

**TITLE 42 - THE PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE  
CHAPTER 130 - NATIONAL AFFORDABLE HOUSING  
SUBCHAPTER I - GENERAL PROVISIONS AND POLICIES**

**§ 12703. Purposes of Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act**

The purposes of this Act are—

- (1) to help families not owning a home to save for a down payment for the purchase of a home;
- (2) to retain wherever feasible as housing affordable to low-income families those dwelling units produced for such purpose with Federal assistance;
- (3) to extend and strengthen partnerships among all levels of government and the private sector, including for-profit and nonprofit organizations, in the production and operation of housing affordable to low-income and moderate-income families;
- (4) to expand and improve Federal rental assistance for very low-income families; and
- (5) to increase the supply of supportive housing, which combines structural features and services needed to enable persons with special needs to live with dignity and independence.

(Pub. L. 101–625, title I, § 103, Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 4085.)

**References in Text**

This Act, referred to in text, is Pub. L. 101–625, Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 4079, known as the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 12701 of this title and Tables.