.gov/1859/Fair-Housing



provides some variation of fair housing services to different communities within Morgan Hill, the County, and the surrounding region.

However, this private fair housing outreach and enforcement may not be sufficient. Almost all of these fair housing organizations and outreach/enforcement efforts are conducted at a county-wide or regional level rather than being specifically for Morgan Hill, and organizations generally do not have offices in Morgan Hill (though Project Sentinel has a satellite office in Gilroy). Although this is understandable as there may not be sufficient resources to support Morgan Hill-specific work, it does raise concerns about private efforts insufficiently addressing Morgan Hill-specific issues in favor of larger issues.

#### Lack of local public fair housing enforcement

The California Department of Fair Employment and Housing (DFEH) conducts public fair housing enforcement in Morgan Hill. Residents may submit complaints to the agency, which they will investigate and determine whether or not the complainant has a right to sue. Santa Clara-wide, community engagement has indicated that advocates prefer to file complaints with HUD over DFEH, because the intake process can be lengthy. DFEH tends to have a high volume of cases, with advocates reporting intake interviews sometimes taking place up to four months after filing a complaint. There has also been inconsistent reporting among various investigations. DFEH tends to achieve better results if there is more evidence provided upfront, and/or if the site of the complaint is near their offices. Santa Clara County, of which Morgan Hill is a part, was responsible for over 600 received complaints. While there is not segregated data for the cities within Santa Clara County to determine how many of these complaints originated from Morgan Hill, the high total number does suggest that there are likely many complaints of discrimination in Morgan Hill causing individuals and families to reach out to agencies such as DFEH and HUD.

#### Lack of meaningful language access for individuals with limited English proficiency

Many documents on Morgan Hill's website are translated from English into Spanish, and some documents are translated into Asian languages, including Vietnamese and/or Tagalog. Given that Spanish may be the only required language for translation under HUD's criteria, the City's efforts appear to exceed those required by law of CDBG subrecipients. Nonetheless, the development of a formal Language Access Plan may help ensure greater consistency in translation practices. There is reason for concern about the potential for unfair practices among private landlords that only provide information and documents to LEP tenants in English.

#### Lack of private investment in specific neighborhoods

As previously mentioned, downtown Morgan Hill is the most racially, ethnically, and socioeconomically diverse part of the city. It is also the part of the city regarding which it is important that the City remain on guard against possible disinvestment. Nonetheless, there does not appear to be any lack of private investment in downtown Morgan Hill, as many of the significant developments in the pipeline in Morgan Hill are located in that area.<sup>74</sup>

#### Lack of public investment in specific neighborhoods, including services or amenities

Likewise, lack of public investment in specific neighborhoods, including services or amenities, is not a contributing factor to fair housing issues in Morgan Hill. Many of the projects in the development pipelines referred to above are assisted with both private and public investment. Additionally, the Downtown Specific Plan demonstrates a holistic approach to pairing land use

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>74</sup> https://www.morgan-hill.ca.gov/DocumentCenter/View/40380/Significant-Projects---January-2022

changes with infrastructure investments in the most racially, ethnically, and socioeconomically diverse part of Morgan Hill.

#### Lack of local or regional cooperation

Morgan Hill does have notable connections to the remainder of the county and region in a number of areas. Firstly, it is a member of the Cities Association of Santa Clara County (SCASCC) along with 14 other cities in the region who share a policy priority of housing/unhoused advocacy<sup>75</sup> as outlined in their Housing Position Paper.<sup>76</sup> Beyond housing, Morgan Hill is connected to the remainder of the region within areas such as transportation, orchestrated by the VTA, as well as by relying on other county services particular to housing such as through governmental organizations like the Santa Clara Housing Authority and through external organizations like the Silicon Valley Independent Living Center (housing assistance for disabled adults within the county).

With that being said, there are significant ways in which insufficient regional cooperation exacerbates fair housing issues in Morgan Hill. Namely, some high resource cities have not facilitated the production of sufficient housing at a range of income levels to meet their share of regional need. Cities like Morgan Hill that are more accepting of new residential development pick up the slack. Such growth is positive for Morgan Hill and helps to make it a more vibrant community, but there are trade-offs, including more traffic and higher housing costs that result from the inaction of other cities.

#### Lack of resources for fair housing agencies and organizations

Santa Clara County has a wealth of private fair housing enforcement organizations, many of which are at least partly funded by entitlement cities and the county. Multiple fair housing organizations in the County receive or have received Fair Housing Initiative Program (FHIP) funds from HUD, and also benefit from Community Development Block Grant funds. Participants in the community engagement process have reported that it can be difficult to hire and/or retain staff due to the high cost of living in the area. Across the various fair housing organizations in the County, each has a particular focus, with participants from community engagement reporting that the Law Foundation of Silicon Valley focuses on evictions, Bay Area Legal Aid focuses on subsidized housing, Asian Law Alliance does some fair housing work but focuses mostly on San José administrative hearings, and SALA is only able to take on a small caseload.

As mentioned above, Santa Clara County provides funding to Project Sentinel to provide fair housing services in Morgan Hill (as well as other cities that are not direct HUD grantees and the unincorporated county).

#### Lack of state or local fair housing laws

#### City of Morgan Hill

The City of Morgan Hill does not have any local fair housing laws, but residents benefit from the broad range of protections afforded by the State of California, which far surpass those available under federal law.

#### State of California

<sup>75</sup> https://citiesassociation.org/policy/

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>76</sup>https://storage.googleapis.com/proudcity/santaclaracountycacities/uploads/2019/04/2020-05-14-CASCC-Final-Approved-Housing-Position-Paper.pdf



Passed in 1959, California's Fair Employment and Housing Act (FEHA) protects many forms of discrimination against tenants and homeowners based on their "race, color religion, sex, gender, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, marital status, national origin, ancestry, familial status, source of income, disability, veteran or military status, or genetic information." This law targets owners of any housing accommodation, banks, mortgage companies, and other financial institutions accused of discrimination.<sup>77</sup>

This law prohibits cities, counties, and all other local government agencies from having zoning or land-use policies that discriminate against people for any of the traits listed above. FEHA also addresses many forms of discrimination, such as denying someone a home loan or homeowner's insurance, sexual harassment for housing rights or privileges, refusing to provide reasonable and necessary modifications for a tenant with a disability, etc.<sup>78</sup> This law also targets practices that have a discriminatory effect, which result in a disparate impact on a particular group of people or creates or reinforces segregated housing patterns.<sup>79</sup> The law also include financial assistance practices with discriminatory effects, such as creating terms or conditions of financial assistance that result in discrimination, failing to provide information about access to financial assistance, etc.<sup>80</sup> This law also applied to discrimination in land use practices.<sup>81</sup>

California recently passed a statewide source of income protections. California also has a robust set of statewide antidiscrimination laws, including the Unruh Civil Rights Act, Ralph Civil Rights Act, Bane Civil Rights Act, the Fair Employment and Housing Act, California Civil Code Section 1940.3, and Government Code Sections 11135, 65008, and 65580-65589.8. Whether complaints regarding these laws can be fully and timely pursued, however, is a different matter. Advocates have commented approvingly on recent changes to unlawful detainer laws, which increased the time period from five calendar days to five business days.

#### Land use and zoning laws

Morgan Hill is illustrative of how the availability of sufficient sites for multifamily development can outweigh zoning regulations as a determining factor of whether such development – including affordable housing occurs. As the City's zoning map below reflects, most of the City's residentially zoned land is zoned for single-family homes. Nonetheless, multifamily zoned areas are sufficient to ensure that there are enough permitted developments in the pipeline for Morgan Hill to meet its RHNA targets at all income levels for the next Housing Element cycle. At the same time, the relative lack of land zoned for multifamily housing in the more heavily White and higher-income eastern portion of the City is a concern, and relatively stringent maximum heights and density limits for multifamily housing could curb multifamily housing development and affordable housing development in the future if developers' cost constraints change. <sup>82</sup>Thus, the City should seek ways to create opportunities for affordable housing development in the eastern portions of the city and may need to consider changes to multifamily development standards at some point in the

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<sup>77</sup> Fair Employment and Housing Act (FEHA), 12955–12957 GOV (1959),

https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/codes\_displayText.xhtml?lawCode=GOV&division=3.&title=2.&part=2.8.&chapter=6.&article=2 (last visited Jun 22, 2021).

 $<sup>^{78}</sup>$  Housing | DFEH, https://www.dfeh.ca.gov/housing/ (last visited Jun 22, 2021).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>79</sup> PRACTICES WITH A DISCRIMINATORY EFFECT, 12060 2 CCR,

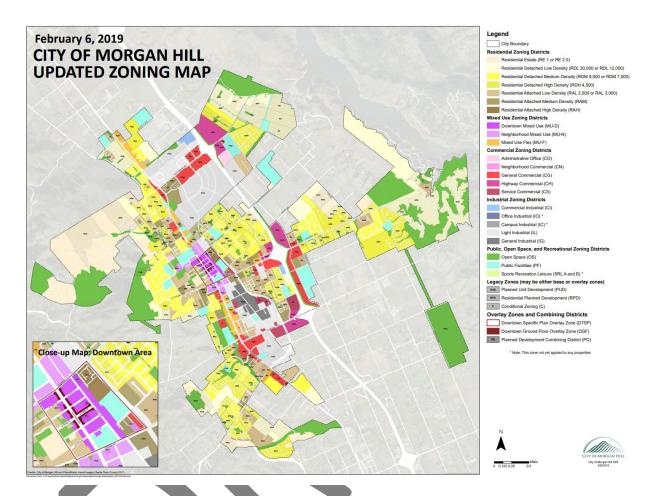
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80 Ibid.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>81</sup> Ibid.

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future. Regionally, exclusionary zoning is a much more significant issue as many high resource cities accommodate far less multifamily development than Morgan Hill has.



### **Lending Discrimination**

The data below show that White and Asian applicants are far more likely to be successful in getting a loan approved, and less likely to be given a subprime loan, than Black or Hispanic/Latino applicants across each category of loan in Santa Clara County. This Assessment did not reveal information suggesting different trends in lending patterns in Morgan Hill than those evident countywide. The differential rates vary across categories and across racial/ethnic groups, but for the most part, the difference between the highest and lowest percentage in each category fits into the commonly accepted 4/5ths disparate impact test, and should therefore be considered a practically significant disparate impact across the racial/ethnic groups.

Percentage of Loan Applications Resulting in Originated Loans by Race or Ethnicity and Loan Purpose in Santa Clara County, 2014-2017 Home Mortgage Disclosure Act Data

Race or Ethnicity	Home Purchase	Refinancing	Home Improvement
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White, Not Hispanic	70.34%	62.50%	66.63%
Black, Not Hispanic	61.65%	49.98%	55.43%
Asian, Not Hispanic	70.27%	64.88%	62.11%
Hispanic/Latino	57.84%	50.51%	52.68%

Across home purchase, refinancing, and home improvement, White and Asian loan rates tend to cluster on the high end of the spectrum, with Black and Hispanic loan rates clustered at the bottom. The largest gap between the highest and lowest rates in a category is about 14 percentage points. Using the 4/5ths test, the difference between Asian and Black refinancing loans, for instance, clearly falls below the 4/5ths ratio, as does the differential between Hispanic and White home improvement loans. The gap between White and Hispanic home purchase loans falls barely within the 4/5ths ratio.

## Percentage of Loan Applications Denied by Race or Ethnicity and Loan Purpose in Santa Clara County 2014-2017 Home Mortgage Disclosure Act Data

Race or Ethnicity	Home Purchase	Refinancing	Home Improvement
White, Not Hispanic	7.70%	14.26%	14.63%
Black, Not Hispanic	12.30%	21.61%	26.09%
Asian, Not Hispanic	9.33%	12.96%	18.05%
Hispanic/Latino	14.04%	21.11%	26.23%

When it comes to denials of loan applications, Hispanics have the highest rate of denial in both home purchase and home improvement, while Black applicants have the highest rate of denial for refinancing. However, the Black and Hispanic rates for these three categories are very similar, differ by about two percentage points at most. Meanwhile, White and Asian applicants outpace Black and Hispanic applicants in every category. The differential rates are more concerning for denials than for approvals, with Hispanics being denied for home purchase loans at twice the rate of White applicants. While not as extreme, the differentials in refinancing and home improvement also fall below the 4/5ths ratio.

## Percentage of Originated Loans That Were High-Cost by Race or Ethnicity in Santa Clara County, 2014-2017 Home Mortgage Disclosure Act Data

Race or Ethnicity	Number of Loans Originated	Percentage Cost	High-

White, Not Hispanic	62,431	1.80%
Black, Not Hispanic	1,689	3.37%
Asian, Not Hispanic	73,926	1.23%
Hispanic/Latino	14,275	4.79%

The statistics for subprime loans may not seem like cause for concern, since each percentage is so low. However, the low percentages are due to the extremely costly market in Santa Clara County. The differences between racial/ethnic groups is striking, even at these levels. The Hispanic/Latino subprime rate, 4.79%, is nearly four times the rate of Asian subprime loans, 1.23. These discrepancies also related to the wealth gap and economic and employment disparities which also have racial underpinnings.

#### Location of accessible housing

Although it is not possible to precisely map the location of accessible housing in the city, it tends to exist where there are concentrations of new, multifamily housing and where there are concentrations of publicly supported housing. The American Community Survey does not facilitate the disaggregation of housing units by the number of units in a structure and the year a structure is built together, but it does allow a look at those two data points separately. It is likely that the downtown area and the Monterey Road corridor, which has seen the most significant growth in recent multifamily development, has an outsized share of Morgan Hill's accessible housing.

#### Location of employers

Although Morgan Hill is home to some employers, it lacks the major employment centers of San Jose and northern Santa Clara County, which are home to major technology companies as well as higher education institutions and more government offices. The location of employers thus results in many Morgan Hill residents having long and costly commutes. According to the 2015-2019 American Community Survey, 22.7% of Morgan Hill workers have commutes of 60 minutes or longer as opposed to just 10.6% of Santa Clara County workers. The costs of these long commutes are more difficult for lower wage workers, who are disproportionately Hispanic, to bear than they are for others.

#### Location of environmental health hazards

The geographic relationship of environmental health hazards to housing is an important component of fair housing choice. When environmental health hazards are concentrated in particular areas, neighborhood health and safety may be compromised, and patterns of segregation entrenched.

Relevant factors to consider include the type and number of hazards, the degree of concentration or dispersion, and health effects such as asthma, cancer clusters, obesity, etc. Additionally, industrial siting policies and incentives for the location of housing may be relevant to this factor.

There are no Superfund sites in Morgan Hill in contrast to areas further to the north and west in Silicon Valley that have several.<sup>83</sup> In light of Morgan Hill's lack of heavy industrial facilities, vehicle

<sup>83</sup> https://www.epa.gov/superfund/search-superfund-sites-where-you-live



emissions are the main source of potential environmental harm, thereby reinforcing the importance of transit improvements in South County.

#### Location of proficient schools and school assignment policies

Morgan Hill only has one school district, the Morgan Hill Unified School District.<sup>84</sup> The district serves neighboring portions of South San Jose and unincorporated San Martin, which reduces concerns that the proliferation of school districts contributes to segregated school attendance patterns in the area, an issue that is of greater concern in northern Santa Clara County. There do, however, appear to be disparities in school proficiency between schools within the district, and schools in the more heavily White eastern portions of the city may afford students better educational outcomes than those in more diverse downtown Morgan Hill.<sup>85</sup> Creating more flexibility for students from downtown Morgan Hill to attend schools in eastern Morgan Hill as well as investing in affordable housing in eastern Morgan Hill are potentially mutually reinforcing strategies for overcoming these trends.

#### Location and type of affordable housing

Virtually all affordable housing in Morgan Hill is located in and around downtown Morgan Hill, and LIHTC units account for the largest share of affordable units. The lack of affordable housing in eastern Morgan Hill may reduce protected class members' access to opportunities present in those parts of the city. LIHTC units, in contrast to Project-Based Section 8 units, generally are not affordable to extremely low-income households without Housing Choice Vouchers. Because it likely is not feasible to build new Project-Based Section 8 or Public Housing, attaching Project-Based Vouchers to new and existing LIHTC units is the most likely way to increase the lowest income residents' access to affordable housing in the city. Housing that is affordable to extremely low-income households is essential to meeting the needs of persons with disabilities, particularly those who rely on SSI as their primary source of income.

#### Loss of affordable housing

Loss of affordable housing is a significant problem in Morgan Hill though the City's Inclusionary Housing Ordinance goes some length towards warding off the issue through robust affordability terms. According to data from the National Housing Preservation Database, subsidies recently expired for San Pedro Gardens and The Willows. 86 It is possible that the database has not been updated to reflect recapitalization of these properties, but, if it is not, support to their tenants who would now be at risk may be necessary. The issue of expiring subsidies is of significant concern throughout Santa Clara County and the broader region.

#### Occupancy codes and restrictions

The State of California has not adopted the Universal Building Code. Instead, they have enacted the California Building Code, which also incorporates the International Building Code. The California Building Code has a rather broad definition of family, in that it does not only limit a family to "an individual or two or more persons who are related by blood or marriage," but expands the definition to any persons who "otherwise live together in a dwelling unit." This definition is not restrictive in a way that would negatively affect access to housing.

<sup>84</sup> https://www.mhusd.org/about

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>85</sup> https://www.greatschools.org/california/morgan-hill/morgan-hill-unified-school-district/schools/?gradeLevels%5B%5D=e

<sup>86</sup> https://nhpd.preservationdatabase.org/Data

<sup>87</sup> CAL., BUILDING CODE § 202.

Santa Clara County also defines family broadly, as "one or more persons . . . living as a single . . household," explicitly excluding only those "operating a hotel, club, fraternity or sorority house." Moreover, the code explicitly deems "necessary domestic help" as included within the definition of family. Morgan Hill retains the expansive, non-restrictive view adopted by both California and Santa Clara County. Accordingly, occupancy codes and restrictions are not a major factor in reducing access to fair housing in Morgan Hill.

#### **Private Discrimination**

According to the California Department of Fair Employment and Housing (DFEH) Annual Report, there were 597 complaints in Santa Clara County in 2019. Broken down by category, there were 206 employment complaints, 28 housing complaints, 4 under the Ralph Civil Rights Act, and 14 under the Unruh Civil Rights Act. 340 of the complaints were investigated and determined actionable. This data was not broken down by city to specifically reflect levels of complaint activity in Morgan Hill.

#### Quality of affordable housing information programs

There does not appear to be any general-eligibility mobility counseling programs for Housing Choice Voucher holders in Morgan Hill; however, the City has done well by having a single website portal for information about and applying to BMR housing within Morgan Hill.<sup>92</sup>

It is also important to note that residents of Morgan Hill have access to the same affordable housing information programs as Santa Clara County. While Santa Clara County also lacks general-eligibility mobility counseling programs, it does offer some discrete programs for particular populations within the county, such as the Welfare to Work information program for Welfare to Work clients and the Silicon Valley Independent Living Center counseling program for developmentally disabled adults.

## Regulatory barriers to providing housing and supportive services for persons with disabilities

This Assessment did not reveal regulatory barriers to providing housing and services for persons with disabilities in Morgan Hill and the broader region beyond those addressed above with respect to land use and zoning laws. Even those land use and zoning laws primarily impede the provision of housing for persons with disabilities by reducing opportunities to develop multifamily housing rather than by singling out housing types dedicated to persons with disabilities for adverse treatment.

## Siting selection policies, practices and decisions for publicly supported housing, including discretionary aspects of Qualified Allocation Plans and other programs

The term "siting selection" refers here to the placement of new publicly supported housing developments. Placement of new housing refers to new construction or acquisition with rehabilitation of previously unsubsidized housing. State and local policies, practices, and decisions can significantly affect the location of new publicly supported housing. Local policies, practices, and decisions that may influence where developments are sited include, but are not

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<sup>88</sup> SANTA CLARA COUNTY, CAL., CODE § 1.30.030.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>89</sup> Id.

<sup>91</sup> https://www.dfeh.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/sites/32/2020/10/DFEH\_2019AnnualReport.pdf

<sup>92</sup> https://www.housekeys1.com/



limited to, local funding approval processes, zoning and land use laws, local approval of LIHTC applications, and donations of land and other municipal contributions. For example, for LIHTC developments, the priorities and requirements set out in the governing Qualified Allocation Plan (QAP) influence where developments are located through significant provisions in QAPs such as local veto or support requirements and criteria and points awarded for project location.

The main policy-driven factor related to the siting of publicly supported housing is the heavy focus of affordable housing development efforts throughout the state on transit-oriented development. Overall, there is very high access to transportation throughout Santa Clara County. When real affordability is built into transit-oriented development, these investments may have a positive effect on stable integration in areas undergoing gentrification by arresting the process of displacement.

The California Tax Credit Allocation Committee's (CTCAC) QAP heavily incentivizes family-occupancy LIHTC development in what it terms "High Resource" or "Highest Resource" areas. None of Morgan Hill falls within High Resource areas. This is the case despite high income levels and access to proficient schools in eastern Morgan Hill. LIHTC development in these areas would contribute to greater residential racial integration. In light of the significant incentives for LIHTC development in High Resource and Highest Resource areas, CTCAC's current identification of high resource areas undermines efforts to foster integration in Morgan Hill and presents a missed opportunity. The QAP includes set-aside pools for the South and West Bay Region (San Mateo and Santa Clara Counties) of 6%, which is roughly equal to its share in the population of the state.

#### Source of income discrimination

In 2019, the California Legislature passed S.B. 329, a bill that prohibited discrimination against Housing Choice Voucher holders. 93 It is likely that source of income discrimination still occurs on a frequent basis despite these protections, thus reinforcing the importance of investments in fair housing enforcement. Although Morgan Hill does not have its own local source of income protections, some of its neighbors do as well as Santa Clara County with respect to the unincorporated areas.

## State or local laws, policies, or practices that discourage individuals with disabilities from being placed in or living in apartments, family homes, and other integrated settings

State or local laws, policies, or practices that discourage individuals with disabilities from living in apartments, family homes, supportive housing, and other integrated settings are not a significant contributing factor to fair housing issues in Morgan Hill or Santa Clara County. A severe shortage of available, integrated affordable housing is the primary driver of the segregation of persons with disabilities, rather than laws, policies, or practices that discourage persons with disabilities from living in integrated housing.

#### Unresolved violations of fair housing or civil rights law

This Assessment did not reveal any unresolved violations of fair housing or civil rights law in Morgan Hill.

<sup>93</sup> https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billTextClient.xhtml?bill id=201920200SB329



# Appendix H6

## **Evaluation of Past Performance**

City of Morgan Hill Housing Element 2023-2031



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# **APPENDIX H-6 | Evaluation of Past Performance**

#### 6.1 Introduction

California law (Government Code Sections 65588(a)) requires Housing Elements to assess the achievements under the adopted housing programs as part of the eight-year update. These results should be quantified where possible (e.g., the number of units rehabilitated), but may be qualitative where necessary (e.g., mitigation of governmental constraints). The results should then be compared with what was projected or planned in the earlier element. Where significant shortfalls exist between what was planned and what was achieved, the reasons for such differences must be discussed.

### 6.2 Accomplishments of the Current Housing Element

Morgan Hill has developed programs and implemented initiatives to incentivize housing production; assisted citizens in paying their rent and purchasing homes; facilitated development of supportive and transitional housing; and assisted people experiencing homelessness. This section highlights some of the key accomplishments during the 5<sup>th</sup> Housing Element cycle This Housing Element builds upon the success of the previous Housing Element and speaks to the evolutionary response of the City's Housing efforts.

The City of Morgan Hill continues to be resourceful in the face of the challenging effects of the 2012 elimination of the Redevelopment Agency, and the resulting loss of \$4 million in annual funding to support the rehabilitation and development of affordable housing in Morgan Hill. Historically the City has built a model Program with one in every eight units being affordable and income restricted. In the absence of redevelopment, the City continues to seek out new strategies to support Housing production, affordability and services.

The historical backdrop to Morgan Hill's unique housing story began in 1977, when the voters adopted the Residential Development Control System (RDCS), a smart growth residential pacing policy. This was done in response to the community's concern for the amount and pace of residential growth and its impacts on city services and infrastructure. For 40 years, RDCS worked as a "de facto" Inclusionary Housing Ordinance, incentivizing the creation of high-quality, affordable housing throughout the city. RDCS continued through a city-initiated ballot, Measure S, which was approved in November of 2016 and effective March 2017. The RDCS program provided an opportunity for park lands and open space, safe routes to schools, proximity to the downtown businesses and services, and affordable housing. Through RDCS, Morgan Hill has been able to obtain a significant amount of affordable housing.

In 2018 RDCS was suspended with the enactment of Senate Bill 330 ("SB 330") which went into law, effective as of January 1, 2020. SB 330 enacted Government Code Section 66300, the "Housing Crisis Act of 2019" as a direct result of the legislature being forced to act due to the housing supply not keeping up with population and job growth. Ultimately, the result is a statewide affordability crisis that has grown significantly due to undersupply and increases in housing prices. The Housing Crisis Act preempts and precludes the enforcement of RDCS while the State of California's Housing Crisis Act is in effect. SB330 originally set a temporary 5-year prohibition of residential density reduction associated with a "housing development project," from January 1, 2020, to January 1, 2025. SB 8 extended the temporary prohibition for an additional 5-year period, concluding on January 1, 2030. In preparation for the suspension of RDCS, the City of Morgan

Hill adopted an Inclusionary Housing Ordinance (IHO) in August of 2018 to replace the RDCS mechanism that allowed for the creation of Below Market Rate (BMR) units. An IHO is one tool that is used to obtain affordable units in the City, and to ensure that, to the extent possible, affordability is disbursed throughout the entire development. Thus, the IHO has carried on the good policy of requiring all new housing neighborhoods to produce 15% affordable units if the project is located outside of downtown, and 10% if it is located within downtown.

Morgan Hill's primary housing mission is to continue the City's legacy to improve, preserve, and create safe quality housing in Morgan Hill for residents at all income levels, in the form of both rental and ownership opportunities. As a result of the elimination of redevelopment agencies statewide, the City's Housing Program accepted secondary responsibility to serve as the successor to the former Morgan Hill Redevelopment Agency's housing functions and administer its legacy housing assets.

With the elimination of the agency, the City restructured its housing programs to reflect the services that can be provided based on the limited staff resources and funding. The housing functions provide coordination of new unit private development production, implementation of the Housing Element, achievement of the Regional Housing Needs Allocation efforts (RHNA), and provision of various local housing related services and programs. For a full review of the previous Housing Element, see Attachment A.

Overall, a significant number of housing units have been built, particularly for people experiencing homelessness. The city has been able to continue to support affordable development by systematically partnering with local housing stakeholders, such as the County of Santa Clara and through its participation in Measure A. Measure A, a \$950 million Affordable Housing Bond, was passed by the Santa Clara County voters in November of 2016. This bond has spurred affordable housing developments countywide, including 4,800 new units dedicated to extremely low-income households and individuals, families exiting homelessness, and other underserved populations. A Morgan Hill development named "The Crossings" was amongst one of the first Measure A projects approved for funding.

The Crossings is a three-story affordable housing development located at 16800 Monterey Rd, Morgan Hill, CA 95037, occupied in 2020 and consisting of 39 affordable housing units, developed by Urban Housing Communities. There are 20 apartments reserved for chronically homeless and homeless individuals and families. The Crossings received \$5.8 million in Measure A funding and \$750,000 in 2018 from the City of Morgan Hill.

The "Royal Oak Village" is the City's second Measure A affordable rental development. This project by Urban Housing Communities is under construction and has a September of 2023 expected occupancy date. There are 73 units of which 18 are permanent supportive housing, 30 are farmworker units, and 24 are permanent supportive housing (PSH) units. The project is located at the Royal Oaks Mushroom Farm along Watsonville Road, south of Monterey Road. The project received \$400,000 in 2021 from the City of Morgan Hill Housing Program,

\$8,363,000 million from the Countywide Measure A Bond and \$1,528,000 in 2022 from the Urban County CDBG Program.

The City of Morgan Hill assisted in the development of the Morgan Hill Family – Scattered Site affordable rental development by EAH. This is a 41-unit apartment community on three (3) separate properties that are noncontiguous but within ¾ of a mile of one another. The property provides permanent housing for low-income families at or below 60% of the Area Median Income (AMI) and includes six (6) units set-aside for Transitional Aged Youth (T.A.Y. units). The City of Morgan Hill Housing Program provided funding in the amount of \$4,500,000 with City Housing funds. The project includes: Tobiano at Orchard Ranch" (40 E. Dunne Avenue), Tovero at Orchard

Ranch (16873 Monterey Rd), Palomino at Orchard Ranch (16170-16180 Monterey Road).

The main performance measure by which a city is evaluated by HCD is its annual progress on the Regional Housing Needs Allocation goals (RHNA, the number of new homes that a city is "assigned" in each income category to produce over an eight-year cycle). The city is currently in its fifth RHNA Housing Element cycle for the Planning Period: January 31, 2015 – January 31, 2023. For the current RHNA cycle (2015-2023), Morgan Hill has exceeded its total RHNA goal of 928 by producing 2,203 homes since 2014, thus satisfying the overall RHNA Housing goal by 237%. However, the City's quantified objectives outlined in the 5<sup>th</sup> Housing Element cycle was based on anticipated RDCS allocations, instead of the RHNA goal, from Fiscal Year 2013/2014 through Fiscal Year 2022/2023. Based on the quantified objectives of the 5<sup>th</sup> Housing Element cycle, the City accomplished its objectives for low- and moderate-income units as of May 2022 and has a remaining objective of 44 extremely low-income units, 26 very low-income units, and 997 above moderate-income units. It is surmised that the quantified objectives were not met due to the passage of SB 330 which suspended RDCS on January 1, 2020.

Table 6-1	Quantified Objectives (2015-2023) Compared to Actual Accomplishments								
	Extremely Low Income	Very Low Income	Low Income	Moderate Income	Above Moderate Income	TOTAL Comp/Obj			
	Comp/Obj	Comp/Obj	Comp/Obj	Comp/Obj	Comp/Obj				
New Construction	31 / 75	49 / 75	192 / 70	418 / 170	1,513 / 2,510	2,203 / 2,900			
Rehabilitation <sup>1</sup>	32 / 16	182 / 80	40 / N/A	7 / N/A	-	254 / 96			
Conservation/ Preservation	_	·	-		-	-			

Note: comp = completed; obj = objective. Source: City of Morgan Hill, 2022

Some of the particularly noteworthy accomplishments of the current Housing Element include the following:

- 1. Met the Low-, Moderate-, and Above-Moderate Housing RHNA goals. Provided for the orderly creation of new housing, with 2,203 new housing units created since 2015. Approximately 31 percent of the units built have been affordable to very low-, low-, and moderate-income residents. The affordable units that have been built during the most recent cycle are largely attributable to the City's work establishing affordable and special needs housing as a high priority. The City is on track to meet its last remaining goal of 193 very low-income units pending permit issuance.
- 2. The City Council adopted Residential Development Design and Development Standards ("Standards") to replace the RDCS Competition Manual. The Standards have been developed to meet the requirements of "Objective Standard" and are consistent with the Morgan Hill 2035 General Plan. The purpose of the Residential Development Design and Development Standards is to articulate project design requirements for all residential and mixed-use developments. These Standards will be utilized to detail the review process by clearly stating the City of Morgan Hill's objectives for high quality, residential projects that are aesthetically pleasing, livable, sustainable, well-connected to neighborhood services. These Standards implement requirements of SB 330 "Housing Crisis Act of 2019" and shall remain in effect until SB 330 is rescinded or extended.
- 3. The City continues to place a high priority on providing quality housing opportunities for an

economically and socially diverse community. This priority is reflected as a strategy in the Housing Element. In December 2020, the City Council endorsed the five-year Santa Clara County 2020 Community Plan to End Homelessness (2020-2025), developed collaboratively by representatives of community-based service organizations, local government, philanthropy, business, healthcare, and people with lived experience. Morgan Hill applied for and received a \$450,000 capacity building grant from Destination Home for a period of 3 years (\$150,000 per year) to fund an Unhoused Specialist position that began in 2021. This teammate goes out into the community to engage and offer support and basic needs to our homeless residents, conducts a needs assessment/survey, a critical first step in ensuring they have an opportunity to access permanent housing when it becomes available. All countywide shelter beds are now coordinated through the Bill Wilson Center Hotline 408-385-2400. This teammate is working alongside the Psychiatric Emergency Response Team (PERT), a Mental Health Collaboration with the County Behavioral Health Department. The PERT Team consist of a clinician to conduct mental health evaluations and assessments for persons with serious mental illnesses including clients who are frequent users of emergency psychiatrist services.

- 4. In 2017, Destination: Home and the County of Santa Clara helped launch a countywide Homelessness Prevention System in which Morgan Hill participates- a unique partnership between public agencies, private funders, and non-profit organizations to help at-risk families and individuals maintain their housing and avoid falling into homelessness. In response to the rise in Homelessness in 2017, Morgan Hill has annually contributed \$25,000 to an ongoing Countywide Rapid Rehousing Program. This serves as a Homeless Prevention program providing rental assistance, security deposits, transportation, utilities, and motel stays for families experiencing homelessness. Since its inception in Fiscal Year 2017-2018 and through Fiscal Year 2021-2022, \$425,890.17 has been provided to 95 Morgan Hill families at risk of homelessness. Additionally, through the COVID pandemic \$685,000 was provided by Destination Home to Morgan Hill households financially impacted by the pandemic.
- 5. In 2017 a Safe Park Program for families experiencing homelessness was created through a public private partnership. The Safe Park offers an eight space, pet friendly overnight respite at a local church for eight homeless families (25 people max) living in their cars. They receive coordinated assessment, services, meals, and support with the goal of providing some stability and a path to permanent housing. Since its inception and ongoing the city contributes \$30,000 annually towards the case management provided by the South County Compassion Center. The total contracted amount during the 5<sup>th</sup> Housing Element cycle is \$136,265. The city has budgeted \$52,000 for FY 22/23 for Case Management for "Focus" Safe Car Park Program and referral services to the cities Inclement Cold Weather Shelter. Since January 2020 the City of Morgan Hill has also supported an inclement cold weather shelter at Community Christian Church during cold weather season. The city has provided support during the 5<sup>th</sup> Housing Element cycle, total contracted amount is \$49,336. The city has budgeted \$25,000 for FY 22/23.
- 6. In 2018, the City of Morgan Hill adopted an Inclusionary Housing Ordinance (IHO) requiring residential developments to provide 15% of the units (and 10% in Downtown) as part of the City's efforts to create and maintain an income-based affordable housing inventory. The IHO is a result of the loss of the City's Residential Development Control System (RDCS) growth management program which has been the mechanism for the City to obtain Below Market Rate (BMR) housing units for many years. In December of 2021, the City Council adopted an amendment to the IHO to create a funding mechanism that will allow the City to advance projects that meet the City's Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) goals. Specifically,

the City now allows for up to 50% of the affordable housing requirement to be satisfied with an in-lieu fee. This fee would provide the City with a funding mechanism to support projects that produce units that contribute to meeting the City's RHNA requirements. In-lieu fees are already allowed in the IHO. However, this recommended change allows this in-lieu fee to be by right provided that a minimum of 50% of the affordable units will be built on site. This programmatic change is intended to help the City meet its very low income and extremely low-income goals moving forward.

### 6.3 Housing Element Program Review

The overview below focuses primarily on the Below Market Rate Housing Program. These BMR units were either previously produced by the City's RDCS program, or the more recent Inclusionary Housing Ordinance Program.

#### **6.3.1** Below Market Rate Program

The *Below Market Rate Housing (BMR) Homeownership and Rental Program* helps qualifying buyers and renters obtain affordably priced homes and apartments. The genesis of this program began in 1977 through the program formally known as RDCS. The homes are typically provided by private market developers based on the affordable requirements of the Inclusionary Housing Ordinance. In the "Post-RDA and post RDCS Era", Morgan Hill has evolved to keep pace with the changing rules to ensure that BMR units continue to be delivered to Morgan Hill residents. The City currently has over 550 first time homeowners in the program and 15 BMR renter households.

Participating homebuyers and renters must be income eligible. Homebuyers must be preapproved to be able to financially qualify for a fixed-rate, fixed-term mortgage, and must have a minimum 3 percent down payment from their own funds to purchase a home. Eligible applicants are placed in a lottery until the opportunity to purchase or rent a unit becomes available either through new construction or resale of an existing unit. Priority in the lottery is provided for eligible buyers who live or work within the city limits. This program helps low- and moderate-income households purchase and rent homes that are affordable and adequate to their needs. It also prevents affordable homes from being sold to persons with little or no income obstacles, maintaining a larger base of affordable homes in the area. Home sale prices range from \$523,618 for a moderate two-bedroom home to \$634,840 for a moderate income, four-bedroom home. At the time of sale, properties will have a resale affordable restriction recorded on the title in order to preserve the long-term affordability of the unit for an additional 45 years. The BMR monthly rental prices are consistent with the State HCD income guidelines and adjusted for household size, ranging from \$908 for an Extremely Low Income one bedroom unit to \$2,451 for a four-bedroom low-income unit.

In 2015, the City collaborated with HouseKeys, after the sudden demise of Neighborhood Housing Services, for the administration of its Below Market Rate (BMR)Program. This enabled the City to continue to contract with an outside agency to administer the Program on site to serve as a test to identify best practices. Housing efforts were focused on the immediate need to transition the BMR Program and strived to carry out transactions to avoid a service interruption to developers, homeowners and new buyers in the pipeline. This was achieved by rapidly on-boarding the HouseKeys BMR team and working to create a new sustainable BMR business model. The City of Morgan Hill was the first model city acting as an incubator of innovation and collaboration. HouseKeys now operates as an Affordable Housing Program Administrator who works alongside 16 cities and builders to provide affordable housing opportunities to income-eligible households. As a Program Administrator they support the City's BMR program by specializing in Home Ownership, Rental, and Finance Programs. During the 5<sup>th</sup> Housing Element cycle Morgan Hill has

provided \$2,100,000 for the administration of its BMR program. The city has budgeted \$550,000 for FY 22/23 for BMR Ownership and Rental program administration for the sale of the new construction BMR unit, a resale, and ongoing monitoring, compliance, and asset management. From 2015 to 2021, there was 85 New Construction BMR homeowner units permitted and occupied by income qualified, first-time homebuyer families, an additional 53 BMR homes rehabilitated by HouseKeys and resold to income eligible families, and the administration of 89 subordinations to support homeowners refinance loans. Since 2015, there have been over 65 BMR ownership unit cases involving enforcement action or escalations. Of those 65, 41 involved attorney action, and 6 progressed to formal complaints filed and litigation in court to protect the affordability covenants. Through this process, the City and HouseKeys have learned how to strengthen the program and to implement policies and procedures defensible in court.

#### 6.3.2 Rehabilitation

Through the former Morgan Hill Redevelopment Agency's (RDA) \$4 million in annual funding that was dedicated to support the rehabilitation and development of affordable housing, the City has historically offered a *Housing Rehabilitation Loan Program* to maintain and improve housing conditions. RDA was a significant cornerstone of the city's successful housing program. Since its dissolution in February of 2012, the City has had to reduce, reprioritize and restructure its programs. As a result, programs that were once offered, such as the *Housing Rehabilitation Loan Program* that provided loans to lower income owner-occupants of single-family dwellings and owners of rental housing with income-qualified renters has been effectively eliminated in Fiscal Year 2010/2011 due to the dissolution of the Redevelopment Agency.

However, during this current 5<sup>th</sup> Housing Element cycle, the City has continued to support rehabilitation efforts to improve Morgan Hill's stock of affordable housing through the following programs. The Urban County Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) of which Morgan Hill is a participating jurisdiction, has continued to fund rehabilitation services provided by Rebuilding Together Silicon Valley (RBTSV). Since 2015, CDBG has provided \$1,826,546.05 to RBTSV, a non-profit agency devoted to providing critical home repairs and accessibility modifications for low-income homeowners and seniors at no cost to the recipient. The work provided focuses on improvements such as grab bars and railings, half steps, wheelchair ramps or lifts, raised toilets, minor plumbing or electrical, carpentry, and painting. Repairs are made possible, at no cost to the recipient, by utilizing volunteer labor, generous donations, government grants, and donated or discounted materials. Applicants must own their home, have a household income below 80% area median income, and preference is given to those 50% or below area median income. This program has been funded in part by the CDBG program, and in part by the City of Morgan Hill.

