Memo –

To: Southern Tier Homeless Coalition
From: CARES of NY, Inc.
Date: May 18th 2026
Subject: Housing Inventory and Point-in-Time Count Summary

Memo Overview and Intention

This memorandum summarizes highlights from the 2026 Housing Inventory Chart (HIC) and Point-in-Time Count (PIT) submitted by the HMIS Lead, Institute for Community Alliance (ICA). The HIC-PIT was already submitted on behalf of the Continuum of Care by the HMIS Lead, ICA on April, 30th 2026. That said, edits can be made to the HIC- PIT during a HUD TA review period in the summer. This data is being shared with homeless shelter and housing providers to 1) identify and report to the HMIS Lead any errors to correct during HUD TA's review and 2) identify 2026 HIC and PIT outcomes that will impact the CoC Application score. Please report any errors and/or questions to Andrea Jacobs (andrea.jacobs@icalliances.org) and Taylor Gillespie (tgillespie@caresny.org).

2026 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 2025 to 2026. 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 103, from 301 in 2025 to 198 in 2026. Otsego County bed numbers were not reported on the 2026 HIC as they are no longer a part of the NY-511 CoC contributing to the decrease.
    - **YWCA Hawley St Shelter-** Decreased from 21 beds in 2025 to 12 beds in 2026 due to program restructuring.
    - **Delaware County DSS-** Increased from 6 beds in 2025 to 12 beds in 2026.
    - **Cortland YWCA Aid to Victims-** Increased from 7 beds in 2025 to 9 beds in 2026.
    - **YMCA Men's Shelter-** Reported 36 beds in 2025. There was no reporting for 2026.

  - ***Emergency Overflow Beds:*** The number of overflow beds increased by 115 beds, from 657 in 2025 to 772 in 2026.
    - **Broome County DSS ES/Motels*:*** Increased beds from 381 in 2025 to 536 due to utilization.
    - **Cortland DSS**- Decreased beds from 153 overflow beds in 2025 to 151 in 2026.
    - **Tioga DSS**- Increased from 8 overflow beds in 2025 to 12 in 2026.

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- ***Emergency Seasonal Beds:*** The number of seasonal beds increased from 0 beds in 2025 to 34 beds in 2026.
    - **Broome Code Blue Shelter:** Was not on the 2025 HIC, reported 34 beds in 2026.

- **Transitional Beds:** The number of transitional beds decreased from 121 in 2025 to 64 in 2026.
    - **YMCA Men's Transitional Program:** Reported 87 beds in 2025, not reported in 2026
    - **VOA Transitional Program-** Was not on 2025 HIC. Reported 5 beds in 2026.
    - **YWCA Journey Transitional Program-** Increased from 16 beds in 2025 to 39 beds in 2026, due to family composition.
    - **Catholic Charities Teen Transitional Program:** Increased from 12 beds in 2025 to 14 beds in 2026.

- **Permanent Housing Beds:**
    - ***Permanent Supportive Housing*:** Permanent supportive housing beds increased from 349 in 2025 to 474 in 2026, mostly due to utilization and/or household composition and changes in programs reported on the HIC.
        - **YWCA IILP Program-** Decreased from 23 beds in 2025 to 22 beds in 2026.
        - **Fairview Shelter Plus Care:** Decreased from 46 beds in 2025 to 37 beds in 2026.
        - **Catholic Charities Cortland Rental Assistance-** Increased from 12 beds in 2025 to 14 beds in 2026.
        - **YWCA City Apartments-** Increased from 14 beds in 2025 to 20 beds in 2026.
        - **Greater Opportunities for Broome & Chenango Shelter Plus Care:** Increased from 68 beds in 2025 to 76 beds in 2026.
        - **Cortland YWCA Grace Brown House-** Decreased from 38 beds in 2025 to 32 beds in 2026.
        - **Eagle Star Confluence Court-** Was not reported on 2025 HIC. Reported 30 beds in 2026
        - **Syracuse VA HUD VASH Cortland-** Was not reported on 2025 HIC. Reported 3 beds in 2026
        - **Syracuse VA HUD VASH Chenango-** Was not reported on 2025 HIC. Reported 1 bed in 2026
        - **Syracuse VA HUD BASH Broome-** Was not reported on 2025 HIC. Reported 40 beds in 2026
        - **YWCA Grand Ave-** Was not reported on 2025 HIC. Reported 12 beds in 2026
        - **YWCA Hooper Road-** Reported 40 Under Development Beds in 2026. Not included in PSH bed total.

