

# Newton Affordable Homeownership Final Report

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# *Newton Affordable Homeownership* Program Review

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The project included the following scope:

- Portfolio Inventory and Assessment
  - Create inventory, Categorize units based on deed restrictions
- Resale Process
  - Calculate resale price, and Document resale process
- Evaluate Portfolio Monitored by Newton
  - Identify buy-downs necessary to maintain affordability

*Note: This is a point in time analysis, and will change over time*

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Inventory: 79 Restricted Units, 62  
Monitored by Newton

## Universal Deed Rider

- 50 Units, in total, 33 monitored by Newton
- Standard Form
- Perpetually Affordable Methodology

## Change in AMI method

- All 16 units monitored by Newton
- Newton Homebuyer Assistance Program
- Issues with Continued affordability

## Other Restrictions

- All monitored by Newton
- 5 Discount Rate
- 8 Base Price

*Note: LIP Units monitored by both DHCD and Newton*

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## Resale Process

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- Receive Conveyance Notice from Owner
- Determine Monitoring Agent
  - *Newton is responsible for 62 Units (35 in conjunction with DHCD)*
- Calculate Resale Price – based on methodology from Deed Restriction
- Implement Marketing Plan
- Close with New Homeowner – Restriction
  - *Utilize Universal Deed Rider for all resales*

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## Maintaining Affordability

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- 16 Units Utilize the Change in AMI Deed Restrictions
  - Does not restrict resale price to maintain affordability
  - 8 Units were identified that would require Buy Down funds to maintain affordability, based on current resale price
  - Buy Down requirement between \$236,000 - \$726,707
    - Include Capital Improvement Allowance
    - Set resale price for affordability at 70% or 80% AMI

# Planning Ahead

## Options for City

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- Procure Monitoring/Lottery/Resale Agent services
  - Contract ahead for consulting services for both lottery/resale agent and to proactively monitor units
- Vote Buy Down funds to preserve affordability
  - Resale timeline does not allow for extended decision making
- Anything else?