

The Working Homeless

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The Working Homeless: There isn't a single county in the US where someone making a minimum wage can afford to rent a two-bedroom apartment. In Atlanta, the wage needed to rent a two-bedroom apartment is \$21.27 an hour – yet Georgia's minimum wage is a meager \$5.15 an hour. A tenant in Boston would need to work 141 hours a week at a minimum wage in order to afford a two-bedroom apartment. In San Francisco, that figure stands at 203 hours, or the equivalent of five full-time jobs. Only one in four low-income persons who qualify for rental assistance actually receives it.

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