



# FACT SHEET

RHPA 4 - ACADIANA

## Acadiana Housing Alliance Working Group

### INTRODUCTION

This Fact Sheet displays important data on the state of housing within the eight parishes in Regional Housing Planning Area 4. It includes affordability; previous investments; COVID-19 housing needs; homelessness; energy efficiency; and the population and households in each parish. Here at HousingLOUISIANA, we understand that safe, stable, and affordable housing is a human right.

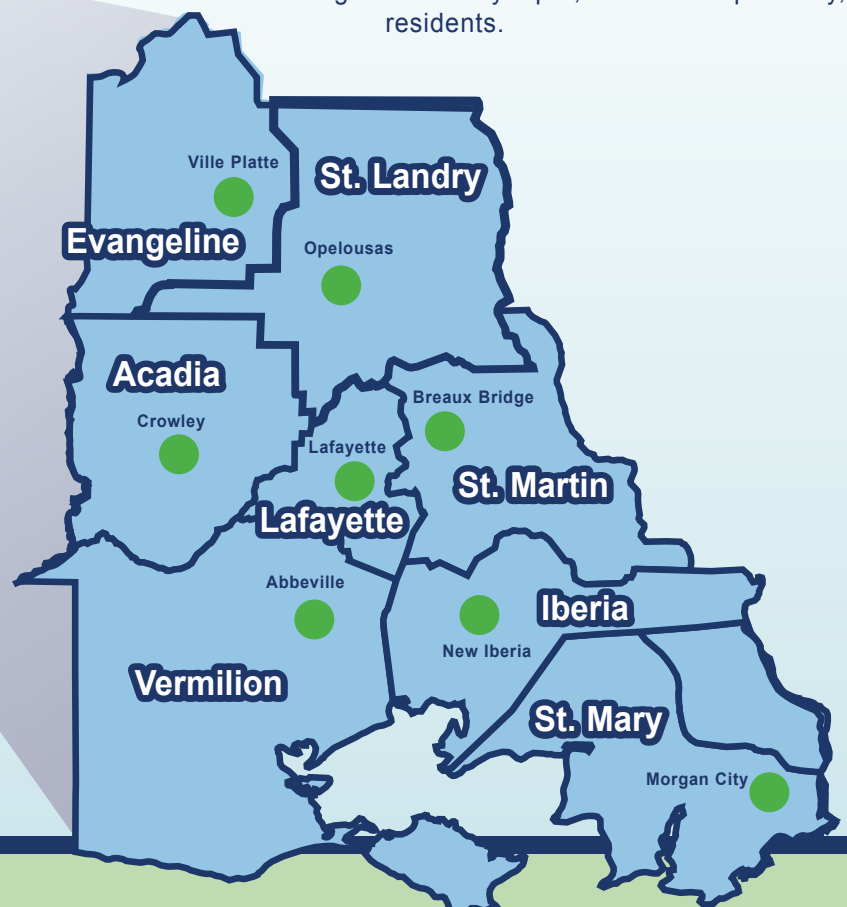
HousingLouisiana is holding a listening tour across the state to encourage community input, but most importantly, residents.

### SOURCES

American Community Survey  
5-year Estimates, 2017-2021  
U.S. Census Building Permits, 2021

### LIST OF PARISHES IN RHPA 5:

- Acadia Parish
- Evangeline Parish
- Iberia Parish
- Lafayette Parish
- St. Landry Parish
- St. Martin Parish
- St. Mary Parish
- Vermilion Parish



