



HOW DOES THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING TRUST FIT IN WITH SUSTAINABILITY?

(Is that a McMansion? Look again!)





Answer: **Sustainable development**

Diverse housing types such as apartments, townhouses, and duplexes, **require less energy to build, heat, and cool, have a lower impact on the environment, and are generally more affordable.**

We are exploring options to encourage the development of a variety of high quality, energy-efficient residences, potentially in **cluster developments** (small homes) and some **multi-family residences** (designed to fit Carlisle's character) in order to **diversify housing choices** in town.



Sustainable development

For example, in place of a five-bedroom home on one buildable 2+ acre lot, we are proposing instead to allow **in some instances** building one two-bedroom and one three-bedroom home on the same land area— i.e. the same number of bedrooms. These homes could be deed-restricted as Affordable or they could simply be less expensive and **more affordable** than typical large homes.

The goal is to build more environmentally sustainable options that also meet the needs of people **already living in Carlisle** who want to downsize, those who **work or grew up** here and can't find suitable housing, and others that **simply want to call Carlisle home** but are priced out.