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SOLUTIONS
NETWORK**

Federal, State, and Local Policy Priorities

Federal Policy

Programs and funding

- Strategic advocacy on federal appropriations for shared equity programs
- Advance legislation to improve the HOME program at HUD and increase community land trust/shared equity housing (CLT/SEH) access to grant funding; co-sponsors in each chamber

Access to financing

- Expansion of government sponsored enterprises' (GSEs) impacts on shared equity mortgages in their Duty to Serve plans
- Program changes at Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac to improve access to mortgage financing
- Improve HOME regulation
- Improve Federal Housing Administration programs to benefit CLT/SEH homebuyers
- Tax incentives for shared equity housing

Education

- Grow bipartisan awareness and support for GSN policy priorities in House and Senate
- Accrue and disseminate knowledge about the field through our research and convening

Engagement in policy coalitions

- Coalition for Affordable Homeownership
- Underserved Mortgage Markets Coalition
- Coalition for Federal Home Loan Bank Reform

State and Local Policy

Infrastructure and Capacity

- Increase access to state and local housing funds for shared equity programs
- Increase role of state housing finance agencies in shared equity mortgage lending
- Assist local governments in identifying publicly owned assets for shared equity models

Land Use and Rezoning

- Improve local and state land use policies (including state preemption) to encourage density and innovation
- Advance state and local policies to support inclusionary zoning, CLTs, and cooperatives

Policy Creation and Advocacy

- Increase local adoption of housing plan elements to advance shared equity housing
- Grow engagement among GSN members and others on federal and state policies regarding financial markets, and legislative and administrative activities