A Place to Call Home: Crook County

Homes give people an opportunity to build better lives and communities. But how do Crook County residents fare?

We have a serious shortage of affordable housing

For every 100 families with extremely low incomes, there are 33 affordable units available.

More than 1 out of 4 renters are paying more than 50% of their income in rent

2 out of 3 renters with extremely low incomes are paying more than 50% of their income in rent

375 units are needed to meet the need

Our neighbors are facing homelessness

1 in every 50 students experienced homelessness in 2018-2019

That’s 58 children during the 2018-19 school year in Crook County.

Oregonians on fixed incomes struggle to pay rent even for a one bedroom apartment.

Social Security: $9,396
Veterans’ pension: $17,845
Retirement: $17,576

1 bedroom housing wage: $23,160
Workers can't afford rent

$17.26

Mean renter wage

53 hours

Number of hours per week at minimum wage needed to afford a 2 bedroom apartment

Homeownership is out of reach for many

Average home price someone can afford

$257,700

median home value in 2019

Area median renter income: $151,613
Construction laborer: $185,197
Teacher: $327,444
Median home value: $257,700

Median Home Value, 2019

A household must earn at least $30,600 to afford a 2 bedroom apartment at fair market rent.

Minimum wage: $22,880
Cook: $30,500
Nursing Assistant: $32,313
Housing wage: $30,600

...a 6.6% increase since 2018