

"Build Baby Build"

Governor Whitmer announces new investment to expand affordable housing across Michigan



State-Wide Affordable Housing Criss



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Michigan agency wants developers to ask for help getting housing projects off the ground

Michigan Public | By Tracy Samilton Published August 22, 2025 at 8:58 PM EDT







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Unlocking Michigan's potential starts with housing

Michigan is scaling housing solutions to meet urgent statewide demand

Reprints



Why These Programs Exist



Amy Hovey, CEO and Executive Director, Michigan State Housing Development Authority (MSHDA)

"We definitely have a housing crisis still happening. MSHDA estimates the state is short by 140,000 housing units, a significant hurdle in addressing the crisis. The cost of building and rentals continues to rise. The difference between what Michigan families make and the cost of housing remains a significant gap." - May 26, 2025

Progress is Being Made ... Quickly

'We are moving fast': Whitmer gives update on 5-year housing goal

Published: Aug. 27, 2025, 8:55 a.m.

LOCAL NEWS

Whitmer awards \$4 million for 171unit apartment complex in Grand Rapids

Gov. Whitmer Announces 96 New Jobs in Shelby Township, 56 Residential Units in Downtown Clawson

February 25, 2025

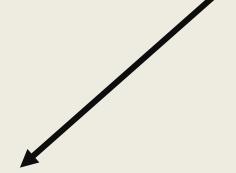
Gov. Whitmer Announces 140 New Housing Units in Hastings, Coldwater Redevelopment Projects

June 18, 2025

Gov. Whitmer Announces Funding for New Housing in U.P., Adding 22 Homes

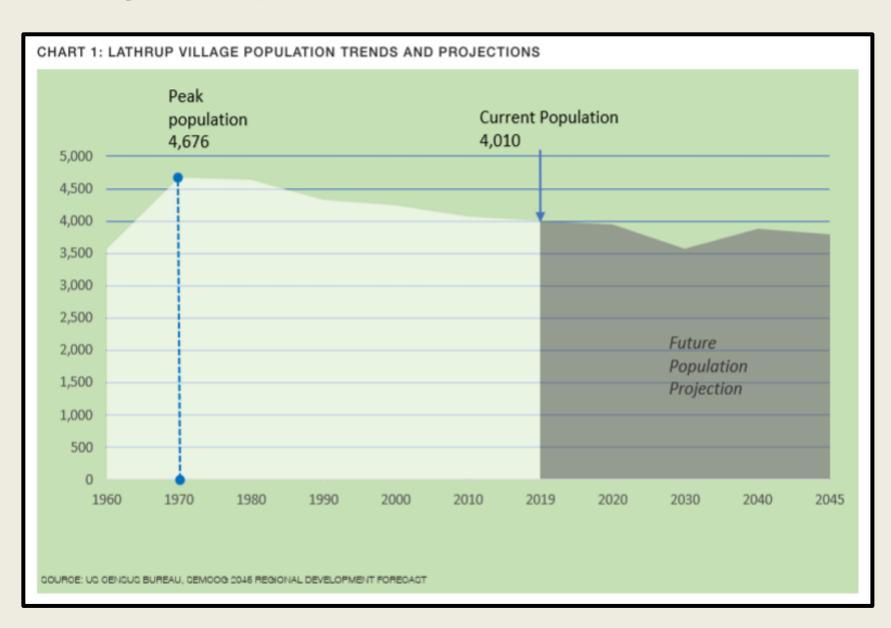
MEDC Communications

Tuesday, May 20, 2025



Lathrup Village Population Statistics

- Lathrup Village's population peaked in 1970
- Current population down
 15% from that peak
- Projected to keep trending downwards thru 2045
- The City's current tax revenue shortage is connected to the overall housing shortage and the lack of housing turnover



Lathrup Village Master Plan's Commentary on Attainable Housing

Finding attainable housing can be a challenge in Lathrup Village and it can stress family finances. Many people find themselves spending more on housing, leaving less of their income available for other household expenses.

