

Community Conversation Guide



A Resource for Community Leadership Programs from the KLC Journal

Housing shortages keeping Kansans out of a home on the range

TOPIC:
RURAL HOUSING

PRINCIPLE/COMPETENCY:
ENERGIZE OTHERS

SUMMARY

An explosion in demand is creating opportunities for small towns and medium-sized cities across Kansas to expand their housing options. But with so few new houses having been built in recent decades in places with declining or stable populations, communities are having to try out creative approaches to deal with the challenges. However, being aggressive in tackling the problem could pay future dividends.

DISCUSSION GUIDE

1. *What makes providing high quality affordable housing in rural areas different from providing it in urban and suburban parts of the state?*
2. *What information, if any, do you think local leaders need for them to help solve the housing needs of rural and midsized cities in Kansas?*
3. *What attitudes or perceptions represent a barrier to progress on this issue that could be addressed through leadership?*

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