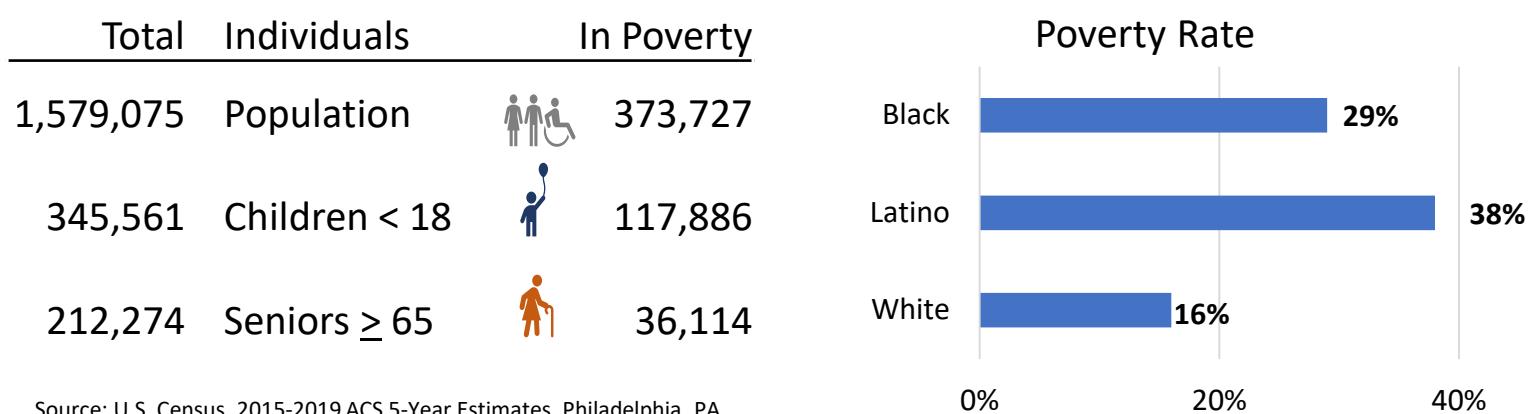


# Philadelphia, Pennsylvania Affordable Housing Challenges

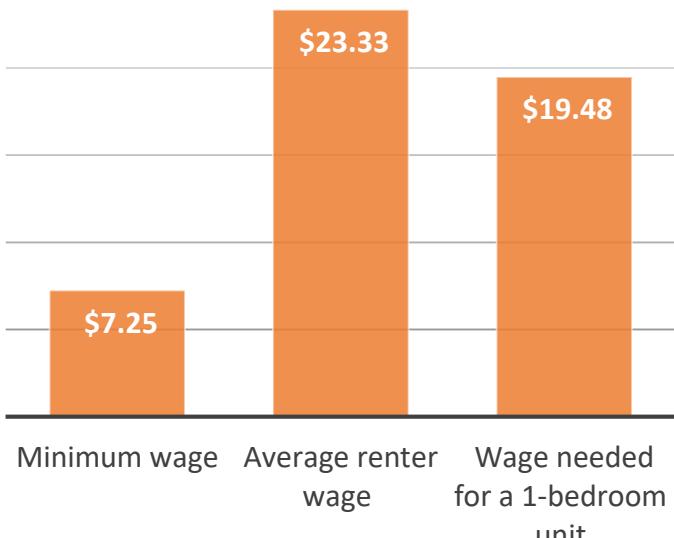
Too many hard working families, seniors and people with disabilities are struggling to find and maintain homes they can afford. There are 34 affordable and available rental homes for every 100 extremely low income renter households in Philadelphia, compared to 38 affordable and available rental homes in Pennsylvania.

