RPA is a non-profit research, planning, and advocacy organization. We are dedicated to improving the New York metropolitan region’s economic health, environmental sustainability, and quality of life.
Our region

- 3 States
- 31 Counties
- 782 Municipalities
- 23 million Residents
- 13 thousand Square Miles
Since 1922, Regional Plan Association has prepared long-range plans for the tri-state region.
The Fourth Regional Plan
Making the Region Work For All of Us
Released in 2017
Fourth Plan Values

- Equity
- Health
- Prosperity
- Sustainability

Make the region affordable for everyone

Wherever they choose to live in the region, people seek many of the same things: an affordable home, a good job, a fully connected place, a healthy environment, and good schools. Yet, housing costs and stagnant incomes are making these qualities increasingly difficult to find in one place. More and more, residents must make difficult choices between an affordable home and a good school, a better job or a walkable community they value one day and from which they may get displaced.

We need complete communities that are livable, walkable, and affordable places to live, as well as affordable commuting times, especially near transit stations. It is the first step in making housing more affordable and affordable. We must also take new and innovative approaches to housing for the middle income.

Provide affordable housing for all incomes, ages, races, and ethnicities
- Expand access to more well-paying jobs
- Support healthy and livable communities
Complete communities across the region

- A Healthy Environment
- Good Schools
- Safe Streets
- Adequate Transportation
- Good jobs Livable wages
- Affordable homes
## Community engagement process framework
- Local affordable housing committee
- Resident and business surveys
- Virtual meetings
- Videos
- Social media

## Affordable housing plan framework
- Plan template
- Housing needs assessment
- Market assessment
- Affordable housing goals
- Strategies and actions
- Implementation tools
Visualization tools

- Illustrations and precedent images of best practices in design
- Show different housing types & contexts

Model regulations

- Inclusionary zoning
- Accessory dwelling units
- Deed restriction
- Housing trust fund
- Land bank
Questions?

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