

In 2023, Governor Tim Walz signed a historic \$2.6 billion housing stability package. Some of those funds will increase funding for homeless shelters, rental assistance, affordable housing, expand access to homeownership for first-time and first-

generation home buyers, and provide support to help people find and keep housing. That

legislation was critical to help ease the

unaddressed or under-addressed housing need evident by our unprecedented and increasing housing problem in Minnesota.

But we aren't done yet! Across our state, there isn't enough housing Minnesotans can afford, leaving few options for those struggling to make ends meet. The Homes for All 2024 legislative proposal strengthens the housing continuum. We are asking for your support because Minnesota communities thrive when everyone has a place to call home.

Our HOME impacts Everything.

- Our home impacts Health.
- Our home impacts **Education**.
- Our home impacts <u>Employment</u>.
- Our home impacts Childcare.
- Our home impacts <u>Safety</u>.
- Our home impacts <u>Opportunity</u>.
- Our home impacts Everything.

MINNESOTA'S HOUSING CRISIS

Homes for Al

Where we live impacts everything

- More than 1 in 4 households are housing cost-burdened, and have to choose between housing and other necessities such as clothing, food, medicine, and transportation. Since 2000, this number has grown 70%.
- Families experiencing homelessness have increased 10% and the unsheltered, homeless rate has increased 62% in the last 3 years.
- In Minnesota, a minimum wage worker would have to work **70 hours a week** to be able to afford the rent of a one-bedroom home.
- 550,000 Minnesotans from every corner of the state are at risk of losing their home every month because the rent is too high.
- A \$100 increase in median rent sees a **9% increase in the estimated**homelessness rate.

HOMES FOR ALL COALITION-LED 2024 LEGISLATIVE AGENDA

Policy Requests

Constitutional Amendment for Housing: Amend the Minnesota constitution to secure dedicated, permanent funding for affordable housing needs.

Source of Income Protection: Amend the Minnesota Human Rights Act to clarify that housing discrimination based on a person's source of income is illegal.

Financial Requests

Family Homelessness Prevention and Assistance Program (FHPAP) for Emergency Rental Assistance (ERA): \$200 Million one-time to ensure ERA reaches the lowest-income and most marginalized renters.

HIB & GO Bonding Bill: \$500 million in Housing Infrastructure Bonds and \$100 million in GO bonds for public housing to build and preserve affordable housing across MN.

"I had been homeless since 2006. I lost a child. I lost my husband recently. I felt down to the point suicide was the next step or else I got to get help. . . Coming here was a life saver. They saved my life.

I cried the first night I was in here. I was like. Thank god I finally found this perfect spot for me. "

~Terrisa, Avivo Village, Minneapolis, MN