In addition to the Urban County CDBG Program, since 2016, the City of Morgan Hill has also contracted with RBTSV for minor repair services, the total City contracted amount during the 5th Housing Element cycle was \$350,000. Additionally, in years 2017-2021 the City funded a RBTSV Blight busters' program in collaboration with the code compliance team to assist with bringing a low-income home into compliance with health and safety rules. The Blight busters' program had a total contract amount of \$150,000 from 2017-2021 and ended June of 2021. From July 2015 to June 2020, 2,564 home repairs were completed by RBTSV on 258 homes in Morgan Hill (this is the result of both the Urban County CDBG Program funding and the City of Morgan Hill Program funding).

The City of Morgan Hill's housing policy towards its multifamily housing partnerships is to provide stewardship to guaranty investment and re-investment in quality, long term housing stock. This generally results in supporting non-profit partners as they raise rehabilitation dollars for renovation of aging structures in the City of Morgan Hill. The former Morgan Hill Redevelopment Agency

originally provided loans in previous years. Since then, the following developers have sought out and received City approval to refinance and resubordinate existing loans to rehabilitate their properties through the State's Tax Credit and Bond programs.

First Community Housing intends to rehab Murphy Ranch I, a 62-unit affordable apartment community and Murphy Ranch II, a 38-unit affordable apartment community located at 310 E Dunne Ave. Construction is scheduled to start during the second quarter of 2022 and will take 12-15 months to complete. The rehab will include performing critical and immediate repairs in excess of \$2.5 million at Murphy Ranch I and II. The primary scope of work is to complete roof repairs, security camera upgrades, repaint the building exteriors, complete common area and unit interior improvements, resurface parking areas, replace rotted fencing, and upgrade the heating, cooling, and ventilation systems at each building to support energy efficiency.

EDEN Housing began rehabilitation work on Depot Commons in 2021 located at 17145 Depot Street. Depot was 12 affordable units and is being converted to 18 affordable units and 1 managers unit within the existing footprint. The rehab will include site work, interior and exterior upgrades, replacement of interior finishes, roofing, siding, doors, windows, the HVAC system and the additional of solar. The rehabilitation is expected to be completed in 2022.

EDEN Housing began rehabilitation work on the Willows Apartments in year 2021 located at 50 W Edmundson Ave. The Willows consists of 19 affordable units and 1 managers unit. The rehab will include the replacement of roofing, partial siding, doors, windows, the HVAC system and the addition of Solar. The interiors of the buildings will include upgrades to doors, cabinets, electrical & plumbing fixtures, and flooring. The rehabilitation is expected to be completed in 2022. The Willow Apartments and Depot Commons are being rehabbed together and the total development cost of this rehab is \$27.2 million.

In 2021 EDEN Housing completed a \$2.1 million rehabilitation of Sycamore Glen, a 20-unit senior property in Morgan Hill originally constructed in 1989. The property recently completed renovations in 2021, Improvements includes: heating and cooling units for each unit, all new double pane windows throughout, full unit interior renovations, drought-tolerant landscaping and install water efficient irrigation, repairs to failing pedestrian bridges and new stairs throughout, exterior lighting and parking lot upgrades, upgrades to the small community room and ADA upgrades throughout the site.

In February of 2022, EDEN Housing requested, and the City Council of Morgan Hill approved, the waiver of the 2020 surplus cash distribution payment (\$44,777) due to the City to support their property Villa Ciolino's immediate urgent rehabilitation needs. Villa Ciolino is a 42-unit affordable family housing apartment community located at 80 Ciolino Avenue. The more urgent rehab work will begin in 2022, primarily to address the exterior dry rot needs. EDEN has a longer-term goal to continue to apply for and seek out Tax Credit and Bond Funds to do a full re-syndication for the entire property, a much larger scale rehab of the property is scheduled for 2023.

In 2017, EAH completed an \$18,105,464 million extensive rehabilitation of the Cochrane Morgan Hill Apartments located at 18555 Butterfield Blvd (96 Units). The scope of the improvements included but not limited to the replacement of plumbing, an upgrade to the electrical systems, extensive interior, and exterior upgrades, such as appliances, energy efficient systems, replacement of the countertops and cabinets, windows and flooring. Additionally, ADA accessibility features were implemented, restriping of the parking areas, replacements of the irrigation and upgrades to the interior and exterior common area amenities.

In 2019, EAH completed a \$50,910,953 million rehabilitation of Park Place Apartments, located at 16480 Del Monte Ave (112 Units). The scope of the improvements included but not limited to replacement and upgrades to the plumbing and electrical systems, roof, AC system, appliances,

and ADA enhancements. Additionally, an upgrade to the exterior and interior lighting, landscaping and irrigation improvements, repair of the basketball court surface, paving of the playground, and an upgrade to the interior and exterior common area amenities.

#### **6.3.3** Santa Clara County Housing Programs

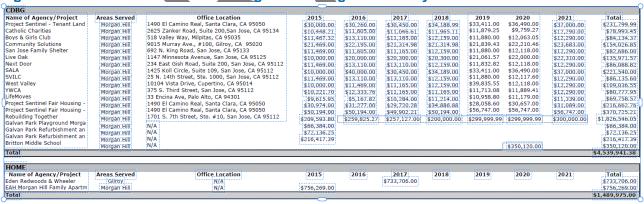
The Housing Authority of Santa Clara County administers the Section 8 Housing Assistance Payments Program (Section 8). This program links landlords with tenants eligible for rental assistance. Section 8 guarantees landlords fair market rent while providing subsidies for tenants in rental properties. Section 8 tenants are those elderly, handicapped, or very low- or extremely low-income families needing help to secure decent housing. Morgan Hill is participating in this program. Currently, 344 Morgan Hill households use Section 8 housing choice vouchers. There are 632 households on the waiting list for vouchers from Morgan Hill. The Housing Choice Voucher interest list (accessed through the Applicant Portal) is a permanently open list. When vouchers are available, active applicants are randomly selected to be offered a voucher (if eligible).

#### Community Development Block Grants (CDBG)

Morgan Hill participates in the Santa Clara County CDBG Urban County Program that provides funding on behalf of the smaller urban county non entitlement cities to nonprofit agencies and participating cities to enable them to offer housing and housing-related services to eligible lower income persons including seniors, persons with disabilities, the homeless, and victims of gender-based violence.

Since 2015, the CDBG program has provided \$4,539,941.38 in funding for developers and service providers that have served Morgan Hill for the acquisition, construction, or rehabilitation of affordable housing, public facilities, and services for lower income persons. Local funding priorities are based on the collective community needs and goals documented in the County's Consolidated Plan. A summary of services funded during the 5<sup>th</sup> Housing Element cycle is listed below.

Figure H 6-1: Services Funded During 5th Housing Element Cycle



#### **HOME Program (Home Investment Partnership Act)**

The federal HOME Program is administered by the County of Santa Clara Office of Supportive Housing and provides loans and grants to nonprofit organizations to assist with financing to develop permanently affordable housing through acquisition, construction, or rehabilitation. In 2015, EAH Morgan Hill Family Apartments received \$756,269 in HOME funds for the construction of Morgan Hill Family – a scattered site development that consists of a 41-unit apartment project built on three (3) separate properties that are noncontiguous but within ¾ of a mile of one another, Tobiano at Orchard Ranch" (40 E. Dunne Avenue), Tovero at Orchard Ranch (16873 Monterey

Rd), and Palomino at Orchard Ranch (16170-16180 Monterey Road). The property provides permanent housing for very low-income families at or below 60% AMI and includes six (6) units for Transitional Aged Youth (T.A.Y. units). The HOME funds were used for the construction and permanent financing of the residential portion of the project. The City of Morgan Hill funded this project \$4,5000,000.00 with City Housing Program funds.

#### **Shelter Plus Care**

Shelter Plus Care (S+C) was originally the name of a Program that was administered by the Housing Authority. It provided a five-year rent subsidy to homeless/disabled individuals and their families to assist them in securing permanent affordable rental housing. Applicants had to be currently homeless and diagnosed with one of the following disabilities: mental illness, HIV/AIDS, or a drug and/or alcohol dependency. In addition to rent subsidy, the program also arranged for various treatment services and case management. S+C clients were required to pay 30 percent of their monthly income towards rent and S+C paid the balance. The Housing Authority transferred S+C program in 2016 to the County of Santa Clara Office of Supportive Housing for the purpose of integrating the program and the referring body into one coordinated entry effort. The program as described still exists through the coordinated countywide entry system. The name "S+C" was the referral process for a HUD funded grant that allowed shelter providers to refer their residents and was eliminated when coordinated entry was created. Coordinated entry was part of a larger effort to streamline access to homeless and housing services countywide. All Continuum of Care (CoC) funded programs now use the coordinated entry system as the referral mechanism. Participants do not apply; they are given an assessment by their homeless service provider that places them on a community queue and prioritizes them by vulnerability and acuity. The community queue is used to refer individuals starting with the highest scoring individual on the queue. The CoC funding includes the subsidies and services that were originally provided by the program called S+C. There are three CoC grants that provide subsidy assistance only. Additional information can be found on the Grant Inventory Worksheet (GIW) at HUD: https://www.hud.gov/sites/dfiles/CPD/documents/CoC/2021/GIW/FY%202021%20CA-500%20GIW.xlsx. Currently there are 1,422 units in the 35 Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) Programs in Santa Clara County that have a subsidy and service that is CoC funded. As of February 28, 2022, during the 5th Housing Element cycle there are 71 households housed in Morgan Hill and affiliated with the CoC funded PSH programs.

# Attachment 6

# **Evaluation of Past Performance:** Program Evaluation City of Morgan Hill Housing Element 2023-2031

	ole H 6-2 Evaluation of 2015-2022 City of Mo	Status	Evaluation	Recommendation
1a-1		Ongoing	The City's Housing Division and Planning Division annually reviews the amount of land available for development during the Annual Progress Report (APR) to HCD and OPR to ensure enough land is available to accommodate the outstanding RHNA.	Retain program
1c-1	<b>Annual RDCS Objectives.</b> Establish annual objectives under the RDCS allocation process for affordable housing based on past production and future needs.	Discontinued	SB 330 suspended the RDCS program effective January 1, 2020, as the Housing Crisis Act preempts and precludes the enforcement of RDCS while the State of California's Housing Crisis Act is in effect.	Delete program
1c-2	Annually Evaluate RDCS Allocations. Annually evaluate the outcome of the allocation process to determine if further adjustments to the system are advisable to ensure that the annual allocations are maximized for both market rate and affordable housing. Points to consider include the RDCS's impacts on cost, supply and affordability of housing, as well as the timing of the process. Ensure that there are sufficient allocations to meet the Regional Housing Need Allocation (RHNA). Include results in the annual progress report submitted to HCD.	Discontinued	SB 330 suspended the RDCS program effective January 1, 2020, as the Housing Crisis Act preempts and precludes the enforcement of RDCS while the State of California's Housing Crisis Act is in effect.	Delete program

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1h-1	RDCS Refinement. Continue to develop and implement varied RDCS standards for different types of developments. For example, consider if senior or multi-family developments should have different scoring criteria than single-family developments.	Discontinued	SB 330 suspended the RDCS program effective January 1, 2020, as the Housing Crisis Act preempts and precludes the enforcement of RDCS while the State of California's Housing Crisis Act is in effect.	Delete program
1h-2	<b>Review Height Limits.</b> Review the Zoning Ordinance to ensure that height limits allow for a desirable design at the intended density.	Complete	Height limits were reviewed and revised during the Zoning Code Ordinance update in 2018 as part of the 2035 General Plan Update; however, further review of height limits may be warranted within the Zoning Ordinance and the Objective Standards to allow for the intended density allowed in the General Plan.	Retain and modify program
1h-3	Review Design Standards. Review design guidelines and standards to ensure that housing developments, particularly in higher density designations, provide adequate privacy, open space and other amenities.	Complete	The Residential Development Design and Development Standards were adopted in December 2019 and updated in December 2020 to implement the requirements of SB 330 and SB 35 to articulate objective project design requirements for all residential and mixed-use developments.	Delete program
1j-1	Monitor and Implement RDCS in New Projects. Continue to monitor and ensure that an appropriate percentage of all new market rate housing be affordable to lower, median, and moderate income households. The Planning Commission and City Council shall annually review proposed RDCS allocation procedures to ensure that developers will maximize points in the RDCS by providing sufficient affordable units.	Discontinued	SB 330 suspended the RDCS program effective January 1, 2020, as the Housing Crisis Act preempts and precludes the enforcement of RDCS while the State of California's Housing Crisis Act is in effect.	Delete program

Tab	Table H 6-2 Evaluation of 2015-2022 City of Morgan Hill Housing Element Programs					
	Program	Status	Evaluation	Recommendation		
11-1	RDCS Points for BMR Housing. On an annual basis, when the City Council updates RDCS scoring criteria, ensure that provisions are retained within the RDCS that award points for developments that voluntarily reserve a percentage of the proposed housing for below market rate units.	Discontinued	SB 330 suspended the RDCS program effective January 1, 2020, as the Housing Crisis Act preempts and precludes the enforcement of RDCS while the State of California's Housing Crisis Act is in effect. In preparation for the suspension of RDCS, the City of Morgan Hill adopted an Inclusionary Housing Ordinance (IHO) in August of 2018 to replace the RDCS mechanism that allowed for the creation of Below Market Rate (BMR) units.			
1q-1	New Funding Sources. Monitor and consider new sources of funding for affordable housing development and rehabilitation; continue to regularly apply for grant funding such as CalHOME.	Ongoing	Staff will continue to seek out funding opportunities that both allow for programming and capacity to implement that programing. Morgan Hill is limited on resources and staffing levels reflect the 2012 elimination of the Redevelopment Agency, and the resulting loss of \$4 million in annual funding to support the rehabilitation and development of affordable housing in Morgan Hill. Morgan Hill applied for and received a \$450,000 capacity building grant from Destination Home for a period of 3 years (\$150,000 per year) to fund an Unhoused Specialist position that began in 2021 and will continue to seek out such opportunities.	Retain and modify program		
1r-1	Partnership for Tax Credits. Continue to support applications for Low-Income Housing Tax Credits either by acting as co-applicant with the developer or providing them with matching funds.	Complete/ Ongoing	Support for tax credits and bonds is regularly provided for both new development and rehabilitation. As Housing Program funding is available, the City of Morgan Hill takes the opportunity to partner with affordable housing developers and fund projects. (2015 EAH Morgan Hill Family – Scattered Site \$4,5000,000.00, 2018 Crossings on Monterey \$750,000, 2021 Royal Oak Village \$400,000).	Retain and modify program		

	Program	Status	Evaluation	Recommendation
1bb-1	Solar Energy Assessment District. Study the possibility of forming a voluntary (opt-in) solar energy assessment district to provide loans to offset the initial cost of installing solar panels or other efficiency improvements. Loans would be paid for by a municipal bond and paid back by an increase in the participating household's property taxes for the life of the loan.	Complete	A Solar Energy Assessment District was not implemented; however, the City of Morgan Hill participates in the Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) Program which allows property owners to finance energy improvements and pay the costs back in individual property taxes.	Delete program
1cc-1	<b>R-2 Zoning.</b> Modify the R-2 zoning standards (Chapter 18.55 of the Zoning Code) to explicitly state that second units are an allowed use.	Complete	The Zoning Ordinance was updated in 2018 which modified the RAL zoning district (previously named R-2) to allow Accessory Dwelling Units (secondary units) as a permitted use.	Delete program
Icc-2	Secondary Unit Information. Develop resources to help educate homeowners, architects, and builders about secondary dwelling units. Potential actions include producing handouts and fact sheets and hosting "How To" workshops.	Ongoing	The City Housing Program has partnered with the Housing Trust of Silicon Valley and other providers to market and offer workshops and resources for homeowners constructing Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs). HTSV offers an ADU Construction Loan Program for a three-year term. On site tours of prefabricated ADUs have occurred at city hall. The Planning team updated the ADU ordinance in 2019 and 2021 to comply with legislation that amended ADU law (AB 3182 (2020) and SB 13, AB 68, AB 881, AB 587, AB 670, and AB 671 (2019).	Retain and modify program
 Idd-1	Secondary Unit Fees. Reduce per-unit impact fees for secondary dwelling units to reflect smaller household sizes and lesser impacts.	Ongoing	Effective in 2020, pursuant to the Government Code, no impact fees are imposed on accessory dwelling units less than 700 square feet in size; in addition, impact fees charged for an accessory dwelling unit more than 700 square feet are charged proportionality in relation to the square footage of the primary dwelling unit.	Delete program

Program	Status	Evaluation	Recommendatio
<ul> <li>e-1 Secondary Unit Ordinance. Study and revise the secondary dwelling unit ordinance to ensure it follows standard best practices. Pointsto consider include:.</li> <li>Clarify the ordinance to ensure properties are not subdivided and second units sold as separate units.</li> <li>Utilize window design techniques to reduce impact on adjacent property for two-story second units.</li> <li>Increase the maximum permitted second unit size to 50 percent of primarydwelling or 750 square feet, whichever is smaller.</li> <li>Reduce parking requirements to one space for a two-bedroom second unit, or allow tandem parking for the two spaces.</li> <li>Reduce or eliminate the minimum lot size for second units.</li> <li>Have second units governed by the same land use controls as other buildings (setbacks, lot coverage, etc.).</li> <li>Review and revise the zoning ordinance to allow second units in additional zoning districts, including certain multi-family and mixed use districts such as CC-R and CL-R, where some existing lots developed with single-family uses could accommodate greater density in a second unit configuration.</li> </ul>	Complete	Chapter 18.84 (Accessory Dwelling Units) of the Zoning Code was created in 2018 and updated in 2019 to be consistent with the Government Code to allow for accessory units as an important form of affordable housing while preserving the character and integrity of residential neighborhoods in Morgan Hill.	Delete program

	Program	Status	<u>Evaluation</u>	Recommendation
1ii-1	Rental Assistance Programs. Undertake the following: (1) Refer rental property owners to the Santa Clara County's Housing Authority's waiting list; (2) When in contact with rental property owners, inform them of the Housing Authority's vouchers program; and, (3) Promote the availability of vouchers for use in the rental rehabilitation program.	Ongoing	When in contact with rental property owners, inform them of the Santa Clara County Housing Authority's voucher programs and encourage them to list their vacant rental units on the Housing Authority's website (www.scchousingauthority.org/section-8-landlord resources/). Rental assistance programs are continuously updated and marketed to the community in English and Spanish (https://www.morgan.hill.ca.gov/2303/Summer-2022-Food-and-Rental-Assistance).	Retain program
111-1	Update Funding Information. Update, as needed, directories of State and federal housing and community development programs that provide financial assistance. Annually identify State and federal programs that are most applicable to Morgan Hill and have the greatest potential for funding affordable housing in the city.	Ongoing Beginning of Fiscal year	The city participates in the Urban County Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME consortium. Morgan Hill is not an entitled city; however, as population increases, the city will evaluate the opportunity to become an entitled city in the future.	Retain and modify program
1nn-1	Housing Rehabilitation of Rental Properties.  Provide financial assistance for substantial housing rehabilitation to rental property owners with extremely low, very low or low income tenants in exchange for long term affordability (as required by the funding source).	Ongoing	During the 5 <sup>th</sup> cycle, 254 affordable apartment units have been rehabilitated (+7 managers units).	Retain program
 1nn-2	<b>First-Time Homebuyer Program.</b> Provide a first-time homebuyer downpayment assistance program targeted to low and moderate income residents and employees.	Ongoing	Since 2015, \$612,880.00 has been provided in the form of BEGIN down payment assistance.	Retain program
1nn-3	Promote Extremely Low Income Housing.  Provide priority funding consideration for extremely low income housing developments.	Ongoing	There are 158 extremely low-income units in the development pipeline.	Retain program

	Program	Status	<u>Evaluation</u>	Recommendation
100-1	Update City's Affordable Housing Strategy. Continue to update the City's Affordable Housing Strategy with the most current Census data. Identify methods to create housing affordable to extremely low income households.	Complete/ March 2018	March of 2018, the City employed Keyser Marston Associates, Inc. (KMA) to identify potential programs to increase the supply of affordable housing. KMA provided an initial list for the City's consideration.	Delete program
100-2	Review Housing Objectives Annually. Review housing objectives annually and recommend program modifications if annual housing objectives are not being met.	Complete/ Ongoing  Each Spring part of annual report to CC	Annual Housing Program Status Reports provided to City Council.	Retain program
ltt-1	Term of BMR Units. Review the term of affordability for ownership housing units.	Ongoing. Complete.	In November of 2019 and December of 2021, BMR programmatic revisions were discussed with the City Council, at which point Council solidified that the intent of the ownership program is long-term affordability and stability, not rate of return.	Delete program
Itt-2	BMR Equity. Develop opportunities for owners of BMR units to build equity/wealth, while protecting the public investment of resources.	Complete	The BMR ownership program provides homeowners with a stable long-term housing payment, and the ability to earn below market rate equity through a recorded restriction agreement that utilizes the Consumer Price Index (CPI) to calculate the resale price for 45 years. This facilitates the homeowners ability to earn some equity (pending market conditions), and supports the preservation of the affordability aspect of the home.	Delete program

	Program	Status	Evaluation	Recommendation
1vv-1		Ongoing	Since 2015, there have been over 65 BMR ownership cases involving enforcement action or escalations. Of those 65, 41 involved attorney action, and 6 progressed to formal complaints filed and litigation in court. Through this process, the City and HouseKeys learned how to strengthen the program and make policies and procedures defensible in court. This is part of the administration provided by HouseKeys. Additionally, third party BMR portfolio monitoring occurred 2017.	Retain program
1yy-1	Semi-Annual Survey of Rental Vacancies. Conduct a semi-annual survey of rental housing vacancies to determine the applicable vacancy rate for implementing the condominium conversion ordinance.	Ongoing Annual	A vacancy survey is conducted annually. Vacancy rates have consistently been at 1%.	Retain program
1zz-1	Housing Discrimination. Refer discrimination complaints to Project Sentinel or other organizations that combat housing discrimination.	Ongoing	Staff continues to refer residents to the Law Foundation and Project Sentinel. The Project Sentinel Fair Housing Program receives Urban County CDBG funding.	Retain program
2e-1	Resale and Rental Inspection. Research and evaluate creating a resale and rental inspection program to maintain and improve the quality of the housing stock.	Complete	From 2015 to 2021, there was 53 BMR homes, rehabbed and <i>resold</i> to income qualified, first-time homebuyers by the City's BMR administrator HouseKeys. July 25, 2018, the City Council authorized the establishment of a \$1,000,000 Below Market Rate (BMR) Housing Acquisition and Rehabilitation Program with a revolving fund to provide for the preservation of BMR homes that need to be acquired and/or rehabilitated by the City and resold to new eligible homeowners. Each of the 53 resale homes was inspected by the City's BMR administrator as part of the resale process.	Delete program

	Program	Status	Evaluation	Recommendation
2m-1	Work with Mobile Home Interest Groups. Work with mobile home residents and nonprofit groups, as opportunities and interests arise, to explore the purchase of existing mobile home parks to preserve or enhance their affordability. Options include providing funding for feasibility studies, assisting in accessing state and federal programs (such as the California Mobilehome Park Resident Ownership Program), and using available local affordable housing funds as gap funding.	Ongoing	Morgan Hill has a mobile home park ordinance (Municipal Code Chapter 5.36) that limits the amount that space rents can be increased from year to year on mobile home spaces constructed before January 1, 1990. A basic provision of the ordinance is that rents, for leases of 12 months or less, can increase by no more than 75% of the annual increase in the CPI. However, there is a provision in the ordinance that permits an owner to petition to increase rents by more than the 75% of CPI limitation to yield a *just and reasonable return on their property." This provision allows rents to increase so that the property's Net Operating Income (NOI) increases at a rate of up to 40% of the annual increase in the CPI since 1981. Annual rent increases under this provision may not exceed more than twice the CPI or 15%, whichever is less.	Delete program
2n-1	Energy Audits/Weatherization. Partner with local organizations for energy audits/weatherization programs. Typical projects include energy audits, energy efficiency rebate applications, weatherization (reducing air leakage, etc.), window replacement, appliance swaps, etc.	Complete	Morgan Hill is a participating jurisdiction in the Urban County CDBG Program which funds rehabilitation services provided by Rebuilding Together Silicon Valley (RTSV) which includes weatherization repairs and energy efficiency upgrades. This implementation program/action is repetitive of other similar actions, and therefore is proposed to be removed.	Delete program
3i <b>-</b> 1	Low Interest Loans for Accessibility. When funds are available, provide low interest rehabilitation loans to make existing residences accessible to the disabled.	Ongoing	In collaboration with RTSV, Morgan Hill offers a low-income senior and/or disabled Homeowner Rehabilitation Grant Program. From July 2015 to June 2020 RTSV has worked on 258 homes and completed 2,564 repairs in Morgan Hill.	Retain and modify program

Tab	Table H 6-2 Evaluation of 2015-2022 City of Morgan Hill Housing Element Programs				
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3i-2	Housing for Mentally Impaired Homeless Adults. Work with nonprofit organizations (Community Solutions and South County Housing are two examples of nonprofits with which the City has relationships) to evaluate the need for additional units in Morgan Hill for mentally impaired homeless adults.	Ongoing	Efforts have included participation in Measure A's Affordable Housing Bond, dedicated to extremely low-income households and homeless. The Crossings is 39 units of which 20 apartments are reserved for chronically homeless. The Royal Oak Village has 73 units of which 24 are permanent supportive housing (PSH) units. The Morgan Hill Family – Scattered Site affordable rental development has 41 units of which six are set-aside for Transitional Aged Youth aging out of the foster care system. Currently processing a 41-unit project "The Magnolias," of which 11 units are for chronically homeless.	Retain and modify program	
3i-3	Housing for Developmentally Disabled Adults. Coordinate with North Bay Regional Center to integrate their clients into affordable housing. Consult with North Bay Regional Center on new affordable development projects to ensure that new units are built that support adults with developmental disabilities to live lives integrated with the rest of the community.	Ongoing	The Housing Program facilitates community meetings as needed to successfully integrate developmentally disabled adults into the neighborhood. There are currently three group homes owned and operated by the San Andreas Regional Center in Morgan Hill (previously named North Bay Regional Center).	Retain and modify program	
3j-1	Locations for Senior Housing. Identify criteria and locations within the city that are appropriate for senior housing developments and assist developers as appropriate.	Complete	Ongoing efforts. Morgan Hill Senior Housing project (81 units) received a \$14.3M award in 2022 from the State Housing and Community Development Multifamily Housing Program (MHP). Pending a California Debt Limit Allocation Committee (CDLAC) proposed bond allocation award (June of 2022). If awarded, project will be fully funded, and construction will commence December 2022.	Delete program	
31-1	Reduced Impact Fees for Senior Housing. Reduce per- unit impact fees for small senior housing units to reflect smaller household sizes and lesser impacts.	Complete	The City instituted reduced impact fees for senior housing.	Delete program	

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3q-1	<b>Emergency Voucher Program.</b> Consider implementing a one-time emergency voucher program to assist residents displaced by criminal activity, natural disasters or other emergencies. Coordinate with social service providers.	Ongoing	Since 2015, the city has assisted 6 families with emergency hotel placement as a result of flooding and will continue to aid in this effort as resources are available. Coordination with the County of Santa Clara also occurs as they have a county wide emergency hotel placement program.	Retain program	
4b-1	Impact Fees for Downtown Housing. Reduce per-unit impact fees for small downtown housing units, to reflect smaller household sizes and lesser impacts.	Complete	The City instituted reduced impact fees for housing units within the Downtown.	Delete program	
4p-1	Increase Awareness of Universal Design Principles. Educate the Planning Commission about universal design. Make information available at Development Services Center.	Ongoing	Previous Planning Commissions have been educated regarding universal design, but continuous education is needed as Planning Commission vacancies are filled and as Morgan Hill's population continues to age and there is an increasing demand for age-friendly housing built with universal design principles.	Retain program	
4p-2	Universal Design Ordinance. Study and, if appropriate, adopt a universal design ordinance or policies to encourage the inclusion of universal design features in new construction. Options include identifying minimum, cost- effective amenities for all new construction and offering points in the RDCS for homes that provide a more extensive selection of universal design features.	Ongoing	A Universal Design Ordinance was not prepared during the 5th Housing Element cycle; however, points were awarded towards projects that provided universal design features in the RDCS competition. With the passage of SB 330, the RDCS program has been suspended effective January 1, 2020.	Retain and modify program	



# Appendix H7

# Public Participation City of Morgan Hill Housing Element 2023-2034

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# **APPENDIX H-7 | Public Participation**

#### 7.1 Introduction

The 2022 update of the Housing Element involved an extensive community engagement process. The initial efforts began in May and June of 2021, with a series of workshops that were held to provide a roadmap of the past, present, and future housing in Morgan Hill, to communicate how we got here, and to discuss the housing needs for current and future residents. The opportunity was taken to share the State mandates for housing production that are in response to the housing crisis and geared towards increasing the supply. The initial workshops served as a springboard to leap into a deeper community engagement process. City staff used a variety of methods to solicit public input on the Housing Element update, including distributing three survey's (two pertaining to Assessment of Fair Housing (AFH)), hosting public workshops, providing information at community events, conducting focus groups, giving presentations to the Community, and holding several workshops with the community and the Planning Commission. Staff prioritized involvement and engagement of residents and community members that are most directly impacted by the plan and development, especially Latinx, homeless, and other underrepresented or underserved groups. For a synopsis of presentations provided, surveys, and results of public input, see Attachment 7-A.

Community outreach and engagement opportunities were designed to provide a safe engagement process that followed safe public health protocols around COVID-19, and to implement a meaningful engagement process that promoted a sense of ownership and real participation among community members. Staff involved a diverse range of participants, seeking input from the business community, community-based organizations, and other stakeholders.

#### 7.1.1 City Website

A City website (<a href="https://www.morgar-hill.ca.gov/2063/Housing-Element-Update">https://www.morgar-hill.ca.gov/2063/Housing-Element-Update</a>) specifically for the Housing Element update was established to provide an overview of the Housing Element process, FAQs, recordings, online comments to the City, and to announce future events (i.e., workshops, survey). Presentations from public outreach meetings were available for viewing, and documents related to the Housing Element were linked to the website, including the results of the surveys.

### 7.2 List of Meetings

The City of Morgan Hill started the engagement process for the Housing Element in May 2021. Below is a list of meetings and community-based organizations (CBO's) that City staff met with and consulted during the community participation process:

- 5/18/21 What is Affordable Housing 101, Spanish with English (Zoom presentation)
- ❖ 5/19/21 All Things Housing Community Workshop (Zoom presentation)
- 5/22/21 All things Housing In-person
- 5/23/21 Hablando Vivienda con Nuestras Familias En Espanol (Zoom presentation)
- ❖ 5/28/21 Agricultural Workforce Housing in South County (Zoom presentation)
- 6/2/21 Community Workshop State Mandates for Housing Production, City Council Meeting, (Zoom presentation)

- 6/10/21 Town Hall Creating Inclusive Communities through Design Form, (Zoom presentation)
- 6/16/21 Community Workshop Housing Affordability, (Zoom presentation)
- 6/23/21 Community Workshop Housing and Long-term Sustainability, (Zoom presentation)
- 8/11/21 Community Workshop Let's Talk Housing Santa Clara County, Introducing the Housing Element Update (Countywide Zoom presentation with interactive City of Morgan Hill breakout room)
- 11/11/21 South County Collaborative (Zoom presentation and interactive focus group with 30 CBOs)
- 1/11/22 Social Services Agency, South County Staff (Zoom presentation & interactive focus group)
- 1/13/22 Morgan Hill Unified School District (MHUSD) Fawn Meyers HR Director (Zoom interview)
- 1/18/22 Compassion Center Staff (CBO Zoom interactive focus group)
- 1/18/22 COVID Testing day, obtained feedback from attendees
- 1/18/22 Gavilan College South County Basic Needs Staff (CBO Zoom interactive focus group)
- 1/20/22 Parents Helping Parents (CBO Zoom interactive focus group)
- 1/20/22 Digital Nest serving youth in South County (CBO Zoom interactive focus group)
- ♦ 1/20/22 Morgan Hill Library (Zoom interactive focus group)
- 1/25/22 Medical Social Worker Valley Health Center and Saint Louise Hospital (Zoom interactive focus group)
- 1/25/22 Richard Prato Director of Human Resources, Christopher Ranch Agriculture Employer (phone interview)
- 1/25/22 Introduction to the Housing Element (Planning Commission workshop)
- 1/19/22 Eden Housing (Jasmine Square) Jonathan Crowther James (Affordable Housing Developer Focus Group)
- 1/28/22 St. Vincent De Paul and St. Catherine's (faith based and CBO interactive Zoom interview)
  - 1/31/22 Building Back Better, Joint Venture Silicon Valley, Executive Director Quency Phillips (interactive Zoom interview)
- 2/2/22 Catholic Charities, Greg Kepferle (interactive Zoom interview)
  - 2/3/22 Employment Development Department (Zoom interview)
- 2/3/22 Saint Joseph's Food Pantry, David Cox (CBO Zoom interview)
- 2/3/22 South County Collaborative Board Members (CBO interactive Zoom focus group)
- 2/3/22 Morgan Hill Bible Church Homeless Safe Park (focus group in person with unhoused families)
- ❖ 2/10/22 Townhall Housing Element (Zoom presentation)
- 2/14/22 Silicon Valley Independent Living Center, Patricia Cokes (CBO Zoom interview)
- 2/17/22 Townhall Housing Element (Zoom presentation and community feedback)
- 2/22/22 Sites Inventory (Planning Commission workshop)
- ❖ 3/7/22 Silicon Valley @Home (CBO interactive Zoom focus group)
- 3/8/22 Evaluation of Past Performance (Planning Commission workshop)
- 3/14/22 Edward Boss Prado Foundation, Cecilia Ponzini (telephone interview)
- 3/21/22 Voices School, (surveying of parents, in-person)
- ❖ 3/26/22 Spanish mass at Saint Catherine's (in person surveying)

- 3/27/22 Spanish mass at Saint Catherine's (in person surveying)
- 4/9/22 City Booth at the Farmers' Market/Sidewalk Saturdays
- 4/12/22 Goals & Policies (Planning Commission workshop)
- 4/26/22 Assessment of Fair Housing (AFH) and Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing (Planning Commission workshop)
- ❖ 5/10/22 Constraints Analysis (Planning Commission workshop)
- 5/11/22 Santa Clara County Planning Collaborative Developer Listening Session (interactive Zoom roundtable)
- ❖ 5/24/22 Housing Element Update (Planning Commission workshop)
- \* 7/26/22 Draft 2023-2031 Housing Element (Planning Commission public hearing)
- \* 8/2/22 City Booth at National Night Out
- ♦ 8/17/22 Draft 2023-2031 Housing Element (City Council public hearing)

### 7.3 Assessment of Fair Housing (AFH) Outreach

The outreach activities elicited broad community participation during the development of the AFH. The City conducted numerous outreach activities to reach all segments of the community and purposely focused on reaching Latinx, individuals and families currently housed in affordable housing, homeless, and other underrepresented or underserved groups. The City prioritized outreach by conducting small interactive focus groups with service providers/CBO's via Zoom as outlined above. The City also reached out purposefully to the Latinx community by translating all surveys to Spanish and conducting in person meetings as well as Zoom workshops in Spanish. City staff also conducted outreach during the Spanish mass at St. Catherine's as identified above.

In addition, two Assessment of Fair Housing (AFH) surveys were provided (both in English and Spanish), one for Community Based Organizations (in which the City received 25 responses) and another survey geared towards underrepresented or underserved individuals and families (in which the City received 651 responses). The surveys were provided electronically and in hard-copy format to the following organizations and locations:

- Affordable Rental Housing locations
  - Cochrane Village
  - Crest Avenue Apartments
  - The Crossings at Morgan Hill
  - The Crossings Monterey
  - Depot-Commons
  - Jasmine Square
  - Murphy Ranch Family Townhomes
  - Royal Court Apartments
  - San Pedro Gardens
  - The Skeel Apartments
  - Terracina at Morgan Hill
  - The Willows Apartments
  - Villa Ciolino
  - Orchards Ranch Scattered Sites
  - Park Place

#### CBO's

- Building Back Better, Joint Venture Silicon Valley
- Catholic Charities
- Christopher Ranch
- Destination Home Silicon Valley

- Digital Nest
- o Employment Development Department
- Eden Housing
- o Gavilan College
- Morgan Hill Unified School District
- Parents Helping Parents
- The Compassion Center
- Morgan Hill Library
- Saint Louise Hospital
- o St. Vincent De Paul
- o St. Catherine's
- Saint Joseph's Food Pantry
- Silicon Valley @Home
- Silicon Valley Independent Living Center
- Social Services Agency
- Valley Health Center
- o Voices School
- Panaeria bakery
- Morgan Hill Senior Center
- Rotary
- Senior Affordable Rental Housing locations
  - Sycamore Glen
  - Horizons
  - Bella Terra Apartments
  - The Lodge at Morgan Hill
  - The Huntington
- Unhoused individuals through outreach to encampments

## 7.4 Summary of Public Input

There were several themes that where common among all comments obtained in the community participation process, from both, CBO's as well as individuals.

Comments obtained from CBO's that were developed into Goals for the Housing Element are summarized below:

- Provide a range of housing opportunities affordable to Morgan Hill workforce.
- Promote Extremely Low-Income housing.
- Prevent homelessness and address the housing needs of people experiencing homelessness.
- Establish special needs housing for seniors, persons with disabilities, and veterans.
- Conduct community education/outreach to inform residents about affordable housing and how to seek assistance.

Some specific comments that were brought up by CBO's that were developed into key Policies include:

- An affordable housing overlay district could be used to increase affordable housing.
- Pass a commercial linkage fee ordinance.



- Zone more land and/or change zoning regulations for multi-family to increase affordable housing.
- Pass a rent stabilization ordinance.
- Integrate affordable housing throughout the community.
- Protect residents from displacement.

Common themes obtained in the community participation process among individuals that provided feedback that were developed into Goals or Policies are summarized below:

- Provide a range of housing opportunities affordable to Morgan Hill workforce.
- Prevent homelessness and address the housing needs of people experiencing homelessness.
- Integrate affordable housing throughout the community.
- Ensure that children who grew up in Morgan Hill have housing options so they can live in Morgan Hill as adults.
- Preserve, maintain, and rehabilitate existing housing to ensure neighborhood livability and promote continued housing affordability.
- Pass a rent stabilization ordinance.
- Create an affordable housing overlay district.
- Zone more land to allow multi-family rental housing.
- Increase housing education, outreach, and enforcement.

One comment or view that was not accepted, or not included, in the Housing Element Update that was common among several CBO's, as well as individuals, was the request to 'pass an affordable housing bond issue to provide funding to construct multi-family housing'. The City did not include an affordable housing bond as a policy in the Housing Element Update as passing an affordable housing bond is costly, would require voter approval, and other policies and actions were identified that can achieve the same goal of developing multi-family housing, such as studying the creation of an affordable housing overlay, considering a commercial linkage fee, and expand multi-family zoning areas throughout the City.

For a synopsis of presentations provided, surveys, and results of public input, see Attachment 7-A.



# Attachment 7

# Public Participation City of Morgan Hill Housing Element 2023-2034







# DRAFT HOUSING ELEMENT AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC REVIEW

## **The Housing Element:**

- Assesses housing needs for all populations
  - Reviews constraints to providing housing
- Identifies housing goals, policies, and implementation programs for the next <u>8</u> years

Comments accepted through July 5<sup>th</sup>

Town Hall on Zoom June 23rd @ 5:30pm

(link on webpage below)

Scan the QR code or visit the City's website at <a href="https://www.morgan-hill.ca.gov/2063/Housing-Element-Update">https://www.morgan-hill.ca.gov/2063/Housing-Element-Update</a> to access the Draft Housing Element and provide feedback



Written comments and any questions should be directed to:

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17575 Peak Avenue, Morgan Hill, CA 95307

#### Adam Paszkowski

From: City of Morgan Hill <pio@morganhill.ca.gov>

**Sent:** Friday, February 25, 2022 1:02 PM

**To:** Adam Paszkowski

**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Weekly 411 Community News for February 25

## February 25, 2022



# **Hello Morgan Hill!**



What a sunny and bright winter this is! It may be pleasant day-to-day, but so little rain is problematic.

