



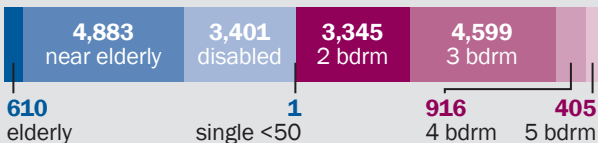
# Need for Low-income Housing in the Twin Cities Metro Area



## MPHA Public Housing & Housing Choice Voucher Applicant Waiting Lists

**18,345** applicants for **public housing** as of September 2018

**8,982** applicants for **highrise public housing**      **9,363** applicants for **family public housing**



**514** applicants on waiting list for **housing choice vouchers** as of October 2018

This waiting list has been closed since 2008, when 16,000 people signed up over three days.

## State of Housing in the Twin Cities Region

The following data is from the Minnesota Housing Partnership's State of the State's Housing report for 2019.



**↑11%**  
increase in median  
gross rent for the  
Twin Cities from  
2000-2017

**↓4%**

decrease in median  
renter income for the  
Twin Cities from  
2000-2017



**38%**  
of households in  
the Twin Cities are  
renters—or 187,587  
households

Of those renters,  
**46%**  
are **cost burdened**  
—paying more than  
30% of their income

For renters with  
incomes less  
than \$20,000  
per year, **cost  
burden rises to**  
**84%**  
of households

**For extremely low-income (ELI) households**—those earning less than 30% of Area Median Income (AMI)—**the shortage of affordable housing is severe.** In 2017, the Twin Cities region had



**3 in 10** units affordable & available to ELI households—a gap of 72,395 households that can't find affordable housing

## Income Ranges in the Twin Cities in 2018

MPHA primarily serves families below 30% of area median income (AMI). Families above 80% of AMI are ineligible for our programs. In 2018 in the Twin Cities, **AMI for a family of four is \$94,300.\*** HUD defines income ranges of Extremely Low (30%), Very Low (50%), and Low (80%).

2018 Income Category	Persons in Family				
	1	2	3	4	5
30% AMI (\$)	19,850	22,650	25,500	28,300	30,600
50% AMI (\$)	33,050	37,750	42,450	47,150	50,950
80% AMI (\$)	50,350	57,550	64,750	71,900	77,700

\*The Minneapolis-St. Paul-Bloomington, MN-WI HUD Metro FMR Area contains the following areas: Anoka County, MN; Carver County, MN; Chisago County, MN; Dakota County, MN; Hennepin County, MN; Isanti County, MN; Ramsey County, MN; Scott County, MN; Sherburne County, MN; Washington County, MN; Wright County, MN; Pierce County, WI; and St. Croix County, WI

