

This training focuses on surveyors who will be conducting surveys directly with clients. The Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) and/or another agency database that collects the information can be utilized to complete survey forms for those that stayed in the program on the night of January 29th, 2019. If the agency does not collect all data however, the surveys will need to be completed with participants.



The Colorado Balance of State Continuum of Care ("Continuum of Care") was established in 2000 by service providers and other entitites across Colorado's rural an non-metro communities with technical assistance from Colorado Coalition for the Homeless.

The purpose of forming the Continuum of Care was to combine the efforts of multiple regional continuums of care, and to improve the ability of homeless service providers in Colorado's non-metro and rural counties to compete for homeless assistance funding, including HUD homeless assistance grants. An established CoC is required to request HUD Continuum of Care (CoC) & Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funding.

CoC funding serves homeless populations through **Permanent Supportive Housing** (PSH), Transitional Housing (TH), Rapid Re-Housing (RRH), Supportive Services, HMIS Projects, and is accessed through an annual application process.

The Point-in-Time Count (PIT) is a requirement of programs with CoC and ESG funding, however communities have adapted Point-in-Time Counts to cover a wide range of services for individuals and families experiencing homelessness.

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CONTENT OF PRESENTATION

- Intro to the Point-in-Time (PIT) Count in Colorado's Balance of State Continuum of Care (CO BoS CoC).
- Privacy. Security. Safety.
- Surveying individuals and families experiencing homelessness:
 - Introductory Script.
 - PIT Sheltered Survey Form For individuals and families living in Emergency Shelters and Transitional Housing.
 - PIT Unsheltered Survey Form For individuals and families living in a place not meant for human habitation.
 - Youth Supplemental Survey <u>Optional</u> survey for <u>participating regions</u> focused on Youth experiencing homelessness.
- Main & Supplemental Form Outline

The presentation focuses on the main training areas HUD requires in the PIT Methodology Guide.

QUICK INTRO TO THE PIT COUNT (PLEASE SEE THE "SHELTERED POINT-IN-TIME COUNT FACT SHEET" FOR MORE IN-DEPTH INFORMATION.)

A point-in-time (PIT) count is an annual survey of the number and characteristics of homeless persons at a single point in time, i.e., on a single night in January.



The PIT Count is a requirement of HUD, but it's purpose expands far beyond that. The data helps us Understand the number and characteristics of homeless persons on a county and CoC level, Helps us identify local needs, Helps us advocate for homeless families and individuals, and Helps us measure our progress in ending homelessness. QUICK INTRO TO THE PIT COUNT CONTINUED... (PLEASE SEE THE "SHELTERED POINT-IN-TIME COUNT FACT SHEET" FOR MORE IN-DEPTH INFORMATION.)

We are counting individuals living in those program types on the night of Tuesday January 29th, 2019.

Because of this, surveys for a sheltered count will begin on Wednesday the 30th of January, 2019.

The BoS completes sheltered counts every even year. We complete unsheltered and sheltered counts every odd year. (Add any regional Count info here) During a sheltered count, HMIS and/or agency databases that collect the specific survey form information can use those mediums to complete surveys for their participants.

Unsheltered Counts

Counties/regions of the CO BoS will be conducting unsheltered counts in addition to the sheltered count. Coinciding directions will be given to surveyors conducting Unsheltered Counts.



Unsheltered: Homeless persons who are living in a place not designed or ordinarily used as

a regular sleeping accommodation for humans.



Privacy & Security

Please use the introductory script, which helps:

- Identify a private, safe space to ask survey questions an/or make sure participants are comfortable in the space you're in.
- Inform participants about the nature of the survey questions.
- Inform participants about how data is collected and how their information is used/protected.

It's important to respect participants privacy when conducting surveys.

Feel free to work out a plan with your agency Lead/Point Person in advance to make sure safety of the surveyor and the survey participant are respected.

Safety

Maintain personal safety and honor client safety.

Some things to focus on:

- Does the place where survey is being conducted offer a clear exit route if inside, or is it visible to other surveyors if outside?
- Will other surveyors, agency staff, etc. have easy access to the space in case of emergency?
- Trust your instincts. If something feels off, reach out to your agency Lead/Point Person or another trained employee for direction.



This may include connecting survey participants to another agency.

Introductory Script

A template of introductory instructions and script will be provided to regions.