Valley Water has many <u>water conservation tips</u> and <u>landscape rebates</u> to help homeowners and businesses transition to drought-resistant landscaping.

Visit <u>mhvalueswater.com</u> for local water use guidelines scheduled to change on Tuesday, March

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# **City Engagement**

**Survey: Morgan Hill's Housing Element** 

Survey Closes on February 28

The City is in the process of updating the Housing Element of the General Plan for the

2023-2031 period as required by State law. The Housing Element establishes policies and programs to address Morgan Hill's existing and projected housing needs for all economic segments of the community.

The process includes asking community members what they see as Morgan Hill's most significant housing needs. All responses are kept confidential; one survey can be submitted per person.

• Survey in English: <a href="https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/JDZYJ65">https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/JDZYJ65</a>

• Survey in Spanish: <a href="https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/QZKN6W3">https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/QZKN6W3</a>

## COVID TESTING at the Morgan Hill Council Chamber

Tuesday, March 1, 9:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

17555 Peak Avenue, Morgan Hill, 95037 Schedule an appointment <u>here</u>.

Appointments for this location will be open for scheduling 7 days before the testing date. Once all appointments are filled, this location will no longer appear as an option.



#### **Library, Culture, and Arts Commission**

Tuesday, March 1, 5:30 p.m. View Meeting Information

The Commission meetings are virtual and live-streamed on <u>Facebook</u>, Channel 17, and the City's website.

Members of the community who would like to participate may join the virtual meeting at <a href="https://bit.ly/LCACMeeting">https://bit.ly/LCACMeeting</a> or call 669-900-9128, then enter the meeting identification when prompted: 874 0656 4997.

Public comment may be provided in the following ways:

- Join the virtual Library, Culture, and Arts Commission meeting via the link above; when public comment is opened, raise your virtual hand and be called upon to speak for up to three minutes;
- Join the virtual meeting by calling the number above, dial \*9 to raise your hand, and be called upon to speak for up to three minutes;
- Send public comments in writing via email to <a href="mailto:chris.ghione@morganhill.ca.gov">chris.ghione@morganhill.ca.gov</a>.

Please note that comments made on Facebook are not considered public comment.

#### **City Council Special / Regular Meeting**

Wednesday, March 2, <u>View Meeting Information</u>
Planning Commission Candidate Interviews, 5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Regular City Council Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

The City Council meetings are virtual and live-streamed on <u>Facebook</u>, Channel 17, and the City's website.

Agenda items include:

- <u>Public hearing</u> to receive input on the proposed Industrial Ordinance, Industrial Preservation and Optimization Policy, and the Industrial Code Amendments
- Redistricting <u>public hearing</u> regarding submitted draft maps

Members of the community who would like to participate may do so virtually: <a href="https://bit.ly/MHCityCouncilMeeting">https://bit.ly/MHCityCouncilMeeting</a> or call 669-900-9128, then enter the meeting id: 873 3200 8380.

Public comment may be provided in the following ways:

- Join the virtual City Council meeting via the link above; when public comment is opened, raise your virtual hand and be called upon to speak for up to 3 minutes;
- Join the virtual meeting by calling the number above, dial \*9 to raise your hand, and be called upon to speak for up to 3 minutes;
- Send public comments in writing to City Clerk: <u>ccpubliccomment@morganhill.ca.gov</u>.

Please note that comments made on Facebook are not considered public comment.

#### **2022 State of the City Address**

Wednesday, March 9, 7:00 p.m.

Please join Mayor Rich Constantine and the City of Morgan Hill on Wednesday, March 9, 2022, from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. for a virtual 2022 State of the City Address. Mayor Constantine will reflect on the prior year's challenges and accomplishments and set the stage for what's to come in 2022.

Residents can participate via Zoom:

- https://bit.lv/2022StateoftheCitvAddress
- Or call 669-900-9128 and use Webinar ID 863 7717 5045 when prompted
- Submit questions by Monday, March 7, 5 p.m. to pio@morganhill.ca.gov
- Questions can be asked during the event by raising your virtual hand or through the Q&A feature

The event will also be streamed on Facebook, Channel 17, and the City's website.

### **Survey: City-Owned Recreation Facilities**

Survey Closes on March 11

The City of Morgan Hill is working on the development of a <u>long term site master plan</u> for the City-owned recreation facilities on Condit Road. These facilities include the Outdoor Sports Center, Aquatics Center, and adjacent City-owned undeveloped property.

As part of this process, the City is seeking community input on the improvements and expansions to the site. While these improvements or expansions may not occur for several years, it is essential for the City to plan well in advance.

We encourage all residents and regular visitors to Morgan Hill to <u>take the short survey</u> and provide your input.

**Volunteers Needed: Recreation Division Swim Meet** 

#### April 1, 2 & 3 Aquatics Center, Morgan Hill

The Aquatics Center will be hosting a Pacific Masters swim meet on April 1, 2, & 3. We are looking for volunteers to work outside to assist with the meet.

If you are interested in volunteering, please <u>apply using our volunteer link</u>. Once that is completed, applicants will be emailed a link to select time slots.

For questions regarding the event, contact Lisa Rick at <a href="mailto:lisa.rick@morganhill.ca.gov">lisa.rick@morganhill.ca.gov</a>.

# **Economic Development: February 2022 Newsletter** eNewsletter Now Available

Find information about key efforts that impact our business community, including:

- Shopping Center Sales Tax Rebounds,
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#### **Morgan Hill Recreation Preschool**

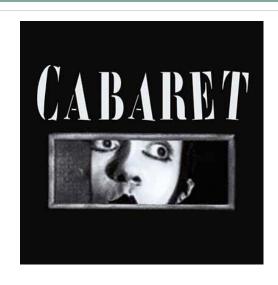
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## **Community Corner**







South Valley Civic Theater Starting March 11 Morgan Hill Community Playhouse 17090 Monterey Road, Morgan Hill

**Purchase Theater Tickets** 



southvalleysymphony.org

NextGen Young Artists Concert March 12, 7:30 p.m. Advent Lutheran Church

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#### **Hazardous Materials Division**

Learn about FREE lead paint inspection and abatement services available for homeowners in Santa Clara County

#### **HazMat Division Link**

#### **Registrar of Voters**

Now accepting applications for election workers for the June 7, 2022 Statewide Direct Primary Election

Registrar of Voters Employment Link



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Interested in a career in the trades? TOP is recruiting now!

TOP Flyer

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**Project Information** 

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# From the California Department of Industrial Relations Full Description of the Program

The Supplemental Paid Sick Leave (SB 114) was passed on February 8, 2022, and is effective February 19, 2022, in response to the continued COVID-19 pandemic.

The Bill approves provisions designed to help reduce the impact of the virus on families. It provides paid sick leave to employees to care for themselves or family members when they have COVID or time off to get vaccinated.

This provision allows for retroactivity to January 1, 2022, and will remain in effect until September 30, 2022.

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As a reminder, please join us to hear about Morgan Hill's "Site Inventory" discussion as part of the 2023-2031 Housing Element Update at the February 22, 2022 Planning Commission meeting.

#### **Planning Commission Meeting**

Date: Tuesday, February 22, 2022 Time: 7:00 p.m. Location: Video Conference

Weblink: <a href="https://bit.ly/PlanningCommissionMtg">https://bit.ly/PlanningCommissionMtg</a> Phone: (669) 900-9128 Webinar ID: 862 0324 6251

In addition, the final DRAFT Housing Needs Assessment is now available for review:

• DRAFT Housing Needs Assessment (February 18, 2022)

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Subject: [EXTERNAL] Upcoming Town Hall and Planning Commission Meetings

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Dear Community Members,

The City of Morgan Hill will be holding two upcoming Housing Element Update meetings: (1) a Town Hall Meeting this Thursday, February 17th at 5:30 p.m., and (2) during the Planning Commission Meeting next week, Tuesday, February 22nd at 7:00 p.m.

Our sincere apologies for the technical difficulties we experienced during the February 10, 2022 Town Hall Meeting. The Virtual Town Hall: Morgan Hill's Housing Element Discussion is rescheduled to **Thursday**, **February 17**, **5:30 p.m.** - **6:30 p.m.** via Zoom. Spanish interpretation will be available. The February 17th Town Hall Meeting will be more of a Q & A forum, please attend to provide your input and help shape policies for the Housing Element.

#### **Town Hall Meeting**

Date: Thursday, February 17, 2022
Time: 5:30 p.m.
Location: Video Conference

Weblink: https://bit.ly/Communitytownhall

Or Telephone: 1 669 900 9128, Webinar ID: 828 0731 9295

City of Morgan Hill staff recorded the following video (<a href="https://youtu.be/D6UweZcnSyE">https://youtu.be/D6UweZcnSyE</a>) discussing what is a Housing Element, new Housing Element laws, Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing (AFFH) requirements, Morgan Hill's Housing Needs Assessment, what is RHNA (Regional Housing Need Allocation), the cities Sites Inventory, and Morgan Hill's Housing Element process.

The City of Morgan Hill will be holding a second Housing Element Update workshop with the Planning Commission to discuss the City's "Site Inventory" at their February 22, 2022 Planning Commission meeting. Please join us to hear more about what a "Site Inventory" is, projects that are in the 'Pipeline', and where Morgan Hill stands in meeting its 2023-2031 Regional Housing Need Allocation (RHNA).

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**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Weekly 411 Community News for February 4

## **February 4, 2022**



## **Featured This Week**



Welcome to the first full week in February! It doesn't exactly feel like winter, but we can still celebrate.

February is Black History Month! African Americans have made significant contributions to U.S. history that we can recognize and honor throughout the month.

February was chosen for Black History Month primarily because the second week of the month coincides with the

birthdays of both Abraham Lincoln, February 12, and Frederick Douglass celebrated on February 14.

An impressive collection and resources are available at the National Museum of African History & Culture, part of the Smithsonian museum system: <a href="https://nmaahc.si.edu/">https://nmaahc.si.edu/</a>.

# **City Engagement**

**Morgan Hill Recreation Preschool** 

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#### **Planning Commission Meeting**

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- Virtual: https://bit.ly/FentanylAwarenessCommunityMeeting

Registration required for all attendees: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/LTP6HLW.

See the event flyer in <u>English</u> and <u>Spanish</u> for additional information. Contact Dori Prado, 408-390-9012, for any questions.

#### **City / School Liaison Committee Meeting**

Friday, February 11, 8:30 a.m., Virtual Meeting Information

Community members who would like to participate remotely may do so via the virtual meeting link: <a href="https://bit.lv/MHCity-SchoolLiaisonMtg">https://bit.lv/MHCity-SchoolLiaisonMtg</a> or call 669-900-9128, then enter the meeting id: 852 4065 6291.

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#### City Council Meeting & Redistricting Workshop

Wednesday, February 16

5:30 p.m. - Workshop

7:00 p.m. - Regular Meeting, View Meeting Information

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#### **Helpful Reminders from the Morgan Hill PD**

Identity theft and identity fraud are terms used to refer to all types of crime in which someone wrongfully obtains and uses another person's personal data in some way that involves fraud or deception, typically for economic gain.



What Are the Most Common Ways That Identity Theft or Fraud Can Happen? Read the latest <u>info & tip sheet</u> on the department's Crime Prevention webpage.

## **Community Corner**



**Youth Development Through Golf** 

Students Register by February 9 for Classes & Days

Registration Opens Feb. 9



**High School Virtual Job Shadow Day** 

Students Register by February 11
Event Scheduled for Feb 24

Registration & Program Info



**Online Tutoring Pods** 

Feb. 14 - May 25 Via Zoom Days & Times Vary Per Grade Level

Register & Receive Link



#### Morgan Hill HUB

Starts Feb. 15 / Tues. Wed. & Thurs. After School Program, Ages 12-18

Registration Required







Mental Health Support for Young Adults

**Upcoming Service Changes** 

Save the Date
March 27 Wildflower Run

Classes in the Area

Routes & Times

Registration Open

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Local Vaccinations and COVID Testing Locations, Dates, and Times

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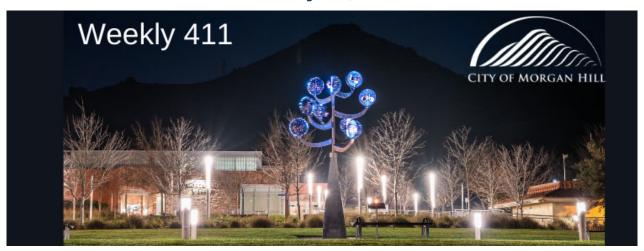
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## **January 28, 2022**



## **Featured This Week**



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Teenagers are eligible to receive community service hours, but require a parent/guardian's participation in the training.

During the training community members will learn:

- Disaster Preparedness
- Fire Safety
- Disaster Medical Operations and Triage
- Light Search and Rescue

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Jennifer can be reached at <a href="mailto:jennifer.ponce@morganhill.ca.gov">jennifer.ponce@morganhill.ca.gov</a>.

# **City Engagement**

#### **City Council Annual Goal Setting Workshop**

Continuing Saturday, January 29, 9:00 - 5:00 p.m. Virtual Meeting Information & Materials

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#### **Draft Redistricting Maps Submission Deadline**

Monday, January 31, 2022

It's that time! Submit your City Council district map proposal for consideration by the January 31, 2022, deadline. Morgan-Hill.ca.gov/2183/Draw-a-Map shows different mapping tools and how to redraw a City Council district map.

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Next up in the redistricting process is the February 16 City Council Redistricting Workshop noted below.

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Wednesday, February 2 - CANCELED

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#### **Recreation Division: Volunteers Needed**

The Aquatics Center will be hosting a Pacific Masters swim meet on April 1, 2, & 3. We are looking for volunteers to work outside to assist with the meet.

If you interested in volunteering please <u>apply using our volunteer link</u>. Once that is completed, applicants will be emailed a link to select time slots.

For guestions regarding the event, contact Lisa Rick at lisa.rick@morganhill.ca.gov.

# Environmental Services: Private Sewer Lateral & Water Conservation Ordinances

Thinking of selling a property? If so, take note of the Private Sewer Lateral Ordinance and the Water Conservation Ordinance that take effect on June 1, 2022. It's right around the corner!

These City ordinances will require two different inspections to take place prior to the sale of a property:

- 1. For properties built more than 15 years ago, privately-owned sewer lateral lines will need to be inspected prior to a sale of property by a NASSCO certified plumber with a Morgan Hill business license. If there are any damages to the line, they will need to be repaired before a Compliance Certificate can be granted. The City has established two grant opportunities to assist homeowners with the sewer line repair/replacement process.
  - Info: <a href="https://www.morgan-hill.ca.gov/1987/Private-Sewer-Lateral-Inspection-Repair-">https://www.morgan-hill.ca.gov/1987/Private-Sewer-Lateral-Inspection-Repair-</a>
  - Grant: https://www.morgan-hill.ca.gov/2192/Grant-Program-to-Replace-or-Repair-PSL
  - NASSCO: <a href="https://www.nassco.org/education-and-training/certified-professionals-directory/">https://www.nassco.org/education-and-training/certified-professionals-directory/</a>
- 2. For all properties built before January 1, 1994, the plumbing fixtures need to be retrofit prior to a resale, if not already so, with high-efficiency ones that consume less water with each use. An inspection by a contractor with a Morgan Hill business license will check toilets, urinals, and showerheads. Upon passing, property owners will receive a Water Conservation Certificate.
  - Info: https://www.morgan-hill.ca.gov/2216/Water-Conservation-Ordinance

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- Industrial Preservation & Optimization Policy
- Downtown Lane Reduction and Place-Branding Update
- Business Resources.



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# **Community Corner**

#### Rebekah Children's Services Multiple Resources



- Updated: Feb. 4 <u>Deadline</u> for Winter Culinary Academy
- Free Monthly Program for Diaper & Menstrual Products
- Parent Cafe Series in English & Spanish
- Free Food 4th Friday of Every Month



January 29, noon - 5:00 p.m. Running Shop & Hops 17500 Depot Street

Raffle Proceeds to Benefit Edward Boss Prado Foundation

More Info



February 5, 9:00 - 11:00 a.m.

Butterfield between Barrett and Watsonville

Where to Meet & More Info



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Registration & Program Info







Darren Dean Vocational Education Grant

Make Your Home More Energy Efficient County of Santa Clara's Safe Gun Storage Campaign

Info & Requirements

**DIY Tool Kits** 

Take the Survey



American Red Cross National Blood Shortage



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**SANTA CLARA COUNTY** 

**Events & Resources Morgan Hill & Gilroy** 

Sign Up To Donate

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South County Info

## **City Maintenance Projects**



#### The Scoop

News you want to know about public projects and maintenance activities throughout Morgan Hill.

Click the image <u>or here</u> for the latest updates and what to expect in the coming week.

## **COVID-Related Resources & Information**

# Place Your Order for Free At-Home COVID-19 Test Kits

Residential households in the U.S. can order one set of four free at-home tests.

Order directly from the United States Postal Service: <a href="https://special.usps.com/testkits">https://special.usps.com/testkits</a> or <a href="covidtests.gov">covidtests.gov</a>.



#### Local Vaccinations and COVID Testing Locations, Dates, and Times

#### Rent and Housing Support from Local, County, and State Agencies

Food and Grocery Resources

# Your Morgan Hill



#### **Morgan Hill City Hall Office Hours**

The Civic Center area is open to the public: Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

All individuals - employees and visitors must wear a mask while indoors in all City facilities, regardless of vaccination status.

#### **State and County Health Information**

**CA Coronavirus Information** 

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#### **Elected Officials**

#### Morgan Hill City Council

- Rich Constantine, Mayor
- Gino Borgioli, District A, Mayor Pro
- Yvonne Martínez Beltrán, District B
- Rene Spring, District C
- John McKay, District D

#### **County Supervisor**

**District 1: Mike Wasserman** 

#### **California State Assembly District 30:**

Robert Rivas

#### California State Senate District 17:

John Laird

#### U.S. Congressional District 19:

Zoe Lofgren

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- Library, Culture, and Arts
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- Planning

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Dear Community Members,

Please join us to hear about Morgan Hill's 2023-2031 Housing Element Update process during tonight's Planning Commission meeting at 7:00 p.m.

#### **PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING**

DATE: Tuesday, January 25, 2022

TIME: 7:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Video Conference

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Phone: (669) 900-9128 Webinar ID: 862 0324 6251

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Dear Community Members,

We have three key updates to the Housing Element Update webpage that you should be aware of: 1) **Community Meeting (Town Hall)** on Thursday, February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2) **Housing Needs Survey**, and 3) **Draft Assessment of Housing Needs**. More detailed information can be found below or by visiting the Housing Element Update website at: <a href="https://www.morgan-hill.ca.gov/2063/Housing-Element-Update">https://www.morgan-hill.ca.gov/2063/Housing-Element-Update</a>

#### **Community Meeting (Town Hall)**

Come join the City of Morgan Hill staff for a Town Hall on Thursday, February 10, 2022 at 5:30 p.m. via Zoom, that will discuss the housing needs of the city, the cities Sites Inventory, existing and upcoming Housing Element, housing policies, and Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing (AFFH) requirements.

#### **Town Hall Meeting**

Date: Thursday, February 10, 2022 Time: 5:30 p.m. Location: Video Conference

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## What are Morgan Hill's most important Housing Needs Survey

The City is in the process of updating the Housing Element of the General Plan for the 2023-2031 period as required by State law. The Housing Element establishes policies and programs to address Morgan Hill's existing and projected housing needs for all economic segments of the community. The first step in this process is to ask community members what they see as Morgan Hill's most important housing needs.

Please help shape the future of housing in Morgan Hill by completing the 10-question survey. The survey should take less than 5 minutes to complete, and all responses are kept completely confidential. One survey can be submitted per person. To access the survey in English, please click <u>here</u>. To access the survey in Spanish, please click <u>here</u>.

### **Draft Assessment of Housing Needs**

During the January 25, 2022 Planning Commission meeting, the <u>DRAFT Assessment of Housing Needs</u> was presented to the Commission. To view the DRAFT Assessment of Housing Needs document in PDF format, please click <u>here</u>.

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# The City of Morgan Hill is launching a series of Housing Workshops!

A roadmap of housing in Morgan Hill; how we got here and the future of housing for current and future residents.

We will share the what, why, and how housing will change per State law and hear your thoughts on creating the best version of Morgan Hill for the future.

Four virtual community workshops will be held right before the City Council meetings at 5:30 pm:

- · All Things Housing Wednesday, May 19th
- State Mandates for Housing Production Wednesday, June 2nd
- · Housing Affordability Wednesday, June 16th
- Housing and Long-Term Sustainability Wednesday, June 23rd

In addition to the workshops above, here are additional opportunities to join the conversation:

- Affordable Housing 101 in Spanish with English Translation Tuesday, May 18th at 5:00 pm
- All Things Housing Saturday, May 22nd, 9 am to noon, Third St. in front of parking garage
- A Model for Agricultural Workforce Housing in South County Friday, May 28th at 10:00 am
- Creating Inclusive Communities through Design Form Thursday, June 10th at 5:30 pm
- Hablando Vivienda con Nuestras Familias in Spanish with English Translation Sunday,
   May 23rd at 2:00 pm

For more information on the workshops above or about Housing in Morgan Hill visit <a href="https://www.morgan-hill.ca.gov/2021HousingConversation">https://www.morgan-hill.ca.gov/2021HousingConversation</a>

# **Countywide Community Meeting #2**

An introduction to the Housing Element update

August 11th, 2021 from 6 - 7:30 pm Register at bit.ly/countywidemeeting2



Let's Talk Housing
SANTA CLARA COUNTY

Learn more about the update process, how to participate, and join a breakout session to discuss housing in your community.

This meeting includes the cities of Gilroy, Morgan Hill, and the County of Santa Clara

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# Reunión comunitaria del condado de Santa Clara #2

Introducción a la actualización del elemento de vivienda



11 de agosto del 2021 de 6 a 7:30 pm Regístrese en bit.ly/countywidemeeting2

Let's Talk Housing
SANTA CLARA COUNTY

Aprenda más sobre el proceso de actualización, cómo participar y únase a una sesión de grupo para hablar sobre la vivienda en su comunidad.

Esta reunión incluye las ciudades de Gilroy, Morgan Hill, y el Condado de Santa Clara.

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# **Countywide Meeting Summary**

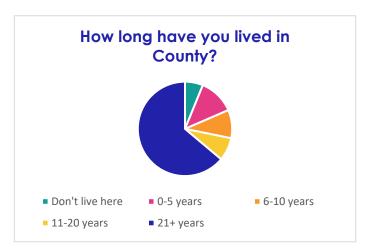


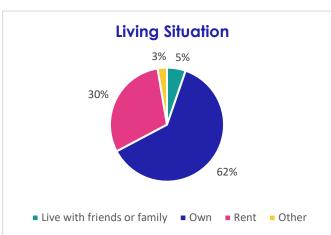
# Morgan Hill: Introducing the Housing Element Update

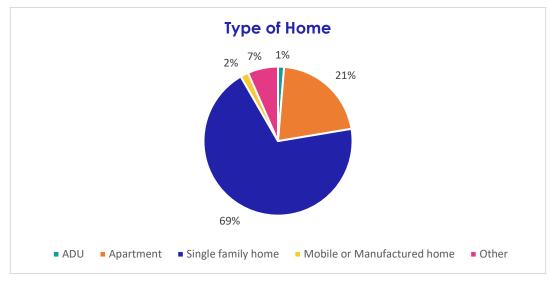
A series of countywide meetings about the Housing Element update were held from August to September 2021. Each meeting offered Spanish-language interpretation and provided community members with an introduction the Housing Element update, why it matters, information on the Let's Talk Housing outreach effort and countywide trends. Breakout room discussions with individual cities and towns followed.

#### Who We Heard From

In total 832 registered for the series. Of those who registered for the series, the majority identified as White and over half were 50 years or older. Over sixty percent lived over 21 years in within the county, and over half were homeowners.







# Countywide Meeting Summary



Morgan Hill was part of the August 11<sup>th</sup>, 2021 introductory meeting, along with Gilroy and Unincorporated Santa Clara County. Seventeen people who registered for the August 11<sup>th</sup> meeting identified as living in Morgan Hill, including four who live here, and three who work here. Of the residents, three owned their home and one rented. A majority of them (5) have lived in the county for 21 years or more.

#### What We Heard

#### **Main Meeting**

People were asked to share a word in the chat describing housing now at the beginning of the meeting, and the housing they envisioned in their communities ten years from now.



#### **Breakout Session**

In the breakout session, participants expressed that they valued the town's hills and parks. One participant noted being a happy Morgan Hill resident for over 40 years. However, participants recognized that rent and home prices are unaffordable for many. Key challenges to meeting Morgan Hill's housing needs include lack of vacant land and some community resistance to multifamily housing. Among ideas for addressing these needs were: including commercial buildings an inclusionary zoning policy and streamlining the development process. Participants expressed support for existing policies and programs such as limits to condo conversions and the town's partnership with the County to provide project-based housing vouchers.

#### Post Event Survey

The post-event survey reflected the variety of opinions present on issues ranging from a desire to preserve communities as they are, to an appeal for more and diverse housing everywhere in the county. Community members responded that they valued the space and the information provided within it and looked forward to more opportunities to engage in the housing element update process.



# Talk with Your Community: Morgan Hill

#### 1. What We Value and Love

In the chat, share a word or two about what you value or love about your community and it's housing. Who wants to talk about what they wrote?

- Our hills and parks!
- Been happy living here for 40 years

# 2. Key Housing Needs, Challenges or Opportunities

In the chat, share a word or two about our key housing needs, challenges or opportunities. Who wants to talk about what they wrote?

- Challenge of finding sites limited vacant land and policies against converting non-res to residential
- Extremely low-income housing is a challenge -- can low income be combined with extremely low? Seems they should be separated
- Live in apartment that was concerned about being converted to condos, but city policy helped to keep from happening
- Should focus on potential for housing the un-housed (tiny homes?)
- Apartments near single family housing people concerned will bring down home prices -- need to address
- Have done good job of meeting higher income housing needs; want to make sure lower income needs met, including special needs (people w disabilities, etc.)



- High AMI makes "affordable" housing very expensive for people who are on ELI fixed income housing, SSI
- City working to address takes money, plus time to change policies and develop programs
- Section 8 voucher program open now getting info out
- City partnering with county for project-based vouchers
- Challenge to get affordable housing developments through the process; get resources

# 3. Ideas or Suggestions

In the chat, share any ideas or suggestions you have to help meet our housing needs. Who wants to talk about what they wrote?

- Include nonresidential builders in inclusionary zoning program -commercial development creates housing needs; should participate
- [also see points above]



# 4. How to Better Hear from Our Community

How can we make sure we hear from our entire community?

- Having people/places that community trusts be conduits for getting out info and helping with participation
- Housing team very active reaching out to CBOs and getting them ready for Housing Element work and promote housing
- How to address people's opposition to new housing reducing their property value and inherently opposed
- Need to educate people about affordable housing -- who it serves, how it works
- Key message -- 48% of low-income renters are paying more than 50% for housing

# 5. What Kind of Housing Do We Have in the Future

Let's return to it being 2030, and how we've accomplished a lot! In the chat, share with us a word or two about your vision for the housing in our community. Who wants to talk about what they wrote?

- 100% of people are paying 30% or less of income on housing
- Have 4 100% affordable developments moving forward -- want to see them all succeed!
- Modular housing is overloaded hard to keep up with demand
- Want to see more local serving businesses so don't have to drive across town to access services



#### HOUSINGELEMENT

The City of Morgan Hill is in the process of preparing the 6th cycle (2023-2031) of the Housing Element Update. The Housing Element is Morgan Hill's housing plan that identifies our City's housing needs and opportunities and establishes clear goals and objectives to inform future housing decisions.

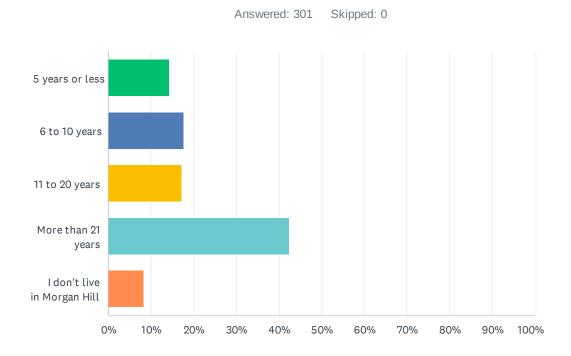
At its core, the Housing Element is an opportunity to have a community conversation about how to address local housing challenges and find solutions. The Housing Element is an important part of Morgan Hill 2035 General Plan, which serves as the blueprint for how we will grow and address changing needs for development. The Housing Element must be updated every eight years and be certified by the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD).

# **Notify Me**

To sign up for notifications and updates on the Housing Element Update, select the Notify Me link or contact 408.310.4635 <a href="mailto:Adam.Paszkowski@MorganHill.Ca.Gov">Adam.Paszkowski@MorganHill.Ca.Gov</a> and <a href="mailto:Rebecca.Garcia@MorganHill.Ca.Gov">Rebecca.Garcia@MorganHill.Ca.Gov</a>.

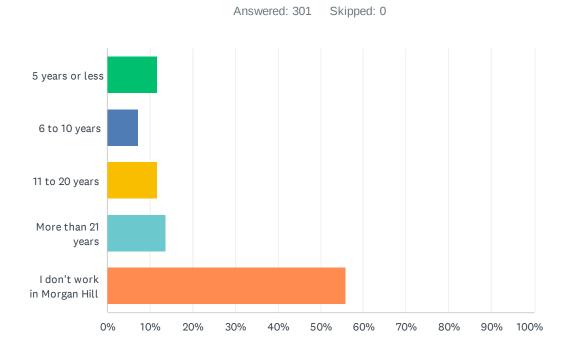
**Upcoming Meeting** Housing Element discussion at the Planning Commission Meeting, April 12, 2022 at 7:00 pm. Planning Commission meetings will be live streamed on Channel 17, on the City's website and on the City's Facebook page. Those members of the community that would like to participate in the meetings remotely may do so by join the virtual meeting at:https://bit.ly/PlanningCommissionMtg or by calling in to: (669) 900-9128, then enter the webinar ID#: 862 0324 6251. Public comment may be provided in the following ways: Join the virtual Planning Commission meeting via the link above, when public comment is opened, raise your virtual hand and be called upon to speak for up to 3 minutes. Join the virtual meeting by calling in to the number above, dial \*9 to raise your hand and \*6 when called upon to speak for up to 3 minutes. Send public comments in writing to the Minutes Clerk at pcpubliccomment@morganhill.ca.gov.

# Q1 About how long have you lived in Morgan Hill?



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
5 years or less	14.29%	43
6 to 10 years	17.61%	53
11 to 20 years	17.28%	52
More than 21 years	42.52%	128
I don't live in Morgan Hill	8.31%	25
TOTAL		301

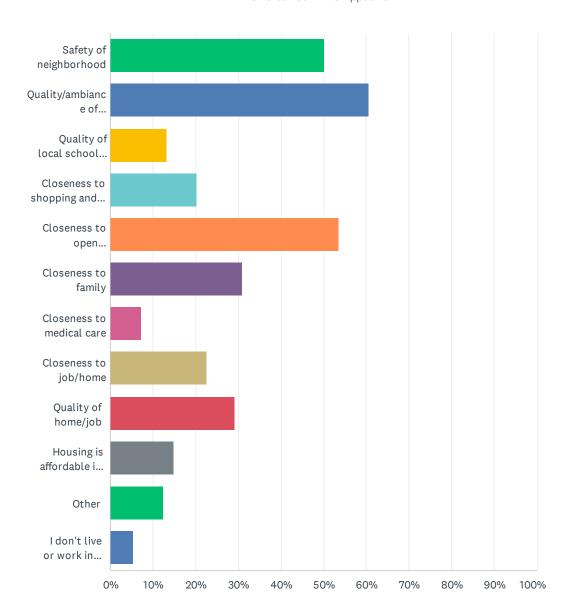
# Q2 How long have you worked in Morgan Hill?



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
5 years or less	11.63%	35
6 to 10 years	7.31%	22
11 to 20 years	11.63%	35
More than 21 years	13.62%	41
I don't work in Morgan Hill	55.81%	168
TOTAL		301

# Q3 Select the reason(s) why you live or work in Morgan Hill.

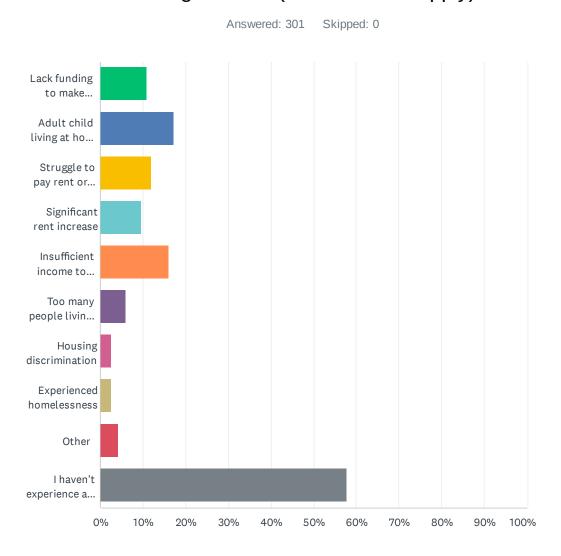




### Morgan Hill 6th Cycle Housing Element Update Questionnaire

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Safety of neighborhood	50.17%	151
Quality/ambiance of neighborhood	60.47%	182
Quality of local school system	13.29%	40
Closeness to shopping and services	20.27%	61
Closeness to open space/recreational areas	53.49%	161
Closeness to family	30.90%	93
Closeness to medical care	7.31%	22
Closeness to job/home	22.59%	68
Quality of home/job	29.24%	88
Housing is affordable in Morgan Hill	14.95%	45
Other	12.29%	37
I don't live or work in Morgan Hill	5.32%	16
Total Respondents: 301		

# Q4 Within the past two years, have you experienced any of the following housing issues? (select all that apply)

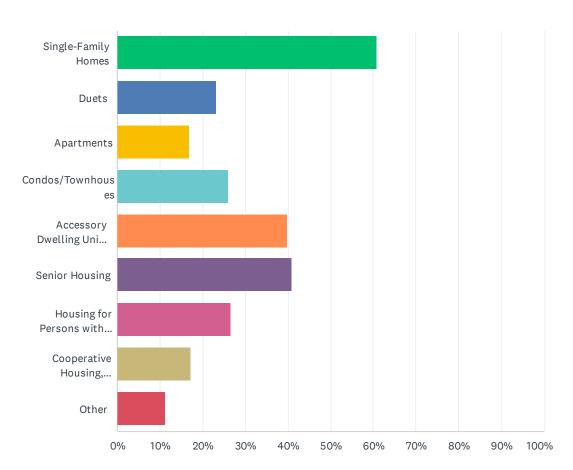


### Morgan Hill 6th Cycle Housing Element Update Questionnaire

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Lack funding to make necessary home repairs	10.96%	33
Adult child living at home due to inability to afford housing	17.28%	52
Struggle to pay rent or mortgage	11.96%	36
Significant rent increase	9.63%	29
Insufficient income to afford living in Morgan Hill	15.95%	48
Too many people living in one home (overcrowding)	5.98%	18
Housing discrimination	2.66%	8
Experienced homelessness	2.66%	8
Other	4.32%	13
I haven't experience any housing issues	57.81%	174
Total Respondents: 301		

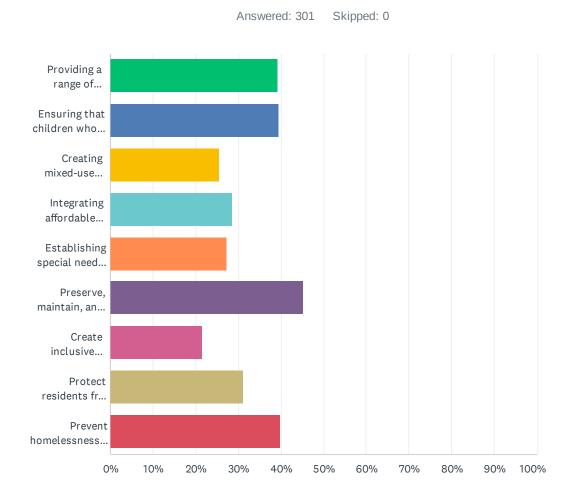
# Q5 What types of housing would be a good addition to Morgan Hill's housing? (choose all that apply)





ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSE	ES
Single-Family Homes	60.80%	183
Duets	23.26%	70
Apartments	16.94%	51
Condos/Townhouses	25.91%	78
Accessory Dwelling Units (granny flats, in-law units, secondary units, tiny homes, etc.)	39.87%	120
Senior Housing	40.86%	123
Housing for Persons with Disabilities	26.58%	80
Cooperative Housing, Intergenerational, or Foster Family Housing	17.28%	52
Other	11.30%	34
Total Respondents: 301		

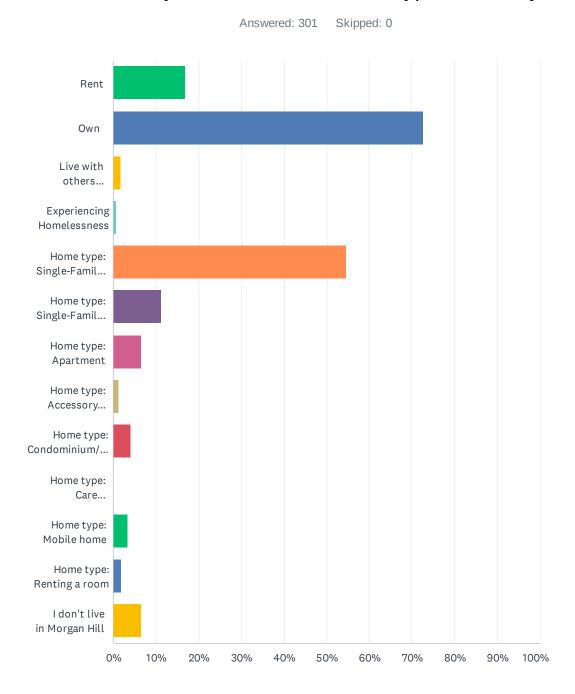
# Q6 Please indicate which of the following housing priorities are most important for Morgan Hill.



### Morgan Hill 6th Cycle Housing Element Update Questionnaire

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPON	ISES
Providing a range of housing opportunities affordable to Morgan Hill workforce	39.20%	118
Ensuring that children who grew up in Morgan Hill have housing options so they can live in Morgan Hill as adults	39.53%	119
Creating mixed-use (commercial/office and residential) projects that encourage walkable neighborhoods and reduce tendency on automobiles	25.58%	77
Integrating affordable housing throughout the community to create mixed-income neighborhoods avoiding concentrations in any one neighborhood	28.57%	86
Establishing special needs housing for seniors, persons with disabilities, and/or veterans	27.24%	82
Preserve, maintain, and rehabilitate existing housing to ensure neighborhood livability and promote continued housing affordability	45.18%	136
Create inclusive neighborhoods, connecting residents to jobs, schools, and services	21.59%	65
Protect residents from displacement by economic pressures by keeping people in their homes/communities	31.23%	94
Prevent homelessness and address the housing needs of people experiencing homelessness	39.87%	120
Total Respondents: 301		

# Q7 If you live in Morgan Hill, what best describes your current home? (Please indicate if you rent or own and the type of home you live in)

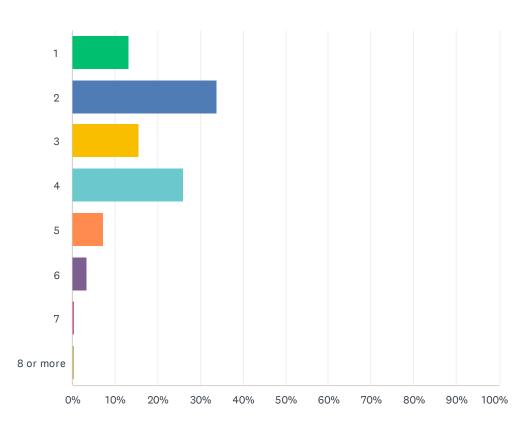


### Morgan Hill 6th Cycle Housing Element Update Questionnaire

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Rent	16.94%	51
Own	72.76%	219
Live with others (family/friends) with no rent	1.66%	5
Experiencing Homelessness	0.66%	2
Home type: Single-Family Detached House	54.49%	164
Home type: Single-Family Attached House	11.30%	34
Home type: Apartment	6.64%	20
Home type: Accessory Dwelling Unit	1.33%	4
Home type: Condominium/Townhome	3.99%	12
Home type: Care Facility/Assisted Living	0.00%	0
Home type: Mobile home	3.32%	10
Home type: Renting a room	1.99%	6
I don't live in Morgan Hill	6.64%	20
Total Respondents: 301		

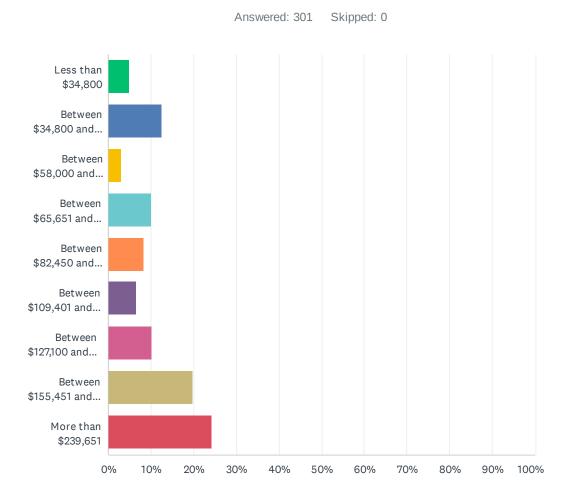
# Q8 What is your household size?





ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
1	13.29%	40
2	33.89%	102
3	15.61%	47
4	25.91%	78
5	7.31%	22
6	3.32%	10
7	0.33%	1
8 or more	0.33%	1
TOTAL		301

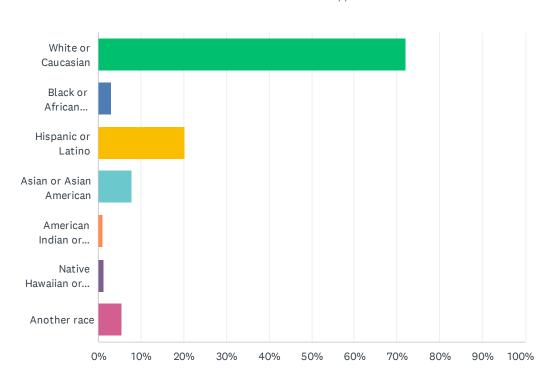
# Q9 What is your annual household income range?



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Less than \$34,800	4.98%	15
Between \$34,800 and \$57,999	12.62%	38
Between \$58,000 and \$65,650	2.99%	9
Between \$65,651 and \$82,449	9.97%	30
Between \$82,450 and \$109,400	8.31%	25
Between \$109,401 and \$127,099	6.64%	20
Between \$127,100 and \$155,450	10.30%	31
Between \$155,451 and \$239,650	19.93%	60
More than \$239,651	24.25%	73
TOTAL		301

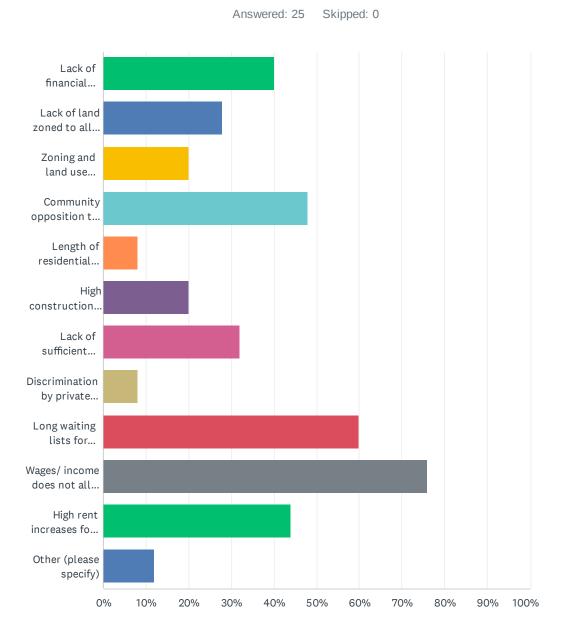
# Q10 Please specify your race/ethnicity (choose all that apply)





ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
White or Caucasian	72.09%	217
Black or African American	2.99%	9
Hispanic or Latino	20.27%	61
Asian or Asian American	7.97%	24
American Indian or Alaska Native	1.00%	3
Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander	1.33%	4
Another race	5.65%	17
Total Respondents: 301		

Q1 What do you consider to be the most significant barriers in Morgan Hill and the broader region to people with protected characteristics accessing decent, safe, affordable housing that connects them with a broad range of opportunities?



### Morgan Hill Assessment of Fair Housing (AFH) Stakeholder Questionnaire

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPON	SES
Lack of financial resources for the development of affordable housing	40.00%	10
Lack of land zoned to allow multi-family housing	28.00%	7
Zoning and land use regulations that make affordable housing infeasible	20.00%	5
Community opposition to affordable housing	48.00%	12
Length of residential development approval processes	8.00%	2
High construction costs (labor and material)	20.00%	5
Lack of sufficient supportive services for residents of affordable housing	32.00%	8
Discrimination by private landlords	8.00%	2
Long waiting lists for affordable housing and for Housing Choice Vouchers (shortage of housing that is affordable) or lack of supply	60.00%	15
Wages/ income does not allow one to pay the high cost of rent for jobs worked by low-income individuals	76.00%	19
High rent increases for tenants in market-rate housing	44.00%	11
Other (please specify)	12.00%	3
Total Respondents: 25		

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Lack of ELI housing.	3/16/2022 3:26 PM
2	There is centralized hub for low-income residents like a one stop, where folks can find supportive services, resources, housing prevention services for our marginalized low income residents	3/16/2022 2:12 PM
3	The facilities on the list are income restricted but not necessarily affordable (having to pay 2/3 of your income to pay the rent for a senior facility): https://www.morgan-hill.ca.gov/DocumentCenter/View/19598/Housing-Resource-Guide-Updated-08-20-2021?bidId=	3/16/2022 12:55 PM

# Q2 How have those barriers affected your organization's ability to carry out its mission?

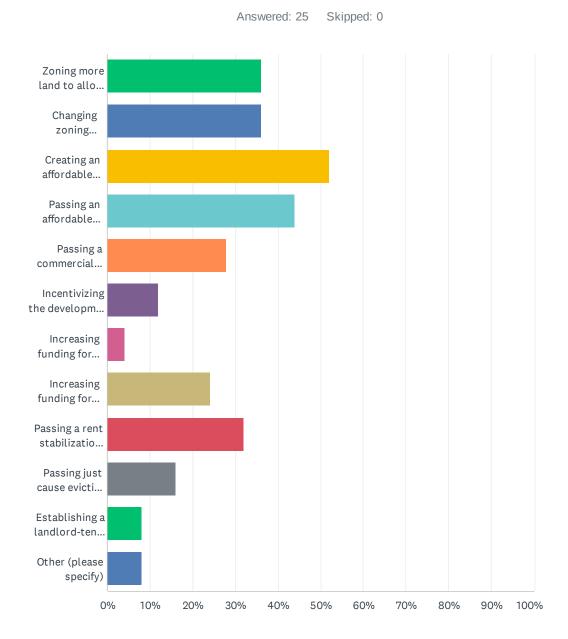
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#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	The combination of land, resources, and political will is critical to making affordable housing happen. If any of those pillars are weak, housing is delayed or not built at all.	3/17/2022 2:57 PM
2	The combination of land, resources, and political will is critical to making affordable housing happen. If any of those pillars are weak, housing is delayed or not built at all.	3/17/2022 10:24 AM
3	We can't recruit staff, we can't serve vulnerable families	3/16/2022 9:04 PM
4	You can't begin to solve homelessness without ELI housing.	3/16/2022 3:26 PM
5	We have not been able to secure City of Gilroy approval for a facility that would offer services to the homeless in South County.	3/16/2022 2:34 PM
6	We need the State to take a bigger committment on affordable housing and housing prices throughout the state and specifically in our area is out of control. They need to provide more funding for affordable housign and education for it; more tax incentives for it's building, etc.	3/16/2022 2:30 PM
7	If we had a place to provide supportive services such as (Homeless housing prevention services, homeless services, resources and navigation services to address the barriers) to the community. We can establish an office at the Centennial Recreation Center or Morgan Hill Community & Cultural Center, we at CARAS could provide more services to the community. In my opinion, Morgan Hill Community Center is under-utilized. Every City north of us they have multiple centers and supportive services that provide needed assistance to those in need and the homeless population. If Morgan Hill wants to stay a vibrant place to live, we need to be planning and offering a comprehensive one stop shop, we at CARAS are more than open to discuss options and when we can get funding. Morgan Hill can apply for federal funding and request American Rescue Plan funding from Santa Clara County who has or will receive 362 million dollars. We can request in partnership with Morgan Hill for these funds and get approval for move some funding to be allocated to other needs for the community and those impacted by covid-19	3/16/2022 2:12 PM
8	Population work 2or more jobs to meet expenses, resulting in children alone at home	3/16/2022 2:11 PM
9	These barriers affect the quantity and quality of resources for affordable housing. Therefore limiting our abilities, to ensure that all have equal opportunities to enhance their quality of life. The lack of adequate funding, to meet the growing needs of our homeless population and or individuals/families at risk of losing their housing, is casually overlooked. As most of the resources provided to this population comes from independent non-profit organizations. South County has the highest homeless rate capita in Santa Clara County.	3/16/2022 1:49 PM
10	They have delayed our ability to advance housing developments in the pipeline.	3/16/2022 1:27 PM
11	Displacement creates resource allocation and opportunities even more difficult when aiming to serve our population	3/16/2022 1:22 PM
12	Yes, to make them self-sufficient.	3/16/2022 1:19 PM
13	Not having affordable housing has brought our organization to have more homeless and people in need of a roof over there head.	3/16/2022 1:09 PM
14	Clients are constantly moving or becoming homeless. This causes loss of contact and eventually causing cases to discontinue.	3/16/2022 1:06 PM
15	We have many clients who are unhoused or have significant challenges sustaining safe and	3/16/2022 1:01 PM
	stable housing.	

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17	Those with unstable housing are hard to contact, so they do not get access to their health services and benefits	3/16/2022 12:57 PM
18	few options we can recommend	3/16/2022 12:55 PM
19	Community Opposition, as a backdrop to affordable housing, colors every housing issue. It pressures elected officials to act in ways that run counter to housing goals, and places stress on staff. Political will is an easy term to throw around, but if there isn't a concerted effort to craft "messaging" around the realities of the regulatory climate and the planned effort going forward, then it's hard for elected officials to survive and be supportive. Beyond messaging, there needs to be a sophisticated effort to aggregate local demand and highlight stories of need, impact, and the benefit of affordable housing.	3/16/2022 12:53 PM
20	Increased costs. Increased time to complete developments. Narrowed location options. Reduced numbers of units available.	3/14/2022 12:58 PM
21	There is not enough immediate housing (safe shelter) options for the communities experiencing homelessness. Also, those who have been recently released from incarceration and/or have a criminal background are still being discriminated against in the competitive rental market.	3/14/2022 12:12 PM
22	I work primarily with students attending local community colleges. Typically students facing housing barriers are unable to identify affordable housing within the county including room rentals of sorts. In my experience students also need more wrap around services as many are in the county without family or other support networks.	3/14/2022 11:56 AM
23	there is not enough affordable housing supply so you can provide support and service at the cbo level but that can only do so much if there is nowhere for them to live at the end of the day	3/14/2022 11:34 AM

Q3 What are the top three steps that you think the City of Morgan Hill should take in order to address the barriers to accessing decent, safe, affordable housing? (Please select exactly 3 choices)



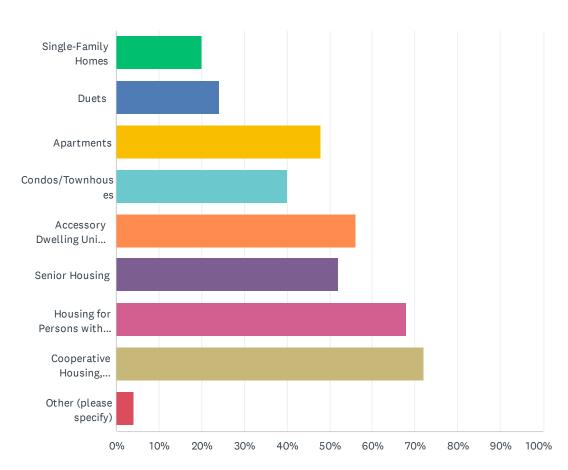
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPON	SES
Zoning more land to allow multi-family rental housing which is typically less expensive than renting a single-family home	36.00%	9
Changing zoning regulations for multi-family districts to enhance feasibility of increasing affordable housing development	36.00%	9
Creating an affordable housing overlay district to enhance feasibility for the purpose of increasing affordable housing development	52.00%	13
Passing an affordable housing bond issue which will provide funding to construct multi-family rental housing	44.00%	11
Passing a commercial linkage fee ordinance which will require new businesses to fund or construct affordable housing	28.00%	7
Incentivizing the development of Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) subject to income restrictions	12.00%	3
Increasing funding for landlord-tenant legal services	4.00%	1
Increasing funding for fair housing education, outreach, and enforcement, including fair housing testing	24.00%	6
Passing a rent stabilization ordinance	32.00%	8
Passing just cause eviction protections	16.00%	4
Establishing a landlord-tenant mediation process	8.00%	2
Other (please specify)	8.00%	2
Total Respondents: 25		

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Calculate how many ELI rental units you need in Morgan Hill.	3/16/2022 3:26 PM
2	There's already a ton of development causing Morgan Hill to have increased traffic and little green space so further development seems like a poor idea	3/16/2022 12:55 PM

# Q4 What types of housing would be a good addition to Morgan Hill's housing? (choose all that apply)





ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSE	S
Single-Family Homes	20.00%	5
Duets	24.00%	6
Apartments	48.00%	12
Condos/Townhouses	40.00%	10
Accessory Dwelling Units (granny flats, in-law units, secondary units, tiny homes, etc.)	56.00%	14
Senior Housing	52.00%	13
Housing for Persons with Disabilities	68.00%	17
Cooperative Housing, Intergenerational, or Foster Family Housing	72.00%	18
Other (please specify)	4.00%	1
Total Respondents: 25		

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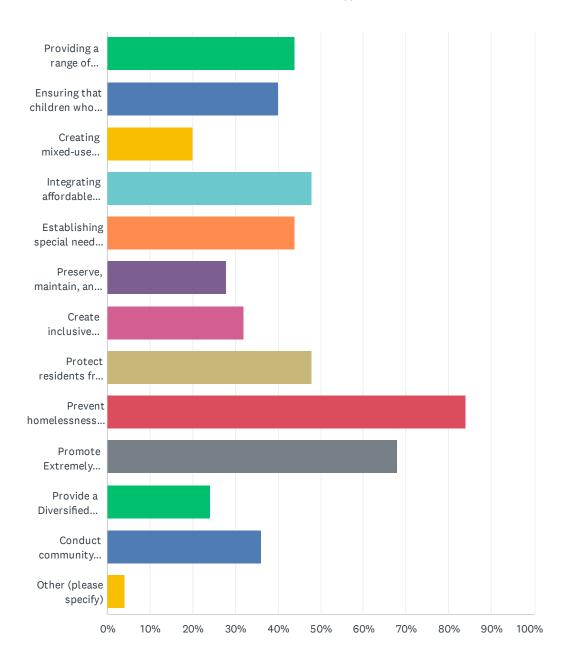
A good addition would be to add what you need. Tell me what you need and I can tell you what would be a good addition.

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# Q5 Please indicate which of the following housing priorities are most important for Morgan Hill.



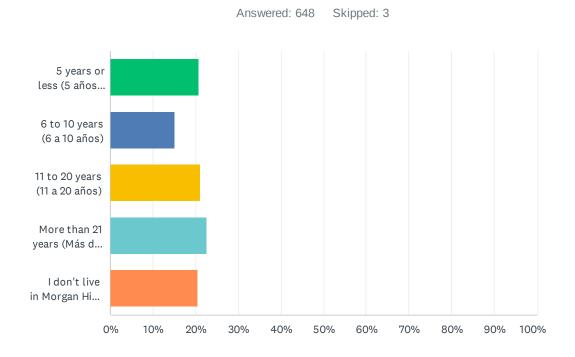


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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPON	SES
Providing a range of housing opportunities affordable to Morgan Hill workforce	44.00%	11
Ensuring that children who grew up in Morgan Hill have housing options so they can live in Morgan Hill as adults	40.00%	10
Creating mixed-use (commercial/office and residential) projects that encourage walkable neighborhoods and reduce tendency on automobiles	20.00%	5
Integrating affordable housing throughout the community to create mixed-income neighborhoods avoiding concentrations in any one neighborhood	48.00%	12
Establishing special needs housing for seniors, persons with disabilities, and/or veterans	44.00%	11
Preserve, maintain, and rehabilitate existing housing to ensure neighborhood livability and promote continued housing affordability	28.00%	7
Create inclusive neighborhoods, connecting residents to jobs, schools, and services	32.00%	8
Protect residents from displacement by economic pressures by keeping people in their homes/communities	48.00%	12
Prevent homelessness and address the housing needs of people experiencing homelessness	84.00%	21
Promote Extremely Low-Income (ELI) Housing (affordable housing for households making less than 30% of the Area Median Income)	68.00%	17
Provide a Diversified Housing Stock in Morgan Hill	24.00%	6
Conduct community education/outreach to inform residents about affordable housing and how to seek assistance	36.00%	9
Other (please specify)	4.00%	1
Total Respondents: 25		

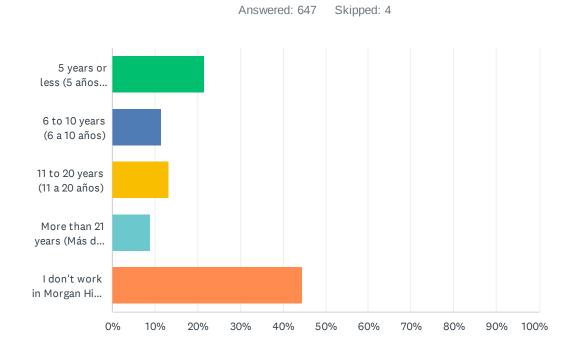
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1	provide higher wage employment opportunities	3/16/2022 2:37 PM

# Q1 About how long have you lived in Morgan Hill? (¿Cuánto tiempo hace que vive en Morgan Hill?)



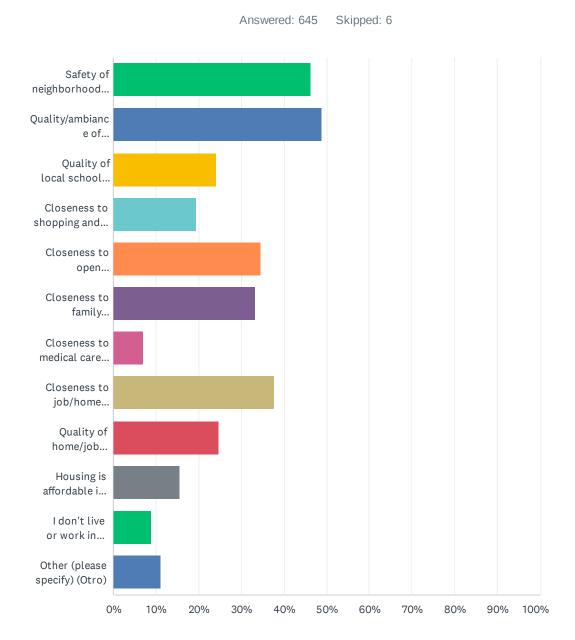
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
5 years or less (5 años o menos)	20.68%	134
6 to 10 years (6 a 10 años)	15.12%	98
11 to 20 years (11 a 20 años)	21.14%	137
More than 21 years (Más de 21 años)	22.69%	147
I don't live in Morgan Hill (Yo no vivo en Morgan Hill)	20.37%	132
TOTAL		648

## Q2 How long have you worked in Morgan Hill? (¿Cuánto tiempo ha trabajado en Morgan Hill?)



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
5 years or less (5 años o menos)	21.64%	140
6 to 10 years (6 a 10 años)	11.44%	74
11 to 20 years (11 a 20 años)	13.29%	86
More than 21 years (Más de 21 años)	8.96%	58
I don't work in Morgan Hill (Yo no trabajo en Morgan Hill)	44.67%	289
TOTAL		647

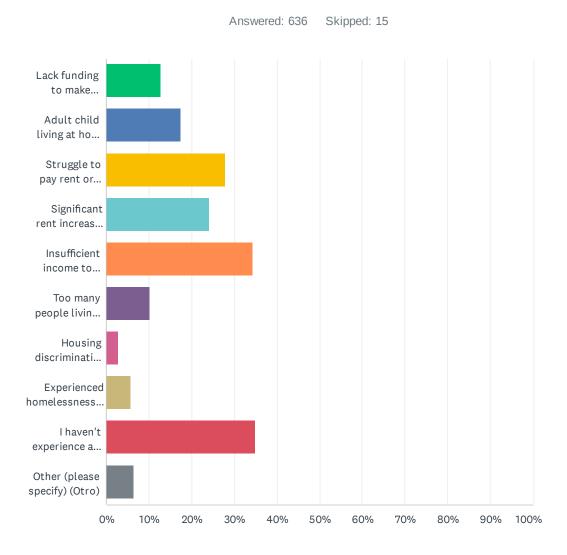
## Q3 Select the reason(s) why you live or work in Morgan Hill. (Seleccione las razones por las que vive o trabaja en Morgan Hill.)



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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSE	S
Safety of neighborhood (seguridad del vecindario)	46.36%	299
Quality/ambiance of neighborhood (Calidad/ambiente del vecindario)	48.84%	315
Quality of local school system (Calidad del sistema escolar local)	24.19%	156
Closeness to shopping and services (Cercanía a tiendas y servicios)	19.38%	125
Closeness to open space/recreational areas (Cercanía a espacios abiertos/áreas recreativas)	34.57%	223
Closeness to family (Cercanía a la familia)	33.33%	215
Closeness to medical care (Cercanía a la atención médica)	7.13%	46
Closeness to job/home (Cercanía al trabajo/hogar)	37.67%	243
Quality of home/job (Calidad del hogar/trabajo)	24.81%	160
Housing is affordable in Morgan Hill (La vivienda es accesible en Morgan Hill)	15.50%	100
I don't live or work in Morgan Hill (No vivo o trabajo en Morgan Hill)	8.99%	58
Other (please specify) (Otro)	11.01%	71
Total Respondents: 645		

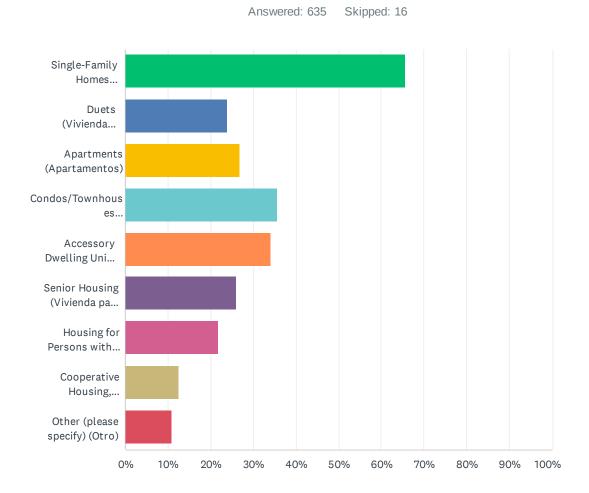
Q4 Within the past two years, have you experienced any of the following housing issues? (select all that apply) (En los últimos dos años, ¿ha experimentado alguno de los siguientes problemas de vivienda? (seleccione todas las que correspondan))



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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPON	ISES
Lack funding to make necessary home repairs (Falta de fondos para hacer las reparaciones necesarias en el hogar)	12.89%	82
Adult child living at home due to inability to afford housing (Hijo adulto que vive en el hogar debido a la incapacidad de pagar una vivienda)	17.45%	111
Struggle to pay rent or mortgage (Lucha para pagar la renta o préstamo de casa)	27.83%	177
Significant rent increase (Aumento significativo de la renta)	24.06%	153
Insufficient income to afford living in Morgan Hill (Ingresos insuficientes para vivir en Morgan Hill)	34.43%	219
Too many people living in one home (overcrowding) (Demasiadas personas viviendo en una casa (superpoblación))	10.22%	65
Housing discrimination (Discriminación en vivienda)	2.83%	18
Experienced homelessness (Experiencia sin hogar)	5.66%	36
I haven't experience any housing issues (No he experimentado ningún problema de vivienda)	35.06%	223
Other (please specify) (Otro)	6.45%	41
Total Respondents: 636		

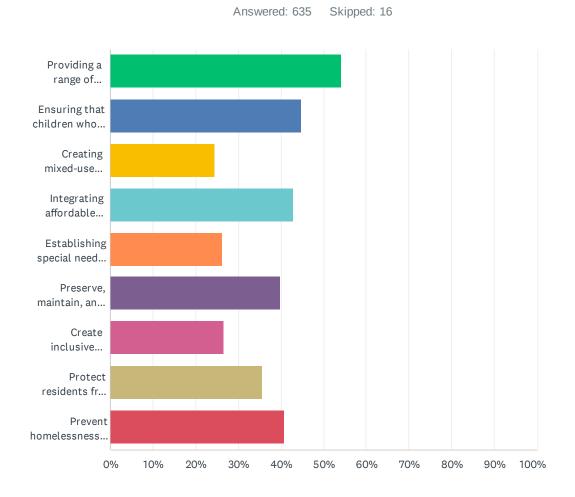
Q5 What types of housing would be a good addition to Morgan Hill's housing? (choose all that apply) (¿Qué tipo de vivienda sería una buena adición a la vivienda de Morgan Hill? (elija todo lo que corresponda))



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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPON	ISES
Single-Family Homes (Viviendas Unifamiliares Aislada)	65.67%	417
Duets (Vivienda Unifamiliar Pareada)	23.78%	151
Apartments (Apartamentos)	26.77%	170
Condos/Townhouses (Condominios/Casas Adosadas)	35.59%	226
Accessory Dwelling Units (granny flats, in-law units, secondary units, tiny homes, etc.) (Unidades de vivienda accesoria (pisos de abuela, unidades para suegros, unidades secundarias, casas pequeñas, etc.))	34.02%	216
Senior Housing (Vivienda para personas mayores)	25.98%	165
Housing for Persons with Disabilities (Vivienda para Personas con Discapacidad)	21.73%	138
Cooperative Housing, Intergenerational, or Foster Family Housing (Vivienda cooperativa, intergeneracional o viviendas de familia adpotivas)	12.60%	80
Other (please specify) (Otro)	10.87%	69
Total Respondents: 635		

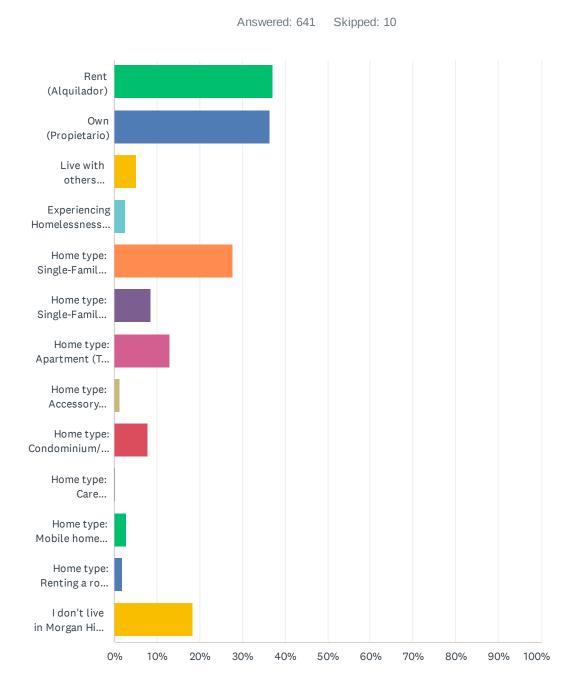
# Q6 Please indicate which of the following housing priorities are most important for Morgan Hill. (Indique cuáles de las siguientes prioridades de vivienda son las más importantes para Morgan Hill)



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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPON	NSES
Providing a range of housing opportunities affordable to Morgan Hill workforce (Brindar una variedad de oportunidades de vivienda accesible para la fuerza laboral de Morgan Hill)	54.17%	344
Ensuring that children who grew up in Morgan Hill have housing options so they can live in Morgan Hill as adults (Garantizar que los niños que crecieron en Morgan Hill tengan opciones de vivienda para que puedan vivir en Morgan Hill como adultos)	44.72%	284
Creating mixed-use (commercial/office and residential) projects that encourage walkable neighborhoods and reduce tendency on automobiles (Crear proyectos de uso mixto (comercial/oficina y residencial) que fomenten vecindarios transitables y reduzcan la tendencia a los automóviles)	24.57%	156
Integrating affordable housing throughout the community to create mixed-income neighborhoods avoiding concentrations in any one neighborhood (Integrar viviendas accesible en toda la comunidad para crear vecindarios de ingresos mixtos evitando concentraciones en un solo vecindario)	42.83%	272
Establishing special needs housing for seniors, persons with disabilities, and/or veterans (Establecimiento de viviendas con necesidades especiales para personas mayores, personas con discapacidades y/o veteranos)	26.14%	166
Preserve, maintain, and rehabilitate existing housing to ensure neighborhood livability and promote continued housing affordability (Preservar, mantener y rehabilitar las viviendas existentes para garantizar la habitabilidad del vecindario y continuar promoviendo la accesibilidad de viviendas)	39.84%	253
Create inclusive neighborhoods, connecting residents to jobs, schools, and services (Crear vecindarios inclusivos, conectando a los residentes con trabajos, escuelas y servicios)	26.61%	169
Protect residents from displacement by economic pressures by keeping people in their homes/communities (Proteger a los residentes del desplazamiento por presiones económicas manteniendo a las personas en sus hogares/comunidades)	35.59%	226
Prevent homelessness and address the housing needs of people experiencing homelessness (Prevenir la falta de vivienda y abordar las necesidades de vivienda de las personas sin hogar)	40.63%	258
Total Respondents: 635		

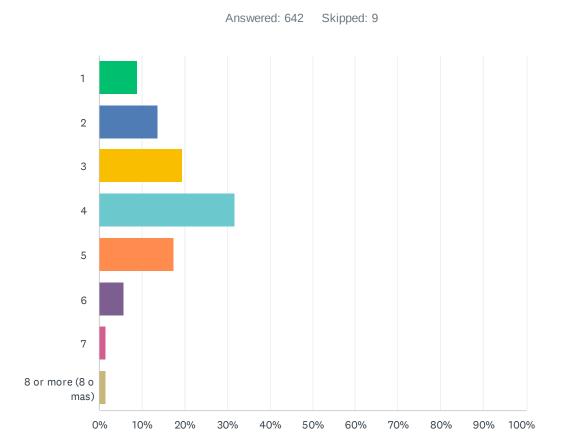
Q7 If you live in Morgan Hill, what best describes your current home? (Please indicate if you rent or own and the type of home you live in) (Si vive en Morgan Hill, ¿qué describe mejor su hogar actual? (Indique si es propietario o alquilador y el tipo de vivienda en la que vive))



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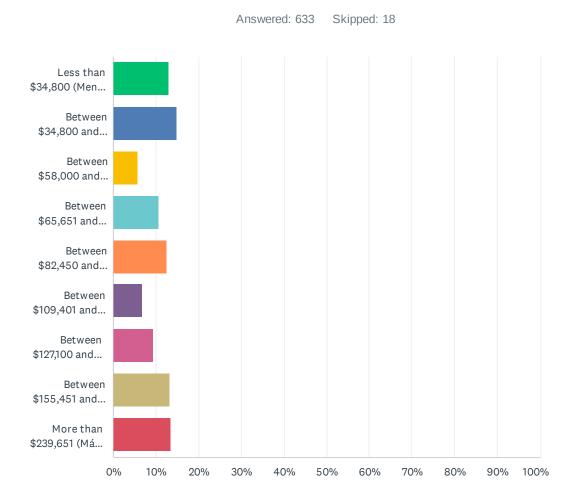
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONS	ES
Rent (Alquilador)	37.13%	238
Own (Propietario)	36.51%	234
Live with others (family/friends) with no rent (Vive con otros (familiares/amigos) sin renta)	5.15%	33
Experiencing Homelessness (Sin hogar)	2.65%	17
Home type: Single-Family Detached House (Tipo de vivienda: Vivienda Unifamiliar Aislada)	27.77%	178
Home type: Single-Family Attached House (Tipo de vivienda: Vivienda Unifamiliar Pareada)	8.42%	54
Home type: Apartment (Tipo de vivienda: Apartamento)	13.10%	84
Home type: Accessory Dwelling Unit (Tipo de vivienda: Unidad de Vivienda Accesoria)	1.25%	8
Home type: Condominium/Townhome (Tipo de casa: Condominio/Casa adosada)	7.80%	50
Home type: Care Facility/Assisted Living (Tipo de vivienda: Centro de atención/vivienda asistida)	0.16%	1
Home type: Mobile home (Tipo de vivienda: Casa móvil)	2.81%	18
Home type: Renting a room (Tipo de vivienda: Alquilar una habitación)	1.87%	12
I don't live in Morgan Hill (Yo no vivo en Morgan Hill)	18.41%	118
Total Respondents: 641		

## Q8 What is your household size? (¿Cuál es el tamaño de su hogar?)



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
1	9.03%	58
2	13.71%	88
3	19.31%	124
4	31.78%	204
5	17.45%	112
6	5.76%	37
7	1.40%	9
8 or more (8 o mas)	1.56%	10
TOTAL		642

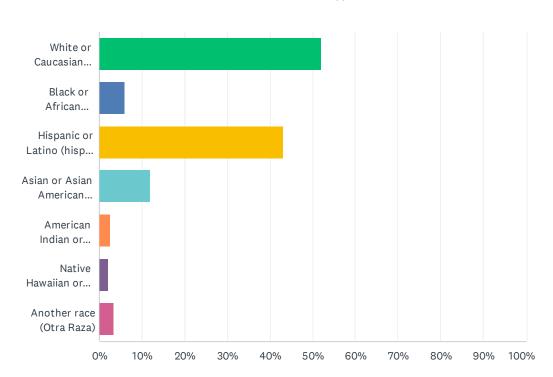
## Q9 What is your annual household income range? (¿Cuál es el rango de ingresos anuales de su hogar?)



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Less than \$34,800 (Menos de \$34,800)	13.11%	83
Between \$34,800 and \$57,999 (Entre \$34,800 y \$57,999)	14.85%	94
Between \$58,000 and \$65,650 (Entre \$58,000 y \$65,650)	5.85%	37
Between \$65,651 and \$82,449 (Entre \$65,651 y \$82,449)	10.74%	68
Between \$82,450 and \$109,400 (Entre \$82,450 y \$109,400)	12.48%	79
Between \$109,401 and \$127,099 (Entre \$109,401 y \$127,099)	6.79%	43
Between \$127,100 and \$155,450 (Entre \$127,100 y \$155,450)	9.48%	60
Between \$155,451 and \$239,650 (Entre \$155,451 y \$239,650)	13.27%	84
More than \$239,651 (Más de \$239,651)	13.43%	85
TOTAL		633

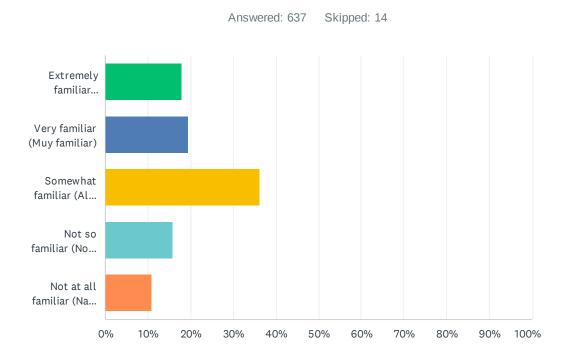
## Q10 Please specify your race/ethnicity (choose all that apply) (Especifique su raza/origen étnico (elija todas las que correspondan))





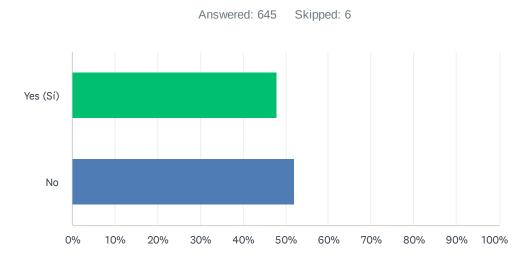
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
White or Caucasian (Blanco o caucásico)	52.04%	331
Black or African American (negro o afroamericano)	5.97%	38
Hispanic or Latino (hispano o latino)	43.08%	274
Asian or Asian American (asiático o asiático americano)	11.95%	76
American Indian or Alaska Native (Indio americano o nativo de Alaska)	2.52%	16
Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander (Nativo de Hawai u otra isla del Pacífico)	2.20%	14
Another race (Otra Raza)	3.46%	22
Total Respondents: 636		

# Q11 How would you assess your understanding of your right to be free from housing discrimination? (¿Cómo evaluaría su entendimiento del derecho de ser libre de discriminación en la vivienda?)



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Extremely familiar (Extremadamente familiar)	17.90%	114
Very familiar (Muy familiar)	19.31%	123
Somewhat familiar (Algo familiar)	36.26%	231
Not so familiar (No tan familiar)	15.70%	100
Not at all familiar (Nada familiar)	10.83%	69
TOTAL		637

# Q12 If you wanted more information about your fair housing rights, do you know where you would look? (Si quisiera más información sobre el derecho de vivienda justa, ¿sabría dónde buscar?)



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes (Sí)	47.91%	309
No	52.09%	336
TOTAL		645

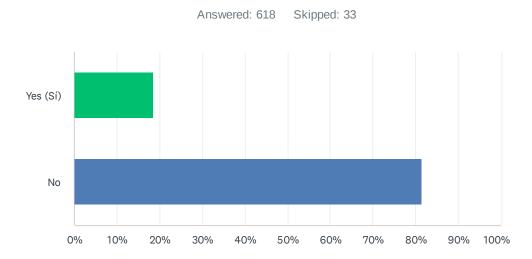
Q13 If you answered yes to the previous question, where would you look for more information about your fair housing rights? (Si su respuesta es afirmativa a la pregunta anterior, ¿dónde buscaría más información sobre becas de vivienda justa?)

Answered: 229 Skipped: 422

Q13 If you answered yes to the previous question, where would you look for more information about your fair housing rights? (Si su respuesta es afirmativa a la pregunta anterior, ¿dónde buscaría más información sobre becas de vivienda justa?)

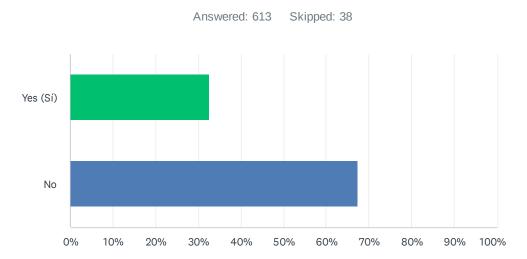
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# Q14 Have you or anyone you know experienced housing discrimination? (¿Usted o alguien que conoce ha experimentado discriminación en la vivienda?)



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes (Sí)	18.61%	115
No	81.39%	503
TOTAL		618

Q15 If you were to experience housing discrimination, would you know where to turn for help? (Si a tenido experiencia de ámbito discriminatorio en la vivienda, ¿sabría a dónde acudir en busca de ayuda?)



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes (Sí)	32.63%	200
No	67.37%	413
TOTAL		613

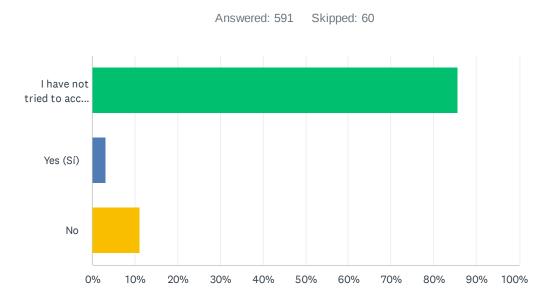
Q16 If you answered yes to the previous question, whom would you contact? (Si respondió afirmativamente a la pregunta anterior, ¿con quién se pondría en contacto?)

Answered: 146 Skipped: 505

Q16 If you answered yes to the previous question, whom would you contact? (Si respondió afirmativamente a la pregunta anterior, ¿con quién se pondría en contacto?)

