Homeless Issues Partnership

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Number of surveys recorded	
Number of adults in households	492
Number of children in households	
Total number of people	
Chronically Homeless Households*	

Age Category

	Frequency	Percent
17 & Under	9	1.9
18 – 24	30	6.3
25 & Older	440	91.8
Total	479	100.0

Gender Identity

	Frequency	Percent
Male	247	67.9
Female	116	31.9
Transgender	1	0.3
Total	364	100.0

Sexual Orientation

	Frequency	Percent
Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual	12	3.5
Straight	312	90.7
Questioning	2	0.6
Prefer not to answer	18	5.2
Total	344	100.0

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).

^{*}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.

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	Frequency	Percent
White	249	73.0
Asian	2	0.6
American Indian or Alaska Native	12	3.5
Black or African American	57	16.7
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	5	1.5
Two or More	16	4.7
Total	341	100.0

Hispanic or Latino

-	Frequency	Percent
Yes	116	35.9
No	207	64.1
Total	323	100.0

Nighttime Residence of Households on 1/21/16

	Frequency	Percent
Emergency Shelter (DV shelter included)	340	69.7
Transitional Shelter	48	9.8
Hotel/Motel (paid by voucher)	6	1.2
Place Not Meant For Habitation	94	19.3
Total	488	100.0

Household Makeup

	Frequency	Percent
Households Without Children	338	87.8
Unaccompanied Young Adults (age 18 – 24)	29	7.5
Unaccompanied Youth (under age 18)	9	2.3
Parenting Young Adults (age 18 – 24)	0	0.0
Parenting Youth (under age 18)	3	0.8
Household With Children (at least one adult & one child)	6	1.6
Minor Respondent Living With Parent(s)	0	0.0
Other Type Of Family	0	0.0
Total	385	100.0

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Reasons for Homelessness

	Frequency	Percent
Financial Reasons	14	58.3
Unable to Pay Rent/Mortgage	4	16.7
Loss of Public Aid	2	8.3
Natural Disaster	2	8.3
Unemployment	9	37.5
Moved to Seek Work	2	8.3
Evicted	8	33.3
Physical Health	2	8.3
Domestic Violence	3	12.5
Family Illness	2	8.3
Divorce or Separation	3	12.5
Hospital Discharge	0	0.0
Pregnant or Parenting	0	0.0
Mental Illness	2	8.3
Substance Abuse	2	8.3
Left Jail/Prison/Detention	2	8.3
Criminal Record	3	12.5
Ran Away From Home	0	0.0
Lifestyle Choice	1	4.2
Sexual Orientation or Gender Identity	0	0.0
To Protect Self or Family Member(s)	0	0.0
Abandonment by Parent or Guardian	0	0.0
Too Crowded/Doubled Up	1	4.2
Aged Out or Ran Away From Foster Care	0	0.0
Kicked Out by Family	1	4.2
Kicked Out by Friends	0	0.0
Other	2	8.3
Total	65	270.8

24 people answered this question. Those 24 people were able to pick more than one reason for becoming homeless.

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Physical/Mental Disability (self-reported)

	Frequency	Percent of
		Cases
Alcohol/Substance Abuse (or addiction)	4	14.8
Serious Mental Illness	11	40.7
Physical Disability	8	29.6
Developmental Disability	2	7.4
HIV/AIDS	0	0.0
Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD)	2	7.4
Traumatic Brain Injury	0	0.0
None of the Above	9	33.3
Total	36	133.3

27 people answered this question. Those 27 people were able to pick more than one disability.

Previous Experiences

	Frequency	Percent
Domestic Violence	9	34.6
Child Abuse/Neglect	2	7.7
Foster Care	4	15.4
Legal Problems/Prior Conviction	10	38.5
Sexual Assault	1	3.8
Gang Involvement	3	11.5
None of the Above	8	30.8
Total	37	142.3

26 people answered this question. Those 26 people were able to pick more than one previous experience.

Experienced Physical or Sexual Violence While Homeless

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	68	21.3
No	252	78.8
Total	320	100.0

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Education

	Frequency	Percent
Less Than 9 th Grade	32	9.4
Some High School	77	22.5
GED	53	15.5
High School Diploma	72	21.1
Some College	67	19.6
College Graduate	23	6.7
Technical School/Training Program	12	3.5
Master's Degree Or Higher	6	1.8
Total	342	100.0

US Armed Forces Service

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	57	17.0
No	278	83.0
Total	335	100.0

Sources of Income

	Frequency	Percent
Child Support	36	12.2
Child Care Benefits	173	58.6
Medicaid	34	11.5
Section 8	2	0.7
SNAP (Food Stamps)	78	26.4
SSI (Supplemental Security Income)	36	12.2
SSDI (Social Security Disability Income)	24	8.1
EITC (Earned Income Tax Credit)	5	1.7
TANF (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families)	6	2.0
CHIP (Children's Health Insurance Program)	2	0.7
Unemployment	1	0.3
VA Disability	5	1.7
VA Health Care	4	1.4
WIC (Women, Infants, & Children)	7	2.4
Other	14	4.7
None	152	51.5
Total	579	196.3

295 people answered this question. Those 2595 people were able to pick more than one needed service.

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Resources Needed

	Frequency	Percent
Birth Certificate	185	72.8
Buss Pass	136	53.5
Clothing	127	50.0
Contraception	12	4.7
Emergency Food	62	24.4
Hygiene Supplies	83	32.7
Laundry Facility	51	20.1
Phone Number/Voicemail	49	19.3
State Issued ID	83	32.7
Storage	31	12.2
Shower/Restroom	47	18.5
Social Security Card	54	21.3
Other	46	18.1
Total	966	380.3

254 people answered this question. Those 254 people were able to pick more than one needed service.

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Services Needed

	Frequency	Percent
Case Management	218	74.1
Child Care	2	0.7
Child Support	30	10.2
Dental Care	134	45.6
Emergency Shelter	108	36.7
Employment Services	80	27.2
English Classes	119	40.5
Enrollment in Government Benefits	48	16.3
Enrollment in School	23	7.8
Legal Aid	27	9.2
Life Skills Training	15	5.1
Emergency Medical Care	29	9.9
Routine Medical Care	8	2.7
Mental Health Care	5	1.7
Permanent Supportive Housing (for people with disabilities)	2	0.7
Other Supportive Housing (no disability)	11	3.7
Substance Abuse Treatment	20	6.8
Transitional Housing	42	14.3
Transportation Assistance	54	18.4
Tutoring	4	1.4
Worker's Comp	4	1.4
Other	4	1.4
Total	987	335.7

294 people answered this question. Those 294 people were able to pick more than one needed service.