



Lane County 2019 Unsheltered Point in Time Count Summary May 2019

Every year, on the last Wednesday of January, the Lane County Human Services Division conducts the annual one-night Homeless Point in Time (PIT) Count. The PIT Count is a three part survey which includes a count of the unsheltered and sheltered population of people experiencing homelessness, as well as a Housing Inventory Count (HIC).

The 2019 PIT Count was conducted for the night of January 30, 2019. Unsheltered count locations included the streets, under bridges, parks and other places not meant for human habitation, as well as food pantries, day access centers, schools, churches, emergency shelters, and transitional housing programs.

The Point-In-Time Count provides a useful tool for understanding homelessness and year-over-year trends in our community. One-night counts are required by the Department of Housing and Urban Development, and Oregon Housing and Community Services (State of Oregon) which provides funding for housing and services related to homelessness. The Point in Time Summary is used year-round by planning boards, nonprofits, community organizations, and policy makers on local, state and federal levels to inform their work on this issue.

Highlights of the Count:

Of the 2,165 people counted:

- 426 individuals were staying in Emergency Shelter
- 106 individuals were in Transitional Housing (up to 24 months) designated for people experiencing homelessness
- 1,633 men, women, and children were unsheltered
 - 411 of the unsheltered were staying in alternatives to shelter programs such as Dusk to Dawn, Dawn to Dawn Micro Tents, Opportunity Village, Rest Stops, Community Supported Shelters (Conestoga Huts), or sanctioned car camping. While these provide much-needed safe places to sleep, they do not meet the HUD definition of shelter.

Total 2,165 individuals

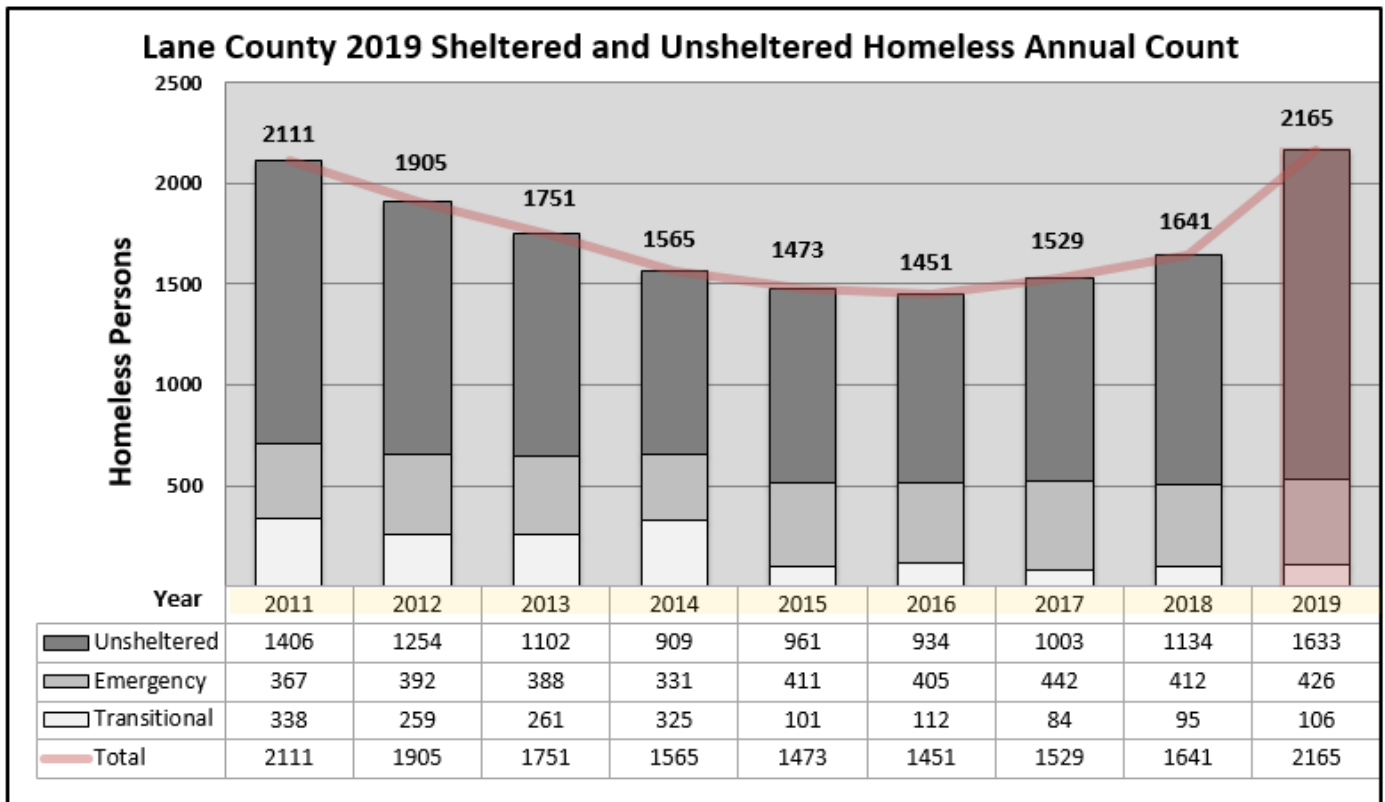
Characteristics:

- 257 family members in homeless households with children (84 households); 158 of those were sheltered (55 households); 99 of those were unsheltered (29 households)
- 197 homeless veterans
- 841 chronically homeless people: 150 sheltered; 691 unsheltered
- 759 people self-reported a mental illness
- 525 people self-report chronic alcohol/substance abuse that prevents them from stable housing
- 26 unaccompanied homeless youth (under 18)

In 2018, almost fifty-two thousand (51,977) people were served by agencies that track projects in ServicePoint, which is Lane County’s Client/Homeless Management Information System (HMIS). Of the 51,977 people served, over thirteen thousand (13,070) households were homeless for at least one night in 2018.

In addition:

- 1,537 unduplicated individuals were served at St. Vincent De Paul’s Egan Warming Center during 22 nights of activation during the winter season 2018-2019.
- 2,490 homeless students attended public school in Lane County during the 2017-2018 school year (Oregon Dept. of Education). This includes those doubled up or couch-surfing with relatives or friends.
- 546 homeless youth were served at the Looking Glass New Roads Access Center (ages 13-22) during calendar year 2018.
- 171 runaway and homeless youth stayed at the Station 7 emergency shelter (under age 18) during calendar year 2018.
- 2,070 people stayed at the Eugene Mission during CY 2018; 1,990 adults and 80 children.



For the full report, go to www.LaneCounty.org/HomelessCount

For more information about how Lane County is addressing homelessness, visit www.LaneCounty.org/HSD