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Number of surveys recorded	53
Number of adults in households	65
Number of children in households	
Total number of people	
Chronically Homeless People*	

Age Category

	Frequency	Percent
17 & Under	8	15.7
18 – 24	9	18.6
25 – 64	32	62.7
65 & Older	2	3.9
Total	53	100.0

Gender Identity

- contact facility		
	Frequency	Percent
Male	32	62.7
Female	19	37.3
Transgender	0	0.0
Total	51	100.0

Sexual Orientation

	Frequency	Percent
Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual	1	2.4
Straight	38	90.5
Questioning	0	0.0
Prefer not to answer	3	7.1
Total	42	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, developmental disability, 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	37	78.7
Asian	0	0.0
American Indian or Alaska Native	1	2.1
Black or African American	5	10.6
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0	0.0
Two or More	4	8.5
Total	47	100.0

Hispanic or Latino

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	13	26.5
No	36	73.5
Total	49	100.0

Nighttime Residence of Households on 1/26/17

	Frequency	Percent
Emergency Shelter (DV shelter included)	8	15.1
Transitional Shelter	8	15.1
Hotel/Motel (paid by voucher)	10	18.9
Place Not Meant For Habitation	27	50.9
Total	53	100.0

Household Makeup

	Frequency	Percent
Households Without Children	35	66.0
Unaccompanied Youth (age 18 – 24)	2	3.8
Unaccompanied <i>Minor</i> (under age 18)	3	5.7
Parenting Youth (age 18 – 24)	2	3.8
Parenting <i>Minor</i> (under age 18)	0	0.0
Household With Children (at least one adult & one child)	8	15.1
Other Type Of Family	3	5.7
Total	53	100.0



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Current Situation

	Frequency	Percent
1st time homeless in the past 3 years	20	48.8
2-3 episodes in the past 3 years	5	12.2
At least 4 episodes in the past 3 years	2	4.9
Continuously homeless for a year or more	14	34.1
Total	41	100.0

Length of Current Episode of Homelessness

Median	1 Year
Range	3 Days – 12 Years

Location Where Respondent Became Homeless This Time

	Percent
New Braunfels	48.7
Other Texas Cities	20.5
San Antonio	12.8
Out of State	12.8
Austin	5.1
Total	100.0

Homeless another time in past 12 months

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	19	45.2
No	23	43.4
Total	42	100.0



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Reasons for Homelessness

	Frequency	Percent
Unable to Pay Rent/Mortgage	10	11.4
Loss of Public Aid	0	0.0
Natural Disaster	1	1.1
Unemployment	10	11.4
Moved to Seek Work	2	2.3
Evicted	5	5.7
Physical Health Reasons	3	3.4
Family Illness	2	2.3
Divorce or Separation	3	3.4
Pregnant or Parenting	1	1.1
Mental Illness	6	6.8
Substance Abuse	3	3.4
Left Jail/Prison/Detention	1	1.1
Domestic Violence	13	14.8
Criminal Record	4	4.5
Ran Away From Home	1	1.1
Sexual Orientation or Gender Identity	0	0.0
Aged Out or Ran Away From Foster Care	1	1.1
Kicked Out by Family/Friends	13	14.8
Other	10	11.4
Total	88	100.0

⁴⁷ people answered this question. Those 47 people were able to pick more than one reason for becoming homeless.

Physical/Mental Disability (self-reported)

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	Frequency	Percent
HIV/AIDS	1	3.2
Domestic Violence	7	22.6
Physical Disability	8	25.8
Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD)	5	16.1
Serious Mental Illness	6	19.4
Substance Abuse Disorder	1	3.2
Developmental Disability	1	3.2
Traumatic Brain Injury	2	6.5
Total	31	100.0

²⁰ people answered this question. Those 20 people were able to pick more than one disability.



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Experienced Physical or Sexual Violence While Homeless

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	10	26.3
No	28	73.7
Total	38	100.0

Pregnant or an Expected Parent

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	3	7.7
No	36	92.3
Total	39	100.0

Able to work

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	31	70.5
No	13	29.5
Total	44	100.0

Job Status

	Frequency	Percent
Unemployed	20	60.6
Regular full-time job	3	9.1
Regular part-time job	7	21.2
Temporary job	1	3.0
Day labor/Odd jobs	2	6.1
Retired	0	0.0
Total	33	100.0

Length of Unemployment

	Months
Median	5.6



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US Armed Forces Service

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	3	7.3
No	38	92.7
Total	41	100.0

Activated Into Active Duty As

A Member of the National Guard or as a Reservist

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	0	0.0
No	32	100.0
Total	32	100.0

Length of Service

	Years
Median	10

Tour of Duty

	Frequency	Percent
Korea	0	0.0
Vietnam	0	0.0
Kuwait	0	0.0
Afghanistan	0	0.0
Iraq	0	0.0
Other	0	0.0
Total Responses	0	0.0

⁰ people answered this question. Those 0 people were able to pick more than one tour of duty.

Health Care or Other Benefits from VA medical Center

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	0	0.0
No	0	0.0
Total	0	0.0



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Services Needed

	Frequency	Percent
Basic Needs (clothing/food)	24	23.5
Job Training/Placement	12	11.8
Food Stamps	22	21.6
Transportation Assistance	15	14.7
Case Management	15	14.7
Veteran Benefits	0	0.0
Other	14	13.7
Total	102	100.0

⁴¹ people answered this question. Those 41 people were able to pick more than one needed service.