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## Acadia

POPULATION  
58,200



HOUSEHOLDS  
21,555

### RACE & ETHNICITY

WHITE 79%  
BLACK 217%  
NATIVE AMERICAN 0%  
ASIAN 0%  
OTHER 0%

2% Hispanic or Latino  
97% Not Hispanic or Latino

 **MEDIAN VALUE**  
\$129,600

**MEDIAN RENT**  \$671

70% 30%  
Owner Renter  
Occupied Occupied

### OCCUPANCY STATUS

Occupied: 21,555 units  
Vacant: 3,479 units  
TOTAL: 25,034 units

 \$42,368  
**MEDIAN HH INCOME**

23%   
**Poverty Status**

 **COST BURDEN**  
■ Owner: 13%  
■ Renter: 45%  
Overall: 23%

**HOUSING WAGE**  \$13.38

## Evangeline

POPULATION  
32,538




HOUSEHOLDS  
12,076

### RACE & ETHNICITY

WHITE 66%  
BLACK 27%  
NATIVE AMERICAN 0%  
ASIAN 0%  
OTHER 3%

4% Hispanic or Latino  
96% Not Hispanic or Latino

 **MEDIAN VALUE**  
\$96,800

**MEDIAN RENT**  \$598

66% 34%  
Owner Renter  
Occupied Occupied

### OCCUPANCY STATUS

Occupied: 12,076 units  
Vacant: 2,407 units  
TOTAL: 14,483 units

 \$32,465  
**MEDIAN HH INCOME**

27%   
**Poverty Status**

 **COST BURDEN**  
■ Owner: 18%  
■ Renter: 46%  
Overall: 27%

**HOUSING WAGE**  \$13.38

## Iberia

POPULATION  
70,518




HOUSEHOLDS  
26,697

### RACE & ETHNICITY

WHITE 59%  
BLACK 32%  
NATIVE AMERICAN 0%  
ASIAN 3%  
OTHER 2%

4% Hispanic or Latino  
96% Not Hispanic or Latino

 **MEDIAN VALUE**  
\$133,500

**MEDIAN RENT**  \$802

67% 33%  
Owner Renter  
Occupied Occupied

### OCCUPANCY STATUS

Occupied: 26,697 units  
Vacant: 4,135 units  
TOTAL: 30,832 units

 \$52,278  
**MEDIAN HH INCOME**

23%   
**Poverty Status**

 **COST BURDEN**  
■ Owner: 15%  
■ Renter: 43%  
Overall: 24%

**HOUSING WAGE**  \$15.92

## Lafayette

POPULATION  
241,173




HOUSEHOLDS  
95,607

### RACE & ETHNICITY

WHITE 67%  
BLACK 26%  
NATIVE AMERICAN 0%  
ASIAN 2%  
OTHER 1%

5% Hispanic or Latino  
95% Not Hispanic or Latino

 **MEDIAN VALUE**  
\$195,300

**MEDIAN RENT**  919

67% 34%  
Owner Renter  
Occupied Occupied

### OCCUPANCY STATUS

Occupied: 95,607 units  
Vacant: 11,371 units  
TOTAL: 106,978 units

 \$63,311  
**MEDIAN HH INCOME**

17%   
**Poverty Status**

 **COST BURDEN**  
■ Owner: 19%  
■ Renter: 46%  
Overall: 27%

**HOUSING WAGE**  \$17.12

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## St. Landry

### POPULATION

82,999




### HOUSEHOLDS

30,479

### RACE & ETHNICITY

WHITE 55%  
BLACK 41%  
NATIVE AMERICAN 0%  
ASIAN 1%  
OTHER 1%

2% Hispanic or Latino  
98% Not Hispanic or Latino

 **MEDIAN VALUE**  
\$124,900

