

2019 JANUARY POINT-IN-TIME COUNT OF HOMELESSNESS MADISON/DANE COUNTY

I. BACKGROUND

The Point-in-Time Count of Homelessness (PIT) provides a snapshot of people who are experiencing homelessness on a given night in a community. The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) requires all Continuum of Cares to conduct a PIT during last 10 days of January, allowing for nationwide analysis of major trends over time and tracking progress toward ending homelessness. The Homeless Services Consortium of Dane County (HSC) conducts a PIT twice a year, on the fourth Wednesday of January and July. This year's January PIT was on the night of January 23, 2019.

The PIT has two components:

- <u>Sheltered counts</u> collect information on people who are sleeping in emergency shelters and transitional housing programs. Most of the information is gathered from the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) used by nearly all homeless services agencies in Dane County. Community partners that do not use HMIS submit comparable reports to the CoC. The following shelters and transitional housing programs were included in the count:
 - Emergency Shelters: The Salvation Army of Dane County Family Shelter, Single Women Shelter, and Medical Voucher Program; YWCA Madison Family Shelter; Porchlight Men's Drop-In Shelter; and Domestic Abuse Intervention Services Emergency Shelter and Motel Voucher Program
 - Transitional Housing Programs: Briarpatch Transitional Living Program; St. Vincent de Paul Port St. Vincent de Paul and St. Elizabeth Ann Seton House; The Road Home Dane County Second Chance Apartment; YWCA Madison Empower Home; Porchlight Spring Street Veterans Transitional Housing; and The Salvation Army of Dane County Holly House
- Unsheltered counts capture information on people who are sleeping outside, in a vehicle, in a tent, or other places not suitable for human habitation. Teams of volunteers go to "known locations" on the night of PIT and conduct surveys. Additional post-counts may be conducted at strategic locations following the PIT. This year, 56 staff and volunteers from HSC participated in the unsheltered and post counts. During this year's unsheltered count that started at 10pm, the temperature was around 8 degrees Fahrenheit. Area schools were closed that day due to heavy snow of six inches or more, which might have resulted in fewer individuals unsheltered and more individuals sheltered.

It is important to note that this count excludes individuals and families who are "doubled up" with friends or other families in private homes, hotels or motels, jail, or hospitals. While the U.S. Department

of Education's definition of homelessness includes children who are living in such arrangements, these families are not included in the PIT, per HUD requirement.

This enumeration is one of several ways to understand the levels and trends of homelessness in our community. Since the PIT is a snapshot of homelessness for one night, many more people experiencing homelessness over the course of a year are not counted in the PIT. A separate report, Longitudinal System Analysis (formerly Annual Homeless Assessment Report), captures the unduplicated number of people served in the homeless services agencies using HMIS throughout the year. The community's Coordinated Entry Housing Priority Lists identify the number of people who report being homeless and in need of housing.

This report was prepared by the City of Madison Community Development Division on behalf of Homeless Services Consortium of Dane County. Questions about the report can be directed to Sarah Lim, Community Development Specialist, at slim@cityofmadison.com.

II. KEY FINDINGS

On a Single Night in January 2019

578 people experiencing homelessness were identified in Madison/Dane County on the night of the 2019 January PIT.

- 39 percent or 224 persons were in households with children (families), representing 66 families.
- 61 percent or 354 persons were in households without children (individuals).
- 23 percent or 135 persons were children under age 18.
- Seven percent or 42 persons were young adults age 18-24. 19 were unaccompanied individuals and 23 were parenting youth.
- 19 percent or 108 persons were considered chronically homeless.
- Seven percent or 38 persons were veterans.
- Most stayed in sheltered locations, while 13 percent (75 individuals) stayed in unsheltered locations such as on the street, in vehicles, in tents, or other places not suitable for human habitation.

African Americans are considerably overrepresented among the homeless population compared to the overall Dane County population. While accounting for five percent of the Dane County population, African Americans account for 50 percent of all people experiencing homelessness.

