



Texas Balance of State Continuum of Care General Membership Meeting

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Welcome and Agenda

- 2025 PIT Count for the TX BoS CoC
- 2025 CoC Action Plan
- CoC Written Standards for Service Delivery
- CoC Modernization
- Get Involved with THN
- CoC Board's Executive Committee



Introduction the TX BoS CoC and THN

 The Texas Balance of State Continuum of Care (TX BoS CoC) is a group of people in a specific geographic area that work together to create a housing crisis response system.

 Mission: The TX BoS CoC develops system-level responses and coordinates local community strategies that prevent and end homelessness and increase housing stability.

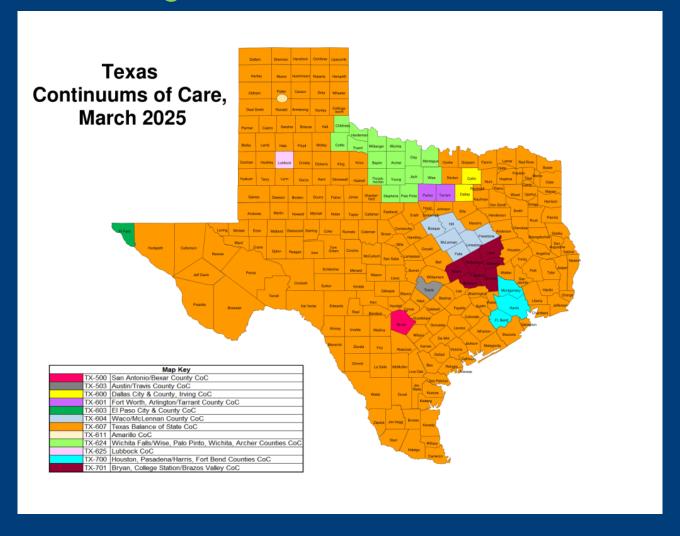
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 Texas Homeless Network (THN) serves as the Collaborative Applicant, Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) Lead Agency, and Coordinated Entry (CE) Lead Agency for the TX BoS CoC and provides staff support to the CoC.

 Anyone who lives and/or works in the TX BoS CoC's geographic area is considered a "general member" of the CoC.

Learn more at

https://www.thn.org/texas-balance-state-continuum-care/



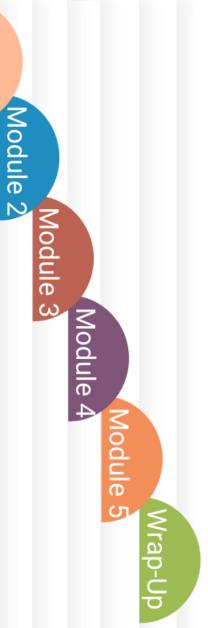




2025 PIT Results Presentation

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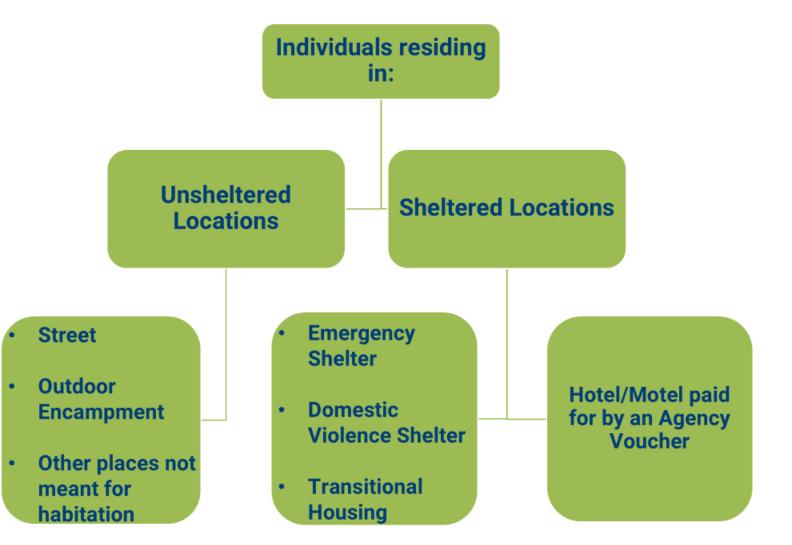


Agenda

- Review of PIT Count
- Review of Extrapolation
- PIT Results
- Considerations
- Wrap-up



Who to Count





Methodology



What is a Non-Random Sample + Extrapolation Methodology?

