




Perry County, Pennsylvania

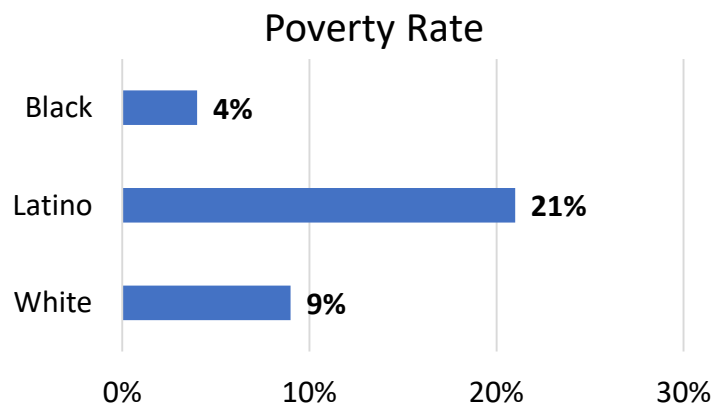
Affordable Housing Challenges

Too many hard working families, seniors and people with disabilities are struggling to find and maintain homes they can afford. There are **54** affordable and available rental homes for every **100** extremely low income renter households in Perry County, compared to **38** affordable and available rental homes in Pennsylvania.

Source: National Low Income Housing Coalition (NLIHC), The Gap Report, March 2020; County data from NLIHC staff

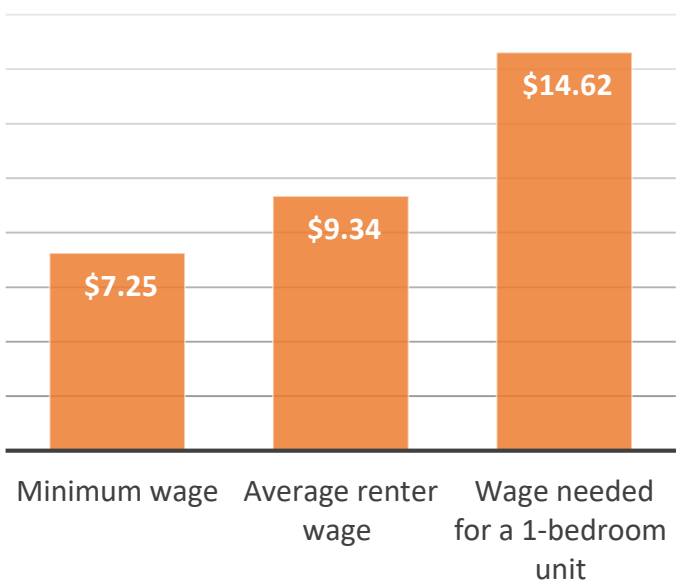
Population and Poverty in Perry County

Total	Individuals	In Poverty
46,053	Population 	4,223
9,942	Children < 18 	1,149
8,293	Seniors ≥ 65 	648



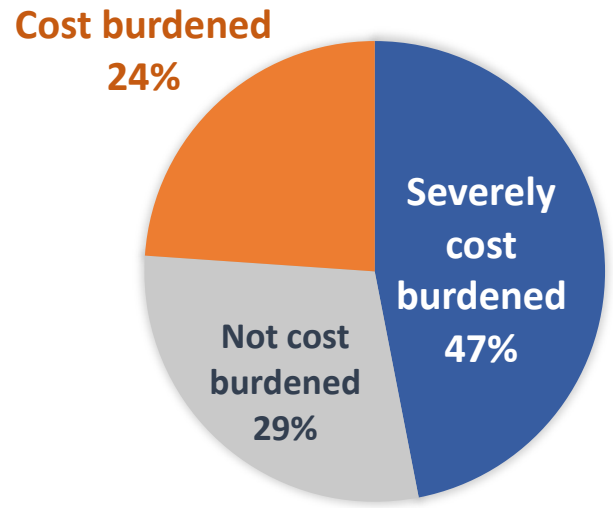
Source: U.S. Census, 2015-2019 ACS 5-Year Estimates, Perry County, PA

Wages vs Housing Costs



Source: National Low Income Housing Coalition, Out of Reach (2020), Perry County, PA

Cost Burdened Extremely Low Income Households



Source: HUD, Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy (CHAS) Data, Perry County, PA; 2013-2017 ACS, Released August 25, 2020

Cost burdened households pay more than 30% of their income, and severe cost burdened pay more than 50% of their income, for housing expenses including rent/mortgage, utilities, and other housing related fees and taxes. Those living cost burdened or severely cost burdened may have difficulty affording necessities such as food, clothing, transportation and medical care.

