

Resources: Appendices

This Appendices provides relevant and detailed information regarding the Clark County homeless strategy, in-depth survey and forum questions and feedback as well as a summary of results from the Clark County Public Health Department. This information is enhancing and provide additional understanding regarding relevant information and data available in the 2019-2022 Clark County Homeless Action Plan. Below please find the table of content for all Appendices. For additional questions or follow up please contact the Council for the Homeless at info@councilforthehomeless.org.

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Appendix I: Forum Summary & Data Synthesis

The Plan development team encouraged participation for all local governments, Continuum of Care providers, faith-based organizations, all Clark County citizens, individuals experiencing homelessness or other challenges, local businesses, non-profits and other service providers as a part of a robust community forum series. Forums were conducted at different sites throughout the community and at homeless shelters in late spring and early summer 2018. A breakdown of forum structures as well as forum survey results are listed below.


Additional information and outreach materials is also available online on the **Action Plan Website**:

<http://www.councilforthehomeless.org/homeless-action-plan/>.

Forums were conducted in a variety of locations throughout the county. Each forum followed the same format and was an hour a half in length. Participants convened around tables in groups of 4-8 and were guided through a series of pertinent topics regarding the HCRS. **Topics included: 1) Basic Needs, Access and Prioritization, 2) Crisis and Interim Housing, and 3) Assistance to Return to Housing.** Participants were encouraged to discuss what was working well, what was needed and what area of opportunity existed regarding within the three topic areas. Forums at shelters were geared towards engaging the currently homeless population. They were flexible in nature to allow more fluid conversations with


participants to get at the heart of homeless needs and issues.

COMMUNITY FORUMS



NORTH CLARK COUNTY Battle Ground Community Center 912 E Main St., Battle Ground, WA, 98604 (Wednesday, May 16th, 6:00-7:30pm)	EAST CLARK COUNTY St. Thomas Aquinas Church-Camas 324 NE Oak St., Camas, WA, 98607 (Tuesday, June 5th, 3:00-4:30pm)
EAST VANCOUVER Beautiful Savior Church 12513 SE Mill Plain Blvd, Vancouver, WA, 98684 Thursday, May 24th, 1:30-3:00pm	WEST VANCOUVER Vancouver Housing Authority 2500 Main St., Vancouver, WA, 98660 (Thursday, June 7th, 6:00-7:30pm)
WEST VANCOUVER YWCA Clark County 3609 Main Street, Vancouver, WA, 98665 (Tuesday, May 29th, 1:00-2:30pm)	CENTRAL VANCOUVER Partners In Careers 3210 NE 52nd St., Vancouver, WA, 98665 Monday, June 11th, 1:00-2:30pm
CENTRAL VANCOUVER Bud Van Cleve Community Room-Luke Jensen Field 4000 NE 78th St., Vancouver, WA, 98665 (Thursday, May 31st, 9:30-11:00am)	

SHELTER FORUMS



SHARE--HOMESTEAD May 9th, 7:00-8:00pm	SHARE HOUSE May 29th, 7:00pm-8:00pm
WHAT--ST. LUKE'S May 16th, 8:20-9:00pm	OPEN HOUSE MINISTRIES June 11th, 6:00-6:30pm
DAY CENTER May 20th, 2:00-3:00pm	SAFE CHOICE June 18th, 6:30pm-7:10pm
SHARE--ORCHARDS INN May 30th, 7:00-7:30pm	FRIENDS OF THE CARPENTER June 20th, 1:00-2:00pm

Council for the Homeless Action Plan Forums Outline

Length: 1.5 Hours

Forum Table Set Up Instructions (30 mins):

- Easels at tables or on tables for writing/notes
- Number of tables (6 for key priorities)
 1. Access and Prioritization (2 tables)
 2. Crisis and Interim Housing (2 tables)
 3. Assistance to Return to Housing (2 tables)

Forum Breakdown: (90 Mins Total)

- **(5 mins)** Welcome/CFTH & Action Plan History & Purpose of Work
- **(5 mins)** Table Breakout Instructions/Etiquette
- **(13 mins)** Polling on Plan Structure & Population Prioritization
- **(65 mins)** Table Breakouts (Rotating 3 times)
 - **(15 mins)** 1st Group/(2.5 min) Transition
 - **(15 mins)** 2nd Group/(2.5 mins) Transition
 - **(15 mins)** 3rd Group
- **(3 mins)** Group Wrap Up/Electronic Survey Announcement/Timeline
- **(5 mins)** Closing Thoughts/Next Steps/Forum Feedback

Community Forum Questions: (Open-Ended)

1. **Basic Needs-Access and Prioritization** (coordinated entry, outreach, housing search and move-in support, Day Center):
 - a) What is working well?
 - b) What is needed?
 - c) What are some specific ideas or best practices that you've heard of that should be investigated?
2. **Crisis and Interim Housing** (Severe weather shelter, Emergency Shelter, Transitional Housing, Tiny Homes):
 - a) what is working well?
 - b) what is needed?
 - c) what are some specific ideas or best practices that you've heard of that should be investigated?
3. **Assistance to Return to Housing** (Rapid Re-Housing (rent assistance and support), Permanent Housing, Classes/Training, Employment Support):
 - a) what is working well?
 - b) what is needed?
 - c) what are some specific ideas or best practices that you've heard of that should be investigated?

Shelter Forum Questions: (Open Ended)

1. **Population Prioritization:** If you had your choice, what would be your 1st-3rd top populations to serve? Keep in mind, this does NOT come at the expense of others?
2. **Service Prioritization:** What information or services do you wish you knew about before experiencing homelessness?
3. **Assistant to Return to Housing:** What do you need now to move into permanent housing?

Shelter Forum Synthesized Data 2018 (8 Shelters Surveyed)

After Community and Shelter Forums were held, information gathered from questions and discussion was consolidated and analyzed to develop and identify strategies for this Plan. The results of these analysis are below.

Shelter Forum RESULTS

Priority Population(s)	(#1 Choice)	(#2 Choice)	(#3 Choice)
Seniors	10	2	4
People with disabilities	8	11	11
Single Men	5	6	
Families	38	18	5
Youth	6	9	7
Veterans	7	7	5
Single Women	11	11	8
Chronically Homeless	1	3	6
Single Women w/Children			1
Couples	2	2	2
Single Parents	1		1
People with Mental Illness	1		
Domestic Violence Survivors	1	1	
Low Income			1

RESULT: Families, People with disabilities and Single Women were listed as priority populations

What do you wish you knew about before experiencing homelessness?

Shelters/Housing Programs such as SHARE, WHO	9
Alcohol or substances role in homelessness	3
Medical assistance programs including mental health or disability assistance programs	4
Knowledge or education of prevention programs and opportunities including employment programs, domestic violence assistance, rent well, HEN, legal assistance programs and affordable housing programs	29
Affordable or subsidized housing for populations (seniors, etc.)	2
Trusted/caring adult or individual	5
How to budget/manage money	4
Landlord management/assistance	3

RESULT: Investing in educational and prevention programs including outreach services are a critical need expressed by the homeless population to move towards preventing and ending homelessness.

What do you need now to move into permanent housing?

Employment/Income	17
Transportation assistance (bus passes/gas/etc.)	3
Additional training or classes (budgeting/skill development, etc.)	7
Improved tenant/landlord laws	6
Rent Well	3
Affordable rental prices/housing	13
Individuals to trust/rely on	4
Case management or assistance with navigating resources & systems of care (veterans, seniors, etc.)	9
Mental health services	2
Drug/Alcohol treatment services	1
Rental assistance (including move-in fee assistance)	10

RESULT: Providing effective case management including adequate employment, affordable housing and rental assistance are key to move current homeless individuals and families out of the homeless system.

