**RENTER STATISTICS**

**MEDIAN RENT**

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Median rent is an indicator of affordability. If rent is increasingly greatly, that can be an indicator of lack of affordability. In district 29A, rent decreased -3% between 2013 and 2018. The district saw the 122nd highest rent increase out of 134 districts.

**MEDIAN RENTER INCOME**

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<td>$36,525</td>
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Median renter income is an indicator of what people can afford for rent. If incomes stay flat or decline, it can be an indication that cost burden is increasing. In District 29A, renter income increased 15% between 2013 and 2018. The district ranked 52nd of 134 in terms of renter income increase.

**INCOME NEEDED TO AFFORD RENT:**

$34,040

The income needed to afford rent -- $34,040 -- is greater than the median renter income in the district. With a gap of $-7,917, rent in District 29A is affordable.

**# COST BURDENED RENTERS**

| 872 | 35% | -15% |

Cost-burdened renters pay 30% or more of their income on rent and an estimated 872 District 29A residents may have to sacrifice education, food, and medicine to afford a place to live. For highest cost burden, the district ranked 115th.

**# COST BURDENED SENIORS**

| 309 | 55% |

District 29A ranked 77th out of 134 for the percentage of seniors struggling to afford housing.

**SEVERE COST BURDEN**

| 17% |

Severe cost burden means a family is paying 50% or more of their income on housing. District 29A was the 104th highest of 134.

**% RENTERS THAT ARE POCI:**

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People of color and indigenous people are more likely to be renters and less likely to own their own home. They are also much more likely to experience cost burden.

**SOURCES**

- Renter households: Rent and income adjusted for inflation. U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 2018, 5 year estimates
- Owner households: Home value and income adjusted for inflation. U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 2018, 5 year estimates
- Cost burden: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 2018, 5 year estimates
- Wages: Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development (MN DEED), Occupations in Demand, July 2019
- Homelessness: Wilder Research Center, 2019

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In District 29A, median home values have increased in the last 5 years. In terms of home value increase, 29A was ranked 63rd out of 134.

Homeowner income has increased in the last 5 years. The district ranked 40th out of 134.

People of color and indigenous people are less likely to own their home, a key to building wealth.

**Homelessness in the Central Region**

- Number of Homeless on a given night in 2018: 944
- Change in Homelessness 2015 to 2018: 20%
- # of homeless kids: 347
- # of homeless seniors: 78

Without reliable shelter, productive work, progress at school and positive health outcomes are extremely difficult. Just a few decades ago, homelessness didn’t exist – and Minnesota has made strides in recent years, with a 9% reduction from 2012 to 2015.