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Solutions that Work

Reducing Homelessness

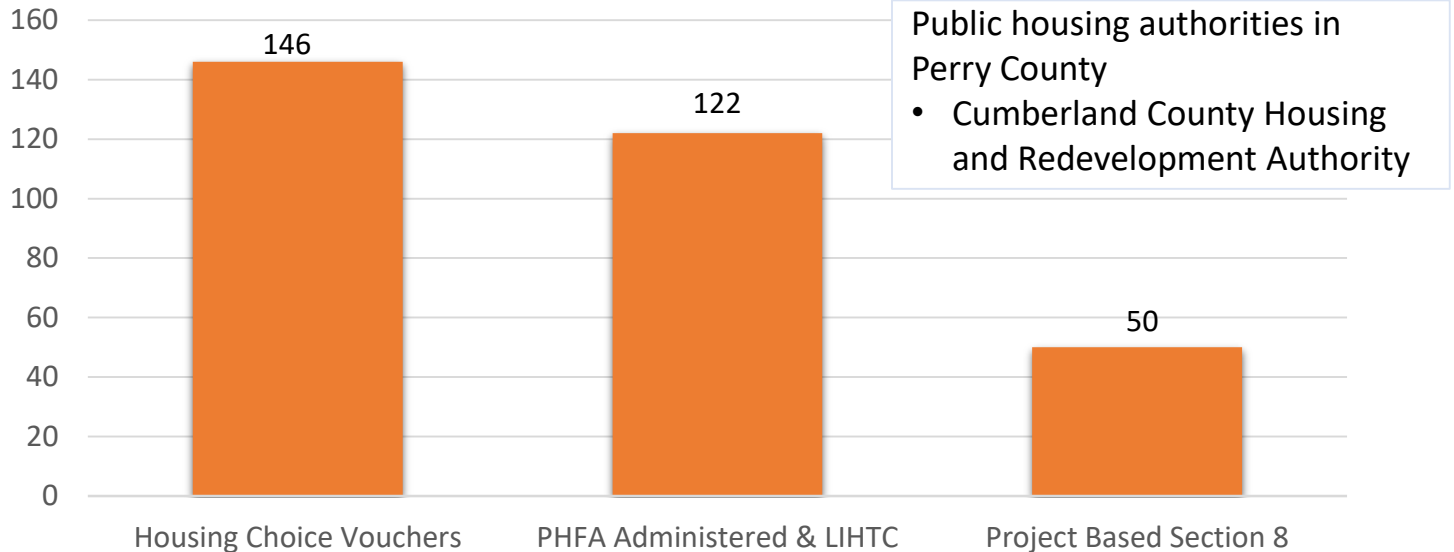
To end homelessness is to achieve and sustain **“Functional Zero”** – a well coordinated and efficient community system that quickly identifies and connects those experiencing a housing crisis with the supports they need and want to avoid staying on the street and to be moved to permanent housing as quickly as possible.

The Eastern PA CoC Reduced the Length of Homelessness

Perry County, as part of the 33 county Eastern Continuum of Care, reduced the average length of homelessness by 44% between 2016 and 2019.

Source: US Interagency Council on Homelessness: Communities That Have Ended Homelessness (2021)

Affordable Housing Units in Perry County



Sources: HUD, Picture of Subsidized Households data, 2020; PHFA Inventory of Multifamily Housing, Perry County Inventory of Affordable Housing, updated 2019

PHARE Working in Your Community

Sewer Lateral Replacement Project

Loysville Village in Tyrone Township received \$100,000 in PHARE funds in 2020 to repair and replace failing sewer connections.

Perry County received a total on \$100,000 in PHARE grants in 2020

Source: Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency, 2020 PHARE Project Summaries



Housing Alliance of Pennsylvania

The Housing Alliance is a statewide coalition working to provide leadership and a common voice for policies, practices and resources to ensure that all Pennsylvanians, especially those with low incomes, have access to safe, decent and affordable homes. We promote common-sense solutions to balance Pennsylvania's housing market and increase the supply of safe, decent homes for low-income people.