

RESOURCE PDF

San Diego Regional Interfaith Collaborative

What You Don't Know About Homelessness and How You Can Help

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Note: A copy of this PDF and other resources is on the SDRIC Website at:

<https://sandiegointerfaith.org/homelessness/>

Introduction

As you can imagine, homelessness can involve needs for access to many sides of an individual's or family's life: food, clothing, hygiene, legal, medical, housing, counseling, employment assistance, applications for food stamps and other governmental aid, financial aid to get copies of birth certificates, identification cards, prescription medicines, first aid.

Please bear in mind then that this brief handout on homelessness is illustrative and will only point the way to some of the information, efforts, and agencies that you might want to know about and/or connect with.

On Our Website

On our website, under resources and homelessness (<https://sandiegointerfaith.org/homelessness/>), you will find these reports and items:

- City of San Diego 2017 Annual Homeless Assessment Report - AHAR
- United States 2017 Annual Homeless Assessment Report - AHAR
- 2017 Housing Inventory Count - HIC - update spreadsheet
- Affordable Housing Discussion Guide
- Local Directory
- Homeless Management Information System - Trust Network
- A General Fact Sheet
- Vulnerability Index-Service Prioritization Decision Assistance Tool vispdatt.pdf

A Basic Homeless Assist

If nothing else, a house of worship can refer those in need to 211 San Diego, the designated resource and information hub that connects people with community, health and disaster services through a free, 24/7 stigma-free confidential phone service and searchable online database. 2-1-1 serves the entire population of the County. 211 can be accessed about many different kinds of services, including those for the homeless. Click on [2-1-1 San Diego](#) for their website or call 2-1-1 or 858-300-1211.

The first step to accessing services is to take the  [VI-SPDAT](#) assessment by contacting and visiting an assessment site.

[More Contact Information](#)

Resources

San Diego Regional Task Force on the Homeless

See the section below

City of Chula Vista

<http://www.chulavistaca.gov/departments/development-services/housing/resources/resources-for-the-homeless>

City of Oceanside

Homeless Services and Resources Oceanside <http://www.ci.oceanside.ca.us/gov/ns/housing/homeless/>

San Diego Housing Commission

<http://sdhc.org/Special-Housing-Programs.aspx?id=7764>

San Diego Housing Commission - Affordable Housing Resource Guide City of San Diego Edition 2017

City of San Diego

Emergency and Bridge Shelters - Daily Count <https://www.sandiego.gov/homeless-services/shelter-daily-count>

San Diego County

<http://sandiego.camhsa.org/files/Faith-BasedCentralCompendiumPressReady020714.pdf>

Department of Housing and Community Development - Housing Resource Directory 2016-2018.

Other

San Diego Homeless Shelter Directory <https://www.homelessshelterdirectory.org/cgi-bin/id/city.cgi?city=San%20Diego&state=CA>

Shelter and Homeless Services <http://211sandiego.org/resources/basic-needs/shelter-homeless-services/>

Homeless Services http://www.needhelppayingbills.com/html/homeless_services_housing_prog.html

North County Online Resource Guide

<http://211sandiego.org/resources/regional-services/north-county-resource-guide/>

Regional Task Force on the Homeless

The Regional Task Force is a partnership of public agencies, private groups and homeless advocates who share the vision of an end to homelessness. For 12 years the Task Force has served the San Diego area as a central clearinghouse for information, technical assistance, and collaborative efforts regarding homelessness. The Task Force publishes various reports on homeless issues. Two annual reports receive wide attention: one on "The Distribution of Public Funds for Homelessness," and the second on "The Distribution of Homeless Services and Facilities."

3989 Ruffin Road, San Diego, CA 92123, 619-694-8722

The Regional Task Force on the Homeless Resource Library is the primary avenue for accessing the variety of informational resources managed and produced by the RTFH as it delivers services, provides support, and leverages data in support of the mission of ending homelessness in our region.

<http://www.rtfhsd.org/resource-library/>

Coordinated Entry System (CES)

The Coordinated Entry System (CES) coordinates and streamlines the process of finding housing for persons who are homeless with the goal of housing the most vulnerable people first. It matches available types of housing with persons most appropriate for that particular type of housing. It takes a “no wrong door” approach that is client-centered and grounded in information sharing across the region to help house people as quickly as possible. Click on the button below to access additional information about the CES.

<http://www.rtfhsd.org/resource-library/coordinated-entry-system/>

Regional Homeless Funding

The Continuum of Care (CoC) is tasked with coordinating and participating in the application for different types of funding for homeless housing and services. Examples of this type of funding include the annual HUD CoC funding, Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funding, Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSFV), and others as they become available. Click on the button below to access additional information about the current funding opportunities and processes.

<http://www.rtfhsd.org/resource-library/regional-homeless-funding/>

Regional Reports

The RTFH is responsible for collecting, tracking, and reporting out on a significant amount of data as it pertains to homelessness in our region. The Reports section of the Resource Library is a repository of a variety of critical data-driven reports informing the work of the CoC. Many of the reports are mandated by funding sources; however, there are also reports such as the Dashboards and System Framework that provide timely and relevant insights into the progress and performance of the CoC in meeting its mission. Click on the button below to view and download reports.

<http://www.rtfhsd.org/resource-library/regional-reports/>

Some of the reports that you will find at this site:

Executive System Indicators

The Executive System Indicators track key elements of the Homeless System Framework by month. This dashboard is best for seeing how clients move through the Homeless Management Information system (HMIS) over time.

- [Executive System Indicators](#)

System Framework

A system framework incorporates multiple measures into one interactive display. This framework is best for seeing how clients move through the Homeless Management Information system.

- [System Framework - All Clients](#)
- [System Framework - Veterans](#)
- [System Framework - Chronically Homeless](#)
- [System Framework - Families](#)
- [System Framework - Unaccompanied Youth](#)
- [System Framework - Chronically Homeless Veterans](#)

San Diego Homeless Dashboard

A compilation of multiple graphs. Each graph depicts one measure. It is best for seeing individual measures and learning about one aspect of the homeless population in San Diego County.

HUD System Performance Measures

HUD System Performance Measures report on local homeless response as a coordinated system. These measures are required to be reported yearly. The report below summarizes the 2016 results.

- [2016 System Performance Measures](#)

The Annual Homeless Assessment Report (AHAR) is an annual report to the U.S. Congress that provides nationwide estimates of homelessness, including information about the demographic characteristics of homeless persons, service use patterns, and the capacity to house homeless persons. The San Diego County reports summarize our community's contribution to the national AHAR.

- [2017 AHAR](#)

Data Completeness

These reports are designed to provide an overview of project level data completeness and provide information on what aspects of data entry need improvement.

[Continuum of Care - CoC-Funded](#)

- [CoC Funded Data Completeness: Quarter 4 \(July 2016 - September 2016\)](#)

[Non CoC-Funded](#)

- [Non-CoC Funded Data Completeness: Quarter 4 \(July 2016 - September 2016\)](#)

Housing Inventory County

The Housing Inventory Count (HIC) is a point-in-time inventory of provider programs within a Continuum of Care that provide beds and units dedicated to serve persons who are homeless, categorized by five Program Types: Emergency Shelter; Transitional Housing; Rapid Re-housing; Safe Haven; and Permanent Supportive Housing. The annual HIC report submitted to HUD is available by year below.

- [2017 HIC](#)

Point in Time Count

Mandated by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), this annual count provides an estimate of the number of homeless persons throughout San Diego County. The count includes persons living “on the street” or staying in homeless shelters. Additional descriptive information is drawn from the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) for sheltered persons and through in-depth questionnaires conducted with approximately 20% of the unsheltered persons, enabling us to better understand the characteristics of those who are homeless in our community. The PITC for 2017:

- [2017 Point-in-Time Count: Results Presentation](#)
- [2017 Point-in-Time Count: Comprehensive Report](#)
- [Homelessness Summary Fact Sheet](#)
- [Veteran Homelessness Fact Sheet](#)
- [Youth Homelessness Fact Sheet](#)
- [Regional Totals: 2017 Point-in-Time Count](#)
- [City Totals: 2017 Point-in-Time Count](#)
- [2017 Housing Inventory Count](#)

Agencies and Programs

Resource Agencies For Feb. 27

Community Christian Service Agency

The mission of the Community Christian Service Agency, an ecumenical Christian agency, is to provide emergency services to individuals and families in need in San Diego County, including food, clothing, and referrals, and where practical, counseling to assist in their transition to self-reliance. CCSA has 2 locations and 31 faith partners. 4167 Rappahannock Ave, San Diego, CA 92117 (858) 274-2271
<http://www.ccsasandiego.org/>

Community Resource Center (CRC)

CRC works with the homeless daily, in our Food & Nutrition Center; our project with the City of Encinitas, now in Year Two, “Opening Doors” - addressing homelessness in Encinitas. Year One 34 individuals/families were placed into housing, so far in Year Two, there are 20 who have been placed into housing.

CRC also partners with the San Diegito Interfaith Ministerial Association, SDIMA <http://www.sdima.org/> (comprised of more than 100 members). SDIMA supports the work of CRC in serving our homeless population in hosting Food Drives, financial support, serving as volunteers as well and individuals who serve as CRC Ambassadors in the community.

CRC partners with “Showers of Blessing” <http://www.stpetersdelmar.net/Showers> mobile showers, serving homeless in the community; Hosted by area churches on Saturdays, providing food, referrals for support, hot showers and a change of clothing. This continues to grow in coastal north county with new efforts to purchase another unit as there has been an increase in the requests for other houses of faith to host these.
650 Second Street, Encinitas, CA 92024, (760) 753-1156 <http://crcncc.org/>

Crisis House

Crisis House has served East County since 1970 and currently operates four housing programs for survivors of domestic violence with children and three for homeless families and individuals including Veterans. It's Resource Center is the hub for Emergency and Social Services for person's in crisis, experiencing food insecurity, displaced, or needing health services. The Center is the Designated Assessment Site for San Diego County's coordinated housing assessment of homeless individuals and families in East County. Individuals and families experiencing homelessness have access to day storage, mail & phone service, showers, clothing hygiene kits and a hot meal in addition to counseling and housing services.

Crisis House, 1034 N. Magnolia Ave, El Cajon, CA 92020, 619-444-1194 <http://www.crisishouse.org>

Interfaith Community Services

Interfaith Community Services was founded in 1979 by a handful of diverse faith communities to address the needs of low-income, homeless and under-served people in North San Diego County. Separately, these congregations were providing relief to people in need, but by creating Interfaith they were able to collaborate to make a bigger impact on the needs of the people in our community.

As participation grew, Interfaith evolved into a broad continuum of programs and services that provide the tools and resources people in crisis need to stabilize and rebuild their lives. These programs are organized into five main areas: Nutrition and Basic Needs, Employment, Self-Sufficiency and Supportive Services, Behavioral Health and Recovery Housing, Under these program clusters are numerous services covering a broad spectrum of support. Programs are designed to overlap so that each client has access to as many resources as necessary for his or her individual situation.

Interfaith offers programs through North San Diego County, from the coastal City of Oceanside, to the inland communities south and east of our Escondido headquarters. With more than 300 member faith centers and 130 dedicated staff, Interfaith serviced more than 16,000 unique individuals last year alone. 550 W Washington Ave, Escondido, CA 92025 (760) 489-6380 <http://www.interfaithservices.org/>

Interfaith Shelter Network

Interfaith Shelter Network is a consortium of 120 Churches, Synagogues and other houses of worship working together to shelter homeless members of our community. The program is fully case managed by professional social workers. In addition to case management and shelter ISN provides workshops and training in Employment Development and Budgeting for our clients. Our goal is to return the clients to self-sufficiency and housing. ISN has been in existence in San Diego since 1986. We also administer 2 other programs. A domestic violence transitional housing program and a rapid re-housing program. 3530 Camino Del Rio N # 301, San Diego, CA 92108 (619) 702-5399

<http://interfaithshelter.org/>

San Diego Habitat for Humanity

Seeking to put God's love into action, San Diego Habitat for Humanity brings people together to build homes, communities, and hope. Habitat was founded on the conviction that every man, woman and child should have a simple, decent and affordable home to live in dignity and safety.

SDHFH is the local affiliate of Habitat for Humanity International and serves the County of San Diego. SDHFH is an autonomous, 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. It is governed locally, raises funds locally, and builds locally. 8128 Mercury Ct, San Diego, CA 92111 (619) 283-4663

<https://www.sandiegohabitat.org/>

South Bay Community Services

SBCS provides the most comprehensive range of services and programs for children, youth and families in San Diego County's southern region. Our programs are for everyone at anytime in their lives when they need it the most.

Together with our generous supporters, we are able to respond to the overwhelming needs of our community . . . touching the lives of more than 50,000 annually. 430 F Street | Chula Vista, CA 91910, (619) 420-3620

www.southbaycommunityservices.org/

Third Avenue Charitable Organization (TACO)

TACO serves everyone, regardless of race, gender, faith, age, or sexual orientation. A large number of those served are without permanent homes or are living on the streets. Many others are of retirement age, living in the surrounding senior citizen residential towers on low fixed incomes. Still others are physically disabled living on relatively little income from sources such as state disability and Federal SSI.

During the course of an average week, the majority of TACO's clients are men, many of whom are homeless. Single women also take advantage of the services offered by T.A.C.O. Occasionally, homeless families who for a variety of reasons are living on the streets of San Diego receive assistance from TACO. TACO services include meals, a number of clinics, counseling and end of life services. 1420 Third Ave, San Diego, CA 92101 (619) 235-9445
<https://www.tacosd.org/>

UPLIFT - Urban People Living In Faith & Trust

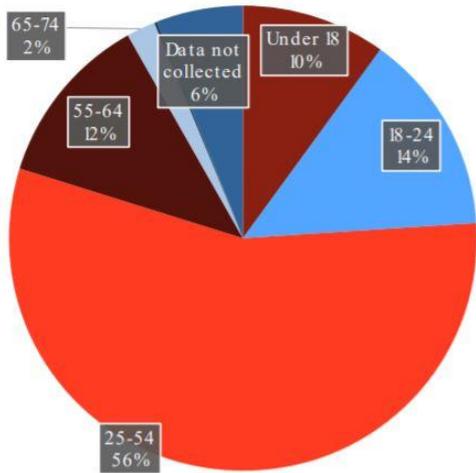
Reverend Burton S. Smith was a profound figure in San Diego's faith community as the Associate Pastor of First Presbyterian Church, San Diego. During his tenure, he noticed there were many people with unmet needs. God gave him a vision for an organization that would reach these people through four specific areas: tutoring, mentoring, transportation for seniors, and job re-entry assistance for the homeless and ex-offenders. Reverend Smith called this new ministry, UPLIFT which stands for Urban People Living In Faith & Trust. In 1987 he and some committed volunteers began this legacy and never looked back. God has blessed UPLIFT ever since!
2691 B Street, San Diego, CA 92102 619.234.4504 <https://www.upliftsandiego.org/>

