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CONTINUUM OF CARE HOMELESS COUNT AND SURVEY FINAL REPORT

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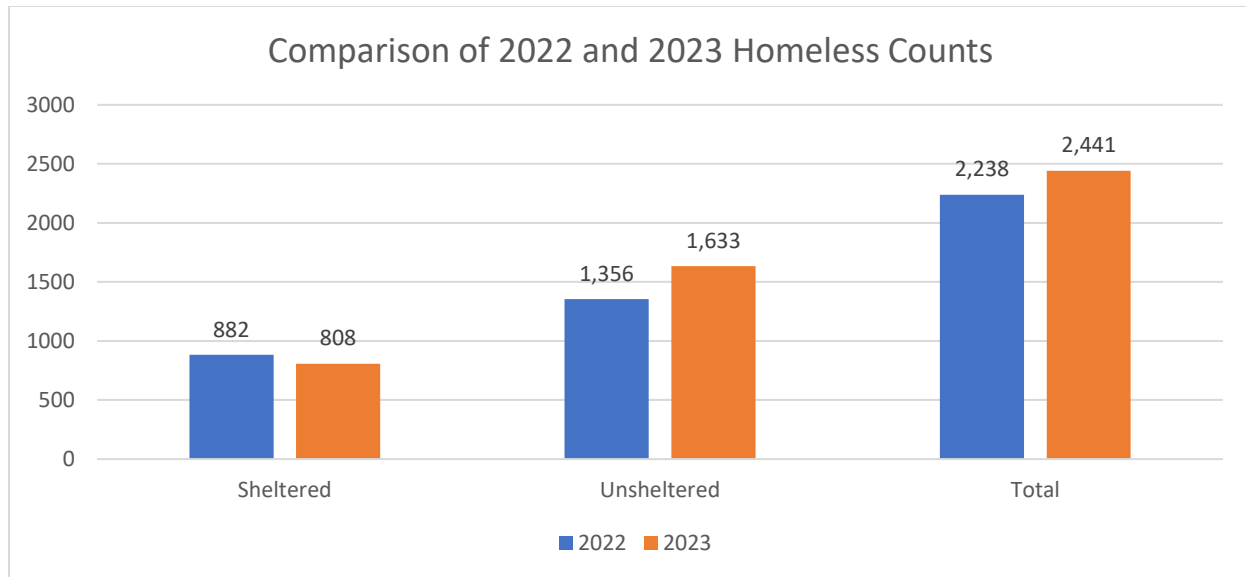
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I. Executive Summary

There were 2,441 adults and children who were counted as homeless during the point-in-time count as noted in the chart below. This number represents an increase of 203 persons or 9.1% when compared to the 2,238 persons who were counted as homeless in 2022.

Chart 1



The total number of persons counted as sheltered and unsheltered increased:

- The total number of persons counted as sheltered decreased from 882 in 2022 to 808 in 2023, which represents a decrease of 74 persons or 8.4%.
- The total number of persons counted as unsheltered increased from 1,356 in 2022 to 1,633 in 2023, which represents an increase of 277 persons or 20.4%.

Regarding sheltered homelessness, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) states that

- CoCs must count all individuals or families who meet the criteria in paragraph (1)(ii) of the homeless definition in 24 CFR 578.3. This includes individuals and families ***“living in a supervised publicly or privately operated shelter designated to provide temporary living arrangements (including congregate shelters, transitional housing, and hotels and motels paid for by charitable organizations or by federal, state, or local government programs for low-income individuals)”*** on the night designated for the count. This includes individuals residing in Safe Haven projects.

Regarding unsheltered homelessness, HUD states that

- CoCs must count all individuals or families who meet the criteria in paragraph (1)(i) of the homeless definition in 24 CFR 578.3. This includes individuals and families ***“with a primary nighttime residence that is a public or private place not designed for or ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings, including a car, park, abandoned building, bus or train station, airport, or camping ground”*** on the night designated for the count. Rapid Re-Housing (RRH) assisted households who are still unsheltered on the night of the count (e.g., staying in an encampment and being assisted by an RRH project to obtain housing) must be included as part of the unsheltered count.

Ventura County first conducted a homeless count and subpopulation survey in 2007 as listed in Table 1. The following table compares the homeless counts since 2007. However, the homeless count and survey has been conducted every year beginning in 2009 except in 2021 (see note below).

Table 1: Ventura County Homeless Counts from 2007 – 2023.

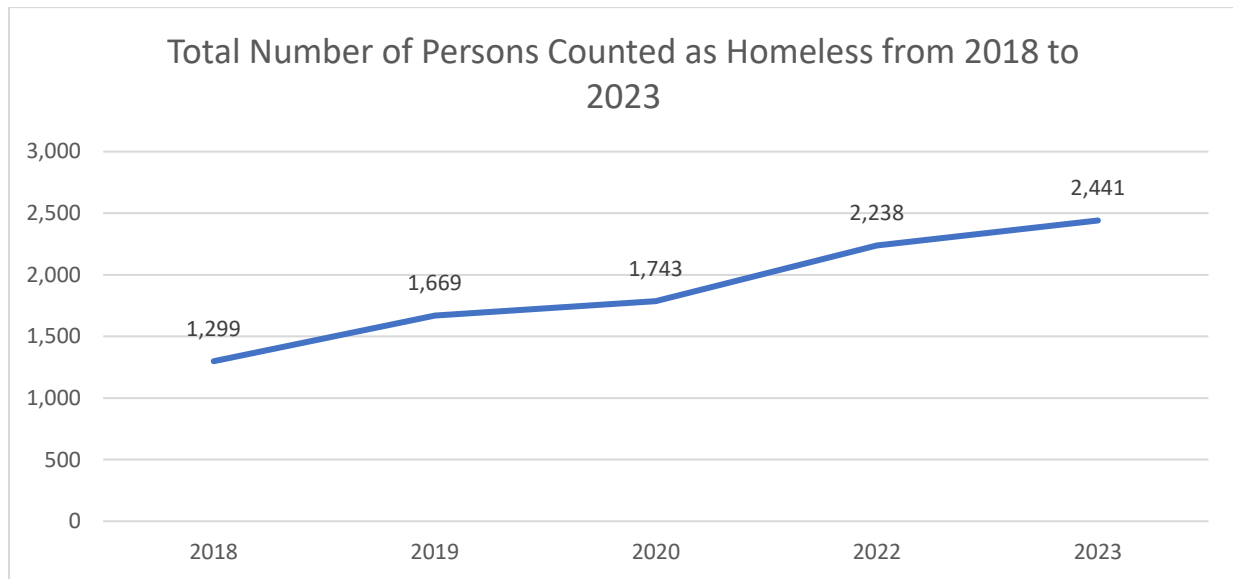
Year	Total # of Homeless Persons	% of Increase or Decrease from Previous Year
2007	1,961	-
2009	2,193	+12
2010	1,815	-17
2011	1,872	+3
2012	1,936	+3
2013	1,774	-8
2014	1,449	-18
2015	1,417	-2
2016	1,271	-10
2017	1,152	-9
2018	1,299	+12.8
2019	1,669	+28.5
2020	1,743	+4.4
2021	*	*
2022	2,238	+25.2
2023	2,441	+9.1

*The Ventura County CoC received an exception from HUD not to conduct an unsheltered count because of pandemic related reasons.

The next chart shows that the number of persons counted as homeless has increased significantly between 2018 and 2023.

- The number of persons counted as homeless in 2018 was 1,299 and 2,441 persons in 2023, which represents an increase of 1,142 persons or 87.9%.

Chart 2



The next table provides the number of homeless persons counted since 2007 by cities and unincorporated area. A count was not conducted in 2008 and an exception was granted by HUD not to conduct an unsheltered count in 2021 due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Table 2. Comparison of the total number of unsheltered and sheltered persons counted since 2007 by cities and unincorporated area

Year	Camarillo	Fillmore	Moorpark	Ojai	Oxnard
2007	10	5	13	82	671
2009	13	4	7	60	679
2010	15	5	1	52	520
2011	29	10	7	40	638
2012	30	16	5	41	522
2013	27	13	9	43	645
2014	38	6	15	62	379*
2015	35	7	7	40	603
2016	24	6	4	29	584
2017	27	0	7	19	461
2018	49	2	3	31	335
2019	33	10	2	47	548
2020	30	10	0	49	567
2021	**	**	**	**	**
2022	49	8	0	38	793
2023	78	5	3	44	838

*This number was artificially low due to an unresolved reporting discrepancy and the winter warming shelter being located in Ventura.

**An unsheltered count was not conducted because of pandemic related reasons.

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Year	Port Hueneme	Santa Paula	Simi Valley	Thousand Oaks	Ventura	Countywide
2007	9	97	163	81	588	242
2009	1	91	303	147	623	265
2010	9	54	229	106	601	223
2011	6	50	226	87	570	209
2012	12	60	284	90	701	175
2013	17	34	211	121	519	135
2014	13	31	194	130	495	86
2015	22	20	202	83	334	64
2016	7	56	99	104	300	58
2017	18	35	105	102	301	77
2018	19	44	143	80	516	77
2019	30	106	121	103	555	114
2020	19	95	162	152	531	128
2021	**	**	**	**	**	**
2022	30	115	141	210	713	109
2023	14	121	150	128	644	416***

**An unsheltered count was not conducted because of pandemic related reasons

*** Project Roomkey non-congregate shelters are counted in the Countywide data for 2023, rather than project locations, as was the case in 2022, since participants are served from various cities.

Table 3 provides a breakdown of the 2023 homeless count by sheltered and unsheltered persons for each city and unincorporated areas. Among cities, Oxnard had the largest number of unsheltered persons (625) and the largest number of sheltered persons (213). The City of Ventura had the second largest number of unsheltered (452) and sheltered persons (192). Project Roomkey non-congregate shelters are counted in the Countywide data, as persons are served from various cities.

