

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.

American

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.

18,883

people experienced homelessness

Experiencing Homelessness

40%
26%
8%
4%

Total Population

6.6%
82%
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54%

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

40% have a disability

29% of those with a disability have a mental illness

I, I33 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.

Latino

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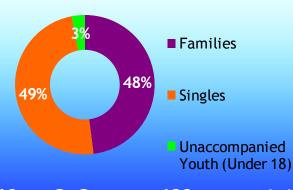
5,822

Black

people were homeless in Wisconsin

446 were unsheltered

464had been homeless for over one year



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.

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

SOLUTIONS

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.

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

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

West Central CoC

This local homeless coalition includes all of Barron, Chippewa, Dunn, Pepin, Pierce, Polk, and St. Croix counties. According to the US Census Bureau (2015), the estimated population is 332,724 with 23% under the age of 18.

941 people experienced homelessness **Experiencing Homelessness** 7% 81% **Total Population** 95.9% African American/ Caucasian Hispanic/ **Native** Black Latino **American** Single Adults: 39% Families: 61%

5% of Wisconsin's total homeless population

39% have a disability Compared to 7.7% of the general population

75 veterans

34% were

35 - 59 years old

January 27, 2016

212

People were homeless in Had been homeless Were unsheltered Were veterans the West Central CoC for over one year

Single Adults: 47%

Families: 53%

Currently*

There are 258 households experiencing homelessness that are waiting for housing

12 households have been homeless for over one year

7 are veteran households

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