In 2016, over **ONE THIRD** of all households were overburdened by housing costs.

This phenomenon does not exist solely in large counties; rather, medium-sized and small counties in every region of the country are also struggling with unaffordable housing costs. Fortunately, each county is uniquely equipped with its own set of tools to help residents find housing they can afford. Below are some examples of county strategies:

1. **Inter-Jurisdictional Partnerships**
   - Inter-jurisdictional agreements
   - Housing advisory boards and commissions
   - Partnerships with private and nonprofit entities

2. **Planning and Zoning Solutions**
   - Housing needs analysis
   - Affordable housing impact statements
   - Land use regulations: lot size, setback, subdivision and ADU requirements
   - Developer incentives: density bonuses and inclusionary zoning
   - Zoning strategies: medium-density zoning and overlay zones
   - Expedited permitting and review

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3. **Funding and Financing Solutions**
   - Housing trust funds
   - Service sharing
   - Community land trusts
   - Local taxes and fees
     - Developer impact fees
     - Demolition fees
     - Fees on short-term rentals

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4. **Advocacy Resources**
   - NACo Community, Economic and Workforce Development Policy Steering Committee
   - NACo analysis of Affordable Housing Federal Programs and Legislation

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Find out how counties are engaging their communities at [www.NACo.org/HousingConnections](http://www.NACo.org/HousingConnections)

Find out how counties are helping their own employees at [www.NACo.org/AccessToHousing](http://www.NACo.org/AccessToHousing)

Check out more county stories on housing affordability at [www.NACo.org/CountyNewsAffordableHousing](http://www.NACo.org/CountyNewsAffordableHousing)