This includes:

- Instructions for the Surveyor
- Introductory Script for conducting the surveys

Familiarize yourself with the Introductory Script. Get used to the language in the script and follow privacy and safety directions.





The Introductory part of the script helps you as the surveyor remember appropriate steps for conducting surveys with participants. It offers quick reminders of good safety practices during counts.



The survey instructions offer customizable instructions for conducting surveys with participants. We encourage volunteers to become familiar with this script and make sure to focus on the following key points:

- 1. Introducing yourself and letteing the participant know which organizations you're with.
- 2. Confirming homelessness to help you understand if it's appropriate to administer the survey.
- 3. Letting the participant know about their privacy when taking the survey as well as their rights, what kinds of questions they'll be answering, and informing them that any personal information is only to be used in de-duplicating surveys, not in any final reports themselves. It's important that both you and the participant know that it's okay for the participant to refuse to answer any question on the survey. That is one of the reasons we want to let them know how their data is used, to help them understand that they won't be able to be identified by the information they give us.
- 4. After completing the survey and if your region is participating in the Youth Supplemental Survey, ask if anyone between the ages of 14 and 24 would like to participate and provide the Youth Supplemental Survey, utilizing the language on this script.



IMPORTANT!

This can't be emphasized enough. It's extremely important to answer <u>EVERY</u> applicable question on the survey forms <u>LEGIBLY</u>.



Incomplete or hard to read survey forms can <u>not</u> be used.

If possible check-in with your point person after some surveys have been complete to make sure the forms are being completed in the necessary way and to answer any questions that come up.

Note if a question is refused either on front of the survey itself or on the back if there's not enough space.

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This survey is for any Emergency Shelters or Transitional Housing programs that do not or have not captured this information in the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS). Any HMIS utilizing agencies should be able to run a report containing this information instead of conducting surveys directly. Feel free to reach out to me with any questions in the meantime.

For those conducting the Sheltered Count Survey, I'll break down the survey and point out changes to the survey from last year.



The differences between the Sheltered Count and the Unsheltered Count lie in the top part of the survey. This information from the Sheltered Count Survey helps our consultant understand whether someone is experiencing "chronic homelessness" and identifies their current sheltered situation. In the next slides we'll go through each question to make sure it's clear what information should be entered either by the surveyor or by the Lead agency(ies).

Sheltered Survey Program Information

Name of Housing Program

 Name of the housing program/shelter where the person spent the night as reflected in the 2019 Housing Inventory.
 (E.g. Chaya House, Abraham Connection Winter Shelter, Elko Shelter)

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PROGRAM INFORMATION CONTINUED...

Program Type:

- ES Emergency Shelter
- TH Transitional Housing

This is based on the Housing Inventory "Programs to be Surveyed" list(s) sent to Coordinators and Regions by CCH. If you're a volunteer/surveyor the person organizing the count will have this information.

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Your Regional PIT Coordinator should have the list of programs CCH sent regions, and the survey form. They may already be checked, but make sure you confirm the program type with them if there's any confusion.

Quick Definitions:

Emergency Shelter (ES) "...any facility, the primary purpose of which is to provide temporary or transitional shelter for the homeless in general or for specific populations of the homeless."

Transitional Housing (TH) "A project that has as its purpose facilitating the movement of homeless individuals and families to permanent housing within a reasonable amount of time (usually 24 months). Transitional housing includes housing primarily designed to serve deinstitutionalized homeless individuals and other homeless individuals with mental or physical disabilities and homeless families with children."

PROGRAM INFORMATION CONTINUED...

County:

• The county where the program resides. (E.G. Pueblo, La Plata, Morgan, Larimer, Grand, Weld, etc.)

Interviewer:

• Name of the surveyor

Email:

• Contact email for the surveyor

Phone:

• Phone number for the surveyor

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We ask for the contacts of the actual surveyor in case we need to reach out with questions. *Go to next slide.

Why Ask for Contact Information on the Surveyor Directly?

We want CCH/our consultant and/or the BoS Coordinator to be able to speak directly with the person who completed the form if there are any questions or clarifications.

We want our PIT Consultant to be able to contact the actual person who completed the survey with any questions or clarifications. Some PIT Coordinators either act as the main surveyors or add their information in these spots because they have easy ways of contacting the surveyors with questions. When CCH receives the surveys we do go through and try and make sure every answer is completed and if there isn't a listed reason of why they are not answered we'll reach out to surveyors directly to see if they might be able to answer the question.