All Sessions Summary

Q: What motivated you to attend the forum today?

	Responses	
	Count	Percent
To share your ideas and input	15	15%
To learn about what to expect with new Homeless Action Plan	18	19%
To learn how to get involved moving forward	18	19%
To learn more about how homelessness is being addressed	31	32%
Other	15	15%
Totals	97	100%

Q: Which subpopulation should be prioritized?

	Responses	
	Count	Percent
Youth (age 16-24)	10	10%
Seniors	11	12%
Families	32	34%
People with Disabilities	34	36%
Single Women	3	3%
Veterans	5	5%
Totals	97	100%

Q: How many people were found unsheltered throughout Clark County in the 2018 PIT Count?

	Responses	
	Count	Percent
215	6	6%
52	1	1%
302	8	9%
374 (correct!)	61	65%
1200	18	19%
Totals	94	100%

Q: What is most important for this Homeless Action Plan to have?

	Responses	
	Count	Percent
Best practices that should be used	21	22%
Clear outcomes	26	27%
Current data	1	1%
Priority populations	5	5%
Priority programs	12	13%
Clear next steps	31	32%
Totals	96	100%

Q: What should be the number one priority to address homelessness?

	Responses	
	Count	Percent
Increase homeless outreach and engagement	12	12.5%
Increase homelessness prevention assistance for those not yet homeless	20	21
Increase emergency shelter beds	18	19
Increase economic and job opportunities	8	8
Increase long term housing options for those who are homeless	26	27
Increase transitional housing units	12	12.5%
Totals	96	100%

Appendix II: Electronic Survey Polls & Results

Surveys were designed individually for community members, service providers, and people experiencing homelessness. Questions were developed by referencing a variety of best practice approaches and settings for information gathering from across the nation. Utilizing the partnership of the Clark County Public Health (CCPH) department, questions were developed with the goal of collecting both quantitative and qualitative data to represent the perspectives, priorities, and general input of these three groups on subjects relating to homelessness, its causes, and potential solutions. Surveys were also vetted by CCPH for overall user experience and maximizing stakeholder readability and response. Responses from both the forum and surveys informed the structure and nature of this Plan. The Council received 806 responses to the electronic survey administered via Survey Monkey. Including, 111 Service Providers, 653 Community Members, and 42 Individuals Experiencing Homelessness responding. Each survey is listed below in addition to an in depth quantitative data analysis report provided by Clark County Public Health.

SURVEY #1: Homeless Action Plan COMMUNITY Survey

Thank you for taking our survey. This should take you about 7 minutes. The Council for the Homeless will use the valuable ideas you give to update the 2018 Homeless Action Plan for Clark County. This plan will serve as the road map to addressing homelessness in the community.

1. Do you **currently provide assistance or support to** people experiencing homelessness directly through work or as a volunteer?

Yes or No

2. Please select the following phrase that **best aligns with your CURRENT perspective on homelessness in Clark County.**

- ☐ People who are homeless do not want to be homeless.
- ☐ Those who are homeless choose to be on the streets.
- ☐ Nothing can be done to solve the homelessness problem in America.
- ☐ We all need to help people experiencing homelessness, if we want to end it.
- ☐ It is hard to understand how anyone can become homeless.
- ☐ There are not nearly enough resources to help people who are homeless in Clark County.
- ☐ It is almost impossible to be safe and free from harm when you are homeless.
- ☐ Programs for people who are homeless save tax payers money.
- ☐ Programs for the homeless cost taxpayers too much money.
- ☐ Our community would be safer if people didn't have to live on the streets.
- ☐ I want to live in a community that helps people who are homeless move into housing.
- ☐ Our community should construct more and diverse housing options to serve anyone who is homeless.
- ☐ People who are properly housed use fewer services and reduce burdens on police and hospitals
- ☐ Many people who are homeless could get back on their feet and become self-sufficient if only they could receive the housing they need.
- ☐ Communities should enforce laws to prohibit the homeless from public areas such as parks and libraries.
- ☐ I want to get involved in helping people out of homelessness but I don't know where to start.
- ☐ Homelessness is not a big issue in my community.
- ☐ I'm not sure how I feel about homelessness.
- ☐ I am indifferent.
- ☐ OTHER: (Please Specify)

3. Which **subpopulations should be prioritized for additional resources**, if they are experiencing homelessness in Clark County?
(Please rank the following in order of priority)

- ☐ Families
- ☐ Single Men
- ☐ Youth (ages 12-24)

- Seniors (62+)
- Veterans
- Single Women
- Couples
- People with Disabilities
- People who are Chronically Homeless (Homeless many times or for a long time and have a disability)
- Other: _____

4. What **types of assistance would you prioritize to meet the basic needs** of those living on the streets? **(Please rank the following in the order of priority.)**

- Outreach and engagement of People Living on the Street by Professional Staff
- Emergency Shelter Beds (Short-Term).
- Transitional Housing Units (Up to Two Years and not Permanent)
- Nightly Shelter and/or Severe Weather Shelter
- Sanctioned encampments (Legal Place for People to Leave Their Things All Day and Sleep)
- Emergency Shelter for Domestic Violence Survivors.
- Safe Places to Park Cars While Sleeping.
- Job Opportunities for Individuals Experiencing Homelessness.
- Support with Job Search, Training and Needed Work Gear/Clothing.
- Support Targeted to the Needs of Families with Children.
- Shower, Laundry and Restroom Access.
- Food Access
- Support Accessing Public Assistance (e.g., Social Security, SNAP, TANF)
- Behavioral Health (Mental Health and Substance Use) Outreach and Support for People Living on the Street.
- Physical Health Outreach and Support for People Living on the Street.
- Other?

5. What **new or different approaches** are you aware of that should be considered locally **to effectively meet the basic needs** of people experiencing homelessness. Please describe the approach and share where it may be used currently (e.g. Seattle, WA).

Long Answer

6. What **types of assistance would you prioritize** to help households experiencing homelessness move into and remain in stable housing? **(Choose THREE)**

- Move-in Cost Assistance and Coaching.
- Long-Term Supportive Housing Programs (Housing First).
- Affordable Housing Prioritized for Households Moving Out of Homelessness.
- Rent Assistance and Support for up to Two Years (Rapid Re-Housing)
- Domestic Violence Survivor Support
- Shared Housing Connections
- Debt Reduction Assistance
- Legal Advocacy and Support
- Utility Assistance
- Homelessness Prevention Rent Assistance and Support
- Housing Choice Vouchers (e.g. Section 8) Prioritized for Housing Moving out of Homelessness
- Other (Please Specify)

7. What **type of approach of model do you believe is most effective in moving households experiencing homelessness into housing**? Feel free to mention where (e.g. Portland, OR) these approaches are happening if applicable.

Long Answer

8. Do you have any **suggestions on legal, policy or rule changes** (local, state or federal) that would help reduce the number of people experiencing homelessness in the community?

Short Answer

9. Want to stay connected with the Homeless Action Plan progress? Share your e-mail address below.

Short Answer

SURVEY #2: Homeless Action Plan STREET OUTREACH Survey

Thank you for taking our survey. This should take you about 5 minutes. The Council for the Homeless will use the valuable ideas you give to update the 2018 Homeless Action Plan for Clark County. This plan will serve as the road map to addressing homelessness in the community.

