Affordable Housing: Occupants can pay their housing costs and have enough money for other necessities such as food, health care, childcare, broadband access, and transportation.

Federal Housing Definitions

Cost-Burdened: >30% of household gross income goes to housing.

Severely Cost-Burdened: >50% of household gross income goes to housing.

Rental Housing Shortage

In Howard County, there are 9,000 eligible low-income renter households, but only 2,600 affordable rental units.

Among low-income seniors, there are 4,500 eligible households, but only 1,000 affordable rental units.

1 in 4 renter households in Howard County are Severely Cost-Burdened.

33% more Severely Cost-Burdened renter households than in 2010.

Coordinated System of Homeless Services Hotline

648 households called the homeless services hotline in FY2020.

CALLERS BY RACE:

- Asian: 54%
- Black/AA: 1%
- Hispanic/Latino: .6%
- White: 18%
- N/A: 25%

Children Experiencing Homelessness

447 Howard County Public School System students and their siblings experienced homelessness in FY2020.

Students Experiencing Homelessness by Race:

- Asian: 2%
- Black/AA: 63%
- Hispanic/Latino: 18%
- White: 8%
- Multiple: 9%

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