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Number of surveys recorded	346
Number of adults in households	368
Number of children in households	138
Total number of people	506
Chronically Homeless People*	31

### **Age Category**

	Frequency	Percent
17 & Under	20	6.1
18 – 24	54	16.4
25 – 64	248	75.4
65 & Older	7	2.1
Total	329	100.0

### **Gender Identity**

	Frequency	Percent
Male	165	49.5
Female	168	50.5
Transgender	0	0.0
Does Not Identify as M, F, T	0	0.0
Total	333	100.0

### **Sexual Orientation**

	Frequency	Percent
Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual	9	3.4
Straight	240	90.6
Questioning	3	1.1
Prefer not to answer	13	4.9
Total	265	100.0

\*Per section 401(2) of the McKinney-Act, 42 U.S.C. 11360, Chronically homeless means: as an individual or family that is homeless and resides in a place not meant for human habitation, a safe haven, or in an emergency shelter, <u>and</u> has been homeless and residing in such a place for at least 1 year <u>or</u> on at least four separate occasions in the last 3 years. The statutory definition also requires that the individual or family has a head of household with a diagnosable substance use disorder, serious mental illness, and developmental disability, and posttraumatic stress disorder, cognitive impairments resulting from a brain injury, or chronic physical illness or disability.

A shorter way to put it: A person living in emergency shelter, safe haven, or a place not meant for habitation who has a disability, and who has been homeless for at least one year or at least four times in the past three years (total time would equal 12 months or more).



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### Race

	Frequency	Percent
White	140	44.7
Asian	14	4.5
American Indian or Alaska Native	4	1.3
Black or African American	132	42.2
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	1	0.3
Two or More	22	7.0
Total	313	100.0

**Hispanic or Latino** 

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	64	23.6
No	207	76.4
Total	271	100.0

Nighttime Residence of Households on 1/26/17

	Frequency	Percent
Emergency Shelter (DV shelter included)	147	42.6
Transitional Shelter	103	29.9
Hotel/Motel (paid by voucher)	7	2.0
Place Not Meant For Habitation	88	25.5
Total	345	100.0

**Household Makeup** 

	Frequency	Percent
Households Without Children	241	69.7
Unaccompanied Youth (age 18 – 24)	32	9.2
Unaccompanied <i>Minor</i> (under age 18)	2	0.6
Parenting Youth (age 18 – 24)	10	2.9
Parenting <i>Minor</i> (under age 18)	16	4.6
Household With Children (at least one adult & one child)	41	11.8
Other Type Of Family	4	1.2
Total	346	100.0



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### **Current Situation**

	Frequency	Percent
1st time homeless in the past 3 years	188	59.3
2-3 episodes in the past 3 years	86	27.1
At least 4 episodes in the past 3 years	18	5.7
Continuously homeless for a year or more	25	7.9
Total	317	100.0

# **Length of Current Episode of Homelessness**

Median	4.2 Months
Range	1 Day – 29 Years

# **Location Where Respondent Became Homeless This Time**

Cities	Frequency
Killeen	122
Temple	69
Austin	10
Waco	10
Belton	5
Other TX Cities	45
Out of State	20
Total	281

## Homeless another time in past 12 months

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	113	36.5
No	197	63.5
Total	310	100.0



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### **Reasons for Homelessness**

	Frequency	Percent
Unable to Pay Rent/Mortgage	120	11.7
Loss of Public Aid	32	3.1
Natural Disaster	21	2.0
Unemployment	129	12.6
Moved to Seek Work	33	3.2
Evicted	52	5.1
Physical Health Reasons	47	4.6
Family Illness	24	2.3
Divorce or Separation	57	5.6
Pregnant or Parenting	28	2.7
Mental Illness	46	4.5
Substance Abuse	50	4.9
Left Jail/Prison/Detention	37	3.6
Domestic Violence	108	10.5
Criminal Record	38	3.7
Ran Away From Home	25	2.4
Sexual Orientation or Gender Identity	21	2.0
Aged Out or Ran Away From Foster Care	22	2.1
Kicked Out by Family/Friends	76	7.4
Other	61	5.9
Total	1027	100.0

<sup>305</sup> people answered this question. Those 305 people were able to pick more than one reason for becoming homeless.

## Physical/Mental Disability (self-reported)

	Frequency	Percent
HIV/AIDS	4	1.3
Domestic Violence	82	27.3
Physical Disability	51	17.0
Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD)	52	17.3
Serious Mental Illness	45	15.0
Substance Abuse Disorder	42	14.0
Developmental Disability	17	5.7
Traumatic Brain Injury	7	2.3
Total	300	100.0

<sup>195</sup> people answered this question. Those 195 people were able to pick more than one disability.



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## **Experienced Physical or Sexual Violence While Homeless**

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	55	20.9
No	208	79.1
Total	263	100.0

## **Pregnant or an Expected Parent**

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	12	4.7
No	246	95.3
Total	258	100.0

### Able to work

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	221	78.1
No	62	21.9
Total	283	100.0

### **Job Status**

	Frequency	Percent
Unemployed	127	56.7
Regular full-time job	50	22.3
Regular part-time job	31	13.8
Temporary job	4	1.8
Day labor/Odd jobs	11	4.9
Retired	1	0.4
Total	224	100.0

## **Length of Unemployment**

	Months
Median	5.9



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### **US Armed Forces Service**

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	34	12.5
No	239	87.5
Total	273	100.0

## **Activated Into Active Duty As**

A Member of the National Guard or as a Reservist

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	0	0.0
No	222	100.0
Total	222	100.0

### **Length of Service**

	Years
Median	3

### **Tour of Duty**

	Frequency	Percent
Korea	1	5.3
Vietnam	4	21.1
Kuwait	3	15.8
Afghanistan	1	5.3
Iraq	6	31.6
Other	4	21.1
Total Responses	19	100.0

<sup>15</sup> people answered this question. Those 15 people were able to pick more than one tour of duty.

### Health Care or Other Benefits from VA medical Center

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	13	56.5
No	10	43.5
Total	23	100.0



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### **Services Needed**

	Frequency	Percent
Basic Needs (clothing/food)	165	21.6
Job Training/Placement	118	15.4
Food Stamps	141	18.4
Transportation Assistance	117	15.3
Case Management	161	21.0
Veteran Benefits	18	2.4
Other	45	5.9
Total	765	100.0

253 people answered this question. Those 253 people were able to pick more than one needed service.