10. What is the zip code of your last permanent residence?

Short Answer

11. What **environment** did you sleep in last night?

- ☐ Outside in a Tent
- ☐ Outside not in a Tent
- ☐ In a Car/RV
- ☐ Escaping Domestic Violence
- ☐ Didn't Sleep
- ☐ Other (Please Specify) _____

12. What are the top three types **basic needs assistance** that should be created or increased in Clark County? (**CHOOSE THREE**)

- ☐ Outreach and engagement of People Living on the Street by Professional Staff
- ☐ Emergency Shelter Beds (Short-Term).
- ☐ Transitional Housing Units (Up to Two Years and not Permanent)
- ☐ Nightly Shelter and/or Severe Weather Shelter
- ☐ Sanctioned encampments (Legal Place for People to Leave Their Things All Day and Sleep)
- ☐ Emergency Shelter for Domestic Violence Survivors.
- ☐ Safe Places to Park Cars While Sleeping.
- ☐ Job Opportunities for Individuals Experiencing Homelessness.
- ☐ Support with Job Search, Training and Needed Work Gear/Clothing.
- ☐ Support Targeted to the Needs of Families with Children.
- ☐ Shower, Laundry and Restroom Access.
- ☐ Food Access
- ☐ Support Accessing Public Assistance (e.g., Social Security, SNAP, TANF)
- ☐ Behavioral Health (Mental Health and Substance Use) Outreach and Support for People Living on the Street.
- ☐ Physical Health Outreach and Support for People Living on the Street.
- ☐ Other?

13. What are the top three types of assistance that should be increased or created that would help you (and your family) **move into stable housing**? (**CHOOSE THREE**)

- ☐ Move-in Cost Assistance and Coaching.
- ☐ Long-Term Supportive Housing Programs (Housing First).
- ☐ Affordable Housing Prioritized for Households Moving Out of Homelessness.
- ☐ Rent Assistance and Support for up to Two Years (Rapid Re-Housing)
- ☐ Domestic Violence Survivor Support
- ☐ Shared Housing Connections
- ☐ Debt Reduction Assistance
- ☐ Legal Advocacy and Support
- ☐ Utility Assistance
- ☐ Homelessness Prevention Rent Assistance and Support
- ☐ Other (Please Specify)

14. What are the **top three things making it difficult** for you to move into housing? (**CHOOSE THREE**)

- ☐ Lack of Income or No Income (no job)
- ☐ Criminal Background
- ☐ Poor Rental History or Past Evictions
- ☐ Substance Abuse or Use Issues
- ☐ Need Mental Health Services

- Limited Knowledge of Resources Available
- Lack of Affordable Housing
- Limited Opportunities for Transitional Housing Options
- Disability
- Debt, Garnishments or Money Owed to Landlord
- Other (Please Specify)

15. If ***additional resources could be provided to a specific group experiencing homelessness***, which three groups do you think the additional resources should be provided to? **(CHOOSE THREE)**

- Families
- Single Men
- Youth (ages 12-24)
- Seniors (62+)
- Veterans
- Single Women
- Couples
- People with Disabilities
- People who are Chronically Homeless
- Other (Please Specify)

16. What is the ***number one type of assistance*** that should be funded or changed in Clark County to help people move from the streets to housing?

Short Answer

17. If you'd like updates regarding the Homeless Action Plan, please share your e-mail address.

Short Answer

SURVEY #3: Homeless Action Plan SERVICE PROVIDER Survey

Thank you for taking our survey. This should take you about 10 minutes. The Council for the Homeless will use the valuable ideas you give to update the 2018 Homeless Action Plan for Clark County. This plan will serve as the road map to addressing homelessness in the community.

1. Do you currently provide assistance or support to people experiencing homelessness *directly* through your work or as a volunteer?

Yes or No

2. What agency do you work/volunteer with?

Short Answer

3. Please select the following phrase that ***best aligns with your CURRENT perspective on homelessness in Clark County.***

- People who are homeless do not want to be homeless.
- Those who are homeless choose to be on the streets.
- Nothing can be done to solve the homelessness problem in America.
- We all need to help people experiencing homelessness, if we want to end it.
- It is hard to understand how anyone can become homeless.
- There are not nearly enough resources to help people who are homeless in Clark County.
- It is almost impossible to be safe and free from harm when you are homeless.
- Programs for people who are homeless save tax payers money.
- Programs for the homeless cost taxpayers too much money.
- Our community would be safer if people didn't have to live on the streets.
- I want to live in a community that helps people who are homeless move into housing.
- Our community should construct more and diverse housing options to serve anyone who is homeless.
- People who are properly housed use fewer services and reduce burdens on police and hospitals
- Many people who are homeless could get back on their feet and become self-sufficient if only they could receive the

housing they need.

- Communities should enforce laws to prohibit the homeless from public areas such as parks and libraries.
- I want to get involved in helping people out of homelessness, but I don't know where to start.
- Homelessness is not a big issue in my community.
- I'm not sure how I feel about homelessness.
- I am indifferent.
- OTHER: (Please Specify)

4. What is the **greatest gap in resources for people who are homeless** in Clark County that **if filled**, would result in reducing homelessness?

Short Answer

5. Which **subpopulations should be prioritized for additional resources**, if they are experiencing homelessness in Clark County? **(Please rank the following in order of priority)**

- Families
- Single Men
- Youth (ages 12-24)
- Seniors (62+)
- Veterans
- Single Women
- Couples
- People with Disabilities
- People who are Chronically Homeless (Homeless many times or for a long time and have a disability)
- Other: _____

6. What **types of assistance would you prioritize to meet the basic needs** of those living on the streets? **(Please rank the following in the order of priority.)**

- Outreach and engagement of People Living on the Street by Professional Staff
- Emergency Shelter Beds (Short-Term).
- Transitional Housing Units (Up to Two Years and not Permanent)
- Nightly Shelter and/or Severe Weather Shelter
- Sanctioned encampments (Legal Place for People to Leave Their Things All Day and Sleep)
- Emergency Shelter for Domestic Violence Survivors.
- Safe Places to Park Cars While Sleeping.
- Job Opportunities for Individuals Experiencing Homelessness.
- Support with Job Search, Training and Needed Work Gear/Clothing.
- Support Targeted to the Needs of Families with Children.
- Shower, Laundry and Restroom Access.
- Food Access
- Support Accessing Public Assistance (e.g., Social Security, SNAP, TANF)
- Behavioral Health (Mental Health and Substance Use) Outreach and Support for People Living on the Street.
- Physical Health Outreach and Support for People Living on the Street.
- Other?

7. What **new or different approaches** are you aware of that should be considered locally **to effectively meet the basic needs** of people experiencing homelessness. Please describe the approach and share where it may be used currently (e.g. Seattle, WA).

Long Answer

8. What **types of assistance would you prioritize** to help households experiencing homelessness move into and remain in stable housing? **(Choose THREE)**

- Move-in Cost Assistance and Coaching.
- Long-Term Supportive Housing Programs (Housing First).
- Affordable Housing Prioritized for Households Moving Out of Homelessness.
- Rent Assistance and Support for up to Two Years (Rapid Re-Housing)
- Domestic Violence Survivor Support

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Shared Housing Connections ○ Debt Reduction Assistance ○ Legal Advocacy and Support ○ Utility Assistance ○ Homelessness Prevention Rent Assistance and Support ○ Housing Choice Vouchers (e.g. Section 8) Prioritized for Housing Moving out of Homelessness ○ Other (Please Specify)
9. What <u>new or different approach do you believe would be most effective in moving households experiencing homelessness into housing</u>? Feel free to mention where (e.g. Portland, OR) these approaches are happening if applicable.
Long Answer
10. In your opinion, what is the <u>ONE type of assistance where a significant infusion of funds/increase in capacity</u> would have the greatest impact on reducing the number of people who are homeless in Clark County? (Choose ONE)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Rapid Re-housing 2) Housing First Supported Housing 3) Emergency Shelter 4) Transitional Housing 5) Homelessness Prevention Assistance 6) Other
11. What resources or support would your organization most benefit from in your work with people experiencing homelessness in order to reduce the number of people overall who are homeless.
Short Answer
12. What kind of community support or changes would you benefit from in your work in order to reduce the number of people overall who are homeless?
Short Answer
13. Do you have any <u>suggestions on legal, policy or rule changes</u> (local, state or federal) that would help reduce the number of people experiencing homelessness in the community?
Short Answer
14. Want to stay connected with the Homeless Action Plan progress? Share your e-mail address below.
Short Answer

The below report was developed by Clark County Public Health, utilizing the results of three web-based surveys hosted by the Clark County Council for the Homeless in June and July 2018. These surveys, which were designed individually for community members, service providers, and people experiencing homelessness, were developed with the goal of collecting both quantitative and qualitative data to represent the perspectives, priorities, and general input of these three groups on subjects relating to homelessness, its causes, and potential solutions. The results of the quantitative analysis can be found in this report, while a more comprehensive report, including results of the qualitative analysis, will be used by the Council for the Homeless to inform strategic planning and outreach but is not included in this plan.

