

Kalamazoo County CoC

2024 Point-in-Time Count & Housing Inventory Count Results Summary

What is the Point-in-Time (PIT) Count?

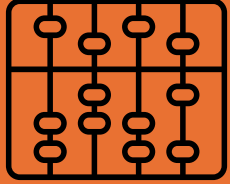
- A literal count of all the people experiencing homelessness in our community on a single night (i.e., at a point in time)
- Generally conducted by every community nationwide in the last 10 days of January
- A “snapshot” of homelessness on this one night in our community



Who is Counted by HUD in the PIT Count?

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD's) definition of "homeless," for the purpose of the PIT count, includes two main types of homelessness:

- Unsheltered: Individuals or families whose primary nighttime residence is a public place not meant for human habitation
- Sheltered: Individuals or families residing in a place dedicated to serving people who would otherwise be unsheltered
 - Emergency shelters (including those using hotel and motel vouchers)
 - Transitional housing
 - Safe Havens



Who is counted in the Unsheltered PIT Count?

- **Individuals or families whose primary nighttime residence is a public place not meant for human habitation**
 - Tents
 - Cars
 - Parks
 - Camping grounds
 - Abandoned buildings
 - Bus or train stations
 - Parking lots
- **This does NOT include individuals or families who are:**
 - Doubled-up
 - Couch surfing
 - In a Hotel/motel

What is the Housing Inventory Count (HIC)?

An inventory of beds and units available to serve people experiencing homelessness within the CoC on the night of the PIT count

A “snapshot” of our ability to address homelessness on this one night in our community

In addition to emergency shelters and transitional housing programs, this also includes permanent housing programs including permanent supportive housing and rapid rehousing.



2024 Point-in-Time Count Results

- Total Persons counted: **664**
- Total Sheltered Persons: **542**
 - Total persons in emergency shelter: **452**
 - Total persons in transitional housing: **90**
- Total Unsheltered Persons: **122**

2024 PIT & HIC Highlights

- **2024 represents the largest number of individuals counted in the PIT since 2019**
 - Due to an increase in the number of individuals in both emergency shelters and transitional housing programs
 - In terms of total number of people, the largest increase was seen in families with children
 - While national data is not yet available for 2024, this increase is in line with national trends from 2022 to 2023, when overall homelessness increased 12% & family homelessness increased 13% nationally
- **A total of 122 individuals were found to be unsheltered. This estimate may have been influenced by weather conditions and volunteer capacity.**

2024 PIT & HIC Highlights

- **There continue to be large racial disparities in homelessness in Kalamazoo County, especially among sheltered families and youth.**
 - 76% of Kalamazoo County residents identify as white, compared to 12% Black or African American
 - 58% of unsheltered single adults identified as white, compared to 22% Black or African American
 - 52% of sheltered single adults identified as white, compared to 40% Black or African American
 - 37% of unaccompanied youth ages 18-24 identified as white, compared to 60% Black or African American
 - 19% of individuals in sheltered families identified as white, compared to 77% Black or African American
- **Over half of the total inventory available to serve individuals on the night of the Point in Time Count were permanent housing; 47% were emergency shelter or transitional housing beds.**
 - 55% of people served on the night of the PIT were served in permanent housing programs; 37% were served in emergency shelters, and 8% were served in transitional housing programs.

2024 Sheltered Count Results: Single Adults

- **Single Adults: 308**
 - 23 adults (7.5%) were young adults aged 18-24
 - 29 adults (9.4%) were seniors aged 65+
 - 43 (15%) were categorized as chronically homeless
- Gender:
 - 95 (31%) identified as exclusively female
 - 213 (69%) identified as exclusively male
- Race:
 - 161 (52%) identified as white
 - 124 (40%) identified as Black, African American, or African
 - 18 (6%) identified as Hispanic/Latin(a)(e)(o)
 - 4 (1%) identified as American Indian, Alaskan Native, or Indigenous
 - 1 (<1%) identified as Asian or Asian American
 - 1 (<1%) identified as Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander

2024 Sheltered Count Results: Households with Children

Families with children: 232 individuals making up 73 households

- 157 (68%) were children under age 18
- 17 (7%) were young adults aged 18-24; 15 of these were parenting youth.
- 8 total persons in 2 households were categorized as chronically homeless
- An additional **2** individuals were unaccompanied children
- Gender:
 - 143 (62%) identified as female
 - 89 (38%) identified as male
- Race:
 - 179 (77%) identified as Black, African American, or African
 - 44 (19%) identified as white
 - 14 (6%) identified as Hispanic/Latin(a)(e)(o)
 - 4 (1.7%) identified as Middle Eastern or North African

2024 Unsheltered Count Results

- **Single Adults: 122**
 - 5 adults (4%) were young adults aged 18-24
 - 2 adults (1.6%) were seniors aged 65+
 - 45 (37%) were categorized as chronically homeless
- Gender:
 - 39 (32%) identified as exclusively female
 - 82 (67%) identified as exclusively male
 - 1 (<1%) identified as another gender
- Race:
 - 71 (58%) identified as white
 - 27 (22%) identified as Black, African American, or African
 - 9 (7%) identified as multiple races
 - 7 (6%) identified as Hispanic/Latin(a)(e)(o)
 - 4 (3%) identified as American Indian, Alaskan Native, or Indigenous
 - 2 (1.6%) identified as Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander
 - 2 (1.6%) identified as Asian or Asian American

Additional Populations

- **97** total adults were identified as having a serious mental illness
 - 48 in emergency shelter
 - 14 in transitional housing
 - 35 in unsheltered situations
- **31** total adults were identified as having a substance use disorder
 - 16 in emergency shelter
 - 1 in transitional housing
 - 14 in unsheltered situations
- **2** adults were identified as having HIV/AIDS
- **63** total adults were identified as survivors currently fleeing domestic violence
 - 28 in emergency shelter
 - 23 in transitional housing
 - 12 in unsheltered situations
- **24** total adults identified as veterans
 - 11 in emergency shelter
 - 10 in transitional housing
 - 3 in unsheltered situations
- **15** total parenting youth (age 18-24) households comprising of 41 total people
 - 2 households in emergency shelter
 - 13 households in transitional housing
- Note: The number of adult survivors currently fleeing domestic violence was updated on 7/12/24 from previous versions of this presentation. .

2024 Housing Inventory Count Highlights

- **28 total projects** were able to provide **1,403 total beds** on the night of the PIT Count
 - 87% of these beds were utilized (**1,214 persons served**)
- **544** total beds were available in emergency shelters
 - 452 total beds were utilized (83% utilization rate)
- **122** total beds were available in transitional housing projects
 - 90 total beds were utilized (74% utilization rate)
- **672** total persons were provided supports for permanent housing
 - 171 persons were permanently housed in a rapid rehousing program
 - 369 persons were permanently housed in a permanent supportive housing program
 - 132 persons were permanently housed in another permanent housing program