

## 2G. Continuum of Care (CoC) Sheltered Homeless Point-in-Time (PIT) Count

**Instructions:**

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**2G-1 Indicate the date of the most recent sheltered point-in-time count (mm/dd/yyyy):** 01/24/2013

**2G-2 If the CoC conducted the sheltered point-in-time count outside of the last 10 days of January 2013, was an exception granted by HUD?** Not Applicable

**2G-3 Enter the date the CoC submitted the sheltered point-in-time count data in HDX:** 01/24/2013

**2G-4 Indicate the percentage of homeless service providers supplying sheltered point-in-time data:**

Housing Type	Observation	Provider Shelter	Client Interview	HMIS
Emergency Shelters		39%		61%
Transitional Housing		19%		81%
Safe Havens				100%

**2G-5 Comparing the 2012 and 2013 sheltered point-in-time counts, indicate if there was an increase, decrease, or no change and then describe the reason(s) for the increase, decrease, or no change. (Limit 750 characters)**

There was an increase of 122 persons in shelters from 1,987 to 2,109. The significance was in families with children an increase of 8 households and 64 persons reflecting slightly larger ES families. There was an increase in TH families by 2 households but 192 persons reflecting again the increased size of families served. The increase in the number of families in Transitional Housing beds is consistent with the CoC efforts to utilize every bed, maintaining an occupancy rate of at least 98%, available to reduce family stays in Emergency Shelters. There was a decrease in ES stays by individuals down 103 persons because the temperature on 2013 PIT night was nearly 70 degrees and clients stayed outside on the sidewalks outside the shelters.

## 2H. Continuum of Care (CoC) Sheltered Homeless Point-in-Time (PIT) Count: Methods

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**\* 2H-1 Indicate the method(s) used to count sheltered homeless persons during the 2013 point-in-time count:**

Survey providers:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
HMIS:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Extrapolation:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other:	<input type="checkbox"/>

**2H-2 If other, provide a detailed description. (limit 750 characters)**

**2H-3 For each method selected, including other, describe how the method was used to ensure that the data collected on the sheltered homeless population during the 2013 point-in-time count was accurate. (limit 750 characters)**

Survey Provider: TCHC provided non contributing HMIS organizations service providers were provided templates consistent with the HUD 2013 PIT and HIC guidance by prior to the count to collect all required PIT data. These nonCHOs all have HMIS equivalent data systems that provide UDE and deduplication methods to assure an accurate count. HMIS: The CoC HMIS meets the 2010 HMIS Standards and produces comprehensive PIT data. All HMIS reports are inspected down to the client record to assure correct deduplication, bed stays and check ins for ES overnight beds, and enrollment and exit accuracy for the PIT night.

## 2I. Continuum of Care (CoC) Sheltered Homeless Point-in-Time (PIT) Count: Data Collection

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**\* 2I-1 Indicate the methods used to gather and calculate subpopulation data for sheltered homeless persons:**

HMIS:

HMIS plus extrapolation:

Sample of PIT interviews plus extrapolation:

Sample strategy:  
(if Sample of PIT interviews plus extrapolation is selected)

Provider expertise:

Interviews:

Non-HMIS client level information:

Other:

**2I-2 If other, provide a detailed description.  
(limit 750 characters)**

**2I-3 For each method selected, including other, describe how the method was used to ensure that the data collected on the sheltered homeless population count during the 2013 point-in-time count was accurate.  
(limit 750 characters)**

HMIS: HMIS client records are created through standard CoC HUD Intake and Mid-Term Assessments that capture demographic and sub-population data. TCHC runs a trial PIT prior to count night and scrubs data for any inconsistencies such as CH unchecked for clients with recorded disabilities and lengths of stay over a year, or CH checked and no record of disability or sufficient length of stay. TCHC works with each agency to clean up data prior to the PIT. Non-HMIS client level information: Non CHO's were provided HUD recommended PIT templates for sub-populations and were trained on the data required. All non CHO's have an HMIS equivalent client data system that collects all UDE. TCHC reviews data of Non CHO's that receive McKinney Vento funds.

## 2J. Continuum of Care (CoC) Sheltered Homeless Point-in-Time Count: Data Quality

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**\* 2J-1 Indicate the methods used to ensure the quality of the data collected during the sheltered point-in-time count:**

<b>Training:</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>Follow-up</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>HMIS:</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>Non-HMIS de-duplication :</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Other:</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**2J-2 If other, provide a detailed description.  
(limit 750 characters)**

**2J-3 For each method selected, including other, describe how the method was used to ensure that the data collected on the sheltered homeless population count during the 2013 point-in-time count was accurate.  
(limit 750 characters)**

Training: TCHC reviews data standards through training and webinars prior to the PIT. Agencies are guided through Assessments and bed check in procedures. HMIS:TCHC pulls trial PIT counts through the HMIS and conducts extensive data analysis and data scrubbing to assure accuracy of bed occupancy, de-duplication, and capture of all UDE. Repeated trial HMIS PIT are done until data is complete and consistent with known housing inventories and program design. Follow-Up: TCHC reviews the actual PIT for each program and examines at the client level any apparent gaps or anomalies which are corrected prior to HDX submission.

