It is anticipated that there will be a need for 15,000 new units affordable to households earning 60 percent of area median income and below over the next 15 years. The areas of greatest need in the development and preservation of affordable housing are small families and seniors.¹

Outcome Statement: To have safe, stable, and accessible living accommodations along with other basic necessities. To have access to affordable, accessible housing with the supportive services necessary to live as independently as possible in a community setting.

In 2019, there were 171 persons over the age of 55 and 329 children under the age of 18 who were homeless.⁴

In the past decade, trends in homeownership rates have changed little on average, though gaps among racial/ethnic groups are widening. In large urban communities, the majority of White households own their home, while more than half of Black households are renters. Nationally, nearly 1 in 4 Black households spend more than half of their income on housing.⁵

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