EMERGENCY SHELTER QUESTIONS

- 1. ES only: Have you/your family been living in emergency shelters and/or on the streets continuously for a year or more?
- How many times have you had to stay in emergency shelters or on the streets in the past three (3) years?
 Fewer than 4 4 times or more

What was the total amount of time spent in emergency shelters or on the streets during these past three (3) years? Fewer than 12 months 12 months or more

Surveyors should not worry about over explaining these questions. Participants should be directed to give their best answer with the question as listed and surveyors should record those accordingly. These questions establish whether or not the person or family would be considered "Chronically Homeless", which HUD defines using this criteria along with the demographics in the bottom half of the Surveys.

Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) and Rapid Re-Housing (RRH) Survey Forms

Forms collect total number of persons housed on the night of Tuesday January 29th, 2019 in each program.

COLORADO BALANCE OF STATE CONTINUUM OF CARE January 29th, 2019 Sheltered Point-in-Time (PIT) Count

Persons in Permanent Supportive Housing

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Name of org	ganization:	
Name of pro	ogram:	

For permanent supportive housing (PSH) programs, please provide the number of persons, including all adults and all children, residing in the program on the night of the count:

Total number of persons housed on the night of Tuesday January 29th, 2019:



Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) and Rapid Re-Housing Survey Forms

Information Collected:

- Name of Organization Organization that operates the PSH and/or RRH Program. (Example: Grand Valley Catholic Outreach "GVCO")
- Name of Program There should be a <u>separate</u> form for <u>each</u> program. (For example: St. Benedict PSH, St. Martin PSH would each have a separate form even though they are operated under GVCO.)
- Total Number of persons housed on the night of January 29th, 2019- No other information but this number is required.

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Persons in Rapid Re-Housing

Name of organization:	
Name of program:	

For Rapid Rehousing (RRH) programs, please provide the number of persons, including all adults and all children, enrolled in the program on the night of the count in order of the following breakdown:

A. List total # of Year-round beds for households without	
children (Adults Only) here:	
B. List total # of Year-round beds for households with	
adults and children here:	
C. List total # of Year-round beds for households with	
children only (under 18) here:	
Total number of persons enrolled on the night of Tuesday	
January 29th, 2018:	

Rapid Rehousing (RRH) Survey Form

Rapid Re-Housing Survey Forms

Information Collected:

- We will be collecting information on the Household Types in Rapid Rehousing this year. This is a change from previous years.
 - This will be the Household Information we collect in the Housing Inventory Count to better understand the breakdown in your RRH programs.

 - # of Households without children # of Households with adults & children
 - # of Households with children only (under 18)
 - Total number of persons enrolled on the night of Tuesday January 29th, 2018

Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) and Rapid Re-Housing Survey Forms Yes. That's it.

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The Unsheltered Count Survey Form is looking for the same identifying and demographic information as the Sheltered Count Form, but asks key initial questions to make sure we understand whether or not the participant being surveys is considered homeless under HUD's definition.



Unsheltered Survey Breakdown

"Have you completed a Homeless Count Survey? Yes (Discontinue) No"

This question helps deduplication efforts.

Unsheltered Survey Breakdown Continued...

Did you sleep outside or in any place not fit for human habitation on Tuesday, January 29th, 2019: Yes (Continue Survey) No (Discontinue Survey)

This question helps us understand if the person/family was considered "Homeless" by HUD standards on the night of the count. If they are then you should continue the survey. If not, see if they fit in to the category of "Sheltered" and provide the Sheltered Count Survey or if not, discontinue.

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This helps to remind surveyors that participants know that we're only recording answers for household members with them at the time of the survey. This may get confused at times by those in their lives that aren't phyically with them at the time of their homeless experience. (Example, a partner out of state or children living with an ex partner/spouse on the night of the count.)

Head of Household

A family should include one adult or minor head of household. The surveyor will put that person's information in the "Person #1 (You)" box.



GENDER IDENTITY

2019 options for "Gender" are the same as the 2018 options and include:

- Male
- Female
- Transgender
- Gender Non-Conforming (i.e. does not identify as exclusively male or female)

Gender Non-Conforming is a change from the 2017 surveys.

GENDER CONTINUED...

