2017 WeALLCount
Data & Results: General

The Homeless Point-in-time Count, led by the Regional Task Force on the Homeless (RTFH), is how we determine how many homeless individuals and families we have in the San Diego Continuum of Care (CoC) on any given night. This snapshot allows the region to make informed decisions about our county and work toward sustainable solutions to homelessness.

**San Diego Point-in-Time Count Totals**

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**Regional Trends**

- **9,116**
  - Total homeless counted in the 2017 Point-in-Time Count

- **5%**
  - Increase in total homeless since 2016

- **3%**
  - Increase in total homeless since 2013

**Unsheltered and Sheltered Breakdown**

- **Total**
  - 9,116

- **Sheltered**
  - Men: 8,669 (69%)
  - Women: 3,495 (29%)
  - Transgender: 3,729 (2%)
  - Veterans: 5,621 (8%)

- **Unsheltered**
  - Men: 4,940 (31%)
  - Women: 469 (4%)
  - Transgender: 14 (4%)

**Unsheltered Homeless Summary**

- **Men**: 69%
- **Women**: 29%
- **Transgender**: 2%
- **Veterans**: 8%
- **Chronically Homeless Individuals**: 31%
- **Self-Reported Mental Health Issue**
  - That is long term and impacts ability to remain housed: 39%
  - That is long term and impacts ability to remain housed: 4%
- **Self-Reported Substance Abuse Issue**
  - That is long term and impacts ability to remain housed: 20%
  - That is long term and impacts ability to remain housed: 3%

*Estimates from a sample of 1,087 surveys*

**Volunteering by the Numbers**

- **1,274** Counters
- **340** Interviewers
- **5,479** Volunteer Hours

77% Of the unsheltered homeless individuals became homeless while living in San Diego County

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Our Leadership

We provide leadership for a collaborative, region-wide effort on preventing and ending homelessness. We partner closely with public and private partners to address homelessness, and serve as the HUD Continuum of Care Collaborative Applicant, to bring federal funds into the San Diego region for beds and services.

Our Work

The RTFH has played a central role in our region’s efforts to address homelessness for over 30 years. In 2004, the RTFH became an independent 501(c) 3 nonprofit, and in January we merged with the San Diego Regional Continuum of Care (RCCC). Together, our new combined organization will continue pursuing our shared goal of engaging stakeholders to drive solutions for ending homelessness in our region. The RTFH operates under a current annual budget of $2.1M, and additionally plays a critical role in helping the San Diego region secure approximately $18M in federal homelessness funding each year.

COORDINATED ENTRY SYSTEM

The Coordinated Entry System (CES) is a no-wrong door, countywide system that connects participants with services as quickly and effectively as possible, and ensure critical data is collected at each point through the system. The CES is made up of four key components: the Vulnerability Index-Service Prioritization and Decision Assistance Tool (VI-SPDAT), housing navigation, housing referral, and data sharing and communication.

HOMELESS MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEM

The HMIS is a data collection tool managed by RTFH that is designed to capture client-level information over time on the characteristics and service needs of people experiencing homelessness. HMIS is integral in coordinating case management, tracking service progress, referring individuals and families to critical resources, measuring results, and producing accurate and timely reporting.