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Municipal Technical Assistance Services offered:

NEEDS ANALYSIS:

Three Levels of Needs Assessment:

Level 1: Basic needs analysis similar to federal Housing Needs
Assessment utilizing American Community Survey housing data and/or HUD CHAS housing data.
Variable is number of meetings. Base assumption is 3 meetings – internal kickoff, staff check-in, final presentation and 3-5 interviews. No public engagement sessions.

Level 2: Advanced needs assessment / market analysis utilizing data from Level 1 analysis and adding in tax assessment data, housing program data, market information from sources such as Realtor.com. Also includes estimating existing land capacity based on present zoning and available land. No public engagement sessions. Number of interviews 5-7.

Level 3: Combines work in Level 1 and Level 2 with identifying potential locations utilizing present zoning, available land area plus build out potential based on current zoning. This would also entail two public engagement sessions.

UPDATING LAND USE AND PERMITTING REQUIREMENTS

Three Types:

Type A: Support communities in understanding their present base zoning and land availability to understand their present housing capacity based on present land entitlements and existing infrastructure.

Type B: Expansion of Type A to include underutilized land such as commercial centers, mixed use zones

Type C: Site specific test fitting which includes a more in-depth assessment including site planning (parking; environmental requirements such as wetland setbacks, etc; density bonuses)

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT AND EDUCATION

- Supporting development of infographics. This includes only the key points and data not graphics.
- Helping design engagement sessions/workshops, info/storyboards this includes key points, story lines, data not graphics