For more information regarding these analyses, please contact CCPH's Assessment and Evaluation team at [cnyhealthhae@clark.wa.gov](mailto:cntyhealthhae@clark.wa.gov) or 564-397-8000.

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Homelessness Action Plan
Survey Responses
Quantitative Analysis

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Homelessness Action Plan Survey Responses

Community Member Survey

First Survey Date: 6/15/2018

Last Survey Date: 7/14/2018

Surveys Completed: 653

Please select the following phrase that best aligns with your current perspective on homelessness in Clark County:

All Responses	n	%
I want to live in a community that helps people who are homeless move into housing.	79	12.1%
Other	69	10.6%
Communities should enforce laws to prohibit the homeless from public areas such as parks and libraries	59	9.0%
Many people who are homeless could get back on their feet and become self-sufficient if only they could receive the housing they need.	57	8.7%
There are not nearly enough resources to help people who are homeless in Clark County.	57	8.7%
People who are homeless do not want to be homeless.	53	8.1%
We all need to help people experiencing homelessness, if we want to end it.	52	8.0%
People who are properly housed use fewer public services and reduce burdens on police and hospitals.	49	7.5%
Our community should construct more and diverse housing options to serve anyone who is homeless.	43	6.6%
Those who are homeless choose to be on the streets.	30	4.6%
It is almost impossible to be safe and free from harm when you are homeless.	27	4.1%
Programs for the homeless cost taxpayers too much money.	23	3.5%
Our community would be safer if people didn't have to live on the streets.	21	3.2%
I want to get involved in helping people out of homelessness but I don't know where to start.	11	1.7%
Programs for people who are homeless save tax payers money.	11	1.7%
I'm not sure how I feel about homelessness.	6	0.9%
Homelessness is not a big issue in my community.	2	0.3%
It is hard to understand how anyone can become homeless.	2	0.3%
Nothing can be done to solve the homelessness problem in America.	2	0.3%
TOTAL:	653	100%

What subpopulations should be prioritized for additional resources, if they are experiencing homelessness in Clark County? (Please rank the following in the order of priority.)

All Responses	Sum of Rankings	Average Ranking
Families	1748	2.7
People with Disabilities	2347	3.6
Youth (ages 12-24)	2353	3.6
Seniors (62+)	2415	3.7
Veterans	3023	4.6
Single Women	3499	5.4
People who are Chronically Homeless (Homeless many times or for a long time and have a disability)	4120	6.3
Couples	4888	7.5
Single Men	4983	7.6

What types of assistance would you prioritize to meet the basic needs of those living on the streets? (Please rank the following in the order of priority.)

All Responses	Sum of Rankings	Average Ranking
Emergency Shelter for Domestic Violence Survivors	3128	5.0
Nightly Shelter and/or Severe Weather Shelter	3777	6.0
Emergency Shelter Beds (Short-Term)	3911	6.3
Support Targeted to the Needs of Families with Children	4374	7.0
Transitional Housing Units (Up to Two Years and Not Permanent)	4578	7.5
Behavioral Health (Mental Health and Substance Use) Outreach and Support for People Living on the Street	4691	7.5
Shower, Laundry and Restroom Access	4714	7.5
Outreach and Engagement of People Living on the Street by Professional Staff	4594	7.6
Food Access	4774	7.7
Job Opportunities for Individuals Experiencing Homelessness	5003	7.9
Support with Job Search, Training and Needed Work Gear/Clothing	5140	8.2
Safe Places to Park Cars While Sleeping	5745	9.4
Sanctioned Encampments (Legal place for people to leave their things and sleep)	5816	9.5
Physical Health Outreach and Support for People Living on the Street	6602	10.7
Support Accessing Public Assistance (e.g. Social Security, SNAP, TANF)	6858	11.1

What types of assistance would you prioritize to help households experiencing homelessness move into and remain in stable housing? (Choose THREE):

All Responses	n	% Respondents Selecting (653)
Domestic Violence Survivors Support	288	44.1%
Affordable Housing Prioritized for Households Moving Out of Homelessness	277	42.4%
Homelessness Prevention Rent Assistance and Support	231	35.4%
Move-In Cost Assistance and Coaching	212	32.5%
Rent Assistance and Support for up to Two Years (Rapid-Re-Housing)	193	29.6%
Long-Term Supportive Housing Programs (Housing First)	188	28.8%
Shared Housing Connections	131	20.1%
Housing Choice Vouchers (e.g. Section 8) Prioritized for Housing Moving out of Homelessness	130	19.9%
Legal Advocacy and Support	77	11.8%
Utility Assistance	77	11.8%
Debt Reduction Assistance	53	8.1%

Homelessness Action Plan Survey Responses

People Experiencing Homelessness Survey

What subpopulations should be prioritized for additional resources, if they are experiencing homelessness in Clark County? (Please rank the following in the order of priority.)

All Responses	Sum of Rankings	Average Ranking
Families	1748	2.7
People with Disabilities	2347	3.6
Youth (ages 12-24)	2353	3.6
Seniors (62+)	2415	3.7
Veterans	3023	4.6
Single Women	3499	5.4
People who are Chronically Homeless (Homeless many times or for a long time and have a disability)	4120	6.3
Couples	4888	7.5
Single Men	4983	7.6

What types of assistance would you prioritize to meet the basic needs of those living on the streets? (Please rank the following in the order of priority.)

All Responses	Sum of Rankings	Average Ranking
Emergency Shelter for Domestic Violence Survivors	3128	5.0
Nightly Shelter and/or Severe Weather Shelter	3777	6.0
Emergency Shelter Beds (Short-Term)	3911	6.3
Support Targeted to the Needs of Families with Children	4374	7.0
Transitional Housing Units (Up to Two Years and Not Permanent)	4578	7.5
Behavioral Health (Mental Health and Substance Use) Outreach and Support for People Living on the Street	4691	7.5
Shower, Laundry and Restroom Access	4714	7.5
Outreach and Engagement of People Living on the Street by Professional Staff	4594	7.6
Food Access	4774	7.7
Job Opportunities for Individuals Experiencing Homelessness	5003	7.9
Support with Job Search, Training and Needed Work Gear/Clothing	5140	8.2
Safe Places to Park Cars While Sleeping	5745	9.4
Sanctioned Encampments (Legal place for people to leave their things and sleep)	5816	9.5
Physical Health Outreach and Support for People Living on the Street	6602	10.7
Support Accessing Public Assistance (e.g. Social Security, SNAP, TANF)	6858	11.1

What are the top three types of basic needs assistance that should be created or increased in Clark County? (CHOOSE THREE):

