

Model ADU Affordability Survey

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Overview

Many jurisdictions have committed to monitoring their ADU affordability as part of their housing elements. Information about ADU affordability assumptions is also required by HCD as part of Annual Progress Reports. However, it is difficult for jurisdictions to collect relevant data (few responses, challenge to administer, etc.). This tool was developed by ABAG's Technical Assistance program and is being shared in collaboration with SANDAG to help create a standardized format across the state.

Purpose

To help local jurisdictions document the affordability of new ADUs by creating a standardized opt-in survey for interested jurisdictions to distribute to homeowners building ADUs.

Draft ADU Affordability Survey

Instructions

Interested local jurisdictions can have homeowners complete the survey as part of the ADU permitting and approval process. Local jurisdictions can offer the survey on a voluntary basis, or may require homeowners complete the survey to get their permits/Certificate of Occupancy.

1. Homeowner Email (to receive a confirmation)
2. County/Jurisdiction
3. Who do you expect to use the ADU? [select one]
 - a. Myself
 - b. Relative
 - c. Friend
 - d. Someone else
 - e. Not using for housing
4. How many square feet is your ADU? [numeric field]
5. How many bedrooms does it have? [select one]
 - f. 0 (studio)
 - g. 1
 - h. 2
 - i. 3 or more
6. What do you expect the monthly rent to be? [numeric field]
7. Which utilities will the tenant pay for (choices for full, part or none)? [select all that apply]
 - j. Electricity
 - k. Gas
 - l. Water/sewer
 - m. Trash
 - n. Not sure