

2019 Policy Agenda

The Metropolitan Consortium of Community Developers (MCCD) is committed to expanding the wealth and resources of underserved communities through community economic development and housing initiatives.

MCCD's policy agenda reflects a diverse membership of organizations working across the full continuum of affordable housing as well as small business development, including technical assistance support and funding resources.

MCCD's 2019 Policy Priorities Include:

Support favorable policies and increase funding resources for affordable housing and community development activities at the local, state, and federal levels.

- Advocate for the full continuum of affordable housing activities including the production and preservation of affordable rental housing, housing with supportive services, and affordable homeownership opportunities.
- Promote best and emerging practices that encourage innovation in the community economic development field.

Local and Regional Policy

 Advocate through Make Homes Happen for the creation of dedicated, long-term, and locally sourced funding streams for affordable housing development and preservation.

State Policy

- Work in collaboration with the Homes for All coalition to increase funding for affordable housing development and preservation in both existing programs as well as the creation of new resources and tools.
- Advocate for longer minimum affordability terms for multi-family rental development or preservation.

Federal Policy

 Support the protection of federal funding resources for community development activities, including the federal Housing Trust Fund, tax-exempt bonds, low-income housing tax credit allocations, and other key federal programs.

Advocate for initiatives that promote asset building for low-income Minnesotans.

- Work collaboratively with the Asset Building Coalition on state level initiatives that support asset building for low-income individuals and families, helping people to build assets, grow personal wealth, and prosper.
- Increase state funding that supports small businesses, including programs that increase the availability of technical assistance funding and access to capital for small businesses and emerging entrepreneurs.

Support or oppose other legislation or initiatives as approved by the board.