A Place to Call Home: Wallowa County

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

We have a serious shortage of affordable housing

For every 100 families with extremely low incomes, there are 46 affordable units available.

1 out of 4

115

units are needed to meet the need

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More than 2 out of 3

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Our neighbors are facing homelessness

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That's 11 children during the 2019-20 school year in Wallowa County.

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Social Security: $9,528

Veterans' pension: $16,324

Retirement: $17,576

Oregonians on fixed incomes struggle to pay rent even for a one bedroom apartment.
Workers can't afford rent

$9.58

Mean renter wage

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

54 hours

Homeownership is out of reach for many

Average home price someone can afford

$297,562

median home value in 2020

...up 4.2% from 2019

A household must earn at least $32,320 to afford a 2 bedroom apartment at fair market rent.

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