Overcoming Housing Barriers for Immigrants

In recent decades, the Twin Cities region has become a gateway to the U.S. for many immigrant families, but too many face significant and systemic barriers to finding and maintaining adequate and affordable housing. The Minnesota Budget Project, Minnesota Housing Partnership and University of Minnesota’s Center for Urban and Regional Affairs interviewed more than a dozen leaders from the Hmong, Latino and Somali communities to explore not only what BARRIERS exist, but also what RESOURCES and COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT strategies are needed to remedy their constituents’ housing challenges. Read the full report: bit.ly/MN-immigrant-housing

RESOURCES

**FUNDING** for cultural and community organizations

Culturally relevant housing programs and resources

Educational workshops

**INVESTMENT** in disinvested neighborhoods

Community support through word of mouth

Community Engagement

Community engagement

- **FOSTER TRUST**
  - Be accountable & transparent

- **INCLUDE** as staff and on boards

- **CO-CREATE** instead of lead

- **POWER**

- **LOCAL COMMUNITY**
  - Priorities come from the GROUND UP

- **RESIDENTS ARE EXPERTS**