

Point-In-Time Survey Results

South East Texas Coalition for the Homeless

January 21, 2016

Number of surveys recorded	415
Number of adults in households	417
Number of children in households	52
Total number of people	469
Chronically Homeless Households*	41

Age Category

	Frequency	Percent
17 & Under	6	1.4
18 – 24	38	9.2
25 – 64	363	87.5
65 & Older	8	1.9
Total	415	100.0

Gender Identity

	Frequency	Percent
Male	244	61.2
Female	151	37.8
Transgender	4	1.0
Total	399	100.0

Sexual Orientation

	Frequency	Percent
Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual	11	3.1
Straight	333	93.0
Questioning	0	0.0
Prefer not to answer	14	3.9
Total	358	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	186	47.6
Asian	0	0.0
American Indian or Alaska Native	5	1.3
Black or African American	189	48.3
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0	0.0
Two or More	11	2.8
Total	391	100.0

Hispanic or Latino

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	21	6.7
No	292	93.3
Total	313	100.0

Nighttime Residence of Households on 1/21/16

	Frequency	Percent
Emergency Shelter (DV shelter included)	62	14.9
Transitional Shelter	184	44.3
Hotel/Motel (paid by voucher)	6	1.4
Place Not Meant For Habitation	163	39.3
Total	415	100.0

Household Makeup

	Frequency	Percent
Households Without Children	352	84.4
Unaccompanied <i>Young Adults</i> (age 18 – 24)	31	7.5
Unaccompanied Youth (under age 18)	6	1.4
Parenting <i>Young Adults</i> (age 18 – 24)	7	1.7
Parenting Youth (under age 18)	0	0.0
Household With Children (at least one adult & one child)	19	4.6
Minor Respondent Living With Parent(s)	0	0.0
Other Type Of Family	0	0.0
Total	415	100.0

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Current Situation

	Frequency	Percent
1st time homeless in the past 3 years	156	49.8
2-3 episodes in the past 3 years	62	19.8
At least 4 episodes in the past 3 years	22	7.0
Continuously homeless for a year or more	73	23.3
Total	313	100.0

Length of Current Episode of Homelessness

Median	7 months
Range	1 day – 27 years

Location Where Respondent Became Homeless This Time

Beaumont	121	Houston	12
Longview	3	Lufkin	4
Lumberton	3	Nacogdoches	3
Nederland	10	Orange	13
Port Arthur	30	Silsbee	3
Vidor	12		

Homeless another time in past 12 months

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	136	46.3
No	158	53.7
Total	294	100.0

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Reasons for Homelessness

	Frequency	Percent
Financial Reasons	213	61.7
Unable to Pay Rent/Mortgage	95	27.5
Loss of Public Aid	15	4.3
Natural Disaster	6	1.7
Unemployment	105	30.4
Moved to Seek Work	20	5.8
Evicted	10	2.9
Physical Health	37	10.7
Domestic Violence	56	16.2
Family Illness	10	2.9
Divorce or Separation	29	8.4
Hospital Discharge	5	1.4
Pregnant or Parenting	5	1.4
Mental Illness	55	15.9
Substance Abuse	116	33.6
Left Jail/Prison/Detention	66	19.1
Criminal Record	64	18.6
Ran Away From Home	10	2.9
Lifestyle Choice	25	7.2
Sexual Orientation or Gender Identity	3	0.9
To Protect Self or Family Member(s)	15	4.3
Abandonment by Parent or Guardian	9	2.6
Too Crowded/Doubled Up	5	1.4
Aged Out or Ran Away From Foster Care	3	0.9
Kicked Out by Family	39	11.3
Kicked Out by Friends	17	4.9
Other	22	6.3
Total	1055	305.8

345 people answered this question. Those 345 people were able to pick more than one reason for becoming homeless.

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Physical/Mental Disability (self-reported)

	Frequency	Percent
Alcohol/Substance Abuse (or addiction)	177	51.0
Serious Mental Illness	117	33.7
Physical Disability	61	17.6
Developmental Disability	20	5.8
HIV/AIDS	3	0.9
Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD)	43	12.4
Traumatic Brain Injury	12	3.5
None of the Above	83	23.9
Total	516	148.7

347 people answered this question. Those 347 people were able to pick more than one disability.

Previous Experiences

	Frequency	Percent
Domestic Violence	97	31.3
Child Abuse/Neglect	53	17.1
Foster Care	17	5.5
Legal Problems/Prior Conviction	130	41.9
Sexual Assault	39	12.6
Gang Involvement	13	4.2
None of the Above	107	34.5
Total	456	147.1

310 people answered this question. Those 310 people were able to pick more than one previous experience.

Experienced Physical or Sexual Violence While Homeless

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	54	17.0
No	264	83.0
Total	318	100.0

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Education

	Frequency	Percent
Less than 9 th grade	21	6.0
Some high school	84	23.9
High school diploma/GED	146	41.6
Some college	55	15.7
College graduate	17	4.8
Technical school/Training program	27	7.7
Master's degree or higher	1	0.3
Total	351	100.0

Able to work

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	281	80.3
No	69	19.7
Total	350	100.0

Job Status

	Frequency	Percent
Unemployed but looking for work	156	55.1
Unemployed but <i>not</i> looking for work	34	12.0
Regular full-time job	46	16.3
Regular part-time job	25	8.8
Temporary job	8	2.8
Day labor/Odd jobs	12	4.2
Retired	2	0.7
Total	283	100.0

Length of Unemployment

	Months
Median	5.0

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US Armed Forces Service

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	23	6.9
No	308	93.1
Total	331	100.0

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

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	1	0.4
No	274	99.6
Total	275	0.0

Length of Service

	Years
Median	3.0

Tour of Duty

	Frequency	Percent
Korea	0	0.0
Vietnam	6	54.5
Kuwait	3	27.3
Afghanistan	0	0.0
Iraq	2	18.2
Other	0	0.0
Total Responses	11	100.0

11 people answered this question. Those 11 people were able to pick more than one tour of duty.

Health Care or Other Benefits from VA medical Center

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	11	45.8
No	13	54.2
Total	24	100.0

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Services Needed

	Frequency	Percent
Basic Needs (clothing/food)	220	75.1
Job Training/Placement	161	54.9
Food Stamps	180	61.4
Transportation Assistance	176	60.1
Case Management	107	36.5
Veteran Benefits	11	3.8
Other	42	14.3
Total	897	306.1

293 people answered this question. Those 293 people were able to pick more than one needed service.