Point in Time Count & Housing Inventory Chart: The Basics

CoC Board Orientation

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Why HIC and PIT are required

- Under section 578.7 of the CoC Program interim rule, CoCs must plan and conduct a PIT count of homeless persons within the geographic area.

- HUD has historically, through Notices of Funding Availability, required CoCs to conduct an annual HIC and PIT count to receive maximum points in the annual CoC Program Competition and anticipates continuing this practice for the indefinite future.

Why HIC and PIT are required

- HUD requires CoCs to conduct a *bed inventory* and *sheltered count* of the entire homeless system each year in January.

- Every two years, the Detroit CoC is required by HUD to conduct a count of *unsheltered* persons experiencing homelessness in Detroit, Hamtramck, and Highland Park.

- Next slide will discuss Benefit and limitations to the PIT count.

Benefits and Limitations of the PIT/HIC data

Benefits

- Every CoC is collecting the data on the same day

- Compare similarities among populations across the state and the nation

- Helps building community partnerships and opens opportunities to help those experience homelessness

- By tracking annually, trends can be made to see how homelessness fluctuates

Limitations

- Homelessness varies from day to day

- Need to consider when to use PIT data vs. Annual data

Point in Time Count (PIT) Sheltered and Unsheltered

- A census or count of all people experiencing homelessness on a single night (i.e., at a given point in time), including some required demographic information and characteristics about those people, as defined in the annual HIC/PIT data collection Notice.

- CoC program regulations require sheltered and unsheltered counts to be "conducted on one night in the last 10 calendar days of January."

- The unsheltered PIT count is for those that are living on the street or that is not designated for living purposes.

- Per CoC program regulations, all CoCs are responsible for planning and conducting a PIT count within their geographic area. CoCs must conduct a sheltered count every year and unsheltered PIT count every other year. HUD expects CoCs to conduct a sheltered PIT count in conjunction with the annual Housing Inventory Count (HIC).

Why an Accurate PIT count is Important

- Measuring homelessness on local and national levels

- Longitudinal System Analysis (LSA)

- CoC Program Competition

- Local system planning (CoCs)

- Data about the prevalence of homelessness in each community can help galvanize local responses to accelerating progress on ending homelessness.

2022 Point In Time Count: January 26th 2022

1691 people experienced homelessness in the cities of Detroit, Hamtramck, and Highland Park on the night of January 26th
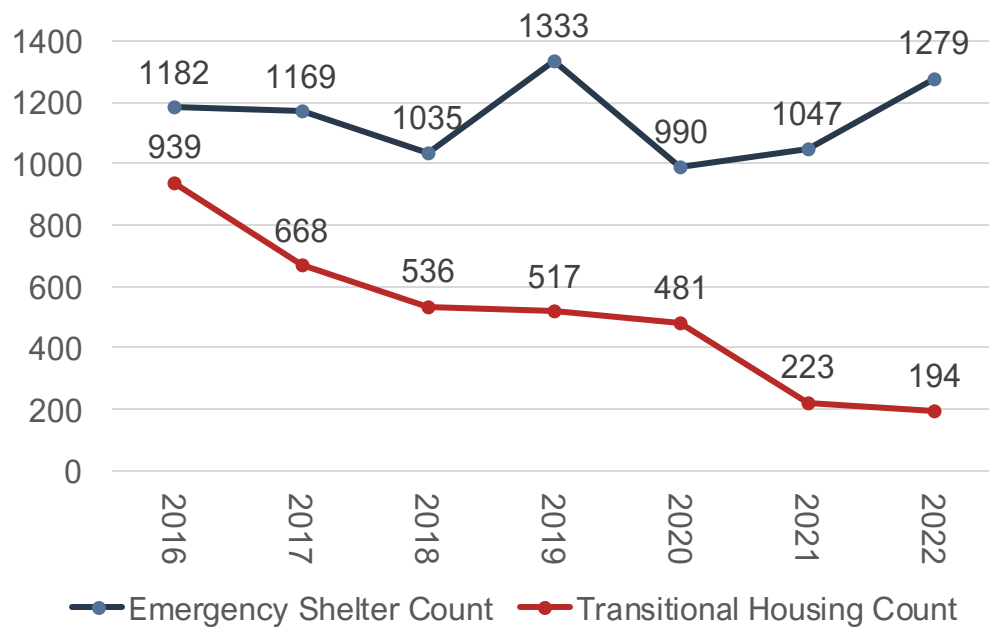
31% from 2021 ⬆