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- ***Rapid Rehousing***: The Rapid Rehousing bed count decreased by 16, from 165 in 2025 to 149 in 2026. Due to Otsego no longer being a part of NY-511 CoC, Otsego beds were not reported in the 2026 HIC, contributing to the decrease.
  - **Greater Opportunities Rapid Rehousing-** Decreased from 8 beds in 2025 to 6 beds in 2026.
  - **Catholic Charities of Cortland STEHP-** Increased from 19 beds in 2025 to 35 beds in 2026.
  - **YWCA Journey RRH:** Increased from 48 beds in 2025 to 82 beds in 2026 due to family composition.
  - **Catholic Charities of Rochester A place to call Home-** Increased from 12 beds in 2025 to 17 beds in 2026.
  - **Catholic Charities of Chenango County Rapid Rehousing-** Decreased from 22 beds in 2025 to 9 beds in 2026.

- ***Other Permanent Housing:*** The OPH bed count increased by 2, from 165 in 2025 to 167 in 2026.
  - **Greater Opportunities HHAP 92-94 Carroll-** Decreased from 15 beds in 2025 to 14 beds in 2026.
  - **Greater Opportunities HHAP 542 State-** Increased from 9 beds in 2025 to 11 beds in 2026.
  - **Greater Opportunities HHAP 85 Liberty-** Decreased from 29 beds in 2025 to 28 beds in 2026.
  - **Greater Opportunities ESSHI 88-90 Carroll-** Increased from 9 beds in 2025 to 11 beds in 2026.

NOTE: a decrease in the number of Rapid Rehousing beds on the HIC may negatively impact the CoC's Application score in FY2026.

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Annual Comparison of the Point in Time Count

Point In Time Count Summary					
	Emergency Shelter	Transitional Housing	Total Sheltered	Unsheltered	Total
2026	919	55	974	88	1,062
2025	870	119	989	91	1,080
Difference	49	-64	-15	-3	-18

Sheltered PIT Breakdown

- When comparing the 2025 (989 persons) sheltered PIT with the 2026 (974 persons) sheltered PIT, a decrease in the total number of persons sheltered is noted.
- In total, there was a decrease of 15 persons utilizing services on the night of the count with a 49-person increase in the use of Emergency Shelters and a 64-person decrease in use of transitional services.

Sheltered PIT Subpopulation Information

- *Chronically Homeless Individuals:* The number of sheltered chronically homeless individuals increased from 112 in 2025 to 175 in 2026.
- *Chronically Homeless Families*: The number of sheltered chronically homeless households remained the same from 6 (18 persons) in 2025 to 6 (25 persons) in 2026
- *Families:* The number of sheltered families increased from 114 (345 persons) in 2025 to 122 (386) persons.
- *Veterans*: The number of sheltered homeless veterans remained the same at 17 in 2025 and 2026.
- *Unaccompanied Youth:* The number of sheltered homeless youth decreased from 67 households (70 persons) in 2025 to 58 households (59 persons) in 2026.
- *Parenting Youth:* The number of sheltered Parenting Youth increased from 14 households (34 persons) in 2025 to 19 households (46 persons).
- *Adults with a Serious Mental Illness:* The number of sheltered persons with serious mental illness increased from 232 in 2025 to 393 in 2026.
- *Adults with a Substance Use Disorder*: The number of sheltered persons with substance abuse disorders increased from 172 in 2025 to 260 in 2026
- *Adults with HIV/AIDS:* The number of sheltered persons with HIV/AIDS increased from 1 in 2025 to 3 in 2026.
- *Victims of Domestic Violence*: The number of sheltered persons noting DV increased from 31 in 2025 to 41 in 2026.

NOTE*:* Special populations (e.g., persons living with HIV/AIDS, youth) often do not disclose their status or are underreported which may indicate a lower than actual total number reported.

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Unsheltered PIT breakdown

- When comparing the 2025 (91 persons) unsheltered PIT with the 2026 unsheltered PIT (88 persons), a 3-person decrease was noted.

Unsheltered PIT Subpopulation Information

- *Chronically Homeless Individuals*: The number of unsheltered chronically homeless individuals increased from 27 in 2025 to 44 in 2026.
- *Chronically Homeless Families*: The number of unsheltered chronically homeless families increased from 0 in 2025 to 1 household (3 individuals) in 2026
- *Families*: The number of unsheltered families increased from 0 in 2025 to 1 household (3 individuals) in 2026.
- *Veterans*: The number of unsheltered homeless veterans increased from 0 in 2025 to 3 in 2026.
- *Youth*: The number of unsheltered homeless youth increased from 4 in 2025 to 5 in 2026.
- *Adults with a Serious Mental Illness*: The number of unsheltered persons noting a serious mental illness increased from 21 in 2025 to 35 in 2026.
- *Adults with a Substance Use Disorder*: The number of unsheltered persons noting a substance use disorder increased from 37 in 2025 to 43 in 2026.
- *Adults with HIV/AIDS*: The number of unsheltered persons noting HIV/AIDS remained at 0 in 2026.
- *Victims of Domestic Violence*: The number of unsheltered persons noting DV increased from 5 in 2025 to 14 in 2026.

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