

Memo

To: Albany County Coalition on Homelessness

From: CARES, Inc.

Date: April 27, 2018

Subject: 2018 Housing Inventory and Point-in-Time Count Summary

This memorandum summarizes highlights from the 2018 Housing Inventory Chart (HIC) and Point-in-Time Count (PIT). In accordance with HUD's requirement, the HIC-PIT will be submitted on the CoC's behalf on or before April 30, 2018.

2018 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 2017 to 2018.

- **Emergency Year-Round Bed:** *The year-round bed count decreased from 317 to 304.*
 - The specific factor contributing to this decrease was the closing of a 13-bed youth project
- **Emergency Overflow Beds:** *Overflow beds increased from 301 to 327.*
 - There was an 18-bed increase in CCRM overflow beds, from 106 in 2017 to 124 in 2018.
 - There was a 12-bed increase in IPH Safe Haven overflow beds, from 32 beds in 2017 to 44 in 2018.
- **Emergency Seasonal beds:** *The seasonal beds decreased from 44 to 39.*
 - There was a 5 bed decrease in the CCRM Seasonal Overflow Shelter.
- **Transitional Beds:** *The transitional bed count decreased from 161 to 152.*
 - The specific factor resulting in this decrease was the closing of the Joyce Center.
- **Permanent Housing Beds:**
 - **Permanent Supportive Housing:** *The PSH bed count increased from 847 to 896*
 - The specific factors contributing to this increase included the addition of two new Damien Center projects, an increase of 29 beds reported for the Albany Housing Authority/Albany Housing Coalition S+C Program for Homeless Veterans with Disabilities, and slight increases in numerous other PSH programs.
 - **Rapid Rehousing:** *The Rapid Rehousing bed count increased from 115 to 207.*
 - The specific factors contributing to this increase was the implementation of a new Legal Aid Society of Northeastern New York RRH project.
 - **Chronic Beds:** *The number of dedicated chronic beds increased from 151 to 199 for a total increase of 48.*
 - The specific factors contributing to this increase included the addition of two new Damien Center programs (19 CH-dedicated beds), as well as smaller increases in beds dedicated to CH across other programs.

Annual Comparison of the Point-in-Time Count

Point-in-Time Overview				
	Emergency Shelter	Transitional Housing	Unsheltered	Total
2018	657	143	35	835
2017	644	133	25	802

Sheltered PIT Breakdown

- When comparing the 2018 (800 persons) sheltered PIT with the 2017 (777 persons) sheltered PIT an increase in the total number of persons sheltered is noted.
- In total, there was an increase of 23 persons utilizing services on the night of the count with a 13-person increase utilizing emergency shelters and a 10-person increase utilizing transitional housing.

Sheltered PIT Subpopulation Information

- **Chronically Homeless Individuals:** The number of sheltered chronically homeless individuals increased from 63 in 2017 to 65 in 2018.
- **Chronically Homeless Families:** The number of sheltered chronically homeless families increased from 0 in 2017 to 1 in 2018.
- **Chronically Homeless Vets:** The number of sheltered chronically homeless veterans increased from 1 in 2017 to 5 in 2018.
- **Chronically Homeless Youth:** The number of sheltered chronically homeless youth increased from 0 in 2017 to 1 in 2018.
- **Adults with a Serious Mental Illness:** The number of sheltered persons with serious mental illness increased from 80 in 2017 to 92 in 2018.
- **Adults with a Substance Use Disorder:** The number of sheltered persons with substance abuse disorder increased from 82 in 2017 to 104 in 2018.
- **Adults with HIV/AIDS:** The number of sheltered persons with HIV/AIDS decreased from 17 in 2017 to 12 in 2018.
- **Victims of Domestic Violence:** The number of sheltered persons noting DV decreased from 41 in 2017 to 23 in 2018.

Note: Special populations (e.g., persons living with HIV/AIDS) often do not disclose their status which may indicate a lower than actual total number reported.

Unsheltered PIT breakdown

- When comparing the 2017 unsheltered PIT with the 2018 unsheltered PIT, a 10-person increase was noted.
- In 2018 there were 35 unsheltered individuals identified compared to 25 unsheltered individuals counted in 2017.

Unsheltered PIT Subpopulation Information

- **Chronically Homeless Individuals:** The number of unsheltered chronically homeless individuals increased from 19 in 2017 to 27 in 2018.
- **Chronically Homeless Families:** The number of unsheltered chronically homeless families remained at 0 in 2018.
- **Chronically Homeless Vets:** The number of unsheltered chronically homeless veterans remained at 0 in 2018.
- **Adults with a Serious Mental Illness:** The number of unsheltered persons with serious mental illness increased from 16 in 2017 to 22 in 2018.
- **Adults with a Substance Use Disorder:** The number of unsheltered persons with substance use disorder increased from 22 in 2017 to 23 in 2018.
- **Adults with HIV/AIDS:** The number of unsheltered persons with HIV/AIDS remained at 0 in 2018.

- **Victims of Domestic Violence:** The number of unsheltered persons noting DV decreased from 2 in 2017 to 1 in 2018.

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