## Fairbury Housing Needs Assessment 2024

## Survey Introduction:

Welcome to the Fairbury Housing Needs Assessment Survey! This survey is part of the public outreach conducted by the Fairbury Housing Authority in conjunction with the Southeast Nebraska Development District (SENDD).

The purpose of this survey is to help the planning team further understand the housing needs of the City of Fairbury, NE. Your responses will help to describe current housing supply, demand, and affordability within our region and begin to identify what types of housing may be needed in the future. The Housing Needs Assessment will identify potential targeted improvement strategies or actions. Your responses will remain anonymous, and results will be presented in aggregate form only.

This survey has 15 key questions. It should take roughly 15 minutes to respond.

## Home Address*

Please provide us with your home address in the space below. Your specific location and personal data will not be disclosed in the survey results. Your privacy is important to us.

What type of housing do you currently reside in? (Select all that apply)

| ○ | Single-family home |
| :--- | :--- |
| ○ | Manufactured or mobile home |
| ○ | Multi-family home (2-4 units) |
| ○ | Small apartment building (4-20 units) |
| ○ | Apartment complex (20+ units) |
| ○ | Townhouse or Row house |
| ○ | Accessory Dwelling Unit, in-law apartment, or backyard cottage |
| ○ | A home with needed supportive services (such as mental wellness care, job training, <br> dormitory etc.) |
| O | I do not currently have permanent housing (such as living with family, friends, or a <br> nomad lifestyle) |

## Which of the following best describes your current living situation? (Select all that apply) I currently:

O Rent my home.
O Own my home with a mortgage.
O Own my home without a mortgage.
O Am a dependent (live with parents or other caretakers who pay for my housing).
O Live with family or roommates and share cost.
O Live in income-assisted housing
O Live in low-income housing
O Live in a shelter, halfway house, or other temporary housing.
O Live in senior housing or assisted living (for seniors or disabled persons).
O I do not currently have permanent housing.

- Other


## Ideally what type of housing would you prefer to be living in today (regardless of affordability)? <br> (Select one)

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| :--- | :--- |
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| ○ | Other |

Have you experienced any safety concerns or incidents in your current housing unit or neighborhood? If yes, please specify. (Circle One)
Yes / No

If yes, please explain.
Please describe any safety concerns or incidents in your current housing unit or neighborhood.

How would you rate the affordability of housing in Fairbury on a scale of 1-5?
$5=$ Very Affordable $1=$ Not Affordable (Circle One)

| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

Are there enough housing options for different income levels in Fairbury?

## Yes / No

Please select the statement that best describes your housing cost (mortgage/rent, utilities, insurance, and property taxes): see example table below

| Monthly household income | Monthly Housing Cost @ 30\% | Monthly Housing Cost @ 50\% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\$ 1000$ | $\$ 300$ | $\$ 500$ |
| $\$ 1500$ | $\$ 450$ | $\$ 750$ |
| $\$ 2000$ | $\$ 600$ | $\$ 1,000$ |
| $\$ 2500$ | $\$ 750$ | $\$ 1,250$ |
| $\$ 3000$ | $\$ 900$ | $\$ 1,500$ |
| $\$ 3500$ | $\$ 1,050$ | $\$ 1,750$ |
| $\$ 4000$ | $\$ 1,200$ | $\$ 2,000$ |


| $\bigcirc$ | My housing cost is less than $30 \%$ of our household's total income. |
| :--- | :--- |
| $\bigcirc$ | My housing cost is between $30 \%-50 \%$ of our household's total income. |
| $\bigcirc$ | My housing cost is greater than $50 \%$ of our household's total income. |
| $\bigcirc$ | I do not pay for my housing. |
| $\bigcirc$ | I don't know. |


| Have you experienced difficulties finding suitable housing in Fairbury? (Circle One) |
| :---: |
| Yes / No |

If yes, please explain.
Please describe any difficulties you have had finding suitable housing in Fairbury.

How would you rate the overall safety and security of your current housing situation?
1 = Unsafe 5 = Safe (Circle One)

| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

Are there any specific housing-related issues or concerns you would like to see addressed in Fairbury?
Yes / No

If yes, please explain.
Please describe any specific housing-related issues or concerns you would like to see addressed in Fairbury.

Are there barriers preventing you from purchasing a home in Fairbury?
Yes / No

If yes, please explain.
Please describe any barriers preventing you from purchasing a home in Fairbury.

Do you think there is a need for more rental housing options in Fairbury?
Yes / No

Are you actively looking for a new place to live?
Yes / No

Indicate the level of impact each of the following factors has on your ability to stay in the community.

| (Place an X to mark the <br> corresponding box) | Significantly <br> impacts | Somewhat <br> impacts | Slightly <br> impacts | Dose not <br> impact |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Supply of available housing |  |  |  |  |
| Quality of available housing |  |  |  |  |
| Cost of available housing |  |  |  |  |
| Type of available housing |  |  |  |  |
| Location of available housing |  |  |  |  |

Do you know of anyone who would like to move to Fairbury but cannot do so because of housing availability or affordability constraints?

> Yes / No

If yes, please provide any additional details or anecdotes you may have.

Thank you for taking the time to complete this survey! Your input is greatly appreciated and will help us to address the housing needs of the Fairbury community.