All Responses	n	% Respondents Selecting (42)
Shower, Laundry, and Restroom Access	27	64.3%
Sanctioned Encampments	16	38.1%
Transitional Housing Units (Up to Two Years)	12	28.6%
Behavioral Health (Mental Health and Substance Use) Outreach and Support	11	26.2%
Outreach and Engagement by Professional Staff	8	19.0%
Support with Job Search, Training, and Needed Work Gear/Clothing	8	19.0%
Food Access	8	19.0%
Safe Places to Park Cars While Sleeping	7	16.7%
Physical Health Outreach and Support	6	14.3%
Emergency Shelter Beds (Short-Term)	5	11.9%
Emergency Shelter for Domestic Violence Survivors	3	7.1%
Job Opportunities for Individuals Experiencing Homelessness	3	7.1%
Support Targeted to the Needs of Families with Children	3	7.1%
Support Accessing Public Assistance (e.g. Social Security, SNAP, TANF)	2	4.8%

What are the top three types of assistance that should be increased or created that would help you (and your family) move into stable housing ? (CHOOSE THREE)

All Responses	n	% Respondents Selecting (42)
Rent Assistance and Support for Up to Two Years (Rapid Re-Housing)	22	52.4%
Move-In Cost Assistance and Coaching	20	47.6%
Affordable Housing Prioritized for Households Moving Out of Homelessness	18	42.9%
Homeless Prevention Financial Assistance	15	35.7%
Long-Term Supportive Housing Programs (Housing First)	14	33.3%
Legal Advocacy and Support	7	16.7%
Utility Assistance	6	14.3%
Debt Reduction Assistance	3	7.1%
Shared Housing Connections	2	4.8%
Domestic Violence Survivor Support	1	2.4%

What are the top three things making it difficult for you to move into housing?

All Responses	n	% Respondents Selecting (42)
Lack of Income or No Income (no job)	29	69.0%
Lack of Affordable Housing	17	40.5%
Criminal Background	15	35.7%
Poor Rental History or Past Evictions	14	33.3%
Limited Knowledge of Resources Available	12	28.6%
Disability	10	23.8%
Debt, Garnishments or Money Owed to Landlord	7	16.7%
Limited Opportunities for Transitional Housing Options	6	14.3%
Substance Abuse or Use Issues	4	9.5%
Need Mental Health Services	2	4.8%

Homelessness Action Plan Survey Responses

Service Provider Survey

First Survey Date: 6/15/2018

Last Survey Date: 7/12/2018

Surveys Completed: 111

Do you currently provide assistance or support to people experiencing homelessness directly through work or as a volunteer?

All Responses	n	%
Yes	99	89.2%
No	12	10.8%

Please select the following phrase that best aligns with your current perspective on homelessness in Clark County:

All Responses	n	%
There are not nearly enough resources to help people who are homeless in Clark County.	19	17.1%
I want to live in a community that helps people who are homeless move into housing.	15	13.5%
We all need to help people experiencing homelessness, if we want to end it.	15	13.5%
Our community should construct more and diverse housing options to serve anyone who is homeless.	14	12.6%
Many people who are homeless could get back on their feet and become self-sufficient if only they could	11	9.9%
Other (please specify)	11	9.9%
People who are properly housed use fewer public services and reduce burdens on police and hospitals.	10	9.0%
It is almost impossible to be safe and free from harm when you are homeless.	6	5.4%
People who are homeless do not want to be homeless.	5	4.5%
Programs for people who are homeless save tax payers money.	2	1.8%
Communities should enforce laws to prohibit the homeless from public areas such as parks and libraries.	1	0.9%
I'm not sure how I feel about homelessness.	1	0.9%
Those who are homeless choose to be on the streets.	1	0.9%
TOTAL:	111	100%

What subpopulations should be prioritized for additional resources, if they are experiencing homelessness in Clark County? (Please rank the following in the order of priority.)

All Responses	Sum of Rankings	Average Ranking
Families	303	2.8
People with Disabilities	347	3.2
Youth (ages 12-24)	376	3.6
Seniors (62+)	429	4.0
People who are Chronically Homeless	532	5.0
Single Women	555	5.3
Veterans	570	5.5
Couples	753	7.3
Single Men	823	7.8

What types of assistance would you prioritize to meet the basic needs of those living on the streets? (Please rank the following in the order of priority.)

All Responses	Sum of Rankings	Average Ranking
Emergency Shelter Beds (Short-Term)	594	5.6
Emergency Shelter for Survivors of Domestic Violence	597	5.6
Shower, Laundry and Restroom Access	633	5.9
Transitional Housing Units (Up to Two Years and not permanent)	661	6.3
Behavioral Health (Mental Health and Substance Use) Outreach and Support for People Living on the Street	685	6.4
Outreach and Engagement of People Living on the Street by Professional Staff	710	6.9
Sanctioned Encampments where people can leave legally their things and sleep at night.	740	7.0
Support Targeted to the Needs of Families with Children	770	7.3
Food Access	787	7.5
Safe Places to Park Cars or RV's While Sleeping	854	8.0
Job Opportunities for Individuals Experiencing Homelessness	886	8.4
Physical Health Outreach and Support for People Living on the Street	949	9.1
Support with Job Search, Training and Needed Work Gear/Clothing	973	9.2
Support Accessing Public Assistance (e.g. Social Security, SNAP, TANF)	2060	10.0

In your opinion, what is the ONE type of assistance where a significant infusion of funds/ increase in capacity would have the greatest impact on reducing the number of people who are homeless in Clark County? (Choose ONE)

All Responses	Sum of Rankings	Average Ranking
Housing First Supported Housing	32	31.7%
Homelessness Prevention Assistance	27	26.7%
Rapid Re-Housing	19	18.8%
Transitional Housing	17	16.8%
Emergency Shelter	6	5.9%
TOTAL:	101	100%

What types of assistance would you prioritize to help households experiencing homelessness move into and remain in stable housing? (Choose THREE):

All Responses	n	% Respondents Selecting (42)
Long-Term Supportive Housing Programs (Housing First)	62	55.9%
Affordable Housing Prioritized for Households Moving Out of Homelessness	55	49.5%
Rent Assistance and Support for up to Two Years (Rapid-Re-Housing)	42	37.8%
Move-In Cost Assistance and Coaching	39	35.1%
Homelessness Prevention Financial Assistance	38	34.2%
Housing Choice Vouchers (e.g. Section 8) Prioritized for Households Moving out of Homelessness	33	29.7%
Domestic Violence Survivor Support	24	21.6%
Shared Housing Connections	17	15.3%
Debt Reduction Assistance	17	15.3%
Legal Advocacy and Support	15	13.5%
Utility Assistance	11	9.9%

Appendix III: Point In Time (PIT) Count Results



Clark County Homeless System Numbers 2017

TOTALS



This includes **871** FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN & **42** VETERAN FAMILIES

They requested assistance with emergency shelter, regaining stable housing, or both (1.8% increase from 2016).

Overall, 1,401 children under 18 experienced homelessness, including 576 children under 6 years old.

DIVERSION

CFTH HELPED



They regained stable housing through coaching, navigation, and one-time assistance from the Housing Relief Fund.

SHELTER



This includes **619** FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN & **202** VETERAN HOUSEHOLDS

CFTH placed 842 households (40.5%) into partner emergency shelters at some point during the year, including 110 families with children. The remaining households were turned away due to lack of space.

HOUSING



This includes 743 families with children & 42 veteran families.

They requested help getting back into housing through a housing program that pays rent and provides supportive services.

CFTH placed 5.6% of these households (134 total and 69 families with children) into housing programs operated by partner non-profit agencies.