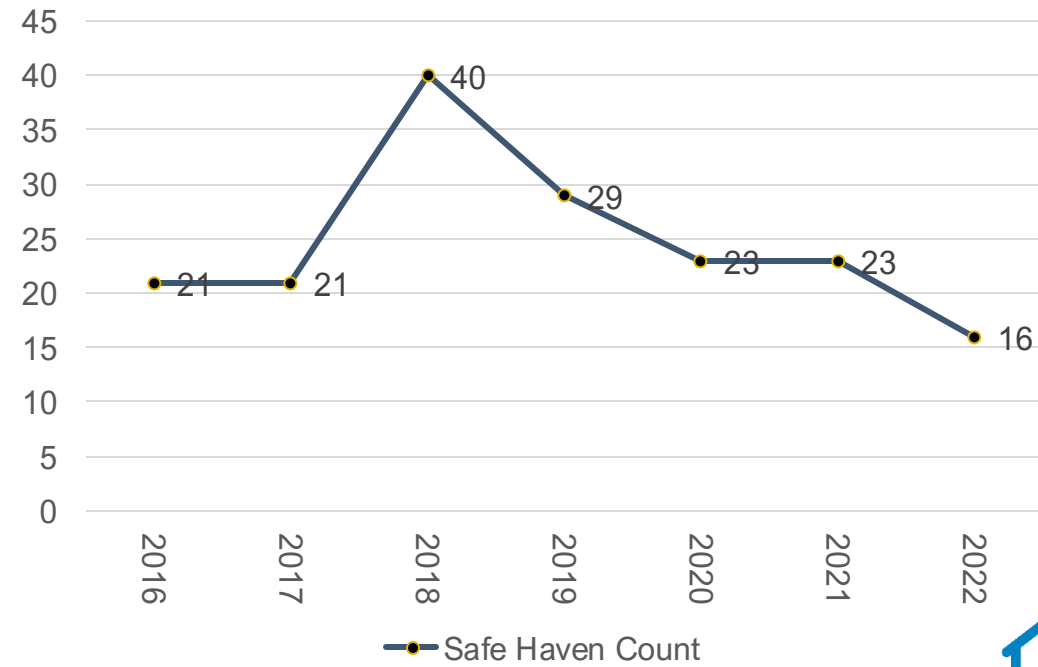|	
8% ⬆ **1014 (61%) Single Adult Households (1028 Adult in Households)**	**151 (9%) Veterans** 21% ⬇
76% ⬆ **197 (39%) Family Households (662 Adults & Children)**	**114 (7%) had a substance use disorder** 14% ⬇
50% ⬇ **1 (<1%) Unaccompanied Youth (under 18)**	**282 (17%) had a serious mental illness** 14% ⬆
22% ⬆ **262 (15%) Chronically Homeless Persons**	**113 (7%) were fleeing domestic violence** 14% ⬆

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Unsheltered PIT Count Trends

