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Opt out permits and land use to allow humans to build how they want to and create social housing. Mother Earth never asked for rent. We need reciprocal relationships.

Seattle created the Seattle Social Housing Developer through Initiative 135 in 2023 where social housing is removed from the profit motive, available to all incomes, permanently affordable and held as a public good in perpetuity.

The Four Pillars of Social Housing

Publicly Owned

Social housing is publicly financed and controlled, with the express aim of housing people, not extracting profit. Renters and their homes are shielded from the free market, with specific measures prohibiting the sale and marketization of social housing to ensure it remains in the public's hands, for public use.

Permanently Affordable

Under a social housing model, rent is not determined by the market and profit motives. Rent is determined by the buildings loan balance, upkeep, and maintenance needs.

Cross-Class Communities

Social housing is available to all, from those with the lowest incomes up to moderate-to-high income households. Rents are designed to match the specific income levels of all tenants. This is crucial given the severe rent burden faced by residents across the income spectrum, especially residents from marginalized communities. It's hard for people making 60-120% of the Area Median Income to find housing they can afford.

Resident Leadership

Residents have democratic decision making power and have control over the conditions of their buildings and homes.

<https://www.houseourneighbors.org/social-housing>

- Tiffani and House Our Neighbors consults with groups trying to achieve de-commodified housing all around the country. You can reach her at tiffani@houseourneighbors.org.

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