

Demographics of Street-Level Social Issues in Everett ---Re-cap from Fenn/Marti Presentation on 7.24.14

- There are distinct “sub-populations” of homeless individuals.
- “Point in Time” (PIT) Count of Homelessness in Everett between 2011 and 2014 shows declines in chronic homeless individuals and homeless veterans, and significant increase in unaccompanied youth. Several Task Force members say their perception is that the populations are increasing. ***PIT Counts tend to undercount homeless.***

2014 Everett PIT Count:

Chronic homeless individuals	167
Family households	146
Veterans	71
Unaccompanied youth	83

- In the PIT counts since 2011, Everett has had between 33% and 44% of the total County unsheltered homeless population. Everett has about 14% of the County’s total population.
- In the 2014 PIT count, top conditions identified for the homeless included: Substance abuse (38%); mental illness (31%); permanent physical disability (27%); Chronic health condition (23%), developmental disability (11%). Many individuals have more than one condition.
- Senior homeless population is rising. Also, as baby-boomers are aging, we will see increases in the senior population in Everett as well as in Snohomish County as a whole.
- In academic year 2012-2013, 942 children (unduplicated count) within the Everett School District were identified as being homeless at least one point during the year.
- In shelters & transitional housing, the vast majority of Everett’s homeless in 2013 were households without w/o children: 1,314. There were also 202 unaccompanied youth.
- Current Homeless Housing Capacity in Everett for Individuals & Unaccompanied Youth

<u>Type</u>	<u>Individuals</u>	<u>Unaccomp. Youth</u>
Emergency Shelter	209	8
Transitional Hsg	52	16
Project-based Vouchers	7	0
Permanent Supportive Hsg ¹	603	0
TOTAL	871	24

- For those surveyed recently at one of the local feeding programs, self-identified primary contributors to homelessness include: unable to pay rent; job loss; eviction; mental health and substance use issues; and disabilities. Data from other sources (PIT, jail, HMIS, Community Needs Assessment interviews) show that these contributors hold across other settings as well.
- Inmates in the Snohomish County jail who are homeless, or at risk for homelessness, tend to have mental health or substance abuse issues, or both.

¹ Most of the Permanent Supportive Housing is scattered site rental assistance located throughout the County, not just in Everett. They are included to show one of the housing options available to homeless households with disabilities.