

Memo

To: NY-501/Southern Tier Entry to Programs and Services
From: CARES of NY, Inc.
Date: April 26, 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 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 Paula Howard, HMIS Administrator at: Paula.Howard@dor.org.

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 increased from 21 to 47.
 - **Emergency Overflow Beds:** The number of overflow beds increased from 143 to 399. This is due to a stark increase in the number of households sheltered in hotels/motels paid for by counties. It was reported this increase in homelessness is due to the Housing Stability and Reform Act, bail reform, the COVID-19 pandemic, among other reasons.
 - Allegany County Emergency Housing Vouchers increased from 10 to 19
 - Livingston County Hotel/Motel Vouchers increased from 12 to 34
 - Catholic Charities of Chemung/Schuylers Emergency Services Homeless Shelter overflow beds increased from 23 to 182.
 - Steuben County Emergency Housing Vouchers increased from 80 to 147.
- **Transitional Beds:** The number of transitional beds decreased from 51 to 44 due to family composition changes.
- **Permanent Housing Beds:**
 - **Permanent Supportive Housing:** Permanent supportive housing beds increased from 209 to 296. This was the result of new projects being added to the HIC this year, which balanced some projects' decreases in utilization and/or due to family composition changes.

- Arbor Housing and Development's Lamphear ESSHI project was added to the HIC this year (24 beds)
- Arbor Housing and Development's VASH voucher program was added to the HIC this year (123 beds)
- Catholic Charities of Chemung & Schuyler Counties' CCST LaFrance ESSHI project was added to the HIC this year (20 beds)

- **Rapid Rehousing:** The Rapid Rehousing bed count increased from 105 to 277. Increases were the result of low Rapid Rehousing utilization last year due to the eviction moratorium and limited affordable housing availability; and due to new ESG-CV RRH projects being added to the HIC this year.
 - ACCORD NYS ESG-CV RRH was added to the HIC this year (1 bed)
 - Catholic Charities of Chemung & Schuyler NYS ESG-CV was added to the HIC this year (37 beds)
 - Catholic Charities of Livingston County NYS ESG-CV RRH was added to the HIC this year (5 beds)
 - Steuben County DSS NYS ESG-CV RRH was added to the HIC this year (107 beds)
 - CCST Homeless Rapid Rehousing SHARE saw an increase of 22 beds.
 - CCST STEHP RRH saw an increase of 11 beds.

- **Rapid Rehousing for Families:** The Rapid Rehousing bed count increased from 77 to 126.

Annual Comparison of the Point in Time Count

Point in Time Summary					
	Emergency Shelter	Transitional Housing	Total Sheltered	Unsheltered	Total
2022	445	42	487	11	498
2021	199	46	245	10	255
Difference	+246	-4	+242	1	+243

Sheltered PIT Breakdown

- When comparing the 2022 (487 persons) sheltered PIT with the 2021 (245 persons) sheltered PIT, an increase total increase in persons sheltered is noted.
- In total, there was an increase of 242 persons utilizing services on the night of the count, with a 246-person increase in use of emergency shelter and a 4-person decrease in use of transitional housing.

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 sheltered chronically homeless individuals increased from 4 in 2021 to 7 in 2022.
- *Chronically Homeless Families:* The number of sheltered chronically homeless family households remained the same at zero.
- *Chronically Homeless Vets:* The number of sheltered chronically homeless veterans remained at 0.
- *Chronically Homeless Youth:* The number of sheltered chronically homeless unaccompanied youth remained the same at zero.
- *Adults with a Serious Mental Illness:* The number of sheltered persons with serious mental illness decreased from 26 in 2021 to 18 in 2022.
- *Adults with a Substance Use Disorder:* The number of sheltered persons with substance abuse disorders decreased from 20 in 2021 to 11 in 2022.
- *Adults with HIV/AIDS:* The number of sheltered persons with HIV/AIDS decreased from 3 in 2021 to 1 in 2022.
- *Victims of Domestic Violence:* The number of sheltered persons noting DV decreased from 7 in 2021 to 6 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, a one-person decrease was noted.
- In 2021 there were 11 unsheltered individuals identified compared to 10 in 2022.

Unsheltered PIT breakdown

In 2021 HUD provided NY-501 with a partial exemption from the unsheltered PIT count due to the COVID-19 crisis. As a result, the community conducted a 'head count' of those experiencing homelessness in 2021 and there is no demographic data to compare to.

Unsheltered PIT Subpopulation Information

- *Chronically Homeless Individuals:* The number of unsheltered chronically homeless individuals in 2022 was two.
- *Chronically Homeless Families:* The number of unsheltered chronically homeless families in 2022 was zero.
- *Chronically Homeless Vets:* The number of unsheltered chronically homeless veterans in 2022 was zero.
- *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 two.
- *Adults with a Substance Use Disorder:* The number of unsheltered persons with substance abuse disorders in 2022 was zero.
- *Adults with HIV/AIDS:* The number of unsheltered persons with HIV/AIDS in 2022 was zero.
- *Victims of Domestic Violence:* The number of unsheltered persons noting DV in 2022 was zero.