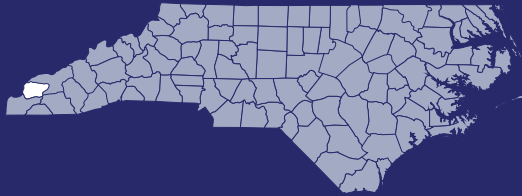
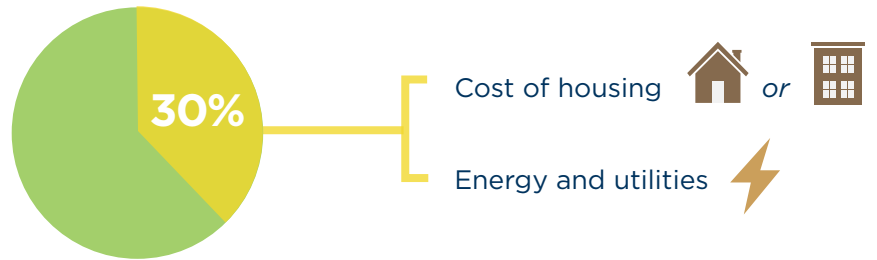


# The 2019 Housing Need in Graham County

Housing is affordable when it comprises no more than **30% of the family's budget**. Families that spend more than this on housing are **cost-burdened**.



# 18%

of Graham County are **cost-burdened**

**582 households**

**Renters** who have difficulty affording their homes:



# 23%

**102 households**

**Homeowners** who have difficulty affording their homes:



# 18%

**480 households**

## Rental Market in Graham County



To afford a modest two-bedroom apartment at:

# \$683/month



A family needs to earn:

# \$27,320/year



But the average renter can only afford a rent of:

# \$670/month

## Average Annual Salaries



Food prep and service

**\$18,880**



Childcare

**\$23,110**



Healthcare

**\$25,670**



Retail sales

**\$25,680**



Construction

**\$29,310**



Police officer

**\$38,940**

**\$27,320** income needed to afford a two-bedroom apartment

**\$48,600** Area Median Income (AMI) for Graham County

## North Carolina Energy Burden

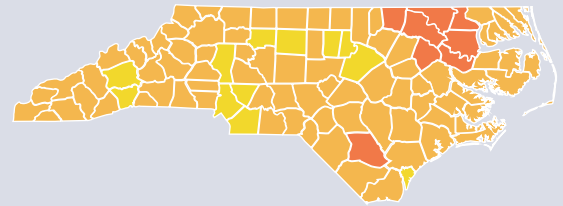
According to the US Department of Health and Human Services, paying **more than 6%** of a household's budget on energy is unaffordable.

Percentage of income spent on energy costs: 

### Renters



### Homeowners



## Graham County Energy Burden



The average family spends:

**\$182** each month on energy costs, or...

**4.5%** of their monthly income

### Renters earning less than 50% AMI spend



**\$128** average monthly amount spent on energy, or...

**10.6%** of household income

**SEVERELY UNAFFORDABLE**

### Homeowners earning less than 50% AMI spend



**\$149** average monthly amount spent on energy, or...

**10.8%** of household income

**SEVERELY UNAFFORDABLE**

## When Housing Costs Too Much

When housing costs become too much, a family can lose their home. This takes an incredible toll not only on a family, but also on the entire community.



**21** families in Graham County faced an eviction filing this year...

**20.6%** of all cost-burdened renters.



**2** families in Graham County faced a foreclosure this year...

**0.4%** of all cost-burdened homeowners.

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