Unsheltered PIT Counts
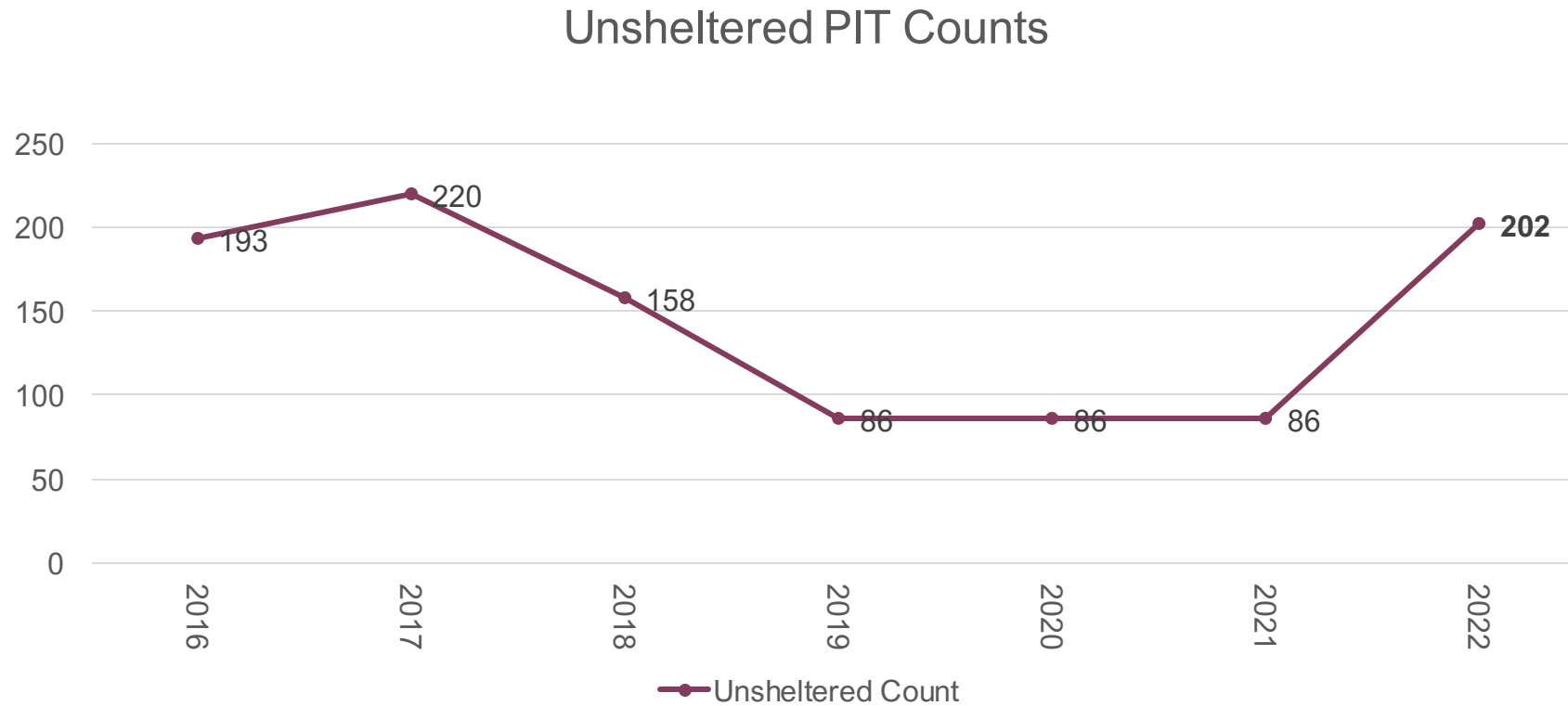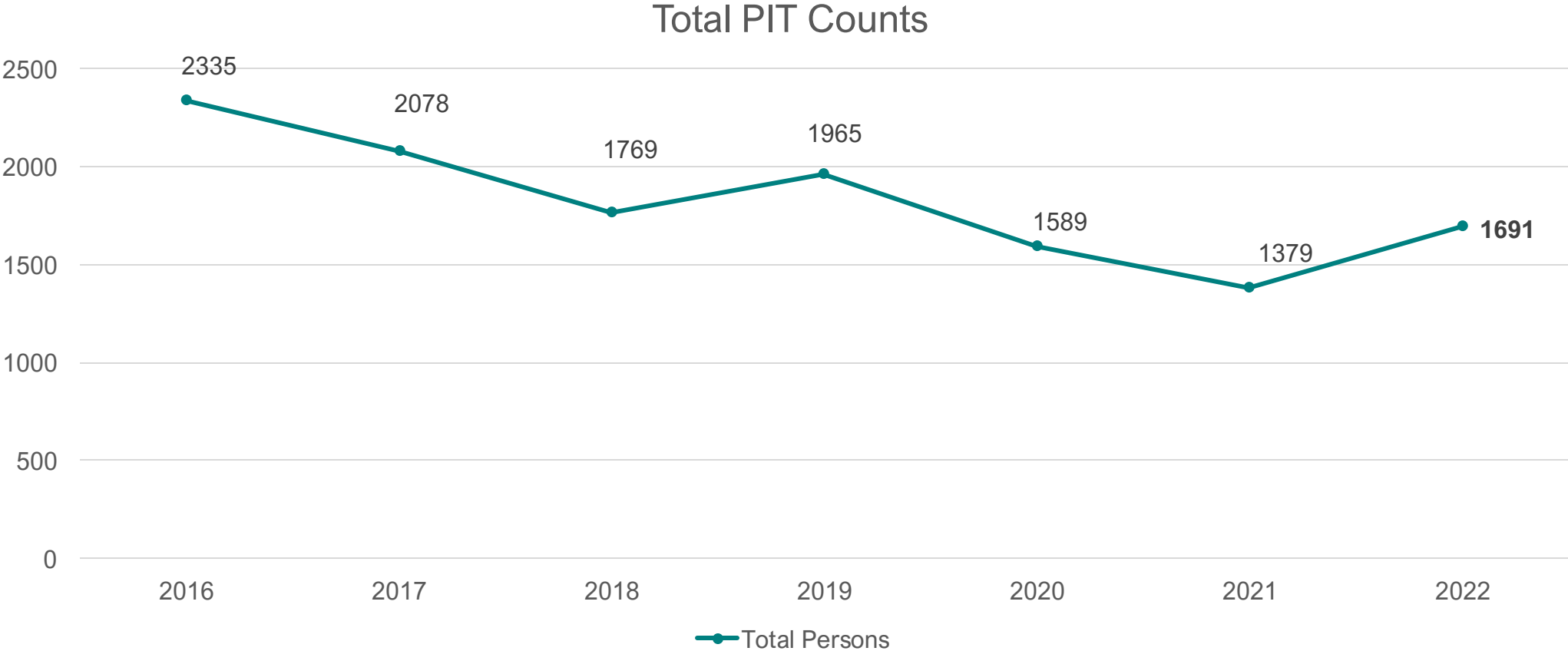
Unsheltered Count

