

DATE 5/20/25ITEM NO. RA 2.1**Rosy Millan**

**From:** Ben Elias <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Friday, May 16, 2025 6:12 PM  
**To:** District1; District2; District3; District4; COB\_mail; District5  
**Subject:** Support of BOS 5/20/25 Agenda Item 21: Supervisors Policy D 22.17 - General Fund, Three Cents for Affordable Housing

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Hello,

I am a seventh-generation Tucsonan, Pima County resident, a homeowner, public servant and I want to state my unequivocal support for the proposed 3 cent annual property tax increase for Affordable Housing.

I was only able to purchase a home as my wife had a decent credit score, we had a family member co-sign on the home loan and a friend provided us with some money as a down payment. Unfortunately, this is becoming a more common story as so many of our neighbors face countless road blocks in seeking and securing stable housing, whether they rent or own.

Pima County is facing an extreme housing crisis, and this is a great first step to alleviating some of the worst effects. I would like to see the estimated \$200+ million dollars generated go towards the stated purposes of the "construction and preservation of affordable housing in Pima County," but ESPECIALLY towards the expansion of initiatives and programs that reduce homelessness and keep people housed as well. I would like to see rental relief, any steps towards rent caps, extensive no-barrier services for the unhoused, and transitional housing in addition to the construction of new affordable housing and the preservation of existing affordable housing close to transit and existing amenities.

We desperately need housing affordability across Pima County. This proposed tax is a great start, and I support it, but we need more and it should go further, potentially lasting beyond 10 years. I would also support a county-wide housing bond to promote long-term and permanent housing affordability. In the face of state and federal funding cuts and market uncertainty, local funding initiatives are more important than ever to combat rising housing unaffordability and an increased risk of Pima County residents forced into homelessness.

Please vote yes and show bold leadership and support this excellent start to addressing local housing needs as identified in the ECONorthwest Housing Needs Assessment.

With Sincere Hope for a Better Future in Pima County,

Ben Elias  
2625 N Wilson Ave  
Tucson, AZ 85719

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**From:** April M Putney <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 18, 2025 9:09 AM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Support for Affordable Housing Property Tax Initiative

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Hello,

I am a Pima County District 5 resident and homeowner, and I want to state my unequivocal support for the proposed 3 cent annual property tax increase for Affordable Housing.

Pima County is facing an extreme housing crisis, and this is a great first step to alleviating some of the worst effects. I would like to see the estimated \$200+ million dollars generated go towards the stated purposes of the "construction and preservation of affordable housing in Pima County," but ESPECIALLY towards the expansion of initiatives and programs that reduce homelessness and keep people housed as well. I would like to see rental relief, any steps towards rent caps, extensive no-barrier services for the unhoused, and transitional housing in addition to the construction of new affordable housing and the preservation of existing affordable housing close to transit and amenities.

We desperately need housing affordability all over Pima County. This tax is a great start, and I support it, but we need more and it should go further, potentially lasting beyond 10 years. I would also support a county-level housing bond to promote long-term and permanent housing affordability, especially through the land trust model.

Please follow through on this excellent start to addressing local housing needs as identified in the ECOnorthwest Housing Needs Assessment.

With Sincere Hope for a Better Future in Pima County,

April Putney  
Tucson Resident  
Barrio Hollywood

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**From:** Lubna Govindarajan <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 18, 2025 2:09 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** 3 Cents for Affordable Housing

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To all Board Supervisors,

I am writing to express my support as a Pima County property owner for the Three Cents for Affordable Housing policy. Besides the obvious need for affordable housing to keep Tucson's citizens and families housed and stable, more affordable housing will drive economic growth by attracting businesses to invest in Pima County. Investing in affordable housing will positively affect people today, and generations to come, and ensures Pima County remains a family-friendly community - a win-win for its people and businesses looking to invest. Three cents is a small investment with very big returns for all of us.

It isn't just the right thing to do, it's also the right economic thing to do and I urge all Supervisors to vote "yes" on Three Cents for Affordable Housing.

