The 2019 Housing Need in Halifax 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.

36% of Halifax County are cost-burdened

7,683 households

Renters who have difficulty affording their homes: 56%
3,834 households

Homeowners who have difficulty affording their homes: 28%
3,849 households

Rental Market in Halifax County

To afford a modest two-bedroom apartment at:
$695/month

A family needs to earn:
$27,800/year

But the average renter can only afford a rent of:
$519/month

Average Annual Salaries

- Food prep and service: $19,080
- Healthcare: $23,120
- Childcare: $23,900
- Retail sales: $23,990
- Construction: $26,930
- Police officer: $39,660

$27,800 income needed to afford a two-bedroom apartment

$43,700 Area Median Income (AMI) for Halifax County

*Statistics from the American Community Survey, the Bureau of Labor Statistics, the North Carolina Court System, the NLIHC 2018 Out of Reach report, and the U.S. Department of Energy.

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Affordable communities are healthier communities with opportunity for all

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:

- > 8%
- 6% - 8%
- 3% - 6%
- < 3%

Renters

Homeowners

Halifax County Energy Burden

The average family spends: $279 each month on energy costs, or...

7.6% of their monthly income

Renters earning less than 50% AMI spend

$259 average monthly amount spent on energy, or...

18.8% of household income

Homeowners earning less than 50% AMI spend

$289 average monthly amount spent on energy, or...

21.8% of household income

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.

- 600 families in Halifax County faced an eviction filing this year...
- 0 families in Halifax County faced a foreclosure this year...

- 15.7% of all cost-burdened renters.
- 0% of all cost-burdened homeowners.

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