

# Memo

To: Ulster County Continuum of Care

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 decreased from 85 to 84 from 2021 to 2022

*Emergency Overflow Beds:* The number of overflow beds increased from 270 to 271 in 2022.

- Emergency Seasonal Beds: The number of seasonal beds increased by 8 beds in 2022 from 20 to 28 beds. Capacity in 2022 increased since the COVID Protocols regarding reducing capacity were lifted.
- o **Safe Haven:** Not Applicable
- Transitional Beds: The number of transitional beds remains steady. Family of Woodstock's Midway project is site based with a bed capacity of 12. It is the only Transitional Housing Program on the Housing Inventory Chart. There was a total of 8 beds in 2021 and 11 beds in 2022 that were utilized on the night of the count.



## Permanent Housing Beds:

- Permanent Supportive Housing: Permanent Supportive Housing year-round beds have increased from 127 beds in 2021 to 134 beds in 2022. Two projects new to the 2022 HIC: (RUPCO's Landmark Place and VA VASH Vouchers) helped to balance lower bed utilization in PSH projects between 2021 and 2022 due to lack of affordable rental units.
- o *Rapid Rehousing for Families*: There was a 23 bed increase in Rapid Rehousing Beds for Families in 2022. There were 18 beds in 2021 and 41 in 2022. There was an increase of 19 beds in RUPCO's STEHP project from 2021 to 2022.
- o **Rapid Rehousing combined for Families and singles:** RRH beds increased from 56 in 2021 to 59 in 2022.
- OPH: Other Permanent Housing (OPH) beds increased from 19 in 2021 to 21 in 2022. NYS HCR Emergency Housing Voucher (EHV) project was added to the HIC in 2022, as these vouchers were newly operational and HUD provided guidance EHVs should be listed on the HIC. The number of beds (2) reflect those utilized on the night of the count by a household that came from homelessness, Rapid Rehousing, or a domestic violence situation.
- o *Chronic Beds:* The number of Dedicated Chronic beds increased by 10 beds from 42 to 52 in 2022.

Increases were the result of the addition of 10 dedicated beds for RUPCO's Landmark Place Project reporting for the first time on the 2022 HIC.



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

| Point in Time Overview |           |              |           |             |       |
|------------------------|-----------|--------------|-----------|-------------|-------|
|                        | Emergency | Transitional | Total     | Unsheltered | Total |
|                        | Shelter   | Housing      | Sheltered |             |       |
| 2022                   | 359       | 11           | 370       | 39          | 409   |
| 2021                   | 331       | 9            | 340       | N/A         | 340   |
| Difference             | 28        | 2            | 30        | N/A         | 69    |

#### Sheltered PIT Breakdown

- When comparing the 2021 (340) sheltered PIT with the 2022 (370 persons) sheltered PIT, an increase of 30 is noted in the total number of persons sheltered.
- In total there was an increase of 30 persons utilizing services on the night of the count with a 28 person increase in use of emergency services and a 2 person increase in the use of transitional housing.

Please Note: An increase or decrease in the Sheltered PIT may negatively impact the community's CoC Application Score.

## **Sheltered PIT Subpopulation Information**

- *Chronically Homeless Individuals:* The number of sheltered chronically homeless individuals increased by 12 persons, from 19 to 31 in 2022.
- *Chronically Homeless Families*: The number of sheltered chronically homeless households decreased by 1 from 4 households in 2021 to 3 households in 2022.
- *Chronically Homeless Vets*: The number of sheltered chronically homeless veterans increased from zero in 2021 to 4 in 2022.
- *Chronically Homeless Youth:* The number of sheltered chronically homeless unaccompanied youth decreased from 1 in 2021 to zero in 2022.
- *Adults with a Serious Mental Illness:* The number of sheltered persons with serious mental illness increased from 83 in 2021 to 93 in 2022.
- *Adults with a Substance Use Disorder*: The number of sheltered persons with substance abuse disorders decreased from 52 in 2021 to 46 2022.
- *Adults with HIV/AIDS*: The number of sheltered persons with HIV/AIDS increased from zero in 2021 to 1 in 2022.
- *Victims of Domestic Violence*: The number of sheltered persons noting DV increased from 7 in 2021 to 12 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**

In 2021, NY-608 received a full waiver from HUD and only completed a sheltered PIT count due to the dangers of COVID-19 in the community. The 2022 Unsheltered PIT count was 39 persons.

## **Unsheltered PIT Subpopulation Information**

- *Chronically Homeless Individuals:* The number of unsheltered chronically homeless individuals in 2022 was 22
- *Chronically Homeless Families*: The number of unsheltered chronically homeless family households in 2022 was zero.
- Chronically Homeless Vets: The number of unsheltered chronically homeless veterans in 2022 was 4.
- *Chronically Homeless Youth:* The number of unsheltered chronically homeless unaccompanied youth in 2022 was zero.
- *Adults with a Serious Mental Illness:* The number of unsheltered persons with serious mental illness in 2022 was 19.
- *Adults with a Substance Use Disorder*: The number of unsheltered persons with substance abuse disorders in 2022 was 23.
- Adults with HIV/AIDS: The number of unsheltered persons with HIV/AIDS in 2022 was 1.
- *Victims of Domestic Violence*: The number of unsheltered persons noting DV in 2022 was zero.

