In 2016, there was no housing market in the United States where a person with a disability whose sole source of income was SSI could afford a safe, decent rental unit.
There are 4,845,183 disabled people in the US living only on SSI. Supplemental Security Income (SSI) is only $763 per month. The average monthly rent for a basic one-bedroom apartment is $861. That is 113% of the monthly income of a disabled person in the US, leaving no money for food, transportation, clothing, or other necessities. This is not affordable.

It's no wonder there are 369,081 homeless individuals living on the streets or in shelters — and too many people stuck in expensive institutional settings at a cost of $187 - $2,715 per person per day.

TAC’s Priced Out report documents the severe, nationwide shortage of affordable rental housing for millions of adults with disabilities who receive Supplemental Security Income (SSI). Without access to safe and affordable housing, too many people are forced into segregated and costly institutional settings — or homelessness.

There are many proven solutions to this crisis. First and foremost, disability advocates must unite in the call to fully support federal rental assistance programs. Visit www.tacinc.org/knowledge-resources/priced-out-findings for our full list of recommendations, along with easy-to-read data for your state and housing market, as well as the nation as a whole.

Use the Priced Out report to advocate for:

- Housing programs in your area that include preferences for people with disabilities — including those who are homeless or coming from institutions.
- Full federal funding for HUD housing programs and the expansion of permanent supportive housing through Section 811 PRA, HEARTH, and vouchers for people with disabilities.
- The use of National Housing Trust Fund allocations to support permanent supportive housing for people with disabilities in your state.
- Coverage by Medicaid and other sources for services that support successful tenancy.

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