

The VSSTF Housing and Shelter subcommittee and the VSSTF Faith subcommittee are recommending the following:

1. That VSSTF be involved in the development of the revisions of the affordable housing and inclusionary housing plans now being formulated.
2. That VSSTF advocate of the identification of potentially available parcels for extremely affordable and very affordable housing
3. That VSSTF advocate for housing units, not in-lieu fees for inclusionary housing. If in-lieu fees are approved that they be placed in a lock box for the needed services for permanent supportive housing
4. That VSSTF advocate that some of the proposed inclusionary housing units be permanently set aside for section 8 and other housing vouchers
5. That VSSTF actively advocate for the full implementation of the housing element for the required number of affordable, very affordable and extremely affordable housing units and for the zoning that will make the development of the required housing possible.
6. That VSSTF join with other housing advocated in recommending and encouraging that 15% of measure O funds be dedicated to services that end homelessness; 10% for housing, fees, permits and 5% for the ongoing support of the year round transition to housing shelter
7. That VSSTF advocate for a strategy with the City of Ventura to welcome and invite low income housing developers to the table to discuss needs, barriers, concerns and how to move forward together to accomplish the agreed upon goal of building the required and necessary very affordable and extremely affordable housing units.
8. That VSSTF ask the City of Ventura and advocate for the immediate designation of property for non-brick and mortar housing that can be used to transition people for the shelter to housing. This housing could include connex units (container homes), tiny homes, refurbished mobile homes, pre-fab units etc. These units are necessary in order to have an experienced operator for the year round shelter available by June 2018.
9. That VSSTF work with the City of Ventura and advocate for the City and County of Ventura to work together to identify a site for the year round shelter and then secure this site ASAP.
10. That VSSTF , the City of Ventura and other housing advocates work together, seeking common ground in a coordinated effort to provide housing for all residents of the City of Ventura