

# Housing Affordability and the Regional Development Framework

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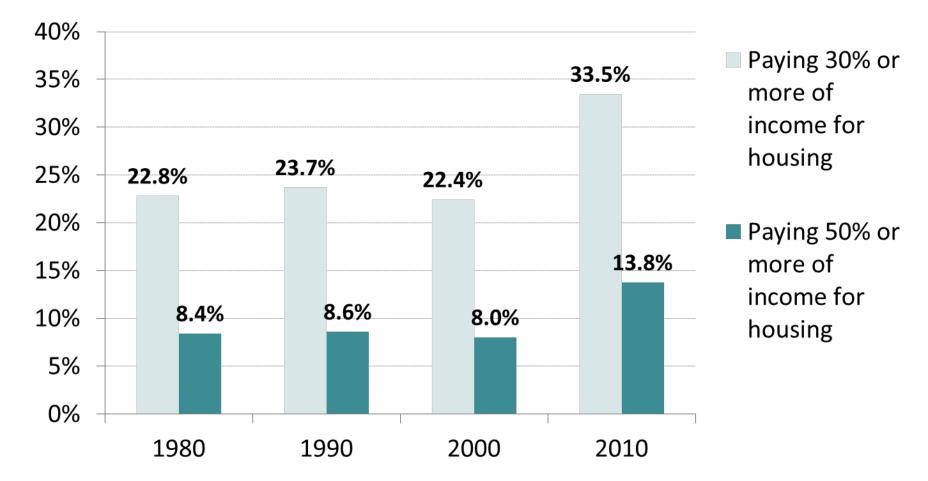
## Themes



- In addition to supporting the alignment of housing with overall metropolitan development objectives, housing goals should reflect the greatest need for affordability.
- Inadequate funding for housing presents a critical barrier to achieving metropolitan housing goals and should be a Council priority.

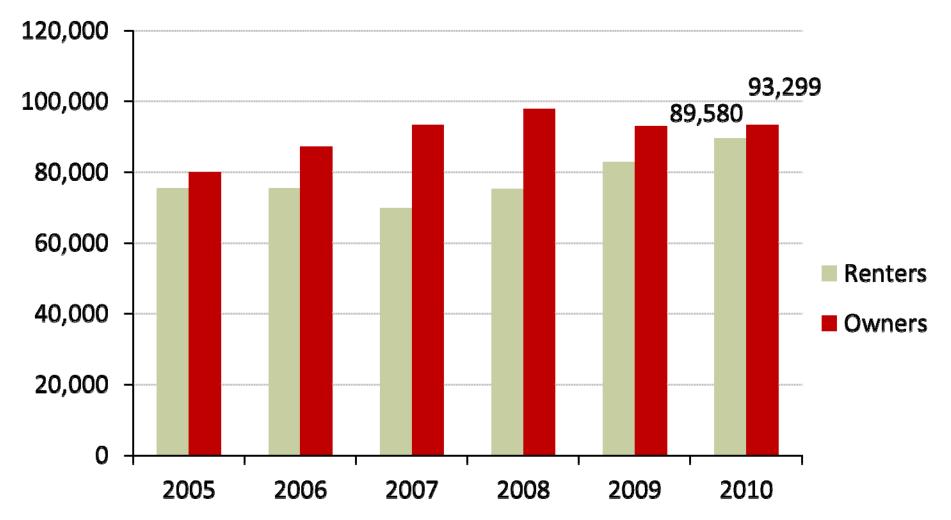


### Proportion of Households Burdened by Housing Costs, Minnesota



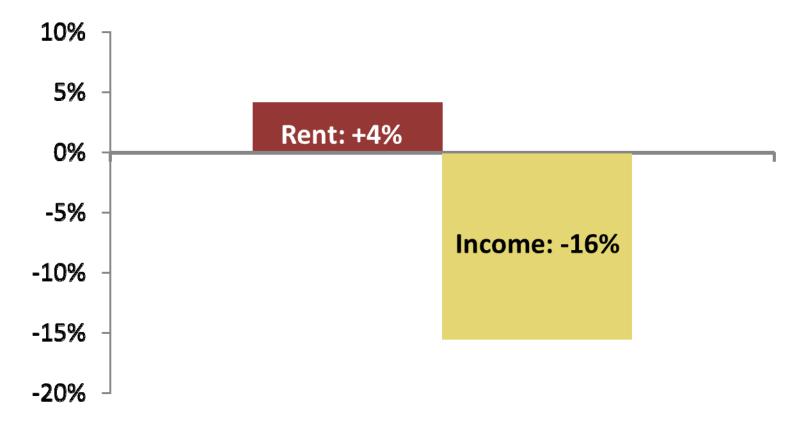
Sources: 1980 & 1990: National Historical Geographic Information System (NHGIS); 2000 Decennial Census; 2010 American Community Survey.

