

Contra Costa County's Homeless Continuum of Care

Homeless Demographics Report

For Period: 07/01/2011 – 06/30/2012

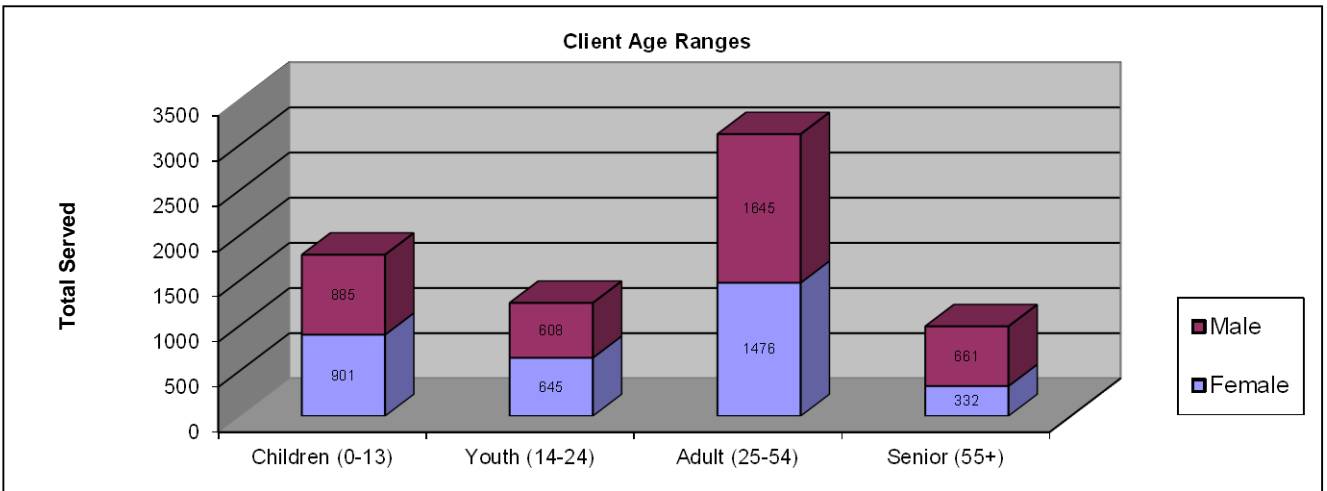
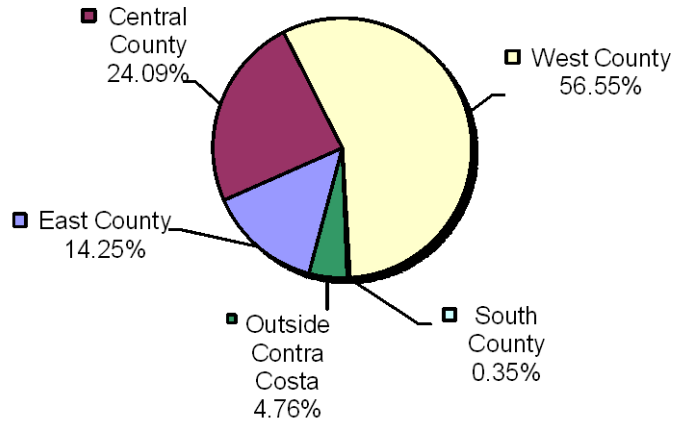
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The purpose of this report is to highlight the demographic profile of homeless adults, youth, and families being served in Contra Costa County's Homeless Continuum of Care. This report was prepared by the HMIS Policy Group under the direction of the Contra Costa Inter-Jurisdictional Council on Homelessness (CCICH). HMIS or the Homeless Management Information System gathers unduplicated, continuum-wide statistics from several participating homeless providers. A list of these participating agencies can be found on page 7 of this report.

Key Points

1. A total of 7,165 people used homeless services from July 2011 to June 2012
2. Of these, 2,750 people were considered newly identified homeless, or clients that have never before entered our system of services.
3. When individuals were asked, "What city did you come from," a significant percentage said they came from cities in West Contra Costa County.
4. Nearly 43% of Contra Costa's homeless population is children and youth, and 14% are over the age of 55.

Where are you from?



General Assumptions

- a. This report provides unduplicated continuum-wide statistics, using the last day of the report period as the effective point-in-time date. This means that if a client entered several programs (or the same program several times) within the period, this client is counted only once and the report displays only the latest answer to each question **as of the last day of the report period**. For example, using a time period of Jan – Jun '08, if Jane Doe entered 3 distinct programs within the period, and her answer to Prior Living Situation was different on all three occasions, this report will de-duplicate her answer to her latest answer as of June 30th, 2008.

