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### Agenda

Introduction

- What is a Community Land Trust?
- Case Studies of CLTs in Communities at Risk of Displacement

Q&A

Wrap-up



#### **INTRODUCTIONS**



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#### **SMART GROWTH BENEFITS CITIES**

- Sustainability
- Investment
- Livability
- Attractive to new residents
- Attractive to businesses



#### **BENEFITS WITH A COST**

Increased density and access to transit or amenities leads to increased land values (value premiums):

#### Transit<sup>1</sup>:

- Up to 32 percent value premium for single-family homes
- Up to 45 percent increases in rents

# Increased land values can lead to displacement and exclusion.



#### **HOW DOES A CLT WORK?**



Armstrong Townhomes 102 units, San Francisco



Single-family homes Albuquerque, NM

#### "Classic" CLT Model

CLT (501c3) owns the land

Homeowner purchases just the improvement (the home), and leases the land from the CLT for a nominal fee via a 99-year ground lease

The 99-year ground lease outlines the rights and responsibilities of the CLT and the homeowner, allows the homeowner use of the land, and sets the resale formula that will keep the home affordable after sale

This is known as "shared equity" ownership



#### WHAT IS A COMMUNITY LAND TRUST?

A Community Land Trust (CLT) is a private, non-profit organization that acquires and stewards land for the development of lasting community assets, most often permanently affordable ownership housing.

- Over 250 CLTs in 46 states with about 10,000 units
- Serve primarily low- and moderate-income residents
- In addition to housing, provide commercial spaces, urban agricultural sites and land conservation



Nova Townhomes 15 units, Seattle



Single-family homes Durham, N.C.

#### SHARED EQUITY HOMEOWNERSHIP

The benefits of home price appreciation are shared between the low-income subsidy recipient and the public or private entity providing the subsidy.

Forms of shared equity homeownership other than CLTs include:

- Deed-restricted housing (such as inclusionary housing)
- Shared-appreciation loans
- Limited-equity cooperatives



#### **SUBSIDY RETENTION**

# Programs maintain affordability while eliminating the need for further subsidy

**INITIAL SALE:** The program secures subsidy that can cover the difference

between the cost of buying/ developing a home and what the

buyer can afford. The homebuyer takes out a mortgage based

just on what they can afford.

**OCCUPANCY:** The homebuyer makes affordable monthly payments on the

mortgage including all taxes, insurance and utilities.

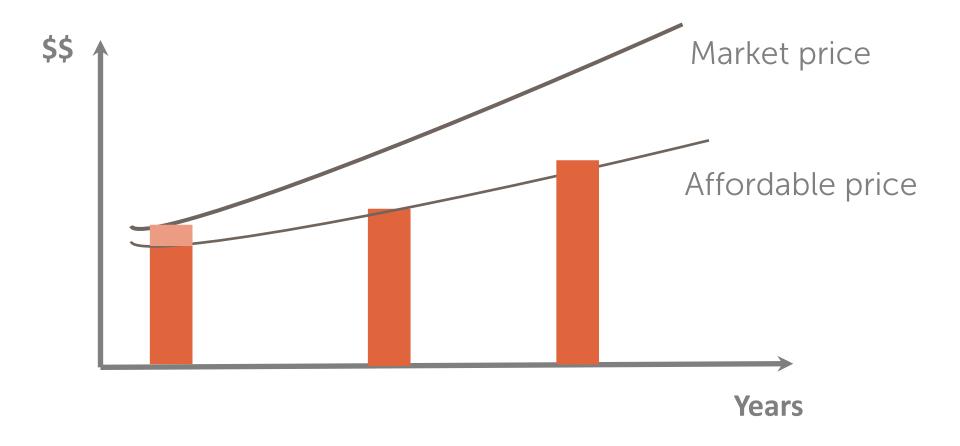
**RESALE:** Homebuyer sells the home at a resale restricted price that

ensures that the home will be affordable to the next

homebuyer without any influx of new subsidy.

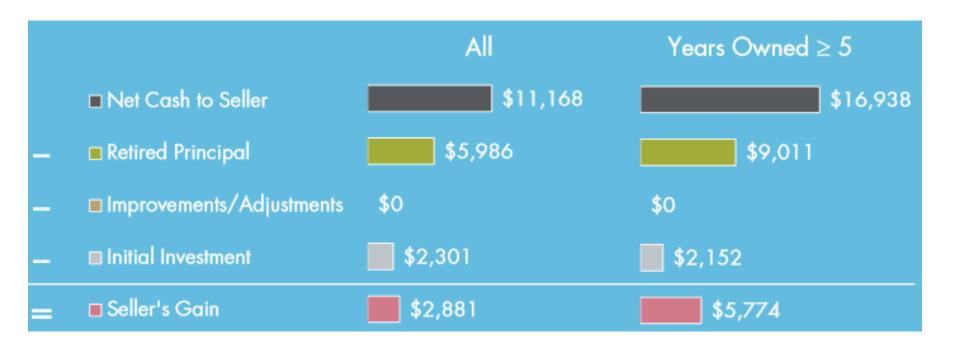


#### **SUBSIDY RETENTION CONT'D**



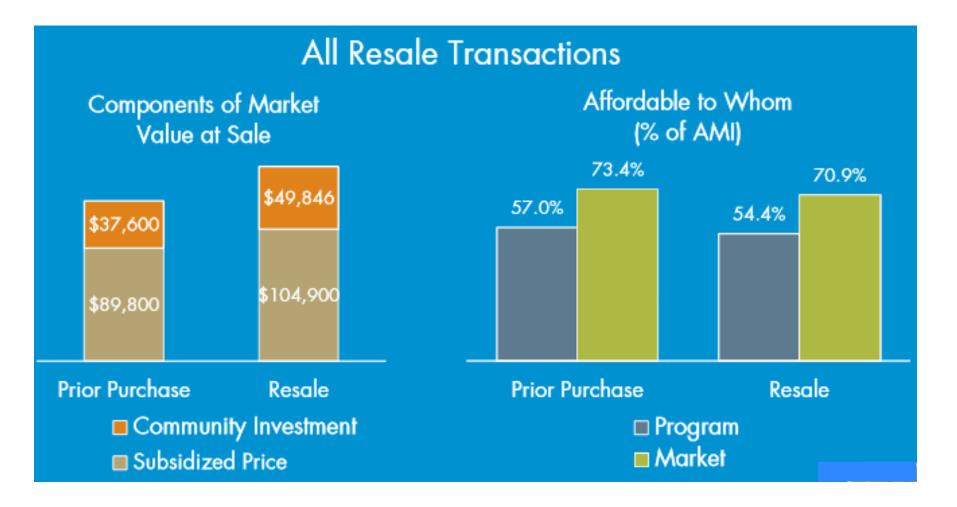


#### HOUSEHOLD WEALTH IS CREATED





#### HOMES REMAIN AFFORDABLE



## STEWARDSHIP

#### THE STEWARD...

- PROMOTES success of residents
- PROTECTS affordability
- PRESERVES use and condition of properties
- PREVENTS loss of public investment



#### Questions?





Homeowners from Champlain Housing Trust Burlington, VT