An assumption of gender or assuming individuals identify in gender binary terms (female/male) can be harmful to people who identify outside of gender binary definitions.

It's important to understand culturally sensitive ways of asking about gender identity and answering questions for those who do not understand the purpose of these distinctions.

"Gender binary" – noun : the idea that there are only two genders and that every person is one of those two.



Sex refers to biological differences; chromosomes, hormonal profiles, internal and external sex organs.

Gender describes the characteristics that a society or culture delineates as masculine or feminine.

http://www.med.monash.edu.au/gendermed/sexandgender.html

Age

Enter age reported by participant for all household members as directed by the survey form and to the best of the head of households knowledge.





HUD guidance allows for the following "Race" categories in PIT Surveys:

- White
- Black or African-American
- Asian
- American Indian or Alaska Native
 Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
- Multiple Races

Answer the closest to the provided categories.

Multiple Races

For the purpose of HUD data reporting, people that identify with multiple race categories should <u>only</u> be counted under "multiple races" and should not be counted in each specific race category they identify with.

Example: "Jane indicated that she is "Black or African American" and "White." For the PIT count, Jane is only included in the count of persons who are "multiple races" and she is not included the count of persons who are "Black or African American" or "White."

Veteran Households

A "veteran" household includes households with one or more veterans who might be presenting with other persons.



The veteran may or may not be the "Head of Household".

Domestic Violence

In 2018 HUD is requiring that data reported on survivors of domestic violence should be limited to reporting on those who are currently experiencing homelessness because they are fleeing domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking, as opposed to reporting on survivors who have ever experienced these circumstances.

Disabling Condition(s)?

Check off any "Disabling Conditions" the survey participants may have been diagnosed with, HUD allows:

- Serious Mental Illness
- Developmental Disability
- Substance Use Disorder
- HIV/AIDS
- PTSD
- Brain Injury
- Chronic Physical Illness/Disability

Similarly to other categories, a surveyor should seek the closest answer based on the participant's understanding of their condition.

In past surveys there has been a "Yes/No" checkbox for whether or not they have a disabling condition. We removed this because at times a surveyor may have checked off "no" and still checked boxes under the above category which confused the data. Now we are looking for any of the categories the participant identifies. Ultimately we don't want you as surveyors to get caught up in these questions and you should record the clients answer as they understand their condition(s), but if it's helpful to describe what to look for those unfamiliar with these terms...

Serious Mental Illness - Examples: Major Depressive Disorder (Depression), Bipolar DIsorder, Anxiety Disorder, Schizophrenia, Schizoaffective DIsorder, Delusional Disorder, etc.

Developmental Disability - Examples: Intellectual Disability (Previously Mental Retardation), chromosomal disorders, Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD). Another definition can be "generalized neurodevelopmental disorder characterized by significantly impaired intellectual and adaptive functioning."

Substance Use Disorder - Includes any diagnosis of substance use disorder. "Substance use disorders occur when the recurrent use of alcohol and/or drugs causes clinically and functionally significant impairment, such as health problems, disability, and failure to meet major responsibilities at work, school, or home."

HIV/AIDS - Diagnosed with either HIV or AIDS

PTSD - Post Traumatic Stress DIsorder - "PTSD (posttraumatic stress disorder) is a mental health problem that some people develop after experiencing or witnessing a life-threatening event, like combat, a natural disaster, a car accident, or sexual assault."

Brain Injury - As the name implies, injury to the brain either from direct trauma like a car accident or shaken baby syndrome or indirect trauma like complications during childbirth or oxygen deprivation. Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) is a common name associated with this type of injury.

Chronic Physical Illness/Disability - an enduring health problem that will not go away – for example: diabetes, asthma, arthritis. Chronic physical illnesses can be managed, but they cannot be cured.

Youth Supplemental Survey



The Office of Homeless Youth Services (OHYS) and the Advisory Council for Homeless Youth (ACHY) will work in collaboration with the Rural Collaborative for Homeless Youth (RCHY) to conduct a Youth Unsheltered Count along with a Youth Supplemental Survey in 2019.

Clarification

- 1. The Youth Supplemental Survey is conducted <u>independent</u> of the 2019 BoS PIT Sheltered & Unsheltered Counts, though we're all working in collaboration with each other!
- 2. Information gathered from the 2019 Youth Supplemental Survey will be used by communities to better understand their regional youth homeless needs, but is not reported to HUD.
 - The completed report is available on the OHYS website.
- 3. The 2019 BoS PIT Sheltered & Unsheltered Count data will be the only data reported to HUD in 2019.