What homelessness in Clark County looks like:

Age:

0-5 = 576
6-11 = 452
12-17 = 373
18-23 = 317
24-44 = 1580
45-54 = 594
55-69 = 425
70+ = 39

Gender:

Female = 2228
Male = 2113
Trans Female (MTF) = 13
Trans Male (FTM) = 2

Race:

American Indian or Alaskan Native = 159
Asian = 33
Black or African American = 572
Client Refused = 35
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander = 353
Other Multiracial = 208
White = 2996

Ethnicity:

Hispanic/Latino = 508
Non-Hispanic/Latino = 3848

Data Source: Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) of Clark County Updated 3.8.2018

2018 WA- Clark County PIT Report Form

Part 1: Homeless Population	Sheltered		Unsheltered 2018	Unsheltered 2017
	Emergency	Transitional		
Number of Families with Children (Family Households):	31	29	44	44
Number of Households <u>without</u> Children:	133	63	202	122
Number of Households <u>without</u> Adults (nobody over 17 years old):	5	1	6	2
1. Number of Persons in Families with Children:	114	87	141	135
Number of persons (under age 18)	67	53	78	78
Number of persons (Age 18-24)	6	7	0	0
Number of persons (over Age 24)	41	27	63	57
2. Number of Single Individuals and Persons in Households <u>without</u> Children:	146	67	227	132
Number of persons (Age 18-24)	11	3	18	8
Number of persons (over Age 24)	135	64	209	124
3. Number of Persons in Households <u>without</u> Adults (nobody over 17 years old):	5	2	6	2
Total Persons: (Add Lines Numbered 1, 2 & 3)	265	156	374	269
Part 2: Homeless Subpopulations	Sheltered		Unsheltered 2018	Unsheltered 2017
	Emergency	Transitional		
a. Chronically Homeless Individuals	55	N/A	60	26
b. Chronically Homeless Families	1	N/A	3	3
c. Persons in Chronically Homeless Families	2	N/A	6	9
d. Veterans - Male	8	6	21	7
e. Veterans - Female	1	1	0	0
f. Senior citizens (aged 65 or older)	9	2	9	3



Appendix IV: Housing Inventory Chart



Row #	Year	Proj. Type	Organization Name	Project Name	Geo Code	Inventory Type	Target Pop. A	Target Pop. B	Beds HH w/ Children	Units HH w/ Children	Beds HH w/o Children	Beds HH w/ only Children	Veteran Beds HH w/ Children	Youth Beds HH w/ Children	CH Beds HH w/ Children	Veteran Beds HH w/o Children	Youth Beds HH w/o Children	CH Beds HH w/o Children	CH Beds HH w/ only Children	Victim Service Provider	Housing Type	Year-Round Beds	Total Seasonal Beds	Availability Start Date	Availability End Date	Overflow Beds	PIT Count	Total Beds	Utilization Rate
835984	2018	RRH	Community Services Northwest	CSNW - CHEC - TBRA - RRH	539011	C	CO		0	0	5	0	0	0		0	0			No	Tenant-based – scattered site	5					5	5	100%
835981	2018	PSH	Community Services Northwest	CSNW PSH Northwest	539011	C	SMF+HC		8	2	1	0	0	0	8	0	0	1		No	Tenant-based – scattered site	9					8	9	89%
835982	2018	PSH	Community Services Northwest	CSNW PSH Northwest II	539011	C	SMF+HC		4	2	2	0	0	0	4	0	0	2		No	Tenant-based – scattered site	6					5	6	83%
835944	2018	PSH	Community Services Northwest	The Way Home	539011	C	SMF					16				0	0	0		No	Tenant-based – scattered site	16					15	16	94%
835958	2018	PSH	Community Services Northwest	The Way Home 3	539011	C	SMF				10					0	0	10		No	Tenant-based – scattered site	10					9	10	90%
835930	2018	RRH	Council for the Homeless	HSC - Diversion	531668	C	SMF		0	0	7	0	0	0		0	0			No	Tenant-based – scattered site	7					7	7	100%
835977	2018	RRH	Council for the Homeless	HSC - Diversion Families_ WYFFDIV	539011	C	HC		52	17	0	0	0	0		0	0			No	Tenant-based – scattered site	52					52	52	100%
835953	2018	ES	Council for the Homeless	Motel Vouchers	539011	C	SMF+HC		2	1	2		0	0		0	0			No	Tenant-based – scattered site	4					4	4	100%
835932	2018	ES	Council for the Homeless	WHO-St Andrew	539011	C	SFHC		0	0	0									No	Site-based – single site	0	50	11/1/2017	4/1/2018		49	50	98%
835933	2018	ES	Council for the Homeless	WHO-St Paul	531668	C	SM													No	Site-based – single site		27	11/1/2017	4/1/2018		25	27	93%
835959	2018	PSH	Impact NW	Impact NW - PSH	411098	C	SMF		0	0	10	0	0	0		0	0	10		No	Tenant-based – scattered site	10					9	10	90%
835972	2018	PSH	Impact NW	Impact NW - PSH Local	539011	C	SMF		0	0	2	0	0	0		0	0	2		No	Tenant-based – scattered site	2					2	2	100%
849592	2018	PSH	Impact NW	Impact NW - PSH Local	539011	N	SMF		0	0	6	0	0	0		0	0	6		No	Tenant-based – scattered site	6					6	6	100%
835961	2018	RRH	Impact NW	Impact NW - RRH	539011	C	HC		10	3	2	0	0	0		0	0			No	Tenant-based – scattered site	12					12	12	100%
835964	2018	RRH	Impact NW	Impact NW - RRH TANF	539011	C	HC		4	1	0	0	0	0		0	0			No	Tenant-based – scattered site	4					4	4	100%

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835974	2018	PSH	Janus Youth Programs	Janus Connections	539011	C	SMF		0	0	11	0	0	0	0	0	11	11		No	Tenant-based – scattered site	11						11	11	100%
835971	2018	RRH	Janus Youth Programs	Janus Nest	539011	C	SMF+HC		7	2	0	0	0	7		0	0			No	Tenant-based – scattered site	7						7	7	100%
835965	2018	RRH	Janus Youth Programs	Janus Nest 2 - City	539011	C	SMF+HC		15	6	7	0	0	15		0	7			No	Tenant-based – scattered site	22						22	22	100%
835966	2018	RRH	Janus Youth Programs	Janus Nest 2 - County	539011	C	SMF+HC		14	5	4		0	14		0	4			No	Tenant-based – scattered site	18						18	18	100%
835934	2018	ES	Janus Youth Programs	Oak Bridge	531668	C	YMF					11								No	Site-based – single site	11	0					6	11	55%
835936	2018	TH	Open House Ministries	Open House Shelter	531668	C	SFHC		100	43	5		0	0		0	0			No	Site-based – single site	105						68	105	65%
850995	2018	TH	Open House Ministries	Open House Shelter Annex	531668	N	SMF+HC		3	1	3	0	0	0		0	0			No	Site-based – single site	6						6	6	100%
835941	2018	TH	Open House Ministries	Pinewood Terrace	531668	C	SMF+HC		22	7	5		0	0		0	0			No	Site-based – single site	27						16	27	59%
835949	2018	TH	Open House Ministries	Transitional PBRA	531668	C	SMF+HC		9	1			0	0						No	Site-based – single site	9						9	9	100%
835962	2018	TH	Second Step Housing	Second Step - CF Transitional Housing	531668	C	SFHC		4	2	4		0	0		0	0			No	Site-based – clustered / multiple sites	8						5	8	62%
835954	2018	TH	Second Step Housing	Second Step - Transitional Housing	531668	C	SMF+HC		9	4	8		0	0		0	0			No	Site-based – clustered / multiple sites	17						15	17	88%
835973	2018	PSH	Share	Aspire - Story Street	531668	C	SMF+HC		9	2	3	0	0	0	9	0	0	3		No	Site-based – single site	12						12	12	100%
849798	2018	PSH	Share	Aspire - Story Street	531668	N	SMF+HC		9	3	10	0	0	0	9	0	0	10		No	Site-based – single site	19						19	19	100%
835948	2018	RRH	Share	ASPIRE HOME - City	539011	C	SMF+HC		22	9	6	0	0	0		0	0			No	Tenant-based – scattered site	28						28	28	100%
835963	2018	RRH	Share	ASPIRE HOME - County	539011	C	SMF+HC		39	13	12	0	0	0		0	0			No	Tenant-based – scattered site	51						51	51	100%