Table 3. Total Number of Sheltered and Unsheltered Adults and Children by Jurisdiction in 2023

Jurisdiction	Sheltered		Unsheltered	Total
	Shelter	Transitional Hg		
Camarillo	0	0	78	78
Fillmore	0	0	5	5
Moorpark	0	0	3	3
Ojai	6	0	38	44
Oxnard	194	19	625	838

Port Hueneme	0	0	14	14
Santa Paula	46	0	75	121
Simi Valley	4	0	146	150
Thousand Oaks	0	0	128	128
Ventura	81*	111	452	644
Countywide**	310	37	69	416
Total:	641	167	1,633	2,441

*Includes Safe Haven beds.

**Domestic Violence (DV) Shelter locations are not disclosed and thus are reported here. Project Roomkey non-congregate shelters are counted in the Countywide data, as persons are served from various cities.

Table 4 compares the total number of unsheltered persons, sheltered persons and the total number of persons counted in 2023 to the same totals for 2022. The city with the largest total number increase (59.2%) was Camarillo and the city with the largest total number decrease (53.3%) was Port Hueneme.

Table 4. 2022 - 2023 Comparison of Unsheltered and Sheltered Persons by Jurisdiction

Incorporated and Unincorporated Areas	Total Number of Unsheltered Persons				Total Number of Sheltered Persons*				Total Number			
	2022	2023	Difference		2022	2023	Difference		2022	2023	Difference	
	#	#	#	%	#	#	#	%	#	#	#	%
Camarillo	46	78	+32	+70	3	0	-3	**	49	78	+29	+59.2
Fillmore	8	5	-3	-38	0	0	0	0	8	5	-3	-37.5
Moorpark	0	3	+3	**	0	0	0	0	0	3	+3	**
Ojai	32	38	+6	+19	6	6	0	0	38	44	+6	+15.8
Oxnard	463	625	+162	+35	330	213	-117	-35	793	838	+45	+5.7
Port Hueneme	27	14	-13	-48	3	0	0	0	30	14	-16	-53.3
Santa Paula	76	75	-1	-1	39	46	+7	+18	115	121	+6	+5.2
Simi Valley	123	146	+23	+19	18	4	-14	-78	141	150	+9	+6.4
Thousand Oaks	105	128	+23	+22	105	0	-105	**	210	128	-82	-39.0
Ventura	382	452	+70	+18	331	192	-139	-42	713	644	-69	-9.7
County-wide***	94	69	-25	-27	47	347	+300	**	141	416	+275	+195
Total:	1,356	1,633	+277	+20.4	882	808	-74	-8.4	2,238	2,441	+203	+9.1

*Sheltered persons include emergency shelters, transitional housing, and safe havens (Note: only Ventura has a safe haven).

**percentages are only provided for differences that were 200% or less.

***Includes Survivors of Domestic Violence (DV) programs and Project Roomkey non-congregate shelters.

II. Unsheltered Persons

Of the 2,441 persons counted in 2023, 1,633 or 66.9% were unsheltered, which is defined by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) as

“An individual or family who lacks a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence, meaning: (i) An individual or family with a primary nighttime residence that is a public or private place not designed for or ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings.”

Of the 1,633 unsheltered persons, 1,620 were adults and 13 were accompanied children under age 18.

Of the 11 jurisdictions, three include families with children under age 18. The cities of

- Camarillo includes two families with six children consisting of one family with five children and one family with one child;
- Oxnard includes three families with four children consisting of one family with two children and two families with one child; and
- Ventura includes two families with three children consisting of one family with two children and one family with one child.

Of the seven families, two families were two-parent households. One family had two parents and five children and one family had two parents and one child. The other families were one parent households.

Surveyed vs Observation

The goal was to survey, meaning to interview, as many adults who were counted about themselves and any children who were living unsheltered with them. Survey questions focused on requirements from HUD and local information desired by the Ventura County Continuum of Care (CoC). The number and percentage of adults surveyed is noted in Table 5.

HUD requires CoCs to report the number of various subpopulations that include chronically homeless individuals and families, persons with serious mental illness, substance use disorders, AIDS or an HIV-related illness, and veterans. The CoC desired local information included a focus on chronic health condition, first time homelessness, foster youth, income, and involvement with the justice system.

Counters surveyed 683 adults that answered questions about themselves and the 13 children living unsheltered with them. Thus, survey information was collected for 696 persons. The survey included questions about gender, age, race, ethnicity, and length of time homeless for adults and children. Other questions about disability, health, mental health, substance use, income, and veteran status pertained only to adults.

Persons were observed and not surveyed if volunteer counters felt unsafe or an unsheltered person was sleeping. Volunteers were asked to count the person by recording an estimate of the individual's gender, age, race, and ethnicity. Of the 937 persons observed, 937 were adults and none were children.

Table 5. Total Number and Percent of Unsheltered Adults Surveyed and Observed

Year	Surveyed		Observed		Total	
	#	%	#	%	#	%
2019	907	72.1	351	27.9	1,258	100
2020	874	69.1	391	30.9	1,265	100
2022	741	54.6	615	45.5	1,356	100
2023	683	42.2	937	57.8	1,620	100

The next table provides a breakdown of the total number and percent of adults surveyed and observed by jurisdiction.

Table 6. Total Number and Percent of Unsheltered Adults Surveyed and Observed by Jurisdiction

Year	Surveyed		Observed		Total	
	#	%	#	%	#	%
Camarillo	35	48.6	37	51.4	72	100
Fillmore	4	80	1	20	5	100
Moorpark	2	66.7	1	33.3	3	100
Ojai	27	71.1	11	28.9	38	100
Oxnard	225	36.2	396	63.8	621	100
Port Hueneme	14	100	0	0.0	14	100
Santa Paula	67	89.3	8	10.7	75	100
Simi Valley	81	55.5	65	44.5	146	100
Thousand Oaks	36	28.1	92	71.9	128	100
Ventura	162	36.1	287	63.9	449	100
Unincorporated	30	43.5	39	56.5	69	100
Total	683	42.2	937	57.8	1,620	100

The following four tables focus on gender, ethnicity, race, and age for the 1,633 unsheltered adults and children who were surveyed and observed.

Gender

The following table provides a breakdown by gender for the 1,620 adults and 13 children under age 18 in families. HUD requires the summary to consist of male, female, transgender, and gender non-conforming (i.e. not exclusively male or female).

Table 7. Gender for Adults and Children

	Adults		Children in Families	
	#	%	#	%
Male	1,220	75.3	6	46.2
Female	396	24.5	7	53.8
Transgender	2	0.1	0	0
Gender Non-Conforming	0	0.0	0	0
Questioning	0	0.0	0	0
Unknown	2	0.1	0	0
Total:	1,620	100	13	100

Ethnicity

Table 8 provides a breakdown by ethnicity for the 1,620 adults and 13 children under age 18 in families. HUD requires the summary to consist of Hispanic/Latin(a)(o)(x) and Non-Hispanic/Latin(a)(o)(x).

Table 8. Ethnicity for Adults and Children

	Adults		Children in Families	
	#	%	#	%
Hispanic/Latin(a)(o)(x)	776	47.9	6	46.2
Non-Hispanic/Latin(a)(o)(x)	813	50.2	6	46.2
Unknown	31	1.9	1	7.6
Total:	1,620	100	13	100

Race

Table 9 provides a breakdown by race of the 1,620 adults and thirteen (13) children under age 18 in families. It is important to note that instructions from HUD were to include Hispanics or Latinos in the race categories listed below because the designation “Hispanic or Latino” does not denote race.

Table 9. Ethnicity for Adults and Children

	Adults		Children in Families	
	#	%	#	%
American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	37	2.3	0	0.0
Asian or Asian American	6	0.4	0	0.0
Black, African American, or African	97	6.0	0	0.0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	11	0.7	0	0.0
White	1,110	68.5	12	92.3
Multiple Races	83	5.1	0	0.0
Unknown	276	17.0	1	7.7
Total:	1,620	100	13	100

Age

Table 10 provides a breakdown by age of the 1,620 adults and 13 children under age 18 in families.

Table 10. Unsheltered Adults and Children by Age

Adults:	#	%
Under Age 18	13	100
Subtotal:	13	100
Ages 18 – 24	52	3.2
Age 25 – 34	272	16.8
Age 35 – 44	397	24.5
Age 45 – 54	356	22.0
Age 55 – 64	289	17.8
Age 65+	149	9.2
Unknown	105	6.5
Subtotal:	1620	100
Total:	1,633	100

Other Subpopulations

Table 11 only includes self-reported responses from the 1,620 adults. The most notable finding concerns chronically homeless adults. More than one-fourth (27.4%) of adults were chronically

homeless in 2020. The following table shows that nearly half (46.6%) of adults in 2022 and closer to half (48.6) in 2023.

Table 11. Unsheltered Adults by Subpopulations

Subpopulations:	2022		2023		Difference	
	#	%	#	%	#	%
Chronically Homeless Adults	629	46.6	787	48.6	+158	+25.1
Families including Chronically Homeless Families	4*	*	7**	**	-	-
Persons w/Chronic Health Conditions	355	26.3	428	26.4	+73	+20.6
Persons w/a Developmental Disability	121	9.0	131	8.1	+10	+8.3
Persons w/HIV/AIDS	15	1.1	10	0.6	-5	-33.3
Persons w/Mental Health Problems	340	25.2	353	21.8	+13	+3.8
Persons w/a Physical Disability	278	20.6	334	20.6	+56	+20.1
Substance Users	447	33.1	599	37.0	+152	+34.0
Veterans***	71	5.3	134	8.3	+63	+88.7
Experiencing Homelessness Because Fleeing Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, or Stalking	130	9.6	99	6.1	-31	-23.8

*4 families consisted of 11 persons of which 5 were adults and 6 were children, none of whom were chronically homeless.

*In 2022, the total number of adults in the four families were five and represented 0.3% of the total adult population of 1,350.

**7 families consisted of 22 persons of which 9 were adults and 13 were children, none of whom were chronically homeless.

