

AFFORDABLE HOUSING ON THE BALLOT

HOUSING INSECURITY CURRENTLY AFFECTS ALMOST EVERY COMMUNITY IN THE NATION, AND FOR MILLIONS OF AMERICANS AN AFFORDABLE PLACE TO CALL HOME REMAINS OUT OF REACH.

From national to local levels of government, elected officials have an important role to play in passing policies and funding programs that address housing needs.

WHAT THE RESEARCH SAYS

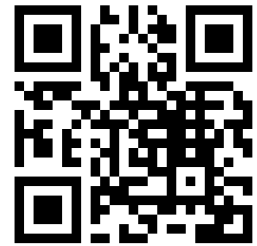
- Housing is considered affordable if costs do not exceed 30% of a household's income. Yet, **31.3% of Michigan residents** spend more than 30% of their income on housing.
- Without affordable housing, people are more likely to fall behind on their rent or mortgage and face **eviction** or **foreclosure**. Spending a lot on housing also takes money away from purchasing food, paying other bills, and saving to cover emergencies.
- Strategies to increase access to affordable housing can include: **rent control** ordinances, **housing vouchers**, supportive **land contracts** as a path to homeownership, and **incentivizing developers** to build more affordable housing.

ASK THE CANDIDATES

- What steps will you take to address access to housing?
- What approach would you take to affordable rental housing?
- What strategies will you use to make homeownership more attainable?



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