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# Ownership in Affordable Housing: A Conversation on San Antonio Community Land Trusts

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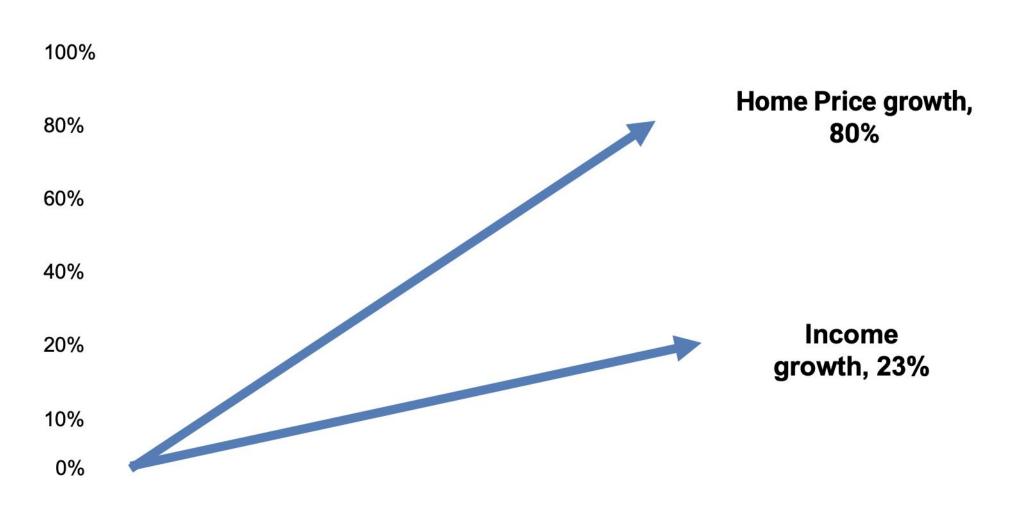
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#### **Chapter Purpose Statement**

San Antonio Area AFN is a regional chapter of grantmakers who advance equitable wealth building and economic mobility. With a shared commitment to improving the financial wellbeing of people in our region, San Antonio Area AFN members collaborate within the nonprofit, public, and private sectors to share knowledge, put that knowledge to work through innovative practices and collaborative initiatives, and work to leverage and increase collective systemic investments in asset building.

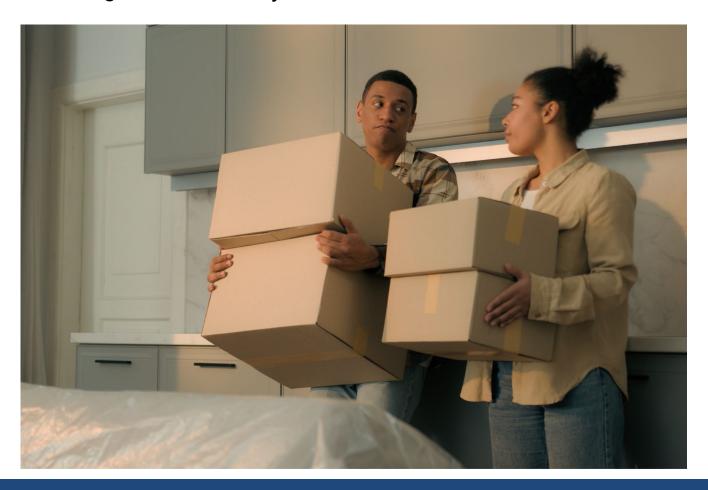
#### The Issue - San Antonio

Home price growth vs. Income Growth 2020 -2024



## The Issue - Nationally

"When you think about Maslow's hierarchy of needs, and housing is right at that foundational level of security, the implications on consumer psyche when things feel so unaffordable is something that will impact everyone," said Libby Rodney, chief strategy officer at Harris Poll. The American dream of owning a home "is looking more like a daydream for renters".