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335951	2018	PSH	Share	B2H4 HUD Match	531668	C	SMF+HC		10	3			0	0	10					No	Tenant-based – scattered site	10						10	10	100%
335950	2018	PSH	Share	Bridging The Gap	531668	C	SMF			0	4					0	0	4		No	Tenant-based – scattered site	4						4	4	100%
335957	2018	PSH	Share	Bridging The Gap - CF	531668	C	SMF					2				0	0	2		No	Tenant-based – scattered site	2						2	2	100%
349810	2018	PSH	Share	Bridging The Gap - CF	531668	N	SMF					2				0	0	2		No	Tenant-based – scattered site	2						2	2	100%
335980	2018	PSH	Share	Share - Lincoln Place	531668	C	SMF					30				0	0	30		No	Site-based – single site	30						30	30	100%
335960	2018	ES	Share	Share - WHAT	531668	C	SF					18				0	0			No	Site-based – single site	18	0					17	18	94%
335970	2018	RRH	Share	Share HEN RRH	539011	C	SMF		0	0	80	0	0	0		0	0			No	Tenant-based – scattered site	80						80	80	100%
335937	2018	ES	Share	Share Homestead	531668	C	SFHC		44	11	6		0	0		0	0			No	Site-based – single site	50	0			4	52	54	96%	
335938	2018	ES	Share	Share House	531668	C	SM					30				0	0			No	Site-based – single site	30	0			27	48	57	84%	
335939	2018	ES	Share	Share Orchards Inn	531668	C	SFHC		39	11	5		0	0		0	0			No	Site-based – single site	44	0			7	46	51	90%	
335952	2018	RRH	Share	Share Pros	539011	C	SMF+HC		94	26	27	0	0	0		0	0			No	Tenant-based – scattered site	121						121	121	100%
335947	2018	TH	Share	Share Resident Transitional	531668	C	SMF					38				0	0			No	Site-based – single site	38						31	38	82%
335955	2018	PSH	Share	Share Step Forward	531668	C	SMF		0	0	14	0	0	0		0	0	14		No	Tenant-based – scattered site	14						11	14	79%
335942	2018	PSH	Vancouver Housing Authority	Central Park Place	531668	C	SMF		0	0	90	0	0	0		40	0	0		No	Site-based – single site	90						90	90	100%
335979	2018	PSH	Vancouver Housing Authority	Central Park Place - VASH	539011	C	SMF		0	0	30	0	0	0		30	0	30		No	Site-based – single site	30						29	30	97%
335978	2018	PSH	Vancouver Housing Authority	Freedom's Path - VASH	539011	C	SMF		0	0	40	0	0	0		40	0	40		No	Site-based – single site	40						40	40	100%

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335946	2018	PSH	Vancouver Housing Authority	VASH-HUD/VASH	539011	C	SMF				112	0				112	0	112		No	Tenant-based – scattered site	112						112	112	100%
335985	2018	PSH	Vancouver Housing Authority	VASH-HUD/VASH	539011	U	SMF				14	0				14	0	14		No	Tenant-based – scattered site	14							14	
335943	2018	TH	Vida's Ark	Vida's Ark	531668	C	SFHC		8	4	0		0	8						No	Site-based – single site	8						6	8	75%
335940	2018	ES	YWCA Clark County	Safe Choice	531668	C	SFHC	DV	19	5	4		0	0		0	0			No	Site-based – single site	23	0					18	23	78%
									Sum : 559	Sum : 185	Sum : 688	Sum : 11	Sum : 0	Sum : 47	Sum : 40	Sum : 236	Sum : 23	Sum : 303	Sum :			Sum : 1258	Sum : 77				Sum : 38	Sum : 1258		

Housing Inventory Chart Key:
C=Current
CH=Chronically Homeless
CO= Chronically Homeless Only
ES= Emergency Shelter
HH=Household
N=New
PSH= Permanent Supportive Housing
RRH= Rapid Re-Housing
SF= Single Female
SFHC= Single Female Plus Households with Kids
SM= Single Male
SMF= Single Male or Single Female
SMF +HC = Single Male or Female with Kids
TH= Transitional Housing
U=Under Development

Appendix V: CoC Taskforce Committee Descriptions

Applicant: Council for the Homeless
Project: WA-508 CoC Planning Application FY2018

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3B. Committees

Provide information for up to five of the most active CoC-wide planning committees, subcommittees and/or workgroups, to address homeless needs in the CoC's geographic area that recommend and set policy priorities for the CoC, including a brief description of the role and the frequency of the meetings. Only include committees, subcommittees and/or workgroups, that are directly involved in CoC-wide planning and not the regular delivery of services.

Name of Group	Role of the Group (max 750 characters)	Meeting Frequency	Name of Individuals and/or Organizations Represented
CoC Steering Committee	This is the governing and planning committee responsible for the CoC meeting all applicable rules and regulations, as well as progressing the local homeless action plan.	Monthly	Council for the Homeless, Vancouver Housing Authority, City of Vancouver, Second Step Housing, Battle Ground School District, Share, Community Services NW, Clark County and Janus Youth.
CoC Coordinated Assessment Workgroup	This workgroup sets policy, addresses issues and progresses goals for Clark County's coordinated entry and assessment.	Bi-Monthly	Council for the Homeless, Share, Janus Youth, The Salvation Army, Clark County, City of Vancouver, Community Services NW, Second Step Housing, Impact NW, Vancouver Housing Authority, 211info, YWCA Clark County, DSHS, Clark County Jail
Coalition of Service Providers	This is the coordinating body of the CoC. The group works to progress policy and outcomes set by the Steering Committee, to identify advocacy opportunities, to provide trainings and to progress the Homeless Action Plan, by carrying out activities assigned by the Steering Committee.	Bi-Monthly	DSHS, Share, WorkSource, REACH CDC, Proud Ground, Janus Youth, Community Services NW, Clark County, CVAB, NAMI, CHAP, and CRC
Housing First Cohort	This workgroup consists of Housing First agencies and serves as a peer learning environment to move toward housing model fidelity and work through challenges.	Bi-Monthly	Clark County, Share, Impact NW, Janus Youth, Community Services NW,
Severe Weather Task Force	This task force consists of agencies addressing the winter severe weather needs of those who are unsheltered. Focus is on coordination and collaboration to save lives and meet action plan goals.	Monthly	Council for the Homeless, four Lutheran Churches, Food with Friends, Living Hope Church, CHAP, City of Vancouver, Clark County

Appendix VI: Acronyms, Glossary & Key Definitions

ACRONYMS:

<u>Acronym</u>	<u>Definition</u>
APR	Annual Performance Report
CoC	Continuum of Care —A regional or local planning body that coordinates housing and services funding for homeless families and individuals. In Clark County, that body is made up of over 100 people including service providers, advocates, and community members. The group is facilitated by a steering committee and coordinated by Council for the Homeless. In addition to continuing education and developing partnerships, the CoC is responsible for submitting the annual <i>nationally-competitive funding application</i> to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).
Data Warehouse	Information system storing program and operational data from HMIS
HCRS	Homeless Crisis Response System--
HIC	Housing Inventory Count —a federal requirement to be a part of any plan. This lists the number of programs being offer in the Clark County community addressing homelessness.
HMIS	Homeless Management Information System
HPRP	Homeless Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing Program
HSC	Housing Solutions Center —single point of access for housing services in Clark County
HUD	U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
OMB	Office of Management and Budget
PHS	Public Housing System
PIT	Point in Time
RR	Rapid Re-Housing Program
SHP or SH	Supportive Housing Program
TBRA or TRA	Tenant Based Rental Assistance
TH	Transitional Housing

Definitions: (*HUD Definitions)

Chronic Homelessness: Per the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) is an adult with a disabling condition or a family with at least one adult member with a disabling condition who has been continuously homeless for one year or more and/or has experienced four or more episodes of homelessness within the past three years.

