



CONTRA COSTA 2024 POINT IN TIME (PIT) SUB- COMMITTEE

December 1st, 2024, from 1 to 3:00 pm

Register: <https://homebaseccc.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYtce6urjMuH91lypDuaJz2TD5QsYtkBX9L>

Committee Members: Jo Bruno, Juno Hedrick and Jai Delotto

AGENDA

AGENDA ITEM	PRESENTERS	DESCRIPTION
Welcome & Intro (1:00-1:10)	Yessenia Aguilar, H3 – RED team	Identifying & welcoming attendees of the committee.
Review of Agenda (1:10-1:15)	Yessenia Aguilar, H3 – RED team	Describe the agenda and goals for the meeting.
Descriptive data to describe the unsheltered and sheltered populations (1:15-1:30)	Yessenia Aguilar, H3 – RED team	Review of the HUD required Point-In-Time (PIT) count data collection requirements and a description of how the data is used.
Survey sampling methods (1:30-1:50)	Ayoka Nurse, H3 – RED team	Overview of the survey methodology components, including dates and number of surveys, language translation, training, modes of data collection, shelter vs unsheltered best practices, alignment with regional partners, and extrapolation of sleep setting data.
Survey sampling strategies (1:50-2:10)	Jaime Jenett, H3 – RED team	Discuss what partners may be able to support survey administrative, as well as sites to survey in support of sheltered and unsheltered populations, and oversampling strategies to reach vulnerable populations.
Review of the survey (2:10-2:25)	Ayoka Nurse, H3- RED Team	Overview of survey questions and requesting feedback from diverse stakeholders.
Review & Approval of Methods (ACTION ITEM)	Jaime Jenett, H3 – RED team	Review and approval of methods to send to Council for final approval
Questions (2:25-3:00)	H3 – RED team	Answer pending questions from attendees.

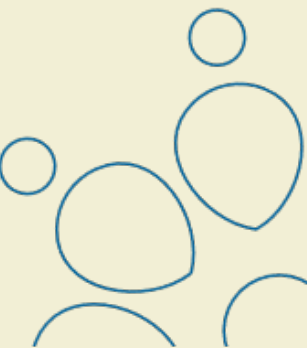
2024 Point in Time (PIT) Planning

Sub-Committee Meeting #3:

Survey Sampling Strategies

Contra Costa Health Services:
HEALTH, HOUSING & HOMELESS SERVICES (H3)

Friday, December 1, 2023
1 pm – 3 pm

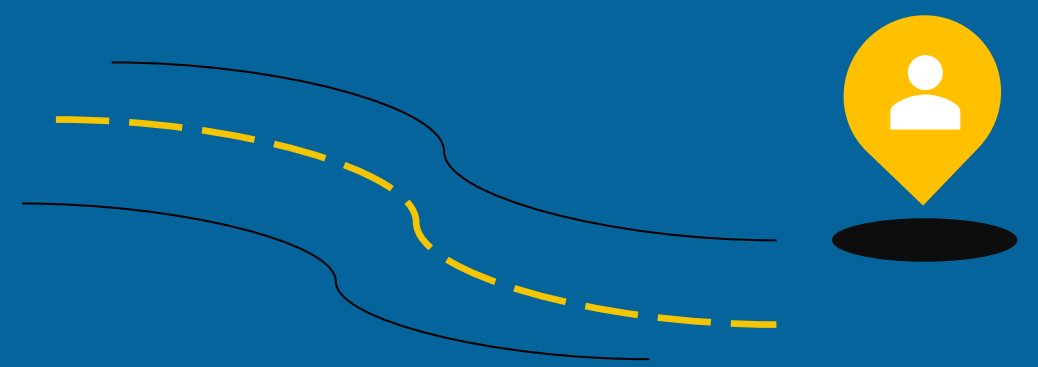


Welcome

➤ Introductions



Agenda



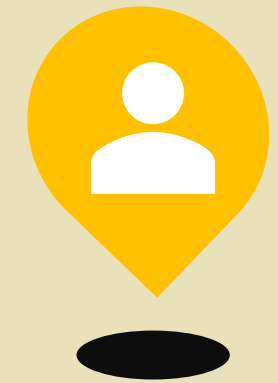
- 1:15 – 1:30: Descriptive data collection: characteristics of the sheltered and unsheltered populations
- 1:30 – 1:50: Review of survey sampling methodology
- 1:50 – 2:10: Survey sampling strategies – how are we collecting this data? What partners should be involved?
- 2:10 – 2:25: Review of draft survey

Have you signed up?

Volunteer
Registration Survey
is open!



We **NEED**
VOLUNTEERS



Join us for the 2024
Point-in-Time Count
Wednesday, Jan. 24

Visit our PIT HUB to register!