Housing City Hall Contact DEEH State City Morgan Hill attorney Department housing authority websites lawyer Online City Project Sentinel fair housing local Google Law County Morgan Hill HUD Santa Clara County offices Government agency internet

Q17 If you have tried to access help complaining about an instance of housing discrimination, were you able to get help? (Si ha intentado acceder a ayuda quejándose de un caso de discriminación en la vivienda, ¿pudo obtener ayuda?)

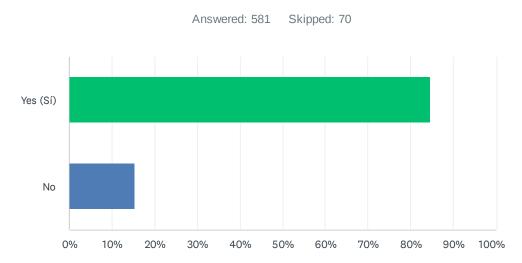


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
I have not tried to access help complaining about an instance of housing discrimination (This question does not apply to me). (No he intentado acceder a algún tipo ayuda o exponer alguna queja por un caso de discriminación de vivienda (esta pregunta no aplica en mí caso)).	85.62%	506
Yes (Sí)	3.21%	19
No	11.17%	66
TOTAL		591

Q18 If you answered yes to the above question, how effective were the services you received? (Si su respuesta es afirmativa a la pregunta anterior, ¿qué tan efectivos fueron los servicios que recibió?)

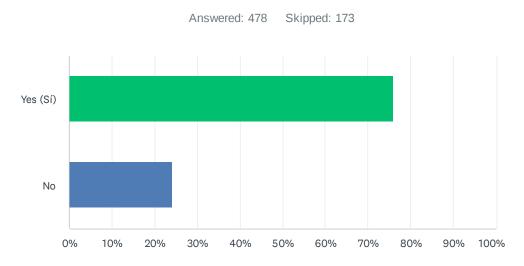
Answered: 18 Skipped: 633

Q19 Are there areas in Morgan Hill and the broader region where it is especially hard to afford housing? (¿Hay áreas en Morgan Hill y sus alrededores en general donde es especialmente difícil pagar una vivienda?)



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes (Sí)	84.68%	492
No	15.32%	89
TOTAL		581

Q20 If you answered yes to the previous question, are there amenities (public transit, schools, shopping, health care, etc.) in those places that would make them attractive places to live? (Si respondió sí a la pregunta anterior, ¿existen comodidades (transporte público, escuelas, centros comerciales, atención médica, etc.) en esos lugares, convirtiéndolos en lugares atractivos para vivir?)



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes (Sí)	75.94%	363
No	24.06%	115
TOTAL		478

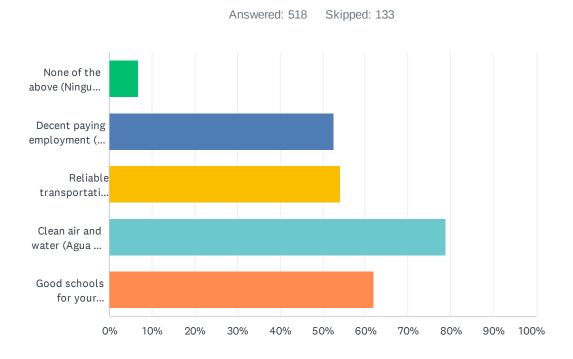
Q21 If you answered yes to the previous question, please list the amenities that make the area(s) an attractive place(s) to live. (Si respondió afirmativamente a la pregunta anterior, enumere las comodidades que hacen de la(s) zona(s) un lugar(es) atractivo(s) para vivir.)

Answered: 247 Skipped: 404

Q21 If you answered yes to the previous question, please list the amenities that make the area(s) an attractive place(s) to live. (Si respondió afirmativamente a la pregunta anterior, enumere las comodidades que hacen de la(s) zona(s) un lugar(es) atractivo(s) para vivir.)

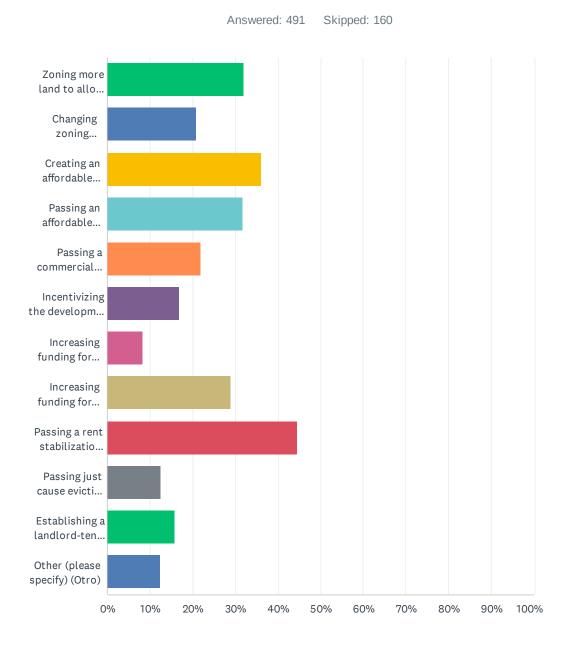
Quiet medical offices recreation great library tiendas public bike Clean private SPACE land access activities bus shopping medical Downtown available Services retail community etc stores walking open space nearby transportation transit areas housing restaurants shopping center Schools safe neighborhoods parks Family shopping gyms close jobs grocery stores options neighborhoods quality good schools entertainment public transportation work trails outdoor spaces safety close downtown NICE friendly Safe escuelas grocery Medical good doctors Public transit variety hospitals less traffic proximity health care freeway walkable

# Q22 Based on where you currently live, are you able to obtain (select all that apply): (Basado en el lugar donde viva actualmente, ¿puede obtener (seleccione todo lo que corresponde):)



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
None of the above (Ninguna de las anteriores)	6.76%	35
Decent paying employment (Un Empleo bien pagado)	52.70%	273
Reliable transportation (Transporte confiable)	54.25%	281
Clean air and water (Agua y Aire Fresco(a))	78.96%	409
Good schools for your children (Buenas escuelas para sus hijos)	61.97%	321
Total Respondents: 518		

Q23 What are the top three steps that you think the City of Morgan Hill should take in order to address the barriers to accessing decent, safe, affordable housing? (Please select 3 choices) ¿Cuáles son los tres pasos principales que usted cree que la Ciudad de Morgan Hill debería tomar para abordar cualquier barrera y poder acceder a una vivienda digna, segura y asequible?)



### Morgan Hill Assessment of Fair Housing (AFH) Questionnaire

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPON	NSES
Zoning more land to allow multi-family rental housing which is typically less expensive than renting a single-family home (Zonificar más terrenos para permitir viviendas de alquiler multifamiliares que generalmente son menos costosos en vez de alquilar una casa unifamiliar)	31.98%	157
Changing zoning regulations for multi-family districts to enhance feasibility of increasing affordable housing development (Cambiar las regulaciones de zonificación para distritos multifamiliares para mejorar la viabilidad de aumentar el desarrollo de viviendas asequibles)	20.98%	103
Creating an affordable housing overlay district to enhance feasibility for the purpose of increasing affordable housing development (Crear un distrito de recubrimiento de viviendas asequibles para mejorar la viabilidad con el fin de aumentar el desarrollo de viviendas asequibles)	36.05%	177
Passing an affordable housing bond issue which will provide funding to construct multi-family rental housing (Aprobar un bono de vivienda asequible que proporcionaría fondos para construir viviendas de alquiler multifamiliares)	31.77%	156
Passing a commercial linkage fee ordinance which will require new businesses to fund or construct affordable housing (Aprobar una ordenanza de tarifas de vinculación comercial que requerirá que las nuevas empresas financien o construyan viviendas asequibles)	22.00%	108
Incentivizing the development of Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) subject to income restrictions (Incentivar el desarrollo de Unidades de Vivienda o Accesory Dwelling Units (ADU's) sujetas a restricciones de ingresos)	16.90%	83
Increasing funding for landlord-tenant legal services (Aumentar los fondos para servicios legales de propietarios e inquilinos)	8.35%	41
Increasing funding for fair housing education, outreach, and enforcement, including fair housing testing (Aumentar los fondos para educación, difusión y la aplicación de la ley de vivienda justa, incluyendo pruebas de vivienda justa)	28.92%	142
Passing a rent stabilization ordinance (Aprobar una ordenanza de estabilización de alquiler)	44.60%	219
Passing just cause eviction protections (Pasar protecciones de desalojo por razones no justificadas)	12.63%	62
Establishing a landlord-tenant mediation process (Establecer un proceso de mediación entre propietario e inquilino)	15.68%	77
Other (please specify) (Otro)	12.42%	61
Total Respondents: 491		

















September 8, 2021

To: Bay Area Local Planning Directors

**RE: Public Participation and Transparency for Bay Area Housing Elements** 

Dear Bay Area Planning Directors,

The Bay Area can be a place where everyone can afford to live and prosper in a healthy community. To realize this vision, our local governments must prioritize deep community engagement when updating our Housing Elements.

We face an unprecedented affordable housing crisis exacerbated by the climate crisis and the COVID-19 pandemic. Decades of racist and exclusionary policies and systems have caused these crises to disproportionately harm Black, Latinx, Asian & Pacific Islander, and Indigenous communities. The 6th Cycle Housing Element update can be an opportunity for our region to recover from these crises by making sure everyone, regardless of race or income, can enjoy safe, stable homes near their jobs, families, and healthcare needs.

To plan for a better future, we urge our cities and counties to comply with Housing Element law by implementing comprehensive, inclusive, and detailed public engagement processes. Regional experts and community leaders have developed recommendations below.

State law requires local governments to make "a diligent effort...to achieve public participation of all economic segments of the community in the development of the housing element." (Gov. Code 65583(c)(9) (emphasis added)). "A diligent effort means going beyond simply giving the public an opportunity to provide input and should be proactively and broadly conducted through a variety of methods to assure access and participation." (Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD), Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing (AFFH) Guidance Memo, April 2021, p. 21). Therefore, our cities and counties must make intentional, proactive, and robust efforts to solicit and incorporate input from community members of all economic backgrounds. A particular effort must be made to include low-income people, people of color, immigrants, non-English speakers, people with disabilities, and others who often face barriers to being heard in public decision making.

The Housing Element "must describe meaningful, frequent, and ongoing community participation, consultation, and coordination that is integrated with the broader stakeholder outreach and community participation process for the overall housing element," (HCD AFFH <u>Guidance Memo</u>, p. 10). Local governments should create an outreach plan, release drafts of the Housing Element to the public for review and comment with ample time before submission to HCD, and schedule community input meetings at accessible locations and times, including on evenings and weekends (*Id.* at 10).

Particularly for the Assessment of Fair Housing section of the Housing Element, local governments must examine housing needs and disparities for members of protected classes based, in part, on "local data and knowledge," including "information obtained through community participation or consultation, such as narrative descriptions of people's lived experiences." (Gov. Code 65583(c)(10); HCD AFFH <u>Guidance Memo</u>, p. 24). This "analysis should not be limited to the jurisdiction itself, but should include the surrounding region and an understanding of the role the jurisdiction plays in current and historical trends of segregation at a regional level." (HCD AFFH <u>Guidance Memo</u>, p. 46). This means that cities and counties must also explicitly seek out information about fair housing issues and disparities from people who need to live in the jurisdiction but cannot.

Public health challenges related to the pandemic demand even more thoughtful and robust planning than usual to ensure that members of the public have opportunities to participate. For example, in addition to traditional public meetings and workshops, cities and counties should provide a mix of opportunities, including booths at outdoor events, hard copy surveys at essential offices and businesses (such as culturally diverse grocery stores, corner stores, and laundromats in low-income neighborhoods), online surveys advertised through email, social media, and local news, and other creative avenues.

Regional experts and community leaders have developed the following recommendations and call on local leaders to employ these strategies to fulfill their legal and moral obligations:

- 1. Proactively work with community-based organizations to plan engagement workshops and opportunities to ensure that their members and partners can directly participate as part of the evaluation and creation of the Housing Element. Send any relevant preparatory materials and other necessary documents to community-based organizations prior to the meeting, so that they may share them with interested members with ample time for review. HCD requires local jurisdictions to engage with groups and individuals, including the following (HCD AFFH Guidance Memo, p. 21):
  - a. Public housing authorities
  - b. Housing and community development providers
  - c. Advocacy groups (local, regional, and state level)
  - d. Community members who are lower income
  - e. Persons and households with special needs
  - f. Members of protected classes
  - g. Representative advocacy organizations and other similarly interested parties

- h. Fair housing agencies
- i. Independent living centers
- j. Regional centers
- k. Homeless service agencies
- I. Legal services organizations
- m. People who work in the jurisdiction but cannot afford to live there
- n. Community groups that organize people of protected classes
- 2. Engage community participation and feedback at all stages of the Housing Element process. Participation should not be limited to public hearings. Jurisdictions should create a roadmap of all major milestones in the Housing Element process each with <u>clear</u>, <u>targeted</u>, and <u>robust outreach and communication plans</u> in which the public should have opportunities to:
  - a. Provide input on all components of the Housing Element including: the review and evaluation of the prior element's programs and policies, Assessment of Fair Housing, existing needs and conditions, barriers to addressing housing needs, the adequacy of the land inventory, the selection of sites to accommodate affordable housing needs, potential new programs, etc. <u>before release of a new draft element;</u>
  - b. Review and comment on <u>any</u> draft Housing Element well in advance of its submission to HCD; each draft should indicate how the jurisdiction incorporated public input;
  - c. Review how the jurisdiction has considered and incorporated public input;
  - d. Review the adopted Element; and
  - e. Provide input on each annual Housing Element progress report before it is submitted to the City Council or County Board of Supervisors for approval.
- 3. Conduct various methods of engagement to allow participation by all members of the public. It is likely that much of the public engagement will be "virtual", however, access to computers and internet is not equitably available. For members of the public who lack those resources or who are unable to use video applications, consistently provide an adequate telephone option to participate in meetings as well as surveys, short interviews, and other opportunities to engage at outdoor events and essential businesses and offices. When hosting a virtual meeting, provide multiple options for teleconferencing, with two-way communication options that allows computer- and phone-users to engage and provide public comment. For live-streamed meetings, the public should be allowed to comment in real time, through a combination of phone and video, chat boxes, and/or email.
- 4. Post notices of all hearing/meeting times, topics, and detailed information regarding participation on easy-to-find places on the jurisdiction's website. Notices must clearly show how public comments will be received.
- 5. Translate all materials and notices into multiple languages appropriate to the community. During meetings, interviews, and workshops, consider using separate

- teleconference lines or audio channels to meet language access needs. Interpreters should be available for residents to understand and participate in the meeting.
- 6. **Make engagement opportunities accessible to people with disabilities**, including by providing reasonable accommodations such as sign language interpretation and written materials in Braille and other alternative formats.
- 7. Give ample time for the public to review materials and submit comments prior to the meeting's start time, such as via email or a dedicated phone number. Comments should be accepted starting from the time the notices are disseminated. Written or voice message comments should be allowed up until the start of the meeting, as well as live comments throughout the meeting. Have staff read them aloud on the record during the live meeting for transparency and consideration by the full governing body. Avoid arbitrary word limits for email comments. Voice message comments, which can be limited to 3 minutes, should be played during the comment period of the meeting. Ensure that these messages, as well as the emails, can be received in multiple languages and interpreted as needed.
- 8. Convene public meetings at times <u>outside</u> of working hours. Public meetings should be held at times that are convenient, and accessible to allow as many community members as possible to attend. Meetings during traditional working hours excludes many community members and disregards the intention of public participation.
- 9. Meet people where they are. For example, ask to attend regular meetings of community organizations, neighborhood associations, unions, advocacy and industry groups. Other opportunities could include having booths at outdoor events, school district food distribution sites, or outside of culturally diverse grocery stores. At all public engagement opportunities, the local government should describe the Housing Element process and ways to provide input at all stages. Advance planning and creativity will help ensure participation by all economic segments of the community.
- 10. **Meaningfully incorporate community input and show how it was incorporated.**Provide a transparent feedback loop about how the jurisdiction has considered and incorporated public input into the Housing Element.
- 11. Create a designated Housing Element mailing list and website. Maintain an active mailing list to notify the community, advocates, and all interested of new meetings and documents. Meeting notes, recordings of meetings, data tables and charts, and interim work products should be available on an easily accessed website.
- 12. **Create a diverse Housing Element Working Group** to provide input on the development of the Housing Element update AND to support and evaluate ongoing implementation. Ensure robust representation by renters, low-income people, people of color, tenant and community organizations, seniors, people with disabilities, unhoused people, farm and

agricultural workers, and others with special needs who are most impacted by the housing crisis, as well as experts in affordable housing development. This working group should continue after the adoption of the Housing Element to review and comment on its Annual Progress Reports and implementation.

The undersigned organizations remain committed to working in partnership with Bay Area jurisdictions to ensure the Housing Element update process is inclusive and lays out an effective roadmap to effectively address the affordable housing crisis. All Bay Area residents deserve a safe, accessible and affordable place to call home, with a range of choices free of barriers to fair housing. The Housing Element update process provides the tools to do just that. We look forward to continuing this work with you.

Regards,

Monith Ilavarasan, Organizer Genesis of the Tri-Valley

Zoe Siegel, Director of Climate Resilience Greenbelt Alliance

Shajuti Hossain, Staff Attorney Public Advocates

Justine Marcus, State and Local Policy Director Enterprise Community Partners

Jeff Levin, Policy Director East Bay Housing Organizations

Leslie Gordon, Program Director of Equitable Development Urban Habitat

Michael Rawson, Director The Public Interest Law Project

Evelyn Stivers, Executive Director Housing Leadership Council of San Mateo County



November 16, 2021

To whom it may concern,

California Government Code § 65583.2(c), instituted by Assembly Bill 2348 of 2004, defines residential densities "appropriate to accommodate housing for lower income households"; for cities with between 25,000 and 100,000 residents in a nonmetropolitan county (that is, a county which is part of a Metropolitan Statistical Area smaller than two million people), this default density or "Mullin density" is twenty dwelling units per acre. In a county inside an MSA larger than two million people, this density is thirty dwelling units per acre.

As of the Fifth RHNA Cycle, Santa Clara County, part of the San Jose-Sunnyvale-Santa Clara, CA MSA, had under two million residents (1,836,911 as of the 2010 Census). However, as of the 2020 Census, it has 2,000,468 residents. While HCD has yet to issue specific guidance, the following jurisdictions in Santa Clara County will have to zone at thirty units per acre in order to achieve a presumption of affordability for lower-income households in the Sixth RHNA Cycle:

- Campbell
- Cupertino
- Gilroy
- Los Altos
- Los Gatos

- Milpitas
- Morgan Hill
- Mountain View
- Palo Alto
- Saratoga

While the Mullin density sets minimum acceptable density for affordable housing at 30 du/ac, it is important to note that this density is generally insufficient for affordable housing production, given high land costs and highly competitive funding. In order to produce mandated affordable housing, we advise much higher densities limits— or preferably, no density limits.

Thank you for your time and consideration. We look forward to working with you to solve California's housing crisis.

South Bay YIMBY



## **Adam Paszkowski**

From: Toni Tryforos <ttryforos28@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, February 18, 2022 9:44 AM

**To:** Adam Paszkowski

**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Housing Needs Assessment

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Good Morning Adam - I missed the majority of the meeting last night so sharing some feedback. I did do the survey a week or so ago.

I am a senior citizen and was extremely fortunate to be able to get affordable housing through the Housekeys program almost 2 years, right smack in the middle of the pandemic! The best part was that I live right next-door to my son and his family. Through my experience and in today's environment it's very obvious that many people within our community need more education on what affordable housing is and the stigma that it attracts undesirables in certain neighborhoods. On numerous occasions I have had to spell out that within my neighborhood of affordable housing we have educators, nurses, school principles, and people of all walks of life. I paid more for my one bedroom house than what the developer bought the Granada Theater for!

With limited space high density is the big push, multi-level homes, lots of stairs. There is no thought about the aging population and stairs, people with disabilities and stairs etc. if the only option is to build up there must be a design for a bedroom and full bathroom on a main level. I am fortunate my garage and front entry are ground level but bedroom and full bath upstairs. I hope I will be able to safely manage stairs as I continue to age.

There needs to be something that limits concessions the developers get especially with very limited parking within a community complex. Ideally, it would be nice to have less cars on the road but who are we fooling we don't have the infrastructure for mass transit. Street parking is already clogged up, car break ins and thefts are up, people deserve to have a somewhat safe place for their vehicles.

With all the housing we have and what's to come we need to make sure we have adequate schools. We desperately need another middle school in Morgan Hill so that we don't have to drive or bus our kids all the way to Martin Murphy. A round trip there can be about 1.5 hours. We have to go early just to find a parking spot.

People are very concerned about the drought which we know is not going to end anytime soon. We understand we need to get people housed but what happens when we run out of water which could very well happen in the next few years, if not sooner in certain areas. The city needs to fight harder with the state and county on some of the expansions being pushed. Growth is important for a city to thrive however, if we have no water we all lose.

This is getting too long now so I will end now. Thanks for your time.

Regards, Toni Tryforos

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## Via Email

January 28, 2022

Adam Paszkowski - Principal Planner, Planning Division Rebecca Garcia - Housing Manager Development Services Department City of Morgan Hill 17575 Peak Avenue Morgan Hill, CA 95037

**RE: City of Morgan Hill - Housing Element Priorities** 

Dear Mr. Paszkowski and Ms. Garcia

We are writing to you to share the results of our discussions of existing housing needs and proposals we have for programs and policies that should be considered for inclusion in the Housing Element Update you are currently preparing. We are also requesting an opportunity to meet with your staff to discuss these proposals in more detail and to determine the appropriate next steps for their consideration.

The priorities outlined below were identified over the course of five meetings held by a group of South County community leaders concerned about rising homelessness and the inadequate supply of affordable housing, and interested in exploring solutions that could be integrated into the Housing Element Update Process. These meetings were convened and facilitated by SV@Home and the South County Compassion Center, and participants were drawn from the diverse existing service and advocacy networks, and included community members who volunteer regularly in direct service to those in need, representatives of regional and local service organizations and housing policy advocates, as well as residents experiencing homelessness or who were formerly homeless.

Together, we understand that the Housing Element Update is a nearly once-in-a-decade process to assess needs and develop concrete action plans to address the housing issues in our community. We understand that changes to Housing Element law have increased requirements for this assessment, including special populations such as residents experiencing homelessness, and for the development of policies and programs with specific, and measurable steps to address the unmet housing needs.

We also understand that the new requirement to engage in meaningful, frequent, and ongoing community participation throughout the Housing Element process, including the new requirements included in the Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing guidance from the state, have presented challenges for city staff and consultants across the county.

The community meetings that have generated these priorities have been designed to complement the City's efforts.

As a group we brought our range of experiences to the discussion, and shared a wide range of concrete actions we felt would address some of the needs we have identified. Some of these ideas sought to elevate policy needs that had already been raised in public discussions, others were reflections of the need to strengthen commitments or leverage opportunities in existing programs, and some were new measures intended to address the diversity of housing needs. The group then discussed the proposed actions and the needs they were intended to address. Some items were combined, some were determined to be redundant with existing programming, and new actions were identified through the discussion. The group then went through a prioritization process, which assessed the potential impact of specific actions, how aligned they were with our understanding of state guidance, and how they might augment existing efforts. Through this process the initial list of nearly 20 proposed actions was narrowed to the 8 priorities detailed below.

In developing the required sites inventory, prioritize parcels for permanent supportive housing, ELI, and VLI housing units downtown and in other central locations accessible to resources and transit, especially parcels owned by public agencies.

**Identified need**: Locating affordable housing in areas that are transit rich, close to resources to meet basic needs, and well integrated in residential growth areas, is the established best practice. Affirmatively furthering fair housing requires that sites for permanent supportive housing, and homes for residents with extremely low or very low incomes be located in areas with access to jobs, transit, and resources, including public land that can expedite affordable housing development. One of the biggest challenges affordable housing developers face in development of these units is the cost of land, especially when competing with market-rate developers who have more money available.

**Program to address**: Surplus or underutilized government-owned land can help, since affordable housing developers have priority to purchase this land. Prioritizing sites downtown opens up opportunities and establishes community expectations that the city is supporting affordable development in these areas.

Create opportunities for community discussions and education about homelessness, housing insecurity and specific housing needs to achieve an atmosphere of acceptance and understanding.

**Identified need**: Current political will in the city regarding development of affordable and permanent supportive housing reflects the need to build understanding of causes and issues of homelessness, the people and lives

impacted by the lack of affordable housing, and the community benefits of safe, stable, and affordable housing.

**Program to address:** We often misunderstand what housing needs look like, who experiences housing insecurity, and how they can become homeless. Some common understanding can be achieved with intentional and guided communication between people that do not normally have an opportunity to dialog with each other. This could include- but not be limited to- formats such as community workshops, short video interviews, and media partnerships.

Pursue a partnership with other cities and the county for an affordable housing portal that allows people to submit a single application for multiple affordable housing developments.

**Identified need**: Currently, to apply for affordable housing, residents need to search multiple websites and apply using many different web portals or paper applications. Since many people are applying for so few units, a person in need of affordable housing will need to apply for multiple opportunities to increase their chances of success, submitting and resubmitting the same information multiple times through many different channels. This process creates inequitable access to affordable housing for people most in need who lack the resources and time to monitor waitlist statuses, submit paper applications or have cognitive disabilities which hinder their ability to complete multiple applications at a time. This increases the likelihood that the renter will not successfully connect with an available affordable unit.

**Program to address**: A single source and application for affordable housing would help people find affordable housing without causing loss of time and resources to hunt for it and resubmit the same information. A single source would also allow the city or county to affirmatively market or share all affordable housing opportunities to vulnerable and hard to reach populations. This portal could be similar to the <u>San Jose Doorways</u> program currently in development, and <u>Dahlia in San Francisco</u>, which provides a single starting point for people to apply for affordable housing (inclusionary or standalone). A single source would also make it easier for the city, county, and residents to track the availability of affordable housing in their area.

Express an explicit commitment to funding for basic needs services at local encampments.

**Identified need**: Each year, service providers must reapply for city funding to provide basic needs services at encampments where residents experiencing homelessness are living. This process is often politically contentious and

uncertain. The lack of certainty impacts the ability of these organizations to establish long-range plans and focus on service provision.

**Program to address**: Providing for the basic needs of residents experiencing homelessness and living in encampments can improve health, safety, and quality of life. Many cities already provide funding on an annual basis to provide some of these services, but each year they must reapply and wait for approval again. A long-range funding commitment from the city provides more certainty and allows the organizations providing these services to fully focus on service provision.

Support and facilitate the creation of community-based nonprofits, which will develop affordable housing, including the exploration of alternative models.

Identified need: Large multifamily affordable housing developments take years to complete and do not meet the needs of all residents experiencing homelessness or in need of affordable housing. This system makes it difficult for the exploration of alternative and innovative home types that may be better able to meet the needs of some residents. Currently, affordable housing is limited to large complexes to make efficient use of land values. These projects, although they are vital assets to the community, take long periods of time to fund, approve and construct. The large sizes and lack of tenant input on governance also pose challenges to the creation of a deeper sense of belonging, building a tight knit community and facilitating neighborly connections.

Program to address: We can expand our options of multifamily affordable housing to more creative and innovative options that have tangible community control and collaborative decision making tools, such as Community Development Corporations (CDCs), co-housing, co-op housing, tiny home communities, and community land trusts. However, since many of these options do not exist in South County, significant financial and technical support and training is needed to make them viable. Local efforts can complement the initial commitments made by Santa Clara County to provide technical assistance. Training can be assisted by other and more established non-profit organizations.

Partner with CDFIs to develop a loan program with full or partial loan forgiveness for homeowners who build ADUs and restrict affordability for 15 years.

**Identified need**: While Accessory Dwelling Units have been successful at increasing housing production and offering homes that are more affordable by design, homeowners who are "house rich but cash poor" may struggle to obtain financing to build an ADU.

**Program to address**: In partnership with a CDFI, the city should develop a loan program with full or partial loan forgiveness for homeowners who build ADUs and restrict affordability for 15 years. This would increase the ability of homeowners to increase the number of homes available, secure deed-restricted affordability, and provide an income stream for lower-income homeowners to increase their financial stability. There is an existing low interest loan program administered by the Housing Trust of Silicon Valley that could be used as a foundation for this program.

Create a public awareness campaign to increase community knowledge of the existing range of services for the unhoused and homelessness prevention resources.

**Identified need**: Many residents who need help with housing issues are not aware of the existing range of services for the unhoused and homelessness prevention resources currently available in our city, or through the County's 211 service. Many struggle to identify and access available resources on their own. Information about local resources, including those funded through the county, and the 211 service, is currently not available on city websites.

**Program to address**: The city should take steps to increase awareness of how to access the services available locally, including the 211 system, which can help residents in need navigate and access a wide variety of available resources in the county. At minimum, this should include publishing information on the city's website in an easily accessible location and ensuring city staff are aware of the program and can direct residents to it. The city should also consider a public awareness campaign using social media, publications such as city newsletters and printed collateral, events, and additional channels to increase awareness of the 211 system.

We recognize that our discussion were not representative of the full range of community perspectives in Morgan Hill, and that these proposed actions will not address the full complexity of our local housing needs, but we are confident that our collective experience represents a critical perspective in identifying existing housing needs and actions that should be incorporated into the Housing Element Update. As noted above, we are requesting an opportunity to meet with your staff to discuss these proposals in more detail and to determine the appropriate next steps for their full consideration.

Please contact Joanne Fierro at <u>fierro5175@earthlink.net</u> to set up a time for this meeting.

Thank you for your consideration, we look forward to further discussion.

This letter is being submitted by a working coalition of community housing advocates, community based housing and homeless service providers, and regional policy and advocacy organizations. This group has come together out of a series of five community meetings with over 60 unique participants.





February 28, 2022

## **Policy Recommendations for 6th Cycle Housing Element**

Dear Planning staff:

YIMBY Law submits this letter to share our policy goals and recommendations for the Policies and Programs section of your Housing Element. We appreciate the opportunity to participate in the Housing Element process.

The Policies and Programs section of the city's Housing Element must respond to data, analysis and findings presented in the Housing Needs section. We repeatedly see findings that housing prices are high, segregation exists, and there is a lack of housing for special populations, but the Policies and Programs don't respond to these findings or try to change outcomes. The overview of the city's housing environment should set the scene, and the policies and programs should explain what the city is going to do to fix it.

Our policy goals are as follows:

## **Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing**

1. Prioritize rezoning in high resource, historically exclusionary neighborhoods. Many of the highest resource neighborhoods with the best access to jobs, good schools, and other amenities have histories of exclusion which are still reflected in their zoning. Cities should rezone to allow more housing opportunities in those neighborhoods, particularly those with low Vehicle Miles Traveled, as part of their

Housing Elements.

- 2. Establish a strong tenant protection ordinance so that new housing benefits everyone. Development should not permanently displace current residents. Housing replacement programs, temporary housing vouchers, right of return, and demolition controls will create stability for renters while allowing new homes to be built for new households and to accommodate the growth associated with RHNA. In your sites inventory and rezoning programs, you should prioritize development on sites with owner-occupied housing & commercial uses over those with existing rent-controlled apartments or other rental housing with lower income residents.
- 3. Support homeownership opportunities for historically excluded groups. Homeownership continues to be a path to building financial security and inter-generational wealth, which has been systematically denied to many Americans. As a society, we need to make this right by intentionally offering opportunities to communities who have been excluded. The housing element should identify opportunities to create a variety of for-sale housing types and create programs to facilitate property ownership among excluded groups.

## **Site Capacity**

- 4. Adequately plan for density. Ensure that a site's density will accommodate the number of homes that are projected to be built. In addition, make sure height limits, setback requirements, FAR, and other controls allow for adequate density and the ability to achieve a site's realistic capacity. Housing will not be feasible if you have a high density paired with low height limits. This density should be emphasized around jobs and transit and should go beyond the Mullin density in those areas.
- 5. Provide sufficient zoned capacity to accommodate all income levels, including a minimum No Net Loss buffer of 30%. Not every site will be developed at maximum density during the eight-year planning period. Identify an ample amount of opportunity sites and zone the sites to accommodate lower-income housing types (usually a statutory minimum of 30 dwelling units per acre) to give the city the best chance at meeting its RHNA.

6. Use data from the 5th Cycle to calculate the likelihood of development for your 6th Cycle site inventory. Likelihood of development is a measure of the probability of an inventory site being developed during the planning period. The median likelihood of development across the state is 25%, meaning only one of every four sites will likely be developed during the planning period for the median city. Incorporating the likelihood of development into the zoned capacity will set the city up to successfully achieve their RHNA, making the housing element less of a paper exercise and more of an actionable, functional document.

## **Accessory Dwelling Units**

- 7. Commit to an automatic mid-cycle adjustment if ADU permitting activity is lower than estimated in the housing element. We highly recommend complying with HCD's standards of using one of its "safe harbor" methodologies to anticipate future ADU production. However, if the city is optimistic about ADU growth, then creating an automatic mid-cycle adjustment will automatically facilitate alternative housing options (i.e., a rezoning program, removing development constraints, ADU incentives, etc.) if the city falls behind the estimated ADU production.
- 8. Incentivize new ADUs, including those that are rent-restricted for moderateor lower-income households or that are prioritized for households with housing choice vouchers. Consider offering low- or no-interest loans, forgivable loans, impact fee waivers for ADUs that are 750 square feet or larger, allowances to facilitate two-story and second-story ADU construction, etc.

## Zoning

- 9. Allow residential to be built in areas that are zoned for commercial use. There are a myriad of ways to do this, but a housing overlay is one common policy. Additionally, consider eliminating new commercial space in mixed-use developments where there is not a strong demand or there is otherwise a glut of commercial space that is unused or frequently vacant.
- **10. Allow flexibility in inclusionary zoning.** Cities should require different percentages for different AMI levels. Additionally, we urge cities to incentivize land

dedication to affordable developers in order for market-rate developers to meet their inclusionary requirements. Avoid getting trapped into thinking that the affordable units must be "sprinkled throughout" the market-rate units, or require the market-rate units to look exactly the same as the affordable ones. This should be balanced against not locating all of the affordable units in one place and ghettoizing neighborhoods by creating or perpetuating racially concentrated areas of poverty.

## **Better Entitlement Process & Reducing Barriers to Development**

- 11. Ensure that the city has a ministerial process for housing permitting, especially multi-family housing, and remove impact fees for deed-restricted housing. A discretionary process for housing development creates uncertainty and adds to the cost of construction. For example, multi-family housing should not require a conditional use permit or city council approval unless the builder is asking for unique and extraordinary concessions. Right-sizing governmental constraints, entitlement processes, and impact fees will help the city successfully meet its RHNA.
- **12. Reduce parking standards and eliminate parking minimums.** Minimum parking requirements are a major constraint on housing, especially for lower cost housing types. They can cost in excess of \$30,000 per spot and can raise rents by as much as 17%, and eliminating them is particularly important for smaller & other spatially constrained sites. Consider adopting a parking maximum.
- **13. Cap fees on all new housing.** Most construction costs are outside the City's control, but reducing impact fees can demonstrate that a city is serious about building new housing. At a minimum, cities should delay the collection of impact fees until the issuance of the certificate of occupancy to reduce financial impacts on new housing and make the units cheaper by not asking the developer to carry impact fee charges or debt throughout the construction phase.
- **14. Provide local funding.** One of the largest barriers to building new affordable homes is the lack of city/county funds available to assemble sites, provide gap funding, and to pay for dedicated staff. Without new funding, especially at the local level, we will not be able to build more affordable homes. There are three

new revenue streams that should be considered: 1) **Transfer tax**, a one-time payment levied by a jurisdiction on the sale of a home, may be utilized to raise much needed revenue to fund affordable homes; 2) **Vacancy tax** may be collected on vacant land to convince landowners to sell their underutilized properties and be used to fund the construction of affordable homes; 3) **Commercial linkage** fees should be adopted or revisited for increases on new commercial developments.

We urge you to include these policies in your 6th cycle Housing Element.

Best regards,

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## **Adam Paszkowski**

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**Sent:** Friday, April 15, 2022 7:36 PM **To:** Adam Paszkowski; Rebecca Garcia

Cc: Jan Stokley

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Morgan Hill Developmental Disability Data for 2023-2031 Housing Element

Attachments: Morgan Hill Housing Element Comments for Developmental Disabilities.docx

You don't often get email from kalisha@housingchoices.org. Learn why this is important

Hello Adam and Rebecca,

My name is Kalisha Webster and I am the Housing Advocate at Housing Choices, we met last month during the meeting with the South County Housing Element Advocates spearheaded by SV@Home and The Compassion Center.

Housing Choices is a nonprofit organization funded by the San Andreas Regional Center (SARC) to support people with developmental and other disabilities find and retain affordable housing. SARC has contracted Housing Choices to engage with cities throughout Santa Clara County as they update their Housing Elements to provide data on the housing needs and best practices for inclusion of people with developmental disabilities in their housing plans.

Pursuant to SB 812, Housing Choices is submitting an assessment of the housing needs of Morgan Hill residents with developmental disabilities, as well as, a list of specific policy and program recommendations for inclusion in the draft 2023-2031 Housing Element, that we believe will best address their housing needs. Please note that the data tables are not numbered because we assume these tables will follow numbering in the larger document. If we can provide any more information, please let me know.

We are eager to work with you on this component of the Housing Element. In particular, we would like to:

- Meet with you to receive your feedback on our submission, particularly on the feasibility of the specific recommendations that are included
- Learn from you about other policy and program recommendations that are surfacing in the development of the Housing Element that might also have an impact on housing for people with developmental disabilities.
- Identify other appropriate venues for discussing our submission
- Learn how we can support you in engaging Morgan Hill households with developmental disabilities in the outreach process
- Post our recommendations for feedback on your Housing Elements web page
- Any other ideas you might have to help us broaden the larger community's understanding of the critical importance of deeply affordable housing to people with developmental disabilities.

Thank you so much for your work to bring more affordable housing to Morgan Hill.

## Best Regards,



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## DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES COMMENTS FOR MORGAN HILL HOUSING ELEMENT

## **Introduction to Developmental Disabilities**

People with developmental disabilities have a disability that emerged before age 18, is expected to be lifelong, and is of sufficient severity to require a coordinated program of services and support in order to live successfully in the community. Developmental disabilities include intellectual disability, autism, Down syndrome, epilepsy, cerebral palsy, and other disabling conditions similar in their functional impact to an intellectual disability. Under California's Developmental Disabilities Services Act and the U.S. Supreme Court's 1999 decision in *Olmstead v. L.C.*, people with developmental disabilities are entitled to receive community-based services that allow them to live in the least restrictive community setting. This shift to de-institutionalization has led to the closure of the most restrictive segregated settings and to the requirement that local jurisdictions in their Housing Elements assess and plan specifically for the housing needs of people with developmental disabilities who receive services from the Regional Center in order to live in their home community.

## Demographic and Other Trends Affecting the Housing Needs of People with Developmental Disabilities

## Adults Make Up More than Half of the Morgan Hill Population with Developmental Disabilities.

Morgan Hill is home to 323 people with developmental disabilities of whom 222 (69%) are adults and 101 (31%) are under age 18. Because Morgan Hill's 2015-2023 Housing Element failed to include the required assessment of the housing needs of people with developmental disabilities (pursuant to Government Code Section 65583(a)(7)), it is not possible to assess changes in this population in Morgan Hill since the 2015-2023 Housing Element. However, the population with developmental disabilities in Santa Clara County grew by 14% since the last Housing Element, much faster than the general population grew. The table below shows that Morgan Hill requires more housing options for adults with developmental disabilities than other parts of Santa Clara County because a greater proportion of Morgan Hill's residents with developmental disabilities are adults (69%) as compared to the County's total population (63%).

Table	Morgan Hill and Santa Clara Count	y Population with Developmental Disabilities
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Age	Morgan Hill	Morgan Hill % of total	Santa Clara County	Santa Clara County % of total
Under age 18	101	31%	4016	37%
18 and older	222	69%	6737	63%
Total	323	100%	10753	100%

Note: The Morgan Hill population with developmental disabilities was provided by San Andreas Regional Center as of November 2021. The Santa Clara County population with developmental disabilities is based on county-level data published by the Department of Developmental Services as of June 2021.