#### Number of Households Paying at Least Half of Income for Housing, Twin Cities Metro



Source: American Community Survey 1-year estimates

#### Percent Change in Median Rent and Renter Income, 2000-2010, Twin Cities Metro Area (2010 dollars)

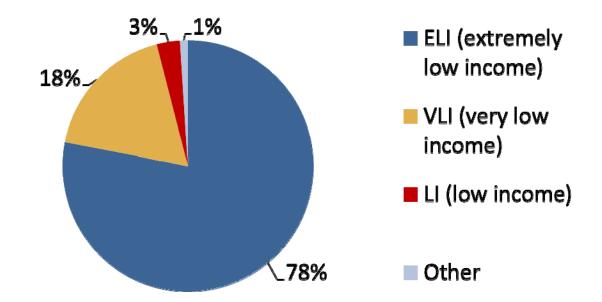


From 2000 to 2010, inflation-adjusted rental costs rose from \$812 to \$845, but annual renter incomes fell from \$37,100 to \$31,400.

Data sources: 2000 Decennial Census; 2010 American Community Survey.

## Share of Severely Cost Burdened Households, Minneapolis-St. Paul Metro

(Spending over 50% of income for housing)



ELI = Income at 30% of median, \$24,800 for a household of 4 VLI = Income 50% of median, \$41,400 for a household of 4 LI = Income 80% of median, \$66,200 for a household of 4

> Most of the severely cost-burdened are extremely low income households.

#### Housing Affordability for Extremely Low Income Population



- 62% of the approximately 100,000 ELI renters in the Twin Cities were severely cost burdened in 2009.
- ELI population with rent burdens estimated to increase by about 2,000 households annually.\*
- Over two-thirds of cost burdened ELI households expected to be households headed by seniors.\*

\* Extrapolation to entire Twin Cities area from data in East Metro Housing Needs, Wilder Research, July 2008.

# Affordability and Goal Setting: What an Affordable 2-BR Apartment Costs



- Council's current goals count units affordable at 60% of Area Median Income (AMI).
- Housing meeting this affordability standard remains far beyond the means of the population most in need of housing assistance.



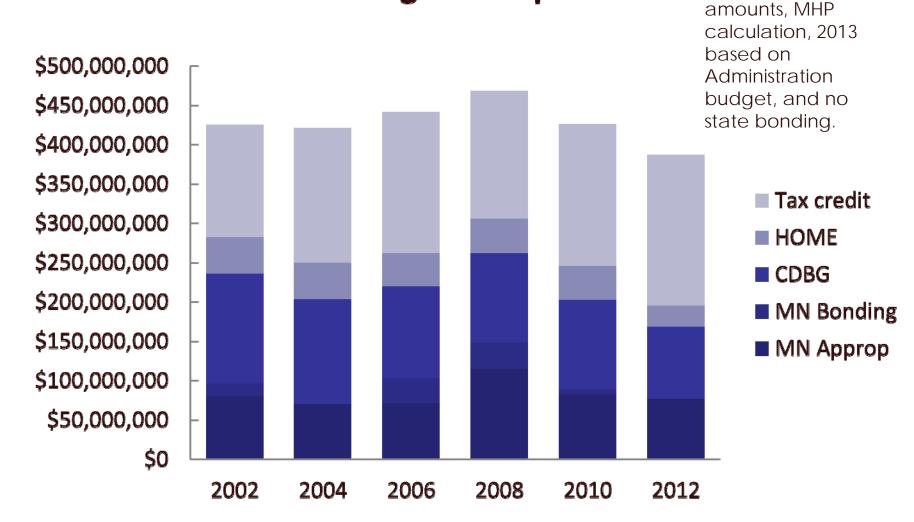


- \$215,000 for families
- \$185,000 for singles
- \$400 million needed annually to build 2,000 units to meet incremental ELI need at \$200,000 per unit (average of family and single low cost estimate).



