



Homes for All

Where we live impacts everything

2017 Legislative Request

KEY BILLS that advance housing stability for all Minnesotans

HF 1470 | SF 1540 – Minnesota Housing Finance Agency

HF 874 | SF 658 – Department of Human Services

Where we live impacts every aspect of our lives. Where we call home affects the groceries we buy, where we send our kids to school and how we thrive in our community. At every stage of life, where we live is the foundation for our health, education, safety, and economic wellbeing.

Housing is central to **jobs** and growing the **local economy**.

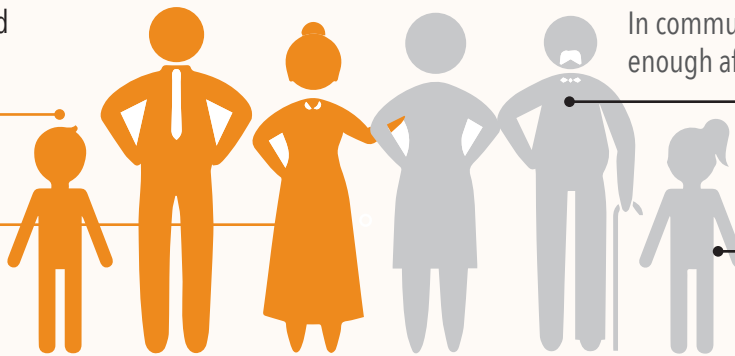
In communities **statewide**, there isn't enough affordable housing

Stable housing is critical to kids' **success in school**.

leaving few options for **Minnesotans struggling to make ends meet**

Adequate housing is vital to positive **health** outcomes.

and threatening **families & students** with no place to go



Minnesota's Housing Need

When families spend more than 30% of their income on housing they often don't have enough money to pay for other necessities like food, medicine and transportation. More than 1 in 4 households in Minnesota – or nearly 570,000 families – are **housing cost-burdened**, an increase of more than 70% since 2000.

More than 7,300 Minnesotans were **homeless** in January 2016. More than half of people experiencing homelessness in Minnesota are children and youth, with nearly 9,500 public school students identified as homeless or highly mobile during the 2015-16 school year. From 2012 to 2015, the number of older Minnesotans experiencing homelessness rose 8 percent, as well.



Minnesota will **THRIVE** when



EVERYONE has a HOME

Photos courtesy of Twin Cities Habitat for Humanity

Budget request: Invest in where we live

There isn't one kind of housing that fits the needs of every Minnesotan. From a homeless veteran to a first-time homebuyer, we must address the full spectrum of housing needs. That's why Homes for All requests an additional **\$30 million to strengthen Minnesota's Housing Continuum**. These investments help communities throughout the state address housing needs and build financial assets. State funds are paired with local, federal and private resources to...

Minnesota's Housing Continuum



Prevent homelessness with assistance and services to households at risk of losing housing

Improve housing stability for homeless & highly mobile students and house and serve individuals with serious mental illness

Provide emergency shelter & rural motel vouchers for those in crisis

Build and preserve affordable housing, including senior and workforce housing

Extend supportive housing in Greater Minnesota

Provide rental assistance, including housing for homeless and highly mobile students

Prepare first-time homebuyers with homebuyer counseling

Promote homeownership with down-payment assistance for families with low to moderate income

HOMES FOR ALL IS A SMART INVESTMENT

Reducing homelessness cuts spending on jails, emergency rooms, shelters, and detox facilities – and every \$1 invested in supportive housing returns \$1.44. Proposed funding for '18-19 would **provide housing & services for 20,000 Minnesotans in the greatest need.**

In 2014, every \$1 in state funding for preservation of affordable housing leveraged \$3 in private capital and sustained \$4 in federal housing assistance. Proposed funding for '18-19 would build and preserve **more than 550 units of housing throughout the state.**

More than 90% of Twin Cities Habitat homeowners felt better about their kids' futures after purchasing a home – and their reduced reliance on public assistance saved taxpayers at least \$6.4 million per year. Proposed funding for '18-19 would help **more than 1,500 households buy a home.**

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Homes for All advances shared policy initiatives that lead to housing stability for all Minnesotans and includes more than 150 organizations. Learn more at www.homesforallmn.org