Fewer Opportunities for Morgan Hill Adults with Developmental Disabilities to Live Outside the Family Home. The family home is the most prevalent living arrangement for Morgan Hill's adults with developmental disabilities, with 71% of adults living in the family home in 2021, higher than the 65% of Santa Clara County adults living in the family home. We also see lower prevalence of Morgan Hill adults with developmental disabilities being able to transition out of the family home into their own apartment with supportive services (10%) or licensed care facilities (19%) than in Santa Clara County (11% and 23% respectively).

Table \_\_\_\_ Living Arrangements of Adults with Developmental Disabilities

Adult Living Arrangements	2021 Morgan Hill	2021 Morgan Hill Percent of Total	2021 Santa Clara County	2021 Santa Clara County Percent of Total
In the family home	158	71%	4,362	65%
Own apartment with supportive services	21	10%	756	11%
Licensed Facilities	43	19%	1,525	23%
Other (including homeless)	0	-	94	1%
Total Adults	222		6,737	

Source: The 2021 data for Morgan Hill was provided by San Andreas Regional Center as of November 2021. The Santa Clara County data is based on county-level data published by the Department of Developmental Services as of June 2021.

Decline in Licensed Care Facilities in Santa Clara County. The Department of Developmental Services reports that between September 2015 and June 2021, 5% fewer people with developmental disabilities were able to be housed in licensed care facilities (including Community Care Facilities, Intermediate Care Facilities, and Skilled Nursing Facilities) in Santa Clara County, even as the adult population in need of residential options outside the family home grew. This trend increases the need for affordable housing options coordinated with supportive services funded by the San Andreas Regional Center. Santa Clara County's reduced supply of licensed care facilities increases the likelihood that Morgan Hill adults with developmental disabilities will be forced out of the county when their parents are no longer able to house them--unless there is a significant improvement in access to affordable housing.

Increase of Autism Diagnosis Reflected in Increase in Adults in their 20s and 30s. Growth in the Santa Clara County adult population with developmental disabilities correlates with a well-documented annual increase in the diagnosis of autism that began in the mid-1980s and did not level out until after 2015. The cumulative impact of this trend is already seen in the growth of the Santa Clara County population age 18 to 41 with developmental disabilities and will continue into the future. This trend has significant implications for housing needs among Morgan Hill adults with developmental disabilities during the period of the 2023-2031 Housing Element.

Table \_\_ Changes in Age Distribution of Adult Population in Santa Clara County

Age	2015 Number	2021 Number	% Change
18 to 31	2,767	3,515	27%
32 to 41	891	1,212	36%
42 to 51	833	705	-15%
52 to 61	702	744	6%
62 plus	416	561	35%
Total adults	5,609	6,737	20%

Source: Department of Developmental Services Quarterly Report by County.

Longer Life Spans. Between September 2015 and June 2021, the Department of Developmental Services reports that the number of Santa Clara County residents with developmental disabilities age 62 and older grew by 35% (Table \_\_\_). This increase is generally attributable to well-documented gains in life span, rather than to migration of seniors with developmental disabilities into Santa Clara County. Longer life spans mean that more adults with developmental disabilities will outlive their parents and family members who are by far the single largest source of housing for people with developmental disabilities in Morgan Hill. Because older adults currently occupying a licensed facility in Santa Clara County are living longer, this reduced rate of occupant turnover, coupled with closing facilities, will make it more difficult for middle-aged and senior adults who have been living with aging parents in Morgan Hill to transition to licensed care when their parents pass away.

**Displacement.** Notwithstanding 20% growth in Santa Clara County's total population of adults with developmental disabilities, the Department of Developmental Services has documented a 15% decline in the age group 42 to 51 in Santa Clara County between September 2015 and June 2021 (Table \_\_\_\_). In light of gains in life expectancy, this loss can reasonably be attributed to displacement from the county because of the lack of residential living options (either licensed facilities or affordable housing) when an elderly family caregiver passes away or becomes unable to house and care for the adult. Displacement takes a particular toll on adults with developmental disabilities who depend on familiarity with transit routes and shopping and services, as well as support from community-based services and informal networks built up over years of living in Morgan Hill.

**Higher Rates of Physical Disabilities.** People with developmental disabilities are more likely than the general population to have an accompanying physical disability. Almost 20% of Santa Clara County residents with developmental disabilities have limited mobility, and 15% have a vision or hearing impairment. The need for an accessible unit coupled with the need for coordinated supportive services compounds the housing barriers faced by those with both cognitive and physical disabilities.

**Ineligibility for Many Affordable Rental Units.** Some adults with developmental disabilities depend on monthly income of around \$1,000 from the Supplemental Security Income (SSI) program, pricing them out of many of the limited number of affordable housing units in Morgan Hill. Those with employment tend to work part-time in the lowest paid jobs and also struggle to income-qualify for many of the affordable housing units now available for rent in Morgan Hill.

**Transit-Dependent.** Most adults with developmental disabilities do not drive or own a car and many rely on public transit as a means to integration in the larger community.

## Best Practices for Inclusion of People with Developmental Disabilities in Typical Affordable Housing

Morgan Hill can meet the housing needs of people with developmental disabilities by adopting policies and programs to promote their inclusion with coordinated services in typical affordable housing. The following considerations should guide Morgan Hill in this pursuit:

- Integration in typical affordable housing is a priority in order to affirmatively further fair housing for a group that has historically experienced no alternatives to segregated living and also to counter the displacement of adults with developmental disabilities out of Morgan Hill.
- Coordination of housing with onsite supportive services funded by the San Andreas Regional
  Center should be encouraged. These fully funded coordinated services provide a supported
  pathway for people with developmental disabilities to apply for and retain an affordable
  apartment and are often as essential to a person with a developmental disability as a physically
  modified unit is to a person with a mobility, vision, or hearing impairment.
- A mix of unit sizes at inclusive housing properties would address the needs of those who require live-in aides, want to live with roommates or partners, or have children.
- Location near public transit would accommodate the transit-dependency of most adults with developmental disabilities.
- Deeply affordable housing is needed by people with developmental disabilities. The City should plan for at least 131 Extremely Low Income (ELI) units--50% of its Very Low Income RNHA allocation. Some of the ELI units should be subject to a preference for people with developmental disabilities.

## **Policy and Program Recommendations**

Morgan Hill has a responsibility not simply to assess the housing needs of people with developmental disabilities but also to create and implement policy, zoning, program and other changes that make it more feasible for affordable housing developers to include people with developmental disabilities in their housing plans. Opportunities for adults with developmental disabilities to live outside the family are lower than many other jurisdictions in Santa Clara County. Currently the city has one affordable property, Jasmine Square built in 2005, which includes 12 set aside units for people with developmental disabilities who benefit from on-site supportive services funded by the San Andreas Regional Center. The City's lack of progress in meeting the housing needs of people with developmental disabilities since

the last Housing Element demonstrates the need for policies and programs that explicitly promote inclusion of people with developmental disabilities in affordable housing with coordinated services provided by the San Andreas Regional Center in order to prevent the homelessness or displacement of these vulnerable residents.

• Affirmatively Further Fair Housing by Producing More Extremely Low-Income Housing. Not only is disability the highest-ranked source of Fair Housing complaints in Santa Clara County, a growing body of Santa Clara County data indicates that Black, Indigenous and other People of Color (BIPOC) with disabilities experience higher rates of severe rent burden than either BIPOC without disabilities or whites with disabilities. Such disparities in the experience of severe rent burden, housing instability and displacement from Morgan Hill are attributable to the shortage of housing priced to be affordable to Extremely Low Income (ELI) households with incomes below 30% of Area Median Income. Multiple barriers including high land and construction costs and limited funding make it difficult for developers to produce Extremely Low Income units that would help to reduce such disparities. Local zoning and other policies that lead to increased production of Extremely Low Income units, as well as city staff dedicated to implementing and overseeing those policies, will Affirmatively Further Fair Housing in Morgan Hill and decrease displacement and homelessness for the most at-risk Morgan Hill residents, including people with developmental disabilities.

Sample Language: The City of Morgan Hills's plans to Affirmatively Further Fair Housing for Black, Indigenous and other People of Color, particularly those with disabilities, shall include policies designed to increase the production of Extremely Low Income units, as well as adequate staff capacity to implement and monitor the impact of these policies.

Establish and monitor a quantitative goal. Tracking the City's success in housing people with developmental disabilities is essential to determine whether policies and programs are having an effect in overcoming historic patterns of discrimination and exclusion of people with developmental disabilities from affordable housing. A goal of 40 new Extremely Low-Income housing units for Morgan Hill residents with developmental disabilities over the period of the 2023-2031 Housing Element would represent meaningful progress towards the total unmet housing need of this special needs group.

Sample Language: The City of Morgan Hill shall monitor progress towards a quantitative goal of 40 new Extremely Low Income housing units that are subject to a preference for people with developmental disabilities needing the coordinated services provided by San Andreas Regional Center to live inclusively in affordable housing.

Offer Developers a Range of Affordability Options Under the Inclusionary Ordinance. Many
adults with developmental disabilities, including those that find employment, have incomes too
low to satisfy minimum income requirements for the Very Low and Low income units currently
offered under the city's inclusionary ordinance and are effectively excluded from this housing
option. California law (AB 1505, the "Palmer Fix") explicitly allows cities to adopt inclusionary

housing ordinances that address a range of income levels from moderate-income to extremely low-income. The City should take advantage of this authority to make its ordinance more responsive to local needs by offering developers of market rate housing a menu of options for including affordable units, for example, by setting a higher percentage of units if priced for moderate income and a lower percentage of units if priced for extremely low income. Such a menu would address a broader range of Morgan Hill housing needs, while giving developers more options for meeting the inclusionary requirement.

Sample Language: The City of Morgan Hill shall revise its inclusionary housing ordinance to offer developers a menu of options for achieving affordability, adjusting the percentage of units required to be affordable depending on the degree of affordability achieved (moderate-income, low income, very low income, and extremely low income).

• Target City-Owned Land, Land Dedicated to Affordable Housing under the Inclusionary Ordinance and City Housing Funds to Achieve City-Specific Priorities. City-owned land, land dedicated to affordable housing in lieu of providing affordable units under the inclusionary ordinance, and city housing funds are often essential to the development of affordable housing that is financially feasible in Morgan Hill. In creating guidelines for the scoring of any competitive proposals for these scarce resources, the City should grant additional points to affordable housing projects that address the housing needs of the Morgan Hill residents who are most difficult to house under existing state and federal housing finance programs--for example, by prioritizing proposals with a higher number of extremely low income units or that make a percentage of units subject to a preference for identified categories of special needs people who would benefit from coordinated onsite services, including but not limited to people with developmental disabilities who benefit from services of the San Andreas Regional Center.

Sample Language: In publishing requests for competitive proposals for any city-owned land, land dedicated to affordable housing under the city's inclusionary ordinance or city housing funds, the City of Morgan Hill shall grant additional points to proposals that address the city's most difficult to achieve housing priorities, by, for example, providing a greater number of extremely low-income units or committing to make a percentage of the units subject to a preference for people with special needs who will benefit from coordinated onsite services, such as people with developmental disabilities who receive services from the San Andreas Regional Center.

• Local Density Bonus. Like many state and federal housing finance programs, the state density bonus program incentivizes the production of housing at the Low and Very Low Income level. But in counties like Santa Clara County, with one of the highest Area Median Income's in the state, these incentives have the effect of making much of the available affordable housing out of reach for residents on fixed incomes (including seniors and persons with disabilities) or who are working in low wage jobs and are thus unable to meet minimum income requirements to afford the rent assigned to the Very Low Income category. Morgan Hill should add additional local

incentives to the state density bonus law to make it more responsive to the impact of Santa Clara County's high median income on the affordability of housing for Morgan Hill residents who are Extremely Low Income, including special needs populations, for example, people with developmental disabilities who will benefit from coordinated onsite services provided by the San Andreas Regional Center.

Sample Language: In addition to implementing the California density bonus statute, the City shall provide an additional local density bonus, incentives, and/or concessions for housing projects that include at least 5% of the units for people at the Extremely Low-Income affordability level, including special needs populations, for example, people with developmental disabilities who will benefit from coordinated onsite services provided by the San Andreas Regional Center

• Extremely Low-Income Accessory Dwelling Units. As part of a larger plan to increase the supply of Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs), the City should consider creating a financing program for homeowners who build ADUs and rent them for at least 15 years at Extremely Low Income rent levels or that are subject to a preference for identified categories of special needs people who would benefit from coordinated onsite services, including but not limited to people with developmental disabilities who benefit from services of the San Andreas Regional Center.

Sample Language: Subject to funding availability, the City shall devise a program of financing for Accessory Dwelling Units subject to rent restrictions for at least 15 years at Extremely Low-Income rent levels and/or target special needs populations, such as people with disabilities who will benefit from coordinated services provided by the San Andreas Regional Center.

• Reduce Parking Requirements for People with Developmental and Other Disabilities. Because most adults with developmental disabilities do not drive or own a car, the City of Morgan Hill should revise its ordinances to limit parking required for affordable units for people with developmental disabilities to .5 space for each affordable studio or 1 bedroom unit and 1 space for an affordable 2 bedroom unit or larger. A similar reduction is recommended for affordable, physically accessible units.

Sample Language: The City of Morgan Hill shall encourage the inclusion of people with developmental and other disabilities in affordable housing by recognizing their transit dependence and establishing lower parking ratios for units targeted to people with developmental and other disabilities than would otherwise be required for affordable housing.

Affirmative Marketing of Physically Accessible Units: Developers are allowed to affirmatively
market accessible units to disability-serving organizations in Santa Clara County (i.e., San
Andreas Regional Center, Housing Choices Coalition for Person with Developmental Disabilities,
Silicon Valley Independent Living Center and others) but rarely take this step. Affirmative
marketing is particularly needed by people with developmental disabilities who, because of

cognitive, communication and social impairment, often rely on housing navigation services funded by the San Andreas Regional Center to learn about and apply for affordable housing.

Sample Language: As a condition of the disposition of any city-owned land, the award of city financing, any density bonus concessions, or land use exceptions or waivers for any affordable housing project, the City of Morgan Hill shall require that the housing developer implement an affirmative marketing plan for state-mandated physically accessible units which, among other measures, provides disability-serving organizations adequate prior notice of the availability of the accessible units and a process for supporting people with qualifying disabilities to apply.



## TOGETHER AT NATIONAL NIGHT OUT 2022

Tuesday, August 2, 2022 | 5:30 PM to 8:00 PM at the Civic Center
17575 Peak Avenue, Morgan Hill, CA

A nationwide event designed to build strong community partnerships that promote safe neighborhoods. This event is an opportunity to bring the community together, get to know City teammates, and learn about service providers. Join us for an evening of fun for the entire family!

Meet Morgan Hill's Public Safety and City Teammates
Learn about City programs and services
Public safety vehicles on display
Meet K9 Officer Basco
Food trucks with a variety of food for purchase
Free Ice Cream (while supplies last)

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# JUNTOS EN LA NOCHE NACIONAL 2022

Martes 2 de Agosto 2022 | 5:30 - 8:00 por la tarde en la plaza del centro cívico 17575 Peak Avenue, Morgan Hill, CA

Un evento nacional diseñado para construir asociaciones comunitarias sólidas que promuevan vecindarios seguros. Este evento es una oportunidad para reunir a la comunidad, conoce<mark>r a lo</mark>s compañeros de equipo de la Ciudad y aprender sobre proveedores de servicios. ¡Únase a nosotros para una noche de diversión para toda la familia!

Conozca a los compañeros de equipo de seguridad pública y ciudad <mark>de Morgan Hill</mark> Conozca los programas y servicios de la Ciudad Vehículos de seguridad pública en exhibición Conozca al Oficial K9 Basco Camiones de comida con una variedad de alimentos para comprar Helado Gratis (hasta agotar existencias)

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## HOUSING ELEMENT COMPLETENESS CHECKLIST

## A Quick Reference of Statutory Requirements for Housing Element Updates Updated 1/2021

The purpose of this completeness checklist is to assist local governments in the preparation of their housing element. It includes the statutory requirements of Government Code section 65580 – 65588. Completion of this checklist is not an indication of statutory compliance but is intended to provide a check to ensure that relevant requirements are included in the housing element prior to submittal to the Department of Housing and Community Development pursuant to Government Code section 65585(b). For purposes of the Checklist the term "analysis" is defined as a description and evaluation of specific needs, characteristics, and resources available to address identified needs.

For technical assistance on each section visit <u>California Housing and Community</u> <u>Development Building Blocks Technical Assistance</u> (https://www.hcd.ca.gov/community-development/building-blocks/index.shtml)

## Checklist

## **Public Participation**

Government Code section 65583, subdivision (c)(8)

Description of Requirement	Page Number
Description of the diligent efforts the jurisdiction made to include all economic segments of the community and/or their representatives in the development and update of the housing element	
Summary of the public input received and a description of how it will be considered and incorporated into the housing element.	

## **Review and Revise**

Government Code section 65588, subdivision (a)

Description of Requirement	Page Number
Progress in implementation – A description of the actual results or outcomes of	
the previous element's goals, objectives, policies, and programs (e.g. what happened).	
Effectiveness of the element – For each program, include an analysis	
comparing the differences between what was projected or planned in the	
element and what was achieved.	
Appropriateness of goals, objectives, policies, and programs -A description of	
how the goals, objectives, policies, and programs in the updated element are	
being changed or adjusted to incorporate what has been learned from the	
results of the previous element. (e.g. continued, modified, or deleted.)	
Special needs populations – Provide a description of how past programs were	
effective in addressing the housing needs of the special populations. This	
analysis can be done as part of describing the effectiveness of the program	
pursuant to (2) if the jurisdiction has multiple programs to specifically address	
housing needs of special needs populations or if specific programs were not	
included, provide a summary of the cumulative results of the programs in	
addressing the housing need terms of units or services by special need group.	
AB 1233 – Shortfall of sites from the 5 <sup>th</sup> cycle planning period – Failure to	
implement rezoning required due to a shortfall of adequate sites to	
accommodate the 5th cycle planning period RHNA for lower-income	
households triggers the provisions of Government Code section 65584.09.	

## Housing Needs Assessment – Quantification and Analysis of Need Government Code section 65583, subdivision (a)(1)(2) and section 65583.1, subdivision (d)

For information on how to credit reductions to RHNA See "Housing Element Sites Inventory Guidebook" at <a href="https://www.hcd.ca.gov/community-development/housing-element/housing-element-memos.shtml">https://www.hcd.ca.gov/community-development/housing-element-memos.shtml</a>)

Description of Requirement	Page Number
Population (e.g., by age, size, ethnicity, households by tenure) and employment trends	
Household characteristics including trends, tenure, overcrowdings and severe overcrowding	
Overpayment by income and tenure	
Existing housing need for extremely low-income households	
Projected housing needs: Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) by income group, including projected extremely low-income households	
Housing stock conditions, including housing type, housing costs, vacancy rate	
Estimate of the number of units in need of replacement and rehabilitation	

## Identification and Analysis of the Housing Needs for Special Needs Populations

Government Code section 65583, subdivision (a)(7)

Description of Requirement	Page Number
Elderly	
Persons with Disabilities, including Developmental Disabilities	
Large Households	
Farmworkers (seasonal and permanent)	
Female Headed Households	
Homeless (seasonal and annual based on the point in time count	
Optional: Other (e.g. students, military)	

## Affirmatively Further Fair Housing - An Assessment of Fair Housing - Required for Housing Element due after 1/1/2021.

Government Code section 65583, subdivision (c)(10)(A)

## Part 1 Outreach

Description of Requirement	Page Number
Does the element describe and incorporate meaningful engagement that	
represents all segments of the community into the development of the housing	
element, including goals and actions?	

## Part 2 Assessment of Fair Housing

Description of Requirement	Page Number
Does the element include a summary of fair housing enforcement and capacity in the jurisdiction?	
The element must include an analysis of these four areas:	
Integration and segregation patterns and trends	
Racially or ethnically concentrated areas of poverty	
Disparities in access to opportunity	
Disproportionate housing needs within the jurisdiction, including displacement risk	

Each analysis should include these components:
Local: Review and analysis of data at a local level
Regional impact; Analysis of local data as it compares on a regional level
Trends and patterns: Review of data to identify trends and patterns over time
Other relevant factors, including other local data and knowledge
Conclusion and findings with a summary of fair housing issues

## **Part 3 Sites Inventory**

Description of Requirement	Page Number
Did the element identify and evaluate (e.g., maps) the number of units, location and assumed affordability of identified sites throughout the community (i.e., lower, moderate, and above moderate income RHNA) relative to all components of the assessment of fair housing?	
Did the element analyze and conclude whether the identified sites improve or exacerbate conditions for each of the fair housing areas (integration and segregation, racially and ethnically concentrated areas of poverty, areas of opportunity, disproportionate housing needs including displacement)?	

## Part 4 Identification of Contributing Factors

Description of Requirement	Page Number
Did the element identify, evaluate, and prioritize the contributing factors to fair housing issues?	

## Part 5 Goals and Actions Page

Description of Requirement	Page Number
Did the element identify, goals and actions based on the identified and prioritized contributing factors?	
Do goals and actions address mobility enhancement, new housing choices and affordability in high opportunity areas, place-based strategies for preservation and revitalization, displacement protection and other program areas?	

Programs must include the following components:

Actions must be significant, meaningful and sufficient to overcome identified patterns of
segregation and affirmatively further fair housing.
Metrics and milestones for evaluating progress on programs/actions and fair housing
results.

## Affordable Housing Units At-Risk of Conversion to Market Rate Government Code section 65583, subdivision (a)(9)

See <u>Preserving Existing Affordable Housing</u> (https://www.hcd.ca.gov/policy-research/preserving-existing-affordable-housing.shtml)

Description of Requirement	Page Number
Provide an inventory of units at-risk of conversion from affordable to market-rate rents within 10 years of the beginning of the planning period. The inventory must list each development by project name and address, the type of governmental assistance received, the earliest possible date of change from low-income use, and the total number of elderly and nonelderly units that could be lost from the locality's low-income housing stock in each year.	
Provide an estimate and comparison of replacement costs vs. preservation costs	
Identify qualified entities to acquire and manage affordable housing	
Identify potential funding sources to preserve affordable housing	

## Analysis of Actual and Potential Governmental Constraints Government Code section, 65583, subdivisions (a)(5), (a)(4), (c)(1), and section 65583.2, subdivision (c)

See "Accessory Dwelling Unit Handbook" at <u>HCD's Accessory Dwelling Unit Assistance page</u> (https://www.hcd.ca.gov/policy-research/accessorydwellingunits.shtml)

Description of Requirement	Page Number
Land use controls (e.g. parking, lot coverage, heights, unit size requirements, open space requirements, Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) requirements, floor area ratios, growth controls (e.g., caps on units or population or voter approval	
requirements, conformance with the requirements of SB 330), inclusionary requirements, consistency with State Density Bonus Law and Housing Accountability Act, and consistency with zoning and development standard	
website publication and transparency requirements pursuant to Gov. Code § 65940.1 subd. (a)(1)(B)).	
Local processing and permit procedures (e.g., typical processing times, permit types/requirements by housing type and zone, decision making criteria/findings, design/site/architectural review process and findings, description of standards [objective/subjective], planned development process). Element should also describe whether the jurisdiction has a process to accommodate SB 35 streamline applications and by-right applications for permanent supportive housing and navigation centers.	
Building codes and their enforcement (e.g., current application of the California Building Code, any local amendments, and local code enforcement process and programs)	
On and Off-Site improvement requirements (e.g., street widths, curbing requirements)	
Fees and other exactions (e.g., list all fees regardless of entity collecting the fee, analyze all planning and impact fees for both single family and multifamily development, provided typical totals and proration to total development costs per square foot, and consistency with fee website publication and transparency requirements pursuant to Gov. Code § 65940.1 subd. (a)(1)(A)).	
Housing for persons with disabilities (e.g. definition of family, concentrating/siting requirements for group homes, reasonable accommodation procedures, application of building codes and ADA requirements, zoning for group homes and community care facilities)	
Analysis of locally-adopted ordinances that directly impact the cost and supply of housing (e.g. inclusionary ordinance, short-term rental ordinance)	

## An Analysis of Potential and Actual Nongovernmental Constraints Government Code section, 65583, subdivision (a)(6)

Description of Requirement	Page Number
Availability of financing	
Price of land	
Cost of Construction	
Requests to develop housing below identified densities in the sites inventory	
and analysis	
Typical timeframes between approval for a housing development project and	
application for building permits	

Does the analysis demonstrate the jurisdiction's action(s) to mitigate nongovernmental constraints that create a gap between planning for housing to accommodate all income levels and the construction of housing to accommodate all income levels?

## Zoning for a Variety of Housing Types Government Code section, 65583, subdivisions (a)(4), (c)(1), and subdivision 65583.2 subdivision (c)

Provide an analysis of zoning and availability of sites for a variety of housing types including the following:

Description of Requirement	Page Number
Multifamily Rental Housing	Hambor
Housing for Agricultural Employees (permanent and seasonal) (compliance with	
Health and Safety Code sections 17021.5, 17021.6, and 17021.8	
Emergency Shelters (including compliance with new development/parking	
standards pursuant to AB 139/Gov. Code § 65583 subd. (a)(4)(A)).	
Low Barrier Navigation Centers	
Transitional Housing	
Supportive Housing (including compliance with AB 2162, statutes of 2019)	
Single-Room Occupancy Units	
Manufactured homes, including compliance with Gov. Code § 65852.3	
Mobile Home Parks	
Accessory Dwelling Units	

## **Site Inventory and Analysis**

Government Code, section 65583, subdivision (a)(3), section 65583.1, subdivision

See "Housing Element Sites Inventory Guidebook" and "Default Density Standard Option" at <u>HCD's technical assistance memos</u> (https://www.hcd.ca.gov/community-development/housing-element/housing-element-memos.shtml)

See <u>Site Inventory Form</u> (https://www.hcd.ca.gov/community-development/housing-element/docs/Site\_inventory\_template09022020.xlsm) and <u>Site Inventory Form Instructions</u> (https://www.hcd.ca.gov/community-development/housing-element/docs/Site\_inventory\_instructions.pdf)

## Site Inventory – The site inventory must be prepared using the form adopted by HCD.

A electronic copy of the site inventory is due at the time the adopted housing element is submitted to HCD for review and can be sent to <a href="mailto:siteinventory@hcd.ca.gov">siteinventory@hcd.ca.gov</a>.

## **Site Inventory**

Description of Requirement	Page Number
Sites Inventory Form Listing: Parcel listing by parcel number, size, general plan	
and zoning, existing uses on non-vacant sites, realistic capacity, level of	
affordability by income group, publicly owned sites (optional).	
Prior Identified Sites: Address whether sites are adequate to accommodate	
lower income needs based on identification in the prior planning period for non-	
vacant sites or two or more for vacant sites.	
Map of sites	

	Did the	jurisdiction	use the	sites	inventory	form	adopted	by I	HCD?

## **Site Inventory Analysis and Methodology**

Description of Requirement	Page Number
RHNA Progress: List the number of pending, approved or permitted units by income group based on actual or anticipated sales prices and rents since the beginning of the projection period	
Environmental Constraints: Address any known environmental or other constraints, conditions or circumstances, including mitigation measures, that impede development in the planning period	
<ul> <li>Appropriate density: Identification of zoning to accommodate RHNA for lower-income households:</li> <li>Identify zones meeting the "default" density (Gov. Code § 65583.2 subd. (c)(3)(B)) or;</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Identify and analyze zones with densities less than the "deemed appropriate" (default) density that are appropriate to accommodate lower RHNA.</li> </ul>	

Description of Requirement	Page Number
Capacity: Describe the methodology used in quantifying the number of units	
that can be accommodated on each APN:	
<ul> <li>If development is required to meet a minimum density, identify the minimum density, or;</li> </ul>	
Describe the methodology used to determine realistic capacity accounting for	
land use controls and site improvement requirements, typical density trends	
for projects of similar affordability, and current or planned infrastructure.	
For sites with zones allowing non-residential uses, demonstrate the	
likelihood of residential development	
<i>Infrastructure</i> : Existing or planned infrastructure to accommodate the regional	
housing need, including water, sewer and dry utilities	
Small and large sites: Sites identified to accommodate lower RHNA that are	
less than one-half acre or larger than 10 acres require analysis to establish they	
are adequate to accommodate the development of affordable units.	
Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing: Identified sites throughout the community	
that affirmatively furthers fair housing (see page 5 of checklist)	
Nonvacant Sites Analysis: For nonvacant sites, demonstrate the potential and	
likelihood of additional development within the planning period based on extent	
to which existing uses may constitute an impediment to additional residential	
development, past experience with converting existing uses to higher density	
residential development, current market demand for the existing use, any	
existing leases or other contracts that would perpetuate the existing use or	
prevent redevelopment of the site for additional residential development,	
development trends, market conditions, and regulatory or other incentives or	
standards to encourage additional residential development on these sites	
If nonvacant sites accommodate 50 percent or more of the lower-income	
RHNA, demonstrate the existing use is not an impediment to additional	
development and will likely discontinue in the planning period, including adopted	
findings based on substantial evidence.	
Nonvacant sites that include residential units (either existing or demolished) that	
are/were occupied by, or subject to, affordability agreements for lower-income	
households within 5 years are subject to a housing replacement program. (Gov.	
Code § 65583.2 subd. (g)(3))	

Please note: This checklist does not include new requirements related to zoning for sites accommodating the moderate and above moderate income pursuant to AB 725, statutes of 2020 as this requirement is not enacted until 2022.

# Alternative Methods to Accommodate the RHNA: Optional

Description of Requirement	Page Number
Accessory Dwelling Units: Analyze the number and affordability level of ADU	
units projected to be built within the planning period, including resources and incentives and other relevant factors such as potential constraints, and the	
likelihood of availability for rent	
Existing Residential Units: number and affordability level of units rehabilitated, converted or preserved that meet the provisions of alternative adequate sites. In	
addition, this includes units in a motel, hotel, or hostel that are converted to residential units and made available to persons experiencing homelessness as	
part of a COVID-19 response and acquisition of mobile home park. If using this option, the adequate site alternative checklist must be provided.	
Other: Jurisdictions are encouraged to consult with HCD regarding other	
alternative methods options including new manufactured housing park hook- ups, floating homes/live aboard berths, conversion of military housing, adaptive	
reuse of commercial uses, or other housing opportunities unique to the community to ensure their adequacy to accommodate RHNA.	

# **Other Miscellaneous Requirements**

Also see Technical Advisories issued by the Governor's Office of Planning and Research at: New state legislation related to General Plans Appendix C (http://opr.ca.gov/docs/OPR\_Appendix\_C\_final.pdf) and Fire Hazard Planning General Plan Technical Advice Series (http://opr.ca.gov/docs/Final 6.26.15.pdf)

Description of Requirement	Page Number
Description of the means by which consistency with the general plan will be	Italiisoi
achieved and maintained. (Gov. Code § 65583 subd. (c)(8))	
Description of construction, demolition, and conversion of housing for lower-	
and moderate-income households within the Coastal Zone (if applicable). (Gov.	
Code § 65588 subds. (c) and (d))	
Description of opportunities for energy conservation in residential development.	
(Gov. Code § 65583 subd. (a)(8))	
Description of consistency with water and sewer priority requirements pursuant	
to SB 1087 (Gov. Code § 65589.7)	
Other elements of the general plan triggered by housing element adoption:	
Disadvantaged Communities (Gov. Code § 65302.10)	
<ul> <li>Flood Hazard and Management (Gov. Code § 65302 subds. (d)(3) and</li> </ul>	
(g)(2)(B))	
• Fire Hazard (Gov. Code § 65302 and 65302.5)	
Environmental Justice (Gov. Code § 65302 subd. (h))	
Climate Adaptation	

## Comments:

# Schedule of Actions/Programs Government Code, section 65583, subdivisions (c)(1 – 7), and (10)

For adequate site programs See "Housing Element Sites Inventory Guidebook" at <a href="https://www.hcd.ca.gov/community-development/housing-element/housing-element-memos.shtml">https://www.hcd.ca.gov/community-development/housing-element-memos.shtml</a>)

Program Description	Program numbers	Page number
Program(s) to provide adequate sites (large/small sites, incentives for mixed use/nonvacant sites, publicly owned sites, annexation, etc)		
If required: Program to accommodate a shortfall of adequate sites to accommodate the lower RHNA. This program must meet the specific criteria identified in Gov. Code § 65583.2 subd. (h) and (i).		
If required: Program to accommodate an unaccommodated need from the previous planning period pursuant to Gov code § 65584.09		
If required: Program when vacant/nonvacant sites to accommodate lower RHNA have been identified in multiple housing elements, if needed. (Gov. Code § 65583.2 subd. (c))		
If required: Program to provide replacement units when occupied by, or deed restricted to lower-income households within the last 5 years, if needed. (Gov. Code § 65583.2 subd. (g)(3))		
Program(s) to assist in the development of housing to accommodate extremely-low, very-low, low or moderate-income households, including special needs populations		
Program to address governmental and nongovernmental constraints to the maintenance, improvement, and development of housing		
Program(s) to conserve and improve the condition of the existing affordable housing stock		

# Comments:

Program Description	Program numbers	Page number
Program(s) to promote and affirmative further fair housing opportunities		
Program(s) to preserve units at-risk of conversion from affordable to market-rate rents.		
Program(s) to incentivize and promote the creation of accessory dwelling units that can be offered at an affordable rent.		
☐ Do programs specify specific clear commitment, meabeneficial impact within the planning period?	iningful actions, that will ha	ave
Do programs identify timing, objectives (quantified where parties, if appropriate for implementation?	nere appropriate), and resp	oonsible
Our and if it and Ohair additions		

# **Quantified Objectives**

Government Code, section 65583, subdivisions (b)

For an example table addressing this requirement visit <u>California Housing and Community Development Building Blocks</u> (https://www.hcd.ca.gov/community-development/building-blocks/program-requirements/program-overview.shtml)

Description of Requirement	Page Number
Estimate the number of units likely to be constructed, rehabilitated and conserved or preserved by income level, including extremely low-income, during the planning period	

## Comments:

# City of Morgan Hill

# **Housing Element**

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# CHAPTER 1 | Introduction

Housing continues to be one of the biggest challenges in Morgan Hill and throughout California.

With Morgan Hill seeing some of the highest increases in rent in recent years and home prices continuing to rise, the City is facing an unprecedented housing crisis. As housing becomes less affordable and the supply of housing continues to not meet demand, it is becoming harder for residents, especially lowand middle-income families and individuals, to afford housing.

Gentrification and displacement pressures have intensified, and homelessness continues to increase in the City. Morgan Hill's most vulnerable communities, including low- and middle-income households and communities of color, continue to be disproportionately affected by the housing crisis.

The City has taken a number of actions to accelerate the production of housing and to address the housing issues of current residents, but a more holistic planis needed to address this complex issue.

# Morgan Hill's Eight-Year Housing Strategy

This Housing Element is the City's eight-year housing strategy and commitment for how it will meet the housing needs of everyone in the community. This housing strategy, which covers the planning period of January 31, 2023, to January 31, 2031, will help address the housing crisis in Morgan Hill through a number of goals, policies, and actions that focus on expanding the housing stock and offering a wider range of housing choices for everyone in the City.

The Housing Element is mandated by State law and is part of the City's General Plan. It outlines the City's strategy for housing and how it will comprehensively address the existing and projected housing needs of everyone in the City for the next eight years (2023-2031).

This Housing Element presents an important opportunity for the City to address housing issues in a comprehensive manner and develop a bold and implementable housing strategy.

The Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) projection period is January 31, 2023, to January 31, 2031 (see Chapter 3 for more details).

Equity, inclusion, and diversity are themes that are woven throughout the document and reflected in a number of policies and actions. The City aims to ensure that Morgan Hill is an equitable and inclusive city by protecting and providing opportunities to those residents who are most vulnerable.

# **State Requirements**

State law recognizes the vital role local governments play in the supply and affordability of housing. Each local government in California is required to adopt a housing element, which is one of the eight mandated elements of the General Plan. The City is required to prepare an annual progress report on the status and progress of implementing its housing element.

The purpose of this Housing Element is to:

- Identify the City's housing needs;
- State the community's goals and objectives with regard to housing production, rehabilitation, and conservation to meet those needs; and
- Define the policies and programs that will be implemented to achieve goals and objectives.

State law (Government Code Section 65583) requires the City to adopt a Housing Element that addresses the needs of everyone in the community, at all incomelevels.

### HOUSING ELEMENT REQUIREMENTS

- An analysis of existing and projected housing needs
- An inventory of land suitable for housing
- An analysis of potential constraints on housing
- A fair housing analysis
- An analysis of any special housing needs
- Identification of zone(s) where emergency shelters are allowed byright
- An evaluation of the previous element
- An analysis of opportunities for residential energy conservation
- An analysis of assisted housing developments that are "at-risk" and eligible to change from low-income housing uses
- Goals, policies, and implementation programs

In order for the private market to adequately address the housing needs and demand of Californians, local governments must adopt plans and regulatory systems that provide opportunities for (and do not unduly constrain), housing development. As a result, housing policy in California rests largely on the effective implementation of local general plans and, in particular, local housing elements.

- California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD)

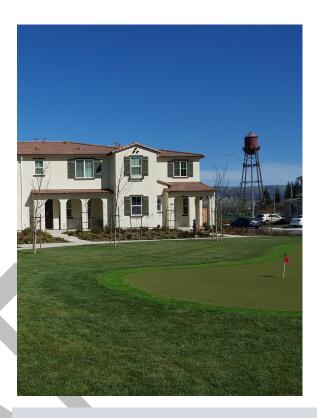
# **Housing Element Organization**

This Housing Element and associated appendices satisfy the requirements of State law (Government Code Section 65583(a)) and are organized as follows:

# **Housing Element Contents**

The Housing Element is divided into the following chapters:

- 1. Introduction provides an overview of the Housing Element, State requirements, and a summary of the organization of the Housing Element.
- 2. Community Engagement describes the City's efforts to engage all segments of the community during the preparation of the Housing Element, including the numerous individuals, organizations, and agencies with which the City consulted, and the methods of community outreach.
- 3. Summary of Land Available for Housing presents a summary of the City's Regional Housing Needs Allocation and the inventory of sites within Morgan Hill City Limits that are suitable for residential development during the planning period.
- 4. Goals and Policies contains the City's housing goals and policies that provide direction to help the City meet its housing goals. The Housing Element includes seven goals that create the framework for how the City will address housing needs.
- **5. Implementation** contains the implementation programs (actions) that the City and its partner agencies are committed to implementing over the planning period. A summary of the City's quantified objectives for housing development, rehabilitation, and conservation is also included.



### **HOUSING ELEMENT GOALS**

- **Goal 1.** Provide a diversified housing stock to meet the full range of future community housing needs.
- **Goal 2.** Encourage Extremely Low-Income (ELI) housing production, increasing availability of affordable and workforce housing.
- **Goal 3.** Advance equity and inclusion throughout the City.
- **Goal 4.** Preserve and rehabilitate existing housing supply.
- **Goal 5.** Promote housing for people experiencing homelessness.
- **Goal 6.** Provide adequate housing for groups with special needs.
- **Goal 7.** Increase community outreach and promote education of affordable housing.

## **Appendices**

The following appendices contain important information and analysis to inform and support the Housing Element. They provide the foundation for the goals, policies, and actions.

- H-1 Housing Needs Assessment describes the characteristics of Morgan Hill's population and housing that are essential to understanding the City's housing needs including population and household characteristics, income and employment, housing costs and affordability, special housing needs, and at-risk housing.
- H-2 Site Inventory presents the detailed results of the inventory of sites within the City that are suitable for residential development durina the eight-year planning period. It includes a description of the City's RHNA, number of residential units in the pipeline of planned and entitled projects. and а summary capacity/potential to accommodate the City's RHNA.
- H-3 Opportunities for Energy Conservation summarizes the ways the City is currently addressing the conservation of energy resources as part of largerclimate action and adaptation planning processes.
- H-4 Constraints Analysis identifies nongovernmental and governmental constraints that inhibit the development, maintenance, or improvement of housing.
- H-5 Assessment of Fair Housing provides an assessment of fair housing practices in Morgan Hill and a summary of strategies to affirmatively further fair housing within Morgan Hill.
- H-6 Evaluation of Past Housing Element summarizes the City's achievements in implementing programs under the previous (2015-2023) Housing Element.
- H-7 Public Participation includes the compilation of community input and feedback received during the various meetings and engagement events.

