

## **Housing Community Development Needs – Region 2**

- Lack of funding
- Income limits too low
- Affordability to use Section 8 vouchers. Waiting list over one year.
- Fair market rents too low
- More funding for rental assistance and security deposits
- Need affordable housing
- More housing for essential service workers
- Construction costs very high
- Criminal background and/or bad credit
- Need homeless shelter for families and others
- Need temporary, transitional and permanent supportive housing
- Rehab project funding
- HOME program rules – more flexibility

## **Fair Housing Needs – Region 2**

- Landlord education
- Renter education
- Service animals education
- Some landlords keep security deposits
- Health and safety issues with rental units
- Renters stay quiet for fear of losing housing
- No enforcement on rental property
- Language barriers
- Immigration issues – lack of resources

## **Non-housing Community Development Needs – Region 2**

- Lack of funding
- ESG – guidelines not flexible
- Lack of infrastructure for commercial and housing development
- Income limits – temp. increase would help
- Expand public transportation
- HOME Program Regs - difficult
- Small cities – no comprehensive plans
- Statewide planning funds
- Lack of daycare
  - Quality
  - Cost
  - Employees
  - Schedules
  - Qualified directors
- Lack of addiction and mental illness counseling