



CONTINUUM OF CARE UPDATE

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OVERVIEW

- Homeless Population
 - PIT Count results
- Funding and Supported Activities
 - HUD CoC Funding
 - Code Purple
 - Temporary Shelter Bed Expansion
- Shelter Planning Process
- CoC Transition



POINT IN TIME COUNT OVERVIEW

- Federally required every 2 years within the last 10 days of January
 - Conducted annually in Asheville-Buncombe CoC
- Census of people who meet Federal definition of literal homelessness (person in emergency shelters, transitional housing, or unsheltered)
- Covers Full Continuum of Care (Buncombe County and its municipalities)
- 2024 Asheville Buncombe PIT Count:
 - 1/30 and 1/31 (street count, expanded service locations, encampment outreach)
 - Managed by City Staff, conducted by providers, and volunteers



POINT IN TIME COUNT RESULTS

	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Sheltered	482	411	405	402	520
Unsheltered	65	116	232	171	219
Total	547	527	637	573	739

- 89% single adults, 10% families
- 31% chronically homeless (12 months + disability)
- 26% Veterans



DEMOGRAPHIC CHARACTERISTICS

Race and Ethnicity

American Indian, Alaska Native, Or Indigenous	12	1.6%
Asian or Asian American	7	1%
Black, African American, or African (only)	136	18.4%
Black, African American or African & Hispanic/Latinx	2	.27%
Hispanic/Latinx	8	1.08%
White (only)	542	73%
White and Hispanic/Latinx	14	1.89%
Multi-Racial & Hispanic/Latinx	2	.27%
Multi-Racial (all other)	16	2.17%
Total	739	100%



DEMOGRAPHIC CHARACTERISTICS

Gender

Woman/Girl	220	30%
Man/Boy	509	68.8%
Culturally Specific Identity	1	.1%
Transgender	2	.2%
Non-Binary	4	.5%
Multiple Gender	3	.4%
Total	739	100%

Age

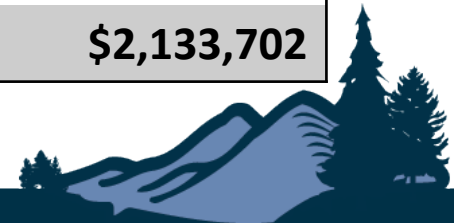
Under 18	49	6.6%
18-24	38	5.1%
25-34	133	18%
35-44	168	22.7%
45-54	130	17.6%
55-64	148	20%
65 and older	73	9.9%
Total	739	100%



HUD COC FUNDING

- Eligible Activities: Supports homelessness and housing programs
- HIAC (Homeless Initiative Advisory Committee) approved Consolidated HUD CoC FY23 Application at its September meeting (most funding awards will be used beginning 1/25)
- Consolidated HUD CoC FY24 application process is expected to take place in June

Applicant	FY22 Award (Activities and Expenses Begin January 2024)	FY23 Award (Activities and Expenses Begin January 2025)
Helpmate Rapid Rehousing Projects	\$198,626	\$297,809
Homeward Bound Permanent Supportive Housing Projects	\$1,594,350	\$1,679,313
City of Asheville – HMIS	\$63,744	\$63,744
City of Asheville - Planning Grant	\$55,034	\$92,836
Total	\$1,911,754	\$2,133,702



CODE PURPLE

- Buncombe County Commitment: \$60,000
- Period Covered: October 15, 2023-April 30, 2024
- Code Purple Parameters:
 - $\leq 32^{\circ}$ forecasted temperature or wind chill
 - 33° - 40° if precipitation is forecasted
- Locations:
 - ABCCM Veteran's Restoration Quarters
 - ABCCM Transformation Village
 - Salvation Army

- Code Purple Nights = 101
- Maximum Use = 146 Persons (1/18)
- Average Use = 73 Persons



TEMPORARY SHELTER BED EXPANSION

- Buncombe County Commitment: \$875,000
- Haywood Street Respite
 - 3 beds funded have been consistently used
 - Leveraged this funding with national grant funding to expand focus to include behavioral health respite; created Respite Clinician position
- Salvation Army
 - 65 beds currently in operation
 - Exploring feasibility of adding 20 beds at 204 Haywood Street
 - Exploring feasibility of conversion of property for additional shelter space
- Safe Shelter
 - 20 beds currently in operation
 - AHOPE through April; Grace Episcopal Church through May; Confirming options for space beyond May with potential partners



SHELTER PLANNING UPDATE

As planning continues, the Shelter Planning Team seeks feedback from People with Lived Experience of Homelessness and Service Providers.

Focus Groups for People with Lived Experience

The Salvation Army	May 6
Haywood Street Downtown Welcome Table	May 8
AHOPE	May 13
ABCCM Transformation Village	May 15
AHOPE Surveys	May 16
ABCCM Costello House	May 15
ABCCM Veteran's Restoration Quarters	May 17
Haywood Street Lunch Surveys	May 22 & 29
Haywood Street Respite	May 23
Helpmate Shelter Staff Team Meeting	May 29

Service Provider Meetings

May 2 & 9



COC TRANSITION

- New Charter endorsed by Homeless Initiative Advisory Committee (HIAC) 2/8
- First Meeting of CoC Membership with Charter Adoption 2/29
- Second Meeting of CoC Membership 4/25
 - Approved slate of candidates for New Governing Board; received PIT Count Results
- Next Steps:
 - CoC Board Training and Initial CoC Board Meeting
 - CoC Board Appointment of Funding Committee
 - CoC Board will set next CoC Membership meeting
 - Request to City Council to dissolve Homeless Initiative Advisory Committee (HIAC)

Individual CoC Members	Organizational CoC Members
263	53



QUESTIONS?