A non-random sample does not statistically represent the entire population, but if the non-random sample covers a large portion of the population or subpopulation believed to have similar characteristics (e.g., sheltered youth), extrapolation to derive estimates for the entire population or subpopulation is likely to be accurate.

For the unsheltered count we also use a Service Based Count method:

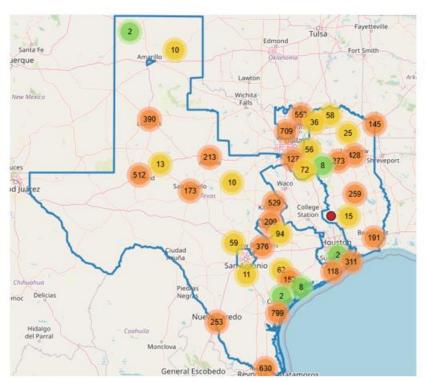
- The service-based counting method is based on the understanding that while many homeless people choose not to stay in shelters, they may access other community facilities/services that offer food, amenities, and respite to the public.
- Service-based counts can extend beyond 1 day, since it is likely that homeless people will
 not access these services on a daily basis. Service based counts must not extend beyond 7
 days after the CoC's designated count night.



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Coverage Area

2025 PIT Regions



Texas Balance of State Region





Lubbock Disclaimer

Though Lubbock did participate in the 2025 Texas BoS CoC Point-In-Time Count effort, and we collaborated with them to gather the data for their community, their data will not be included in the Texas BoS CoC results. This is because they have formed their own CoC (Lubbock CoC) and will be submitting their community's data on their own. They will no longer be organizing their PIT count alongside the rest of the BoS CoC. If you would like reports on this data please email me at Ava@THN.org



Extrapolation Disclaimer

As of the date of this presentation, we are still working on submitting the final PIT and HIC data to HUD. The following data is un-extrapolated and is what was gathered on the night of the count. Once the final extrapolated data has been submitted and accepted by HUD we will share that data with you ASAP.

