

CLT Survey Highlights and Summary

- 🏠 The survey received 246 respondents from all parts of the state, roughly half of whom expressed interest in continuing the CLT conversation.
- 🏠 The top unmet needs in the housing category were affordable rentals and affordable homes for ownership (senior and special needs clients came in next).
- 🏠 69 percent of all respondents ranked unmet affordable housing needs as either “extreme” or “large.”
- 🏠 40 percent of all respondents ranked affordable land for other than housing as either “extreme” or “large.”
- 🏠 Affordable land for public facilities was the largest identified “other than housing ” need.
- 🏠 One-third of the respondents identified home ownership as less than 50 percent in their communities.
- 🏠 Young families with children were most strongly identified as in need of affordable housing (80 percent).
- 🏠 Over half of the respondents identified their service area as “rural”.
- 🏠 66 percent of all respondents identified median priced homes in their communities selling for more than \$150,000
- 🏠 In terms of apartment rentals, “substandard” well outranked “well-maintained.”
- 🏠 Most respondents reported absentee landlords owning some of their communities’ rentals but none reported this to be a majority of them.
- 🏠 39 percent of all respondents identified second-homeowners, not in residence for part of the year, as commonplace.

- 🏠 51 percent of all respondents identified local worker shortages as a function of unaffordable housing.
- 🏠 Affordable, single family, detached, homes were identified as the most needed housing type (65 percent of all respondents).
- 🏠 Apartment buildings with six or fewer units (42 percent of all respondents) were identified as the next most needed housing type.
- 🏠 Cost of land came in first, followed by cost of construction, as the biggest barrier to affordability.
- 🏠 Declining school enrollments were a concern for roughly half of the respondents.
- 🏠 The inability to “age in place” was a concern for 48 percent of all respondents.
- 🏠 NIMBYism was reported as an affordable housing barrier by 50 percent of all respondents.
- 🏠 54 percent of all respondents did not believe that governmental regulatory barriers were significant problems in their communities.
- 🏠 A little over half of all respondents reported they were familiar with the community land trust model.
- 🏠 Most respondents were not familiar with community land trusts being used for other than housing needs.
- 🏠 Respondents were closely divided between having a “favorable” or “unsure” impression of the community land trust model. Only 3 percent of all respondents registered an unfavorable impression.
- 🏠 32 percent of all respondents knew of people in their communities exploring the start up of a community land trust.
- 🏠 15 percent of all respondents knew of people actively engaged in beginning CLT’s in their communities.