

Kieshulp

Vote March 16

Use this voting help (a short version of the 'Meetlat recht op wonen' by The Shift) to check the programmes of your local political parties for the quality of their housing policy.

The more of the following points you find in their programme, the better the party's (housing) policy.

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- **The right to housing is mentioned as a fundamental right.**
- **Homelessness is seen as first a housing problem (not just one of care). Solving homelessness is a priority in the housing policy.**
- **There is attention for specific groups like youth, ex-convicts, labour migrants, people with disabilities, and ‘undocumented people’.**

- **It's mentioned that people must have security of housing, regardless of whether they own or rent.**
- **There is a focus on better protection of renters.**
- **Temporary (or 'flex') housing is seen as a temporary measure, not a solution.**
- **The programme speaks of ensuring a sufficient number of affordable houses.**
- **It is seen as the task of the municipality to make sure that rents are affordable, even in the free sector, and to set standards (of affordability and quality) for middle-income housing.**

- **Plans are shared to tackle bad-quality housing on a large scale.**
- **Extra attention is paid to quality, accessibility, and quantity of services in neighbourhoods (education, health, work, etc.)**
- **There is extra attention paid to suitable housing, especially for people with (physical and/or mental) disabilities.**



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- **The programme announces less (or no) use will be made of anti-squat or temporary rental schemes in which renters have no protection.**
- **Measures are announced to allow victims of domestic abuse to remain in their house and to guarantee their safety.**
- **Application of the income requirement from the 'Rotterdamwet' will be stopped.**

- **Measures are announced to fight discrimination in both rental and sales markets.**
- **Fighting (social) inequality is a key point in the programme and measures in the area of housing are placed in the context of social equality.**
- **The programme announces the reinforcement of residents' control. Part of this is ensured through better, more accessible, and more timely communication with inhabitants.**

- **When the programme speaks of demolition, it indicates that residents are involved in the decision-making process. The right to return is guaranteed for all inhabitants.**
- **The programme states that evictions must never lead to homelessness.**
- **Measures are announced to improve the protection of housing rights.**



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