452 People Homeless in the Maine Balance of State COC
Annual Point in Time Survey – January 26, 2011

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<td>In Emergency Homeless Shelters</td>
<td>425</td>
<td>382</td>
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<td>Unsheltered*</td>
<td>27</td>
<td>11</td>
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<td>452</td>
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*Unsheltered includes people who were staying in cars, tents, abandoned buildings, outside or in other places not suitable for human habitation.

People Identified as Homeless:

Survey Results:

Length of Time Homeless

- Less than 7 Days: 62%
- 7 Days to 6 Months: 16%
- 6 Months to a Year: 8%
- 1 to 2 Years: 3%
- 2 to 5 Years: 5%
- More than 5 Years: 7%
- No Response: 1%

Times Homeless in the Past Three Years

- 1: 62%
- 2: 16%
- 3: 7%
- 4: 5%
- >4: 3%
- No Response: 8%

Services Most Frequently Used

- Food Stamps: 39% (152)
- Case Management: 37% (147)
- Health Care: 30% (119)

Services Most Frequently Needed but Not Accessed

- Rent Payment Assistance: 35% (136)
- Food Stamps: 25% (97)
- Medicaid / MaineCare: 22% (87)
- Mental Health Care and Counseling: 22% (87)
About the Survey: The Annual Point in Time Survey provides a snapshot of people experiencing homelessness on a particular night of the year. The survey is required by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for Continuums of Care to receive McKinney-Vento funds for Transitional and Permanent Supportive Housing. On January 26, 2011, service providers, homeless advocates and municipal officials from the three Continuums in Maine (The City of Portland, Greater Penobscot County and Maine Balance of State) conducted a statewide census of people staying in Emergency Shelters, Transitional Housing for people who are homeless, and those living on the streets or in places considered unfit for habitation (Unsheltered). The person's demographic information, homeless situation and service needs were recorded, whenever possible, in addition to counting people who were homeless. This handout includes information and survey responses from people who were staying in Emergency Shelters or were Unsheltered on January 26, 2011. Visit www.mainehousing.org for additional Point in Time handouts with Continuum of Care data.

About the Survey:

Gender and Age

- Male: 44, Female: 45

Racial Make-Up

- White: 313, Black or African American: 24, American Indian or Alaska Native: 4, Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander: 1, Asian: 1, Don't Know: 3, Refused: 1
- 44 (11%) people identified through the survey were minorities. Minorities are 4% of Maine's population.

Last Residence

- Maine: 294, From Other States: 33, No Response: 12

Country | People | Percent |
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Androscoggin | 41 | 10% |
Aroostook | 21 | 5% |
Cumberland | 34 | 9% |
Franklin | 11 | 3% |
Hancock | 19 | 5% |
Kennebec | 56 | 14% |
Knox | 9 | 2% |
Lincoln | 5 | 1% |
Oxford | 24 | 6% |
Penobscot | 11 | 3% |
Piscataquis | 2 | 1% |
Sagadahoc | 11 | 3% |
Somerset | 9 | 2% |
Waldoboro | 4 | 1% |
Washington | 12 | 3% |
York | 59 | 15% |
Out of State | 53 | 13% |
No Response | 12 | 3% |
Total | 393 |

Adult Education Levels

- Less than High School: 112 (38%), High School Education: 125 (43%), More than High School: 39 (13%), No Response: 15 (5%)

Adult Employment Status

- Employed: 35 (12%), Unemployed: 204 (70%), No Response: 52 (18%)
- Using Job Training Services: 74 (25%)

Severe & Persistent Mental Illness: 31%, Chronic Substance Abuse: 24%, Chronic Disability: 41%, Domestic Violence Survivor: 21%, Veterans: 14%, Chronic Homeless: 9%, Recent Eviction: 3%, Recent Foreclosure: 1%

Additional Information on Adults

- Severe & Persistent Mental Illness: 31%, Chronic Substance Abuse: 24%, Chronic Disability: 41%, Domestic Violence Survivor: 21%, Veterans: 14%, Chronic Homeless: 9%, Recent Eviction: 3%, Recent Foreclosure: 1%

27 (9%) adult survey respondents met the definition of chronically homeless: an unaccompanied homeless adult individual with a disabling condition who has either been continuously homeless for a year or more or has had at least four episodes of homelessness in the past three years. Please go to http://www.ich.gov/ for more information.