Although this report is regarded as a continuum-wide report, there are several agencies that are not currently participating in the HMIS project and therefore are not represented on this report. These agencies include but are not limited to the Bay Area Rescue Mission, STAND Against Domestic Violence, and the Crisis Center. A list of programs, which ARE currently participating in HMIS, is available on page 7.

- b. There are several questions where no answers are provided, which are represented by the category "Not Stated". A high occurrence of "Not Stated" may be seen for questions that are not required for certain subpopulations (e.g. homeless youth, children, etc.).
- c. In this report, a household without children may represent either a couple with no children or represents a relationship where one adult provides care for the other (e.g. A father and his adult son).
- d. Quality assurance. Several data quality procedures have been instituted to make sure this report represents the best information we have at the current time. All agencies that contribute data are required to abide by our continuum's HMIS Policies and Procedures and have entry and exit protocols in place to ensure admission information is accurately reflected.

Questions and Further Assistance

For questions, please email the County Homeless Program at homelessprogram@hsd.cccounty.us.

Total Homeless Persons Served in Contra Costa

I. How many homeless persons were served during the period of July 1, 2011 – June 30, 2012?
7,165 individuals.

II. Of those served, how many were newly identified homeless (clients that have never before entered our system of services)? 2,750 individuals.

III. What is the demographic profile of all homeless clients served during period?

1. Where participants presented themselves as homeless:

City	Total	Percentage	Newly Homeless
Antioch	501	6.99%	132
Concord	979	13.66%	198
Pittsburg	188	2.62%	78
Martinez	252	3.52%	83
Richmond	2,293	32.00%	854
San Pablo	490	6.84%	177
Walnut Creek	56	0.78%	30
Other Central County	98	1.37%	28
Other East County	130	1.81%	41
Other West County	468	6.53%	196
Other South County	20	0.28%	11
Outside Contra Costa County	274	3.82%	146
Unspecified Contra Costa	12	0.17%	0
Invalid or Not Stated	1,404	19.60%	776
Total:	7,165	100.00%	2,750

Note: Several questions are asked about each participant's geographic origin, including where they spent the previous night, what is their current address, and where they last resided for at least 90 days. Acknowledging that no single response offers an accurate picture of where each person found himself or herself homeless, we report where participants spent the previous night (before entering continuum services) wherever possible. Where this is unavailable, we report where they last resided for at least 90 days.

2. Gender:

Gender	Total	Percentage	Newly Homeless
Female	3,356	46.84%	1,354
Male	3,801	53.05%	1,391
Transgender	6	0.08%	3
Other	1	0.01%	1
Refused/Not Stated	1	0.01%	1
Total:	7,165	100.00%	2,750

3. Household configuration:

Household Configuration	Total	Newly Homeless
Households without children	230	33
Households with children	1823	868
Households of one (single individuals)	3,740	1,787

4. Age (as of report end date)

Age Range	Total	Percentage	Newly Homeless
0-5	551	7.69%	323
6-13	1,236	17.25%	537
14-17	601	8.39%	293
18-24	654	9.13%	310
25-34	928	12.95%	390
35-44	910	12.70%	305
45-54	1,288	17.98%	356
55-61	687	9.59%	153
62+	306	4.27%	79
Not Stated	4	0.06%	4
Total:	7,165	100.00%	2,750

5. Employment status:

Employed?	Total	Percentage	Newly Homeless
No	5,178	72.27%	1,913
Yes	625	8.72%	233
Don't Know	40	0.56%	8
Refused	2	0.03%	0
Not Stated	1,320	18.42%	596
Total:	7,165	100.00%	2,750

6. Chronic homeless status of total served participants:

Is the client chronically homeless?	Total	Percentage	Newly Homeless
No	4,359	60.84%	1,707
Yes	1,564	21.83%	418
Not Stated	1,242	17.33%	625
Total:	7,165	100.00%	2,750

Note: Chronically homeless persons are defined as unaccompanied individuals who have a disability and have been continuously homeless for a year or longer, or 4 times in the past 3 years.

