

Affordable Housing Strategies for Kosciusko County

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Kosciusko County is outgrowing its housing stock, reducing inventory and increasing prices. This 2024 study offers insight into the affordability of housing options, which populations struggle the most with housing, and identifies targeted solutions for our community.

MOBILE HOMES

2,500+

mobile homes in Kosciusko County.

37

registered parks, third most in the state, behind Allen and Marion Counties. 8%

Mobile homes account for 8% of all housing units, compared to 4.5% statewide. 18 parks are owned by someone out of state, encompassing 83% of all mobile homes in the county.

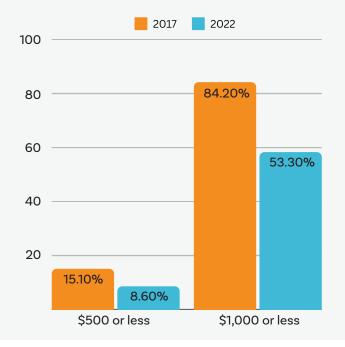
RENTALS

37%

of Kosciusko County's **7,960** renter households are cost burdened, spending 30% or more of their income on housing.

Renters in Kosciusko County were three times as likely to be cost burdened as homeowner households in 2022, a disparity that has widened since 2017.

SHARE OF \$500 AND \$1,000 RENTS IN KOSCIUSKO COUNTY, 2017-2022



HOMEOWNERS

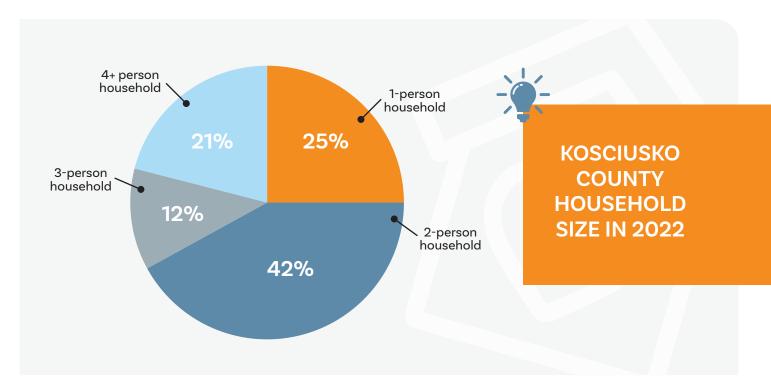
76%

In 2021, homeowners represented **76%** of the county, while renters represented **24%**.

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As much as **one-third** of the housing stock may need significant repairs.





TOP 6 HOUSING PRIORITIES

Here are **six key areas** our community can focus on to address the issue of housing costs. Be sure to read the entire report for an **in-depth view of housing** in our county.

- 1. Create a housing coalition.
- 2. Clearly define the term "affordable housing" and clarify the narrative.
- 3. Invest in wrap-around housing services, such as child care and financial literacy.
- 4. Address issues unique to mobile homes and rural residents.
- 5. Increase support for affordable home repairs.
- 6. Develop more affordable and workforce housing units.



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