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Aging Housing Stock

92% of all apartment units in the Lathrup Village area were developed prior to 1989.

| Year Opened | Projects | Units | Vacant Units | Vacancy Rate |
|--------------|----------|-------|--------------|--------------|
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New Development Lacking

Since 2018, there have been **ZERO** new housing developments in Lathrup Village and only one new housing development in the entire market radius

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High Demand for New Units

The only new housing unit is fully leased up and has a 0% vacancy rate – showcasing a high demand for housing

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Big Picture

1.
Aging Housing
Stock

2. Lacking New Developments

3. Clear Demand for Housing

4.
Overall Vacancy
Rate = Shortage

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Multi-Family Buildings Deep Dive

There are 4,426 total units in the Lathrup Village Proximity and 4,294 are occupied.

This represents a 97% occupancy rate and showcases a low supply and high demand for housing

| Map ID | Project Name | Project Type | QR | Year Built/ Renovated | Total Units | Vacant | Occupancy Rate | DTS |
|-----------|------------------------------|-----------------|----|--------------------------|----------------|--------|-------------------|-----|
| 1 | 42 West | MRR | N | 2015 | 114 | 3 | 97.4% | 0.8 |
| 2 | Keswick Manor Apts. | MRR | В | 1981 | 50 | 1 | 98.0% | 1.3 |
| 3 | Cambridge Square | MRR | C+ | 1964 / 2017 | 104 | 3 | 97.1% | 1.8 |
| 4 | Spring Haven Apts. | MRR | N | 2017 | 103 | 3 | 97.1% | 1.3 |
| 5 | Country Court North & South | MRR | С | 1971 / 2009 | 176 | 0 | 100.0% | 2.1 |
| 6 | The Crossroads at Southfield | MRR | B+ | 1965 / 2023 | 588 | 23 | 96.1% | 2.3 |
| 7 | Arbor Lofts | MRR | Α | 2013 | 85 | 1 | 98.8% | 1.9 |
| 8 | The Loop on Greenfield | MRR | B+ | 1965 / 2017 | 717 | 55 | 92.3% | 2.0 |
| 9 | Lincoln Towers Apts. | MRR | В | 1974 / 2000 | 480 | 0 | 100.0% | 2.3 |
| 10 | Chatsford Manor Apts. | MRR | B- | 1976 / 2015 | 48 | 0 | 100.0% | 2.6 |
| 11 | Monticello Apts. | MRR | N | 1988 / 2021 | 106 | 0 | 100.0% | 3.3 |
| 12 | Park Lane Apts. | MRR | N | 1986 / 2010 | 184 | 0 | 100.0% | 3.4 |
| 13 | The Addison at Southfield | MRR | N | 1988 / 2015 | 396 | 10 | 97.5% | 3.6 |
| 14 | Franklin River Apts. | MRR | N | 1987 / 2010 | 328 | 11 | 96.6% | 3.8 |
| 15 | Radius at Ten Mile | MRR | N | 1971 / 2010 | 210 | 3 | 98.6% | 4.2 |
| 16 | IVY Lofts | MRR | N | 2023 | 78 | 0 | 100.0% | 2.7 |
| 17 | The Oxley | MRR | B+ | 1966 / 2017 | 346 | 6 | 98.3% | 3.4 |
| 18 | The Sapphire | MRR | В | 1968 / 2023 | 313 | 13 | 95.8% | 3.5 |

| Project Type | Projects Surveyed | Total Units | Vacant | Occupancy Rate | U/C |
|--------------|-------------------|-------------|--------|----------------|-----|
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Increase the number of available workforce housing units in the City



Encourage expansion of the population of the City



Benefits to a PILOT Program

Facilitate the addition of attractive and viable housing units in locations consistent with the goals & objectives of the City's Master Plan



Protect and improve the health, safety and general welfare of the City's residents, business ownership, property owners & community as a whole





PILOT Resolution: High Level Deal Terms

\$22,000

4.5%

\$120,000

\$158,500

Current Real Estate Taxes

PILOT Percentage

Minimum Yearly Real Estate Taxes Collected Year 1 Taxes Collected at 100% Occupancy