**In 2023, the total number of adults in the four families were nine and represented 0.5% of the total adult population of 1,620.

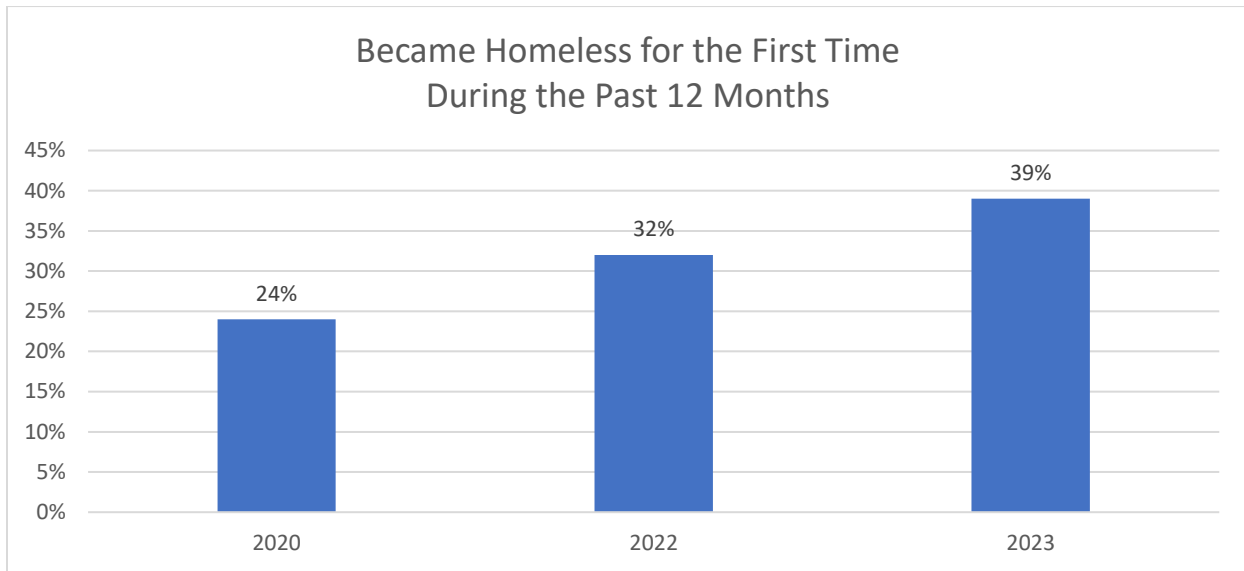
*** 61.9% or 44 veterans were chronically homeless individuals in 2022 and 47.4% or 63 in 2023.

Other Survey Questions

Did you become homeless for the first time in the last 12 months?

The next chart shows that the percentage of unsheltered adults who became homeless for the first time during the past 12 months is increasing. Nearly one-fourth (24%) of unsheltered adults in 2020, nearly one-third (32%) in 2022, and more than one-third (39%) in 2023.

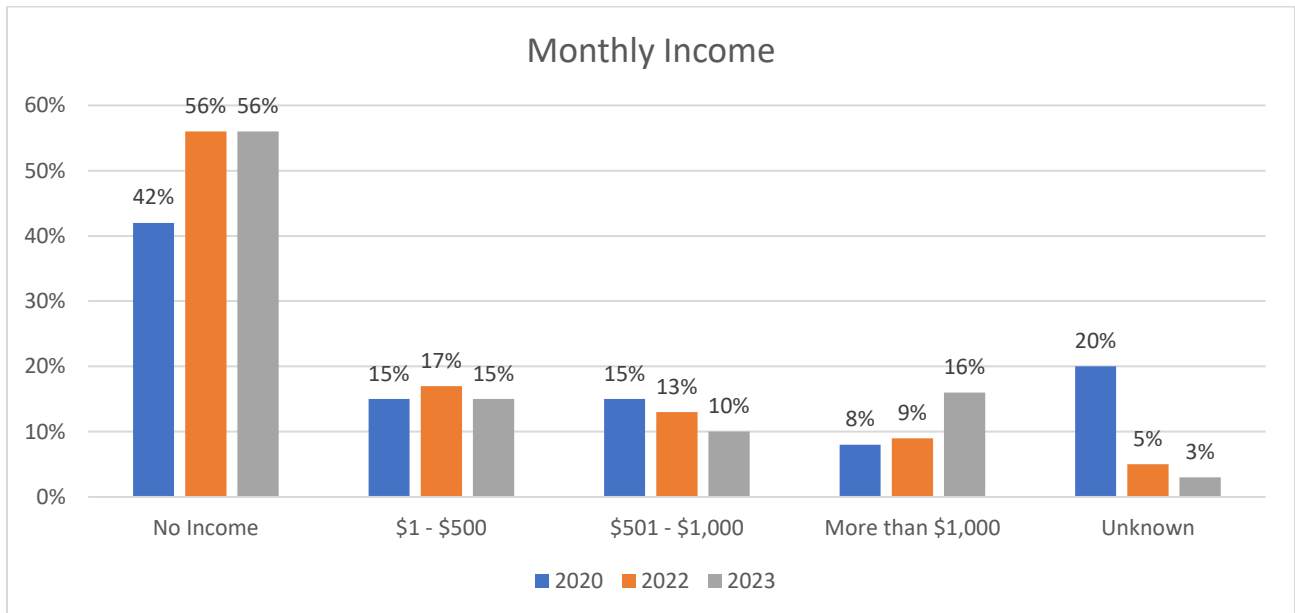
Chart 3



How much is your monthly income?

More than half of adults stated that they had no income in 2022 and 2023.

Chart 4



Next Steps: Implementing Recommendations to End Homelessness

On April 12, 2023, the Ventura County Continuum of Care (CoC) Board approved the following recommendations to end homelessness in Ventura County. These recommendations are in alignment with the Ventura County Plan to Prevent and End Homelessness which was adopted in January 2019. The full plan can be found on the CoC website [here](#):

The following recommendations were approved by the CoC Board for 2023:

1. Achieve functional zero with homeless veterans in 2024 in collaboration with Veteran Affairs and local veteran service providers;
2. Further the efforts to end homelessness among unsheltered youth with the expansion of new transitional housing programs for transitional-age-youth (18-24);
3. Reduce the number of chronically homeless adults by 2024 with the addition of new permanent supportive housing units;
4. Encourage each jurisdiction to review their 2023 unsheltered homeless count and review local strategies to reduce unsheltered homelessness;
5. Expand the efforts of the Ventura County Continuum of Care Workgroup partnering with people with lived experience to solicit feedback and provide recommendations;
6. Reduce the number of first time homeless households by expanding homelessness prevention programs and implementing diversion strategies;
7. Leverage resources to prioritize or increase supportive services for housing retention.

III. Background Information

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), as part of its requirements for local jurisdictions to continue to receive Continuum of Care (CoC) funding for homeless persons, has asked local jurisdictional applicants to conduct a “one-day point-in-time” unsheltered and sheltered homeless count every other year since 2005 during the last 10 days of January. However, since 2012, HUD requires a sheltered count every year, which includes emergency shelters and transitional housing programs, including safe havens. The Ventura County CoC, however, has conducted an annual unsheltered and sheltered count since 2009 with the exception of 2021 only including a sheltered count due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

In addition, HUD requires local jurisdictional applicants to gather data for the following subpopulations: chronically homeless individuals, chronically homeless families, persons with mental illness, persons with HIV/AIDS, substance users, veterans, victims of domestic violence, unaccompanied youth under age 18, and youth ages 18 – 24.

A. When were the 2023 Count and Subpopulation Surveys conducted?

The homeless count and subpopulation surveys were conducted on January 24, 2023 to survey persons who slept sheltered or unsheltered on the night of January 23, 2023. Additionally, HUD allows for communities to survey persons at service site locations and other areas such as homeless encampments within seven days following the night of the count. In Ventura County, each community lead identified service sites and other areas to survey. Service providers, volunteers and law enforcement partners assisted with surveying these locations on days following the count, including encampments. The person had to report sleeping in a “place not meant for human habitation” on the night of January 23, 2023 to be included in the count. Identifier information was collected to prevent duplication.

The local Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) was used to complete the sheltered count on the same day. Those agencies that operate an emergency shelter or transitional housing program and do not participate in HMIS completed a survey with the same information as collected in HMIS.

B. Who was counted and surveyed in 2023?

Only those persons who met HUD’s definition of homelessness were counted and surveyed. HUD considers a person homeless only when he/she lives:

- In places not meant for human habitation, such as cars, parks, sidewalks, and abandoned buildings;
- In an emergency shelter;
- In transitional housing; and
- In a safe haven.

HUD does not consider the following persons to be homeless—persons who are “doubled up,” or persons who are “near homelessness”—but considers them to be at-risk of becoming homeless. Such persons were not included in the homeless count. The 2020 Census Bureau data noted that 9.1% or approximately 76,790 of the 843,843 residents of the County were living below the poverty level. These persons are at risk of becoming homeless. Many of these persons can become homeless because of social structural issues such as increases in rent, loss of job, and rising health care costs. In addition, personal experiences such as domestic violence, physical disabilities, mental illness, and substance abuse can cause members of a low-income household or an entire household to become homeless. Often, one or more of these experiences factor into a household’s homeless experience as suggested in Table 11.

The Ventura County Continuum of Care homeless services system saw 5,275 persons including 4,578 adults and 1087 persons in families, including 657 children. 33% of those served by homeless service providers in 2022 were seniors (55 and older). A total of 2,961 referrals were made to programs including homeless prevention assistance, emergency shelter, transitional housing, and rapid re-housing. In all programs that work to connect persons with permanent housing (emergency shelter, transitional housing, and rapid re-housing) 47% of persons served were assisted with permanent housing. While the system continues to experience challenges in identifying affordable and available housing units for all persons that need them, persons in permanent housing programs (rapid re-housing and permanent housing) saw a greater than 95% success rate in retaining permanent housing. The 34 participating partner agencies and their various programs are successful in housing individuals and families and supporting those households in achieving housing stability when the right resources are available.

