

# Buffalo Common Council Districts: Lovejoy District

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| RESIDENTS OF LOVEJOY DISTRICT                            |        |
|--|--------|
| Total Population <sup>1</sup>                            | 26,329 |
| Under age 18   | 26.0%  |
| Age 18-64  | 61.0%  |
| Age 65+  | 13.0%  |
| Unemployed <sup>2</sup>                                  | 9.9%   |
| Born outside the U.S. <sup>3</sup>                       | 3.8%   |
| Speak a language other than English at home <sup>4</sup> | 9.7%   |
| Population with a disability <sup>5</sup>                | 23.0%  |

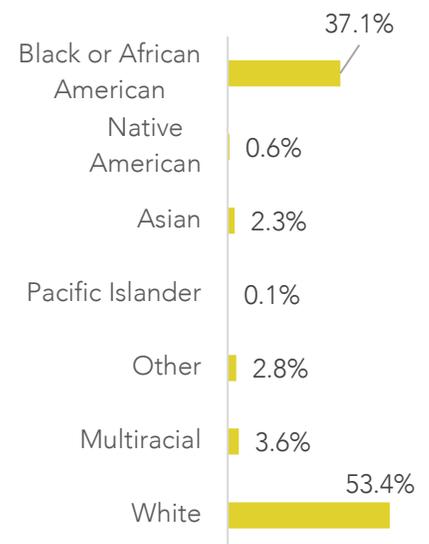
## Demographics

Of all districts, Lovejoy has the highest percentage of youth residents at 26.0%. Almost one in every four district residents (23.0%) has a disability. Lovejoy has the second smallest proportion of residents born outside of the country at 3.8% of the population. However, over twice as many speak a

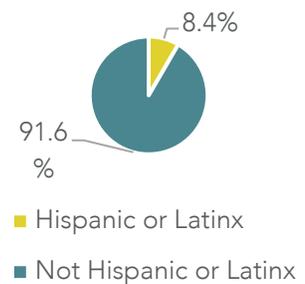
language other than English at home. Most Lovejoy residents identify as white (53.4%), and more than a third of residents (37.1%) identify as black.<sup>6</sup> The district's Hispanic community is 8.4% of the population.<sup>7</sup>

| COMMUNITY LANDMARKS            |
|--------------------------------|
| Clinton Bailey Farmer's Market |
| Seneca Bluffs                  |
| Hennepin Community Center      |
| Iron Island                    |
| Schiller Park                  |

LOVEJOY DISTRICT  
POPULATION BY RACE,  
2014-2018



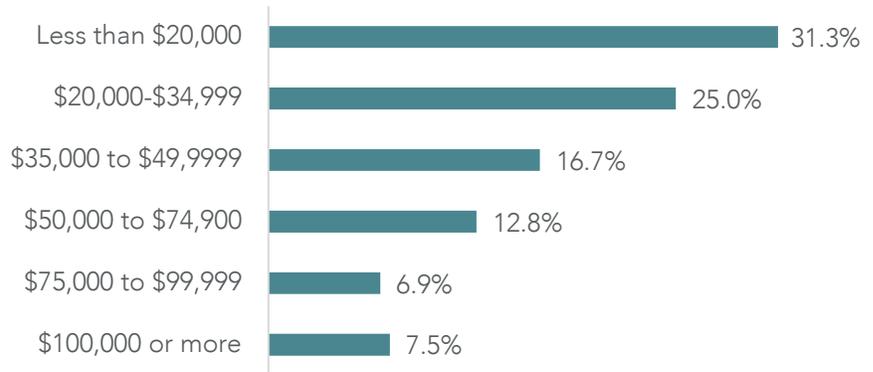
LOVEJOY DISTRICT  
POPULATION BY  
HISPANIC OR LATINX  
ETHNICITY, 2014-2018



### Median Income<sup>8</sup>

In Lovejoy, most households (56.3%) have an income of less than the city-wide median of roughly \$35,000. Almost a third of households have an income less than \$20,000, while a quarter of households have an income between \$20,000 and \$35,000.

ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME IN LOVEJOY DISTRICT, 2014-2018



| POVERTY AND UNAFFORDABILITY                                      |       |
|--|-------|
| Population living below poverty <sup>9</sup>                     | 31.7% |
| Total population in unaffordable housing <sup>10</sup>           | 4,530 |
| Owner-occupied households in unaffordable housing <sup>11</sup>  | 20.1% |
| Renter-occupied households in unaffordable housing <sup>12</sup> | 56.7% |

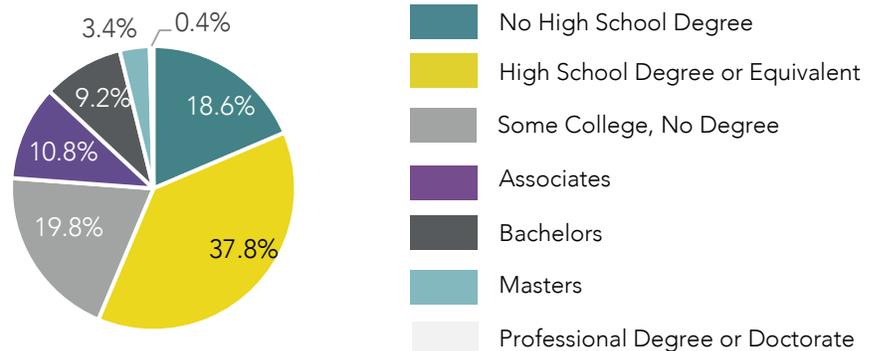
### Poverty

Lovejoy’s poverty rate hovers right around the city-wide poverty rate at 31.7%. Most renter households (56.7%) cannot afford their housing costs (meaning that housing costs exceed 30% of the household’s income). Two of every five households in Lovejoy (renters *and* owners) cannot afford their housing.

### Education<sup>13</sup>

81.4% of Lovejoy residents age 25 or older are high school graduates, and 43.7% have pursued higher education.

EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT FOR LOVEJOY DISTRICT RESIDENTS AGE 25 OR OLDER, 2014-2018



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