

## What does affordable housing mean in Peoria?

#### What is affordable housing?

Housing is affordable when the household spends less than 30% of gross monthly income on housing.

- Market rate affordability
- Housing Choice Vouchers (Section 8)
- Project-based housing vouchers
- Public housing

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#### **Peoria Data**

#### Affordability Calculation

Number of Persons	Annual Income	Gross Monthly Income	30% of Gross Monthly Income
One (ELI)	\$17,950	\$1,495	\$449
Four (ELI)	\$27,750	\$2,312	\$694
One (LI)	\$47,800	\$3,983	\$1,195
Four (LI)	\$68,750	\$5,729	\$1,718

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#### Peoria Data

Fair Market Rents Peoria 2023

Rent Limits	1 Bedroom	2 Bedroom	3 Bedroom
Fair Market Rent	\$707	\$896	\$1,164

The Fair Market Rent is the maximum rate allowed for rent and utilities by housing unit size.

The rate is established by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) on a yearly basis.

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#### **Main Focus areas**

- Improving Housing in Peoria
- Individuals and Families Experiencing Homelessness
- Affordable Housing Project Support

## Improving Housing in Peoria

Staff's efforts to improve housing in Peoria for all residents

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#### **Code Enforcement**

Code Enforcement works to:

 Ensure local housing stock is safe and habitable to improve neighborhood conditions and property values.

Housing Cases Since 2018						
In compliance	Defaulted	Open	Compliance %	Total		
2,911	1,201	484	60.9%	4,779		

#### **Land Bank**

The City Land Bank works to:

- Support reinvestment in housing through demolishing abandoned, dangerous homes and holding land for redevelopment.
- Revive abandoned houses that are salvageable and transfer for rehabilitation.

2018-2022 Land Management Statistics				
Demolitions	Acquisitions		Rehab & New Build Transfers	
308	335	117	33	

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#### **Grants**

- Direct support to residents with housing improvements (Since 2018):
  - □ Roof Program 108
  - Emergency Repair Program 66
  - □ Ramp Program 18
  - East Village Growth Cell 36
- Down payment Assistance Program (Since 2022):
  - 28 grants provided

#### **Grants**

- Provided Direct Household Assistance Programs:
  - 2020 Provided 58 households Rental Assistance
  - 2021 Provided 133 households Utility Assistance
  - 2022/2023 Provide 279 households Utility Assistance
- Rehousing Program assists eligible tenants with relocation when landlords refuse to make required repairs.

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#### **Grants**

- Provided funding for additional housing rehabilitation projects:
  - Lead Match Program with Health Department
  - Provided TIF funds to PCCEO for Federal Home Loan Bank Program
  - Provided funds for Phoenix Community
     Development Services for Federal Home Loan
     Bank Program
  - Provided funding for Rebuilding Together

# Individuals & Families Experiencing Homelessness

City's role/efforts/support

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#### City's Role

- The City receives about \$150,000 per year in Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funds that are targeted for individuals experiencing homelessness.
- Grants are provided to nonprofit agencies to provide services for this population.
- City staff sit as a nonvoting member on the Home For All Continuum of Care Board.
- Community Development Department hired a Housing Coordinator position to focus on Housing Issues and serve as a resource for residents.

#### **City's Past and Current Efforts**

- Dream Center Renovations
- ESG-CV renovations
  - Dream Center
  - Salvation Army
  - Center for Prevention of Abuse
- Annual ESG funding
  - Shelter Operations
  - HMIS
  - Rapid Rehousing

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## Affordable Housing Projects

City's role/efforts/support

#### City's Role

- The City of Peoria is an entitlement community and receives HOME funds to support Affordable Housing Projects.
- The City waives all building permit fees for affordable housing projects that serve residents at 80% of AMI.
- The City provides acquired vacant property for affordable housing development.

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#### City's Past and Current Efforts

- East Bluff Housing Peoria Opportunities Foundation
- Habitat for Humanity
- Parkwood Commons Wallick Communities
- Madison III Phoenix Community Development Services
- Phoenix Manor Phoenix Community Development Services
- 2 Planned POF/Pivotal Housing Projects

### Housing Commision

City's role/efforts/support

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#### City's Role

- Housing Commission commenced meetings in April 2022
- Role of the Commission is to develop comprehensive housing strategy
  - Reviewing current City plans
  - Reviewing Fair Housing and Affordable Housing needs in the City of Peoria
  - Present plan and policy recommendations to the City Council