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

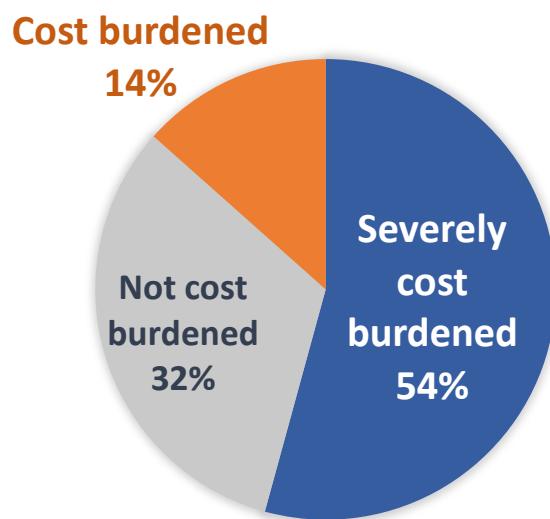
## Population and Poverty in Philadelphia



## Wages vs Housing Costs



## Cost Burdened Extremely Low Income Households



Cost burdened households pay more than 30% of their income, and severely 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

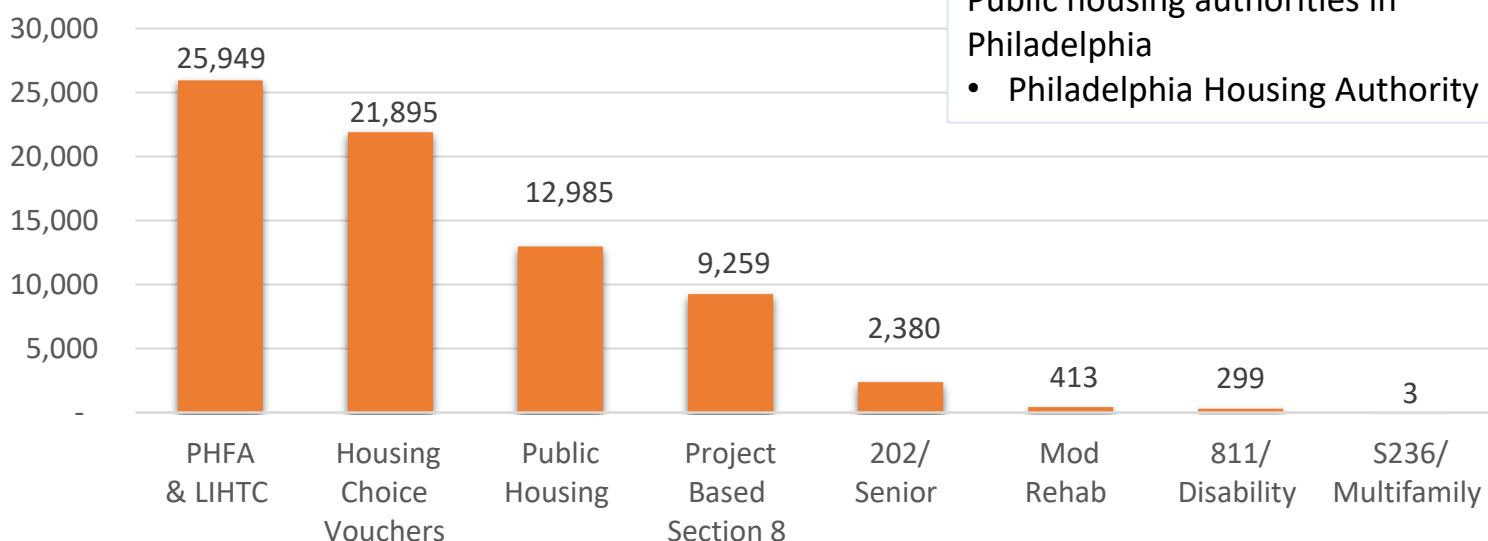
To end homelessness is to achieve and sustain ***“Functional Zero”*** – a well coordinated and efficient community system that quickly identifies and connects those experiencing a housing crisis with the supports they need and want to avoid staying on the street and to be moved to permanent housing as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

### Philadelphia Ended Veteran Homelessness

Philadelphia is one of 81 communities and three states to effectively end veteran homelessness.

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

### Affordable Housing Units in Philadelphia



Public housing authorities in Philadelphia

- Philadelphia Housing Authority

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

### PHARE Working in Your Community

#### The Preservation Network

The Preservation Network, convened by LISC Philadelphia, received \$250,000 in PHARE funding to support the preservation of 604 affordable homes in 12 publicly assisted properties in 4 Philadelphia neighborhoods.

#### Philadelphia received more than \$13 Million in PHARE grants in 2020

Source: Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency, 2020 PHARE Project Summaries



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.

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