With home ownership still one of the most reliable paths for low-to-moderate income (LMI) families to build intergenerational wealth, it is time for our community to collectively explore ownership options that are not restricted to those who can make homeownership work under market conditions.

# Community Land Trust

Jason Webb, Community & Technical Assistance Principal





#### Presenter Information



#### Jason Webb, Community & Technical Assistance Principal

 Close to 40 Years of experience in Community Development, Community Organizing, Affordable Housing and Community Land Trust

- · Grew up in Boston, MA
- Lead Dudley Street Neighborhood Initiative/Dudley Neighbors Inc for 15 years as Director of Operations & Served 10 years on the CLT board of Directors
- Started young in my own community of Dudley St.
- Manages all Technical Assistance engagements at Grounded Solutions





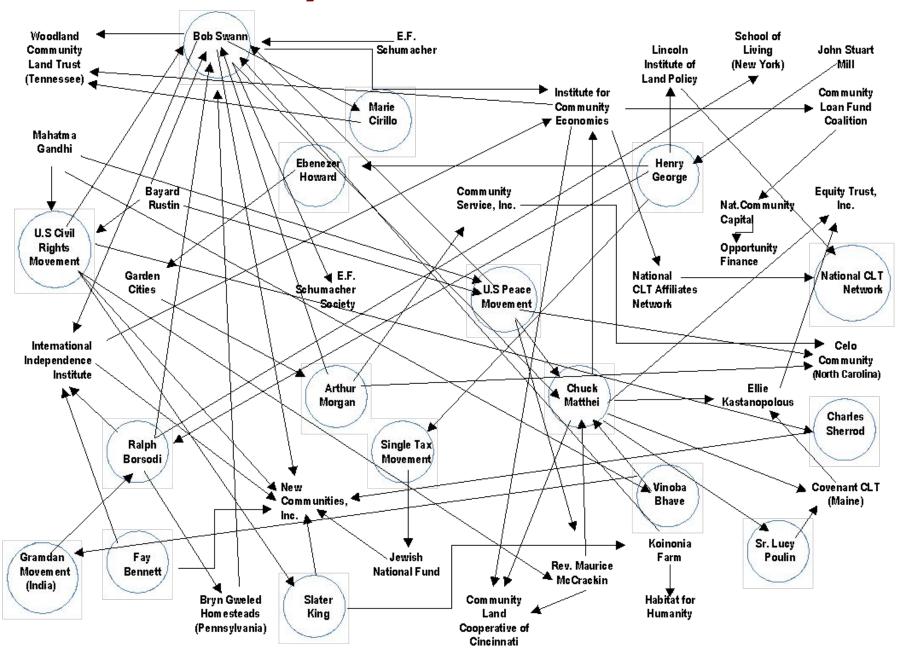
We work nationally, connecting local experts with the networks, knowledge and support they need.
We promote housing solutions that will stay affordable for generations so communities can stabilize and strengthen their foundation, for good.

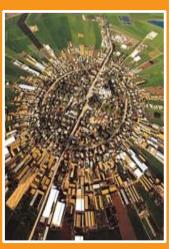


## Roots of CLT

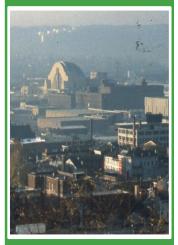
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### **Roots of the Community Land Trust**

