

WASHINGTON COUNTY OREGON

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One Homeless Services System - The Homeless Services Division is embarking on a 9 month process to re-imagine system governance to bring our needs assessment, gaps analysis, system evaluation, planning, budgeting, reporting and oversight structures into alignment. We are designing this process in collaboration with the Office of Equity and Community Engagement and the Office of Community Development. Our intent is to work in full transparency, in partnership with the community, and with advancing equity at center of decision making to build a governance structure that makes sense for Washington County and leans in to our local strengths.

Point In Time Count (PIT) – Continuums of Care are required to conduct annual Point In Time Counts no less than biennially. The Washington County network of providers has chosen to conduct the PIT annually. As we continue to develop our regional approach, Washington County is leading the PIT count work in collaboration locally with our City partners and Street Outreach teams and regionally with Multnomah County, Clackamas County, and Portland State University's Homelessness Research & Action Collaborative.

Regional efforts will include consistency in survey questions, consistency in training of enumerators, consistency in date(s) of count efforts, and consistency at the county level of incentives for participation in the count.

The 2023 Point in Time Count will begin January 25th and may continue through January 31st to ensure full geographic coverage.



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Housing Case Management Services – Permanent Supportive Housing	
Enrolled in PSH program, working with a case manager	818 households
Housing Placements	456 households
Shelter Plus Care Program Placements	187 households
Households enrolled and seeking housing with an RLRA voucher	231 households
Eligible and waiting for PSH program	529 households

Permanent Supportive Housing provides households with a disabling condition and have experienced prolonged homelessness with intensive case management services and Regional Long-term Rent Assistance (RLRA) to ensure permanent housing stability. Once placed in housing, case managers continue to provide wrap around supports.

Rapid Rehousing	
Enrolled in RRH program,	86 households
working with a case manager	
SHS RRH housing placements	35 household
CoC RRH Placements	82 Households
Eligible and waiting for RRH program	748 households

Rapid Rehousing provides 2-24 months of rent assistance with supportive housing case management services for households who need temporary support to end their homelessness while working towards independent financial and housing stability.

Community Based Housing Worker capacity	
HCMS case managers	47 staff
SHS RRH case managers – NEW	11 staff
Housing Liaisons – NEW	5 staff
Outreach Workers – NEW	10 staff

Housing case managers provide wrap around supports to address housing, healthcare, financial and other needs for a household, first solving for housing and then supporting the general wellbeing and stability of the family or individual. Outreach workers build relationships to connect unsheltered individuals to available housing and shelter programs.



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Shelter capacity	
Bridge shelter (non-	80 rooms
congregate, motel based)	(40 additional room
	anticipated)
Congregate shelter – Year-	46 Beds/Units
round	
Non-Congregate – Year-round	80 Beds/Units
Alterative Shelter - NEW	30 Beds – Safe Rest
	Pods
Winter Only Shelter –	150 Beds
Congregate & non-Congregate	
Temporary Non - Congregate	40 Beds

Shelter is a temporary solution for unhoused families and individuals. Programs provide basic hygiene and nutritional needs as well as case management to ensure safety and help participants work towards housing placement.

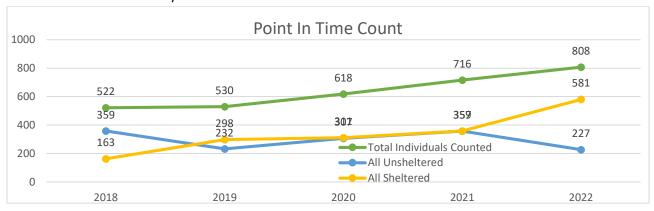


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Federal Funding, Reporting, and Activities

Under the FY2021 CoC Program, HUD awarded a grant of \$4,055,487 to provide rent assistance, services, and administration funding for programs this term. On 8/1/2022, HUD announced the FY2022 CoC Program Notice of Funding Opportunity to apply for competitive funds for the next grant term. Housing Services, the CoC Collaborative Applicant, is preparing the Consolidated application and coordinating the project application competition in response to the FY2022 CoC Program Request for Proposals. The CoC Board met on 9/14/2022 to rate and rank new and renewal project applications for inclusion in the CoC Collaborative Application. Following a public review period from 9/23/2022 through 9/27/2022, the application was submitted to HUD on 9/28/2022 and we are currently waiting to hear the outcome of that application process.

Point in Time Data – January 2022



Housing Inventory Data – January 2022

