The Ohio Housing Finance Agency (OHFA) is a state agency dedicated to ensuring all Ohioans have a safe and affordable place to call home. OHFA uses federal and state resources to support down payment assistance and fixed-rate mortgages as well as finance the development of affordable housing for low- to moderate-income Ohioans. Two key federal resources are the Low-Income Housing Tax Credit, which facilitates private capital investment to build and preserve affordable rental housing, and tax-exempt private activity bonds or Housing Bonds, which help support both homeownership and rental housing programs. OHFA also uses two state funding sources, an allocation from the Ohio Housing Trust Fund and funding from the Ohio Department of Commerce, Division of Unclaimed Funds, for the development of affordable rental housing. Through these programs and other activities, the Agency creates or sustains more than 27,000 jobs and contributes $4.5 billion a year to the state’s economy.

**OHFA’S IMPACT IN THE 18TH DISTRICT**

**Rental Units Developed by Priority Need**

- **54.7 %** Family
- **43.8 %** Senior
- **1.6 %** PSH

Total: **1,661**

- **4,345** Residents Assisted with Homebuying
- **1,311** Residents Assisted with Homeowner Costs
- **1,661** Affordable Rental Units Built or Preserved

**OHFA HOMEBUYERS IN THE 18TH DISTRICT**

- **Median Age**: 32
- **Median Income**: $55,019
- **Average Home Loan**: $133,557
- **Average FICO® Score**: 711

**Race & Ethnicity Breakdown**

- **WHITE**: 54.7 %
- **BLACK**: 43.8 %
- **HISPANIC**: 1.6 %
- **OTHER**: 8.9 %
- **UNKNOWN**: 0.0 %

**Marital Status Breakdown**

- **SINGLE**: 54.7 %
- **MARRIED**: 43.8 %
- **PSH**: 1.6 %

**Gender Breakdown**

- **MALE**: 49.9 %
- **FEMALE**: 49.9 %
- **OTHER**: 0.2 %
HOUSING NEEDS IN OHIO’S 18TH DISTRICT

Homeownership Gap

There is a 40-percentage-point gap between white and Black homeownership rates in the 18th—78% and 38% respectively.

Rental Affordability Gap

There are 8,832 extremely low-income renters in the 18th, but only 2,870 rental homes affordable and available to them—a shortage of 5,961 units.

Veterans

1,415 veterans in the 18th are housing insecure, or live in households spending more than 50% of income on homeowner costs or rent.

LOW-INCOME RENTERS
IN THE 18TH DISTRICT

All Members of Household by Age

UNDER 18
18 TO 54
55 & OVER
30,163
15,566

Heads of Household by Gender

MALE
FEMALE

Average Age
36
54

Income & Rent Limits

$37,750
$944

Select Local Jobs

Warehouse Movers ($35K)
Nursing Assistants ($32K)
Restaurant Cooks ($29K)

Sources: OHFA internal data (as of December 31, 2022); American Community Survey (ACS) One- and Five-Year Estimates; IPUMS USA, University of Minnesota (based on one-year estimates); Income Limits, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development; Supreme Court of Ohio Case Management System (based on 2022 data); Ohio Department of Education (public data request, based on 2021–2022 school year data); Real Estate Analytics Suite, CoreLogic (based on 12-month averages); National Low Income Housing Coalition (public data request, based on one-year estimates).

Notes: PSH = Permanent Supportive Housing. AMI = Area Median Income. Due to rounding error, percentages may not add up to 100%. All estimates based on 2021 data unless stated otherwise. For questions, contact the Office of Research and Analytics at Research@ohiohome.org.