HUD Data Requirements



- Total # of unsheltered and sheltered individuals
- Household type (families, unaccompanied minors, adult-only)
- Gender
- Age
- Race & Ethnicity
- Chronic homelessness
 - Frequency of homelessness
 - Length of time homeless
 - Disabling conditions (mental health, substance use disorder, HIV/AIDS)
- Veteran status
- Domestic violence history

What other data is collected?



- City level enumeration of unsheltered individuals
- Type of observation and density by city
 - Sleep settings
 - Individuals
- Children under 18 sleeping in other settings
- Primary cause of homelessness
- Age of first time homeless
- What County they became homeless in
 - Length of time in Contra Costa County
- Foster care involvement
- Sexual Orientation
- Health Insurance Status (new question added for 2024 PIT)

* These data elements are also collected in HMIS but have been included in past PIT surveys to compare PIT survey samples with CoC population

What data *isn't* collected?



Demographics & descriptive data *isn't* available by cities

➤ Due to survey sampling methods and limited resources, survey data isn't representative of the unsheltered/sheltered within each city

- At-risk of homelessness population characteristics
- Health insurance/benefit information
- Government assistance
- Criminal Justice History
- Education
- Program utilization

**HMIS service data offers more complete, comprehensive, and representative data that can be stratified by many different types of locations and populations*

What do we do with the data?



- Survey data is extrapolated to describe the sheltered and unsheltered population that was observed the day of the count
- Data is submitted to HUD in early Spring
- Data is used at the **federal and state levels** to determine funding allocations and severity of homelessness in the community
- Data is used at the **local level** to determine need and allocation of resources

Survey Sampling Methods



Determining the number of surveys/interviews to conduct

- After the observational count data is collected, the pin data is analyzed to determine how many surveys to complete.
- We are aiming for ~ 500 surveys (over-sample)

Dates of data collection

- Surveys will take place over a 2-week period post-count
- February 5th- February 16th
- Important for the survey data collection to take place close to the count

Survey Sampling Methods



Training for interviewers

- All CORE staff and volunteers who will support the survey administration will complete a 1-hr training
- Training will be virtual and take place the week of January 29th

Sheltered and unsheltered data collection

- Sheltered individuals will be surveyed at shelters and service sites
- Unsheltered individuals will be surveyed in the field and also at service sites

Survey Sampling Methods



Length of survey/interview

- Surveys are intended to be fast for both the interviewer and the respondents
- 10-20 minutes in length, varies depending on household information and disabling conditions

Languages

- Surveys are available in English and Spanish. If other languages are needed, 211 offers translation services.

Survey Sampling Methods



Hard copy and mobile app data collection

- Primary mode of data collection will be on smartphones
- Hard copy surveys will be available to all survey administrators on an as-needed basis

Alignment with Regional County partners

- H3 works closely with all Bay Area communities to ensure alignment of survey questions. This allows for PIT data to be aggregated at a regional level

Survey Sampling Strategies

- Involving homeless service provider partners to support interview/data collection
- Incentives for sheltered and unsheltered providing their data will receive
 - \$10 Starbucks card or \$10 Target gift card
- Stipends will be provided for People with Lived Experience (PWLE) who assist with interviews/data collection



Survey Sampling Strategies

- Targeted efforts to engage with hard-to-reach/vulnerable populations
 - TAY
 - Veterans
 - LGBTQI+
 - Families
- What agencies/providers directly support these hard-to reach populations?
- What other providers (shelters and service-sites) may be able to assist with the interviews?
- What locations will be important to conduct interviews at?

Review of the Draft Survey



- Review of the 2024 PIT Survey
 - Blue font– HUD Required questions. Must be included.
 - Orange font– non-required questions that we propose keeping to meet community/CoC need.

Review of the Draft Survey



- Requesting feedback on the survey items by **1/8/24**
 - Email ContraCostaCoC@cchealth.org a Word doc version with comments and tracked changes
- Diversity of reviewers
 - Diverse race/ethnicities
 - Stakeholder representation (homeless service providers, COH Board members, City managers, community members, etc.)
 - People With Lived Experience

Review of Methods



Using “night/morning of” strategy

Two components to this strategy:

1. Observational count (no interaction)
2. Follow-up PIT survey with sample of population

Date:

- Night of January 23rd, 2024
- Observation Count morning of January 24th, 2024
- PIT Surveys conducted Feb 5th - Feb 16th (2 weeks)

Technology:

- ArcGIS Survey123 app and location input
- Location tracking for teams
- Integration with Dashboard app for real-time monitoring
- Volunteer teams will canvass improved GRIDS

“Observation Count”:

- East, West & Central kick-off sites
- CORE staff, law enforcement/city staff and service providers assigned to regions/cities/specific encampments based on their expertise
- Community volunteers will canvass suburban and rural areas

PIT Survey:

- Surveys conducted in shelters, service sites, & unsheltered settings using random sampling strategies
- Shelter and service site staff to conduct surveys at sites, CORE & other service providers to conduct surveys in unsheltered settings

Vote to Approve Methods



Approve Proposed PIT Methods to be approved by Council on Homelessness



Questions?

