

Affordable Housing Initiative (AHI) Program Guidelines

The Housing Industry Foundation (HIF), a non-profit agency that seeks to prevent homelessness via emergency housing support and shelter renovation projects, recently launched a new program designed to match working families & individuals with below market rate units with a focus on teachers, non-profit professionals and other public workers in Santa Clara & San Mateo County.

Rent levels are based on Santa Clara (effective 7/1/2020) & San Mateo County effective (6/1/2020) Rent Limits for 2020

Santa Clara:	San Mateo:	
Studio = \$1,380	Studio = \$1,411	
1-Bedroom = \$1,480	1-Bedroom = \$1,512	
2-Bedroom = \$1,770	2-Bedroom = \$1,814	

Households must meet the following eligibility criteria to qualify for assistance:

- Household must be doing everything it can to overcome the crisis (e.g. money management, employment, etc.)
- Households must be living or working in Santa Clara or San Mateo Counties
- Targeted household income is **50-80%** Area Median Income
- Each adult in the household who is able to work (18+ and not disabled) must to be either working, making a good-faith effort to look for work, or enrolled in school
- Priority given for teachers, first responders, health workers, and public and nonprofit workers

Ability to Pay

• HIF works with individuals and households earning 50-80% of Area Median Income to move into affordable housing to help maintain stability. General HIF income ranges for different household sizes are:

*SANTA CLARA COUNTY-50-80% INCOME LIMITS

HOUSEHOLD SIZE	ANNUAL	
	50% Minimum	80% Maximum
1 PERSON	\$55,300	\$78,550
2 PERSONS	\$63,200	\$89,750
3 PERSONS	\$71,100	\$100,950
4 PERSONS	\$78,950	\$112,150
5 PERSONS	\$85,300	\$121,150

*SANTA MATEO COUNTY- 50-80% INCOME LIMITS

HOUSEHOLD SIZE	ANNUAL	
	50% Minimum	80% Maximum
1 PERSON	\$60,900	\$97,440
2 PERSONS	\$69,600	\$111,360
3 PERSONS	\$78,300	\$125,280
4 PERSONS	\$87,000	\$139,200
5 PERSONS	\$94,000	\$154,000

^{*(}Household Gross Income- based off 2020 County Income & Rent Limits)