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Bucks and Montgomery counties are two of the most expensive states to live in for senior citizens, behind only Chester County, according to the [Elder Economic Security Standard](#).

A healthy senior couple without a mortgage living in Bucks County would need \$30,547 a year in living expenses. In Montgomery County, a couple would need \$30,606.

If you're still paying a mortgage, the figure jumps to \$40,028 in Bucks and \$41,793 in Montgomery County. The average Social Security payment for a couple, meanwhile, is just over \$23,000 in both counties.

The standard is an initiative of Washington, D.C.-based Wider Opportunities for Women and its local partner, PathWays PA.

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