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Catalysts Town Hall Series on Housing and Litigation

**STOP THE THREATS**

**SB 9 and HCD/RHNA**

**JOIN THE LAWSUITS!**



# Objections to SB9

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1. Illegal & Unconstitutional.
2. No requirement for affordable housing.
3. Unfair long-term financial burdens infrastructure.
4. Widespread opposition: The League of CA Cities and 241 of the 482 CA jurisdictions opposed SB9.



# **Objections to HCD/RHNA:**

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- 1. The CA State Auditor concluded that “The Department of HCD must improve its processes to ensure that communities can adequately plan for housing.”**
- 2. HCD violated the California Constitution when it established the RHNA methodology (CA Code: 65584.01(b)(1))**
- 3. Current HCD methodology generated RHNA numbers double, triple or more than the quotas of any previous eight-year cycle.**
- 4. Regional agencies, enacting HCD policy, rejected city and county requests for reduced quotas related to safety, buildable sites, and other factors of local concern.**



# Join the lawsuits!

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We face genuine housing issues that should be addressed with incentives, not threats.

**One Size Does NOT Fit All!!**

Local sovereignty is being replaced by outside special interests.

**SB 9 and HCD's RHNA worsen, rather than improve, housing affordability.**



# Take Action

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## ELECTED OFFICIALS CITY COUNCILS & BOARDS OF SUPERVISORS

1. Put the lawsuit discussion on the next CC or BOS agenda.
2. Talk to CC members from cities that are part of the SB9 lawsuit or interested in the HCD/Audit lawsuit.
3. Designate a CC/BOS rep to speak to attorney Pam Lee.
4. Weigh the short-term, short-sighted savings of compliance against the long-term losses and expenses WHILE worsening affordability.



# Take Action

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## CONSTITUENTS COMMUNITY LEADERS

1. Organize your neighborhoods, county, and across the state.
2. Meet with elected officials to urge the lawsuits be pursued in bold support of constituents, not in fear of threats from the state.
3. Reject the lament, "There's nothing we can do!" Affirm, "Strength in numbers."



# Other Actions

## Get Involved Locally! Then Join a State Group

Dates/Times	State Groups
M, 5-6 pm	Catalysts Calls
W, 6-7 pm (tonight)	Our Neighborhood Voices
Th, 5-6 pm	CA Cities for Local Control
Sat, 10 am	Livable California
Sun 4 pm	CA Alliance for Local Electeds (CALE)

## Individual Actions

1. Be a leader, a cheerleader, an analyst, or a nudge
2. Read, write, show up, speak up, rally, run for office
3. Change the narrative on social media, TV, Ted Talks, or a soap box
4. Be kind. Welcome all. Focus on solutions . And VOTE!