Resources

## Minnesota State and Federal Resources for Housing Development Biennium funding



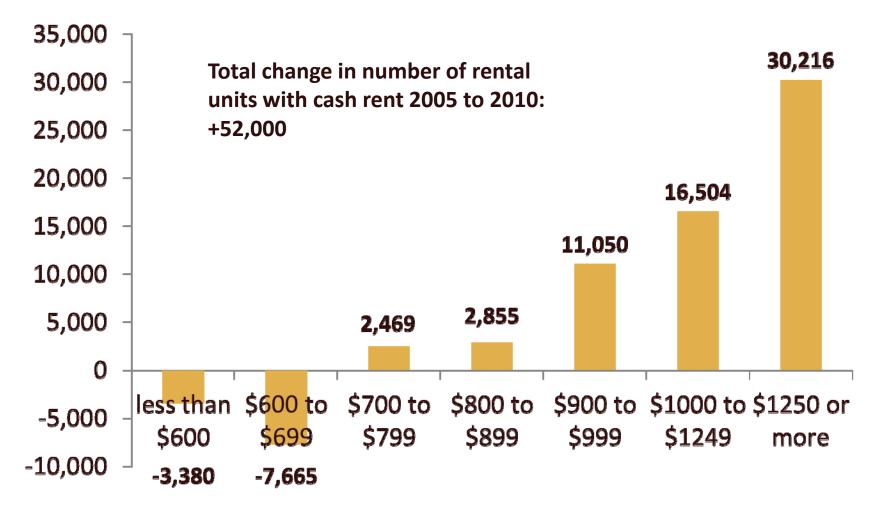
# Account for Change in the Existing Affordable Inventory



- Statewide and over the next 5 years, Minnesota Housing says that 10,000 units of federally assisted housing are at risk for conversion to market rate.
- From 2006 to 2011, the number of units in the Twin Cities renting at \$650 or less fell from 20,100 to 10,600 (a 53% drop).
  Marquette Advisors data (buildings with 10+ units)

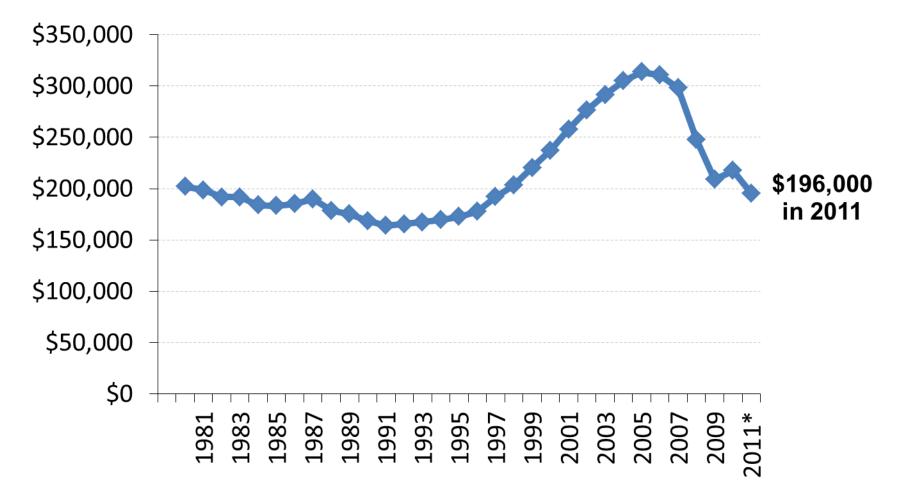


### Change in Number of Rental Units by Cost, 2005-2010, Twin Cities Metro



Tabulation of American Community Survey 1-year Estimates, 2005 and 2010

#### Average Home Sales Price, Twin Cities Metro (In 2011 dollars)



Source: Minneapolis Area Association of Realtors. \* Denotes average through November 2011.



# Recommendations

- Create housing goals for assisting extremely low income households.
- Identify and advocate for resources that can help communities meet the need for housing affordability.
- Create a framework that can accommodate significant changes in population, housing prices, and/or the supply of existing affordable housing.

