Training course on Affordable Housing Development Models

Professional Development Training Course Outline

Category	Real Estate Institute	**Duration**	10 Days
Base Fee	$3,000 USD	**Delivery Mode**	Online / On-site Hybrid

Course Introduction

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Course Objectives

Upon completion of this course, participants will be able to:

1. Analyze the fundamental principles and socio-economic drivers of the **affordable housing crisis**.
2. Differentiate and evaluate various **traditional affordable housing development models** (e.g., public housing, subsidized private).
3. Master the intricacies of the **Low-Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) program** for financing affordable housing.
4. Comprehend the unique role and strategies of **non-profit organizations** in affordable housing development.
5. Formulate effective strategies for implementing **inclusionary zoning and mixed-income development** approaches.
6. Explore and assess **alternative and innovative affordable housing models** (e.g., Community Land Trusts, co-housing).
7. Apply principles of **sustainable design and green building** to affordable housing projects for long-term affordability.
8. Navigate the complex **legal, regulatory, and policy landscape** affecting affordable housing development.
9. Develop robust **financial feasibility analyses and risk mitigation strategies** for affordable housing projects.
10. Implement effective **community engagement and stakeholder management** techniques in sensitive housing initiatives.

11. Understand the impact of **emerging trends and technology** on the future of affordable housing development.
12. Design a comprehensive **affordable housing development strategy and project proposal** for a specific need.
13. Position themselves as leaders in addressing the affordable housing challenge through innovative and sustainable practices.

Target Audience

This course is designed for professionals involved in or aspiring to work in affordable housing:

1. **Affordable Housing Developers (For-profit & Non-profit):** Seeking to deepen their expertise in various models and financing.
2. **Public Sector Housing Officials:** Involved in policy-making, funding allocation, and project oversight.
3. **Urban Planners & Community Development Specialists:** Integrating housing into broader development plans.
4. **Real Estate Investors & Lenders:** Exploring opportunities and understanding risks in the affordable housing sector.
5. **Financial Analysts:** Specializing in housing finance and tax credit syndication.
6. **Architects & Designers:** Focusing on cost-effective, sustainable, and livable affordable housing solutions.
7. **Community Advocates & Non-Profit Leaders:** Working to address local housing needs.
8. **Policy Makers & Government Relations Professionals:** Shaping housing legislation and incentives.

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Course Modules

Module 1: Understanding the Affordable Housing Crisis & Its Drivers

- Defining affordable housing: income tiers, cost burden, and key metrics.
- Scale and scope of the affordable housing crisis: global, national, and local perspectives.
- Socio-economic impacts of housing unaffordability: health, education, employment.
- Market failures and systemic issues contributing to the crisis (e.g., land costs, construction costs, restrictive zoning).
- The role of housing in equitable and sustainable urban development.

Module 2: Traditional Affordable Housing Development Models & Programs

- **Public Housing:** History, evolution, current challenges, and revitalization initiatives (e.g., HOPE VI, RAD).
- **Project-Based Rental Assistance (Section 8 PBRA):** Mechanisms, benefits, and limitations for developers.
- **Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (Section 8 Vouchers):** Administration, impact on affordability, and market acceptance.
- Review of other direct public investment and grant-based models in different jurisdictions.

Module 3: Low-Income Housing Tax Credits (LIHTC) - Fundamentals & Eligibility

- Introduction to the LIHTC program as the primary federal affordable housing production tool in the U.S.
- Understanding the legislative intent and core principles of tax credits as an incentive.
- Comparing and contrasting 9% (competitive) vs. 4% (non-competitive/bond-financed) LIHTC programs.

- Detailed eligibility criteria for properties, tenants, and rent restrictions (Area Median Income - AMI limits).
- The role of State Housing Finance Agencies (HFAs) and their Qualified Allocation Plans (QAPs).

Module 4: LIHTC - Deal Structuring, Financial Modeling & Compliance

- The LIHTC syndication process: how developers attract and sell tax credits to investors.
- Roles of key players: General Partners (developers), Limited Partners (investors), and syndicators.
- Structuring the complex capital stack for LIHTC projects: tax credit equity, conventional debt, soft debt, deferred developer fees.
- Advanced financial modeling techniques for LIHTC projects: projecting cash flows, investor returns (IRR, Equity Multiple), and feasibility.
- Understanding the 15-year compliance period, extended use agreements, and qualified contract processes.

Module 5: Non-Profit & Mission-Driven Housing Development

- The unique value proposition and advantages of non-profit affordable housing developers.
- Operational models, organizational structures, and governance of non-profit housing corporations.
- Strategies for leveraging grants, philanthropic capital, and community development financial institutions (CDFIs).
- The role of Community Development Corporations (CDCs) in comprehensive neighborhood revitalization.
- Balancing social mission with financial sustainability and long-term asset stewardship.