7 Year Overview of PIT Counts 2016-2022

Count Date	Emergency Shelter Count	Transitional Housing Count	Safe Haven Count	Unsheltered Count	Total Persons
1/26/2022	**1279**	**194**	**16**	**202**	**1691**
1/27/2021	1047	223	23	86**	1379
1/29/2020	990	490	23	86**	1589
1/30/2019	1333	517	29	86	1965
1/31/2018	1035	536	40	158	1769
1/25/2017	1169	668	21	220	2078
1/27/2016	1182	939	21	193	2335

*Unsheltered PIT Counts were not conducted in 2020, 2021

** The 2020 & 2021 unsheltered counts was reflective of the 2019 data, 2020 unsheltered was not mandatory and the CoC was granted a waiver for the unsheltered count for 2021

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PIT Count Analysis – Project Type

ES Count - Increase (+18%) (+229)

- 2021: 1047 persons
- 2022: 1279 persons

SH Count – Decrease (-30%) (-7)

- 2021: 23 persons
- 2022: 16 persons

TH Count - Decrease (-15%) (-29)

- 2021: 223 persons
- 2022:194 persons

Unsheltered- No Change

- 2021: No Reported (Granted Waiver)
- 2022: 202 persons

Overall Count - Increase (31%) (+398)

- 2021: 1293 persons
- 2022: 1691 persons

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Sheltered Count Analysis

- Emergency Shelters
  - 1 Alternative Shelter closed
  - 1 HMIS Seasonal non-participating shelter went offline
  - 2 EHV/CERA Hotel/Motel programs added (seasonal)

- Safe Havens
  - 3 Safe Haven projects
    - Low Utilization has continued

- Transitional Housing
  - 1 TH program went offline

PIT Count Analysis – Special Populations

Serious Mental Illness (+14%)

- 2021: 247 persons
- 2022: 281 persons

Substance Use Disorder (-14%)

