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Creating a Bay Area housing delivery system that works for everyone



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A 50-year vision for solving the Bay Area's affordability crisis



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Filter for Recommendations

- 50 year vision
- Sized to solve the problem
- Focused on people and units
- Housing as a human right as a value, while acknowledging and making use of the way housing is treated as a commodity in the United States
- Solutions that work within current systems and which also push to change systems
- Solutions work together and reinforce each other.

Some recommendations may not be currently possible politically. Future advocacy work will be needed to change the frame of possibility.



Housing as Infrastructure



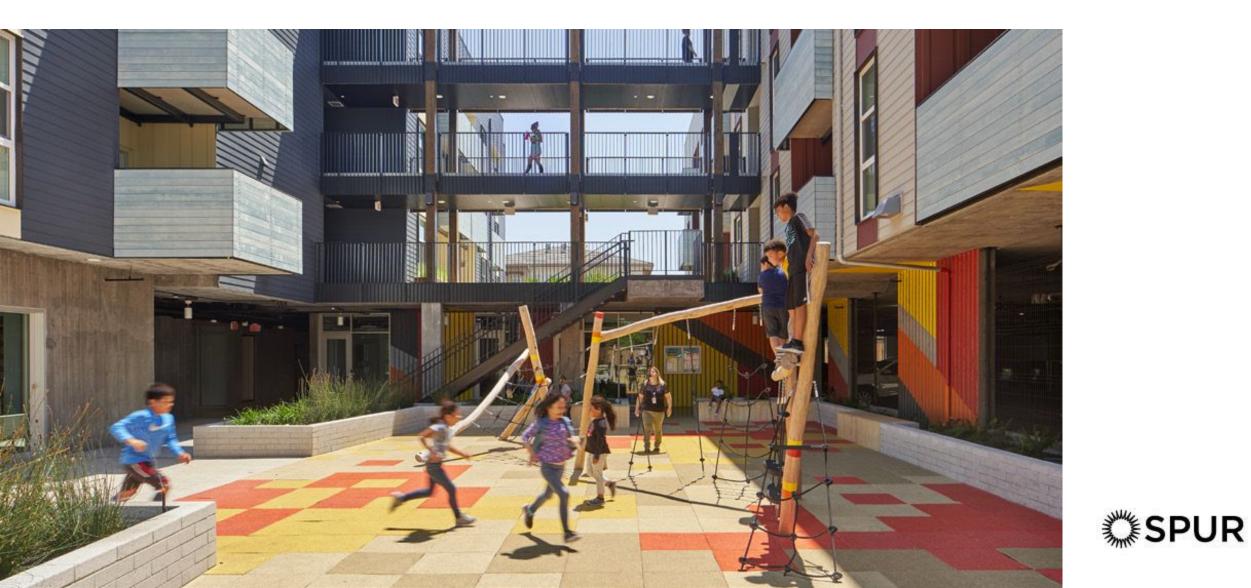
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Treat housing as infrastructure

- Rec 1: Expand affordable housing funding and production
- Rec 2: Place land and buildings in public or nonprofit ownership
- Rec 3: Make it possible to build middle-income housing
- Rec 4: Build housing during a downturn
- Rec 5: Industrialize housing production
- Rec 6: Change tax and public funding structures to support new housing



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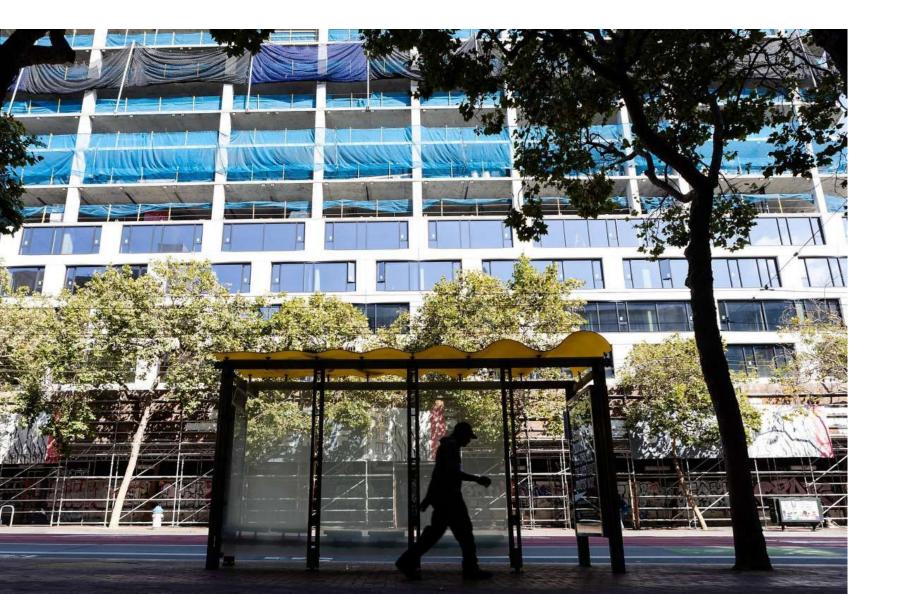
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Rec 3: Make it possible to build middle-income housing

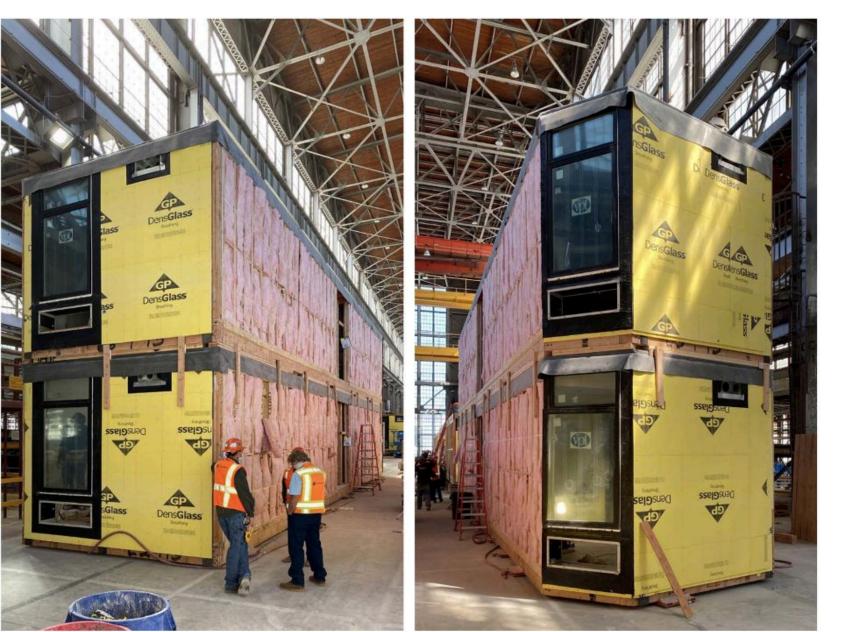


Rec 4: Build housing during a downturn



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Rec 5: Industrialize housing production





Rec 6: Change tax and public funding structures to support new housing

Does State Tax Policy Discourage Housing Production?

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