Community Services Block Grant (CSBG): Created under the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, this program provides grant funds to local and state governments to develop viable urban communities by providing decent housing with a suitable living environment and expanding economic opportunities to assist low- and moderate-income residents. The purpose of CSBG is to provide assistance to states and local communities through community action agencies and neighborhood-based organizations to reduce poverty, revitalize low-income communities, and empower low-income families and individuals in rural and urban areas to become fully self-sufficient. This applies particularly to families who are attempting to transition off public assistance. In order to accomplish this, a community advisory board that includes participation of low-income persons establishes priorities based on community needs.

Consolidated Homeless Grant (CHG): CHG combines state homeless resources into a single grant opportunity under the administration of the Washington State Department of Commerce. The grant is allocated by Clark County Community Services to local non-profit housing agencies. CHG supports an integrated system of housing assistance to prevent homelessness and to secure permanent housing for persons who are homeless or at-risk of homelessness, as described in local plans to end homelessness.

Consolidated Plan: A document written by a state or local government describing the housing needs of the low- and moderate-income residents, outlining strategies to meet these needs, and listing all resources available to implement the strategies. This document is required in order to receive **HUD Community Planning and Development** funds.

Continuum of Care: A collaborative funding and planning approach that helps communities plan for and provide, as necessary, a full range of emergency, transitional, and permanent housing and other service resources to address the various needs of homeless persons. HUD also refers to the group of service providers involved in the decision-making processes as the "Continuum of Care."

Disability: A physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more of the major life activities of such for an individual.

Domestic Violence: Includes felony or misdemeanor crimes of violence committed by a current or former spouse of the victim, by a person with whom the victim shares a child in common, by a person who is cohabitating with or has cohabitated with the victim as a spouse, by a person similarly situated to a spouse of the victim under the domestic or family violence laws of the jurisdiction receiving grant monies, or by any other person against an adult or youth victim who is protected from that person's acts under the domestic or family violence laws of the jurisdiction.

Emergency Shelter: any facility, the primary purpose of which is to provide temporary or transitional shelter for the homeless in general or for specific populations of the homeless.

Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)—ESG is funded by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Homeless Emergency Assistance and Rapid Transitions to Housing Act of 2009 (HEARTH Act) and granted to Clark County Community Services through the Washington State Department of Commerce. The purpose of ESG is to rapidly re-house persons who are experiencing homelessness. The funds target individuals and families who would be homeless if it were not for this assistance. The funds provide for short-term or medium-term rental assistance, house searching and placement, and housing stability case management.

Eviction: The dispossession of the tenant from the leased unit as a result of the termination of tenancy, including a termination prior to the end of a lease term.

Extremely Low-Income Households: Those with incomes below 30 percent of area median income. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) programs use "area median incomes" calculated on the basis of local family incomes, with adjustments for household size.

Fair Market Rent (FMR): Primarily used to determine payment standard amounts for the Housing Choice Voucher program, to determine initial renewal rents for some expiring project-based Section 8 contracts, to determine initial rents for housing assistance payment contracts in the Moderate Rehabilitation Single Room Occupancy program, and to serve as a rent ceiling in the **HOME** rental assistance program

Family: All persons living in the same household who are related by birth, marriage or adoption.

Homeless: An individual who lacks a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence; as well an individual who has a primary nighttime residence that is a supervised publicly or privately operated shelter designed to provide temporary living

accommodations, an institution that provides a temporary residence for individuals intended to be institutionalized; or a public or private place not designed for, or ordinarily used as, a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings.

Homeless Prevention: Activities or programs designed to prevent the incidence of homelessness, including, but not limited to: (1) short-term subsidies to defray rent and utility arrearages for families that have received eviction or utility termination notices; (2) security deposits or first month's rent to permit a homeless family to move into its own apartment; (3) mediation programs for landlord-tenant disputes; (4) legal services programs that enable representation of indigent tenants in eviction proceedings; (5) payments to prevent foreclosure on a home; and (6) other innovative programs and activities designed to prevent the incidence of homelessness.

Household: All the people who occupy a housing unit. A household includes the related family members and all the unrelated people, if any, such as lodgers, foster children, wards, or employees who share the housing unit. A person living alone in a housing unit, or a group of unrelated people sharing a housing unit such as partners or roomers, is also counted as a household.

Housing Unit: A house, apartment, group of rooms, or single room occupied or intended for occupancy as separate living quarters.

Low-Income Family: families whose [combined] income does not exceed 80 percent of the median family income for the area.

Low-Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC): A tax incentive intended to increase the availability of low-income housing. The program provides an income tax credit to owners of newly constructed or substantially rehabilitated low-income rental housing projects.

Moderate Income: Households whose incomes are between 81 percent and 95 percent of the median income for the area, as determined by HUD, with adjustments for smaller or larger families. HUD may establish income ceilings higher or lower than 95 percent of the median for the area on the basis of HUD's findings that such variations are necessary because of prevailing levels of construction costs, fair market rents, or unusually high or low family incomes.

Unaccompanied Youth: A youth not in the physical custody of a parent or guardian.

Unsheltered Homeless: A person's primary nighttime residence is a public or private place not designed for or ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings, including a car, park, abandoned building, bus or train station.

Scattered-Site Housing: Assisted housing dispersed throughout the community and usually rented from a private landlord.

Section 8 Rental Assistance: Provides rental assistance to low-income families who are unable to afford market rents. Assistance may be in the form of vouchers or certificates.

Sheltered Homeless: Individuals living in a supervised public or privately-operated shelter designated to provide a temporary living arrangement that includes congregate shelters, transitional housing, and hotels and motels paid for by charitable organizations or by federal, state, or local government program.

Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (TBRA): HUD assists low- and very low-income families in obtaining decent, safe, and sanitary housing in private accommodations by making up the difference between what they can afford and the approved rent for an adequate housing unit.

Transitional Housing: A project that has as its purpose facilitating the movement of homeless individuals and families to permanent housing within a reasonable amount of time (usually 24 months). Transitional housing includes housing

primarily designed to serve deinstitutionalized homeless individuals and other homeless individuals with mental or physical disabilities and homeless families with children.

Unduplicated Homeless— The number of individuals counted once in a PIT or inventory count.

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development(HUD): Established in 1965, HUD's mission is to increase homeownership, support community development, and increase access to affordable housing free from discrimination. HUD oversees many of the federal funding streams to implement homeless services and CRS.

Vacant Unit: a dwelling unit that has been vacant for not less than nine consecutive months. Based and community organizations — that leverage resources and improve HUD's ability to be effective on the community level.

Very Low-Income: Households whose incomes do not exceed 50 percent of the median area income for the area, as determined by HUD, with adjustments for smaller and larger families and for areas with unusually high or low incomes or where needed because of facility, college, or other training facility; prevailing levels of construction costs; or fair market rents.