# HOOSIER HOUSING CRISIS: BY THE NUMBERS

Indiana is widely perceived as one of the most affordable places to live in the United States. For some, it is. Unfortunately, that experience is far from the reality for many Hoosiers.

- To date, 212,377 Indiana renter households are classified as extremely low income (ELI)
- Nearly one in 20 publicly supported rental homes face an expiring affordability restriction in the next five years.



Three Indiana cities (Indianapolis, South Bend, and Fort Wayne) are in the top 20 nationwide for evictions.

### **COST-BURDENED**

Forty-six percent of all Indiana renters are cost-burdened (spending more than 30% of their income on housing), and 73% of ELI households are severely cost-burdened (spending more than 50% on housing).

### STRUGGLING FAMILIES

In 2016, **979,538 households** in Indiana - 39% of all households - could not afford basic needs such as housing, child care, food, transportation, health care, and technology.

## INSUFFICIENT HOUSING STOCK

There is a **134,485-unit deficit** in housing that is affordable and available to extremely low-income Hoosiers.



### RACIAL DISPARITIES

Households of color have a 45% homeownership rate, compared to 74% among whites, and black households are twice as likely as their white peers to be evicted.

### BECOME PART OF THE SOLUTION

Armed with the knowledge of the hardships being faced by thousands of Hoosiers and the formidable challenges that Indiana must confront, Prosperity Indiana established the **Opportunity Starts at Home: Indiana Coalition**. Members will include multi-sector organizations working to address the lack of quality, affordable housing in Indiana. The Coalition's goals include expanding investment in and access to affordable housing and sparking systems change in furtherance of equitable affordable housing outcomes.

To learn more about joining the movement or how you can help Hoosiers struggling to maintain safe, affordable housing, contact contact Natalie James, Coalition Builder, at njames@prosperityindiana.org.





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