Any youth 11-24 who is a part of a family with an adult should not be counted for the youth supplemental survey.

However, and this is important, they would be counted in the Sheltered & Unsheltered PIT Count as part of the family.

Youth Supplemental Count Continued...

Age Range of Youth Supplemental Surveys: 11 through 24 (not yet 25)

So on the night of the count, you will count youth who were born on and AFTER:



Just to be clear: If born 1/28/1994 or 1/29/1994: Don't use supplemental survey! If born 1/30/1994 and later: Use Youth Supplemental Survey!

	Includes yo	uth experiencing literal	nental Survey (unaccompanied youth under 25 <mark>1/31/1994)</mark> homelessness or housing instability (couch surfing) PIT SURVEY AND THE YOUTH SUPPLEMENTAL SURVEY:	
	Question	COMPLETE BOTH THE	Answer Options	
1	Unique Identifier from PIT (first 3 letters of first name, DOB (MMDDYYYY), last four of SSN)			to Say
2	In which city/county would you say you live i	n or spend most of your time?		
3			Same as current city/county Other CO city/county Different state from Colorado	
4	At what age did you first experience homeles			
5	Have you ever experienced homelessness w other legal guardian?		□ Yes □ No □ Unsure	
6	How would you describe your gender identity?		□ Male □ Female □ Transgender Male □ Transgender Female □ Non-Binary □ Non-Conforming □ Gender Fluid □Two-Spirit □ Another Identity (Please Specify):	
7	How would you describe your sexual orientation?		□ Straight □ Gay □ Lesbian □ Asexual □ Queer □ Bisexual □ Questioning □ Heteroflexible □ Pansexual □ Another Orientation (Please specify):	
8	Where did you sleep last night?		Outside/park Outs	
			Another Location (Please specify):	
9	Which things do you feel you have access to			
10	Have you ever been in foster care like in out of home placement, placed		□ Yes □ No □ Unsure	
11	If yes, please select the option that best describes how you left care.		Reunified with family Adopted Aged Out Ran away from placement Unsure Another Option (Please specify):	
12	Have you over been involved in the invention or original justice overteen for		Unsure Unsure Unsure Unsure Unsure	
13	Are you currently responsible for any children under the are of 19 (celect		□Yes □No □Unsure	
14	If yes, what relation are they to you?		Own child Sibling/other family Significant other's child Other (specify):	
15	Are you currently enrolled in, registered at, o	r attending school?	🗆 Yes 🗆 No 🗇 Unsure	
16	What was your last grade completed?			
17	Are you currently earning money?		⊡Yes ⊡No ⊡Unsure	
18	What is your current income source? (Select		Public assistance/unearned Work/job Panhandling Sex Trade Drug Trade Other (Please specify):	
19	If you had a flat tire at 2 in the morning, do you know a trusted adult/mentor that you could go to for help?		□ Yes □ No □ Unsure	
20	likely to go to for help?		Family Friend Caseworker/Agency Staff School Staff/Coach Another Option (Please specify):	
21	In the past year, what has been a barrier or difficultly in accessing housing/services? (Select all that apply)	Language barrier D Substand	Lack of Income _ Age _ Background Check _ Citizenship _ Lack of vital docs _ Lack of transportation be Use _ Mental Health _ Missed Appointments : Because of a Disability _ Asked to leave program ot know where to go for help _ Currently on a waitlist _ Did not qualify for help sing services _ D'ther.	

	Youth Supplemental Survey Overview - First Half of Survey						
	Includes youth experiencing literal	nental Survey (unaccompanied youth under 25 <mark>1/31/1994)</mark> homelessness or housing instability (couch surfing) PIT SURVEY AND THE YOUTH SUPPLEMENTAL SURVEY:					
	Question	Answer Options	Prefer Not to Say				
1	Unique Identifier from PIT (first 3 letters of first name, first 3 letters of last name, DOB (MMDDYYYY), last four of SSN)		to day				
2	In which city/county would you say you live in or spend most of your time?						
3	In which city/county was your last stable housing?	Same as current city/county Other CO city/county Different state from Colorado					
4	At what age did you first experience homelessness?						
5	Have you ever experienced homelessness while living with your parents or other legal guardian?	□ Yes □ No □ Unsure					
6	How would you describe your gender identity?	□ Male □ Female □ Transgender Male □ Transgender Female □ Non-Binary □ Non-Conforming □ Gender Fluid □ Two-Spirit □ Another Identity (Please Specify):					
7	How would you describe your sexual orientation?	□ Straight □ Gay □ Lesbian □ Asexual □ Queer □ Bisexual □ Questioning □ Heteroflexible □ Pansexual □ Another Orientation (Please specify):					
8	Where did you sleep last night?	Outside/park					

