

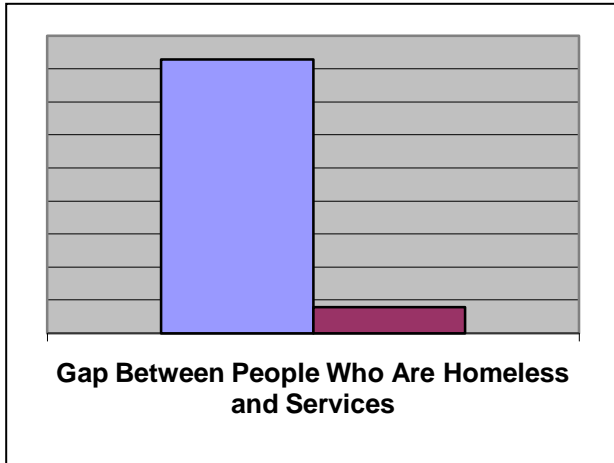


2007



CLACKAMAS COUNTY FACTS ABOUT HOMELESSNESS

There is a Need to Address Homelessness in Clackamas County



8272 people are estimated to be homeless in Clackamas County.

782 people received some housing or support services related to homelessness in 2007.

- In Oregon, an estimated 1.98% of the state’s veterans were homeless in 2005.
- Homeless School Liaisons reported a 15% increase in the number of homeless students.
- 942 transients were booked into county jail.
- 42 individuals discharged from local and state hospital were identified as homeless.

Available Housing Resources for Homeless Individuals and Families

EMERGENCY SHELTERS

# of Sites or Programs	Bed Capacity As of 12/31/07
4	69

TRANSITIONAL HOUSING

# of Sites or Programs	Bed Capacity* As of 12/31/07
9	218

PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING

# of Sites or Programs	Bed Capacity* As of 12/31/07
5	136

Note: Bed capacity is an estimate on an average of 2.5 persons per unit



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Homeless Services Delivered in 2007 (As reported through the HMIS system)

- 782 individuals received some housing or supportive services.
- Of the 782 individuals served 41% were children (322).
- 172 families received services.

Indicators of Success

- 28% of the 230 residents living in either permanent supportive or transitional housing had income earned from employment in February 2007.
- 78% of people exiting transitional housing moved to permanent housing.
- 73% of persons exiting shelter programs moved to permanent housing.
- 73 homeless individuals released by Clackamas County Community Corrections received wraparound services from "Bridges to Change". 43 of these individuals obtained housing.
- 59% of 42 individuals discharged from hospitals into homelessness were placed into housing.
- The Community Health Housing Coordinator screened 121 individuals and of these 94 were identified as being homeless. 52 of these 94 homeless individuals were placed into housing 43%.
- 72% of people starting Ready to Rent successfully completed the 6 week curriculum.

Need for Affordable Housing

Low household income, combined with a lack of affordable housing is one risk factor for homelessness. In 2005, 33,530 people, or 9.1% of Clackamas County's population, lived below the poverty line. For a family of three, this means the monthly household income is less than \$1,467. Many believe that the federal poverty level underestimate the extent of need in a community. The Nation Low Income Housing Coalition has determined that a household would need to earn \$27,000 a year in order to afford a two bedroom apartment in Clackamas County and not pay more than 30% of the household's income on rent. \$27,000/year for a family of three equals 150% of the federal poverty level.

The table below illustrates just how difficult it is for a low income family to find a place to live.

Family Size	Income	Approximate Affordable Rent	Unit Size	Available Today	Available Within 30 Days
2	150% FPL \$21,600	\$500	1 bedroom	None	None
2	200% FPL \$27,150	\$600	1 bedroom	1 (rents \$550)	1 (rents \$550)
2	230% FPL \$32,600	\$800	1 bedroom	1 (rents \$550)	1 (rents from \$550-\$650)
4	125% FPL \$27,000	\$600	2 bedroom	None	1 (rents \$595)
4	160% FPL \$33,950	\$800	2 bedroom	3 (rents from \$625-\$695)	8 (rents from \$595-?)
4	190% FPL \$40,750	\$1000	2 bedroom	5 (rents from \$625-\$865)	10 (rents from \$595 - \$865)

Note: FPL = Federal Poverty Level

Data gathered from <http://www.housingconnections.org>