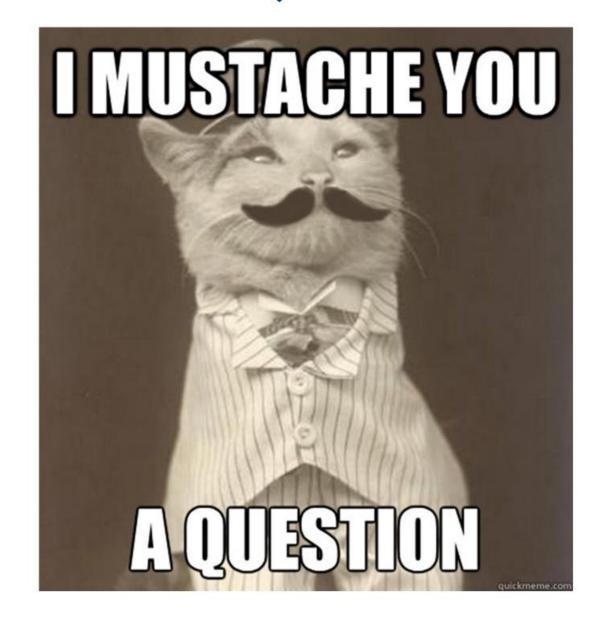


Next Steps

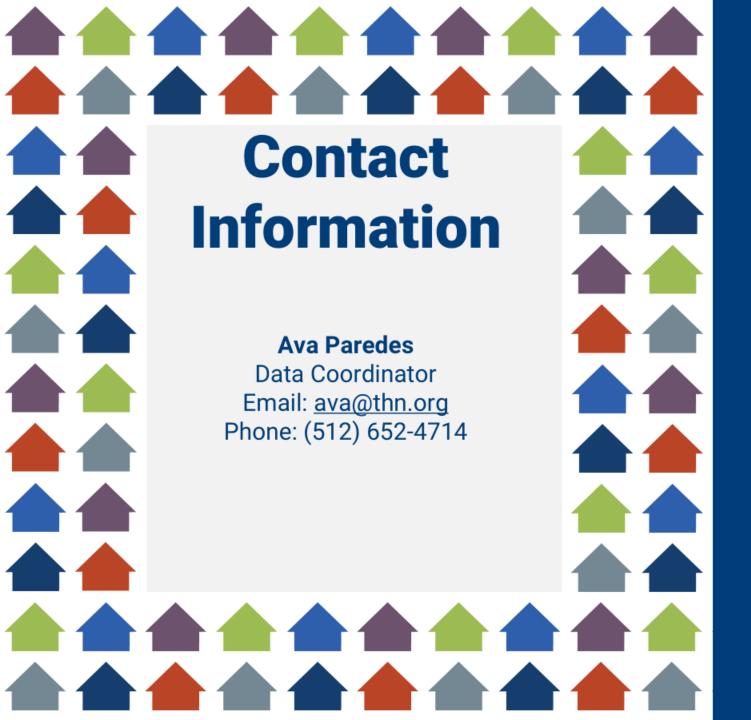
- Upcoming presentation regarding utilizing your PIT data for LHCs
- Upcoming presentation on how to read your PIT data
- Upcoming Blog Post/ Press Release
 - PIT Count Overview
 - Analysis/ Explanation of Results
 - Infographic
- Gathering and Analysis of "Statewide" PIT Data
 - Still waiting on receiving data from other communities outside the geography of the Balance of State



Q&A









Thank you!

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2025 CoC Action Plan

- TX BoS CoC Directors
 - Lindsay LaGrange, Director of Data
 - Hope Rodgers, Director of Systems Change
 - Mary Stahlke, Director of Engagement
 - Billy Streu, Director of Planning

Development Process

- Extending current strategic plan by one year because of CoC modernization work
- Action plan for 2025
- Want to connect with general members about the plan
- Aim: providing more support on the local level
- Beginning of an action plan for 2026
- We'll be soliciting feedback from general members via poll questions throughout this presentation

Priority 1

 Local Focus: Improve regional governance and support ("CoC Modernization")

Objectives

- Increase HMIS data quality and system understanding among HMIS end users
- Increase participation and engagement within local data community
- Increase participation in the BoS CoC
- Provide educational opportunities to LHC leads and members to increase coalition capacity to engage and collaborate with community partners to address homelessness locally
- Develop more partnerships with cross-sector and mainstream partners

Poll Questions: We want to hear from you!

Priority 2

 Service & Housing Outcomes: Partner with service providers to evaluate and improve programming, increase funding and capacity, and remove barriers for improved outcomes

Objectives

- Playing data offense: Incorporating HMIS data analysis into community conversations
- Conducting more in-depth Gaps Analysis evaluating needs and services within TX BoS CoC related to homelessness
- Training for CoC and ESG Providers: Increasing quality of service delivery and the quality of Project Applications (CoC and ESG)
- Bringing back Quarterly Performance Reviews

Poll Questions: We want to hear from you!

Priority 3

 Best Practice & HUD Requirements: Support local communities to adopt best practice and applicable HUD requirements through coordinated planning, capacity building, and implementation

Objectives

- Utilize data to provide community education about housing gaps and the realities of homelessness in the TX BoS CoC.
- Develop new Coordinated Entry Assessment & Prioritization processes
- Strengthen local CE Regions practices through increased outreach, engagement, and technical assistance
- Work with providers to increase understanding and fidelity to TX BoS CoC Prioritization standards to ensure the most vulnerable households can access services (i.e. continued development of CE Referral Improvement Plan and Vacancy Reporting)

Poll Questions: We want to hear from you!

