Legacy Homeownership Program

WHY I CARE?

- Affordable housing is hard to find
- Neglected segments of the population
- Lack of opportunity and upward mobility
- Housing discrimination and slumlords
- Disparities in Economic, Social, and Political Representation
- Gentrification
- The Dying American Dream

"The authors of the declaration of independence never intended 'to say all were equal in color, size, intellect, moral developments, or social capacity', but they 'did consider all men created equal—equal in certain inalienable rights, among which are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness'." – President Abraham Lincoln
WHAT I LEARNED?

- Available Adjacent County and City Owned Land
- Height & Configuration Limitations
- Lack of Progressive & Strategic Density and Intensity
- Not Enough Transit Oriented Affordable Housing
- Displacement of Low-income, Moderate, and now even impacting Middle Income Residents.
- Limited density bonuses for smaller developments
- Cost of living, health care and education, and low income levels limits the ability of families to leave a tangible legacy

"The negative side of the American Dream comes when people pursue success at any cost, which, in turn destroys the vision and the dream." – Azar Nafisi
WHAT I WILL DO?

• Establish the guideline for the Expansion of the Infill Housing Program

• Create greater economic security, additional sources of revenue and speed up the Homeownership process

• Propose a modification to the Infill Housing program to include vertically stacked options

• Propose an increase in the Affordable Housing Income thresholds for small 2-4 multifamily developments

• Provide built-in opportunities for expansion of buildings, increased income, growth and aging of families.

• Provide families an opportunity to leave a tangible legacy, creating attainable and reward based American Dreams
Residential Development - Proposed Building Configurations Low to Medium Density

Horizontally Stacked Units

Vertically Stacked Units
Case Study 001 - Liberty City – Potential Development Site

Site

In-Laws Quarters

Live-Work
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WHAT CAN YOU DO?

Organize and Collaborate - Interdepartmental and Cross Collaboration

Advocate and Promote – up-zoning measures, relaxed parking requirements and transit oriented developments, and legislation of affordable housing

Demand Results – Economic Opportunities and Upward Mobility

Involvement - Community and Neighborhood Involvement

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CLOSING THOUGHTS...

We must resist those sentiments of greed, in ourselves and in others, that pursue success at any costs while suppressing and restricting the American Dream of others to attain that same success. Instead we should look to create opportunities for success for all so that they too can have an attainable American Dream.