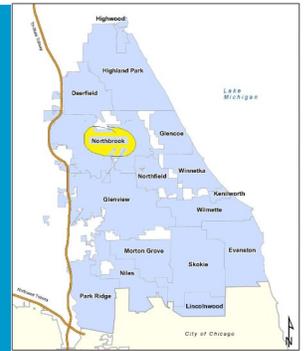


Northbrook, IL



Open Communities' mission is to educate, advocate and organize to promote just and inclusive communities in north suburban Chicago.

Founded in 1972 by north suburban residents and congregations, we are a nonprofit, membership-based organization dedicated to fostering economically and culturally diverse communities.

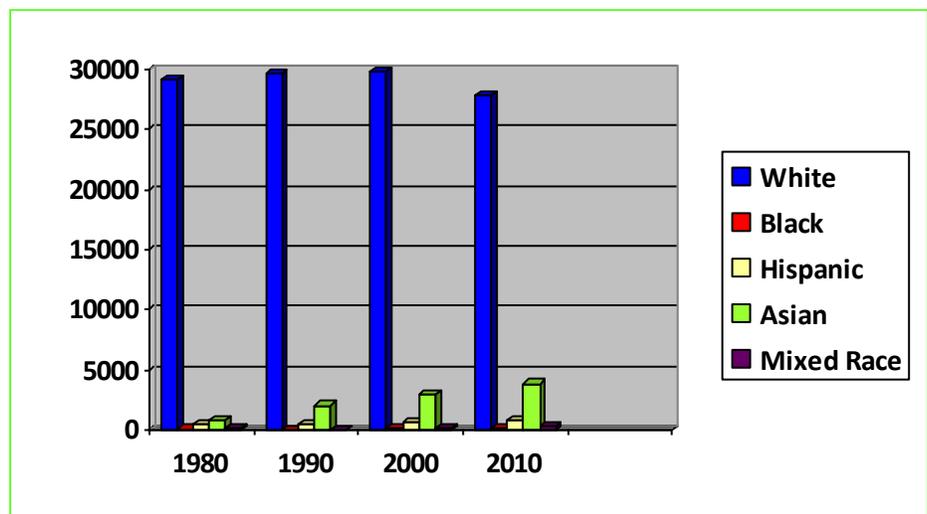
The programs we offer include Fair Housing Discrimination Investigation and Education, Foreclosure Prevention Counseling, Landlord/Tenant Advice, Homesharing, Immigrant Leadership Development, Affordable Housing Advocacy, and Community Organizing.

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[Northbrook](#) is located at the northern edge of Cook County. The village was formerly known as Shermerville, in honor of Frederick Schermer, who donated land for the village's first train station. In 1923, the name was changed to Northbrook.

As of the 2010 Census, Northbrook is reported to have a total of 33,170 residents. Out of this total, 5,278 are non-white. This means minorities make up 15.9 percent of Northbrook's population. African Americans still make up the smallest overall percentage at 0.0061 percent.

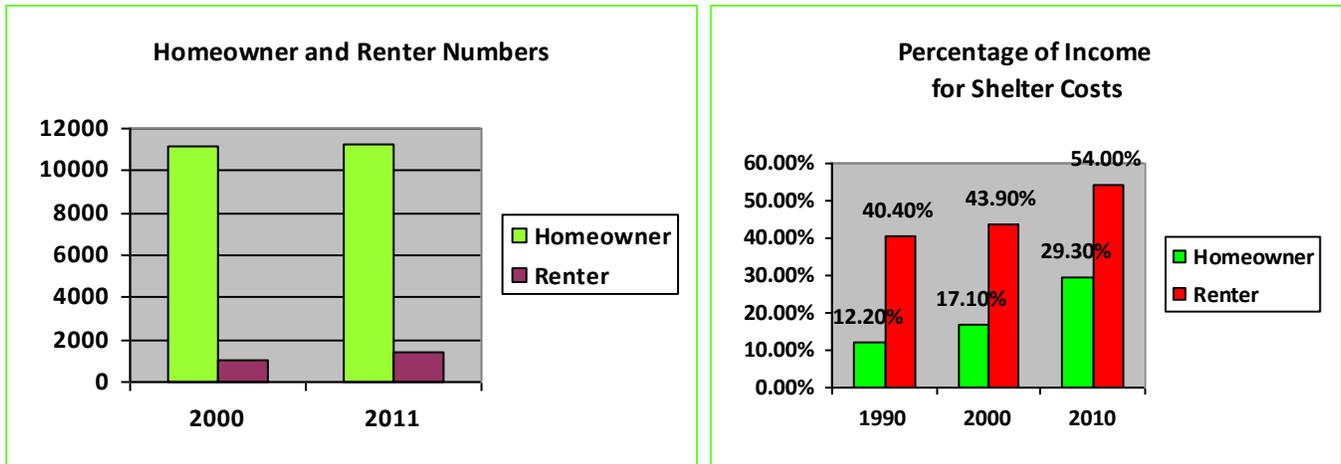
The graph¹ below shows demographic trends in Northbrook from 1980-2010.



¹Graph data available at www.open-communities.org

Homeownership and Renter Trends

These graphs² map homeownership and renter trends in Northbrook between 1990 and 2011. The left graph shows that renters make up a relatively small percentage of residents in Northbrook. For 1990, 2000, and 2010 the graph on the right shows renters consistently using far more than 35 percent of income on shelter costs.



Seniors (according to the Census between 2008-2012)

- ◆ 346 out of 506 (68%) of seniors 65 and older spent more than 35 percent of household income on rent
- ◆ 34 percent of about 4000 seniors aged 65-75 still had a mortgage to pay off.

Affordable Housing Stock

Northbrook's 2010 Comprehensive Plan addresses the need to consider options for more affordable housing "appropriate for different ages and family types." According to a 2013 report from the Illinois Affordable Housing Planning and Appeal Act, Northbrook offers 522 affordable housing units out of a total of 11,970 (4.4%) homes in the community.

Crestwood Place is currently the main affordable housing development for seniors. Northbrook has been working with developers to establish additional affordable housing options for seniors within the community.

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