The Invisible Population

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Unsheltered Street Count City Comparison

- Mesa 2018: 144
- Mesa 2017: 130
- Mesa 2016: 95
- Mesa 2015: 155
- Mesa 2014: 55
- Chandler 2018: 54
- Chandler 2017: 27
- Chandler 2016: 14
- Chandler 2015: 31
- Chandler 2014: 18
In Arizona, the Fair Market Rent (FMR) for a two-bedroom apartment is $960. In order to afford this level of rent and utilities — without paying more than 30% of income on housing — a household must earn $3,199 monthly or $38,390 annually. Assuming a 40-hour work week, 52 weeks per year, this level of income translates into an hourly Housing Wage of:

**State Housing Wage**

$18.46 per hour

**Facts about Arizona:**

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<td>2-Bedroom Housing Wage</td>
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<td>Number of Renter Households</td>
<td>917,041</td>
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<td>Percent Renters</td>
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**Most Expensive Areas**

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* MSA = Metropolitan Statistical Area, 1MSA = 1 MSA (1 metro area).
* Ranked from highest to lowest 2-bedroom Housing Wage. Includes District of Columbia and Puerto Rico.

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Foster the homeless

Incentive tax credit

Inspiring hope
“People don’t realize the enormity of getting out of homelessness,” Raine said.

“We’ve learned that we can’t arrest our way out of the problem of homelessness,” Raine said. “As soon as a lot of these people are released on Tuesday, they’re right back for the same exact thing. It’s never going to stop that way.”
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But when I do, it's Tax Credit
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