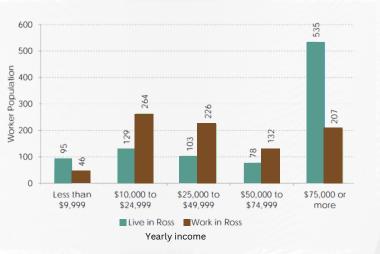
AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN ROSS

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BACKGROUND

As California's housing crisis continues to increase the price of homes across the state, preserving access to affordable housing has become one of Marin County's top priorities. Average price of houses in Ross has risen to 4.7 million on average, causing residents to be priced out of the market and forcing those who work in Ross to live far from the town to find cheaper housing. In order to address these concerns, Marin cities, such as Ross, are required to plan for affordable housing through a Housing Element process which compares the number of built affordable housing units against goals set by the California Housing and Community Development Department (RHNA). Data courtesy of U.S. Census Bureau, Ross Housing Element, and California Housing Partnership.



Renters in Marin County need to earn

\$48.46 per hour

to afford the average monthly asking rent of \$2,520. The county minimum wage is \$18.



30% of Ross families are cost burdened. 14% of families spend 30-50% of their income on housing and 16% of families spend over 50%.

WHAT IS ROSS DOING?

Ross has identified a number of goals in their Housing Element aimed at assisting with the creating of affordable housing in Marin. A complete list of Ross' objectives can be found in the Housing Element.



Address Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA)

Construct 34 very low-income housing units and 20 low-income housing units by 2031.



Provide for Special Needs Groups

Create opportunities for emergency shelter, transitional and supportive housing.



Remove Potential Constraints to Housing

Implement design directions to eliminate barriers to the development of housing for all income levels.