



Control de Viviendas

Regina Guillén, Anchor: And speaking about homes, the cost to rent an apartment or house in our area keeps skyrocketing and just as Matthew Godinez tells us, there are options, and it does not matter if you live in the city or not, let's watch!

Veronica Camacho: The fruit is almost ready, kids!

Matthew Godinez, Field Reporter: Veronica Camacho is one of the more than 3,200 residents of the nonprofit organization Mutual Housing California which offers living spaces for low income people.

Veronica: We used to live in a duplex and we were paying too much in rent. When we moved here, it did benefit us and I am happy because the rent is very, very accessible.

Field Reporter: Mutual Housing has communities in Sacramento, Davis, and Woodland, including homes, apartments, and mobile homes.

Fernando Cibrian, Mutual Housing director of community organizing: People come to our communities, they speak to the property manager and let them know they want to live there, and they enter a process to see if their income qualifies.

Field Reporter: According to Fernando Cibrian, of Mutual Housing, it is possible that you will be put in a waiting list.

Fernando: We have property managers who speak Spanish in some communities.

Field Reporter: But it is well worth it to get on the list because sometimes apartments become available unexpectedly.

Fernando: There are no requirements regarding legal process or proof of citizenship. The only requisite is to have a job or other income and proof of that income.

Veronica: Where are you going?

Veronica's son: Outside.

Veronica: What for, to lunch?

Field Reporter: Many of these communities offer free meals for kids, computer classes, and even electric cars for the use of their residents. That is why they urge the community to...

Fernando Cibrian: Go to our city council and talk to our representatives and tell them that we need to create more living spaces, quite simply, for low income families.

Veronica: Who wouldn't want to pay and live in this comfort?

Field Reporter: If you wish to have more information about this nonprofit organization, you can call 2-1-1 or go on the website that appears on the screen, www.mutualhousing.com. In Sacramento, my name is Matthew Godinez, Telemundo News Channel 33.