

Affordable Housing Resource Library

1. [2019 AHAB Report](#)

The Affordable Housing Advisory Board (AHAB) is a 21-member board appointed by the Governor. Its role is to “address the state’s need for housing that is affordable to all economic segments and populations” and serve as the Department of Commerce’s (Commerce) principal advisory body on housing and housing-related issues.

2. [2020 Homelessness and Housing Toolkit for Cities](#)

The Association of Washington Cities compiled tools and resources to address homelessness and affordable housing from real cases in cities across Washington.

3. [2020 Housing Incentive & Tools and Survey Report](#)

Puget Sound Regional Council fielded a survey to local jurisdictions in summer 2019 to learn how they use regulatory incentives and tools to promote housing development and affordability. The survey builds on the work of a 2009 housing survey and will inform future regional and local housing work.

4. [Affordable Housing Desk Reference for Local Governments](#)

Washington State Department of Commerce offers a reference for local governments which provides an overview about what affordable housing is, where affordability is a problem, policy frameworks, planning, fund/finance options, and preservation.

5. [Challenge Seattle Middle-Income Housing Affordability](#)

This report conducted by Challenge Seattle focuses on middle-income housing affordability.

6. [East King County Housing Needs Analysis](#)

The goal of this East King County Needs Analysis is to provide all ARCH (A Regional Coalition for Housing) member cities with consistent data and analysis which will inform and assist in the updates of local comprehensive plans. The housing needs analysis should inform readers of specific needs within the forecast population.

7. [Housing Cost Burden Tool](#)

Explore housing cost burden data for cities and other Census-defined places across Washington State using this tool developed by BERK Consulting.

8. [Housing Innovations Program Page](#)

Puget Sound Regional Council’s Housing Innovations Program (HIP) is a collection of planning resources that local governments in the central Puget Sound region can use to promote housing affordability and smart growth in their communities.

9. [Housing Underproduction in Washington State](#)

Up the Growth created a report exploring the economic, fiscal, and environmental impacts of enabling transit-oriented accessible growth to address Washington’s Housing Affordability Challenge.

- 10. [Jurisdictional Fragmentation of Affordable Housing Policy in King County](#)**
This report by the Housing Development Consortium (HDC) examines the fragmentation in affordable housing development and policymaking in King County and reviews the tools used across jurisdictions.
- 11. [King County Affordable Housing Snapshots](#)**
The Housing Development Consortium created city snapshots providing a variety of information on ordinances that impact tenants, developers, and the affordable housing community.
- 12. [Mapping Inequality](#)**
A collaboration by three teams at four universities, this is a digital map tool to understand redlining in the United States.
- 13. [Municipal Research and Services Center \(MSRC\) Affordable Housing Page](#)**
This page provides a broad overview of different affordable housing tools and funding mechanisms available to local governments in Washington State, including articles and sample policies.
- 14. [National Equity Atlas](#)**
A comprehensive data resource to track, measure, and make the case for inclusive growth.
- 15. [Next 50 Housing Brief](#)**
From the Urban Institute founded by President Lyndon B. Johnson, the report explores what would it take to ensure quality, affordable housing for all in communities of opportunity.
- 16. [South King Housing and Homelessness Partners Homepage](#)**
South King Housing and Homelessness Partners (SKHHP) is a coalition formed by an interlocal agreement between the jurisdictions of Auburn, Burien, Covington, Des Moines, Federal Way, Kent, Normandy Park, Renton, Tukwila, and King County.
- 17. [The Opportunity Atlas](#)**
“Which neighborhoods in America offer children the best chance to rise out of poverty?” The Opportunity Atlas answers this question using anonymous data following 20 million Americans from childhood to their mid-30s.
- 18. [UW Evictions Study](#)**
An interdisciplinary research team examines court records and Sheriff warrants to identify race, ethnic, and sex disparities of evicted renters, with a goal to expand public and scholarly knowledge by identifying the prevalence and drivers of evictions in under-studied regions.
- 19. [Vision 2050 Housing Background Paper](#)**
This 2018 background housing paper from Puget Sound Regional Council seeks to quantify through data analysis what many residents experience on a daily basis – the housing market is becoming increasingly unaffordable. This paper also reviews current policy frameworks, recent housing initiatives, and a range of housing tools.
- 20. [Zillow Housing Data](#)**
This resource includes data on home values, rentals, inventory, and listings.