	Youth Supple	mental Survey Overview - Second Half of Survey
9	Which things do you feel you have access to regularly:	□ Food □ Water □ Warmth □ Social Relationships □ Safety
10	Have you ever been in foster care like in out of home placement, placed with another family as a result of child welfare, residential child care facility, or a group home?	⊡ Yes ⊡ No ⊡ Unsure
11	If yes, please select the option that best describes how you left care.	Reunified with family
12	Have you ever been involved in the juvenile or criminal justice system for allegedly committing a crime?	Uvenile Justice Adult Criminal Justice No/Neither Unsure
13	Are you currently responsible for any children under the age of 18 (select yes if you are currently pregnant or expecting a child)	□ Yes □ No □ Unsure
14	If yes, what relation are they to you?	Own child Sibling/other family Significant other's child Other (specify):
15	Are you currently enrolled in, registered at, or attending school?	□ Yes □ No □ Unsure
16	What was your last grade completed?	
17	Are you currently earning money?	□ Yes □ No □ Unsure
18	What is your current income source? (Select all that apply)	□ Public assistance/unearned □ Work/job □ Panhandling □ Sex Trade □ Drug Trade □ Other (Please specify):
19	If you had a flat tire at 2 in the morning, do you know a trusted adult/mentor that you could go to for help?	□Yes □No □Unsure
20		Family Friend Caseworker/Agency Staff School Staff/Coach Another Option (Please specify):
21	In the past year, what has been a barrier or difficultly in accessing housing/services? Lack of affordable housing _ Lack of Income _ Age _ Background Check _ Citizenship _ Lack of vital docs _ Lack of transportation	

IMPORTANT!

This can't be emphasized enough. It's extremely important to answer <u>EVERY</u> applicable question on the survey forms <u>LEGIBLY</u>.



If possible check-in with your point person after some surveys have been complete to make sure the forms are being completed in the necessary way and to answer any questions that come up.

Note if a question is refused either on front of the survey itself or on the back if there's not enough space.

Survey Collection

Turn in all surveys to your agency Lead/Point Person or the person you've agreed to turn them in to in advance.

Main Point-in-Time Forms

The following forms are available via zoom, the BoS CoC Website hosted by CCH, and will be sent to PIT Coordinators via email for distribution to regions:

- 2019 PIT Sheltered Form CO BoS CoC.pdf (and fillable form) PDF of the Sheltered Survey Form along with a separate form that has fillable boxes to assist regions in pre-populating data.
- 2019 PIT Unsheltered Form CO BoS CoC.pdf (and fillable form) PDF of the Unsheltered Survey Form along with a separate form that has fillable boxes to assist regions in pre-populating data.
- Introductory Instructions & Script for the 2019 PIT Surveys Final.docx Instructions and script available for coordinators to use with the Sheltered, Unsheltered, and Youth Supplemental (if participating) surveys.

Supplemental Forms

The following forms are available to assist your region with the Point-in-Time Sheltered and Unsheltered Count:

- Youth Supplemental Survey Form Available for regions that are participating in the separate Youth Supplemental Survey and count. To accompany the BoS CoC Sheltered and Unsheltered Survey forms.
- Sheltered and Unsheltered PIT Fact Sheet 2019 Final.docx Two page document outlining the PIT Sheltered & Unsheltered Counts, Youth Supplemental Survey, and Coordinator Responsibilities.
- 2019 PIT Unsheltered Protocol AdaptedfromNoCO.docx This document provides a template for regions to modify and use to organize and strategize the Unsheltered Point-in-Time Count for their region.
- 2019 PIT Coordinators CO BoS CoC Updated 1-15-2019.pdf A list of each BoS CoC regions and the regional Point-in-Time Coordinators.

End of Presentation



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