Since 2018

Overall homelessness decreased by six percent or 36 persons from the previous year.

- The number of individuals decreased by 12 percent or 50 persons.
- The number of persons in families increased by nine percent or 19 persons. The number of families increased from 63 families to 66 families.

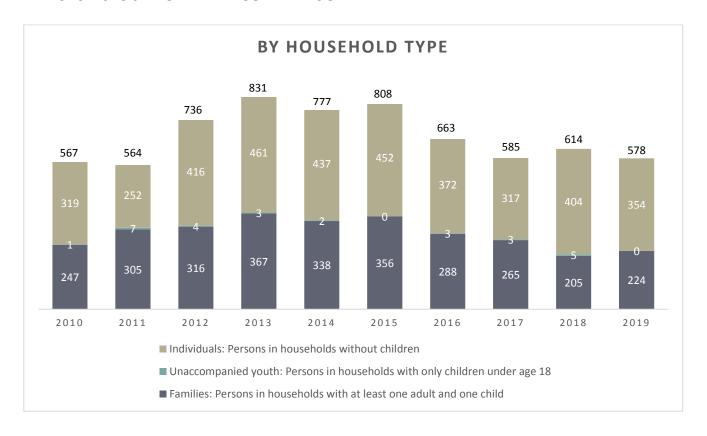
- The number of people experiencing chronic homelessness decreased by 13 percent or 16 persons.
- The number of veterans experiencing homelessness declined by 14 percent or six persons.
- Decreases in homelessness occurred in the number of people staying in both sheltered and unsheltered locations.

Since 2014

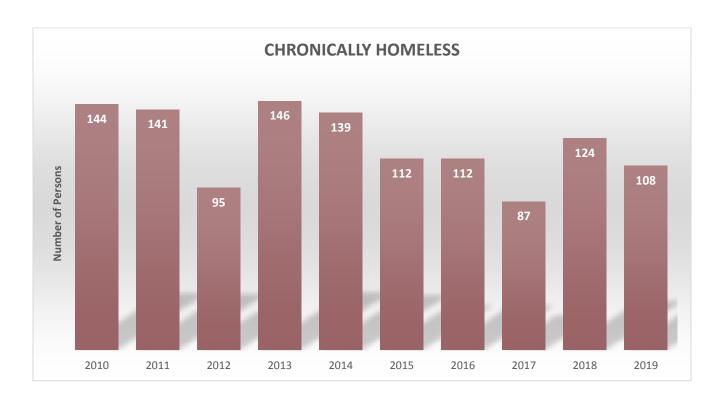
Overall homelessness decreased by 26 percent or 199 persons from five years ago.

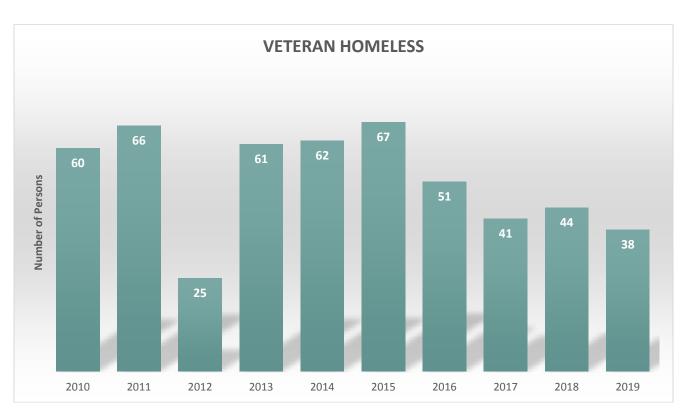
- The number of individuals decreased by 19 percent or 83 persons.
- The number of persons in families decreased by 34 percent or 114 persons.
- The number of people experiencing chronic homelessness decreased by 22 percent or 31 persons.
- The number of veterans experiencing homelessness declined by 39 percent or 24 persons.
- Decreases in homelessness occurred in the number of people staying in both sheltered and unsheltered locations.

