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Number of surveys recorded	412
Number of adults in households	376
Number of children in households	104
Total number of people	480
Chronically Homeless People*	66

Age Category

	Frequency	Percent
17 & Under	46	11.2
18 – 24	41	10.0
25 – 64	313	76.2
65 & Older	11	2.7
Total	411	100.0

Gender Identity

	Frequency	Percent
Male	197	52.3
Female	176	46.7
Transgender	0	0.0
Don't Identify as M, F, T	4	1.1
Total	377	100.0

Sexual Orientation

	Frequency	Percent
Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual	9	2.8
Straight	280	87.0
Questioning	3	0.9
Prefer not to answer	30	9.3
Total	322	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	216	58.7
Asian	0	0.0
American Indian or Alaska Native	6	1.6
Black or African American	114	31.0
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0	0.0
Two or More	32	8.7
Total	368	100.0

Hispanic or Latino

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	22	6.3
No	328	93.78
Total	350	100.0

Nighttime Residence of Households on 1/26/17

	Frequency	Percent
Emergency Shelter (DV shelter included)	248	60.2
Transitional Shelter	75	18.2
Hotel/Motel (paid by voucher)	15	3.6
Place Not Meant For Habitation	74	18.0
Total	412	100.0

Household Makeup

	Frequency	Percent
Households Without Children	310	75.2
Unaccompanied Youth (age 18 – 24)	23	5.6
Unaccompanied <i>Minor</i> (under age 18)	42	10.2
Parenting Youth (age 18 – 24)	2	0.5
Parenting <i>Minor</i> (under age 18)	0	0.0
Household With Children (at least one adult & one child)	24	5.8
Other Type Of Family	11	2.7
Total	412	100.0



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Current Situation

	Frequency	Percent
1st time homeless in the past 3 years	183	50.6
2-3 episodes in the past 3 years	91	25.1
At least 4 episodes in the past 3 years	28	7.7
Continuously homeless for a year or more	60	16.6
Total	362	100.0

Length of Current Episode of Homelessness

Median	7 Months
Range	1 Day – 17 Years

Location Where Respondent Became Homeless This Time

	Frequency
Longview	133
Marshall	28
Tyler	15
Other TX Cities	124
Out of State	29
Total	341

Homeless another time in past 12 months

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	145	43.8
No	186	56.2
Total	331	100.0



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Reasons for Homelessness

	Frequency	Percent
Unable to Pay Rent/Mortgage	215	26.6
Loss of Public Aid	79	9.8
Natural Disaster	27	3.3
Unemployment	92	11.4
Moved to Seek Work	31	3.8
Evicted	30	3.7
Physical Health Reasons	26	3.2
Family Illness	15	1.9
Divorce or Separation	55	6.8
Pregnant or Parenting	5	0.6
Mental Illness	36	4.4
Substance Abuse	45	5.6
Left Jail/Prison/Detention	23	2.8
Domestic Violence	34	4.2
Criminal Record	19	2.3
Ran Away From Home	10	1.2
Sexual Orientation or Gender Identity	1	0.1
Aged Out or Ran Away From Foster Care	2	0.2
Kicked Out by Family/Friends	30	3.7
Other	34	4.2
Total	809	100.0

274 people answered this question. Those 274 people were able to pick more than one reason for becoming homeless.

Physical/Mental Disability (self-reported)

	Frequency	Percent
HIV/AIDS	5	1.7
Domestic Violence	34	11.7
Physical Disability	68	23.4
Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD)	42	14.4
Serious Mental Illness	74	25.4
Substance Abuse Disorder	53	18.2
Developmental Disability	10	3.4
Traumatic Brain Injury	5	1.7
Total	291	100.0

160 people answered this question. Those 160 people were able to pick more than one disability.



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Experienced Physical or Sexual Violence While Homeless

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	87	25.5
No	254	74.5
Total	341	100.0

Pregnant or an Expected Parent

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	10	2.9
No	331	97.1
Total	341	100.0

Able to work

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	214	61.3
No	135	38.7
Total	349	100.0

Job Status

	Frequency	Percent
Unemployed	165	82.9
Regular full-time job	11	5.5
Regular part-time job	13	6.5
Temporary job	1	0.5
Day labor/Odd jobs	8	4.0
Retired	1	0.5
Total	199	100.0

Length of Unemployment

Months
10



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US Armed Forces Service

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	38	11.4
No	295	88.6
Total	333	100.0

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

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	1	0.5
No	218	99.5
Total	219	100.0

Length of Service

	Years
Median	4

Tour of Duty

	Frequency	Percent
Korea	1	4.5
Vietnam	4	18.2
Kuwait	3	13.6
Afghanistan	0	0.0
Iraq	2	9.1
Other	12	54.5
Total Responses	22	100.0

21 people answered this question. Those 21 people were able to pick more than one tour of duty.

Health Care or Other Benefits from VA medical Center

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	15	41.7
No	21	58.3
Total	36	100.0



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Services Needed

	Frequency	Percent
Basic Needs (clothing/food)	256	39.0
Job Training/Placement	86	13.1
Food Stamps	67	10.2
Transportation Assistance	98	14.9
Case Management	90	13.7
Veteran Benefits	8	1.2
Other	52	7.9
Total	657	100.0

328 people answered this question. Those 328 people were able to pick more than one needed service.



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