Next Steps

- Form to give feedback: <u>https://forms.office.com/r/DtmTJcMsTP?origin=lprLink</u>
- Check THN's website for progress reports on this plan at https://www.thn.org/texas-balance-state-continuum-care/governance/

Announcements

TX BoS CoC Written Standards for Service Delivery Updates

- Joint Transitional Housing/Rapid Re-Housing (pp. 52-59)
- TX BoS CoC Emergency Transfer Plan (ETP) (pp. 62-63)
 - o ETP has been updated and linked on p. 63
- TX BoS CoC Monitoring Strategy (pp. 66-68)
- Adoption of amended Category 4 Homeless Definition (p. 72)

TX BoS CoC Written Standards for Service Delivery Resources

TX BoS CoC Written Standards for Service Delivery Updates Webinar

TX BoS CoC Written Standards for Service Delivery

TX BoS CoC Emergency Transfer Plan

VAWA Requirements for CoCs, CoC Recipients, and ESG Recipients

HUD's VAWA Page

<u>Slides - "VAWA 2022" Foundations Webinar Series: Emergency Transfer Plans</u>

Monitoring Strategies.mp4

CoC Modernization

- Webinar for the CoC general membership held in January
- First meeting of the CoC Modernization Workgroup held in February
- HUD cancelled the technical assistance (TA) contract in late February
- In May, THN is working with TA providers to re-start the modernization effort

Texas Homeless Network

 Sam Foss, THN's Director of Development and Communications

- THN Membership & Membership Survey
- New THN Cohorts
- Texas Conference on Ending Homelessness
- Webinar Announcement

THN Agency Membership

CoC General Membership is different from THN Membership. While anyone who lives or works in the TX BoS CoC is considered a General Member of the BoS, THN membership requires a separate sign-up and donation process.

Some of the perks you can expect are:

- Conference discounts
- Free access to the **Sustaining the Work** webinar series and any future members only webinars
- Access to the Peer Learning Cohorts (with perks like Nonprofit Learning Lab memberships for the leadership cohort!)
- ✓ Visibility on THN's current supporters list
- ✓ Member-only resource hubs, partner discounts, and more



Join or renew today: https://www.thn.org/membership

THN Peer Learning Cohorts

Exclusive to THN Agency Member Staff

Our cohorts are designed to build lasting connections and networks across our state. By uniting leaders and frontline providers, we aim to create a stronger response to homelessness, foster more resilient communities, and offer vital support to those dedicated to this cause.

Direct Services
Discussions Homeless
& Housing Solutions
Forum

A virtual peer discussion space on THN's Basecamp platform tailored for frontline providers. Ideal for shelter staff, case managers, outreach workers, and anyone directly supporting people experiencing homelessness. Share ideas, ask questions, and build peer connections statewide.

Texas Homeless Services Leadership Cohort

Designed for directors and senior executives. Through Basecamp discussions and quarterly meetings, this cohort fosters leadership connection, innovation, and problem-solving across Texas.



Join today: www.thn.org/homeless-cohort-learning

2025 Texas Conference on Ending Homelessness

Join us this year in Austin from September 17-19 at the DoubleTree by Hilton Austin for another unforgettable conference.

Your work is changing lives. Now, share it with the movement.

Whether you're transforming systems, building trust on the frontlines, or leading from lived experience, your insight matters.

Applications due this Friday, May 16th.

Apply to present now:

thn.wufoo.com/forms/w1n4ggmi0971hun/

Save Big as a THN Member!

Renew or join now to lock in major savings for this year's conference.

Members save \$80 on a select number of staff registrations depending on tier, saving them *up to \$560 in registration* costs!

Org Budget	Tier	Annual Dues	Staff Discounts	Total Savings
Up to \$250K	Agency 3	\$250	3 staff	Save up to \$240
\$250K- \$500K	Agency 4	\$450	4 staff	Save up to \$320
\$500K- \$1M	Agency 5	\$550	5 staff	Save up to \$400
\$1M- \$1.5M	Agency 6	\$650	6 staff	Save up to \$480
Over \$1.5M	Agency 7	\$750	7 staff	Save up to \$560



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Sustaining the Work Webinar Series

Are you someone who gives your all to every unhoused neighbor?

A leader pouring your heart into the work?