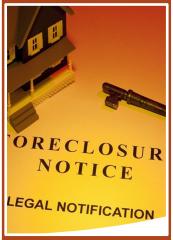














1968
Exposer to a new land ownership model

1969
The first CLT
established
New
Communities
Inc

1970's
The first
urban CLT was
established in
Cincinnati

1980's
First CLTs
established
with
government
assistance

1985
New
Communities
Inc had its
land
foreclosed

Present New Communities rebirth

- Over 300 CLTs in the US
- Thousands of units built

**History of the CLT Model in the US!** 

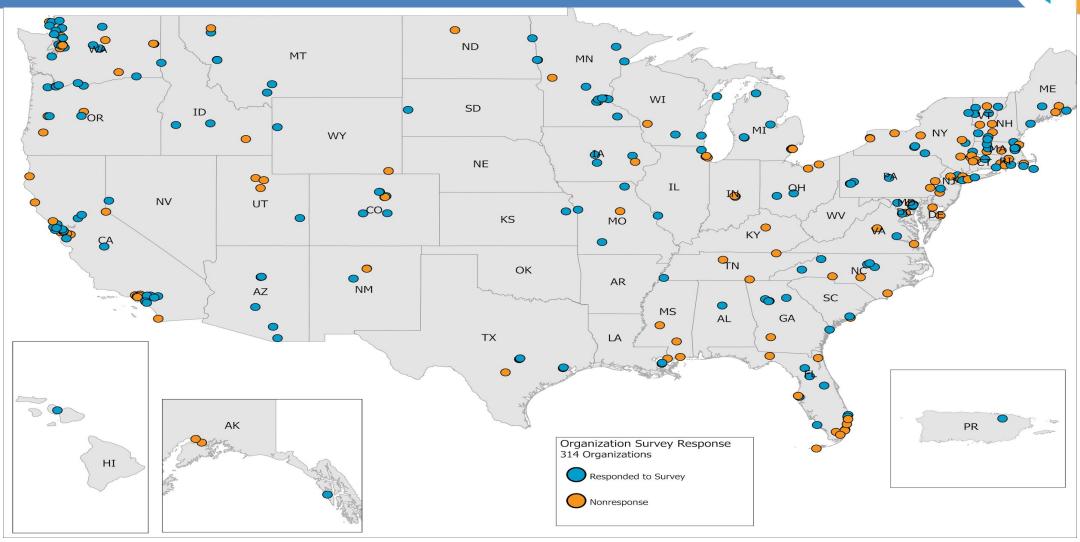
#### What the Founders Defined as a CLT





A Community Land Trust is a democratically structured non-profit with an open membership and a board elected by the membership.

## Community Land Trust



325+ CLTs nationwide 46 states plus the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico



## Community Land Trust Basics

## Community Land Trusts



Acquire, own and steward land **permanently** for the common good by providing:

- Affordable housing
- Commercial spaces
- Community spaces
- Farming or open land



## Core Elements of a Community Land Trust





#### The Classic CLT





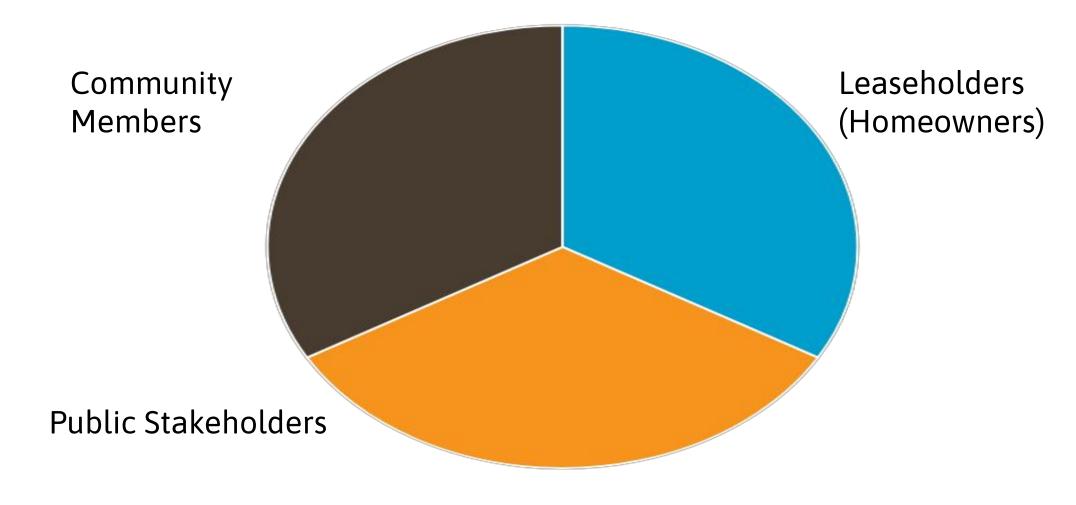
Generally, a non-profit organization with:

- Defined service area
- Corporate membership
- Tri-partite board

## Classic CLT



#### **Tri-Partite Board**



## Dual Ownership





Individual owns improvements (home)



Community land trust owns land

## Dual Ownership





**Ground lease** ties improvements and land together ...

## Perpetual Affordability



Lower price initially



Lower price at resale



Again, again and again





## The Affordability Gap





**Market Price** 

\$45,000

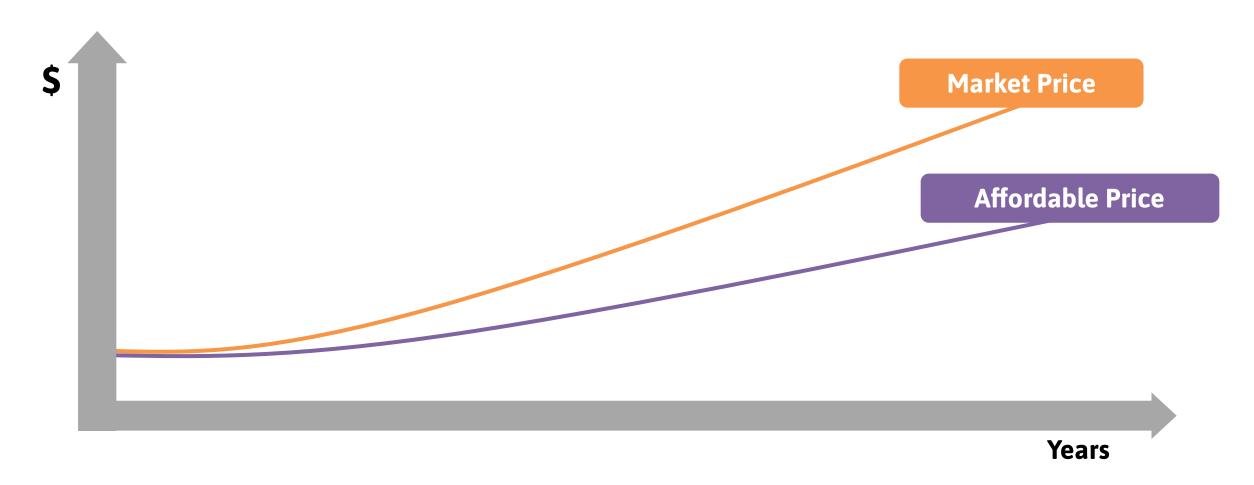
**Affordability Gap** 

\$155,000

What Family can Afford to Buy

## The Growing Affordability Gap

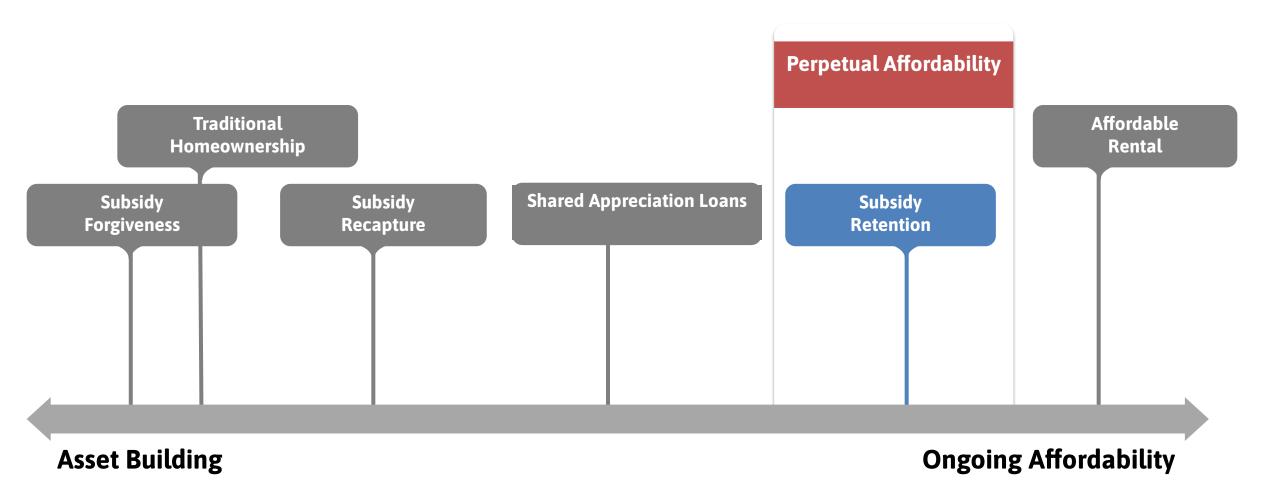




## Asset Building/ Affordability



#### A Continuum of Strategies



Modified from Jacobus & Lubell. 2007.

## Example: Traditional Model



	Traditional Model	
Market Price of Home	\$200,000	
What Buyer can Afford	\$155,000	
Subsidy Needed	\$45,000	
Sale Price to Homebuyer	\$200,000	
10 Years Later		
Market Value After 10 Years	\$240,000	
Sales Price	\$240,000	
Program Portion	\$0	
Seller Portion (grant + appreciation)	\$85,000	

## Example: Traditional Model



	Traditional Model	
NEW Sales Price of home	\$240,000	
NEW Buyer Affordability	\$185,000	
NEW Buyer Subsidy Needed	\$55,000	
Program Portion from Sale	\$0	
NEW Resources Needed	\$55,000	

## Example: CLT Model



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What Buyer can Afford	\$155,000	\$155,000		
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10 Years Later				
Market Value After 10 Years	\$240,000	\$240,000		
Sales Price	\$240,000	\$185,000		
Program Portion	\$0	\$55,000		
Seller Portion (appreciation)	\$85,000	\$30,000		

