### RENTER STATISTICS

#### MEDIAN RENT

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<td>2013</td>
<td>$704</td>
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**Change since 2013:** -2%

Median rent is an indicator of affordability. If rent is increasingly greatly, that can be an indicator of lack of affordability. In district 4B, rent decreased -2% between 2013 and 2018. The district saw the 119th highest rent increase out of 134 districts.

#### MEDIAN RENTER INCOME

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<td>2013</td>
<td>$28,136</td>
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**Change since 2013:** 2%

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 4B, renter income increased 2% between 2013 and 2018. The district ranked 107th of 134 in terms of renter income increase.

#### INCOME NEEDED TO AFFORD RENT:

$27,560

The income needed to afford rent -- $27,560 -- is greater than the median renter income in the district. With a gap of $-1,166, rent in District 4B is affordable.

### 3,596 RENTERS 22% RENTERS

#### # COST BURDENED RENTERS

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**Percent cost burdened:** 40%

Cost-burdened renters pay 30% or more of their income on rent and an estimated 1,439 District 4B residents may have to sacrifice education, food, and medicine to afford a place to live. For highest cost burden, the district ranked 84th.

#### # COST BURDENED SENIORS

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**Senior cost burden:** 50%

District 4B ranked 97th out of 134 for the percentage of seniors struggling to afford housing.

#### SEVERE COST BURDEN

19%

Severe cost burden means a family is paying 50% or more of their income on housing. District 4B was the 80th highest of 134.

#### % RENTERS THAT ARE POCI

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<th>OWNERS</th>
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<td>11%</td>
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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.


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**West Central**

**Cashier Personal**
$23,786 $25,859

**Care Aide**
$43,420

**Truck Driver**
$43,420

**Registered Nurse**
$33,025

**Nursing Assistant**
$52,200

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**REGIONAL DATA**

**In District 4B, median home values have increased in the last 5 years. In terms of home value increase, 4B was ranked 41st out of 134.**

**Homeowner income has increased in the last 5 years. The district ranked 15th out of 134.**

**Income needed to afford median home:**
$52,200

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**Number of Homeless on a given night in 2018:** 341

**Change in Homelessness 2015 to 2018:** 27%

**# of homeless kids:** 118

**# of homeless seniors:** 72

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.

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**INTERNATIONAL DATA**

**INCOME NEEDED TO AFFORD MEDIAN HOME:**

**OWNERS**

**RENTERS**

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**% OWNERS THAT ARE POCI**

owners 4%
renters 11%

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

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**COST BURDENED OWNERS**

**Percent Cost Burdened:**

2,363
district ranked 18th out of 134.

**Change in Cost Burden:**

-30%

Cost-burdened owners pay 30% or more of their income on housing and an estimated 2,363 residents of District 4B may have to sacrifice education, food, and medicine to afford a place to live. For highest cost burden, the district ranked 90th.

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**COST BURDENED SENIORS**

**Senior Cost Burden:**

916
district ranked 24th out of 134 for the percentage of seniors struggling to afford their homes.

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**% OWNERS THAT ARE POCI**

4%

11%

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**Top jobs & income in the Northwest Region**

- **Cashier Personal:** $23,786
- **Personal Care Aide:** $25,859
- **Truck Driver:** $43,420
- **Registered Nurse:** $33,025
- **Nursing Assistant:** $52,200

*MN DEED region and Wilder Foundation region boundaries differ.*