III. 2010-2019 JANUARY PIT COMPARISON



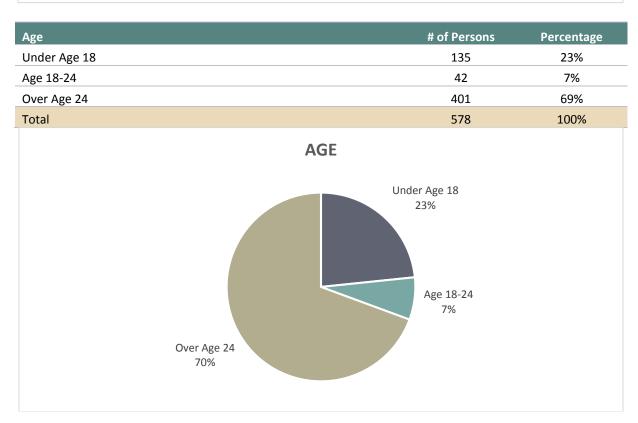






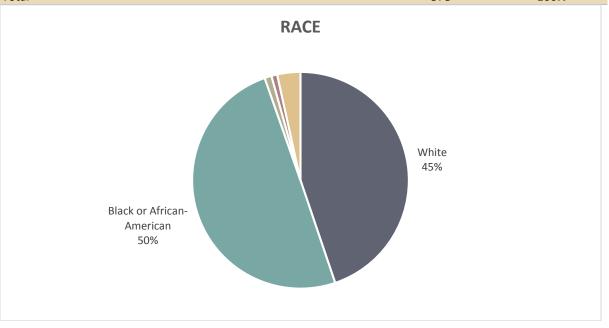
IV. 2019 JANUARY PIT*

Household Type	# of Persons	Percentage
Families: Persons in households with at least one adult and one child	224	39%
Individuals: Households without children	354	61%
Total	578	100%
HOUSEHOLD TYPE		
Individuals 61%	Families 39%	

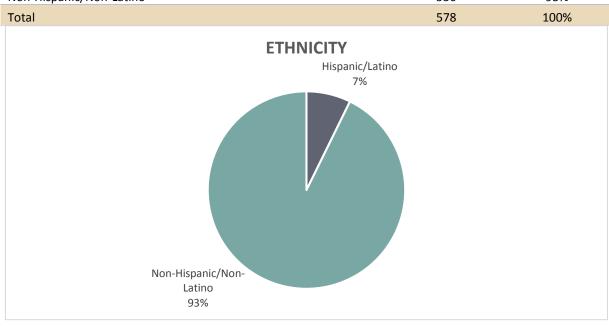


^{*} When certain demographic information was unknown, HUD approved extrapolation method was used to ensure that the total number of persons listed under each category equal the total number of persons counted. The number of unknown data for each category can be found on the Appendix.

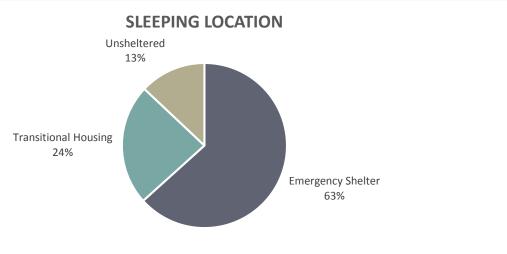
Race	# of Persons	Percentage
White	259	45%
Black or African-American	288	50%
Asian	6	1%
American Indian or Alaska Native	5	1%
Multiple Races	20	3%
Total	578	100%



Ethnicity	# of Persons	Percentage
Hispanic/Latino	42	7%
Non-Hispanic/Non-Latino	536	93%
Total	578	100%
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Sleeping Location	# of Persons	Percentage
Emergency Shelter	366	63%
Transitional Housing	137	24%
Unsheltered (places not meant for human habitation)	75	13%
Total	578	100%



