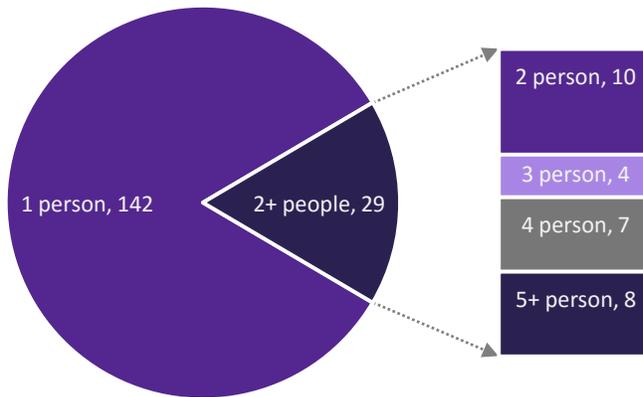CARES
ENDING HOMELESSNESS

NY-506 - Fulton Montgomery Schoharie Counties CoC
10/1/2015-12/31/2015

Overview

Between 10/1/2015 and 12/31/2015, providers in the Fulton/Montgomery/Schoharie Counties CoC served 247 people experiencing or at risk of experiencing homelessness[i]. 77 people were served in residential programs, with an additional 170 served in supportive services only programs[ii].

Number of Households by Size

- 1 person, 142
- 2+ people, 29
- 2 person, 10
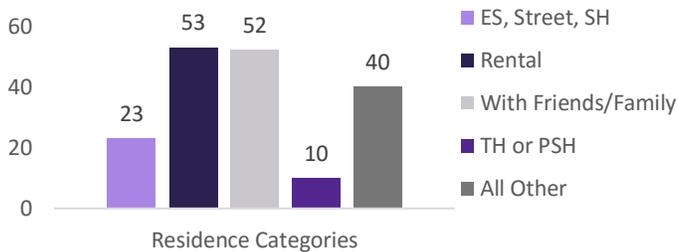- 3 person, 4
- 4 person, 7
- 5+ person, 8

There were 125 households without children (containing 133 individuals), 22 households with adults and children (containing 36 adults and 54 children), and 24 households with 24 unaccompanied minors[iii].

By gender, providers in the CoC served 112 (45%) women, 126 (51%) men and 7 (2.8%) trans-identified individuals.

The racial and ethnic breakdown of those served included 185 (75%) White, 43 (17%) Black or African-American, 1 (0.4%) Asian, 0 (0.0%) Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander, 1 (0.4%) American Indian or Alaskan Native, and 0 (0.0%) Multiple Races. 34 (14%) individuals identified as Hispanic/Latino regardless of race.

Prior Residence

- ES, Street, SH: 23
- Rental: 53
- With Friends/Family: 52
- TH or PSH: 10
- All Other: 40

Residence Categories

Of 192 adults or heads of household, 23 (12%) indicated a prior residence of Emergency Shelter, the streets or Safe Haven. Of these clients, 17 (74%) reported no previous episodes of homelessness within the last three years while 12 (52%), 12 (52%), and 9 (39%) had been homeless 2, 3, or 4+ times (respectively) during the same time frame. 5 (22%) did not report on this data element.
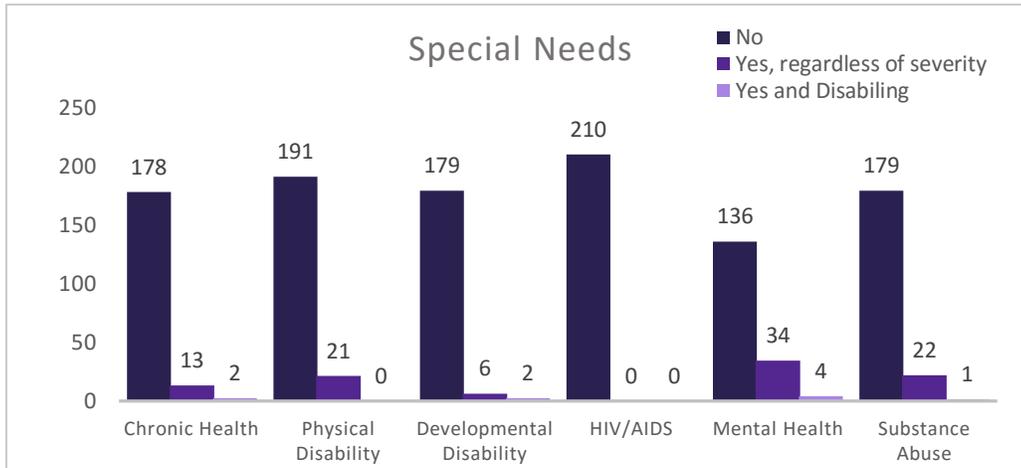
The total number of individuals discharged during the quarter was 91, which included 56 adults and 35 children. Income for 0 (0%) clients over 18 rose between admission and discharge while 33 (59%) maintained stable income of greater than zero. Of 87 clients with known destinations, 72 (83%) were discharged to a permanent destination.

Exiting To

- Institutional: 3
- Other: 10
- Permanent: 72
- Temporary: 2

Destination

Special Needs

30% of adults (51/169) and 4% of children (3/78) self-reported at least one physical, emotional, or other health condition *regardless of whether the condition had become serious enough to be disabling*. Among those reporting multiple conditions, the most significant comorbidity was Mental Health and Substance Use (9). When taking severity of condition into account, 24 adults reported conditions that met the criteria to be considered a disability.

Sub-Populations

1 (1%) individuals over 18 met the criteria for chronic homelessness at the time of project entry, which included individuals who were admitted under the previous definition (*the percentage of clients considered chronically homeless is expected to decrease over time due to changes in the definition implemented by HUD which became effective in HMIS as of 10/1/15*).

1 out of every 3 adults receiving services this quarter was a veteran (30%). Out of the 51 veterans served, 7 (14%) reported a disabling condition and 0 (0%) met the criteria for chronic homelessness at admission.

System Performance Measures

On 1/1/16, HUD released 7 new System Performance Measures intended to leverage HMIS data in order to inform planning and track outcomes at the CoC-level. The measures will assist with assessing the overall success of community efforts to address, divert and end homelessness and include: number of homeless persons; number of first-time episodes of homelessness; length of time persons remain homeless; job and income growth during program stays and/or at discharge; placement in permanent destinations; returns to homelessness/recidivism. Additionally, these measures will play an important part in receiving and retaining Federal funding through the CoC Grant Competition.

Data quality and completeness play a major role in ensuring that the System Performance Measures accurately reflect the work being done within the CoC. CARES routinely tracks the health of HMIS data and this information may be found on www.caresny.org.

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[i] Data breakdowns for subsequent categories may total less than this number due to differences in data reporting across funders, as well as data completeness. For more information on data completeness, please see www.caresny.org

[ii] Programs included in this report listed on www.caresny.org. For the purposes of this report, any RRH enrollments are considered residential

[iii] Data based on current age and household composition, which may differ from information reported at admission

Projects Included in Report

Emergency Shelter
Amsterdam Shelter
Montgomery County DSS Hotel/Motel Placement Program
Homelessness Prevention
Legal Aid STEHP - Fulton Montgomery Schoharie Prev
RPC SSVF Prevention
PH - Permanent Supportive Housing
Amsterdam Housing SRO
PH - Rapid Re-Housing
RPC SSVF Program Rapid Rehousing
Street Outreach
CAPTAIN RHY Outreach