- 2021: 132 persons
- 2022: 114 persons

HIV/AIDS (No Change)

- 2021: 11 persons
- 2022: 11 persons

Fleeing DV (+14%)

- 2021: 99 persons
- 2022: 113 persons

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PIT Count Analysis

- The overall count increased by 398 people (31%) from 2021
  - Unsheltered PIT counts were not completed in 2020 (not required) or 2021 (COVID-19 waiver)

- Families experiencing homelessness increased 43%
  - Chronic families decreased by 29%

- Unaccompanied Youth counts decreased by 50%

- Veteran homelessness decreased by 21%

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PIT Challenges

- *Timely* Data Input & Updates
- Confirmed Counts *Changing* Post-Confirmation
- Data Quality Missing/Errors
  - Demographics (DOB, race, ethnicity, gender)
  - Disability
  - DV

- Solution:
  - Quarterly Audit (re-launched April 2022)
    - Providers should be reviewing data quality

Housing Inventory Count (HIC)

HIC Data Summary (Effective 01/26/2022)

CATEGORY	SINGLE BEDS		PERCENT CHANGE: + or (-)	FAMILY BEDS		PERCENT CHANGE: + or (-)	TOTAL BEDS		PERCENT CHANGE: + or (-)
	2021	2022		2021	2022		2021	2022	
EMERGENCY SHELTER*	567	720	27%	279	271	(2.8%)	846	991	17%
SEASONAL BEDS	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	176	179	2%
OVERFLOW BEDS	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	326	N/A
TRANSITIONAL HOUSING	326	219	(33%)	137	60	(56%)	463	279	(40%)
SAFE HAVEN	40	45	12.5%	N/A	N/A	N/A	40	45	12.5%
PH (PSH)	1967	1929	(2%)	980	957	(2%)	2947	2920	(1%)
CHRONIC (PSH)**	1404	1386	(1%)	832	832	-	2236	2218	(<1%)
PH (RRH)	158	224	29%	733	673	(8%)	891	902	1%
OPH	N/A	55	N/A	N/A	176	N/A	N/A	231	N/A

*Excludes overflow and seasonal beds   I   **Category is not mutually exclusive.

2021 HIC – Project Mix

104 Projects were reported in the 2022 HIC

43 Permanent Supportive Housing Projects reported **2,920** beds

25 Emergency Shelters reported **1,170** beds; **326** Overflow Beds (EHA & Hotel/Motel)

13 Transitional Housing Projects reported **279** beds

22 Rapid Rehousing Projects reported 902 beds

3 Safe Haven Projects reported **45** beds

2 OPH (EHV) Programs reported **231** beds

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2021 HIC – Population Specific

41 projects designated a total of **2218** beds for the Chronically Homeless

12 projects designated a total of **212** beds for Youth

16 projects designated a total of **982** beds for Veterans

3 projects designated a total of **138** beds for Survivors of DV

1 project designated a total of **14** beds for Persons with HIV/AIDS

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2021 HIC – Utilization by Project Type

Across all bed types, **95%** were occupied on 1/26/22

85% of emergency shelter beds were filled

69% transitional housing beds were filled

35% of safe-haven beds were filled

100% of RRH beds were filled

100% of PSH beds were filled

100% of OPH beds were filled

HIC Challenges

- Limitations to Data
  - HUD VASH
    - Worked with VA, MCAH & MSHDA to determine VASH counts for 2022 HIC; Unable to import data from HOMES electronically

  - ES, TH, RRH & PSH - Data Entry occurring during PIT/HIC clean –up period is very challenging

  - 2021 EHV & CERA Motel/Hotel
    - New resources in our system were required by HUD to be included in the 2022 HIC & PIT without any HMIS guidance or protocols. We developed several customizations and work arounds to capture/track this data in HMIS. Very challenging for agencies and HMIS team

- Possible Solutions:
  - Future discussions for HOMES data import – ongoing
  - Improved Quarterly Data Quality Exercise
  - 2023 scored elements proposal & additional accountability from other funders
    - Timely HIC Data Entry/Quality

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Final Materials

Final reports and summaries can be found on HAND's website at https://www.handetroit.org/reports/

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