**MEDIAN RENT**  \$658

70% 30%  
Owner Renter  
Occupied Occupied

### OCCUPANCY STATUS

Occupied: 30,479 units  
Vacant: 6,223 units  
TOTAL: 36,702 units

 **MEDIAN HH INCOME**  
\$41,068

26% **Poverty Status** 

**COST BURDEN**  
 ■ Owner: 19%  
■ Renter: 40%  
Overall: 25%

**HOUSING WAGE**  \$13.58

## St. Martin

### POPULATION

52,222




### HOUSEHOLDS

19,537

### RACE & ETHNICITY

WHITE 66%  
BLACK 29%  
NATIVE AMERICAN 0%  
ASIAN 1%  
OTHER 0%

3% Hispanic or Latino  
97% Not Hispanic or Latino

 **MEDIAN VALUE**  
\$125,200

**MEDIAN RENT**  \$740

78% 22%  
Owner Renter  
Occupied Occupied

### OCCUPANCY STATUS

Occupied: 19,537 units  
Vacant: 3,870 units  
TOTAL: 23,407 units

 **MEDIAN HH INCOME**  
\$46,711

17% **Poverty Status** 

**COST BURDEN**  
 ■ Owner: 17%  
■ Renter: 37%  
Overall: 21%

**HOUSING WAGE**  \$17.12

## St. Mary

### POPULATION

49,818



### HOUSEHOLDS

18,565

### RACE & ETHNICITY

WHITE 58%  
BLACK 30%  
NATIVE AMERICAN 2%  
ASIAN 1%  
OTHER 3%

7% Hispanic or Latino  
93% Not Hispanic or Latino

 **MEDIAN VALUE**  
\$110,200

**MEDIAN RENT**  \$799

66% 34%  
Owner Renter  
Occupied Occupied

### OCCUPANCY STATUS

Occupied: 18,565 units  
Vacant: 3,996 units  
TOTAL: 22,561 units

 **MEDIAN HH INCOME**  
\$43,097

21% **Poverty Status** 

**COST BURDEN**  
 ■ Owner: 18%  
■ Renter: 35%  
Overall: 26%

**HOUSING WAGE**  \$15.92

## Vermilion

### POPULATION

57,775




### HOUSEHOLDS

21,580

### RACE & ETHNICITY

WHITE 80%  
BLACK 14%  
NATIVE AMERICAN 0%  
ASIAN 2%  
OTHER 1%

14% Hispanic or Latino  
96% Not Hispanic or Latino

 **MEDIAN VALUE**  
\$135,500

**MEDIAN RENT**  \$700

77% 23%  
Owner Renter  
Occupied Occupied

### OCCUPANCY STATUS

Occupied: 21,580 units  
Vacant: 4,180 units  
TOTAL: 25,760 units

 **MEDIAN HH INCOME**  
\$56,347

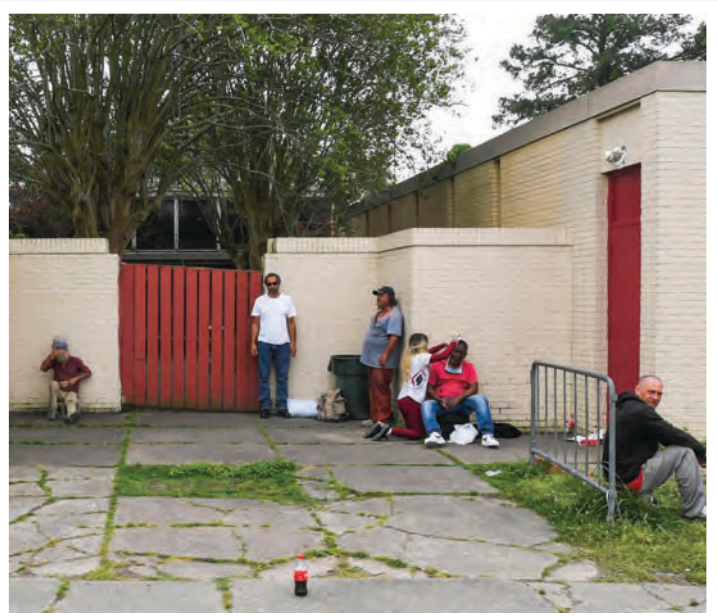
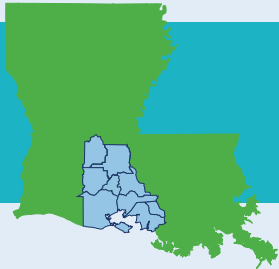
18% **Poverty Status** 

**COST BURDEN**  
 ■ Owner: 12%  
■ Renter: 38%  
Overall: 18%

**HOUSING WAGE**  \$14.04



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## COVID Housing Needs Estimate



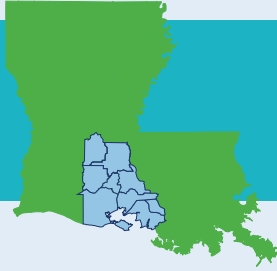
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### SOURCES

Enterprise and Urban Footprint Pulse Data





# DISASTER RECOVERY

## ENERGY EFFICIENCY DATA



2018  
MONTHLY  
AVERAGE  
ENERGY  
COST

Acadia	Evangeline	Iberia	Lafayette	St. Landry	St. Martin	St. Mary	Vermilion
\$185	\$217	\$211	\$160	\$211	\$213	\$204	\$193



