

RVA 2017 LET'S TALK ABOUT HOMELESSNESS



According to the National Center for Housing & Child Welfare, there are between 1 & 1.7 million homeless youth in the United States.

According to the The National Gay and Lesbian Task Force Policy Institute, studies indicate that of the total national estimate, between 20% and 40% of the homeless youth population identifies as LGBTQ.

Terms and Definitions

Parenting Youth

People under 25 who are the parents or legal guardians of one or more children who are present with or sleeping in the same place as that youth parent, where there is no person over age 24 in the household.

Unaccompanied Youth (under 18)

People who are not part of a family with children during their episode of homelessness, and who are under the age of 18.

Unaccompanied Youth (18-24)

People who are not homeless as a part of a family with children, and who are not accompanied by their parent or guardian during their episode of homelessness

Continuums of Care (CoC)

Local planning bodies responsible for coordinating the full range of homelessness services in a geographic area, which may cover a city, county, metropolitan area, or an entire state.

Point-in-Time Counts

Unduplicated 1-night estimates of both sheltered and unsheltered homeless populations. The 1-night counts are conducted by Continuums of Care nationwide and occur during the last week in January of each year

LGBTQ

LGBTQ is an acronym that stands for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Trans and Questioning.

Statistics



- According to HUD's most recent Annual Homeless Assessment Report to Congress, communities counted, on a single night in January 2015, all across the country, an estimate of 180,760 homeless children & youth.

- Of the 180,760 reported by HUD, 36,907 were identified as unaccompanied homeless youth, nationally. And of this number, 32,240 were identified as homeless youth between the ages of 18-24.

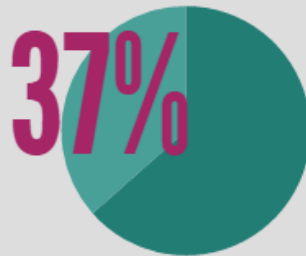
- In the same report, The State of Virginia counted 330 homeless youth and children. Representing less than 1% of total number estimated of those identified as homeless youth on a single night.

- In regards to Homeless Parenting Youth, the National Conference of State Legislatures reports that the estimate number of pregnant homeless girls, across the country, is between 6 and 22 percent.

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According to HUD's most recent Annual Homeless Assessment Report to Congress, approximately 206,286 people were homeless in 64,197 families with children, in a given night in 2015.

This estimate represents 37% of all homeless people counted in a single night in January 2015.



Terms & Definitions

Chronically Homeless People in Families

People experiencing homelessness in families (with at least one adult and one child) in which the head of household has a disability and has either been continuously homeless for a year or more or has experienced at least four episodes of homelessness in the last three years

Unsheltered Homeless People

People who stay in places not meant for human habitation, such as the streets, abandoned buildings, vehicles, or parks.

Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH)

Designed to provide housing and supportive services on a long-term basis for formerly homeless people, who have disabilities.



Statistics



- In the United States, almost 60% of homeless people in families with children are under 18 years of age. Nearly one-third are 25 or older, and the remaining 9 percent are between 18 and 24 years old

- In the city of Richmond, Homeward's 18th winter (January 27, 2016) point-in-time count, counted a total 677 adults and 85 children experiencing homelessness on a given night. Of the total number, only 5.7% indicated that they were accompanied by children.

- A majority of persons in families report that they are African-American (71.4%), followed by White (14.3%). 7.1% indicated that they are Hispanic.

RVA 2017: LET'S TALK ABOUT VETERAN HOMELESSNESS



- According to HUD's most recent Annual Homeless Assessment Report to Congress, communities counted on a single night in January 2015, an estimate of 47,425 homeless veterans across the country.
- 35% of the homeless veterans counted, were in unsheltered locations.

Terms and Definitions

Transitional Housing Program

Provides homeless people a place to stay combined with supportive services for up to 24 months in order to help them overcome barriers to moving into and retaining permanent housing.

HUD- VASH Voucher

Is a collaboration between HUD and the VA that provides a combination HUD housing vouchers with VA supportive services for homeless Veterans and their families.

Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSVF)

SSVF provides case management & supportive services to prevent the imminent loss of a Veteran's home or to find a more suitable one.



Statistics



- According to HUD's most recent Annual Homeless Assessment Report to Congress, of the total number of homeless veterans counted in a single night (47,725), only 3% were homeless as members of families with children in the United States.

- Of the same group of homeless veterans counted, 91% are male and 9% are female.

- In the Greater Richmond area, Homeward's 18th winter (January 27, 2016) point-in-time count, counted a total 677 adults and 85 children experiencing homelessness on a given night. Of the total number, 18.3% indicated that they were veterans.

- Of the same group of homeless veterans counted in Richmond, 24.4% reported to have served in combat and 58% were honorably discharged.

- According to the National Alliance to End Homelessness, since 2009, homelessness among veterans has decreased approximately 35%.

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- According to HUD's most recent Annual Homeless Assessment Report to Congress, 358,422 people experienced homelessness as individuals in January 2015, in the United States.

- The report showed homelessness, in the United States, among individuals declined by less than 1 percent (or 1,767) between 2014 and 2015, and by 13 percent (or 54,278) between 2007 and 2015.

Terms and Definitions

Chronically Homeless Individuals

Homeless individuals with disabilities who have either been continuously homeless for a year or more or have experienced at least four episodes of homelessness in the last three years.

Individuals

People who are not part of a family with children during their episode of homelessness. They are homeless as single adults, unaccompanied youth, or in multiple-adult or multiple-child households.

Emergency Shelter

A facility with the primary purpose of providing temporary shelter for homeless persons.

Rapid Rehousing

A housing model designed to provide temporary housing assistance to people experiencing homelessness, moving them quickly out of homelessness and into permanent housing.



Statistics

358,422 homeless individuals in the United States, in January 2015.

42.8%

Reported suffering of a long-term disability



24.8%

Have experienced domestic violence in their lifetime.



According to Homeward's 18th, 2016 winter Point-in-Time count, 696 individuals & families were homeless. Of those counted, 518 completed the survey on the following data:

36.5%

Reported having a mental health problem