120% AMI

All units must be attainable housing units priced up to 120% area median income

2026

Estimated date to begin construction

2027

Estimated date for initial increased tax payment

Oakland County PILOT Percentages

13 of the 19 PILOT Programs in Oakland County are 4% or lower

| # | City | Facility Name | Address | Units | MSHDA Notice | PILOT Percentage |
|----|---------------------|--|------------------------|-------|-------------------------|---------------------|
| 1 | Township of Milford | Heritage Place @ Ridge Valley | 700 Napa Valley Dr | 130 | 10/4/2006; 06/27/2012 | 1% |
| 2 | City of Pontiac | Village of Oakland Woods I (Pres. Village) | 420 S Opdyke | 150 | 1/20/2022 | 3% |
| 3 | City of Birmingham | Baldwin House | 200 S Chester St | 130 | 6/21/1993 | 4% |
| 4 | City of Ferndale | Vester Flats Apartments | 141 Vester Street | 72 | 4/23/2025 | 4% |
| 5 | City of Ferndale | Devon Trace Apartments | 1225 Orchard St | 60 | 5/21/2010 | 4% |
| 6 | City of Hazel Park | Baldwin House | 749 E Woodward Hts | 125 | 6/19/1990; 12/22/2021 | 4% |
| 7 | City of Hazel Park | Hazelcrest Place | 100 Hazelcrest | 241 | 4/11/1979; 12/22/2021 | 4% |
| 8 | City of Pontiac | American House Oakland (Lakehaven) | 1915 Baldwin Ave | 161 | 12/07/2021 (06/26/2019) | 4% |
| 9 | City of Pontiac | North Hill Farms I & II | 550 W Kennett Rd | 525 | 1/13/2022 | 4% |
| 10 | City of Pontiac | Phoenix Place | 47251 Woodward | 201 | 8/4/2010 | 4% |
| 11 | City of Pontiac | Crystal Lake Apartments | 850 Golf | 144 | 5/20/2020 | 4% |
| 12 | City of Pontiac | Spring Lk Village (Aub Hls Twnhs) | 252 Carriage Circle Dr | 250 | 1/6/2011 | 4% |
| 13 | City of Pontiac | Village of Oakland Woods II | 440 S Opdyke | 66 | 2/2/2006 | 4% |
| 14 | City of Ferndale | Raymond E. Shepherd House | 410 Vester St | 53 | 10/2/2024 | 4.5% |
| 15 | City of Pontiac | Winston Commons | 69 Douglas St | 54 | 07/20/2022 (11/16/2020) | 6% |
| 16 | City of Pontiac | The Hamilton | 5 Carter St | 42 | 9/3/2019 | 6% |
| 17 | City of Pontiac | Carriage Place Apts. | 255 Carriage Circle Dr | 234 | 8/10/2021 | 6% |
| 18 | City of Pontiac | Newman Court Apts | 630 Kettering | 172 | 7/16/2018 | 7% |
| 19 | Village of Milford | South Hills II / MHT | 101 Gwendolyn Blvd | 120 | 12/13/2006 | 10% |

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At 4.5% the proposed PILOT Program for Annie Lathrup School would be among the highest percentages of shelter rents captured in Oakland County

