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Instructions for Determining Priority 3: Census Tract

To achieve Priority 3 (35 ILCS 31/20(a)(3)), the structure must be located in a census tract that has a median family income at or below the State median family income, using data from the most recent 5-year estimate from the American Community Survey (ACS), published by the U.S. Census Bureau. According to ACS's 2020-2024 5-year estimate, the most recent available, Illinois' median family income is **\$106,018**. Therefore, to qualify for Priority 3 for application Round 1, 2026, buildings must be within a census tract whose median family income is at or below \$106,018.

The SHPO has already determined whether your project meets Priority 3 in this application round; please [refer to this list](#). If you disagree with our determination, please contact us at SHPO.StateCredit@illinois.gov by March 4, 2026.

To check for yourself whether your project meets Priority 3, you can follow the steps outlined below.

Step A. Determine your census tract.

1. Go to the Census Geocoder Address Lookup webpage at <https://geocoding.geo.census.gov/geocoder/geographies/address?form>
2. Enter the address of the property, then click "Find." Make sure to enter all four address fields to receive accurate results.

The screenshot shows the 'Find Address Results' form on the Census Geocoder website. The form includes the following fields and options:

- Street :** 1722 W. Homewood Ave.
- City :** Springfield
- State :** Illinois
- Zip :** 62704
- Benchmark :** Public_AR_Current (dropdown menu)
- Vintage :** Current_Current (dropdown menu)
- FIND** button (highlighted with a red box)

On the left side of the form, there are three main sections:

- "FIND LOCATIONS USING..." OPTION**
 - One Line
 - Address
 - Address Batch
- "FIND GEOGRAPHIES USING..." OPTION**
 - One Line
 - Address
 - Address Batch
 - Geographic Coordinates
- ABOUT DATA...**
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3. Results will appear below. Go to the "Census Tracts" heading, and view the "Name" section. This is your census tract.

Census Tracts:
GEOID: 17167002801
CENTLAT: +39.7682687
AREAWATER: 0
STATE: 17
BASENAME: 28.01
OID: 20790364127764
LSADC: CT
FUNCSTAT: S
INTPTLAT: +39.7682687
NAME: Census Tract 28.01
OBJECTID: 66147
TRACT: 002801
CENTLON: -089.6725926
AREALAND: 1852095
INTPTLON: -089.6725926
MTFCC: G5020

Step B. Determine the median family income for your census tract.

- Go to <https://data.census.gov/>
- In the search bar, type “s1903” and click “Search.”

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The Census Bureau is the leading source of quality data about the nation's people and economy.

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Questions?

- [What is data.census.gov?](#)
- [When will American FactFinder \(AFF\) go away?](#)
- [How do I get started with my search?](#)
- [How do I save my results or search?](#)
- [How do I access data by race, Hispanic origin, ancestry, or country of birth?](#)
- [What are the known issues and defects](#)

Release Notes

- [More data available](#)
- [Table enhancements](#)
- [Export to Excel](#)
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- From the list of results, select table S1903 (Median Income in the Past 12 Months).

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MEDIAN INCOME IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS (IN 2018 INFLATION-ADJUSTED DOLLARS)
 Survey/Program: American Community Survey
 Years: 2018,2017,2016,2015,2014,2013,2012,2011,2010 Table: S1903

	United States					
	Number		Percent Distribution		Median Income (dollars)	
	Estimate	Margin of Error	Estimate	Margin of Error	Estimate	Margin of Error
HOUSEHOLD INCOME BY R...						
Households	121,520,180	+/-153,217	121,520,180	+/-153,217	61,937	+/-94
One race--						
White	92,352,948	+/-110,884	76.0%	+/-0.1	65,902	+/-120
Black or African Ame...	15,097,600	+/-47,216	12.4%	+/-0.1	41,511	+/-183
American Indian and...	903,145	+/-15,989	0.7%	+/-0.1	44,772	+/-1,038

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 Survey/Program: American Community Survey
 Years: 2018,2017,2016,2015,2014,2013,2012,2011,2010 Table: S0101

- From a drop down “Product” menu near the top of the table, select “2024: ACS 5-Year Estimates Subject Tables.”

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	United States					
	Number		Percent Distribution		Median Income (dollars)	
	Estimate	Margin of Error	Estimate	Margin of Error	Estimate	Margin of Error
HOUSEHOLD INCOME BY RACE AND HIS...						
Households	119,730,128	+/-232,429	119,730,128	+/-232,429	60,293	
One race--						
White	91,831,095	+/-172,341	76.7%	+/-0.1	63,917	
Black or African American	14,683,705	+/-25,316	12.3%	+/-0.1	40,155	
American Indian and Alaska Native	869,951	+/-6,009	0.7%	+/-0.1	41,879	

- At the top of the webpage and to the left of the table, click on “Filter”. This will bring up an Advanced Filters menu at the bottom of the table.

