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**0.0% of Huntsville-area cities
rent above \$1,500**

Source: ALEX Intelligence, October 24, 2026

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Among the five key cities in the Huntsville metro, no location exceeds \$1,500 in median gross rent.

This reflects a structural affordability advantage that distinguishes the Huntsville market from higher-cost urban centers. The absence of any city crossing the \$1,500 threshold underscores sustained access to rental housing, even as national rent growth accelerates. This stability supports workforce retention and long-term investment in residential infrastructure.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates, 2024 • ALEX Intelligence computation

<https://alex-companies.com/data/2026-10-24-huntsville-threshold-gross-rent-1500-place>



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Affordability as a competitive moat

Huntsville's rental market remains insulated from the national rent surge, maintaining a threshold that protects middle-income households and emerging professionals. This affordability acts as a strategic moat, attracting talent from higher-cost regions without triggering inflationary pressure in housing. The market's ability to sustain this position signals resilience in the face of rising construction costs and labor demands.

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Growth without gentrification

With no city in the metro exceeding \$1,500 in median gross rent, Huntsville avoids the early-stage gentrification risks seen in other Sun Belt markets. This allows for organic, inclusive growth—particularly in neighborhoods with strong school districts and infrastructure—without displacing existing residents. The city’s development trajectory suggests a model where economic expansion and housing stability coexist.



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