During 2022, Ventura County 2-1-1 continued to see increased calls for housing assistance which resulted in the top unmet need category. The image below shows calls from persons who were at-risk of homelessness or currently unhoused in each jurisdiction throughout the county.

At-Risk of Homelessness			Currently Unhoused		
City	#Clients	%Clients	City	#Clients	%Clients
Oxnard	610	38.03%	Oxnard	1144	39.14%
Ventura	386	24.06%	Ventura	922	31.54%
Simi Valley	145	9.04%	Thousand Oaks	240	8.21%
Thousand Oaks	134	8.35%	Simi Valley	213	7.29%
Camarillo	127	7.92%	Camarillo	142	4.86%
Santa Paula	54	3.37%	Santa Paula	81	2.77%
Port Hueneme	47	2.93%	Port Hueneme	62	2.12%
Moorpark	37	2.31%	Fillmore	39	1.33%
Ojai	28	1.75%	Moorpark	36	1.23%
Fillmore	20	1.25%	Ojai	29	0.99%
Oak View	8	0.50%	Oak View	8	0.27%
Oak Park	4	0.25%	Oak Park	4	0.14%
Somis	3	0.19%	Somis	2	0.07%
Piru	1	0.06%	Piru	1	0.03%
Total	1604	100.00%	Total	2923	100.00%

The County of Ventura Healthcare for the Homeless reported nearly twelve thousand persons enrolled that met the Health Resources & Services Administration (HRSA) definition of homeless (includes doubled up and at-risk persons). Of this number, approximately 30% of persons were literally homeless (unsheltered, emergency shelter or transitional housing).

Ventura County Office of Education also tracks the number of homeless students through a broader definition of homelessness set by the federal Department of Education. Data collected in the 2022 school year showed 6,638 students temporarily doubled-up or at-risk of homelessness, and 438 of students met the HUD definition of homelessness. This data includes all public K-12 schools in Ventura County.

C. Who carried out the count and subpopulation survey?

Approximately 400 volunteers helped with the unsheltered count and subpopulation survey. Each city had volunteer teams that were coordinated by a team leader(s). In addition, volunteer teams were coordinated by a team leader(s) to count in unincorporated areas of the county. Teams counted on the streets, in encampments, at non-residential program sites that served homeless persons such as food programs, health care centers, one stop services, and public assistance sites.

Volunteer efforts were coordinated by the County Executive Office (CEO), which is responsible to the Board of Supervisors for the general administration and coordination of all County operations and programs (see <http://www.ventura.org/county-executive-office>). The CEO's office also provides staff support to the Countywide Continuum of Care. The CEO consulted with the Institute for Urban Initiatives to complete the count and subpopulation survey.

Urban Initiatives is a community-based research and development agency that has completed many housing and homeless assessments including several homeless counts for cities and counties throughout Southern California. It consists of several agencies that respond to the economic, housing, and social needs of neighborhoods, cities, and counties from community, regional, national, international, and faith-based perspectives (see www.urban-initiatives.org).

The CEO also consulted with the Ventura County Continuum of Care Alliance (VCCCA), whose mission is to facilitate an end to homelessness in Ventura County by coordinating funding, housing, and service strategies that prevent and end homelessness to plan and coordinate the count. The VCCCA is made up of individuals and representatives who support the mission, including those from the service sector (mental health agencies, health care agencies, social service providers, victim advocates, and educational institutions), housing agencies (non-profit and for-profit developers, housing authorities), law enforcement, and advocates (faith community, formerly homeless and neighborhood groups). For more information about VCCCA, visit www.venturacoc.org.

IV. Methodology

Unsheltered Count and Survey

A homeless count and subpopulation survey instrument was used to gather unsheltered data by volunteer counters. The survey data was gathered primarily by utilizing the County ArcGIS Survey123 mobile app.

A digital survey form was designed to simplify the surveyor's experience; only relevant questions were displayed based on the answers already entered, eliminating the need for surveyors to devote time and effort to determine which questions to ask, and resulting in a simpler linear surveying experience.

Volunteers entered responses to survey questions on their mobile devices where survey data was instantly submitted to a regional command center. The survey questions were focused on gathering demographic information and subpopulation as required by HUD. The instrument focused on gathering responses that were used to create an identifier and to determine the number of persons for each subpopulation required by HUD. All information gathered through this instrument remains confidential.

During the count, volunteers collected the following information concerning every homeless person counted: first initial of first name, first initial of last name, gender, race¹, age by code², and state born. The information for each encounter was exported into a data base. The information was used to create an identifier for each person. For example, a homeless person may have the following code of "WTM56Y." This means that this person's first name began with "W", last name began with "T", he was male "M", he was White "5", in the age range of 45-54 "6", and said "yes" when asked if they had a physical disability.

First Initial	Last Initial	Gender	Race	Age	Physical Disability
W	T	M	5	6	Yes

If the same identifier appeared more than once, it was assumed that this was the same person and the person would only be counted once. An example to illustrate how this process worked is noted in the table below. Numbers 6 and 7 (shaded in gray) would be considered the same person. If for some reason there was doubt that numbers 6 and 7 were the same person, other data collected on the same two people would be used to address the doubt.

¹ The code for race was 1=African American or Black; 2=American Indian or Alaskan Native; 3=Asian; 4=Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander; 5=White; 6=Multiple Races or Other, 7= Don't Know; and 8= Refused to Answer.

² The code for age included: 0=under 5; 1=5-12; 2=13-17; 3=18-24; 4=25-34; 5=35-44; 6=45-54; 7=55-61; and 8=62+.

Number of Person	First Initial	Last Initial	Gender	Race	Age	Physical Disability
1	J	H	F	5	6	No
2	H	T	M	4	7	No
3	R	K	F	4	5	No
4	K	N	M	1	4	Yes
5	F	A	M	3	3	No
6	J	F	M	5	5	Yes
7	J	F	M	5	5	Yes

The obtained data also provided the opportunity to break down the number of homeless persons counted by gender, ethnicity, age range, and state born. Thus, the questions served two purposes—basic demographic information and the prevention of duplication.

The instrument also focused on gathering responses to several questions to determine the number of persons for each of the eight subpopulations required by HUD, which include:

- Chronically Homeless Individuals;
- Chronically Homeless Families;
- Persons with HIV/AIDS;
- Persons with Chronic Substance Abuse;
- Persons with Severe Mental Illness;
- Unaccompanied Youth under Age 18;
- Veterans;
- Persons fleeing Domestic Violence; and
- Youth Ages 18 to 24.

Other subpopulation data was also collected for:

- Persons released from a Correctional Institution during past 12 months after serving a court-ordered sentence;
- Persons with a Physical Disability;
- Persons with a Developmental Disability;
- Persons with Chronic Health Conditions; and
- Seniors age 62+.

A HUD approved extrapolation methodology was used to estimate population demographics for the observation surveys. This methodology applies the surveyed proportion of demographic data to the total population experiencing homelessness for an extrapolated estimate.

Sheltered Count and Survey

As required by HUD, the sheltered count included the number of persons and households sleeping in emergency shelters (including seasonal shelters) and transitional housing, including safe haven programs, which were listed on the Housing Inventory Chart (HIC) (see Appendix D). In addition, any persons staying in hotels or motels as a result of receiving a voucher from a social service agency were included in the sheltered count per HUD's instructions if the voucher program was listed on the HIC.

The HIC is updated and submitted to HUD in May of each year, as part of the annual Point-in-Time count process. Prior to the homeless count, the HIC was updated by CEO staff to include any new programs or exclude any programs no longer operational.

HUD encourages the use of HMIS data to generate sheltered counts and subpopulation data for programs with 100% of beds participating in HMIS. Thus, HMIS was used to gather the total number of occupied beds and the number of persons for each subpopulation. Data was also collected on the total number of occupied beds and the number of persons for each subpopulation for non-participating HMIS programs. The same questions used to collect subpopulation data through HMIS were used for the data collection instrument.

See Appendix C for a sheltered report for all emergency shelter, safe haven and transitional housing programs. The report includes a breakdown of demographic and subpopulation information.

IV. Unsheltered Subpopulation Summaries

This section provides a breakdown of each of the unsheltered subpopulations listed below. The analysis only includes the responses of those persons surveyed within each subpopulation. Others were only observed because volunteer counters felt unsafe or a homeless person was sleeping. Only adults are included in the responses because most of the survey questions asked for information that do not relate to children.

Unsheltered subpopulations include:

- Veterans;
- Chronically homeless;
- Youth ages 18 – 24;
- Unaccompanied Women

Veterans

57 or 42.5% of the total of 134 unsheltered veterans were surveyed.

Table 12. Veterans

Demographic Information	n=57	
	Number	Percent
Age:		
18 - 24	0	0.0
25 - 34	3	5.3
35 – 44	6	10.5
45 – 54	6	10.5
55 – 64	14	24.6
65+	21	36.8
Unknown	7	12.3
Gender:		
Male	53	93.0
Female	4	7.0
Transgender	0	0.0
Gender Non-Conforming (i.e. not exclusively male or female)	0	0.0
Unknown	0	0.0
Ethnicity: Hispanic/Latino/Latina	15	26.3
Race:		
Alaska Native, American Indian, or Indigenous	3	5.3
Asian American or Asian	1	1.8
Black, African American, or African	2	3.5
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0	0.0
White	47	82.4
Multiple Races	1	1.8
Unknown	3	5.3
Chronic Health Conditions	20	35.1
Chronic Homelessness	27	47.4
Developmental Disabilities	7	12.3
Experiencing Homelessness Because Fleeing Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, or Stalking	1	1.8

First Time Homeless:	15	26.3
Became Homeless for First Time During Last 12 Months		
Foster Youth – Current or Former	8	14.0
HIV/AIDS	0	0.0
Monthly Income:		
No Income	18	31.6
\$1 - \$500	8	14.0
\$501 - \$1,000	7	12.3
More than \$1,000	23	40.3
Unknown	1	1.8
Mental Health Problem	12	21.1
Released from Jail or Prison in the Last 12 Months	9	15.8
Have you been arrested and/or cited by law enforcement in the past year	15	26.3
Physical Disability	15	26.3
Substance Use Problem	11	19.3

Chronically Homeless

332 or 42.2% of the total of 787 unsheltered chronically homeless persons were surveyed.