## 2K. Continuum of Care (CoC) Unsheltered Homeless Point-in-Time (PIT) Count

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**2K-1 Indicate the date of the most recent unsheltered point-in-time count:** 01/24/2013

**2K-2 If the CoC conducted the unsheltered point-in-time count outside of the last 10 days of January 2013, was an exception granted by HUD?** Not Applicable

**2K-3 Enter the date the CoC submitted the unsheltered point-in-time count data in HDX:** 01/24/2013

**2K-4 Comparing the 2013 unsheltered point-in-time count to the last unsheltered point-in-time count, indicate if there was an increase, decrease, or no change and describe the specific reason(s) for the increase, decrease, or no change. (limit 750 characters)**

There was an increase of 145 from 2011 to 2013 of unsheltered homeless from 136 to 281. Temperatures on PIT night were near 70 degrees compared to 39 degrees in 2011. There was a near equivalent corresponding reduction in emergency stays and the number of persons found on sidewalks outside the largest shelter went from 18 in 2011 to 69 in 2013. Another consideration is the massive construction going on in the urban center of Fort Worth of two major toll ways and river development that has left many homeless camps very visible and more accessible for volunteers to identify and count. Each unsheltered PIT gets more accurate as all information of new and old camps is charted on the PIT GIS data system and reflected on GIS generated PIT maps.

## 2L. Continuum of Care (CoC) Unsheltered Point-in-Time Count: Methods

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**\* 2L-1 Indicate the methods used to count unsheltered homeless persons during the 2013 point-in-time count:**

Public places count:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Public places count with interviews on the night of the count:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Public places count with interviews at a later date:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Service-based count:	<input type="checkbox"/>
HMIS:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other:	<input type="checkbox"/>

**2L-2 If other, provide a detailed description. (limit 750 characters)**

**2L-3 For each method selected, including other, describe how the method was used to ensure that the data collected on the unsheltered homeless population during the 2013 point-in-time count was accurate. (limit 750 characters)**

Public Places with Interviews Night of the Count: The CoC produces PIT Count Route maps to cover nearly 60% of the land area of Tarrant County and the most urban area of Parker County in Weatherford. These maps contain current and historical information of known and suspected camps. 498 volunteers in teams of 2-4 persons participated in the blitz count deploying at the same time from four locations at 9:30 pm (after all shelters cease intake) and instructed to canvass the entire assigned route in a grid process, interview or observe homeless and tabulate all information on the unsheltered PIT survey form. All return results the night of the count that ended at 2:45 a.m.

## 2M. Continuum of Care (CoC) Unsheltered Homeless Point-in-Time Count: Level of Coverage

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**2M-1 Indicate where the CoC located unsheltered homeless persons during the 2013 point-in-time count:** Complete Coverage

**2M-2 If other, provide a detailed description. (limit 750 characters)**

## 2N. Continuum of Care (CoC) Unsheltered Homeless Point-in-Time Count: Data Quality

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**\* 2N-1 Indicate the steps taken by the CoC to ensure the quality of the data collected for the 2013 unsheltered population count:**

Training:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
"Blitz" count:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Unique identifier:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Survey question:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Enumerator observation:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other:	<input type="checkbox"/>

**2N-2 If other, provide a detailed description.  
(limit 750 characters)**

**2N-3 For each method selected, including other, describe how the method was used to reduce the occurrence of counting unsheltered homeless persons more than once during the 2013 point-in-time count. In order to receive credit for any selection, it must be described here.  
(limit 750 characters)**

Training: TCHC produced a recorded webinar for all volunteers and police and conducted night of the PIT training at all four deployment locations. Blitz: 498 volunteers were trained, received PIT Count Route Kits and maps and all deployed at the same time at 9:30 pm after closure of emergency shelters. Unique: PIT survey forms asked three ID questions of initials, last four of social security number and date of birth. Survey question: all respondents were asked if they had been surveyed yet and if they were spending the night out doors tonight. Observation: If person was unwilling to be interviewed, as much observable demographics was recorded on the survey form. The count was concluded and all results submitted to TCHC by 2:45 a.m.