



City of Richmond

Memorandum

To: Mayor and Councillors
From: Joan D'Angola, Affordable Housing Coordinator
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Re: Core Need Data - Richmond

At the request of Planning Committee on October 7th, please find below additional Census data (2001) on Richmond households living in core need. Please note that Core need data from the 2006 Census has not yet been released. Core need data identifies households who are unable to obtain market housing that is in adequate condition, of suitable size, and at the same time affordable. Core need and paying at least half of income on rent (INALH) data identifies households that face extreme affordability challenges and are considered to be at increased risk of homelessness.

Richmond Core Need

- There were 8,885 owner and rental households living in core housing need.
- Of these households, 4,120 were renters.

Richmond INALH

- There were 4,415 owner and rental INALH households.
- Of these households, 1,995 were renters.
 - The average reported income of a INALH renter in the City of Richmond was \$18,683. This is the income profile of a household that is typically eligible for social housing and is consistent with the Richmond Affordable Housing Strategy's 1st priority tenant group (i.e. households earning less than \$20,000 annually).
 - Of the renter households in core need and spending at least half of their income on their housing costs, approximately 720 were single person households while 1,255 were family households.
 - Of the family households approximately half were single parent families.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Best regards,

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