**Memo**

**To:** Saratoga-North Country Continuum of Care

**From:** CARES Inc.

**Date:** April 25, 2016

**Subject:** Housing Inventory and Point in Time Count Summary

This memorandum summarizes highlights from the 2016 Housing Inventory Chart (HIC) and Point in Time Count (PIT). The HIC-PIT will be submitted on the CoC’s behalf on April 30, 2016 in accordance to HUD’s requirement.

**2016 Housing Inventory Summary**

Continuums are required to report annually on the number of available beds dedicated to homeless persons; these beds include emergency, transitional and permanent housing. Below is a summary of changes within these beds from 2015 to 2016.

* ***Year Round Emergency Beds:*** *The year-round bed count decreased from 80 to 74.*

The specific factor that contributed was a shift of Mother Anderson beds from year round to overflow.

* ***Overflow Beds:*** *The overflow bed count decreased from 199 to 194.*

The specific factor that contributed was the loss of the Vets House Emergency Housing Program.

* ***Transitional:*** *The year-round bed count decreased from 38 to 32.*

The specific factors that contributed were the decrease in the number of beds at RPC’s Guardian House and a shift in beds at WAIT House due to demographic composition.

* ***Permanent Housing Beds:***
	+ ***Permanent Supportive Housing:*** *The PSH bed count slightly increased from 276 to 277*.

This is due to changes within family composition in multiple programs.

* + ***Rapid Rehousing***: *The Rapid Rehousing bed count increased from 21 to 49.*

This is due to the increased utilization of SSVF RRH beds

* + ***Chronic Beds:*** *The number of dedicated chronic beds remained the same at 21.*

**Annual Comparison of the Point in Time Count**

*Sheltered*

* When comparing the 2016 sheltered PIT (252 persons) with the 2015 PIT (282 persons) a decrease in the total number of persons sheltered is noted.
* In total, there was a decrease of 30 persons utilizing services on the night of the count with a 19 person decrease utilizing emergency shelters and a decrease of 11 persons utilizing transitional housing.

# Sheltered subpopulations

* Chronically Homeless: Decreased from 36-21.
* Chronically Homeless Veterans: Decreased from 6 to 1.
* Adults with a Serious Mental Illness: Increased from 45-71.
* Substance Use Disorders decreased from 46 to 42.
* HIV stayed the same at 0.
* DV increased from 19 to 29.

# Unsheltered PIT

* When comparing the 2016 unsheltered PIT with the 2015 PIT an increase was noted.
* In 2016 there were 16 unsheltered individuals identified compared to 2015 when there were no unsheltered individuals identified.
* Specific factors that may have resulted in the increase of unsheltered persons is the unseasonably warm temperatures. Warmer temperature allow homeless households the ability to stay unsheltered.

# Unsheltered subpopulations

* There were no unsheltered homeless persons counted in 2015. Through the 2016 PIT:
	+ - None of the 16 unsheltered persons were chronically homeless.
		- 8 of the 16 were between the ages of 18-24.
		- 5 had a serious mental illness.
		- 1 had HIV.
		- 2 were victims of DV.