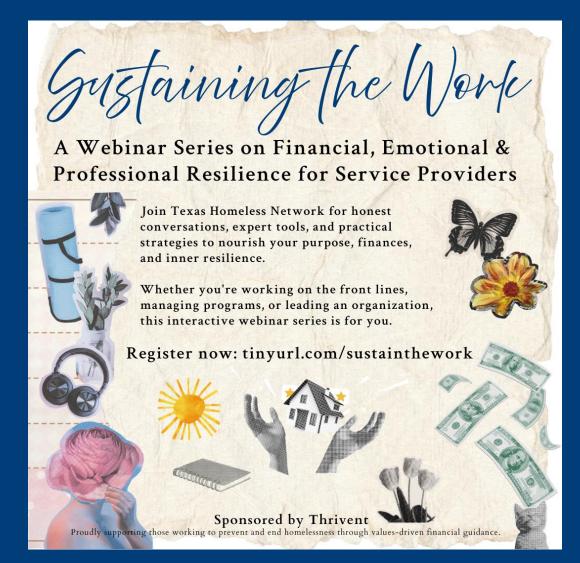
THN sees you, and we're launching **Sustaining the Work** for every helper who deserves the same support they so often offer to others.

This 7-part webinar series is for anyone in a helping role, whether you're on the front lines, behind the scenes, or guiding from leadership. Through practical tools, honest conversation, and expert guidance, we'll explore how to sustain the work by tending to your financial, emotional, and professional well-being.

On't set yourself aside. Invest in your own sustainability today.

Register now: tinyurl.com/sustainthework

Presented in partnership with Thrivent, a financial services organization helping people plan and manage their finances in ways that matter most. At Thrivent, money is a tool, not a goal—used to build a life of purpose and generosity.



