

2018

NEW BEDFORD CONTINUUM of CARE POINT IN TIME HOMELESS COUNT

WHAT

- Point In Time (PIT): snapshot of all people in shelter/on streets in one 24hr period
- Housing Inventory County (HIC): count of all beds in local homeless system
- Both required by HUD

WHY

- To generate data to understand issues and trends around homelessness
- To inform strategic planning
- To help identify federal funding

WHO

- Throughout the nation every CoC conducts a PIT count
- New Bedford's CoC accomplishes this count through its Homeless Service Provider's Network

WHEN

- HUD requires the PIT count taken on the last Wednesday in January
- In New Bedford the PIT is conducted annually
- January 24/25 2018

HOW

- HSPN establishes a PIT committee that begins working 3 months prior to PIT
- They solicit volunteers/donations
- Conduct training
- Public kickoff event

STATISTICAL RESULTS

RESOURCES

Donations for those counted are sorted and distributed in backpacks along with StreetSheets to provide details on available assistance

TOTAL 2018 COUNT:

PIT 398

ON THE STREETS 49
IN EMERGENCY SHELTERS 251
IN TRANSITIONAL HOUSING 98

TOTAL ADULTS AND CHILDREN SHELTERED AND THOSE LIVING ON THE STREETS

SUBPOPULATIONS

At least one member of the 268 total households counted self-identified with one or more of these subpopulations:

10

HIV/AIDS

113

SUBSTANCE ABUSE

52

VETERANS

125

SERIOUS MENTAL ILLNESS

15

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

268

HOUSEHOLDS
49 Unsheltered (single)
0 Unsheltered (family)
162 Sheltered (single)
57 Sheltered (family)

49%

OF THOSE COUNTED AS BEING UNSHELTERED HAVE LIVED IN NEW BEDFORD FOR AT LEAST FIVE YEARS OR MORE.



15%
INCREASE IN
UNACCOMPANIED
YOUTH
HOMELESSNESS
BETWEEN 2017 AND 2018.

CHRONIC HOMELESSNESS

Disabling condition plus 1 Year of consistent homelessness or a disabling condition with four episodes totaling 12 months or more over a three-year period of homelessness.

35%

OF THOSE WHO ARE UNSHELTERED ARE CHRONICALLY HOMELESS

8%

OF THOSE WHO ARE SHELTERED ARE CHRONICALLY HOMELESS

40%

OF ALL ADULT HOUSEHOLDS EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS IN NEW BEDFORD ALSO SUFFER FROM SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND/OR MENTAL ILLNESS.

HIC

HOUSING INVENTORY (BED) COUNT IN NEW BEDFORD:

295

EMERGENCY SHELTER BEDS

123

TRANSITIONAL HOUSING BEDS

574

PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING BEDS

FACTS:

- The total PIT count in 2018 is 15% lower than 2016.
- Single households outpace family households 3:1.
- The number of those living in shelters and experiencing severe mental illness and substance use issues has continued to decline over the past few years.
- The number of those living with HIV/AIDS on the streets (unsheltered) increased by 18% in 2018.



PIT COUNTS PEOPLE

HIC COUNTS BEDS

Since 2017...

The number of sheltered adult individuals increased 30%; sheltered individuals in families increased by 7%.