## Example: CLT Model



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NEW Sales Price of home	\$240,000	\$185,000
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NEW Buyer Subsidy Needed	\$55,000	\$0
Program Portion from Sale	\$0	\$55,000
NEW Resources Needed	\$55,000	\$0

## Affordability + Wealth Creation



#### **OPAL** Real Life Example:



#### 1998

- Buyer earning \$13K
- \$1,155 cash down
- Rent = \$475/month
- Fair Market Rent = \$700



#### **OPAL** House

- 2BR + 1BA
- **\$95,375**
- \$1,155 cash to close
- PITI+ = \$450

## Affordability, Housing Stability Wealth Creation



#### **OPAL Real Life Example:**



#### 2021

- Decides to sell
- Resale price = \$147,000
- Mortgage payoff = \$90,000
- Closing costs = \$5,800
- Repairs = \$11,000
- Cash at closing = \$40,200



#### **Wealth Creation**

- Beautiful home!
- \$1,155 investment
- \$450 monthly payments!
- \$51,100 est. rent savings
- \$40,200 Cash at resale
- =\$91,300 Financial benefit

## Affordability + Wealth Creation



#### **OPAL Real Life Example:**



#### 2021

- Buyer earning \$37K
- Fair Market Rent = \$ 2,099



#### **OPAL House**

- 2BR + 1BA
- **\$155,000**
- Est PITI+ = \$1,040
- Monthly savings = \$1,059
- Annual savings = \$12,708

## Perpetual Responsibility





Stewardship of structures (homes)

Stewardship of leaseholders (homeowners)

Stewardship of subsidy (public funds)

# TOOL LENDING Extensive library of power and hand tools to check out for home improvement projects, free of charge!







Wrap Up & Questions/Answers

## Questions







## Thank you!

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