

## **Decreasing Substandard Housing Task Force**

## **Priorities**

Potential Solutions	Rank
Strengthening Code Enforcement  • Streamline reporting: Improve the public's ability to report substandard conditions anonymously via apps or websites.	
<ul> <li>Updating Housing Codes</li> <li>Review and ensure building codes and rental housing ordinances align with current health and safety standards.</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Updating Housing Codes</li> <li>Implement or reinforce minimum habitability standards, especially for heating, ventilation, plumbing, and pest control.</li> </ul>	

<ul> <li>Incentivizing Landlord Compliance</li> <li>Create a certification or public registry for landlords and property managers that register properties and undergo periodic inspections.</li> </ul>	
Incentivizing Landlord Compliance  • Continue recognizing good landlords and convening landlords and property managers.	
Supporting Tenant Rights  • Offer workshops, videos, one-pagers on renters' rights and responsibilities.	
<ul> <li>Supporting Tenant Rights</li> <li>Create a program to assist tenants move from unsafe housing (temporary housing, rent subsidies).</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Engage the Community         <ul> <li>Create awareness campaigns on tenant and landlord rights and responsibilities targeted to specific populations (Purdue students, community health workers, faith-based organizations, neighborhoods, property managers, first-time buyers, real estate agents, appraisers).</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	

Use previous housing needs assessments and community conversations to identify where and what types of substandard housing exist.	
<ul> <li>Engage the Community</li> <li>Create a public awareness campaign regarding substandard housing ("see something, say something," how and where to report issues, contact information for service providers, videos)</li> </ul>	
Increase the capacity (skills, networks, tools, and talents) of home repair, rehab, and accessibility program providers and contractors.  • Network providers to develop solutions to common problems (cost of repairs, fund priorities, working with contractors, focusing on one to four specific repair needs to achieve economies of scale, warm handoff for program referrals).	
Increase the capacity (skills, networks, tools, and talents) of home repair, rehab, and accessibility program providers and contractors.  • Leverage local, state, and federal funding to support funding.	