Table 13. Chronically Homeless Persons

Demographic Information	n=332	
	Number	Percent
Age:		
18 - 24	13	3.9
25 - 34	48	14.5
35 – 44	71	21.4
45 – 54	74	22.3
55 – 64	66	19.9
65+	24	7.2
Unknown	36	10.8
Gender:		
Male	246	74.1
Female	84	25.3
Transgender	1	0.3
Gender Non-Conforming (i.e. not exclusively male or female)	0	0.0
Unknown	1	0.3
Ethnicity: Hispanic/Latino/Latina	154	46.4
Race:		
Alaska Native, American Indian, or Indigenous	8	2.4
Asian American or Asian	1	0.3
Black, African American, or African	17	5.1
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	3	1.0
White	239	72.0
Multiple Races	14	4.2
Unknown	49	14.9
Chronic Health Conditions	142	42.8
Developmental Disabilities	46	13.9
Experiencing Homelessness Because Fleeing Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, or Stalking	24	7.2
First Time Homeless:	103	31.0
Became Homeless for First Time During Last 12 Months		

Foster Youth – Current or Former	34	10.2
HIV/AIDS	3	1.0
Monthly Income:		
No Income	185	55.7
\$1 - \$500	44	13.3
\$501 - \$1,000	37	11.1
More than \$1,000	57	17.2
Unknown	9	2.7
Mental Health Problem	113	34.0
Released from Jail or Prison in the Last 12 Months	97	29.2
Have you been arrested and/or cited by law enforcement in the past year	147	44.3
Physical Disability	116	34.9
Substance Use Problem	194	58.4
Veteran	27	8.1

Youth Age 18 - 24

22 or 42.3% of the total of 52 unsheltered youth age 18 - 24 were surveyed.

Table 14. Youth Age 18 - 24

Demographic Information	n=22	
	Number	Percent
Gender:		
Male	15	68.2
Female	7	31.8
Transgender	0	0.0
Gender Non-Conforming (i.e. not exclusively male or female)	0	0.0
Unknown	0	0.0
Ethnicity: Hispanic/Latino/Latina	11	50.0
Race:		
Alaska Native, American Indian, or Indigenous	1	4.5
Asian American or Asian	0	0.0
Black, African American, or African	3	13.6
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0	0.0
White	12	54.6
Multiple Races	1	4.5
Unknown	5	22.8
Chronic Health Conditions	2	9.1
Chronic Homelessness	13	59.1
Developmental Disabilities	1	4.5
Experiencing Homelessness Because Fleeing Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, or Stalking	1	4.5
First Time Homeless:	12	54.6
Became Homeless for First Time During Last 12 Months		
Foster Youth – Current or Former	2	9.1
HIV/AIDS	0	0.0
Monthly Income		
No Income	16	72.8

\$1 - \$500	4	18.2
\$501 - \$1,000	1	4.5
More than \$1,000	0	0.0
Unknown	1	4.5
Mental Health Problem	6	27.3
Released from Jail or Prison in the Last 12 Months	11	50.0
Have you been arrested and/or cited by law enforcement in the past year	13	59.1
Physical Disability	3	13.6
Substance Use Problem	15	68.2
Veteran	0	0.0

Unaccompanied Women

167 or 42.7% of the total of 391 unsheltered unaccompanied women were surveyed.

Table 15.

Demographic Information	n=167	
	Number	Percent
Age:		
18 - 24	7	4.2
25 - 34	34	20.4
35 – 44	52	31.1
45 – 54	27	16.2
55 – 64	25	15.0
65+	9	5.4
Unknown	13	7.8
Ethnicity: Hispanic/Latino/Latina	76	45.5
Race:		
Alaska Native, American Indian, or Indigenous	4	2.4
Asian American or Asian	1	0.6
Black, African American, or African	8	4.8
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	2	1.2
White	125	74.9
Multiple Races	5	3.0
Unknown	22	13.1
Chronic Health Conditions	51	30.5
Chronic Homelessness	84	50.3
Developmental Disabilities	16	9.6
Experiencing Homelessness Because Fleeing Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, or Stalking	28	16.8
First Time Homeless:	70	41.9
Became Homeless for First Time During Last 12 Months		
Foster Youth – Current or Former	20	12.0
HIV/AIDS	2	1.2

Monthly Income		
No Income	103	61.7
\$1 - \$500	15	9.0
\$501 - \$1,000	14	8.4
More than \$1,000	27	16.2
Unknown	8	4.7
Mental Health Problem	62	37.1
Released from Jail or Prison in the Last 12 Months	46	27.5
Have you been arrested and/or cited by law enforcement in the past year	73	43.7
Physical Disability	45	26.9
Substance Use Problem	65	38.9
Veteran	4	2.4

Appendix A:

Findings for Each City

Concerning Unsheltered Adults

Camarillo

Total Number of Unsheltered Persons: 78

Total Unsheltered Adults: 72

Demographic Information	n=72	
	Number	Percent
Age:		
18 - 24	0	0.0
25 - 34	15	20.0
35 – 44	10	14.3
45 – 54	27	37.1
55 – 64	10	14.3
65+	8	11.4
Unknown	2	2.9
Gender:		
Male	53	74.3
Female	19	25.7
Transgender	0	0.0
Gender Non-Conforming (i.e. not exclusively male or female)	0	0.0
Unknown	0	0.0
Ethnicity: Hispanic/Latino/Latina	19	25.7
Race:		
Alaska Native, American Indian, or Indigenous	4	5.7
Asian American or Asian	0	0.0
Black, African American, or African	2	2.9
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0	0.0
White	50	68.6
Multiple Races	6	8.6
Unknown	10	14.3
Chronic Health Conditions:	27	37.1
Chronic Homelessness:	31	42.9
Developmental Disabilities:	6	8.6
Experiencing Homelessness Because Fleeing Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, or Stalking	4	5.7

First Time Homeless:	50	68.6
Became Homeless for First Time During Last 12 Months		
Foster Youth – Current or Former:	6	8.6
HIV/AIDS:	0	0.0
Monthly Income		
No Income	21	28.6
\$1 - \$500	8	11.4
\$501 - \$1,000	12	17.1
More than \$1,000	25	34.3
Unknown	6	8.6
Mental Health Problem:	8	11.4
Released from Jail or Prison in the Last 12 Months:	4	5.7
Have you been arrested and/or cited by law enforcement in the past year?	23	31.4
Physical Disability:	21	28.6
Substance Use Problem:	4	5.7
Veteran:	2	2.9

Fillmore

Total Number of Unsheltered Persons: 5

Total Unsheltered Adults: 5

Demographic Information	n=5	
	Number	Percent
Age:		
18 - 24	0	0.0
25 - 34	2	40.0
35 - 44	0	0.0
45 - 54	3	60.0
55 - 64	0	0.0
65+	0	0.0
Unknown	0	100
Gender:		
Male	4	80.0
Female	1	20.0
Transgender	0	0.0
Gender Non-Conforming (i.e. not exclusively male or female)	0	0.0
Unknown	0	0.0
Ethnicity: Hispanic/Latino/Latina	5	100
Race:		
Alaska Native, American Indian, or Indigenous	0	0.0
Asian American or Asian	0	0.0
Black, African American, or African	0	0.0
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0	0.0
White	5	100
Multiple Races	0	0.0
Unknown	0	0.0
Chronic Health Conditions:	3	60.0
Chronic Homelessness:	3	60.0

Developmental Disabilities:	0	0.0
Experiencing Homelessness Because Fleeing Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, or Stalking	0	0.0
First Time Homeless:	1	20.0
Became Homeless for First Time During Last 12 Months		
Foster Youth – Current or Former:	1	20.0
HIV/AIDS:	0	0.0
Monthly Income		
No Income	3	60.0
\$1 - \$500	2	40.0
\$501 - \$1,000	0	0.0
More than \$1,000	0	0.0
Unknown	0	0.0
Mental Health Problem:	1	20.0
Released from Jail or Prison in the Last 12 Months:	3	60.0
Have you been arrested and/or cited by law enforcement in the past year?	3	60.0
Physical Disability:	1	20.0
Substance Use Problem:	3	60.0
Veteran:	0	0.0

Moorpark

Total Number of Unsheltered Persons: 3

Total Unsheltered Adults: 3

Demographic Information	n=3	
	Number	Percent
Age:		
18 - 24	0	0.0
25 - 34	2	66.7
35 – 44	0	0.0
45 – 54	0	0.0
55 – 64	0	0.0
65+	1	33.3
Unknown	0	0.0
Gender:		
Male	2	66.7
Female	1	33.3
Transgender	0	0.0
Gender Non-Conforming (i.e. not exclusively male or female)	0	0.0
Unknown	0	0.0
Ethnicity: Hispanic/Latino/Latina	2	66.7
Race:		
Alaska Native, American Indian, or Indigenous	0	0.0
Asian American or Asian	0	0.0
Black, African American, or African	0	0.0
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0	0.0
White	3	100
Multiple Races	0	0.0
Unknown	0	0.0
Chronic Health Conditions:	2	66.7
Chronic Homelessness:	0	0.0
Developmental Disabilities:	0	0.0

Experiencing Homelessness Because Fleeing Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, or Stalking	0	0.0
First Time Homeless:	2	66.7
Became Homeless for First Time During Last 12 Months		
Foster Youth – Current or Former:	0	0.0
HIV/AIDS:	0	0.0
Monthly Income		
No Income	2	66.7
\$1 - \$500	0	0.0
\$501 - \$1,000	0	0.0
More than \$1,000	1	33.3
Unknown	0	0.0
Mental Health Problem:	1	33.3
Released from Jail or Prison in the Last 12 Months:	0	0.0
Have you been arrested and/or cited by law enforcement in the past year?	0	0.0
Physical Disability:	1	33.3
Substance Use Problem:	1	33.3
Veteran:	0	0.0

