

# City of Detroit

## CITY COUNCIL


**GABRIELA SANTIAGO-ROMERO**

COUNCIL MEMBER, DISTRICT 6

### MEMORANDUM

TO: Tammy Daniels, Director  
Detroit Land Bank Authority

THRU: Council Member Mary Sheffield, Council President

FROM: Council Member Gabriela Santiago-Romero 

DATE: June 7, 2023

RE: Detroit Land Bank Policies

After review of the Detroit Land Bank Authority Quarter 3 Report, please provide a detailed response for the following questions as it pertains to the Buy Back Program:

1. How many applications (approved or denied) has the Buy Back Program received since it started?
2. On page 3, the Executive Summary table lists the “Buy Back Closed” and “Buy Back Complete” totals. Please explain the difference between these two terms.
3. What are the next steps for Buy Back applicants who fail their home inspections?
4. What steps does the Detroit Land Bank Authority take to help occupying residents own or rent their homes from the partner organization it was sold to through the Occupied Property Disposition Program?

Please do not hesitate to contact my office if you have any questions. Thank you.

Cc: Honorable Detroit City Council  
Louise Jones, City Clerk’s Office  
Malik Washington, City Council Liaison