# **General Plan Consistency**

The City of Morgan Hill is a General Law City and is subject to the requirements of State law. One of the State's planning law requirements is that all of the goals and policies of the City's General Plan elements must be internally consistent. Internal consistency of Morgan Hill's General Plan has been achieved by ensuring that all elements are mutually supportive. Further, consistency is provided by assuring that all elements of the General Plan meet State law Housing requirements. The Element addresses all State requirements, including relevant legislation enacted subsequent to adoption of the previous Element. It contains information on housing constraints and actions to deal with constraints; and reflects recent population, housing, land use, environmental, and employment data.

The Housing Element includes information on the number of units required to meet Morgan Hill's housing needs, and its share of the regional housing need (RHNA). Sites with development potential that align with the housing needs are evaluated, consistent with the land use designations contained in the General Plan. The entire General Plan, including this revised Housing Element, reaffirms City goals by: (1) acting as a guide for municipal decisions which affect the quality and quantity of housing; and, (2) maintaining Morgan Hill's present quality of life by balancing the availability of housing with other considerations.

The Housing Element is also consistent with Morgan Hill's Downtown Specific Plan, which was adopted in November 2009.

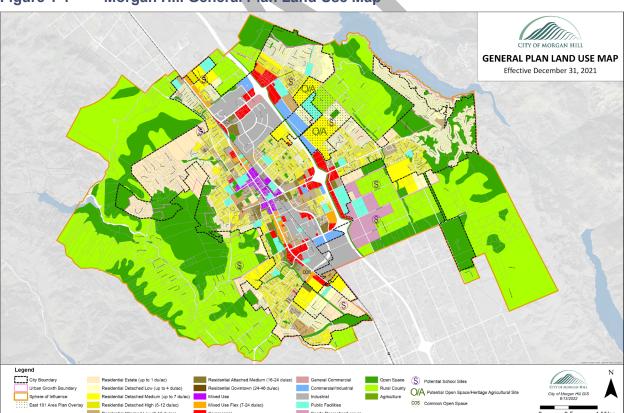


Figure 1-1 Morgan Hill General Plan Land Use Map



# CHAPTER 2 | Community Engagement

This Housing Element has been prepared with extensive community input and a robust public participationplan to ensure a wide range of input and feedback was received on key components of the plan.

This chapter describes the City's efforts to engage all segments of the community during the preparation of the Housing Element, including the numerous individuals, organizations, and agencies with which the City consulted, and the methods of community outreach.

State law (Section 65583[c][7]) of the California Government Code) requires cities and counties to make a diligent effort to achieve public participation that includes all economic segments of the community.

The 2022 update of the Housing Element involved an extensive community engagement process. The initial efforts began in May and June of 2021, with a series of workshops that were held to provide a roadmap of the past, present, and future housing in Morgan Hill, to communicate how we got here, and to discuss the housing needs for current and future residents. The opportunity was taken to share the State mandates for housing production that are in response to the housing crisis and geared towards increasing the supply. The initial workshops served as a springboard to leap into a deeper community engagement process. City staff used a variety of methods to solicit public input on the Housing Element update, including distributing three survey's (two pertaining to Assessment of Fair Housing (AFH)), hosting public workshops, providing information at community events, conducting focus groups, giving presentations to the Community, and holding several workshops with the community and the Planning Commission. Staff prioritized involvement and engagement of residents and community

members that are most directly impacted by the plan and development, especially Latinx, homeless, and other underrepresented or underserved groups. Key themes of feedback received from community members were consistent with the findings of Appendix H-1 Housing Needs Assessment and were used to guide new policies and programs in this Housing Element.

Community outreach and engagement opportunities were designed to provide a safe engagement process that followed safe public health protocols around COVID-19, and to implement a meaningful engagement process that promoted a sense of ownership and real participation among community members. Staff involved a diverse range of participants, seeking input from the business community, community-based organizations, and other stakeholders.

### **PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT SUMMARY**

- 9 2021 Housing Conversation Workshops
- Workshops with the Planning Commission
- 25 Stakeholder Focus Group Meetings
- 977 Responses to Housing Surveys
- 2 Town Hall Meetings
- 2 Regional Meetings

# **Summary of Outreach Activities**

The City of Morgan Hill started the engagement process for the Housing Element in May 2021. Summary notes from the various community engagement efforts are compiled in Appendix H-7.

# **Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing**

The outreach activities elicited broad community participation during the development of the AFH. The City conducted numerous outreach activities to reach all segments of the community and purposely focused on reaching Latinx residents. individuals and families currently housed in affordable housing, homeless, and other underrepresented or underserved groups. The City prioritized outreach by conducting small interactive focus groups with service providers/CBO's via Zoom. The City also reached out purposefully to the Latinx community by translating all surveys to

Spanish and conducting in person meetings as well as Zoom workshops in Spanish. City staff also conducted outreach during the Spanish mass at St. Catherine's.

In addition, two AFH surveys were provided (both in English and Spanish), one for Community Based Organizations (in which the City received 25 responses) and another survey geared towards underrepresented or underserved individuals and families (in which the City received 651 responses). The surveys were provided electronically and in hard-copy format.

Provide a range of housing opportunities and preventing homelessness were emerging themes amongst resident and stakeholder concerns and feedback.

### **Stakeholder Focus Group Meetings**

The City held 25 virtual stakeholder focus group meetings from January 2022 through March 2022 to gather input from various stakeholders, including developers, home builders, non-profit organizations, advocacy groups, and public agencies on key housing issues. The City also issued a follow-up survey to the stakeholders to address barriers to accessing decent, safe, affordable housing and which housing priorities are most important for Morgan Hill.

Key themes of feedback received from the focus group meetings were incorporated into the Housing Element Update and used to guide new policies and programs. Appendix H-7 contains summaries of the Stakeholder survey results.

# List of Attendees and Organizations Represented

Throughout the process of updating the Housing Element, many different organizations and groups have provided input. This list includes some of those organizations and residents of affordable housing apartments but is not exhaustive and does not include the many individual citizens who also participated.

- Affordable Rental Housing locations
  - Cochrane Village
  - Crest Avenue Apartments
  - The Crossings at Morgan Hill
  - The Crossings Monterey
  - Depot-Commons
  - Jasmine Square
  - Murphy Ranch Family Townhomes
  - Royal Court Apartments
  - San Pedro Gardens
  - The Skeel Apartments
  - Terracina at Morgan Hill
  - The Willows Apartments
  - Villa Ciolino
  - Orchards Ranch Scattered Sites
  - Park Place
- Building Back Better, Joint Venture Silicon Valley
- Catholic Charities
- Christopher Ranch
- Destination Home Silicon Valley
- Digital Nest
- Employment Development Department
- Eden Housing
- Gavilan College
- Morgan Hill Unified School District
- Parents Helping Parents
- The Compassion Center
- Morgan Hill Library
- Saint Louise Hospital
- St. Vincent De Paul
- St. Catherine's
- Saint Joseph's Food Pantry
- Silicon Valley @Home
- Silicon Valley Independent Living Center
- Social Services Agency
- Valley Health Center
- Voices School
- Unhoused individuals

### KEY THEMES OF COMMUNITY FEEDBACK

- Provide a range of housing opportunities affordable to Morgan Hill workforce.
- Prevent homelessness and address the housing needs of people experiencing homelessness.
- Promote Extremely Low-Income housing.
- Establish special needs housing for seniors, persons with disabilities, and veterans.
- Conduct community education/outreach to inform residents about affordable housing and how to seek assistance.
- Integrate affordable housing throughout the community.
- Ensure that children who grew up in Morgan Hill have housing options so they can live in Morgan Hill as adults.
- Preserve, maintain, and rehabilitate existing housing to ensure neighborhood livability and promote continued housing affordability.
- Create an affordable housing overlay district.
- Zone more land and/or change zoning regulations for multi-family to increase affordable housing.
- Pass a commercial linkage fee ordinance.
- Pass a rent stabilization ordinance.



# Citywide Town Hall Workshop on Draft Housing Element

The City held a virtual Citywide Town Hall in June 2022 to accompany release of the Public Draft Housing Element. City staff was available to take phone calls and emails for participants who lack internet access or who are visually impaired.

# **Workshops and Public Hearings**

The City held workshops with the Planning Commission on January 25<sup>th</sup>, February 22<sup>nd</sup>, March 8<sup>th</sup>, April 12<sup>th</sup>, April 26<sup>th</sup>, May 10<sup>th</sup>, and May 24<sup>th</sup> to share work progress to date and obtain early direction and feedback. A subsequent public hearing was held with the Planning Commission on July 26<sup>th</sup> to recommend submittal of the draft Housing Element to the City Council and the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD). In August the City Council held a public meeting on the Draft Housing Element authorizing submittal of the Draft Housing Element to HCD for their 90-day review.

## **Planning Commission Workshops**

- On January 25, 2022, the Planning Commission held an Introduction to the 2023-2031 Housing Element Update workshop.
- On February 22, 2022, staff presented and gathered feedback on the preliminary draft Site Inventory and methodology for the Housing Element.
- On March 8, 2022, staff presented on the Evaluation of Past Performance and gathered feedback from the Planning Commission.
- On April 12, 2022, the Planning Commission providedfeedback on preliminary draft Goals & Policies.
- On April 26, 2022, staff presented on Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing (AFFH) and gathered feedback from the Planning Commission.
- On May 10, 2022, staff presented and gathered feedback on the Constraints Analysis for the Housing Element.
- On May 24, 2022, staff gave an overall presentation on the 2023-2031 Housing Element Update and discussed the Housing Element Completeness Checklist.
- On July 26, 2022 the Planning Commission reviewed, provided feedback, and recommended approval of the Draft Housing Element.





# CHAPTER 3 | Summary of Land Available for Housing

A key component of the Housing Element is demonstrating how the City will meet its fair share of the regional housing need.

# **Regional Housing Needs Allocation**

The Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) is the California State- required process that seeks to ensure cities and counties are planning for enough housing to accommodate all economic segments of the community. The State assigns each region in California a regionwide housing target that is distributed to jurisdictions through a methodology prepared by the regional councils of Government. The City of Morgan Hill is within the region covered by the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG). For this 2023-2031 Housing Element, the State issued a target of 441,176 housing units for the entire ABAG Region. This is the total number of units that the cities and counties in the ABAG region must collectively plan to accommodate.

The City of Morgan Hill's share of the regional housing need was determined through a methodology prepared by the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG). The City must plan to accommodate a total of 1,037 housing units between January 31, 2023 and January 31, 2031. This is equal to a yearly average of 130 housing units. Table 3-1 below shows the City's RHNA by income category.

Of the 1,037 total units, the City must plan to accommodate 262 units for extremely low- and very low-income households, 151 units for low-income households, 174 units for moderate-income households, and 450 units for above moderate-income households.

Table 3-1 Regional Housing Needs Allocation, City of Morgan Hill 2023-2031					
Income Category	Units	Percent of Total			
Extremely Low- and Very Low-Income	262	25.3%			
Low-Income	151	14.6%			
Moderate-Income	174	16.8%			
Above Moderate-Income	450	43.4%			
TOTAL	1,037	100.0%			

Source: Association of Bay Area Governments, Regional Housing Needs Plan, 2023-2031. Adopted December 2021.

### **INCOME LEVELS AND ABILITY TO PAY**

State law defines affordability in terms of target household incomes and the relative percentage these households must pay to purchase or rent decent and safe housing. Affordability is therefore relative to both household income and housing unit cost. In most cases, affordable housing is defined as housing and related costs (e.g., utilities, insurance, property taxes for owner-occupied properties) that requires no more than 30 percent of a household's gross income.

The income categories (e.g., extremely low-, very low-, low-, or moderate- income) and relative ability to pay for housing are determined in relation to the median household income for the City, adjusted by household size. Table 3-2 below shows the 2022 State and Federal income limits for Santa Clara County based on household size. The area median income (AMI) for a four-person household in Santa Clara County was \$168,500 in 2022.

Table 3-2 HCD Income Limits based on Persons per Household, 2022							
Income Cotogovice		Persons per Households					
Income Categories	1	2	3	4	5		
Extremely Low-Income (<=30% AMI)	\$35,400	\$40,250	\$45,500	\$50,500	\$54,600		
Very Low-Income (31-50% AMI)	\$59,000	\$67,400	\$75,850	\$84,250	\$91,000		
Low-Income (51-80% AMI)	\$92,250	\$105,400	\$118,600	\$131,750	\$142,300		
Median-Income (100% AMI)	\$117,950	\$134,800	\$151,650	\$168,500	\$182,000		
Moderate-Income (81-120% AMI)	\$141,550	\$161,750	\$182,000	\$202,200	\$218,400		

Source: CA Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD), 2022.

# **Inventory of Housing Capacity**

State law requires the City to demonstrate that sufficient land is zoned to provide housing capacity that is adequate to meet the RHNA for each income level. In addition, Assembly Bill 686, Statutes 2018, requires that a jurisdiction identify sites throughout the community, in a manner that is consistent with its duty to affirmatively further fair housing (AFFH) pursuant to Government Code Section 65583. In the context of AFFH. the site identification requirement involves not only an analysis of site capacity to accommodate the RHNA, but also an analysis and conclusion of whether the identified sites improve or exacerbate conditions for each of the fair housing areas as outlined in Appendix H-5 Assessment of Housing. However. pursuant Government Code Section 65583 and HCD's Housing Element Site Inventory Guidebook, the fair housing analysis does not apply to pending, approved, permitted or development.

As part of this Housing Element update, City staff conducted a comprehensive inventory of residential units in the pipeline (i.e., pending, approved or permitted) and evaluated the capacity to accommodate the RHNA for each income level within the Housing Element planning period, 2023-2031.

## **Planned and Entitled Projects**

Morgan Hill has a significant pipeline of development projects that are seeking entitlements or are entitled and actively pursuing construction. As of March 1, 2022, there were an estimated 1.823 housing units in the pipeline that are counted toward meeting the RHNA. About 30 percent of the units in the pipeline will provide affordable housing for lower-income households. More than 24 percent of the units in the pipeline will provide affordable housing for moderateincome households, and the remaining 46 percent of the units consist of lower-density single-unit above moderate-income units. Based on affordability restrictions, the projects are anticipated to provide 545

affordable lower-income units consisting of 158 extremely low-income units, 149 very lowincome units, and 238 low-income units. In addition to the affordable lower-income units. there are 445 moderate-income units in the pipeline and 833 above moderate-income units. The inventory includes several individual affordable housing developments in the pipeline, including a 249-unit affordable development at 18960 Monterey Road; a 66unit affordable development at 17965 Monterey Road; а 73-unit affordable development at 15440 Monterey Road; and an 82-unit affordable development at 16685 Church Street.

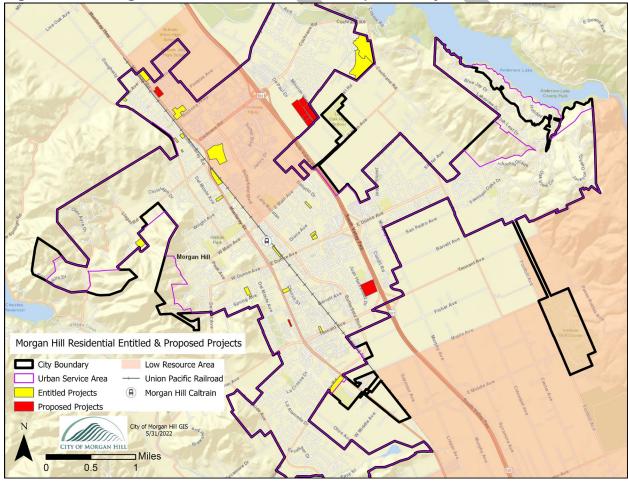
To estimate the number of proposed pipeline development projects that are expected to reach completion during the 6th cycle, the City examined completion rates of pipeline development projects during the 5th cycle (2015 through 2022). For discretionary entitlements, completion rates were found by drawing upon all planning entitlement applications and approvals and finding the percentage of those projects which have obtained a building permit and therefore reached completion. This analysis found that entitlement applications had a completion rate of 88.7%, while approved entitlements had a completion rate of 91.7%. For building permit applications and approved permits, completion rates were established based on evaluating all residential building permits issued for new residential units, as well as all issued building permits that have been finaled/received a certificate of occupancy, from January 1, 2015, through December 31, 2020. The report found that building permits have a 99.2% completion rate for issued permits. Those completion rates were then applied to the current pipeline to determine the number that would be expected to be completed within the next eight years.

Table 3-3 shows the expected breakdown of this pipeline development potential, by expected income category. The income categories for individual development projects are based on the actual proposed affordability level requested or approved as part of the entitlement request.

Table 3-3 Total Pipeline Development Potential, by Income Category						
	Above Mod. Income Units	Moderate Income Units	Low- Income Units	Very Low- Income Units	Extremely Low-Income Units	Total Development Potential
Active Planning Entitlements	388	59	-	-	-	447
Approved Planning Entitlements with No Building Permit	79	18	36	20	78	231
Building Permit Applications	308	356	197	126	73	1,060
Total Pipeline Development Projects	775	433	233	146	151	1,738

Source: City of Morgan Hill, 2022.

Figure 3-1 Morgan Hill Residential Entitled & Proposed Projects



Source: City of Morgan Hill, 2022.

# Capacity to Accommodate the RHNA

Table 3-4 below provides a summary of total residential capacity included in the site inventory compared to the City's 6<sup>th</sup> Cycle RHNA. As shown in the table, the City has a total capacity for 1,738 units within pipeline residential developments (a total success potential of over 95%), which is sufficient capacity to accommodate the RHNA of 1,037 units. The land inventory includes capacity for 530 lower-income units (i.e., extremely low-, very low-, and low-income units), 233 moderate income units, and 775 above moderate-income units. It is important to note that the City did not analyze accessory dwelling units (ADUs) within this Housing Element; therefore ADUs were not counted towards the identified residential capacity in Morgan Hill.

Table 3-4 Summary of Residential Capacity/Potential Compared to 6<sup>th</sup> Cycle RHNA by Income, City of Morgan Hill, January 31, 2023 to January 31, 2031

	Extremely Low- Income Units	Very Low- Income Units	Low- Income Units	Moderate- Income Units	Above Moderate- Income Units	Total Units
RHNA	131	131	151	174	450	1,037
Pipeline Residential Capacity	158	149	238	445	833	1,823
Pipeline Residential Potential	151	146	233	433	775	1,738
Surplus(+)/ Deficit(-)	+20	+15	+82	+259	+325	+701

Source: City of Morgan Hill 2022.





# CHAPTER 4 | Goals and Policies

The goals and policies provide direction to help the City reach its housing goals.

The Housing Element includes seven goals that create the framework for how the City of Morgan Hill will address housing needs during the planning period. Within each goal section, the policies provide direction for how the City will achieve that goal.

The goals and policies were developed with extensive community input and reflect the City's ambition to create equitable and inclusive neighborhoods and to provide opportunities for a variety of housing at all levels of affordability to meet the current and future needs of all residents.

### **HOUSING ELEMENT GOALS**

- **Goal 1.** Provide a diversified housing stock to meet the full range of future community housing needs.
- **Goal 2.** Encourage Extremely Low-Income (ELI) housing production, increasing availability of affordable and workforce housing.
- **Goal 3.** Advance equity and inclusion throughout the City.
- **Goal 4.** Preserve and rehabilitate existing housing supply.
- **Goal 5.** Promote housing for people experiencing homelessness.
- **Goal 6.** Provide adequate housing for groups with special needs.
- **Goal 7.** Increase community outreach and promote education of affordable housing.

# Goal 1. Provide a diversified housing stock to meet the full range of future community housing needs



Facilitate the construction of 1,037 new housing units by 2031 by providing a range of housing types for all age groups, served by transit, recreational amenities, shopping, and health and personal services, that allow residents to age in place.

Morgan Hill, like most communities in California, is facing a housing crisis.

Housing demand continues to outpace supply. This lack of supply drives up housing costs, greatly impacting affordability. Through the Housing Element update process, every city and county in the state is given a target number of housing units it must plan to accommodate, called the Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA). The City's target for this Housing Element is 1,037 units over the next eight years, an average of about 130 housing units annually.

# **Policies**

- HE-1.1 Adequate Land for New Development. Ensure that an adequate amount of land is available for new residential development, zoned for a range of residential densities and a variety of housing types.
- HE-1.2 Capital Improvement
  Programming. Give high priority in
  the annual Capital Improvement
  Program to providing adequate
  public facilities for residentially
  zoned land needed to accommodate
  the City's ABAG projected regional
  housing needs allocation (RHNA).
- HE-1.3 Flexible Housing. Encourage and design alternative housing solutions that support affordable and intergenerational housing, including micro-unit housing, attached or detached accessory dwelling units, home sharing, and cohousing to help meet the housing needs of aging

adults, students, and lower-income individuals and growing families.

- HE-1.4 Market Rate Developments.
  Encourage income-diverse neighborhoods and promote extremely low-, very low-, low-, median-, and moderate-income households within new market rate development.
- HE-1.5 Accessory Dwelling Units.

  Encourage development of accessory dwelling units.
- Advocate with Local Legislators.
  Advocate with local legislatures and provide input to the State Legislature to ensure that State programs and legislation meet local housing needs, support local housing programs, and encourage capacity building opportunities to implement the Housing Element work program.
- HE-1.7 Housing Assistance Funds.

  Provide housing assistance funds in the form of loans wherever possible so that the funds will eventually return to the City for future housing use.
- HE-1.8 Annual Monitoring. Monitor housing development and RHNA housing needs annually to ensure that goals and quantified objectives are being met.
- HE-1.9 Review Potential Governmental Constraints to Housing. Review governmental constraints to ensure that they do not pose an undue impediment to the provision of new housing or the rehabilitation of

- existing housing.
- HE-1.10 Sales Prices and Rental Rates.
  Require developers to report initial sales price and rents of new units prior to occupancy approval.
- HE-1.11 Downtown Specific Plan. Continue to implement the Downtown Specific Plan by encouraging a vibrant mix of residential and commercial development in the Mixed Use-Neighborhood (MU-N) zoning district.
- HE-1.12 Impact Fee Credits for Previous Uses. Allow projects to receive a credit of impact fees, based on the previous uses.
- HE-1.13 Land Acquisition for Affordable Housing. Pursue opportunities for land acquisition for future affordable housing development in areas zoned for multi-family or areas that permit mixed projects, either through acquisition by the City or by nonprofit housing developers.
- HE-1.14 Facilitate Land Assembly.
  Facilitate assembling parcels to develop residential projects to yield multi-family and affordable units by making the Available Land Inventory available to developers.
- HE-1.15 Variety of Single-family Homes.

  Support the creation of smaller single-family lot sizes to encourage home ownership for a wider range of income levels.
- HE-1.16 Housing Coordinated with

- **Transportation.** Seek to ensure new housing developments are connected to pedestrian and bicycle routes and amenities.
- HE-1.17 Relocation Assistance. Require relocation assistance in the event of displacement of extremely low, very low-, low-, or moderate-income residents.
- HE-1.18 Rental Assistance Programs.

  Educate and encourage landlords of the requirement to accept rental assistance programs, such as housing vouchers and Section 8 vouchers administered by the Housing Authority of Santa Clara County and emergency rental assistance.
- HE-1.19 Neighborhood Character. Maintain and enhance the quality of life within residential neighborhoods, including those identified as low resource and/or disadvantaged, through responsible development and investment by providing adequate maintenance to streets, sidewalks, alleys, parks, and other community facilities.
- HE-1.20 Expand Housing **Types** Throughout the City. Expand multiple-family zoning areas throughout the City, and revise design standards, to allow for a greater array of housing types throughout the city to create more inclusive and equitable neighborhoods.

# Goal 2: Encourage Extremely Low-Income (ELI) housing production, increasing availability of affordable and workforce housing



Support the production of 413 new lower-income housing units by 2031 and increase other affordable housing opportunities within the existing housing stock.

Morgan Hill housing costs have skyrocketed inrecent years, making it especially hard for lower-income households to afford housing.

The short supply of affordable and workforce housing coupled with increasing costs of housing not only have negative impacts on the City's lower-income households, but they also have a destabilizing impact on the overall economy as fewer household financial resources are able to be spent on other sectors of the economy. Many lower-income families must choose between paying rent or paying for other basic needs like healthcare, food, and transportation. Others are forced into overcrowded or substandard housing conditions or join the increasingly large population experiencing of people homelessness.

### **KEY FACTS**

- As defined by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), lowerincomehouseholds are those that earn less than 80% of area median income (AMI), or \$131,750 for a family of four within Santa Clara County in 2022.
- The median home sale price in the Morgan Hill has increased from about \$472,850 in 2001 to over \$1,055,000 in 2021.
- Less than 65% of homes in Morgan Hill are sold at prices affordable for a household regardless of income in 2020.

Housing is considered "affordable" if no more than 30 percent of a household's gross monthly income is spent on rent and utilities. Households are considered "cost burdened" if they spend more than 30 percent of their income on housing costs, and "severely cost burdened" if they spend more than 50 percent.

#### **DEFINITIONS**

- Affordable Housing: Under State and federal statutes, housing which costs no more than 30 percent of gross household income. Housing costs include rent or mortgage payments, utilities, taxes, insurance, homeowner association fees, and related costs.
- Workforce Housing: housing that is affordable to households earning between 60 and 120 percent of area median income (AMI). Workforce housing targets middleincome workers including teachers, health care workers, retail clerks, young professionals, and more.

As shown below in Figures 4-1 and 4-2, 35.4 percent of all Morgan Hill households were considered cost burdened in 2019, and 15.3 percent of households were considered severely cost-burdened. Lower-income families were more likely than others to overpay for housing.

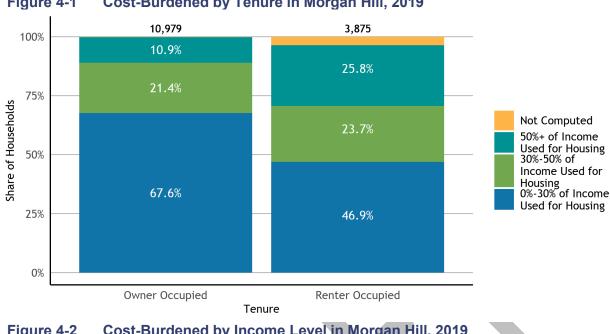
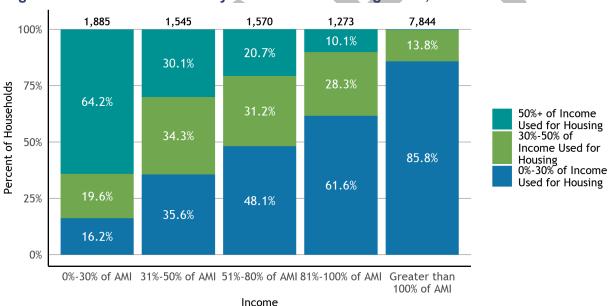


Figure 4-1 Cost-Burdened by Tenure in Morgan Hill, 2019





The private market has largely been unable to produce homes affordable to lower-income households since affordable rents do not cover the cost to construct these housing units. Between 2015- 2019, the City constructed an average of 41 lower-income housing units per year, which represents less than 14 percent of all housing permitted within Morgan Hill.

There are several barriers to developing affordable housing in Morgan Hill and in California. A historical focus on building single family homes and neighborhoods has made it harder to build housing for lower-income households throughout the City. That, coupled with high construction and land costs and the severe disinvestment in affordable housing subsidies from the state and federal governments, has created major challenges to building new affordable housing. However, the City can play a part in supporting the production of more affordable housing units.

As part of California's 6th Cycle Housing Element, the City of Morgan Hill must adequately plan for and accommodate a total of 413 new lower-income housing units by 2031, which represents 40 percent of the City's overall HE-2.7 RHNA.

- Within that 413 figure, 262 units should be affordable to very low-income households making less than 50 percent AMI, and the remaining 151 units should be affordable to lowincome households making between 50-80 percent AMI.
- The allocation is equivalent to producing 52 lower-income units annually over the next eight years.

## **Policies**

- HE-2.1 Affordable Housing Strategy Implementation. Encourage the production of rental housing, including housing for extremely low-income households, through available funds, banked land, and community partnerships.
- HE-2.2 Funds for Affordable Units.

  Prioritize housing funds to finance affordable projects for extremely low-income households.
- HE-2.3 Rental Housing Incentives. Assist for-profit and nonprofit developers in developing affordable rental housing.
- HE-2.4 Programs Providing Extremely Low-, Very Low-, and Low-Income Housing. Participate in programs that assist extremely low-, very low-, and low-income households to secure adequate housing.
- HE-2.5 Santa Clara County Housing Programs. Collaborate with the County of Santa Clara Office of Supportive Housing, Destination Home, Housing Trust of Silicon Valley, and Housing providers to promote housing programs.
- HE-2.6 Leverage Funding. Leverage

- housing assistance funds whenever possible by combining them with funds from State, Federal, County, and other sources.
- HE-2.7 Below Market Rate (BMR)
  Occupancy. Require all BMR units
  to be income-restricted to ensure
  their use as affordable housing as
  required by funding source or the
  Inclusionary Housing Ordinance and
  facilitate rehabilitation and resales of
  the BMR ownership units to new
  income-qualified first-time
  homebuyers.
- HE-2.8 BMR Deed Restrictions. Continue to require the recordation of deed restrictions for all affordable units except accessory dwelling
- HE-2.9 Assist in the Development of Extremely Low and Very Low-Income **Affordable** Housing. Assist affordable housing developments through identification, direct funding, supporting funding applications, land donation, and other incentives.
- HE-2.10 Create Additional Local Funding for Affordable Housing. Strive to create additional local funding for affordable housing.
- HE-2.11 Advocate for State and Federal Legislative Changes. Advocate for additional financial resources and legislative changes from the State and Federal government to support the funding and production of affordable housing.
- HE-2.12 Commercial Linkage Fee.
  Consider new commercial and industrial development to meet the housing demand they generate, particularly the need for affordable housing for lower-income workers, through a Commercial Linkage Fee Ordinance or similar mechanism only when the City has met a housing-job balance of 1:1 ratio.

- HE-2.13 Support Innovative Construction Methods. Support and encourage the development and construction industries to implement new technologies and opportunities to build housing that is more affordable by design.
- HE-2.14 Support Farmworker Housing.
  Establish farmworker housing as an affordable housing need within the City.
- Advocate for federal, State, and County funding for

farmworker/agricultural employee housing, including housing that meets the needs of the County's agricultural industry and its workers.

HE-2.16 Partner with Developers.

Collaborate with developers and employers to develop innovative housing solutions for farmworkers and agricultural employees and identify and pursue all potential funding sources and assist owners and developers in applying for funding.



# **Goal 3: Advance equity and inclusion throughout the City**



Create more equitable and inclusive neighborhoods.

Where we live directly impacts our health and our ability to achieve our full potential. Equitable housing must be more than affordable; it must also connect residents to the jobs, schools, services, and community assets that will enable them to thrive and be healthy.

With a population of 44,686 as of the 2015-2019 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates. Morgan Hill has experienced significant growth in recent decades as Santa Clara County has emerged as the center of the global technology industry. High and rising housing costs have come with the incredible growth of both Morgan Hill and the Region, and the impact of those high housing costs have not been felt equally by all. Hispanic households, persons with disabilities, and large families all face housing insecurity at higher rates and tend to have less access to the highest resource parts of the Region. Although the Region and Morgan Hill have small Black populations, which makes it difficult to draw some conclusions about disparities, rates homelessness among the Region's small Black population are shockingly high.

Within Morgan Hill, income levels are similar to those countywide, housing is slightly more affordable, and access to opportunity is moderate in most neighborhoods. With regard to race and ethnicity, Morgan Hill is slightly more heavily Hispanic and White than the Region and less heavily Asian. Additionally, within Morgan Hill, housing patterns are not highly segregated. Although the eastern portion of the city is slightly more heavily White and less heavily Hispanic than the downtown area, which is home to a large majority of the city's subsidized housing, those differences are modest in comparison to most communities within the Region. Due to its location in the

southern portion of Santa Clara County (often called South County), Morgan Hill residents have somewhat limited access to public transportation, less proximity to job centers, and, as a result, longer and more burdensome commutes than many other residents of the Region.

It is incumbent on the City of Morgan Hill to take proactive steps, consistent with its AFFH obligation, to address existing disparities in housing and access to opportunity in regional context and to take steps to prevent the emergence of segregated patterns. The policies identified below, which are discussed in much greater detail Appendix H-5, are a roadmap for doing so.

The City is committed to creating more opportunities for affordable housing dispersed more equitably throughout the City; as neighborhood investments increase, protecting existing residents from displacement; connecting Morgan Hill residents to employment opportunities; and, expanding outreach and education to better reach vulnerable and at-risk households and to demystify affordable housing.

# **Policies**

- HE-3.1 Increase Affordable Housing Opportunities. Increase affordable housing opportunities for protected class members in eastern Morgan Hill.
- **HE-3.2 Displacement.** Protect tenants from displacement.
- HE-3.3 Employment Opportunities.
  Connect Morgan Hill Residents to Employment Opportunities.
- HE-3.4 Fair Housing Education.
  Increase Fair Housing enforcement, outreach, and education in Morgan Hill.

# Goal 4: Preserve and rehabilitate existing housing supply



Preserve, maintain, and rehabilitate existing housing to ensure neighborhood livability and promote continued housing affordability.

The policies in this section focus on preserving the existing housing stock, with an emphasis on preserving affordable housing.

The City of Morgan Hill is home to 1,160 deed- restricted affordable units, not including privately owned deed-restricted affordable units. In general, once the period of restricted rent/occupancy expires, a property owner may charge market rents for the previously restricted units. State law requires that housing elements include an inventory of all publicly assisted multi-unit rental housing projects within the local jurisdiction that are at risk of conversion to uses other than lowincome residential during the next 10 years from the start of the housing element planning period (i.e., January 31, 2023). No units are at-risk of converting to market rate by 2031. The preservation of affordable units is not only more cost effective than building replacement units, but it is a key element of anti-displacement policy.

Beyond subsidized affordable housing, there is a need to maintain and improve the quality of existing marketrate housing. While the age of housing, by itself, does not necessarily equate with poor housing conditions, a neighborhood with a large stock of older housing (particularly older non-subsidized rental housing) occupied by a high percentage of lower-income households has a much greater potential for housing problems than an affluent neighborhood with older housing.

If not properly maintained, housing can exhibit obvious signs of "wear and tear" after 30 years (or even less, depending on the quality of materials and construction). The housing stock of Morgan Hill in 2020 was made up of 59.0% single family detached homes, 17.7% single family attached homes, 5.5% multifamily homes with 2 to 4 units, 9.8% multifamily homes with 5 or more units,

and 8.0% mobile homes. In Morgan Hill, the housing type that experienced the most growth between 2010 and 2020 was *Single-Family Home: Detached*.

Production has not kept up with housing demand for several decades in the Bay Area, as the total number of units built and available has not yet come close to meeting the population and job growth experienced throughout the region. In Morgan Hill, the largest proportion of the housing stock was built from 1980 to 1999, with 5,632 units constructed during this period (see Table 4-1). Since 2010, 11.6% of the current housing stock was built, which is 1,761 units.

The City takes a proactive approach toward housing conditions through housing rehabilitation programs. The City has participated in the Urban Counties Consortium Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds to provide rehabilitation assistance. Over the last housing element period, from January 1, 2015 through January 1, 2020, 159 units were rehabilitated within the City of Morgan Hill.

## **KEY FACTS**

- None of the 1,160 subsidized affordable units are at risk of converting to market rate by 2031.
- The housing stock of Morgan Hill comprises of 76.7% Single-Family homes.
- 74% of Morgan Hill homes were built before 2000.

Table 4-1 Housing Stock by Year Built					
Year Built	Number of Units	% of Total			
2010-or later	1,761	11.6%			
2000-2009	2,252	14.8%			
1980-1999	5,632	37.0%			
1960-1979	4,803	31.5%			
1940-1959	525	3.4%			
1939 or earlier	260	1.7%			
Total	15,233	100%			

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2019 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

## **Policies**

- HE-4.1 Preserve At-Risk Units.

  Preserve as many below market rate ownership and rental units as possible.
- HE-4.2 Affordability Controls. Continue to extend the affordability restrictions as part of the next sale to eligible buyers and, if necessary, exercise the City's right of first refusal to purchase BMR units to ensure they remain affordable.
- HE-4.3 Assist Non-profits in Acquisition of At-Risk Units.
  Assist non-profit housing organizations in acquiring and/or rehabilitating existing affordable rental housing through financial assistance in exchange for extending the affordability period as required by the applicable funding source.
- Existing HE-4.4 Preservation of Affordable Housing Stock. Preserve and grow the existing affordable housing stock through acquisition, the conversion, rehabilitation, and replacement of affordable units. Monitor and report progress of affordable housing stock to the State Housing and Community Development Department.
- HE-4.5 Code Enforcement. Support the long-term maintenance improvement of existing housing through code enforcement with emphasis on rental units. assistance in maintaining affordability. and nondisplacement of existing tenants.
- HE-4.6 Renovations under the Downtown Specific Plan.

  Encourage the renovation of buildings consistent with the Downtown Specific Plan.

- HE-4.7 Rehabilitation Loan Programs.
  Support Housing Rehabilitation
  Loan Programs that provide home
  improvements and rehabilitation
  assistance using CDBG and City
  housing funds.
- HE-4.8 Capital Improvement Program. Coordinate the planning and neighborhood funding of infrastructure improvements by integrating the Capital Improvement Program goals, the Housing Element Polices and the opportunities that are available through the Urban County Community Develop Block Grant Program.
- **HE-4.9** Overcrowding. Support the addition of bedrooms and other expansions as an eligible rehabilitation activity to alleviate overcrowding.
- Parks. Support efforts by tenants and nonprofits to preserve existing mobile home parks.
- Maintain the City's rent stabilization ordinance for mobile home parks.
- HE-4.12 Rehabilitation and Sustainability. Ensure that all housing units rehabilitated with City assistance are environmentally friendly and energy-efficient.
- HE-4.13 Protection and Preservation of Existing Affordable Housing.

  Work with property owners, tenants, and nonprofit purchasers to preserve assisted rental and ownership housing and implement a strong affordable housing monitoring program.
- HE-4.14 No Net Loss of Housing Stock.

  Ensure that affordable housing sites identified in the Housing

Element Pipeline do not result in a net reduction of affordable housing units if they are redeveloped.

HE-4.15 Conversions to Affordable Housing. Explore new strategies to convert abandoned and blighted properties into affordable housing.



# Goal 5: Promote Housing for people experiencing homelessness



Prevent the occurrences of homelessness and address the housing needs of people experiencing homelessness.

Similar to other regions in California with increases in reported homelessness, the Santa Clara County region is in themiddle of a homelessness crisis.

The 2022 Santa Clara County Point-in-Time (PIT) Homeless Count reinforce what we already know: Homelessness remains a severe crisis in our community. While the PIT count is an imperfect way to measure homelessness in our community, it can provide key insight into year-over-year trends. The preliminary data shows that from 2019-2022:

- The overall number of homeless people remain relatively steady countywide.
   Santa Clara County saw a 3% increase (to 10,028); while San Jose saw a 11% increase (to 6,739) during that time.
- At the same time, the number of unsheltered individuals decreased, with a 3% decrease (down to 7,708) in Santa Clara County; and a 2% decrease (down to 5,031) in San Jose.

#### **KEY FACTS**

- From 2019 to 2022, Santa Clara County saw a 3% increase of people experiencing homelessness on any given night.
- About 77% of people experiencing homelessness on any given night are unsheltered.
- 11.5% of people experiencing homelessness are youth.

The homelessness population includes veterans, women, children, persons with disabilities, older adults, and other vulnerable groups. These individuals lack adequate sanitary facilities and are at risk from theft, crime, and extreme weather conditions. These

conditions threaten the physical and mental health and safety of those experiencing homelessness and these conditions pose a threat to the public health and well-being of the entire community.

The crisis of unsheltered homelessness is one that impacts the entire Morgan Hill community; both those experiencing homelessness and the broader community of housed residents, businesses, and neighborhoods. As residential rents continue to climb, many housed residents also face the threat of homelessness due to lack of access to affordable housing.

The Housing Element includes a variety of policies to help the City address the homelessness crisis. Policies range from working with the County and partner agencies on a regional approach, removing barriers to emergency shelter access, and to improve data quality and regularly report on metrics.

