

Memo

To: Ulster County Continuum of Care
From: CARES of NY, Inc.
Date: April 21, 2023
Subject: Housing Inventory and Point-in-Time Count Summary

Memo Overview and Intention

This memorandum summarizes highlights from the 2023 Housing Inventory Chart (HIC) and Point-in-Time Count (PIT) compared to 2022 data.

2023 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 2022 to 2023. 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 by 7 from 84 in 2022 to 77 in 2023.

- **Emergency Overflow Beds:** The number of overflow beds decreased by 6 from 271 in 2022 to 265 in 2023.

- **Emergency Seasonal Beds:** The number of seasonal beds increased by 7 beds in 2023 from 28 to 35 in 2023.

- **Transitional Beds:** Family of Woodstock's Midway project is a site-based project with a bed capacity of 12. It is the only Transitional Housing Program on the Housing Inventory Chart. There was a decrease of 4 beds in 2023 (7) compared to 11 beds in 2022 on the night of the count.

- **Permanent Housing Beds:**

- **Permanent Supportive Housing:** Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) year-round beds have increased from 134 beds in 2022 to 162 beds in 2023. RUPCO's Landmark Place added 25 additional beds in 2023 which accounted for the majority of additional units.

- **Rapid Rehousing:** RRH beds decreased by 22 from 59 in 2022 to 37 in 2023 reportedly due to a rental market with 1.9% vacancy rate and a shortage of affordable rental units within the county.

- RUPCO ESG program decreased from 38 beds in 2022 to 25 beds in 2023.
 - FOW's RRH projects decreased by 9 beds.

NOTE: a decrease in the number of Rapid Rehousing beds on the HIC may negatively impact the CoC’s Application score in FY2023.

OPH: Other Permanent Housing (OPH) beds increased from 21 in 2022 to 36 in 2023. The increase is due to the vouchers leased up from the Emergency Housing Voucher Program.

- **Chronic Beds:** The number of Dedicated Chronic beds increased by 7 beds from 52 in 2002 to 59 in 2023. Two projects increased dedicated CH bed inventory that added 10 dedicated beds. People Home Again was a consolidation that added 8 dedicated CH beds.

Annual Comparison of the Point in Time Count

Point in Time Overview					
	Emergency Shelter	Transitional Housing	Total Sheltered	Unsheltered	Total
2023	360	7	367	68	435
2022	359	11	370	39	409
Difference	1	-4	-3	29	26

Sheltered PIT Breakdown

- When comparing the 2022 (370) sheltered PIT with the 2023 (367) persons sheltered PIT, a decrease of 3 is noted in the total number of persons sheltered.
- In total there was a decrease of 3 persons utilizing services on the night of the count with a 1-person increase in use of emergency services and a 4 person decrease in the use of transitional housing.

Sheltered PIT Subpopulation Information

- *Chronically Homeless Individuals:* The number of sheltered chronically homeless individuals increased by 9 persons, from 31 to 40 in 2023.
- *Chronically Homeless Families:* The number of sheltered chronically homeless households remained the same with 3 households in 2022 and 2023.
- *Chronically Homeless Vets:* The number of sheltered chronically homeless veterans decreased from 4 persons in 2022 to zero in 2023.
- *Chronically Homeless Youth:* The number of sheltered chronically homeless unaccompanied youth remained the same at one.
- *Adults with a Serious Mental Illness:* The number of sheltered persons with serious mental illness decreased from 93 in 2022 to 90 in 2023.
- *Adults with a Substance Use Disorder:* The number of sheltered persons with substance abuse disorders decreased from 46 in 2022 to 44 2023.
- *Adults with HIV/AIDS:* The number of sheltered persons with HIV/AIDS decreased from 1 in 2022 to zero in 2023.

- *Victims of Domestic Violence:* The number of sheltered persons noting DV increased from 12 in 2022 to 10 in 2023.

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

- When comparing the 2022 unsheltered PIT with the 2023 unsheltered PIT, a 29-person increase was noted.
- In 2022 there were 39 unsheltered individuals identified compared to 68 in 2023.

Unsheltered PIT Subpopulation Information

- ***Chronically Homeless Individuals:*** The number of unsheltered chronically homeless individuals increased from 22 in 2022 to 56 in 2023.
- ***Chronically Homeless Families:*** The number of unsheltered chronically homeless family households remained the same at zero in 2023.
- ***Chronically Homeless Vets:*** The number of unsheltered chronically homeless veterans decreased from 4 in 2022 to 3 in 2023.
- ***Chronically Homeless Youth:*** The number of unsheltered chronically homeless unaccompanied youth remained the same at zero in 2023.
- ***Adults with a Serious Mental Illness:*** The number of unsheltered persons with serious mental illness increased from 19 in 2022 to 50 in 2023.
- ***Adults with a Substance Use Disorder:*** The number of unsheltered persons with substance abuse disorders increased from 23 in 2022 to 49 in 2023.
- ***Adults with HIV/AIDS:*** The number of unsheltered persons with HIV/AIDS decreased from 1 in 2022 to zero in 2023.
- ***Victims of Domestic Violence:*** The number of unsheltered persons noting DV increased from zero in 2022 to 7 in 2023.