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- (a) It is found and declared that in this era of rapid population growth and expansion and of increasing urbanization, there is a need, in many areas of the State, to promote sound community development.
- It is further found and declared that the counties and municipalities of this State do not have adequate resources to, and the ordinary operations of private enterprise cannot without State assistance, deal effectively with all of the problems of sound community development.
- It is further found that a need exists to coordinate and concentrate federal, State, regional and local public and private community development efforts and resources.
- It is further found and declared that there is a shortage of adequate, safe, and sanitary housing for families of limited income particularly; and that by increasing the housing supply for families of limited incomes this shortage will be alleviated and sound community development promoted.
- IT IS FURTHER FOUND AND DECLARED THAT THE INCREASE OF OPPORTUNITIES FOR HOMEOWNERSHIP IS DESIRABLE AND PROMOTES SOUND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT.
- It is further found and declared that to promote sound community development is a proper public purpose and State use for which public money may be expended and property may be acquired, and that the functions and responsibilities of the Community Development Administration as hereinafter set forth are necessary and proper for the purpose of achieving the ends here recited.

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(c) "Families of limited incomes" means families or persons whose incomes do not exceed upper income limits established by the Secretary of Economic and Community Development taking into consideration factors including (1) the amount of the total income of such families available for housing needs, (2) the size of the family, (3) the cost and condition of housing facilities available, (4) the ability of such families to compete successfully in the normal private housing market, and (5) standards and definitions established for pertinent federal housing programs. THE LIMITS MAY DIFFER FOR DIFFERENT TYPES OF HOUSING, PROGRAMS OF THE ADMINISTRATION, AND AREAS OF THE STATE. A LIMIT OF GENERAL APPLICABILITY MAY BE SUPPLEMENTED BY A LOWER LIMIT APPLICABLE TO A PARTICULAR PROJECT.