APPENDIX

Total Number of Persons

2019 January PIT: Sheltered-Unsheltered Report

Families: Households with at least one adult and one child

Households with at least one Adult and one Child	Sheltered		Unsheltered	Total
	Emergency	Transitional		
Total Number of Households	43	23	0	66
Total Number of Persons (Adults and Children)	149	75	0	224
Number of Children (Under Age 18)	88	47	0	135
Number of Young Adults (Age 18-24)	8	15	0	23
Number of Adults (Over Age 24)	53	13	0	66
Number of Persons with Missing DOB	0	0	0	0
Gender (adults and children)				
Female	95	41	0	136
Male	54	34	0	88
Transgender	0	0	0	0
Gender Non-Conforming (i.e. not exclusively male or female)	0	0	0	0
Client Doesn't Know / Client Refused	0	0	0	0
Missing / Non-HUD	0	0	0	0
Ethnicity (adults and children) Non-Hispanic/Non-Latino	135	57	0	192
Hispanic/Latino	14	9	0	23
Client Doesn't Know / Client Refused	0	0	0	0
Missing / Non-HUD	0	9	0	9
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White	34	11	0	45
Black or African-American	108	49	0	157
Asian	0	0	0	0
American Indian or Alaska Native	2	0	0	2
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0	0	0	0
Multiple Races	5	6	0	11
Client Doesn't Know / Client Refused	0	0	0	0
Missing / Non-HUD	0	9	0	9
Chronically Homeless		1		
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Individuals: Households without children

	Shelf	tered	Unsheltered	Total
Households without Children	Emergency	Transitional		
Total Number of Households	216	62	74	352
Total Number of Persons (Adults)	217	62	75	354
Number of Young Adults (Age 18-24)	12	5	2	19
Number of Adults (Over Age 24)	205	57	54	316
Number of Persons with Missing DOB	0	0	19	19
Gender				
Female	68	22	10	100
Male	147	40	48	235
Transgender	1	0	0	1
Gender Non-Conforming (i.e. not exclusively male or female)	0	0	1	1
Client Doesn't Know / Client Refused	0	0	0	0
Missing / Non-HUD	1	0	16	17
Ethnicity				
Non-Hispanic/Non-Latino	202	29	48	279
Hispanic/Latino	15	2	2	19
Client Doesn't Know / Client Refused	0	0	0	0
Missing / Non-HUD	0	31	25	56
Race	Γ	-	I	
White	116	18	39	173
Black or African-American	83	10	15	108
Asian	4	2	0	6
American Indian or Alaska Native	3	0	0	3
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0	0	0	0
Multiple Races	9	0	0	9
Client Doesn't Know / Client Refused	1	1	0	2
Missing / Non-HUD	1	31	21	53
Chronically Homeless		1		
Total Number of Persons	58		31	92

Unaccompanied youth under age 18: Households with only children

Households with Only Children (under Sheltered		Unsheltered	Total	
age 18)	Emergency	Transitional		
Total Number of Households	0	0	0	0
Total Number of Children (Under 18)	0	0	0	0
Gender				
Female	0	0	0	0
Male	0	0	0	0
Transgender	0	0	0	0
Gender Non-Conforming (i.e. not exclusively male or female)	0	0	0	0
Client Doesn't Know / Client Refused	0	0	0	0
Missing / Non-HUD	0	0	0	0
Ethnicity				
Non-Hispanic/Non-Latino	0	0	0	0
Hispanic/Latino	0	0	0	0
Client Doesn't Know / Client Refused	0	0	0	0
Missing / Non-HUD	0	0	0	0
Race				
White	0	0	0	0
Black or African-American	0	0	0	0
Asian	0	0	0	0
American Indian or Alaska Native	0	0	0	0
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0	0	0	0
Multiple Races	0	0	0	0
Client Doesn't Know / Client Refused	0	0	0	0
Missing / Non-HUD	0	0	0	0
Chronically Homeless		1		
Total Number of Persons	0		0	0