



AFFORDABLE & MIXED INCOME HOUSING

Jenny will strive to ensure that a range of housing options at a range of price points are available in Ward 15, so our community remains diverse and mixed-income far into the future. She will also advocate for “aging in place” housing - both new construction mobility-friendly housing and programs to help senior citizens stay in their homes.

Public policy tools for equitable housing

- Jenny will support the development of affordable housing, such as recent multifamily projects by Detroit Shoreway Community Development Organization and the sixty (60) new Lease-Purchase homes being built by CHN Housing Partners.
- Cleveland’s current system for tax abatement is in need of reform. Reform legislation should be based on recommendations from the [July 2020 Cleveland Tax Abatement Study](#), such as capping abated value at a maximum of \$300,000 for single family homes and Community Benefits Agreements for multifamily properties.
- Jenny will work with Council colleagues to request State of Ohio authorizing legislation that would allow Cleveland to implement real estate tax relief, modeled off of programs such as [LOOP](#) in Philadelphia.
- Additional protections for low-income renters will ensure more housing equity in Ward 15. Policies such as Source of Income protections and Pay to Stay should be explored.
- The [upcoming redevelopment of the former Watterson-Lake School Site](#) will be a unique opportunity to infuse equity into neighborhood development: www.wattersonlakecle.com

Strengthen existing initiatives

Jenny wholeheartedly embraces existing initiatives to improve equity and make our housing safer, such as [Lead Safe Cleveland](#) and [Right to Counsel](#).

Aging in Place housing

Housing designed to allow people to age comfortably in their homes and adapt to changing mobility needs is largely absent in Ward 15. Jenny will work collaboratively with the Cuyahoga County Land Reutilization Corporation, the City of Cleveland Land Bank, Detroit Shoreway Community Development Organization and grassroots groups such as the Cleveland West Side Village to catalyze the development of Aging in Place housing.