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Campaign for Housing and Civic Engagement

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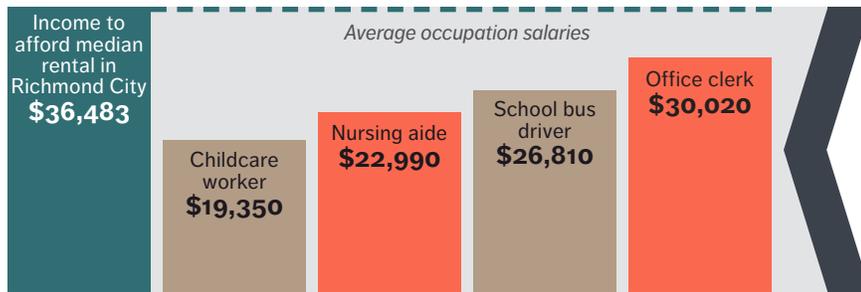
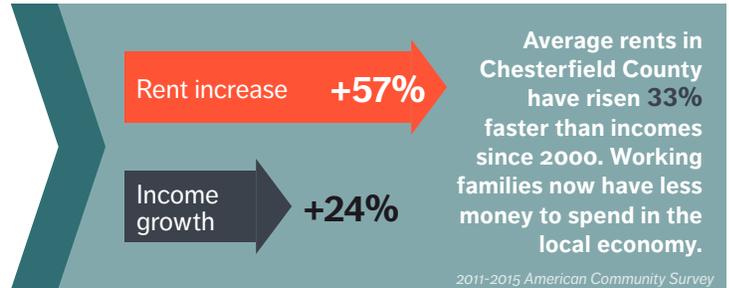


..... Stable homes build strong communities.

Rents in Greater Richmond are quickly outpacing incomes.

Between 2000 and 2015, the average rent in **Chesterfield County** grew by **57%**, from **\$717** to **\$1,123**. At the same time, median household incomes only increased **24%**, from **\$58,537** to **\$72,609**.

2000 US Census; 2011-2015 American Community Survey



Secure housing remains out of reach for many, including full-time workers.

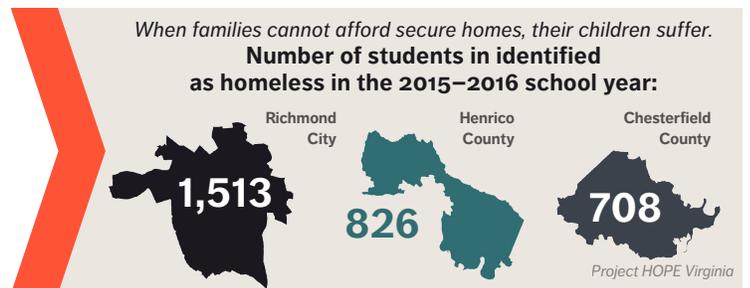
Thousands of residents earn much less, even with steady employment.

Housing Virginia's SOURCEBOOK: Paycheck to Paycheck (2016)

The demand for safe, affordable homes far exceeds today's supply.

Over **28,800** extremely low income renters in **Richmond city, Henrico County, and Chesterfield County** cannot find stable housing within their budget.

US HUD Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy data (2010-2014)



Virginia Supportive Housing is helping end homelessness in Virginia for good.

Though homelessness is complex, the solution is actually quite simple: **House the homeless**. The tricky part, however, is helping formerly homeless individuals stay housed.



Enter VSH and its proven solution to homelessness. By combining affordable housing with personalized case management services, VSH helps thousands of individuals reclaim their lives while saving communities millions of dollars each year.

VSH currently operates **1,118 high quality, supportive homes** in Central Virginia. More than **95%** of the persons served by VSH do not return to homelessness.

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Safe and accessible homes are the cornerstone for healthy, productive lives.

Average Cost to Provide Housing:



Permanent Supportive Housing programs help lift hundred of Virginians out of homelessness each year. Providing a safe home coupled with supportive services **greatly reduces the need for costly visits** to emergency rooms and mental health facilities.

About half of Virginia's PSH homes are dedicated to treating substance abuse and **preventing homelessness among Virginia's veterans**. Addiction remains one of the largest risk factors for veteran homelessness. With statewide **success rates nearing 100%**, PSH is a proven model that can be replicated for other populations experiencing homelessness throughout Virginia.

National Alliance to End Homelessness; Virginia Dept. of Behavioral Health and Development Services SJ47 Housing Workgroup

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