Ojai

Total Number of Unsheltered Persons: 38

Total Unsheltered Adults: 38

Demographic Information	n=38	
	Number	Percent
Age:		
18 - 24	0	0.0
25 - 34	6	14.8
35 – 44	7	18.5
45 – 54	4	11.1
55 – 64	3	7.4
65+	15	40.8
Unknown	3	7.4
Gender:		
Male	24	63.0
Female	14	37.0
Transgender	0	0.0
Gender Non-Conforming (i.e. not exclusively male or female)	0	0.0
Unknown	0	0.0
Ethnicity: Hispanic/Latino/Latina	8	22.2
Race:		
Alaska Native, American Indian, or Indigenous	3	7.4
Asian American or Asian	0	0.0
Black, African American, or African	0	0.0
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0	0.0
White	31	81.5
Multiple Races	4	11.1
Unknown	0	0.0
Chronic Health Conditions:	0	0.0
Chronic Homelessness:	10	25.9
Developmental Disabilities:	0	0.0
Experiencing Homelessness Because Fleeing Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, or Stalking	3	7.4

First Time Homeless:	18	48.1
Became Homeless for First Time During Last 12 Months		
Foster Youth – Current or Former:	0	0.0
HIV/AIDS:	0	0.0
Monthly Income		
No Income	7	18.6
\$1 - \$500	9	22.2
\$501 - \$1,000	4	11.1
More than \$1,000	18	48.1
Unknown		
Mental Health Problem:	7	18.5
Released from Jail or Prison in the Last 12 Months:	8	22.2
Have you been arrested and/or cited by law enforcement in the past year?	11	29.6
Physical Disability:	1	3.7
Substance Use Problem:	7	18.5
Veteran:	8	22.2

Oxnard

Total Number of Unsheltered Persons: 629

Total Unsheltered Adults: 625

Demographic Information	n=625	
	Number	Percent
Age:		
18 - 24	25	4.0
25 - 34	125	20.0
35 – 44	191	30.6
45 – 54	142	22.7
55 – 64	100	16.0
65+	42	6.7
Unknown	0	0.0
Gender:		
Male	469	75.1
Female	156	24.9
Transgender	0	0.0
Gender Non-Conforming (i.e. not exclusively male or female)	0	0.0
Unknown	0	0.0
Ethnicity: Hispanic/Latino/Latina	427	68.4
Race:		
Alaska Native, American Indian, or Indigenous	11	1.8
Asian American or Asian	0	0.0
Black, African American, or African	50	8.0
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	3	0.4
White	411	65.8
Multiple Races	48	7.6
Unknown	102	16.4
Chronic Health Conditions:	122	19.6
Chronic Homelessness:	243	38.9

Developmental Disabilities:	33	5.3
Experiencing Homelessness Because Fleeing Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, or Stalking	31	4.9
First Time Homeless:	261	41.8
Became Homeless for First Time During Last 12 Months		
Foster Youth – Current or Former:	39	6.2
HIV/AIDS:	8	1.3
Monthly Income		
No Income	436	69.8
\$1 - \$500	64	10.2
\$501 - \$1,000	42	6.7
More than \$1,000	77	12.4
Unknown	6	0.9
Mental Health Problem:	117	18.7
Released from Jail or Prison in the Last 12 Months:	217	34.7
Have you been arrested and/or cited by law enforcement in the past year?	333	53.3
Physical Disability:	92	14.7
Substance Use Problem:	252	40.4
Veteran:	47	7.6

Port Hueneme

Total Number of Unsheltered Persons: 14

Total Unsheltered Adults: 14

Demographic Information	n=14	
	Number	Percent
Age:		
18 - 24	2	14.3
25 - 34	3	21.4
35 – 44	2	14.3
45 – 54	1	7.1
55 – 64	3	21.4
65+	2	14.3
Unknown	1	7.1
Gender:		
Male	6	42.9
Female	7	50.0
Transgender	0	0.0
Gender Non-Conforming (i.e. not exclusively male or female)	0	0.0
Unknown	1	7.1
Ethnicity: Hispanic/Latino/Latina	6	42.9
Race:		
Alaska Native, American Indian, or Indigenous	1	7.1
Asian American or Asian	0	0.0
Black, African American, or African	0	0.0
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0	0.0
White	11	78.6
Multiple Races	0	0.0
Unknown	1	7.1
Chronic Health Conditions:	6	42.9
Chronic Homelessness:	8	57.1

Developmental Disabilities:	1	7.1
Experiencing Homelessness Because Fleeing Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, or Stalking	2	14.3
First Time Homeless:	5	35.7
Became Homeless for First Time During Last 12 Months		
Foster Youth – Current or Former:	2	14.3
HIV/AIDS:	0	0.0
Monthly Income		
No Income	11	78.6
\$1 - \$500	0	0.0
\$501 - \$1,000	1	7.1
More than \$1,000	2	14.3
Unknown	0	0.0
Mental Health Problem:	5	35.7
Released from Jail or Prison in the Last 12 Months:	5	35.7
Have you been arrested and/or cited by law enforcement in the past year?	8	57.1
Physical Disability:	5	35.7
Substance Use Problem:	5	35.7
Veteran:	2	14.3

Santa Paula

Total Number of Unsheltered Persons: 75

Total Unsheltered Adults: 75

Demographic Information	n=75	
	Number	Percent
Age:		
18 - 24	2	3.0
25 - 34	13	17.9
35 - 44	23	29.9
45 - 54	27	35.8
55 - 64	9	11.9
65+	1	1.5
Unknown	0	0.0
Gender:		
Male	59	79.1
Female	16	20.9
Transgender	0	0.0
Gender Non-Conforming (i.e. not exclusively male or female)	0	0.0
Unknown	0	0.0
Ethnicity: Hispanic/Latino/Latina	65	86.6
Race:		
Alaska Native, American Indian, or Indigenous	4	4.5
Asian American or Asian	0	0.0
Black, African American, or African	0	0.0
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0	0.0
White	35	46.3
Multiple Races	13	17.9
Unknown	23	31.3
Chronic Health Conditions:	9	11.9
Chronic Homelessness:	49	65.7

Developmental Disabilities:	7	9.0
Experiencing Homelessness Because Fleeing Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, or Stalking	6	7.5
First Time Homeless:	20	26.9
Became Homeless for First Time During Last 12 Months		
Foster Youth – Current or Former:	1	1.5
HIV/AIDS:	0	0.0
Monthly Income		
No Income	40	53.7
\$1 - \$500	18	23.9
\$501 - \$1,000	11	14.9
More than \$1,000	6	7.5
Unknown	0	0.0
Mental Health Problem:	14	19.4
Released from Jail or Prison in the Last 12 Months:	19	25.4
Have you been arrested and/or cited by law enforcement in the past year?	31	41.8
Physical Disability:	9	11.9
Substance Use Problem:	50	67.2
Veteran:	2	3.0

Simi Valley

Total Number of Unsheltered Persons: 146

Total Unsheltered Adults: 146

Demographic Information	n=146	
	Number	Percent
Age:		
18 - 24	6	3.7
25 - 34	14	9.9
35 - 44	31	21.0
45 - 54	22	14.8
55 - 64	45	30.9
65+	14	9.9
Unknown	14	9.9
Gender:		
Male	114	77.8
Female	32	22.2
Transgender	0	0.0
Gender Non-Conforming (i.e. not exclusively male or female)	0	0.0
Unknown	0	0.0
Ethnicity: Hispanic/Latino/Latina	31	21.0
Race:		
Alaska Native, American Indian, or Indigenous	2	1.2
Asian American or Asian	4	2.5
Black, African American, or African	9	6.2
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0	0.0
White	108	74.1
Multiple Races	11	7.4
Unknown	12	8.6
Chronic Health Conditions:	45	30.9
Chronic Homelessness:	65	44.4

Developmental Disabilities:	14	9.9
Experiencing Homelessness Because Fleeing Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, or Stalking	4	2.5
First Time Homeless:	61	42.0
Became Homeless for First Time During Last 12 Months		
Foster Youth – Current or Former:	6	3.7
HIV/AIDS:	0	0.0
Monthly Income		
No Income	76	51.9
\$1 - \$500	20	13.6
\$501 - \$1,000	23	16.0
More than \$1,000	18	12.3
Unknown	9	6.2
Mental Health Problem:	36	24.7
Released from Jail or Prison in the Last 12 Months:	32	22.2
Have you been arrested and/or cited by law enforcement in the past year?	40	27.2
Physical Disability:	47	32.1
Substance Use Problem:	32	22.2
Veteran:	12	8.6

Thousand Oaks

Total Number of Unsheltered Persons: 128

Total Unsheltered Adults: 128

Demographic Information	n=128	
	Number	Percent
Age:		
18 - 24	4	2.8
25 - 34	25	19.4
35 - 44	25	19.4
45 - 54	32	25.0
55 - 64	17	13.9
65+	21	16.7
Unknown	4	2.8
Gender:		
Male	121	94.4
Female	7	5.6
Transgender	0	0.0
Gender Non-Conforming (i.e. not exclusively male or female)	0	0.0
Unknown	0	0.0
Ethnicity: Hispanic/Latino/Latina	32	25.0
Race:		
Alaska Native, American Indian, or Indigenous	0	0.0
Asian American or Asian	0	0.0
Black, African American, or African	14	11.1
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0	0.0
White	99	77.7
Multiple Races	7	5.6
Unknown	7	5.6
Chronic Health Conditions:	43	33.3
Chronic Homelessness:	78	61.1