Sincerely,  
Lubna Govindarajan  
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Oro Valley, AZ 85737

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**From:** Lauryn Valladarez [REDACTED]  
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**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** 3 cents for affordable housing

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To all Board Supervisors,

I am writing to express my support as a Pima County property owner, represented by Matt Heinz, for the Three Cents for Affordable Housing policy. Besides the obvious need for affordable housing to keep Tucson's citizens and families housed and stable, more affordable housing will drive economic growth by attracting businesses to invest in Pima County. Investing in affordable housing will positively affect people today, and generations to come, and ensures Pima County remains a family-friendly community - a win-win for its people and businesses looking to invest. Three cents is a small investment with very big returns for all of us.

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Lauryn Valladarez  
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**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** 3 Cents for Affordable Housing

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I support for Rex Scott's 3 Cents for Affordable Housing policy. As home owner, it makes sense to strengthen our community through this ongoing affordability crisis, as the big driver is housing prices. This equitable spreads the social responsibility of ensuring vulnerable community members have housing stability. Research demonstrates that families having a permanent home are better able to contribute to the economy through employment, are healthier, their children benefit from safety and education and they are good neighbors.

Please approve this policy.

Thank you,  
Lisa Horuczi Markus  
4352 N Drake Place  
Tucson, AZ 85749

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**From:** Lisa Floran [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 18, 2025 5:10 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Item 21 - BoS Policy D 22.17 - General Fund, Three Cents for Affordable Housing

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Good afternoon,

My name is Lisa Floran, and I'm a resident of District 5. My background is in public health and community development, and I serve on multiple boards and coalitions related to homelessness and eviction prevention. I'm writing to express my strong support for the proposed Board of Supervisors Policy D 22.17 – General Fund, Three Cents for Affordable Housing.

Every day, community members call, email, and stop by my office to inquire about housing options, rental assistance, and emergency shelter. Housing is far and away the leading request we receive and is also the one that prompts the most urgency and desperation. Unfortunately, demand is far outpacing the resources that our system – which includes nonprofits, government, mutual aid, and faith-based groups – can offer, and we are too often forced to let people know that nothing is available to help them maintain their precarious unit or move them off the street.

I am deeply appreciative of the steps taken by the Board of Supervisors in recent years to address our housing crisis, particularly your adoption of the Prosperity Initiative and support for the Regional Affordable Housing Commission. That said, a top takeaway from both the Prosperity Initiative's housing policy briefs and the Commission's recommendations has been that Pima County simply needs more housing. Report after report has concluded that housing production and preservation, particularly of affordable units, must be supercharged in order to make up ground lost since 2008 - and ultimately make any sort of dent in affordability and homelessness. And with increasing numbers of residents newly engaging with our homelessness system (TPCH data suggests jumps of 46-53% in the past few years) and federal funding under threat, programs and resources to intervene with those who have already lost housing are more important than ever.

Pima County residents have been unified in their call for elected officials to take concrete action on housing and homelessness. With D 22.17, I applaud the Board's willingness to put forth a policy that responds to those requests while incorporating the most up-to-date research and recommendations into a pragmatic, effective, and non-regressive plan. A vote for Policy D 22.17 is a vote that reiterates Pima County's commitment to establish pathways to prosperity and opportunity, particularly for our lowest-income residents, and I urge the Supervisors to vote yes.

Thank you for your consideration,

Lisa Floran

District 5

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Lisa Floran

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**From:** Edwin Quick [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 18, 2025 8:26 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Support affordable housing in Tucson

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I am writing to express my support as a Pima County property owner, represented by Rex Scott, for the Three Cents for Affordable Housing policy. Besides the obvious need for affordable housing to keep Tucson's citizens and families housed and stable, more affordable housing will drive economic growth by attracting businesses to invest in Pima County. Investing in affordable housing will positively impact people today and future generations, and it ensures that Pima County remains a family-friendly community—a win-win for its people and businesses looking to invest. Three cents is a small investment with very big returns for all of us.

It isn't just the right thing to do; it's also the right economic choice, and I urge all Supervisors to vote "yes" on Three Cents for Affordable Housing.

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Ed Quick  
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Pima County Board of Supervisors,  
Please consider approving the above named bill. With less federal funding available these days, I am willing as a homeowner to pay a higher tax rate for addition, improved or maintained affordable housing for those who otherwise would not be able to do so.

Thank you.  
Sherri Gelman,  
Marana, AZ

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