



## Sheriff Candidate Questionnaire

*The Greater New Orleans Housing Alliance (GNOHA) has crafted a #PutHousingFirst Platform of policy recommendations for Sheriff candidates to commit to, based on seven key pillars that we believe to be the most effective solutions towards alleviating our city's affordable housing crisis.*

### **Goal #1: Preserve existing and expand the total supply of affordable rental and homeownership opportunities throughout the City of New Orleans.**

1. If elected or re-elected, will you commit to proposing a public development protocol that dedicates vacant property owned by the Sheriff's department for affordable housing development?

### **Goal #2: Prevent future displacement through development activities and continued study and policy review.**

2. If elected or re-elected, will you commit to efforts that decriminalize and destigmatize our city's unhoused populations?

### **Goal #3: Enforce and promote fair housing policies throughout New Orleans.**

3. If elected or re-elected, will you commit to prioritizing housing stability for the formerly incarcerated by securing affordable housing resources with supportive services upon release?

### **Goal #4: Encourage sustainable design & infrastructure for all New Orleanians.**

4. If elected or re-elected, will you commit to working with local shelters and advocates for the unhoused to create and promote sustainable alternatives to encampment sweeps?

**Goal #5: Increase accessibility for all walks of life, including special needs residents.**

5. If elected or re-elected, will you commit to utilizing a non-police crisis response team, particularly for the unhoused experiencing severe mental illness?

**Goal #6: Promote transparency and utilize community input in decision-making.**

6. If elected or re-elected, will you commit to pursuing alternatives to the Phase III psychiatric facility, including the creation of a community-based crisis stabilization center outside of the carceral system?

**Goal #7: Improve quality of life in New Orleans neighborhoods.**

7. If elected or re-elected, will you commit to ensuring safe, habitable, and humane living conditions in carceral facilities?