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 Survey/Program: American Community Survey
 TableID: S1903

	Number	
	Estimate	Margin of Error
MEDIAN INCOME IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS (II ^)		

- In the Advanced Filters menu under “Browse Filters”, select “Geography”. A separate “Geography” menu will appear to the right; select “Tract”. Next, select “Illinois” in the “Within State” menu. Proceed with selecting your county and the name of your census tract that you’ve identified in Step A. The selected filter (i.e., your census tract) will appear at bottom left of the Advanced Filter menu. Hide the Advanced Filter menu (top right), or click on the table in the background.

Advanced Filters

e.g. 336111 - Automobile Manufacturing

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Idaho

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Iowa

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Census Tract 24, Sangamon County, Illinois

Census Tract 25, Sangamon County, Illinois

Census Tract 26, Sangamon County, Illinois

Census Tract 27, Sangamon County, Illinois

Census Tract 28.01, Sangamon County, Illinois

Census Tract 28.02, Sangamon County, Illinois

Census Tract 29, Sangamon County, Illinois

Census Tract 3, Sangamon County, Illinois

Census Tract 30, Sangamon County, Illinois

Selected Filters:

Census Tract 28.01, Sangamon County, Illinois

- In the updated table, locate the median income estimate for “Families,” which should be the first line under the “FAMILIES” heading. This number is the 5-year estimate median family income for your census tract. Make sure that you are in the correct table (S1903), most recent 5-year estimate (2020-2024), and in your census tract.

MEDIAN INCOME IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS (IN 2018 INFLATION-ADJUSTED DOLLARS)		Product: 2018, ACS 5-Year Estimates Subject Tables			
TableID: S1903		Census Tract 28.01, Sangamon County, Illinois			
	Number	Percent Distribution		Median Income (dollars)	
	Estimate	Margin of Error	Estimate	Margin of Error	
HOUSEHOLD INCOME BY RACE AND HIS...					
Households	1,461	+/-132	1,461	+/-132	45,632
One race--					
White	1,176	+/-112	80.5%	+/-6.0	50,469
Black or African American	234	+/-97	16.0%	+/-6.1	27,738
American Indian and Alaska Native	0	+/-11	0.0%	+/-1.9	-
Asian	31	+/-21	2.1%	+/-1.4	-
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific...	0	+/-11	0.0%	+/-1.9	-
Some other race	17	+/-26	1.2%	+/-1.7	-
Two or more races	3	+/-5	0.2%	+/-0.3	-
Hispanic or Latino origin (of any race)	28	+/-31	1.9%	+/-2.1	-
White alone, not Hispanic or Latino	1,165	+/-108	79.7%	+/-5.8	50,898
HOUSEHOLD INCOME BY AGE OF HOUS...					
15 to 24 years	139	+/-80	9.5%	+/-5.3	45,391
25 to 44 years	511	+/-105	35.0%	+/-6.1	35,815
45 to 64 years	490	+/-83	33.5%	+/-5.0	57,632
65 years and over	321	+/-52	22.0%	+/-3.7	43,977
FAMILIES					
Families	742	+/-109	742	+/-109	59,423
With own children of householder un...	277	+/-96	37.3%	+/-11.1	29,975
With no own children of householder...	465	+/-102	62.7%	+/-11.1	77,788
Married-couple families	440	+/-85	59.3%	+/-10.6	79,167
With own children under 18 years	76	+/-34	10.2%	+/-4.8	72,500
Female householder, no husband pre...	236	+/-92	31.8%	+/-10.9	29,136
With own children under 18 years	163	+/-87	22.0%	+/-10.6	28,456
Male householder, no wife present	66	+/-55	8.9%	+/-6.9	-
With own children under 18 years	38	+/-43	5.1%	+/-5.6	-
FAMILY INCOME BY FAMILY SIZE					

- If the number is at or below \$106,018, then your project meets Priority 3.
- If there is no value entered in the table, select earlier versions of the table from the drop down “Product” menu near the top of the table (same as step B.4). Starting with the most recent 5-

year estimates table, continue to view the earlier versions in reverse chronological order until you locate a table with a median income estimate for “Families.”

- Once you find a value, compare it with a state median income estimate using the same 5-year estimate as the one used for your census tract to determine if it is higher or lower. Available previous state median income estimates are as follows:
 - \$103,504 (2023 ACS 5-year estimate)
 - \$99,215 (2022 ACS 5-year estimate)
 - \$91,408 (2021 ACS 5-year estimate)
 - \$86,251 (2020 ACS 5-year estimate)
 - \$83,279 (2019 ACS 5-year estimate)
 - \$79,747 (2018 ACS 5-year estimate)
 - \$76,533 (2017 ACS 5-year estimate)
 - \$73,714 (2016 ACS 5-year estimate)
 - \$71,546 (2015 ACS 5-year estimate)
 - \$70,967 (2014 ACS 5-year estimate)
 - \$70,344 (2013 ACS 5-year estimate)
 - \$70,144 (2012 ACS 5-year estimate)
 - \$69,658 (2011 ACS 5-year estimate)
 - \$68,236 (2010 ACS 5-year estimate)
- If you cannot locate a value for a median income estimate for “Families” in any of the table S1903 versions on data.census.gov, you cannot qualify for Priority 3 in this round. Since the 5-year estimates are updated annually, you can revisit this priority in future rounds.

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