# **Priority Sites**

### What are Priority Sites?

Priority Sites are locally-identified, regionally significant places that will offer homes affordable to people of all incomes, backgrounds and abilities. Sites include or are nearby essential services, green space and frequent public transit.

A Priority Site could be a declining mall, a recently closed public facility, a transit station parking lot or unused school district land. Some sites have been planned for decades or are partially built out; others were recently identified in a Housing Element or a Specific Plan

# The Priority Sites Pilot Program

Through the Priority Sites Program, the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG), Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) and Bay Area Housing Finance Authority (BAHFA) will provide technical assistance to advance high-impact projects on sites nominated by local governments and affordable housing developers.

Sites will also be included in the update to Plan Bay Area 2050 – Plan Bay Area 2050+ – and will be positioned for future infrastructure, planning, and housing funding.

## How to Nominate a Site

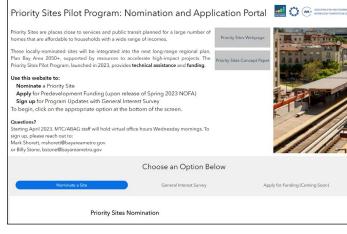
Beginning April 1, 2023, local governments are invited to nominate Priority Sites through the <u>program's Nomination and</u> <u>Application Portal</u>. The nomination deadline is September 30, 2023. Nominate early to ensure access to all available resources.

#### How to Apply for Funding & Technical Assistance

Local governments and project sponsors can request technical assistance and apply for available funding, including \$28 million in predevelopment funding through the <u>Portal</u>.

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