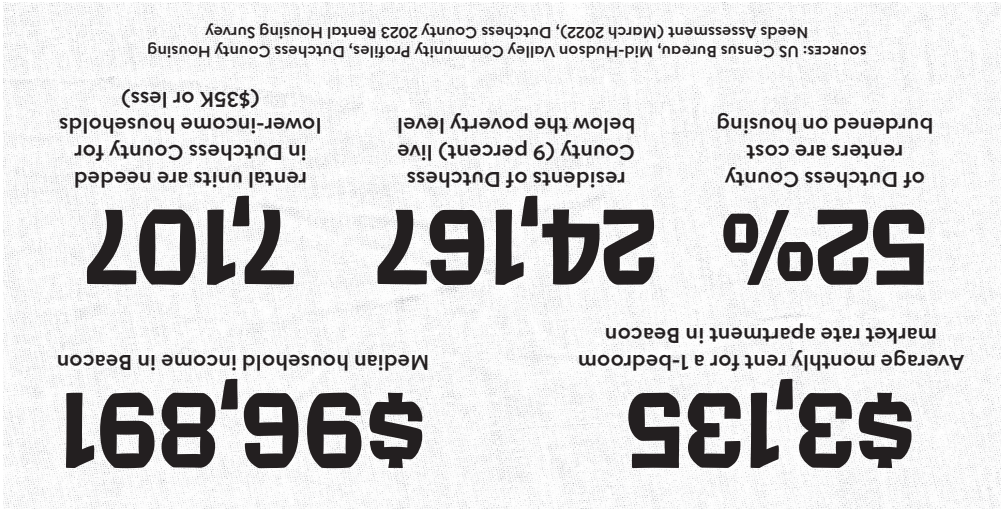


When it comes to creating a home, how does one reconcile individual needs with the greater community impact? What do we love and why? Are they choices, or does everything merely radiate out from structural inequality? I want to know how we can win. And live together, with respect for each other's humanity.

—Stacie Williams, *Bizarro Worlds*

Anyone who has ever struggled with poverty knows how extremely expensive it is to be poor, and if one is a member of a captive population, economically speaking, one's feet have simply been placed on the treadmill forever.

—James Baldwin, *Nobody Knows My Name*



Solving the housing crisis requires creativity and persistence. BCAN advocates for:

GOOD CAUSE EVICTION

Protect renters from unfair evictions and rent hikes (passed in Beacon, Poughkeepsie, Newburgh, and Kingston!)

LOCAL HOUSING JUSTICE COORDINATORS

City employees focused specifically on housing issues

SOCIAL HOUSING

A city or state-run department that builds affordable housing on government land

RENT STABILIZATION

Prevents arbitrary rent increases and gives extra protections to renters (requires housing emergency declaration)

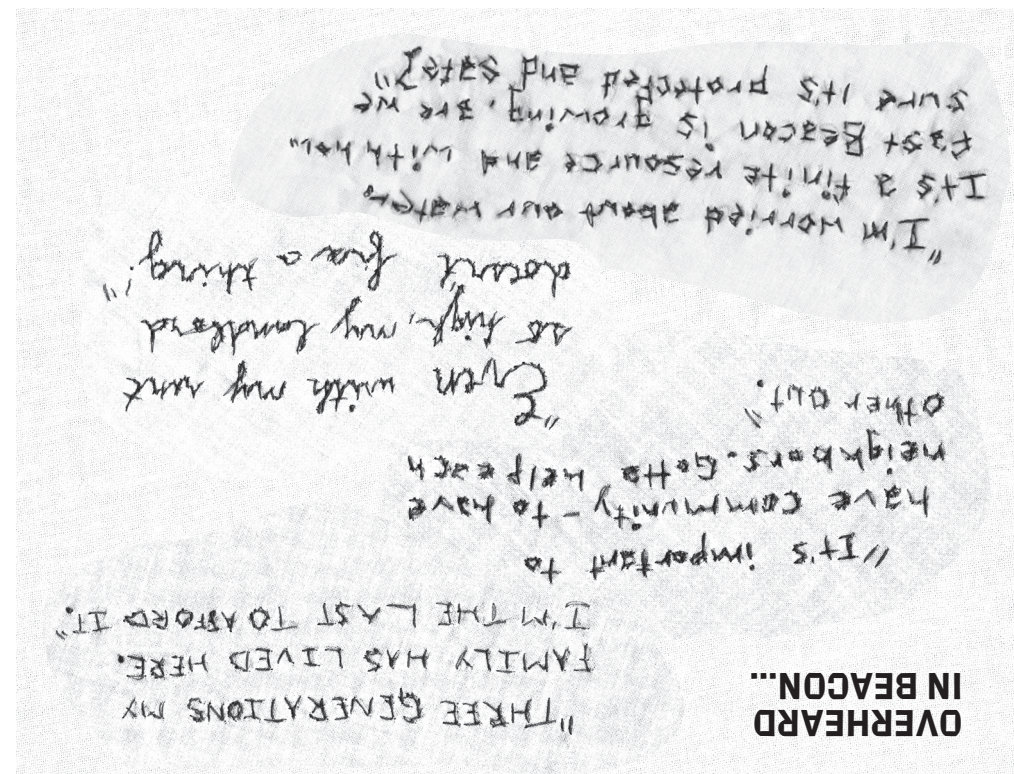
EQUITABLE ZONING

Prioritize multi-family zoning and require developers to build more affordable units

Learn more at beaconcan.org/housing



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FOR THE PAST two years Beacon Climate Action Now (BCAN) has been organizing neighbors to find political solutions to the climate crisis and fight for a better, more equitable world for all of us.

We've knocked on hundreds of doors in Beacon and Fishkill, chatted with folks at farmer's markets and community events, and hosted our own block parties and festivals. And the number one concern on everyone's mind? Housing.



WE'RE WORRIED about it too. Your home should be your safe place, a shelter for you and your loved ones. Being displaced from that safe place due to soaring housing and living costs is traumatic for families, and destroys ties crucial for keeping communities whole. Inadequate or unstable housing access also makes people more vulnerable to the extremes of the climate catastrophe, like unsafe heat waves and flooding. Just the zip code where you live can determine your exposure to toxic pollutants in the air and water.

IN SHORT, we don't just care about the planet, we care about the people who live on it, too. And what good is a green future if no one can afford to live there?

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