Module 6: Inclusionary Zoning & Mixed-Income Development Strategies

- Understanding inclusionary zoning (IZ) policies: mandatory vs. voluntary implementation.
- Mechanisms of IZ: affordable unit set-asides, in-lieu fees, density bonuses, and their financial impacts.
- Strategies for designing and developing physically integrated and socially vibrant mixed-income communities.
- Benefits of mixed-income models: fostering social integration, reducing stigma, promoting economic diversity.
- Addressing common challenges: community acceptance, design integration, and long-term affordability controls.

Module 7: Alternative & Innovative Affordable Housing Models

- **Community Land Trusts (CLTs):** Exploring the permanent affordability model through shared equity land ownership.
- Limited Equity Cooperatives (LECs) and mutual housing models as alternative ownership structures.
- Co-housing and intentional communities: collaborative living and reduced costs.
- Examining solutions like Tiny Homes, Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs), and Micro-units for increased density and affordability.
- Introduction to modular, prefabricated, and 3D-printed construction techniques for cost and time efficiency.

Module 8: Sustainable Design & Resilient Affordable Housing

- Integrating green building principles into affordable housing for environmental and economic benefits.
- Strategies for maximizing energy efficiency: passive design, high-performance envelopes, efficient systems, and renewable energy integration.
- Water conservation techniques, sustainable landscaping, and stormwater management.

- Responsible material sourcing, construction waste reduction, and circular economy principles in affordable housing.
- Designing for health and well-being: Indoor Environmental Quality (IEQ), biophilic design, and healthy materials.
- Building climate resilience into affordable housing: adapting to extreme weather, heat, and other environmental risks.

Module 9: Legal, Regulatory & Policy Landscape for Affordable Housing

- Overview of federal housing laws (e.g., Fair Housing Act, Americans with Disabilities Act, lead-based paint regulations).
- Analysis of state and local housing policies: comprehensive plans, zoning ordinances, building codes, and fair housing laws.
- Navigating the entitlement, permitting, and approval processes specific to affordable housing projects.
- Understanding rent control policies, tenant protections, and their impact on development feasibility.
- Advocacy strategies for influencing housing policy reform and increasing funding opportunities.

Module 10: Community Engagement & Stakeholder Management in Affordable Housing

- The critical importance of authentic community engagement in affordable housing projects.
- Strategies for effective communication, active listening, and addressing community concerns (e.g., NIMBYism).
- Building consensus and fostering genuine partnerships with residents, local officials, and advocacy groups.
- Managing diverse stakeholder interests and expectations throughout the development lifecycle.
- Best practices for public meetings, workshops, and transparent decision-making processes.

Module 11: Financial Feasibility Analysis, Underwriting & Risk Mitigation

- Conducting comprehensive financial feasibility analyses for various affordable housing models.
- Advanced underwriting techniques: analyzing project costs, operating expenses, revenue projections, and subsidy layering.
- Identifying and mitigating development risks: market, financial, regulatory, construction, operational, political.
- Strategies for structuring deals to enhance financial viability and attract diverse capital sources.
- Case studies in successful risk management and problem-solving in affordable housing finance.

Module 12: Emerging Trends, Technology & The Future of Affordable Housing

- Exploring the impact of PropTech on affordable housing: data analytics, AI for site selection and operations, smart home technology.
- Innovative financing mechanisms: impact investing, social impact bonds, crowdfunding, and philanthropic models.
- The role of modular construction, 3D printing, and other advanced manufacturing in increasing supply and reducing costs.
- Policy innovations: land value capture, inclusionary housing mandates, adaptive reuse of commercial properties.
- Visions for the future of affordable housing: integrated communities, sustainability as a standard, and equitable access.

Training Methodology

- **Interactive Workshops:** Facilitated discussions, group exercises, and problem-solving activities.

- **Case Studies:** Real-world examples to illustrate successful community-based surveillance practices.
- **Role-Playing and Simulations:** Practice engaging communities in surveillance activities.
- **Expert Presentations:** Insights from experienced public health professionals and community leaders.
- **Group Projects:** Collaborative development of community surveillance plans.
- **Action Planning:** Development of personalized action plans for implementing community-based surveillance.
- **Digital Tools and Resources:** Utilization of online platforms for collaboration and learning.
- **Peer-to-Peer Learning:** Sharing experiences and insights on community engagement.
- **Upcoming Scheduled Sessions**

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21 Sep 2026	02 Oct 2026	Online	$2,000
21 Sep 2026	02 Oct 2026	Physical	$3,000
21 Sep 2026	02 Oct 2026	Physical	$0
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