

Methodology for IL-514 - DuPage County CoC

Sheltered Population Total

1. What data source(s) was used to produce the total number of people included in the sheltered population (staying in an emergency shelter, Safe Haven, or transitional housing) on the night of the count? Please indicate the percentage of the PIT count derived from each of the sources. (If a source was not used, please enter zero).

HMIS Data	100%
Provider-level surveys	0%
Client-level surveys	0%
Observation	0%
Other	0%
Total	100%

2. Was the CoC able to collect information about the number of people being sheltered on the night of the count from all emergency shelters, Safe Havens, and transitional housing projects listed on the HIC or only some? listed on your HIC or only some?

- Complete census count

3. What information or method(s) was used to de-duplicate the count of the total number of people included in the sheltered population?

- Comparison of personally identifying information (PII), such as name, date of birth, and Social Security Number
- Comparison of unique client identifiers (not PII)

Sheltered Subpopulation

4. What data source(s) was used to produce the demographic and subpopulation data included in the sheltered population (staying in an emergency shelter, Safe Haven, or transitional housing) on the night of the count? (select all that were used)

- HMIS Data
- Other: Followup and verification with providers

5. Was the CoC able to collect information about the demographic and subpopulation characteristics of all sheltered people or only some?

- All sheltered people

6. Looking at the change in your sheltered count from last year's count, please choose up to three reasons that best explains these changes from the drop down list below.

- Change in transitional housing capacity

Please provide a brief description of these specific factors (500 word limit):

Removed Bridge Transitional Housing from the 2017 Housing Inventory Chart due to this program does not meet the inclusion criteria of being dedicated homeless beds. This program reported 240 beds in the 2016 HIC, and 221 persons on the 2016 sheltered PIT count. However an analysis of the clients indicated 90% did not meet homeless criteria and this project is not requiring it for admission anymore. This was a substantial reduction in Transitional housing households with children due to this change.

Unsheltered Population

7. What approach(es) was used to count the total number of people included in the unsheltered population during the PIT count. (select all that were used)

- "Night of the count" - complete census
- "Night of the count" - known locations

7a. Were certain areas within the CoC geography specifically excluded because the CoC had reason to believe there were no unsheltered people in those areas?

No

7c. In areas that were canvassed, did the CoC count all unsheltered people in those areas or a sample of people?

- All people encountered during the count

8. What information or method(s) was used to de-duplicate the total count of people in the unsheltered population? (Check all that apply)

- Comparison of unique client identifiers (not PII)
- Blitz count of unsheltered people (i.e., canvassing of different areas occurred at same time to avoid double counting)

- Interview/survey question(s) with screening questions (e.g., have you already completed a count survey)

Unsheltered Subpopulations

9. What approach(es) was used to collect demographic and subpopulation data about unsheltered people included in the unsheltered population during the PIT count?

- Surveys/interviews of people identified as unsheltered on the night of the PIT count

10. Were all people who were encountered during canvassing on the night of the count or during post night of the count PIT activities asked to complete a survey/interview?

- All people encountered were surveyed

11. What information or method(s) was used to produce an unduplicated total count of homeless people across your sheltered and unsheltered populations?

- Comparison of unique client identifiers (not PII)
- Blitz count of unsheltered people (i.e., sheltered and unsheltered counts occurred at same time to avoid double counting)
- Interview/survey question(s) with screening questions (e.g., have you already completed a count survey)

12. Looking at the change in your unsheltered count from last year's count, please choose up to three reasons that best explains these changes from the drop down list below

- Increased or improved PIT count training
- More volunteers for PIT count
- Change in awareness of PIT count and relevant resources
- Change in rapid re-housing capacity
- Other:

Please provide a brief description of these specific factors (500 word limit):

- HMIS data from street outreach and/or other providers

More persons accepted shelter on the night of the count. New programs including street outreach and additional rapid rehousing options other than HUD provide more housing options.

The unsheltered count decreased 50% from 30 persons to 15 persons from the 2015 unsheltered count.

The demographics remained consistent. There were 12 male and 3 female. Only 3 persons were chronically homeless. There were 13 white, 1 African American and 1 multiple race. All persons were single individuals. There were 0 unsheltered families.

At least 5 persons found on the night of the count accepted shelter so were not counted as per HUD guidelines. DuPage PADS has a privately funded Housing Now project that provides timely rehousing for persons entering their shelter. DuPage PADS and Catholic Charities have a new tenant based rental assistance project to assist persons from shelter into permanent housing.