## HURRICANE DAMAGE 2021



	Acadia	Evangeline	Iberia	Lafayette	St. Landry	St. Martin	St. Mary	Vermilion
HURRICANE	Total Number of Damaged or Destroyed Homes.	Total Number of Damaged or Destroyed Homes.	Total Number of Damaged or Destroyed Homes.	Total Number of Damaged or Destroyed Homes.	Total Number of Damaged or Destroyed Homes.	Total Number of Damaged or Destroyed Homes.	Total Number of Damaged or Destroyed Homes.	Total Number of Damaged or Destroyed Homes.
LAURA	2,728	No Data	0	0	2,317	0	0	1,908
IDA	No Data	No Data	8,773	0	0	5,425	6,077	0
ZETA	No Data	No Data	0	0	0	0	0	0
DELTA	3,329	No Data	1,596	4,426	2,567	1,596	0	2,217
TOTAL COST TO REPAIR	\$137,777,000	No Data	\$236,033,000	\$64,038,5000	\$94,131,500	\$135,859,500	\$105,680,000	\$71,632,000

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- Energy Efficiency: LEAD
- Hurricane Damage Data: FEMA

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## The American Rescue Plan (ARP)

The American Rescue Plan is a \$1.9 trillion federal response to the economic devastation and public health crisis caused by the COVID-19 global pandemic. These funds give the state, cities and parishes resources that can be used to close budget holes and spur recovery. Funds are to be used for expenses from 2021 to 2024, and must be expended by 2026 for public health, replacing lost tax revenue, economic relief, and addressing inequities in infrastructure. Louisiana received \$5.18 billion.

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## The Infrastructure Investment & Jobs Act (IIJA)

The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (also known as the Bipartisan Infrastructure Bill or BIL) is a congressional law that provides \$550 billion for U.S. infrastructure over the next five years. This means each year Louisiana will receive additional funds from the Federal Government for things like transportation, energy/power, broadband access, water quality/storage, resilience and environmental remediation. Parishes and municipalities must write grants for projects they want, and these can be opportunities for local community leaders to inform government decision-makers what projects make the most sense for their local communities for each year. Without your voice, projects will be pursued that may not make the most sense for you.

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## Restore Louisiana

The State of Louisiana Office of Community Development created the Restore Louisiana program to help homeowners recover from federally declared disasters. As of now, there are \$2.25 billion allocated by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development through Community Development Block Grant-Disaster Recovery program for Restore Louisiana.

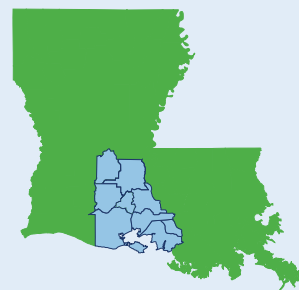
## Louisiana Watershed Initiative (LWI)

The Louisiana Watershed Initiative is a coordinated, interagency effort focused on reducing flood risk and increasing resilience throughout Louisiana. Through this Initiative, the state is working toward the coordination of floodplain management responsibilities in Louisiana based on watershed boundaries, in close collaboration and partnership with local jurisdictions, to achieve long-term outcomes for flood risk reduction and resilience. As of March 2022, about \$1.2million has been allocated for Appropriations and Allocations (2020) for local and regional watershed projects and programs. As of March 2022, \$570,666,243 were allocated with none spent to date, and another \$312,757,590 allocated for housing and infrastructure, which currently has \$226,792,443 that has yet to be obligated to a project. This means there are opportunities for local communities to weigh in on what projects to pursue with these funds.

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## Insurance Fortify Program

"The Louisiana State Legislature passed a law in 2022 that provides funds for the Louisiana Fortify Homes Program, with revenues generated by the Louisiana Department of Insurance, not to exceed \$10,000,000 in any fiscal year, beginning January 2023. The program will provide up to \$10K grants to homeowners with homestead exemptions for the purposes of fortifying roofs. This law provides that the commissioner of insurance may make financial grants to retrofit insurable property with a homestead exemption to resist loss and meet or exceed the fortified home standards of the Insurance Institute for Business and Home Safety. Funds not expended in the fiscal year for which appropriated shall remain in the fund for distribution in subsequent fiscal years."



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