
POINT IN TIME AND HOUSING INVENTORY PROCESS

The CoC interim rule provides Continuums of Care abide by certain requirements. The requirement of conducting a bi-annual point in time count of homeless persons is stated below:

Section 578.7(C2) *Planning for and conducting, at least biennially, a point-in-time count of homeless persons within the geographic area that meets the following requirements: (i) Homeless persons who are living in a place not designed or ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodation for humans must be counted as unsheltered homeless persons. (ii) Persons living in emergency shelters and transitional housing projects must be counted as sheltered homeless persons. (iii) Other requirements established by HUD by Notice.*

The Collaborative Applicant, in compliance with the above sections of the CoC Interim Rule, coordinates with the community to implement the Point-in-Time (sheltered and unsheltered) and the Housing Inventory Chart (HIC) as outlined below.

2020 Point in Time Process

The PIT is a count of sheltered and unsheltered homeless persons on a single night in January. Continuums of Care conduct an annual count of homeless persons who are sheltered (residing in an emergency shelter, transitional housing or Safe Haven the night of the count) and those who are unsheltered (living on the street or in a place not meant for human habitation).

Sheltered Count

- Collaborative Applicant will send an email to the community alerting all members about the date of the count
- HMIS Lead will conduct outreach to HMIS participating agencies to ensure data quality prior to pull
- HMIS Lead will coordinate with non-participating HMIS agencies (including agencies serving victims of domestic violence) to review data collection form
- HMIS Lead will pull data from HMIS for participating agencies
- HMIS Lead will collect data from non-participating HMIS agencies (including agencies serving victims of domestic violence) using the data collection form
- HMIS Lead will aggregating data using workbook provided by the Collaborative Applicant (will be forthcoming)
- Collaborative Applicant will review all data with HMIS Lead prior to entering into HDX
- Collaborative Applicant enters all information into HDX
- Collaborative Applicant will draft a Data Memo for community review

2020 Unsheltered Count Process

- County leads are identified and approved by the PIT Committee
- County leads will complete methodology forms and return to the Collaborative Applicant
- County leads will conduct outreach to service providers
- Collaborative Applicant will conduct and record a webinar to review PIT/HIC general information and the unsheltered survey tool
- All Unsheltered PIT forms due to the Unsheltered PIT Leads by 2/8/20
- Unsheltered PIT Leads will separate forms:
 - All forms for those noted as unsheltered homeless will be sent to the Collaborative Applicant by 2/15/20
 - All forms for those noted as unstably housed sent to Catholic Charities by 2/15/20
- Collaborative Applicant enters all information into HDX
- Collaborative Applicant will draft a Data Memo for community review

2020 Housing Inventory Chart

On the same day of the Point in Time Count, the CoC collects information to complete the HUD required Housing Inventory Chart (HIC) report. The HIC is an inventory of all dedicated homeless beds including emergency shelter, transitional housing, safe haven, permanent supportive housing and rapid rehousing beds.

- Collaborative Applicant sends HIC data collection worksheet to HMIS Lead to use in order to review/confirm/update information
- HMIS Lead pulls relevant information per project to complete data collection for all HMIS participating agencies
- HMIS Lead works with agencies to confirm HMIS program set-up information (including program name, address, program type and unit/bed number)
- HMIS Lead coordinates with non-participating HMIS agencies to gather required HIC data
- HMIS Lead enters information in HDX
- Collaborative Applicant will draft a Data Memo for community review