Developmental Disabilities:	11	8.3
Experiencing Homelessness Because Fleeing Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, or Stalking	11	8.3
First Time Homeless:	32	25.0
Became Homeless for First Time During Last 12 Months		
Foster Youth – Current or Former:	14	11.1
HIV/AIDS:	0	0.0
Monthly Income		
No Income	50	38.9
\$1 - \$500	21	16.7
\$501 - \$1,000	11	8.3
More than \$1,000	29	22.2
Unknown	17	13.9
Mental Health Problem:	21	16.7
Released from Jail or Prison in the Last 12 Months:	57	27.8
Have you been arrested and/or cited by law enforcement in the past year?	57	44.4
Physical Disability:	21	16.7
Substance Use Problem:	57	44.4
Veteran:	7	5.6

Ventura

Total Number of Unsheltered Persons: 452

Total Unsheltered Adults: 443

Demographic Information	n=443	
	Number	Percent
Age:		
18 - 24	14	3.1
25 - 34	46	10.5
35 – 44	82	18.5
45 – 54	77	17.3
55 – 64	93	21.0
65+	30	6.8
Unknown	101	22.8
Gender:		
Male	328	74.1
Female	112	25.3
Transgender	3	0.6
Gender Non-Conforming (i.e. not exclusively male or female)	0	0.0
Unknown	0	0.0
Ethnicity: Hispanic/Latino/Latina	153	34.6
Race:		
Alaska Native, American Indian, or Indigenous	8	1.9
Asian American or Asian	3	0.6
Black, African American, or African	33	7.4
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	8	1.9
White	352	79.5
Multiple Races	14	3.1
Unknown	25	5.6
Chronic Health Conditions:	170	38.3
Chronic Homelessness:	284	64.2
Developmental Disabilities:	60	13.6
Experiencing Homelessness Because Fleeing Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, or Stalking	41	9.3

First Time Homeless:	158	35.8
Became Homeless for First Time During Last 12 Months		
Foster Youth – Current or Former:	74	16.7
HIV/AIDS:	3	0.6
Monthly Income		
No Income	246	55.6
\$1 - \$500	60	13.6
\$501 - \$1,000	52	11.7
More than \$1,000	80	17.9
Unknown	5	1.2
Mental Health Problem:	123	27.8
Released from Jail or Prison in the Last 12 Months:	107	24.1
Have you been arrested and/or cited by law enforcement in the past year?	162	37.0
Physical Disability:	123	27.8
Substance Use Problem:	167	37.7
Veteran:	52	11.7

Unincorporated

Total Number of Unsheltered Persons: 69

Total Unsheltered Adults: 69

Demographic Information	n=69	
	Number	Percent
Age:		
18 - 24	0	0.0
25 - 34	18	26.7
35 – 44	23	33.3
45 – 54	14	20.0
55 – 64	7	10.0
65+	7	10.0
Unknown		
Gender:		
Male	50	73.3
Female	18	26.7
Transgender	0	0.0
Gender Non-Conforming (i.e. not exclusively male or female)	0	0.0
Unknown	0	0.0
Ethnicity: Hispanic/Latino/Latina	16	23.3
Race:		
Alaska Native, American Indian, or Indigenous	2	3.3
Asian American or Asian	0	0.0
Black, African American, or African	2	3.3
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	2	3.3
White	53	76.7
Multiple Races	5	6.7
Unknown	5	6.7
Chronic Health Conditions:	16	23.3
Chronic Homelessness:	25	36.7
Developmental Disabilities:	0	0.0
Experiencing Homelessness Because Fleeing Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, or Stalking	0	0.0

First Time Homeless:	23	33.3
Became Homeless for First Time During Last 12 Months		
Foster Youth – Current or Former:	9	13.3
HIV/AIDS:	0	0.0
Monthly Income		
No Income	35	50.0
\$1 - \$500	21	30.0
\$501 - \$1,000	2	3.3
More than \$1,000	9	13.4
Unknown	2	3.3
Mental Health Problem:	18	26.7
Released from Jail or Prison in the Last 12 Months:	28	40.0
Have you been arrested and/or cited by law enforcement in the past year?	39	56.7
Physical Disability:	11	16.7
Substance Use Problem:	18	26.7
Veteran:	2	3.3

Appendix B:
**Sheltered Report for all Emergency Shelter,
Safe Haven and Transitional Housing Programs**

FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN				
	Emergency Shelter		Transitional Housing	
	18 Households		51 Households	
Gender				
	#	%	#	%
Male	20	34%	44	32%
Female	37	64%	88	63%
Transgender	0	0%	0	0%
Non-conforming	0	0%	0	0%
Unknown	1	2%	7	5%
Total Persons:	58		139	
Age				
	#	%	#	%
Under age 18	37	64%	84	60%
18-24 (TAY)	5	8%	14	10%
25-34	13	22%	22	16%
35-44	1	2%	12	9%
45-54	1	2%	5	4%
55-64	0	0%	2	1%
65 +	0	0%	0	0%
Unknown	1	2%	0	0%
Race				
	#	%	#	%
White	44	76%	57	41%
Black/African American	5	8%	2	2%
Asian	0	0%	0	0%
American Indian	0	0%	0	0%
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	8	14%	10	7%
Multiple Races	0	0%	3	2%
Unknown	1	2%	67	48%
Ethnicity				
	#	%	#	%
Hispanic/Latino	46	79%	87	63%
Non-Hispanic	11	19%	45	32%
Unknown	1	2%	7	5%
Disabled/Chronically Homeless families				
	#	%	#	%
Total:	10	17%	0	0%

SINGLE ADULTS				
	Emergency Shelter		Transitional Housing	
Gender				
	#	%	#	%
Male	316	57%	19	70%
Female	234	42%	8	30%
Transgender	5	1%	0	0%
Nonconforming	2	0%	0	0%
Unknown	0	0%	0	0%
Total Persons:	557		27	
Age				
	#	%	#	%
18-24 TAY	12	2%	1	3.75%
25-34	57	10%	5	18.5%
35-44	67	12%	5	18.5%
45-54	121	22%	0	0%
55-64	180	32%	5	18.5%
65+	120	22%	10	37%
Unknown	0	0%	1	3.75%
Race				
	#	%	#	%
White	412	74%	18	67%
Black/African American	49	9%	6	22%
Asian	3	1%	0	0%
American Indian/Native Alaskan	12	2%	0	0%
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	10	2%	0	0%
Multiple Races	24	4%	1	4%
Unknown	47	8%	2	7%
Ethnicity				
	#	%	#	%
Hispanic/Latino	217	39%	5	18%
Non-Hispanic/Latino	334	60%	21	78%
Unknown	6	1%	1	4%
Disabled/Chronically Homeless				
	#	%	#	%
Total:	300	54%	3	11%

VETERAN HOUSEHOLDS*				
	Emergency Shelter		Transitional Housing	
Gender				
	#	%	#	%
Male	23	88%	18	95%
Female	2	8%	1	5%
Transgender	0	0%	0	0%
Unknown	1	4%	0	0%
Total Persons:	26		19	
Race				
	#	%	#	%
White	23	88%	16	84%
Black/African American	3	12%	3	16%
American Indian/Alaska Native	0	0%	0	0%
Multiple Races	0	0%	0	0%
Ethnicity				
	#	%	#	%
Hispanic/Latino	3	12%	11	58%
Non-Hispanic/Latino	23	88%	8	42%
Disabled/Chronically Homeless				
	#	%	#	%
Total:	17	65%	0	0%

**This chart shows a subpopulation from the single adults category.*

UNACCOMPANIED YOUTH HOUSEHOLDS*				
	Emergency Shelter		Transitional Housing	
Gender				
	#	%	#	%
Male	8	42%	0	0%
Female	11	58%	1	100%
Transgender	0	0%	0	0%
Non-conforming	0	0%	0	0%
Total Persons:	19		1	
Age				
	#	%	#	%
Under 18	6	32%	0	0%
18-24	11	58%	1	100%
Unknown	2	10%	0	0%
Race				
	#	%	#	%
White	12	63%	1	100%
Black/African American	1	5%	0	0%
Asian	0	0%	0	0%
American Indian/Native Alaskan	0	0%	0	0%
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	0	0%	0	0%
Multiple Races	3	16%	0	0%
Unknown	3	16%	0	0%
Ethnicity				
	#	%	#	%
Hispanic/Latino	14	74%	1	100%
Non-Hispanic/Non-Latino	5	26%	0	0%
Disabled/Chronically Homeless				
	#	%	#	%
Total:	4	15%	0	0%

**This chart shows a subpopulation of Transitional Age Youth (TAY) from the single adults category.*

HOMELESS SUBPOPULATIONS				
	Emergency Shelter		Transitional Housing	
	#	%	#	%
Adults with a Serious Mental Illness	135	55%	2	40%
Adults with a Substance Use Disorder	90	36%	3	60%
Adults with HIV/AIDS	10	4%	0	0%
Survivors of Domestic Violence	13	5%	0	0%
Total single adults	248		5	

Appendix C:

2023 Housing Inventory Chart

Year	Proj. Type	Organization Name	Project Name	Bed Type	Target Pop.	Year-Round Beds	Total Seasonal Beds	PIT Count	Total Beds	Utilization Rate
2023	ES	County of Ventura	Project Roomkey	Voucher beds	NA	243		235	243	97%
2023	ES	HCA Healthcare for the Homeless	HCH ESG Motel Vouchers	Other beds	NA	53		44	53	83%
2023	ES	Human Services Agency	HHAP Family Emergency Shelter	Other beds	NA	6		6	6	100%
2023	ES	Interface Children and Family Services	HEART Human Trafficking (HT) Shelter	Facility-based beds	DV	6		3	6	50%
2023	ES	Interface Children and Family Services	Minor Youth Shelter	Facility-based beds	NA	6		3	6	50%
2023	ES	Interface Children and Family Services	Safe Haven Emergency Shelter	Facility-based beds	DV	18		14	18	78%
2023	ES	Kingdom Center	Kingdom Center Emergency Shelter - 1450	Facility-based beds	NA	20		5	20	25%
2023	ES	Mercy House	Mercy House ARCH Shelter	Facility-based beds	NA	55		50	55	91%
2023	ES	Mercy House	Mercy House Non-congregate shelter	Facility-based beds	NA	50		46	50	92%
2023	ES	Mercy House	Oxnard Navigation Center	Facility-based beds	NA	82		82	82	100%
2023	ES	National Health Foundation	Pathways Recuperative Care	Facility-based beds	NA	12		12	12	100%
2023	ES	National Health Foundation -	Project Homekey Recuperative Care	Facility-based beds	NA	20		17	20	85%
2023	ES	Ojai Valley	Family Shelter	Other beds	NA	0	10	6	10	60%
2023	ES	Salvation Army	Salvation Army Emergency Shelter	Facility-based beds	NA	12		8	12	67%
2023	ES	Samaritan Center	PADS Winter Shelter	Other beds	NA	0	15	4	15	27%
2023	ES	Shelter Care Resources	Motel Voucher Program	Voucher beds	NA	10		1	10	10%
2023	ES	Spirit of Santa Paula	Harvard Navigation Center Shelter	Facility-based beds	NA	49		46	49	94%
2023	ES	The Coalition for Family Harmony	Emergency Domestic Violence Shelter	Facility-based beds	DV	21		6	21	29%
2023	ES	United Way of Ventura County	UWVC Bridge Motel Placement	Voucher beds	NA	30		5	30	17%
2023	ES	Ventura County Rescue Mission	Emergency Shelter	Facility-based beds	NA	51		41	51	80%
2023	OPH	Area Housing Authority of the County of Ventura	AHA Emergency Housing Vouchers	Voucher beds	NA	29		29	29	100%
2023	OPH	Housing Authority of the City of San Buenaventura	Emergency Housing Vouchers	Voucher beds	NA	17		17	17	100%
2023	OPH	Housing Authority of the City of San Buenaventura	HUD Mainstream Voucher Program	Voucher beds	NA	45		27	45	60%
2023	OPH	Oxnard Housing Authority	Homeless Vouchers	Voucher beds	NA	114		95	114	83%
2023	OPH	Oxnard Housing Authority	Oxnard HA-Emergency Housing Vouchers	Voucher beds	NA	22		22	22	100%
2023	OPH	Oxnard Housing Authority	Oxnard HA-Mainstream Vouchers	Voucher beds	NA	40		11	40	28%
2023	PSH	Area Housing Authority of the County of Ventura	VASH Vouchers	Voucher beds	NA	20		20	20	100%
2023	PSH	Cabrillo Economic Development Corporation	Snapdragon Place Apartments		NA	37		37	37	100%
2023	PSH	County of Ventura Human Services Agency	Homeless Services--Choices		NA	21		18	21	86%
2023	PSH	Housing Authority of the City of San Buenaventura	El Portal		NA	14		12	14	86%
2023	PSH	Housing Authority of the City of San Buenaventura	HUD Vash Vouchers		NA	127		53	127	42%
2023	PSH	Housing Authority of the City of San Buenaventura	Willet Ranch		NA	48		48	48	100%
2023	PSH	Many Mansions	Casa de Paz		NA	17		17	17	100%
2023	PSH	Many Mansions	D Street		TAY	10		10	10	100%
2023	PSH	Many Mansions	D Street MHSA		TAY	2		1	2	50%
2023	PSH	Many Mansions	Esseff Village		NA	20		18	20	90%
2023	PSH	Many Mansions	Hillcrest Villas		NA	47		47	47	100%
2023	PSH	Many Mansions	La Rahada Apartments		NA	5		5	5	100%
2023	PSH	Many Mansions	Mountain View		NA	12		8	12	67%
2023	PSH	Many Mansions	Ormond Beach Villas OPH		NA	18		15	18	83%
2023	PSH	Many Mansions	Peppertree Apartments		NA	25		25	25	100%
2023	PSH	Many Mansions	Richmond Terrace		NA	17		17	17	100%
2023	PSH	Oxnard Housing Authority	VASH Vouchers		NA	77		42	77	55%
2023	PSH	Salvation Army	Salvation Army-Ventura PSH		NA	8		5	8	62%
2023	PSH	Santa Paula Housing Authority	Citricos		NA	5		5	5	100%
2023	PSH	The River Community Church	SHORE at WAV		NA	32		32	32	100%
2023	PSH	Turning Point Foundation	Stevenson Place		NA	10		7	10	70%
2023	PSH	Turning Point Foundation	Villa Calluegas		NA	22		22	22	100%
2023	PSH	Turning Point Foundation	Wooley House Permanent Housing		NA	7		6	7	86%
2023	PSH	Turning Point Foundation	Wooley House Permanent II		NA	8		6	8	75%
2023	PSH	Ventura County Behavioral Dept.	La Rahada		NA	3		3	3	100%
2023	PSH	Ventura County Behavioral Dept.	Oxnard Tenant Based Rental Assistance		NA	21		21	21	100%
2023	PSH	Ventura County Behavioral Dept.	Snapdragon Phase II		NA	19		19	19	100%
2023	PSH	Ventura County Behavioral Health Department	Castillo Del Sol		NA	18		17	18	94%
2023	PSH	Ventura County Behavioral Health Department	El Patio Hotel		NA	16		16	16	100%
2023	PSH	Ventura County Behavioral Health Department	Harvard Place		NA	12		11	12	92%
2023	PSH	Ventura County Behavioral Health Department	Paseo De Luz		NA	24		24	24	100%
2023	PSH	Ventura County Behavioral Health Department	Paseo Santa Clara/Paseo Del Rio		NA	15		15	15	100%
2023	PSH	Human Services Agency	Castillo Del Sol		NA	6		6	6	100%
2023	RRH	Human Services Agency	Bringing Families Home RRH		NA	42		42	42	100%
2023	RRH	Human Services Agency	HDAP RRH		NA	82		82	82	100%
2023	RRH	Human Services Agency	HSA CESH RRH		NA	28		28	28	100%
2023	RRH	Human Services Agency	HSA CHSP CALWORKS RRH 144		NA	196		196	196	100%
2023	RRH	Human Services Agency	Human Services Agency, HPRP-BOS-RRH FY 22/23		NA	19		19	19	100%
2023	RRH	Human Services Agency	Human Services Agency, RRH Families		NA	45		45	45	100%
2023	RRH	Lutheran Social Services	Its A New Day LSS Rapid ReHousing Project		NA	40		40	40	100%
2023	RRH	Mercy House	HHAP RRP		NA	6		6	6	100%
2023	RRH	Mercy House	Oxnard ESG RRP		NA	9		9	9	100%
2023	RRH	Salvation Army	CoC Rapid Re-Housing		NA	4		4	4	100%
2023	RRH	Salvation Army	ESG Rapid Re-Housing		NA	23		23	23	100%
2023	RRH	Salvation Army	Salvation Army-ESG-CV State RRH		NA	1		1	1	100%
2023	RRH	Salvation Army	Salvation Army-HHAP RRP		NA	26		26	26	100%
2023	RRH	Salvation Army SSVF	Salvation Army SSVF-RRH		NA	2		2	2	100%
2023	RRH	Turning Point Foundation	H2H Rapid ReHousing		NA	24		24	24	100%
2023	SH	Turning Point Foundation	Our Place Safe Haven Shelter ESG	Facility-based beds	NA	4		3	4	75%
2023	SH	Turning Point Foundation	Our Place Safe Haven Shelter	Facility-based beds	NA	10		4	10	40%
2023	TH	Human Services Agency	RAIN Transitional Living Center	Facility-based beds	NA	36		24	36	67%
2023	TH	Interface Children and Family Services	Safe Journey Transitional Shelter	Facility-based beds	DV	12		0	12	0%
2023	TH	Kingdom Center	Kingdom Center Transition House - 1450	Facility-based beds	NA	10		9	10	90%
2023	TH	Lighthouse Women and Children	Safe Harbor Shelter	Facility-based beds	NA	25		10	25	40%
2023	TH	Rain DV	Rain-Salus DV TH	Facility-based beds	DV	31		10	31	32%
2023	TH	Salvation Army	Salvation Army GPD Veterans Housing	Facility-based beds	NA	5		4	5	80%
2023	TH	The City Center	Transitional Living Program	Other beds	NA	73		70	73	96%
2023	TH	The Coalition for Family Harmony	Coalition TH	Other beds	DV	57		3	57	5%
2023	TH	The River Community Church	Tender Life	Facility-based beds	DV	22		22	22	100%
2023	TH	Turning Point Foundation	Veterans Transitional Housing	Facility-based beds	NA	15		15	15	100%
2023	ES	California State University Channel Islands	CSUCI Emergency Housing	Voucher beds	TAY	40			40	
2023	ES	Hope the Mission (Hope of the Valley)	TO Navigation Center	Other beds	NA	30			30	
2023	ES	Interface Family Services	Interface - HHAP TAY Emergency Shelter	Voucher beds	TAY	40			40	
2023	PSH	Human Services Agency	Human Services Agency, PSH Silver Linings		NA	22			22	
2023	PSH	Mercy House	Casa Aliento		NA	68			68	
2023	PSH	Step Up	Step Up In Thousand Oaks PSH		NA	77			77	
2023	RRH	Interface Family Services	Interface - HHAP TAY Project Sanctuary		TAY	20			20	
2023	RRH	The Coalition for Family Harmony	Coalition RRH		DV	10			10	
2023	TH	Casa Pacifica	Casa Pacifica - Stepping Stones Youth TH		TAY	27			27	
2023	TH	MESA	MESA TH		TAY	12			12	
						Sum: 2947	Sum: 25	Sum: 2164		

Color Key

	Not in HMIS
	Domestic Violence Program
	New Program 2023
	In HMIS
	Under Development

Population Key

HCH	Households (families) with children
DV	Domestic Violence Project
TAY	Transitional Age Youth (18-24)

Project Type

ES	Emergency Shelter
PSH	Permanent Supportive Housing
RRH	Rapid Re-Housing
TH	Transitional Housing
SH	Safe Haven
OPH	Other Permanent Housing