



BOARD AGENDA
BOARD OF WRIGHT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Month Day, Year

Christine Husom, District 1
Derek Vetsch, District 2
Mark Daleiden, District 3
Mary Wetter, District 4
Michael Kaczmarek, District 5

1. Schedule Meetings As Needed
2. American Rescue Plan (ARP) Process The Funding Follows And A History Of The ARP
3. ERP Discussion - Scope, Process, Target, Impact, And Cost
4. Expectations For Determining Fees
5. Fiscal Policies Overview Of The County Board
6. 2023 Wright County Homelessness Report

Documents:

[2023 WRIGHT COUNTY HOMELESSNESS REPORT.PDF](#)



WRIGHT COUNTY
MINNESOTA

2023 WRIGHT COUNTY HOMELESSNES REPORT

March 14, 2023
Sarah Dearhamer



INCREASE IN HOMELESSNESS

WRIGHT COUNTY
2023 PIT (Point in Time)
COUNT

88

2022 PIT Count - 8

32 kids in Monticello school district are homeless



served 616 individuals and families in 2022 – an additional 100K points of food and a 43% increase from the prior year



144 SNAP-recipient households reported as homeless

WHAT ARE THE FACTORS?

Limited income :

Example 1, Household of 4 (Mom, Dad, 2 Children)



Walmart FT \$19/hr. - \$3,293 monthly



Menards FT \$16/hr. - \$2,773 monthly

**\$6,066 monthly combined
\$72, 782 annual combined**



3x the income - \$1,819 /month or lower

High shelter cost



Majority of places require 3x the household income



\$1,636/month - average rent for 3-bedroom apartments +
\$50/month for pets



Requires \$4,908 up front: 1st Month+Security Deposit+Last Month



\$2,300/month - average home rent/mortgage

WHAT ARE THE FACTORS?

Limited income :

Example 2, Household of 3 (Mom, 2 Children)



Menards FT \$16/hr. - \$3,293 monthly



Child Support - \$693.25 monthly

\$3,986.25 monthly combined
\$47,115 annual combined



3x the income - \$1,195/month or lower

How will she find a place?

- Section 8 and HUD vouchers are backed-up for years
- Income-based housing usually has a waiting list
- Properties require renters to meet guidelines

WHAT ARE THE REQUIREMENTS?

To be considered for housing, a household must meet the minimum screening criteria with regard to:



Credit

\$500 or more in outstanding collections

Bankruptcy on record less than 2 years old

Outstanding financial obligations to current or previous landlords



Criminal History

Criminal conviction record for drug-related offenses



Landlord References

Verifiable rental landlord reference of at least one-year duration with a written contract

CURRENT OPTION

St. Cloud HRA



Waiting list is currently closed



536 households are on the waiting list; HRA does not track how many are from Wright County



10% of the 966 vouchers are used in Wright County



Selected 1000 applications in May 2022.
Anticipate lottery to reopen in 2 years



ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION