



Homelessness in Wisconsin

The Balance of State Continuum of Care is a 501c3 non-profit organization that provides leadership to local homeless coalitions in 69 counties across the State of Wisconsin, excluding Dane, Milwaukee, and Racine counties.

Annualized Data Cumulative data by providers serving the homeless. Totals represent those served in emergency shelters and transitional housing programs between January 1, 2016 and December 31, 2016. Only includes data reported in HMIS.

2016

18,883

people experienced homelessness

54%

(10,229) were in the Balance of State CoC

Experiencing Homelessness



Total Population



African American/Black

Caucasian

Hispanic/Latino

Native American

40% have a disability

29% of those with a disability have a mental illness

1,133 veterans

Point-In-Time (PIT) Data A "snapshot" count of those experiencing homelessness on one night. Wisconsin does this count during the last week of January and the last week of July each year. Totals represent unsheltered and those served in emergency shelters and transitional housing programs on Data is from January 27, 2016. Includes both HMIS and non-HMIS data.

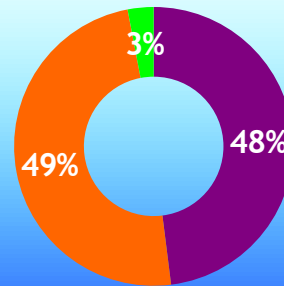
PIT

5,822

people were homeless in Wisconsin

446 were unsheltered

464 had been homeless for over one year



Families

Singles

Unaccompanied Youth (Under 18)

3,438 (59%) were from the Balance of State CoC

132 were unsheltered

HMIS data was provided by the Institute for Community Alliances, www.icalliances.org.

SOLUTIONS

1 Remove statutory language hindering local control of state funds, and instead base funding on need and performance.

2 Authorize WHEDA and encourage Public Housing Authorities to prioritize vouchers for people experiencing homelessness.

3 Increase funding for case management services. Case management provides coordinated services that are far more effective at addressing both surface needs and the underlying causes of homelessness.

4 Overall support for Governor Walker's proposed budget providing new resources to end homelessness.

Waukesha CoC

This local homeless coalition includes all of Waukesha county. According to the US Census Bureau (2015), the estimated population is 396,488 with 22% under the age of 18.

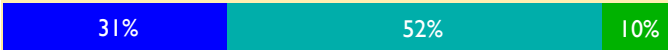
2016

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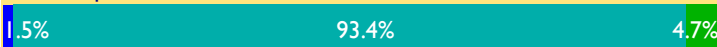
people experienced homelessness

4% of Wisconsin's total homeless population

Experiencing Homelessness



Total Population



African American/Black

Caucasian

Hispanic/Latino

54% have a disability
Compared to 6.1% of the general population

31 veterans



45% were
35 - 59 years old

PIT January 27, 2016

PIT

161

People were homeless in the Waukesha CoC

42

Had been homeless for over one year

14

Were unsheltered

6

Were veterans



Currently*

There are **238** households experiencing homelessness that are waiting for housing
20 households have been homeless for over one year

16 are veteran households

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*Data from Waukesha CoC Prioritization List 3/1/17.