Words of Encouragement

Members of the TX BoS CoC Board's Executive Committee

Stephanie Rocha, Chair

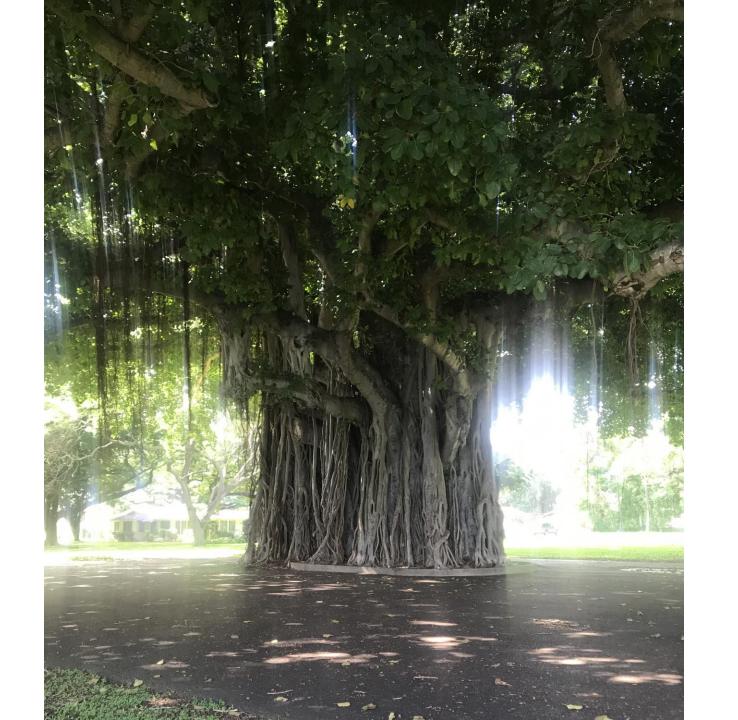


Audra Rea, Vice Chair

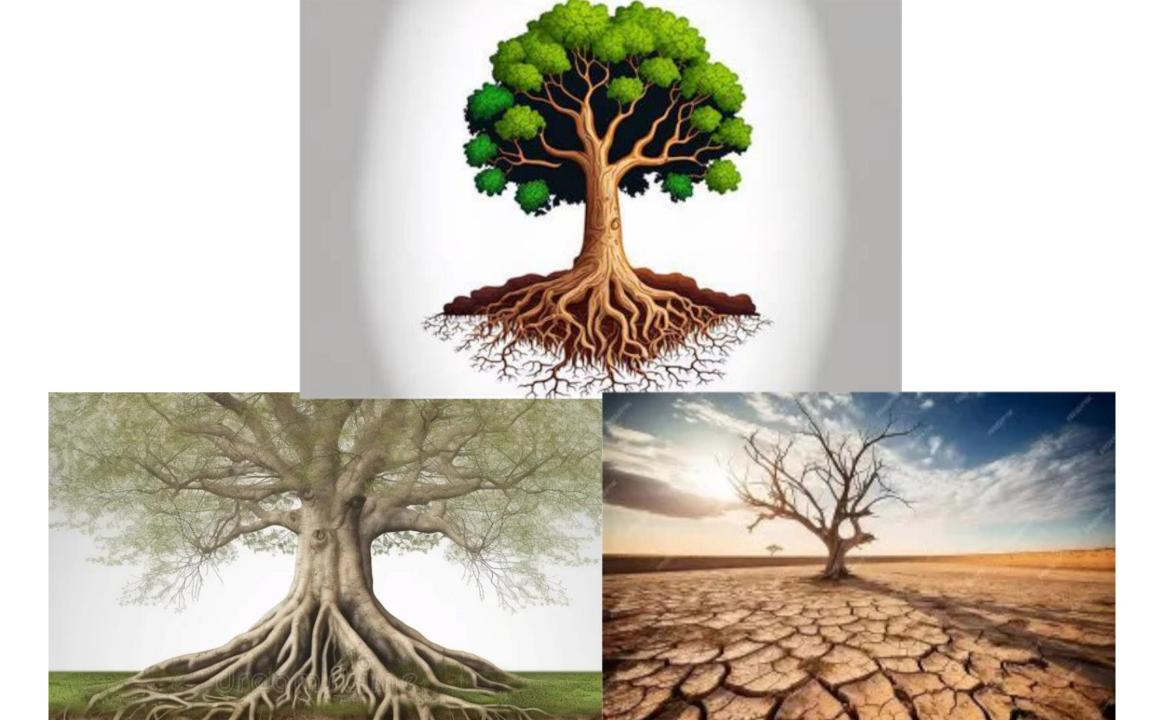


Victor Rivera, Secretary





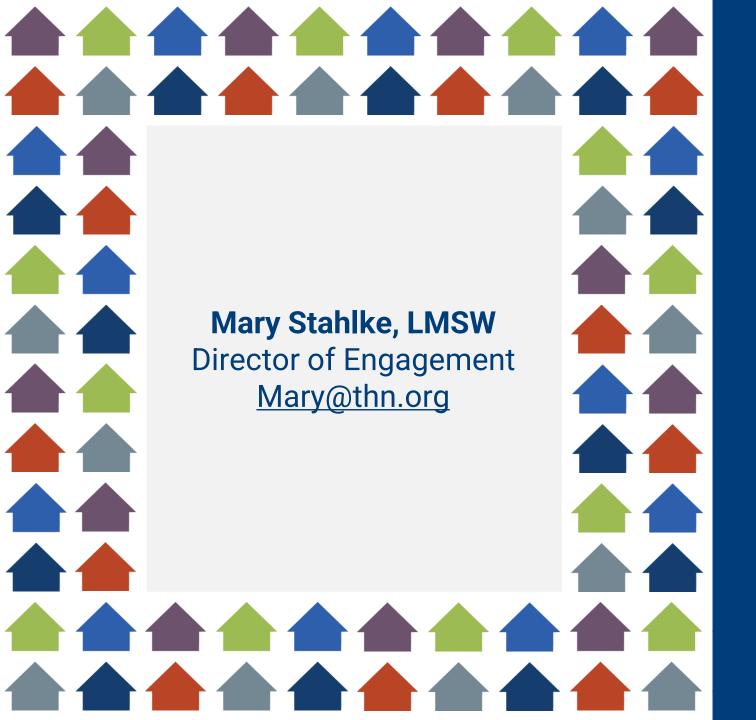




Thank You for Attending

- Next CoC General Membership Meeting:
 - September 17, 2025, in person and virtual







Contact Information

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