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Sample Timeline

2025 2026 2027 2028 2029

FINALIZE FINANCING --**STATE, LOCAL &** CONVENTIONAL

CONSTRUCTION **STARTS**

ONGOING

CONSTRUCTION CONSTRUCTION **FINISHED**

BUILDING IS OPENED & LEASED

Sample Timeline

2025 2026 2027 2028 2029

AD VALORUM TAXES

AD VALORUM TAXES

SERVICE CHARGE **PAYMENTS**

SERVICE CHARGE **PAYMENTS** HIGHER OF 4.5% PILOT OR SERVICE **CHARGE**

PILOT Program

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|------------------------|-------------|-----------|-----------|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|-----------|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-------------|---------------|-------------------|
| ~Total Annual Rent | \$3,378,240 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| ~3% Growth Per Year | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Year 1 | Year 2 | Year 3 | Year 4 | Year 5 | Year 6 | Year 7 | Year 8 | Year 9 | Year 10 | Year 11 | Year 12 | Year 13 | Year 14 | Year 15 | TOTAL Payment | ~City/DDA Revenue |
| Current Taxes | \$ 23,000 | \$ 23,690 | \$ 24,401 | \$ 25,133 | \$ 25,887 | \$ 26,663 | \$ 27,463 | \$ 28,287 | \$ 29,136 | \$ 30,010 | \$ 30,910 | \$ 31,837 | \$ 32,793 | \$ 33,776 | \$ 34,790 | \$ 427,775 | \$ 205,332.01 |
| 4% - PILOT | \$ 135,130 | \$139,183 | \$143,359 | \$147,660 | \$152,090 | \$156,652 | \$161,352 | \$166,192 | \$171,178 | \$176,313 | \$181,603 | \$187,051 | \$192,662 | \$198,442 | \$ 204,396 | \$ 2,513,264 | \$ 1,206,366.62 |
| 5% - PILOT | \$ 168,912 | \$173,979 | \$179,199 | \$184,575 | \$190,112 | \$195,815 | \$201,690 | \$207,740 | \$213,973 | \$220,392 | \$227,004 | \$233,814 | \$240,828 | \$248,053 | \$ 255,495 | \$ 3,141,580 | \$ 1,507,958.28 |
| 6% - PILOT | \$ 202,694 | \$208,775 | \$215,038 | \$221,490 | \$228,134 | \$234,978 | \$242,028 | \$249,289 | \$256,767 | \$ 264,470 | \$272,404 | \$280,576 | \$288,994 | \$297,664 | \$ 306,593 | \$ 3,769,896 | \$ 1,809,549.93 |
| 7% - PILOT | \$ 236,477 | \$243,571 | \$250,878 | \$ 258,405 | \$266,157 | \$274,141 | \$282,366 | \$ 290,837 | \$299,562 | \$308,549 | \$317,805 | \$327,339 | \$337,159 | \$347,274 | \$ 357,692 | \$ 4,398,212 | \$ 2,111,141.59 |
| 8% - PILOT | \$ 270,259 | \$278,367 | \$286,718 | \$295,320 | \$304,179 | \$313,304 | \$322,704 | \$332,385 | \$342,356 | \$352,627 | \$363,206 | \$374,102 | \$385,325 | \$396,885 | \$ 408,791 | \$ 5,026,528 | \$ 2,412,733.24 |
| 9% - PILOT | \$ 304,042 | \$313,163 | \$322,558 | \$332,234 | \$342,201 | \$352,468 | \$363,042 | \$373,933 | \$385,151 | \$396,705 | \$408,606 | \$420,865 | \$433,491 | \$446,495 | \$ 459,890 | \$ 5,654,844 | \$ 2,714,324.90 |
| 10% - PILOT | \$ 337,824 | \$347,959 | \$358,397 | \$369,149 | \$380,224 | \$391,631 | \$403,380 | \$415,481 | \$427,945 | \$440,784 | \$454,007 | \$467,627 | \$481,656 | \$496,106 | \$ 510,989 | \$ 6,283,159 | \$ 3,015,916.55 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Minimum Payment | \$ 120,000 | \$126,000 | \$129,780 | \$133,673 | \$137,684 | \$141,814 | \$146,069 | \$150,451 | \$154,964 | \$159,613 | \$164,401 | \$169,333 | \$174,413 | \$179,646 | \$ 185,035 | \$ 2,272,877 | \$ 1,090,980.89 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| ~Taxable Value Payment | \$ 670,000 | \$690,100 | \$710,803 | \$732,127 | \$754,091 | \$776,714 | \$800,015 | \$824,015 | \$848,736 | \$874,198 | \$900,424 | \$927,437 | \$955,260 | \$983,918 | \$1,013,435 | \$ 12,461,272 | \$ 5,981,410.71 |

^{*}The applicant and the City have agreed to a 4.5% annual fee, as reflected in the payment and revenue projections outlined in the attached spreadsheet.



Potential Community Benefits

The Surnow Company is willing to invest into beautifying Annie Lathrup Park as part of our Community Benefits to the residents of Lathrup Village; examples include:



Current: Green Space Buffer Zone POV



Walking Path Enhancements



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Walking Path Enhancements



Project Summary

Project Qualifications

 Adaptive reuse of vacant or under-utilized buildings



 New mixed-use or multifamily residential developments



Significant commercial renovations or expansions



Affordable housing developments



Public Benefits

 Expansion of the City's tax base in the long term



 Improvement of blighted or vacant property



Expanded provision of affordable housing units



 Creation or retention of permanent jobs