Some Other Homeless Services We Identified - a Partial List

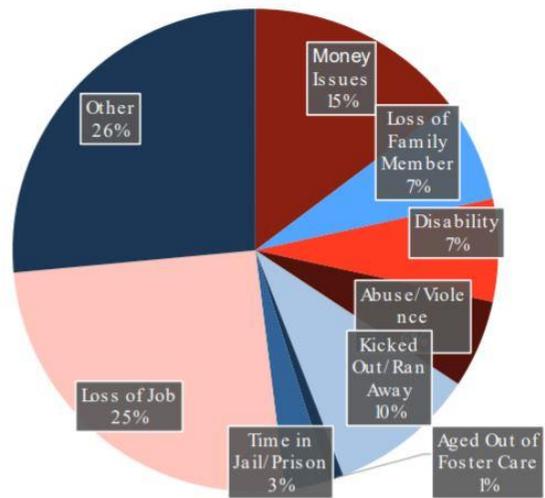
Alpha Project
Brother Benno's
California Western School of Law
Catholic Charities
City of San Diego Homeless Outreach Team
Dreams for Change
Episcopal Community Services
Father Joe's Villages and St. Vincent de Paul Village
Homeless Advocates of San Diego
New GateWay Solutions
Path
People from Bondage Ministry
Project Homeless Connect
Salvation Army
San Diego Housing Commission
San Diego Rescue Mission
San Diego Youth Services
San Diego Coalition For The Homeless
Social Advocates for Youth - Family Self Sufficiency Program
Solutions for Change
Standup for Kids

CHARTS

Age of First Instance of Homelessness



Primary Cause of Homelessness



Survey Data

8%
Are Unsheltered Veterans
(454 individuals)

31%
Are Chronically Homeless
(1,750 vs 1,087 in 2016)

29%
Are Female

69%
Are Male

*Estimates extrapolated from surveys of adults self-reporting as Unsheltered during PITC

Local Question- Service Access

What services are you currently accessing?

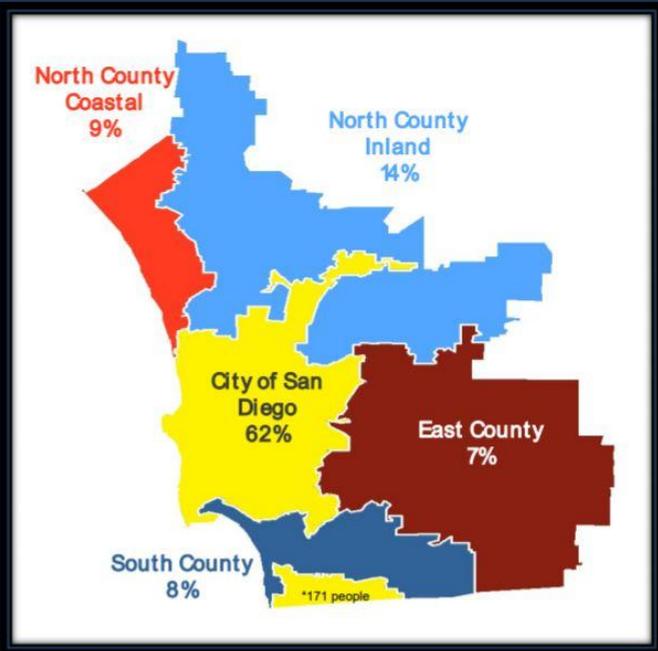
Emergency Shelter	10%
Bus Passes	16%
Transitional Housing	5%
Mental Health	11%
Alcohol/Drug Counseling	6%
Employment	7%
Drop-in/Day Shelter	14%

Free Meals	61%
Legal Assistance	7%
Immigration	<1%
Health Services	32%
Other	11%
Not Using Services	16%
Doesn't Know/Refused	2%



Regional Breakdown sheltered + unsheltered

	% of the Region	Total Homeless Persons
City of San Diego	62%	5,619
North County Inland	14%	1,287
North County Coastal	9%	814
South County	8%	711
East County	7%	685



Local Question- Shelters

What is preventing you from staying in a shelter?

