

Point-In-Time Survey Results
Gulf Coast Homeless Coalition
January 26, 2017

Number of surveys recorded	294
Number of adults in households	309
Number of children in households	80
Total number of people	369
Chronically Homeless People*	51

Age Category

	Frequency	Percent
17 & Under	1	0.4
18 – 24	30	11.2
25 – 64	229	85.1
65 & Older	9	3.3
Total	269	100.0

Gender Identity

	Frequency	Percent
Male	162	60.0
Female	105	38.9
Transgender	2	0.7
Doesn't Identify as M, F, or T	1	0.4
Total	251	100.0

Sexual Orientation

	Frequency	Percent
Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual	9	3.6
Straight	234	93.2
Questioning	0	0.0
Prefer not to answer	8	3.2
Total	301	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, and has been homeless and residing in such a place for at least 1 year or 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	181	69.3
Asian	4	1.5
American Indian or Alaska Native	4	1.5
Black or African American	64	24.5
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	1	0.4
Two or More	7	2.8
Total	261	100.0

Hispanic or Latino

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	44	18.4
No	195	81.6
Total	239	100.0

Nighttime Residence of Households on 1/26/17

	Frequency	Percent
Emergency Shelter (DV shelter included)	146	49.7
Transitional Shelter	25	8.5
Hotel/Motel (paid by voucher)	4	1.3
Place Not Meant For Habitation	119	40.5
Total	294	100.0

Household Makeup

	Frequency	Percent
Households Without Children	256	87.1
Unaccompanied <i>Youth</i> (age 18 – 24)	6	2.0
Unaccompanied <i>Minor</i> (under age 18)	0	0.0
Parenting <i>Youth</i> (age 18 – 24)	2	0.7
Parenting <i>Minor</i> (under age 18)	0	0.0
Household With Children (at least one adult & one child)	30	10.2
Other Type Of Family	0	0.0
Total	294	100.0



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Current Situation

	Frequency	Percent
1st time homeless in the past 3 years	128	47.9
2-3 episodes in the past 3 years	78	29.2
At least 4 episodes in the past 3 years	24	9.0
Continuously homeless for a year or more	37	13.9
Total	267	100.0

Length of Current Episode of Homelessness

Median	150 Days
Range	1 Day – 30 Years

Location Where Respondent Became Homeless This Time

Cities	Frequency
Galveston	116
Houston	27
Freeport	15
Texas City	74
Out of State	27
Total	259

Homeless another time in past 12 months

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	124	47.0
No	140	53.0
Total	264	100.0



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Reasons for Homelessness

	Frequency	Percent
Unable to Pay Rent/Mortgage	79	26.8
Loss of Public Aid	2	0.7
Natural Disaster	3	1.0
Unemployment	48	16.3
Moved to Seek Work	13	4.4
Evicted	19	6.4
Physical Health Reasons	14	4.7
Family Illness	6	2.0
Divorce or Separation	5	1.7
Pregnant or Parenting	4	1.4
Mental Illness	9	3.1
Substance Abuse	16	5.4
Left Jail/Prison/Detention	10	3.4
Domestic Violence	14	4.7
Criminal Record	1	0.3
Ran Away From Home	1	0.3
Sexual Orientation or Gender Identity	1	0.3
Aged Out or Ran Away From Foster Care	2	0.7
Kicked Out by Family/Friends	23	7.8
Other	25	8.5
Total	295	100.0

210 people answered this question. Those 210 people were able to pick more than one reason for becoming homeless.

Physical/Mental Disability (self-reported)

	Frequency	Percent
HIV/AIDS	5	4.6
Domestic Violence	13	12.0
Physical Disability	29	26.9
Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD)	11	10.2
Serious Mental Illness	25	23.1
Substance Abuse Disorder	18	16.7
Developmental Disability	1	0.9
Traumatic Brain Injury	6	5.6
Total	108	100.0

65 people answered this question. Those 65 people were able to pick more than one disability.



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Experienced Physical or Sexual Violence While Homeless

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	63	24.3
No	196	75.7
Total	259	100.0

Pregnant or an Expected Parent

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	7	2.8
No	241	97.2
Total	248	100.0

Able to work

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	204	76.7
No	62	23.3
Total	266	100.0

Job Status

	Frequency	Percent
Unemployed	108	53.2
Regular full-time job	29	14.3
Regular part-time job	36	17.7
Temporary job	17	8.4
Day labor/Odd jobs	12	5.9
Retired	1	0.5
Total	203	100.0

Length of Unemployment

	Months
Median	7.8



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US Armed Forces Service

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	55	22.0
No	195	78.0
Total	250	100.0

Activated Into Active Duty As A Member of the National Guard or as a Reservist

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	0	0.0
No	145	100.0
Total	145	100.0

Length of Service

	Years
Median	2

Tour of Duty

	Frequency	Percent
Korea	0	0.0
Vietnam	2	20.0
Kuwait	1	10.0
Afghanistan	0	0.0
Iraq	2	20.0
Other	5	50.0
Total Responses	10	100.0

10 people answered this question. Those 10 people were able to pick more than one tour of duty.

Health Care or Other Benefits from VA medical Center

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	11	19.0
No	47	81.0
Total	58	100.0



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Services Needed

	Frequency	Percent
Basic Needs (clothing/food)	160	41.3
Job Training/Placement	49	12.7
Food Stamps	26	6.7
Transportation Assistance	71	18.3
Case Management	63	16.3
Veteran Benefits	10	2.6
Other	8	2.1
Total	387	100.0

269 people answered this question. Those 269 people were able to pick more than one needed service.



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