**Memo**

**To:** Franklin/Essex Continuum of Care

**From:** CARES Inc.

**Date:** June 22, 2020

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

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This memorandum summarizes highlights from the 2020 Housing Inventory Chart (HIC) and Point-in-Time Count (PIT). The HIC-PIT will be submitted on behalf of the Continuum of Care on or before June 30th, 2020 according to HUD’s requirement.

**2020 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 2019 to 2020.

* **Emergency Year-Round Bed:** The year-round bed count increased from 2 to 4.
  + Citizen Advocates added 2 beds for Households with Children.
* **Emergency Seasonal Beds:** The seasonal bed count remained at 0.
* **Emergency Overflow Beds:** Emergency Overflow Beds increased from 15 to 29.
  + Emergency Overflow Beds decreased from 9 to 6 in Essex County.
  + Emergency Overflow Beds increased from 6 to 23 in Franklin County
* **Transitional Beds:** The year-round bed count increased from 4 to 10.
  + Mohawk Indian Housing increased by 6 beds, including 4 additional beds for households with at least one adult and one child, and 2 additional beds for households with no children.
* **Permanent Housing Beds:**
* **Permanent Supportive Housing:** The PSH bed count increased from 24 to 33.
  + Mental Health Association of Essex closed, decreasing the count by 2 beds.
  + FCCHC increased from 5 to 10, adding 5 beds for adults with no children.
  + HUD-VASH increased from 12 to 18, adding 3 beds (1 unit) for households with at least one adult and one child, and 3 additional beds for households with no children.
  + **Rapid Rehousing:** The RRH bed count increased from 0 in 2019 to 5 in 2020.
    - The increase was due to the addition of 5 beds for households with no children by SSVF – Soldier On.

***NOTE*:** The increase in Rapid Rehousing beds may positively impact the community’s CoC application score.

* **Chronic Beds:** The number of dedicated chronic beds remained at 2.

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

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|  | **Point in Time Overview** | | | | |
|  | **Emergency Shelter** | **Transitional Housing** | **Total Sheltered** | **Unsheltered** | **Total** |
| **2020** | 31 | 8 | 39 | 0 | 39 |
| 2019 | 17 | 4 | 21 | 3 | 24 |
| Difference | +14 | +4 | +18 | -3 | +15 |

**Sheltered PIT Breakdown**

* When comparing the 2019 (21 persons) sheltered PIT with the 2020 (39 persons) sheltered PIT an increase in the total number of persons sheltered is noted.
* In total, there was an increase of 18 persons utilizing services on the night of the count with a 14 person increase in use of emergency services and an increase of 4 persons utilizing transitional housing.
* Homeless Families With At Least One Adult and One Child: The number of homeless family households increased from 1 (2 persons) in 2019 to 2 (5 persons) in 2020. The change was noted in Mohawk Indian Housing’s changes in family composition.
* Unaccompanied Homeless Youth: The number of unaccompanied homeless youth households increased from 1 (2 persons) to 3 (3 persons.)
* Parenting Homeless Youth: The number of homeless parenting youth households remained at 0.
* Homeless Vets: The number of homeless veteran households decreased from 2 households (2 persons) in 2019 to 0 households in 2020.
* Chronically Homeless Vets: The number of chronically homeless sheltered Veterans remained the same at 0.
* Chronically Homeless Unaccompanied Youth: The number of chronically homeless unaccompanied youth remained at zero.
* Chronically Homeless Parenting youth remained at zero.

***NOTE:*** The increase in the sheltered homeless point in time count may negatively impact the community’s CoC application score.

**Sheltered PIT Subpopulation Information**

* Chronically Homeless Individuals: The number of chronically homeless individuals remained at 0.
* Adults with a Serious Mental Illness: The number of sheltered persons with serious mental illness remained at 1.
* Adults with a Substance Use Disorder: The number of sheltered persons with substance use disorder increased from 0 to 1.
* Adults with HIV/AIDS: The number of sheltered persons with HIV/AIDS remained at 0.
* Victims of Domestic Violence: The number of sheltered persons noting DV increased from 0 in 2019 to 2 in 2020.

***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**

• The unsheltered count declined by 3 individuals from 3 in 2019 to 0 in 2020.

***NOTE:*** The decrease in the unsheltered homeless point in time count may positively impact the community’s CoC application score.

**Unsheltered PIT Subpopulation Information**

* **Chronically Homeless Individuals:** The number of unsheltered chronically homeless individuals remained at 0.
* **Chronically Homeless Veterans:** The number of unsheltered chronically homeless veterans remained at 0.
* **Adults with a Serious Mental Illness:** The number of unsheltered persons with serious mental illness decreased from 3 in 2019 to 0 in 2020.
* **Adults with a Substance Use Disorder:** The number of unsheltered persons with substance use disorder decreased from 2 in 2019 to 0 in 2020.
* **Adults with HIV/AIDS:** The number of unsheltered persons with HIV/AIDS remained the same at 0.
* **Victims of Domestic Violence:** The number of unsheltered persons noting DV decreased from 1 in 2019 to 0 in 2020.

**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.