# **Policies**

- Encourage ongoing supportive services as needed and prioritize solutions that are consistent with the notion that stable housing is the first, critical step towards addressing human needs.
- HE-5.2 Support Homeless and Service Agencies. Meet the needs of residents who are homeless or at risk of homelessness by collaborating with agencies providing emergency shelter for homeless Morgan Hill residents. When appropriate and possible, provide funding.
- HE-5.3 Work with Santa Clara County Agencies. Collaborate with Santa

Clara County agencies and nonprofits to address homelessness and other housing or community service-related issues, such as the ongoing implementation of the Countywide Community Plan to End Homelessness.

- HE-5.4 Religious Institutions Shelters.
  Allow religious institutions to operate small emergency shelters and transitional facilities as an ancillary part of their regular operations with no additional local permitting requirements.
- HE-5.5 Youth Experiencing Homelessness. Coordinate and create partnerships to increase accessibility of safety net services through outreach and communication, to effectively link youth experiencing homelessness to housing and service solutions.
- HE-5.6 Regional Coordination.
  Coordinate with the region and work with the Continuum of Care, Santa Clara County, and partner agencies to develop strategies that address homelessness through a shared vision, coordinated programs, and joint funding opportunities.
- HE-5.7 Innovative Solutions. **Employ** innovative solutions that further collaboration and coordination of the homeless continuum of care. This will include effective responses and practices for prevention best services. emergency shelters. interim housing, permanent and ongoing housing housing, stability to address the homelessness crisis.
- HE-5.8 Permanent Supportive Housing.
  Partner with other agencies to facilitate and provide permanent supportive housing options that offer appropriate services and case managers so that people experiencing chronic homelessness

- can maintain permanent housing.
- HE-5.9 Prevention Resources. Use data to focus on impactful solutions, long-term outcomes, and strategies that target those most at risk of homelessness by connecting them to affordable housing, prevention resources, workforce training, and supportive services that will help prevent them from losing their homes (e.g., rental assistance programs, tenant protections, and job assistance).
- Prioritize and facilitate programs and strategies that work to help those experiencing homelessness, or who are at risk of homelessness, find appropriate rental housing and prevention services.
- HE-5.11 Diversion Approach. Work with and provide resources to partner organizations to prevent people from seeking shelter by helping them identify immediate alternate housing arrangements and connecting them with services and financial assistance to help them return to permanent housing.
- Shelters and Housing. Expand and improve the collaboration and connection between emergency shelters, temporary housing, and permanent housing in order to decrease the duration of homelessness and rehouse individuals quickly.
- HE-5.13 Regular Reporting. Use metrics and improve data quality to track and improve the efficacy of homeless services, programs, and investments.

# Goal 6: Provide adequate housing for groups with special needs



Promote greater universal access in housing and support efforts that provide older adults and people with disabilities the option to stay in their homes and neighborhoods.

The goals of the Housing Element reflect empowerment and inclusion for the broad range of human ability represented in Morgan Hill.

Individuals with disabilities have special needs related to relatively low incomes, housing accessibility, self-care, access to transit, and proximity to health care and supportive services. Disabilities can be both visible and invisible. It is important that there is just and fair inclusion throughout the city and that conditions create an environment where everyone can participate, prosper, and reach his or her full potential.

In 2019, over 4,000 Morgan Hill residents over age five had one or more disability. This number represents about 9 percent of the City's population over age five. In Morgan Hill, of the population with a developmental disability, children under the age of 18 make up 31.8%, while adults account for 68.7%.

Because disabilities include a wide range and severity of sensory, physical, mental, and developmental conditions, the special needs of persons with disabilities are wide ranging, as well. In addition to affordable and accessible housing opportunities in proximity of transportation and other services, persons with disabilities may also need on-site support or even full-time care in a group home environment.

Persons living with disabilities, especially with severe living or self-care difficulties, generally live with low to extremely low incomes. Of the total population of people with disabilities, 106 individuals or approximately 2.6 percent of people with disabilities in Morgan Hill between the age of 20 to 64 have incomes below the poverty line, by contrast, 852 individuals below

the poverty line do not have a disability. Median earnings for people without disabilities in Morgan Hill is \$58,721, while it is only \$34,700 for people with disabilities. This disparity in income between individuals with or without a disability means that individuals without a disability have median earnings that are \$20,000 dollars more than those with a disability. The economic gap for people with disabilities is likely even greater in reality, as the does not include institutionalized There is not census data individuals. categorized by disability type for individuals living below the poverty line in Morgan Hill, so it is difficult to ascertain how many residents are in need of accessible and affordable units. Furthermore, the data does not indicate how much overlap there is between these categories, nor does the data say how many of those individuals need accessible units.

Older adults (persons age 65 or more) are a special needsgroup because a high percentage of them have relatively low incomes and decreasing mobility, which limit their housing options. Many older adults own homes that no longer meet their needs; their homes are too large, not located near health and social services, and/or need repairs or accessibility modifications. In Morgan Hill, the older adult population is rising rapidly. As of 2019, there were about 6,240 older adults living in the City, up nearly 150 percent since 2000. Older adults also represent an increasing proportion of the total population, from 7.5 percent in 2010 to 14 percent in 2019.

Older adults, as a group, have lower incomes the city. than the population at large. Older adults who rent may be at even greater risk for housing challenges than those who own, due to income differences between these groups. The largest proportion of older adult households who rent make 0%-30% of AMI, while the largest proportion of older adult households who are homeowners falls in the income group *Greater* than 100% of AMI.

Although most older adults own their homes, often unencumbered by debt, many may be in a situation characterized as "house rich and cash poor." In other words, a person may have large equity in a home, but still be forced to live on a minimal fixed income. Selling the home may not be an available option, because the cost to rent a housing unit may override the income made available by the home sale.

The vast majority of older adults and persons with disabilities desire to live an independent lifestyle as long as possible. The independent living movement supports the idea that individuals with disabilities can make their own decisions about living, working, and interacting with the surrounding community. Housing and assistance programs for older adults and those with disabilities should put priority independent living, attempting first to maintain these persons in their own homes and to age in place. Other housing options are accessory dwelling units and duplexes that allow older adults to live near extended families while maintaining privacy.

As Morgan Hill's population continues to age, there will be increasing demand for age-friendly housing built with universal design principles. A few universal design elements include: zerostep entrances, single- floor living, wide hallways and doorways, and electronic controls reachable from a wheelchair. Housing design features that increase accessibility and safety can allow those with mobility disabilities much more independent in their home.

The Housing Element contains policies to support the independent living movement by helping older adults and people with disabilities stay in their homes and promoting universal design and accessibility in housing throughout

### **KEY FACTS**

- Morgan Approximately 4.000 residents have a disability (about 9.1% of the population).
- Of the total population of people with disabilities, over 100 Morgan Hill residents between the age of 20 to 64 have incomes below the poverty line (about \$34,700); in contrast 852 individuals below the poverty line do not have a disability.
- In 2019, seniors accounted for 14% of the population in Morgan Hill.
- The senior population has increased nearly 150% between 2000 and 2019.
- In 2019, 80% of older adults were homeowners.

### **DEFINITIONS**

Universal Design. The design of buildings, products, and environments that make them accessible and safe to all people regardless ofage, size, ability, or disability.

## **Policies**

- HE-6.1 **Housing for Seniors and Persons** with Disabilities. Promote housing that is appropriate for seniors and accessible to persons living with disabilities where appropriate, such as areas near amenities, shopping, and transit.
- HE-6.2 State and Federal Accessibility Requirements. Continue to enforce State and federal requirements for accessibility to the disabled in new multi-family units.
- HE-6.3 Work with Other Agencies. Continue work with outside to organizations agencies and maximize housing opportunities for the full spectrum of housing needs.
- HE-6.4 **Use CDBG and Other Funding. Use** CDBG and other available funds to support the provision of housing

- related services for groups with special needs such as the elderly, single parents with children, and survivors of gender-based violence.
- Needs Populations. Provide preferential handling of special needs populations, such as survivors of gender-based violence cases, youth aging out of foster care, the developmentally disabled, single parents, farmworkers, the unhoused, veterans, etc., in the management plans and regulatory agreements of funded projects.
- HE-6.6 Universal Design in New Housing.
  Strive to achieve universal design in new residential housing units to maximize visitability and provide housing for people with disabilities and allow older adults to age in place (for example, have a bedroom and bathroom on the ground floor, or have the entire unit contained within a single floor).
- HE-6.7 Reasonable Accommodation Ordinance. Ensure people with disabilities have equal opportunity to use and enjoy their housing by providing a process to request modification to a land use or zoning standard, regulation, policy, or

- procedure.
- HE-6.8 Encourage Accessible Housing
  Near Transit and Amenities.
  Encourage the development,
  rehabilitation, and preservation of
  accessible housing, particularly in
  neighborhoods that are accessible to
  public transit, commercial services,
  and health and community facilities.
- HE-6.9 Financial **Assistance** Accessible Affordable Housing. Seek opportunities to provide assistance financial and other incentives for affordable housing and permanent supportive housing projects that exceed the minimum accessibility provisions of State and Federal law.
- HE-6.10 Partner with Community Based Non-profit Organizations. Support and partner with community-based organizations that develop affordable housing, retrofit existing housing, and provide supportive services for older adults and people with disabilities.
- HE-6.11 Emergency Home Repairs and Accessibility Retrofits. Continue to provide low- and very low-income residents, seniors, and persons with disabilities with loans for emergency repairs and/or accessibility modifications to their homes.

# Goal 7: Increase community outreach and promote education of affordable housing



Implement a community engagement and awareness campaign around affordable housing with the intent to raise awareness of Housing Programs, Housing Search, and to demystify Affordable Housing.

The City is committed to expanding outreach and education to better reach vulnerable and at-risk households and to demystify affordable housing.

During the public outreach component of the Housing Element Update it became apparent that there is not enough education or outreach about affordable housing within Morgan Hill and the South County as a whole. Nearly all of the stakeholder focus group meetings that City staff held, all groups indicated that there is not enough information available to families and individuals about affordable housing assistance; in particular, more outreach is needed for people experiencing homelessness or at-risk of homelessness.

Stakeholders indicated that many forms of education are needed; as their clients seek information for financial education, digital education, availability of affordable housing programs, accessory dwelling units. Another common theme that was brought up by stakeholders is the need for a Single Source Database to streamline affordable housing searches and to apply for affordable housing at multiple locations.

There are multiple fair housing organizations serving Morgan Hill. The organization most directly focused on fair housing is Project Sentinel, a non-profit based in Santa Clara (but serving the entire county) which aims to promote fair housing through fair housing testing, the filing of administrative complaints, and landlord-tenant mediation. Santa Clara County provides CDBG funds to Project Sentinel to serve a geographic area that includes Morgan Hill. However, this private fair housing outreach and enforcement may not be sufficient.

Through the multiple survey processes the City conducted, 24 percent of stakeholders indicated that the City needs to increase funding for fair housing education, outreach, and enforcement; and 36 percent of stakeholders indicated that the City needs to conduct additional community education and outreach to inform residents about affordable housing and how to seek assistance. In contrast, 29 percent of individuals who responded to the survey indicated the City needs to increase affordable housing education and outreach.

#### **Policies**

- HE-7.1 Local Needs. Educate and market Housing programs to local residents and local employees on how to access housing programs, services and affordable housing opportunities throughout the City.
- Publicity for City Programs.
  Publicize and broaden understanding of City housing programs, including the discrimination complaints procedure, making special outreach efforts to the non-English speaking community and underserved/underrepresented populations.
- HE-7.3 Single Source Database. Explore opportunities to streamline housing search, consider supporting a single source affordable housing database/portal that allows residents to submit a single application for multiple affordable housing developments.

- HE-7.4 Unhoused and Homelessness Prevention Program Outreach.

  Create opportunities to increase community knowledge of the existing range of service for the unhoused and homelessness prevention resources, including direct outreach and engagement with the unhoused community.
- HE-7.5 Awareness and Support. Work to increase community knowledge of the shortage of housing statewide, the need for awareness, and work to harness support for affordable housing citywide.
- HE-7.6 Community Education. Create opportunities for community discussions and education about homelessness, housing insecurity, and affordable housing, to achieve an atmosphere of acceptance and understanding.





# CHAPTER 5 | Implementation

This Housing Element addresses the City's housing issues with a comprehensive and bold strategy.

The City is committed to implementing the programs outlined in this chapter over the eight-year planning period. These implementation programs/actions have been developed with extensive community input and with thoughtful consideration for what the City could feasibly accomplish during the planning period with current staff resources.

The result is a set of implementation programs/actions that prioritize what will be the most effective in terms of moving the needle and getting more housing, particularly affordable housing, built in Morgan Hill. Identification of actions is the first step towards implementing the City's housing strategy; successful implementation will require ongoing management, oversite, and collaboration. The City will continually monitor progress and report on these programs annually to the City Council and to the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD).

The implementation programs are first organized below by the overarching Goal. Each program then describes the proposed action, the policy(ies) it implements, the timeframe for accomplishing the action, and the City departments primarily responsible for implementing the program.

The Quantified objectives lay out the number of housing units that the City expects to be constructed, maintained, and preserved within the planning period. These numbers are based largely on the implementation actions, particularly the ones with measurable outcomes.

### Implementation Programs/Actions

#### Action HE-1.A Evaluate Land Availability Annually



Evaluate annually the amount of land available for development and the projected eight-year need, and update the General Plan and zoning as necessary to accommodate the City's regional housing allocation.

- Implements which Policy(ies): HE-1.1
- Timeframe: Ongoing
- Responsible Department or Agency: Development Services Department
- Source of Funding: General Plan Update Fee

#### Action HE-1.B Coordination with Capital Improvement Plan



Evaluate annually submitted development projects and coordination with the Capital Improvement Program to assure adequate public facilities are provided for each development.

- Implements which Policy(ies): HE-1.2
- Timeframe: Ongoing
- Responsible Department or Agency: Engineering and Utilities Department
- Source of Funding: Capital Projects Funds

#### Action HE-1.C Smaller Lot Sizes



Evaluate the creation of smaller lot sizes through the Zoning Code to reduce the cost of single-family housing units obtainable to lower income households.

- Implements which Policy(ies): HE-1.3; HE-1.15
- **Timeframe:** 2023-2025
- \* Responsible Department or Agency: Development Services
  Department
- Source of Funding: Long Range Planning Fund

#### Action HE-1.D Update Funding Information



Annually identify State, federal, and local funding programs that are most applicable to Morgan Hill and have the greatest potential for funding affordable housing and housing programs in the city.

- Implements which Policy(ies): HE-1.6
- Timeframe: Ongoing
- Responsible Department or Agency: Development Services Department
- Source of Funding: Low to Moderate Housing Fund and Housing Inlieu Fund

#### Action HE-1.E Housing Rehabilitation



Examine opportunities to modify existing loan terms to support substantial housing rehabilitation to property owners with extremely low-, very low-, or low-income tenants in exchange for longer term affordability.

- Implements which Policy(ies): HE-1.7
- Timeframe: Ongoing
- Responsible Department or Agency: Development Services Department
- Source of Funding: Community Development Block Grant

#### Action HE-1.F First-Time Homebuyer Program



Partner with agencies that provide a first-time homebuyer down payment assistance program targeted to below market rate income qualified applicants that are residents and employees of Morgan Hill.

- Implements which Policy(ies): HE-1.7
- Timeframe: Ongoing
- Responsible Department or Agency: Development Services Department
- Source of Funding: Low to Moderate Housing Fund and Housing Inlieu Fund

### Action HE-1.G Promote Extremely Low-Income Housing



Provide priority funding consideration from the Affordable Housing Funds for extremely low-income housing developments.

- Implements which Policy(ies): HE-1.7
- Timeframe: Ongoing
- Responsible Department or Agency: Development Services

  Department
- Source of Funding: Low to Moderate Housing Fund and Housing Inlieu Fund

#### Action HE-1.H Update City's Affordable Housing Strategy



Continue to update the City's Affordable Housing Strategy with the most current Census data. Identify methods to create housing affordable to extremely low-income households.

- Implements which Policy(ies): HE-1.8
- Timeframe: 2028-2031
- Responsible Department or Agency: Development Services Department
- Source of Funding: Low to Moderate Housing Fund and Housing Inlieu Fund

#### Action HE-1.I Review Housing Objectives Annually



Review housing objectives annually and recommend program modifications if annual housing objectives are not being met.

- Implements which Policy(ies): HE-1.8
- Timeframe: Each Spring as part of annual report to City Council
- Responsible Department or Agency: Development Services Department
- Source of Funding: Low to Moderate Housing Fund and Housing Inlieu Fund

#### Action HE-1.J Downtown Specific Plan



Update the Downtown Specific Plan to accommodate the expanded Priority Development Area.

- Implements which Policy(ies): HE-1.11
- **❖ Timeframe**: 2025
- \* Responsible Department or Agency: Development Services Department
- Source of Funding: Long Range Planning Fund.

#### Action HE-1.K Review Affordable Housing Funds



Review annual Low to Moderate Housing Fund and Housing In-lieu Fund balance and prioritize a portion of existing and expected funds for land acquisition.

- Implements which Policy(ies): HE-1.13
- \* Timeframe: Ongoing
- Responsible Department or Agency: Development Services
  Department
- Source of Funding: Low to Moderate Housing Fund and Housing Inlieu Fund

#### **Action HE-1.L** Rental Assistance Programs



Undertake the following: (1) Refer rental property owners to the Santa Clara County's Housing Authority's waiting list; (2) When in contact with rental property owners, inform them of the Housing Authority's vouchers program; and, (3) Promote the availability of vouchers for use in the rental rehabilitation program.

- Implements which Policy(ies): HE-1.18
- **Timeframe:** Ongoing
- Responsible Department or Agency: Development Services Department
- Source of Funding: Low to Moderate Housing Fund and Housing Inlieu Fund



#### Action HE-2.A Review Height Limits



Review and update the Zoning Ordinance and other Objective Standards to ensure that height limits allow for a desirable design at the intended density.

- Implements which Policy(ies): HE-2.1
- **Timeframe:** 2028-2031
- Responsible Department or Agency: Development Services Department
- Source of Funding: Development Services Fund; Long Range Planning Fund

### Action HE-2.B Partnership for Tax Credits



Continue to support applications for Low-Income Housing Tax Credits.

- Implements which Policy(ies): HE-2.2
- Timeframe: Ongoing
- Responsible Department or Agency: Development Services Department
- Source of Funding: Low to Moderate Housing Fund and Housing Inlieu Fund

#### Action HE-2.C Promote Funding Opportunities



Promote affordable development funding opportunities, such as the Joe Serna Farmworker Housing Grant Program, and aid in the commission of a necessary market study for application purposes.

- Implements which Policy(ies): HE-2.3
- Timeframe: Ongoing
- Responsible Department or Agency: Development Services Department
- Source of Funding: Low to Moderate Housing Fund and Housing Inlieu Fund

#### Action HE-2.D Support Measure A Applications



Continue to support applications for the Measure A Affordable Housing Bond, Community Development Block Grant Funds, HOME funds, and Project HomeKey.

- Implements which Policy(ies): HE-2.3
- Timeframe: Ongoing
- Responsible Department or Agency: Development Services Department
- Source of Funding: Low to Moderate Housing Fund and Housing Inlieu Fund

### Action HE-2.E Strategically Urban Housing Development Incentives



Provide incentives for residential and mixed-use development at major transit nodes, along transit corridors, and in other locations suitable for high-density housing development, as appropriate.

- Implements which Policy(ies): HE-2.3
- **Timeframe:** 2028-2031
- Responsible Department or Agency: Development Services Department
- Source of Funding: Development Services Fund

#### Action HE-2.F Community Plan to End Homelessness



Implement the Countywide Community Plan to End Homelessness adopted by the Santa Clara County Continuum of Care (CoC); review annual progress and report to the County and other community stakeholders.

- Implements which Policy(ies): HE-2.5; HE-5.1; 5.3
- Timeframe: Ongoing
- Responsible Department or Agency: Development Services Department
- Source of Funding: Low to Moderate Housing Fund, Housing In-lieu Fund, and Destination Home Grant

#### Action HE-2.G Continuum of Care



Participate in the Continuum of Care (CoC), stakeholders dedicated to ending and preventing homelessness in Santa Clara County. The key CoC responsibilities are ensuring community-wide implementation of efforts to end homelessness, as well as ensuring programmatic and systemic effectiveness.

- Implements which Policy(ies): HE-2.5
- Timeframe: Ongoing
- Responsible Department or Agency: Development Services Department
- Source of Funding: Low to Moderate Housing Fund and Housing Inlieu Fund

#### Action HE-2.H Direct Service to Unhoused Residents



Provide direct service and outreach to unhoused residents consistent with the community-wide intake process to match people experiencing homelessness to existing community resources that are best fit for their situation.

- Implements which Policy(ies): HE-2.5
- Timeframe: Ongoing
- Responsible Department or Agency: Development Services Department

\* Source of Funding: Destination Home Grant

#### Action HE-2.I Host Empower Homebuyers SCC Workshops



Continue to organize and host workshops for Empower Homebuyers SCC, a program of the County of Santa Clara administered by Housing Trust Silicon Valley.

- Implements which Policy(ies): HE-2.5
- Timeframe: Ongoing
- Responsible Department or Agency: Development Services Department
- Source of Funding: Low to Moderate Housing Fund and Housing Inlieu Fund

# Action HE-2.J Advocate for State and Federal Legislative Changes



Advocate for the availability of capacity building grants for jurisdictions charged with administering housing programs and assets.

- Implements which Policy(ies): HE-2.11
- Timeframe: Ongoing
- \* Responsible Department or Agency: Development Services
  Department
- Source of Funding: Low to Moderate Housing Fund and Housing Inlieu Fund

#### Action HE-2.K Commercial Linkage Fee



Develop and consider a Commercial Linkage Fee Ordinance or similar mechanism when the City has met a housing-job balance of 1:1 ratio.

- Implements which Policy(ies): HE-2.12
- \* Timeframe: 2028-2031
- Responsible Department or Agency: Development Services Department
- Source of Funding: Long Range Planning Fund

#### Action HE-2.L Agricultural Labor Accommodations



Amend the Zoning Code by 2024 to facilitate by-right Agricultural Labor Accommodations within the OS (Open Space) zoning district consistent with Section 17021.6 of the California Health and Safety Code.

- Implements which Policy(ies): HE-2.14
- ❖ Timeframe: 2024
- Responsible Department or Agency: Development Services Department
- Source of Funding: Long Range Planning Fund

#### **Action HE-2.M** Farmworker Housing



Produce a Farmworker Housing Development Program with the County of Santa Clara through a Memorandum of Understanding.

- **❖ Implements which Policy(ies):** HE-2.14; HE-2.15; HE-2.16
- \* Timeframe: 2024
- Responsible Department or Agency: Development Services Department
- Source of Funding: Low to Moderate Housing Fund and Housing Inlieu Fund



#### Action HE-3.A Affordable Housing in Eastern Morgan Hill



Identify opportunities and sites for affordable housing development in eastern Morgan Hill.

- Implements which Policy(ies): HE-3.1
- ❖ Timeframe: 2028-2031
- Responsible Department or Agency: Development Services Department
- ❖ Source of Funding: Development Services Fund, Low to Moderate Housing Fund, and Housing In-lieu Fund

#### Action HE-3.B Affordable Housing Overlay Districts



Study the creation of affordable housing overlay districts in advance of the next Housing Element cycle.

- Implements which Policy(ies): HE-3.1
- ❖ Timeframe: 2028-2031
- \* Responsible Department or Agency: Development Services Department
- Source of Funding: Long Range Planning Fund.

#### Action HE-3.C Rent Increase Mediation



Consider adoption of a mediation requirement for rent increases of 5% or more.

- Implements which Policy(ies): HE-3.2
- \* Timeframe: 2025-2027
- Responsible Department or Agency: Development Services Department
- Source of Funding: Low to Moderate Housing Fund and Housing Inlieu Fund

#### Action HE-3.D Tenant Relocation Assistance Ordinance



Study the possibility of a tenant relocation assistance ordinance.

- Implements which Policy(ies): HE-3.2
- **Timeframe:** 2025-2027
- Responsible Department or Agency: Development Services Department
- Source of Funding: Low to Moderate Housing Fund and Housing Inlieu Fund

#### Action HE-3.E Eviction Counsel



Seek funding or develop paths of support for access to counsel in possessory eviction cases.

- Implements which Policy(ies): HE-3.2
- **❖ Timeframe**: 2025-2027
- Responsible Department or Agency: Development Services Department
- Source of Funding: Low to Moderate Housing Fund and Housing Inlieu Fund

#### Action HE-3.F Shared-equity Homeownership Models



Study the possibility of shared-equity homeownership models.

- Implements which Policy(ies): HE-3.2
- \* Timeframe: 2025-2027
- Responsible Department or Agency: Development Services Department
- Source of Funding: Low to Moderate Housing Fund and Housing Inlieu Fund

#### Action HE-3.G Review Inclusionary Housing Ordinance



Review the Inclusionary Housing Ordinance to provide deeper for-sale affordability beyond the updated 2021 Inclusionary Housing Ordinance.

- Implements which Policy(ies): HE-3.2
- **Timeframe:** 2028-2031
- Responsible Department or Agency: Development Services Department
- Source of Funding: Low to Moderate Housing Fund and Housing Inlieu Fund

### Action HE-3.H Preferences for Displaced Tenants



Adopt preferences for tenants who have been displaced from rental housing in Morgan Hill.

- Implements which Policy(ies): HE-3.2
- **Timeframe:** 2025-2027
- Responsible Department or Agency: Development Services Department
- Source of Funding: Low to Moderate Housing Fund and Housing Inlieu Fund

# Action HE-3.I Create Jobs within Downtown Morgan Hill Priority Development Area



Prioritize the creation of jobs that are accessible to low- and very low-income workers who reside within the Downtown Morgan Hill Priority Development Area (PDA).

- Implements which Policy(ies): HE-3.3
- Timeframe: 2023-2024
- Responsible Department or Agency: Development Services Department
- Source of Funding: General Fund

#### Action HE-3.J Incentives to Hire Morgan Hill Residents



Create incentives for local businesses to hire Morgan Hill residents.

- Implements which Policy(ies): HE-3.3
- \* Timeframe: 2023-2024
- Responsible Department or Agency: Development Services Department
- Source of Funding: General Fund

#### Action HE-3.K Expand Bus Service



Advocate for VTA to expand bus service in Morgan Hill.

- Implements which Policy(ies): HE-3.3
- Timeframe: Ongoing
- Responsible Department or Agency: Development Services Department
- Source of Funding: General Fund

#### Action HE-3.L Local First Mile/Last Mile Transit Service



Study local first mile/last mile transit service solutions in Morgan Hill building on lessons learned from the first on-call shuttle service established within the City.

- Implements which Policy(ies): HE-3.3
- \* Timeframe: 2028-2031
- Responsible Department or Agency: Development Services Department
- Source of Funding: Capital Projects Fund and General Fund

#### Action HE-4.A Annual Monitoring of Potential At-Risk BMR Units



Annually monitor the status of at-risk BMR housing units. Contact current property owners of at-risk units to determine their financial objectives and appropriate financial assistance needed to meet those objectives.

- Implements which Policy(ies): HE-4.1
- Timeframe: Ongoing
- \* Responsible Department or Agency: Development Services
  Department
- Source of Funding: Low to Moderate Housing Fund and Housing Inlieu Fund

#### Action HE-4.B Preserve Affordable Housing



Prioritize the preservation of existing affordable housing at risk of loss of affordability covenants.

- Implements which Policy(ies): HE-4.1
- Timeframe: Ongoing
- \* Responsible Department or Agency: Development Services Department
- Source of Funding: Low to Moderate Housing Fund and Housing Inlieu Fund

#### Action HE-4.C Rehabilitation



Promote grants to the disabled, seniors, and low-income homeowners to rehabilitate housing units through Rebuilding Together Silicon Valley.

- Implements which Policy(ies): HE-4.1
- Timeframe: Ongoing
- Responsible Department or Agency: Development Services Department
- Source of Funding: Community Development Block Grant

#### **Action HE-5.A** Low Barrier Navigation Centers



Amend the Zoning Code by 2024 to facilitate by-right processing procedures for Low Barrier Navigation Centers consistent with Assembly Bill 101.

- Implements which Policy(ies): HE-5.1
- **Timeframe:** 2023-2024
- Responsible Department or Agency: Development Services Department
- Source of Funding: Long Range Planning Fund

#### Action HE-5.B Biannual Homeless Survey



Coordinate the City's biannual Homeless Census and Survey in partnership with the County of Santa Clara every two years to conduct comprehensive counts of homeless residents to measure the prevalence of homelessness in the communities.

- Implements which Policy(ies): HE-5.1
- Timeframe: Ongoing; biannually
- Responsible Department or Agency: Development Services Department
- Source of Funding: Low to Moderate Housing Fund and Housing Inlieu Fund

#### Action HE-5.C Homeless Prevention Rental Assistance



Provide homeless prevention rental assistance through an ongoing County of Santa Clara Rapid Rehousing program, targeting families at risk of homelessness.

- Implements which Policy(ies): HE-5.1; HE-5.2; HE-5.5; HE-5.6
- Timeframe: Ongoing
- Responsible Department or Agency: Development Services Department
- Source of Funding: Low to Moderate Housing Fund and Housing Inlieu Fund

#### Action HE-5.D Safe Park Program



Operate a Safe Park Program with the faith-based community offering an eight space, pet friendly overnight respite at a local church for eight homeless families living in their cars.

- Implements which Policy(ies): HE-5.1; HE-5.2; HE-5.4
- **Timeframe:** Ongoing
- \* Responsible Department or Agency: Development Services
  Department
- Source of Funding: Low to Moderate Housing Fund and Housing Inlieu Fund

#### **Action HE-5.E** Inclement Cold Weather Shelter Program



Coordinate the Inclement Cold Weather Shelter operation with the faith-based community.

- Implements which Policy(ies): HE-5.1; HE-5.2; HE-5.4
- Timeframe: Ongoing
- Responsible Department or Agency: Development Services Department
- Source of Funding: Low to Moderate Housing Fund and Housing Inlieu Fund

#### Action HE-5.F List of Available Services



Provide a comprehensive, user friendly, list of homeless and social services available

- Implements which Policy(ies): HE-5.1; HE-5.2
- Timeframe: Ongoing
- \* Responsible Department or Agency: Development Services Department
- Source of Funding: Low to Moderate Housing Fund and Housing Inlieu Fund

#### Action HE-5.G Provide Direct Services



Provide direct services, case management, and homeless outreach through the City's Unhoused Specialist to engage and offer support and basic needs to our homeless residents. Work alongside the Psychiatric Emergency Response Team (PERT), a Mental Health Collaboration with the County Behavioral Health Department.

- Implements which Policy(ies): HE-5.1; HE-5.3; HE-5.5; HE-5.12
- Timeframe: Ongoing
- \* Responsible Department or Agency: Development Services
  Department
- Source of Funding: Destination Home Grant

## Action HE-5.H Supportive, Transitional, and Emergency Housing



Maintain provisions for supportive and transitional housing and emergency shelters in the City's Zoning.

- ★ Implements which Policy(ies): HE-5.1; HE-5.4; HE-5.7; HE-5.8; HE-6.9; HE-6.10
- Timeframe: Ongoing
- Responsible Department or Agency: Development Services Department

\* Source of Funding: Development Services Fund

#### **Action HE-5.I** By-right Transitional and Supportive Housing



Amend the Zoning Code by 2024 to facilitate by-right transitional and supportive housing where multi-unit and mixed-use development is permitted consistent with Assembly Bill 2162.

- ❖ Implements which Policy(ies): HE-5.1; HE-5.4; HE-5.7; HE-5.8; HE-6.9; HE-6.10
- **Timeframe:** 2023-2024
- Responsible Department or Agency: Development Services Department
- Source of Funding: Long Range Planning Fund

#### Action HE-5.J Shelter Bed Hotline



Participate and promote the countywide coordinated shelter bed hotline.

- Implements which Policy(ies): HE-5.12
- **Timeframe:** Ongoing
- \* Responsible Department or Agency: Development Services
  Department
- Source of Funding: Low to Moderate Housing Fund and Housing Inlieu Fund



#### **Action HE-6.A** Housing for Developmentally Disabled Adults



Work with non-profit organizations to evaluate the need for additional units in Morgan Hill for developmentally disabled adults.

- Implements which Policy(ies): HE-6.2
- Timeframe: Ongoing
- Responsible Department or Agency: Development Services Department
- Source of Funding: Low to Moderate Housing Fund and Housing Inlieu Fund

#### Action HE-6.B San Andreas Regional Center Coordination



Coordinate with San Andreas Regional Center to integrate adults with developmental disabilities into housing integrated with the rest of the community.

- Implements which Policy(ies): HE-6.2
- Timeframe: Ongoing
- \* Responsible Department or Agency: Development Services Department
- Source of Funding: Low to Moderate Housing Fund and Housing Inlieu Fund

#### Action HE-6.C Emergency Voucher Program



Consider implementing a one-time emergency voucher program to assist residents displaced by criminal activity, natural disasters, or other emergencies. Coordinate with social service providers.

- Implements which Policy(ies): HE-6.5
- Timeframe: Ongoing
- \* Responsible Department or Agency: Development Services Department
- Source of Funding: Low to Moderate Housing Fund and Housing Inlieu Fund

# Action HE-6.D Increase Awareness of Universal Design Principles



Educate the Planning Commission about universal design. Make information available at the Development Services Center.

- Implements which Policy(ies): HE-6.6
- Timeframe: Ongoing
- \* Responsible Department or Agency: Development Services
  Department
- Source of Funding: Development Services Fund

#### **Action HE-6.E** Universal Design Ordinance



Study, and if appropriate, adopt a universal design ordinance or policies or objective standards to encourage the inclusion of universal design features in new construction. Options include identifying minimum, cost-effective amenities for all new construction.

- Implements which Policy(ies): HE-6.6
- Timeframe: Ongoing
- Responsible Department or Agency: Development Services Department
- Source of Funding: Development Services Fund



#### Action HE-7.A Outreach and Education



Implement a community engagement and awareness campaign around affordable housing with the intent to raise awareness of Housing Programs, Housing Search, and to demystify Affordable Housing.

- Implements which Policy(ies): HE-3.4; HE-7.1; HE-7.2; HE-7.3; HE-7.4; HE-7.5; HE-7.6
- **Timeframe:** Ongoing
- Responsible Department or Agency: Development Services Department
- Source of Funding: Low to Moderate Housing Fund and Housing Inlieu Fund

#### Action HE-7.B Market Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) Programs



Increase education and awareness of Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) programs to homeowners and partner with Community Development Financial Institutions (CDFIs) to market existing loan programs available for ADUs.

- ★ Implements which Policy(les): HE-1.3; HE-1.5; HE-7.1; HE-7.2; HE-7.5; HE-7.6
- Timeframe: Ongoing
- \* Responsible Department or Agency: Development Services
  Department
- Source of Funding: Development Services Fund, Low to Moderate Housing Fund, and Housing In-lieu Fund

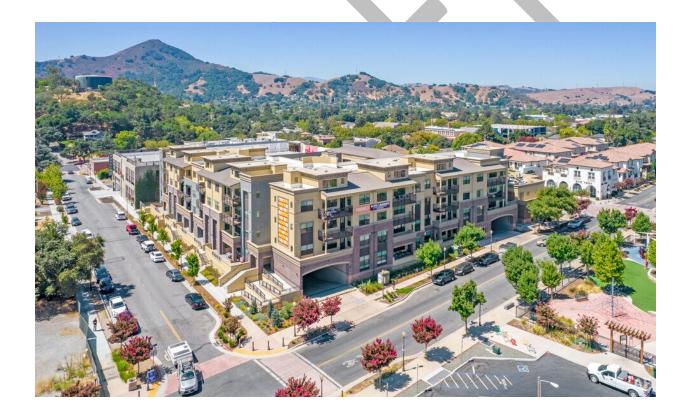


### **Quantified Objectives**

State law (California Government Code Section 65583[b]) requires that housing elements contain quantified objectives for the maintenance, preservation, and construction of housing. The quantified objectives set a target goal for Morgan Hill to strive for based on needs, resources, and constraints.

Table 5-1	Quantified	Objectives				
	Extremely Low Income	Very Low Income	Low Income	Moderate Income	Above Moderate Income	TOTAL
New Construction <sup>1</sup>	131	131	151	174	450	1,037
Rehabilitation	23	34	43	N/A	N/A	100
Conservation/ Preservation	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> New construction objective is equal to the RHNA.



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**Form Fields** 

Site Inventory Forms must be submitted to HCD for a housing element or amendment adopted on or after January 1, 2021. The following form is to be used for satisfying this requirement. To submit the form, complete the Excel spreadsheet and submit to HCD at sitesinventory@hcd.ca.gov. Please send the Excel workbook, not a scanned or PDF copy of the tables.

General Information	
Jurisidiction Name	MORGAN HILL
Housing Element Cycle	6th
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Last Name	Paszkowski
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Mailing Address	
Street Address	<u>17575 Peak Ave</u>
City	Morgan Hill
Zip Code	95037

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## **RESOLUTION NO. 22-042**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MORGAN HILL DIRECTING STAFF TO SUBMIT THE DRAFT 2023-2031 HOUSING ELEMENT TO THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (HCD) FOR REVIEW

**WHEREAS**, the State of California requires cities and counties to adopt a comprehensive, long-term General Plan for the physical development of the City;

**WHEREAS**, the Housing Element is one of seven mandated elements of the General Plan and must address the existing and projected housing needs for all economic segments of the community;

**WHEREAS**, State law requires Housing Elements to be updated and certified by the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) every eight years;

**WHEREAS**, the City of Morgan Hill has prepared the Draft 2023-2031 Housing Element in accordance with State law;

**WHEREAS**, the Draft 2023-2031 Housing Element includes goals to accomplish the following:

- Provide a diversified housing stock to meet the full range of future community housing needs;
- Encourage Extremely Low-Income (ELI) housing production, increasing availability of affordable and workforce housing;
- Advance equity and inclusion throughout the City;
- Preserve and rehabilitate existing housing supply;
- Promote housing for people experiencing homelessness;
- Provide adequate housing for groups with special needs;
- Increase community outreach and promote education of affordable housing.

**WHEREAS**, the Draft 2023-2031 Housing Element includes specific Housing Programs to implement the goals outlined above;

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the City will be preparing an addendum for when the City Council considers the adoption of the 2023-2031 Housing Element, pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15164;

**WHEREAS**, such request was considered and recommended for submittal by the Planning Commission at its regular meeting of July 26, 2022;

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**WHEREAS**, such request was considered by the City Council at its regular meeting of August 17, 2022; and

**WHEREAS**, testimony received at a duly noticed public hearing, along with exhibits and other materials have been considered in the review process.

## NOW, THEREFORE, THE MORGAN HILL CITY COUNCIL DOES RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

**SECTION 1.** The Draft 2023-2031 Housing Element is found to be consistent with the policies and provisions of the Morgan Hill 2035 General Plan as described in the staff report to the Planning Commission, incorporated herein by this reference.

**SECTION 2.** The Planning Commission and City Council's action to direct Staff to submit the Draft 2023-2031 Housing Element to HCD for review is exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15164, as the City will be preparing an addendum for when the City Council considers the adoption of the 2023-2031 Housing Element.

**SECTION 3.** The City Council directs Staff to submit the Draft 2023-2031 Housing Element to HCD for review.

**PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED** by the City Council of the City of Morgan Hill at its meeting held on this 17<sup>th</sup> day of August 2022 by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Gino Borgioli, Rich Constantine,

Yvonne Martinez Beltran, John McKay, Rene Spring

NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

APPROVED:	ATTEST:
Docusigned by:  Kich Constantine  02EAF5B057884E7  DOCUSIGNED ANTINE MOVED	Docusigned by:  Michael Bijdow  COFOBTEABATCHOS
RICH CONSTANTINE, Mayor	MICHELLE BIGELOW, City Clerk

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## & CERTIFICATION C3

**I, Michelle Bigelow, City Clerk of the City of Morgan Hill, California,** do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Resolution No.22-042, adopted by the City Council at the meeting held on August 17, 2022.

## WITNESS MY HAND AND THE SEAL OF THE CITY OF MORGAN HILL.

DATE:	8/18/2022	Docusigned by:  Michelle Bijelow  COECRTEARATC4CR
		MICHELLE BIGELOW, City Clerk