Hawaii Interagency Council on Homelessness
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Overview: 2015 Statewide Point in Time Count

Kauai County
TOTAL: 339
(88 Sheltered; 251 Unsheltered)

City & County of Honolulu
TOTAL: 4903
(2964 Sheltered; 1939 Unsheltered)

Maui County
TOTAL: 1137
(505 Sheltered; 632 Unsheltered)

Hawaii County
TOTAL: 1241
(220 Sheltered; 1021 Unsheltered)

STATEWIDE COUNT
TOTAL: 7,620
• Sheltered: 3,777
• Unsheltered: 3,843
Overview: 2015 Statewide Point in Time Count

Between 2014-2015:

- **23% increase** in Unsheltered Homeless Statewide
- **46% increase** in Unsheltered Families Statewide
A Coordinated Approach to Addressing Homelessness

Governor’s Leadership Team on Homelessness

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Partners in Care (Continuum of Care – Honolulu)

Bridging the Gap (Continuum of Care – Balance of State)

Community Stakeholders (Healthcare, Private Business, Faith-based, V.A., etc.)
Strategic Plan to End Homelessness
(Adopted by the Hawaii Interagency Council on Homelessness, 2012)

• **GOAL 1:** Retool the Homeless Crisis Response System

• **GOAL 2:** Increase Access to Stable and Affordable Housing

• **GOAL 3:** Increase Economic Stability and Self-Sufficiency

• **GOAL 4:** Improve Health and Stability
**What have we accomplished?**

- Adoption of a ‘Coordinated Entry System’ and assertive homeless outreach to refer individuals to appropriate services based on level of need (Goals 1, 2, 3 and 4)

- Partner with federal, state and local resources to implement the Hawaii Pathways Project (Goals 1, 2, 3 and 4)

- Strengthen the capacity and functionality of the Homeless Management Information System and data collection efforts (Goal 1)

- Implement a micro-unit pilot project in partnership with the Hawaii Community Development Authority and Hawaii Housing Finance Development Corporation (Goals 2 and 3)

- Increase statewide funding for Housing First and Rapid Re-Housing programs (Goals 1, 2, 3, and 4)
Example: 25 Cities Initiative

- Led by the VA and HUD
- Community leaders establish 100-day goals
- Nationally, 10,096 veterans were housed between October 2013 to August 2014
- Technical assistance from ‘25 Cities’ resulted in the adoption of a common assessment tool and case conferencing framework for Honolulu
Example: *Hawaii Pathways Project*

- Collaboration between Helping Hands Hawaii and Catholic Charities Hawaii
- Federal grant from the Substance Abuse & Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)
- Provides ACT-level case management services
- Leverages housing vouchers from: State / City Housing First, Section 8, and other partners
Example: *The Kakaako Model*

- Assertive outreach to homeless population
- Gather data to better understand population needs
- Inventory shelter space in surrounding areas (i.e. Next Step, I.H.S.)
- Coordinate enforcement, security and service provider efforts
- Identify and connect homeless families / individuals to shelter or other appropriate programs
Aligning our Plan with the Data / Identified Needs

- **Permanent Supportive Housing** (Score 10-20)
  Individuals or families who need permanent housing with ongoing access to services and intensive case management to remain stably housed.

- **Rapid Re-Housing** (Score 5-9)
  Individuals or families with moderate health, mental health, and/or behavioral health issues, but who are likely to be able to achieve housing stability over a short period through medium or short-term rent subsidy and case management / services.

- **Mainstream / Usual Care** (Score 0-4)
  Individuals or families who do not require intensive support, but may still benefit from access to affordable housing or a one-time payment for first month’s rent / deposit.
Expanding Data Collection Across Communities

Wahiawa to North Shore
- Estimated Population - 175 individuals and 14 families
- Assessment Data:
  - Permanent Supportive Housing (53%)
  - Rapid Re-Housing (40%)
  - Mainstream / Usual Care (7%)

Kaneohe to Waimanalo
- Estimated Population – 134 individuals and 14 families
- Assessment Data:
  - Permanent Supportive Housing (37%)
  - Rapid Re-Housing (45%)
  - Mainstream / Usual Care (18%)

Waianae Coast
- Estimated Population – 398 individuals and 143 families
- Assessment Data:
  - Permanent Supportive Housing (22%)
  - Rapid Re-Housing (39%)
  - Mainstream / Usual Care (22%)

- Permanent Supportive Housing (Score 10-20)
  Individuals or families who need permanent housing with ongoing access to services and intensive case management to remain stably housed.

- Rapid Re-Housing (Score 5-9)
  Individuals or families with moderate health, mental health, and/or behavioral health issues, but who are likely to be able to achieve housing stability over a short period through medium or short-term rent subsidy and case management / services.

- Mainstream / Usual Care (Score 0-4)
  Individuals or families who do not require intensive support, but may still benefit from access to affordable housing or a one-time payment for first month’s rent / deposit.
Moving Forward:
Establish work groups to achieve Strategic Plan goals

Strengthen Data Collection & Statewide Outreach
(Goal 1: Retool the Homeless Crisis Response System)

Landlord Outreach & Education
(Goal 2: Increase Access to Stable and Affordable Housing)

Develop transitional housing for homeless families
(Goal 3: Increase Economic Stability and Self-Sufficiency)

Develop medical respite and prisoner re-entry programs
(Goal 4: Improve Health & Stability)
The Next 60-Days

- **Immediate:**
  - Identify work group leaders and meeting schedule
  - Work groups meet and establish timelines for goals

- **Intermediate:**
  - Work groups deliver progress report after 30-days

- **By the end of 60-days:**
  - Convene another meeting of the HICH (early December)
  - Re-assess work plans, and make adjustments as needed
Questions or More Information?

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