7. Veteran status of total served participants:

Ever served in the US Military?	Total	Percentage	Newly Homeless
No	5,587	77.98%	2,003
Yes	375	5.23%	120
Don't Know	19	0.27%	2
Refused	6	0.08%	2
Not Stated	1,178	16.44%	623
Total:	7,165	100.00%	2,750

8. Race and Ethnicity of total served participants:

Race and Ethnicity	Total	Hispanics	Percentage	Newly Homeless
White	2,126	235	29.67%	577
Black/African American	3,356	71	46.84%	1,447
Asian	185	4	2.58%	66
American Indian/Alaskan Native	931	837	12.99%	361
Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	124	12	1.73%	54
Asian & White	10	0	0.14%	6
Am. Indian/Alaskan Native & Black African Am.	30	10	0.42%	13
American Indian/Alaskan Native & White	108	56	1.51%	30
Black/African American & White	82	6	1.14%	39
Other Multi-Racial	213	116	2.97%	157
Race Not Stated	0	0	0.00%	0
Total:	7,165	1,347	100.00%	2,750

Note: We follow HUD conventions for describing race and ethnicity. Persons are separately asked which racial category (-ies) they identify themselves as, and whether or not they identify as Hispanic.

9. Monthly income level of total served participants:

Monthly Income Level	Total	Percentage	Newly Homeless
\$0	4,178	58.31%	1,744
\$1-500	698	9.74%	271
\$501-\$1k	1,629	22.74%	503
\$1001-\$3k	644	8.99%	228
\$3001-\$5k	13	0.18%	4
over \$5k	3	0.04%	0
Not Stated	0	0.00%	0
Total:	7,165	100.00%	2,750

Note: Income includes all sources of income, from employment income to government income

10. Clients with Disabilities

Disabling Condition	Total	Percentage	Newly Homeless
No	3,899	54.42%	1,864
Yes	3,055	42.64%	872
Don't Know	58	0.81%	9
Refused / Not Stated	153	2.14%	5
Total:	7,165	100.00%	2,750

11. Types of Disabilities reported by clients who reported to have a disabling condition:

Disability Type	Total	Percentage	Newly Homeless
Alcohol Abuse	1,384	19.32%	251
Chronic Health Condition	552	7.70%	203
Developmental	238	3.32%	92
Drug Abuse	1,506	21.02%	292
HIV/AIDS	104	1.45%	17
Mental Health Problem	1,730	24.15%	451
Physical/Medical	1,337	18.66%	402
Other	72	1.00%	1
Total:	6,923		2,750

Note: Unlike all other sections of this report, these categories are not mutually exclusive. Many participants reported multiple disabilities, while some participants reported no disabilities.

IV. How many homeless or formerly homeless persons utilized each project type between July 2011 and July 2012?

Permanent Supportive Housing: 871

Projects reporting: Garden Park Apartments (Contra Costa Interfaith Housing), West Richmond Apartments (Rubicon Programs), Shelter Plus Care (County Program), Permanent Connections (County Youth Program), Giant Road Apartments (Rubicon Programs), Permanent Housing for People With Disabilities (Greater Richmond Interfaith Programs), Idaho Apartments (Rubicon Programs), Mary McGovern (SHELTER, Inc.), Next Step (SHELTER, Inc.), Transitional Housing Partnership Program (SHELTER, Inc.), Sunset (SHELTER, Inc.), HHISN Programs – ACCESS, Access Plus, PCH-AAA, Project Choice, Lakeside Apartments SHP, Project Step.

Transitional Housing: 576

Projects reporting: Project Independence (Rubicon Programs), Appian House (County Youth Program), Bissell Cottages (County Youth Program), Transitional Housing for Families (GRIP), Lyle Morris Family Center (SHELTER, Inc.), Pittsburg Family Center (SHELTER, Inc.), REACH Plus (SHELTER, Inc.), San Joaquin (SHELTER, Inc.), Casa Verde (Anka Behavioral Health), Family Rapid Rehousing (SHELTER, Inc.)

Emergency Shelters: 1,458

Projects reporting: Brookside Shelter (County Program), Concord Shelter (County Program), GRIP Emergency Shelter (Greater Richmond Interfaith Program), Mountain View House (SHELTER, Inc.), Winter Nights Shelter (Interfaith Council of Contra Costa County), Philip Dorn Respite Center, Calli House, Don Brown Shelter.

Support Services Only (Case Management/Life Skills/Housing Assistance) Programs: 5,377

Projects reporting: Money Management (Rubicon), Anka FERST Program, Anka Multi-Service Centers, GRIP Resource Center, Project Independence (Rubicon Programs), Calli House SSO (County Program), West Contra Costa Unified School District, GRIP Vocational Education, HHISN Support Services for Project Coming Home and Lakeside Apartments, CCC Office Of Education.

**Note: These categories are not mutually exclusive. Clients may have participated in more than one project type within the reporting period, and may also be involved in two project types at the same time.*