

Memo

To: Albany County Coalition on Homelessness

From: CARES of NY, Inc.

Date: April 20, 2022

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

Memo Overview and Intention

This memorandum summarizes highlights from the 2022 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 April 29, 2022 according to HUD's requirement. This data is being shared with homeless shelter and housing providers to 1) identify and report to CARES any errors before submission and 2) identify 2022 HIC and PIT outcomes that will impact the CoC Application score. **Please report any errors and/or questions to the CARES Planning Team.**

2022 Housing Inventory Summary

Continuums are required to report annually on the number of available beds dedicated to homeless persons; these beds include emergency, safe havens, transitional and permanent housing. Below is a summary of changes within these beds from 2021 to 2022. Under each section, you will see a breakdown of the *primary* reasons contributing to changes.

- **Emergency Housing:**

- **Emergency Year-Round Beds:** The number of emergency year-round beds decreased by 16, from 344 to 328.
 - Programs with bed decreases include: Albany Housing Coalition Community Contract beds.
 - Soldier on SSVF - EHA beds were reclassified as overflow beds this year.
- **Emergency Overflow Beds:** The number of overflow beds increased by 14, from 206 to 220.
 - Capital City Rescue Mission overflow beds decreased from 128 in 2021 to 36 in 2022. The decrease in need is attributed to the eviction moratorium.
 - Schuyler Inn increased overflow beds to pre-pandemic levels (from 45 in 2021 to 136 in 2022).
- **Emergency Seasonal Beds:** The number of seasonal beds remained at 34.

- **Transitional Beds:** The number of transitional beds increased by 15, from 151 to 166
 - AHC Veteran's House Addition and Main consolidated and added 11 beds for a total of 28.
 - Capital City Rescue Mission Family Transitional Housing increased by 4 beds

▪ **Permanent Housing Beds:**

- **Permanent Supportive Housing:** Permanent supportive housing beds decreased by 13 from 826 to 813.
 - CARES Shelter Plus Care for Persons with Disabilities decreased by 23 beds, from 101 in 2021 to 78 in 2022.
 - Veterans Administration VASH vouchers decreased by 17, from 63 in 2021 to 46 in 2022.
- **Rapid Rehousing:** The Rapid Rehousing bed count increased by 5 beds, from 278 to 283
 - Programs with significant increases include Homeless and Travelers Aid Society ESG CV RRH and Albany Housing Coalition SSVF.
 - HATAS – NYS ESG-CV, SCCC – NYS ESG-CV, and Cabrini Health RRH (through St. Paul’s Center) were newly added to the HIC due to the availability of ESG CV funding.
- **Rapid Rehousing for Families:** The Rapid Rehousing bed count for families decreased by 21 beds, from 138 to 117
 - LASNNY’s RRH beds for families decreased from 72 in 2021 to 47 in 2022; it was reported this was due to limited availability of rental units.

NOTE: The decrease in Rapid Rehousing beds may negatively impact the community’s CoC application score.

- **OPH:** Other PSH projects added to this year’s HIC include Albany Housing Authority Emergency Housing Vouchers with 7 beds.
- **Chronic Beds:** The number of Dedicated Chronic beds increased by 8 from 231 to 239.
 - Homeless and travelers Aid Pathways Project consolidation added 8 chronic beds

Annual Comparison of the Point-in-Time Count

Point in Time Overview						
	Emergency Shelter	Transitional Housing	Safe Haven	Total Sheltered	Unsheltered	Total
2022	536	131	0	667	67	734
2021	538	136	0	674	49	723
Difference	-2	-5	0	-7	18	12

Sheltered PIT Breakdown

- When comparing the 2022 (667 persons) sheltered PIT with the 2021 (674 persons) sheltered PIT, a decrease of 7 total number of persons utilizing services on the night of the count is noted with a 2-person decrease in use of emergency services and a 5-person decrease in the use of transitional housing

Sheltered PIT Subpopulation Information

- Chronically Homeless Individuals:** The number of sheltered chronically homeless individuals increased from 68 in 2021 to 93 in 2022.
- Chronically Homeless Families:** The number of sheltered chronically homeless households increased from zero in 2021 to 1 (total of 3 persons) in 2022.
- Chronically Homeless Vets:** The number of sheltered chronically homeless veterans remained the same at zero.
- Chronically Homeless Youth:** The number of sheltered chronically homeless unaccompanied youth increased from zero in 2021 to 2 in 2022.
- Adults with a Serious Mental Illness:** The number of sheltered persons with serious mental illness decreased from 95 in 2021 to 88 in 2022.
- Adults with a Substance Use Disorder:** The number of sheltered persons with substance abuse disorders decreased from 95 in 2021 to 84 in 2022.
- Adults with HIV/AIDS:** The number of sheltered persons with HIV/AIDS increased from 6 in 2021 to 8 in 2022.
- Victims of Domestic Violence:** The number of sheltered persons noting DV increased from 24 in 2021 to 25 in 2022.

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 2021 unsheltered PIT with the 2022 unsheltered PIT, an 18-person increase was noted.
- In 2021 there were 49 unsheltered individuals identified compared to 67 in 2022.

Unsheltered PIT Subpopulation Information

- Chronically Homeless Individuals:** The number of unsheltered chronically homeless individuals increased from 35 in 2021 to 46 in 2022.

- ***Chronically Homeless Families:*** The number of unsheltered chronically homeless families remained the same at zero in 2022.
- ***Chronically Homeless Vets:*** The number of unsheltered chronically homeless veterans remained the same at zero.
- ***Chronically Homeless Youth:*** The number of unsheltered chronically homeless youth decreased from 1 in 2021 to zero in 2022.
- ***Adults with a Serious Mental Illness:*** The number of unsheltered persons noting a serious mental illness decreased from 36 in 2021 to 28 in 2022.
- ***Adults with a Substance Use Disorder:*** The number of unsheltered persons noting a substance use disorder decreased from 23 in 2021 to 21 in 2022.
- ***Adults with HIV/AIDS:*** The number of unsheltered persons noting HIV/AIDS decreased from 3 to zero in 2022.
- ***Victims of Domestic Violence:*** The number of unsheltered persons noting DV increased from zero to 1 in 2022.

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