



TREASURE COAST HOMELESS SERVICES COUNCIL, INC.

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## 2019 POINT IN TIME HOMELESS COUNT

### General Information

The Point-in-Time (PIT) count is a count of sheltered and unsheltered **literally** homeless persons on a single night in January. Treasure Coast Homeless Services Council, Inc. conducted its 2019 Point in Time Count on **January 29, 2019**. To be counted in the PIT count, individuals must be literally homeless (sleeping on the street, in a car, in the woods, in camp, etc.) or sheltered (emergency shelter, transitional shelter, hotel paid for by an Agency). There were a total of 26 agencies that surveyed unsheltered homeless individuals during the PIT count and a total of 9 agencies that reported sheltered homeless individuals.

### 2019 Homeless Data

On January 29, 2019, there were a total of 1499 individuals (1042 adults and 457 children) who were counted as homeless on the Treasure Coast. These numbers show a 3% decrease from the 2018 PIT count.

Treasure Coast Homeless Services Council continues to reduce the number of veterans, as required by HUD's Goal #1: to eliminate veteran homelessness. There were a total of 50 veterans counted during the 2019 PIT, down 18% from the 2018 PIT count.

Additional individuals temporarily staying with family or friends because of economic reasons ("couch surfers") are not considered homeless in this count. An additional 1565 individuals were reported as couch surfers by participating agencies during the Point in Time Count. This is down from 1,750 during 2018, which is an 11% decrease over last year's numbers.

### Methods

The Point in Time (PIT) numbers reflect the official homeless numbers, as reported to HUD by the Continuum of Care. We utilize street outreach teams, service organizations, school homeless liaisons, and shelter programs to provide an accurate count of individuals who meet HUD's definition of homelessness, counted on one specific day in the last 10 days of January. For validation purposes, we have deleted any duplicates and double checked HMIS to verify program enrollment on the day of the count. This method of counting has been utilized for all homeless data provided by this Continuum of Care and is an accurate way to show trends in homelessness.

The chart below shows the trend of homelessness on the Treasure Coast over the past 6 years.



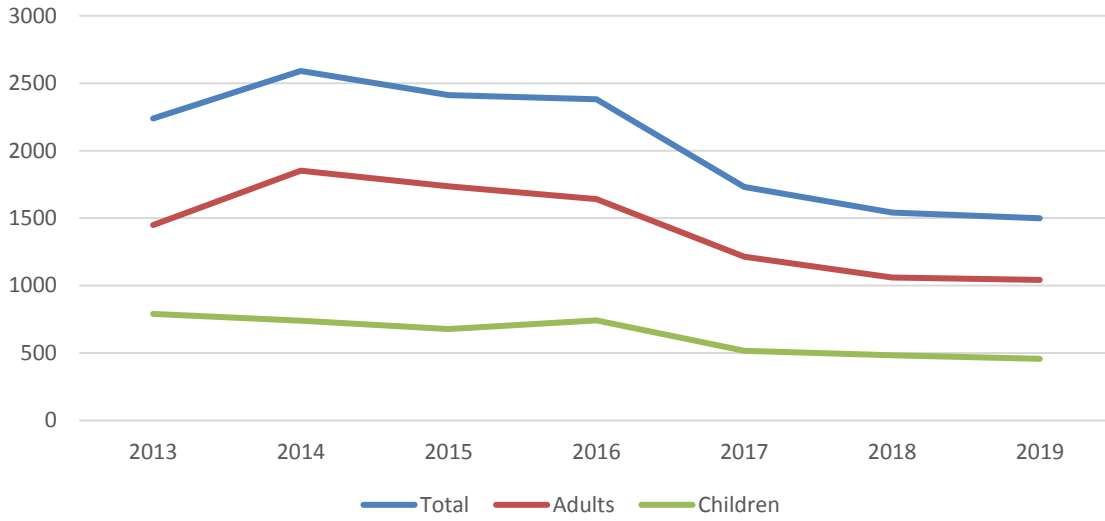
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### Treasure Coast CoC FL-509 Homeless Trends





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## HOMELESSNESS FACT SHEET FOR INDIAN RIVER COUNTY

*These numbers represent the number of sheltered or unsheltered literally homeless individuals in Indian River County. These numbers are based on those individuals seeking or receiving services or interviewed in camp sites, feeding sites, and other locations on one single day. An additional 265 households were sharing housing or “couch surfing” and were not counted in these totals.*

### Total Homeless Individuals

	January 29, 2019	January 26, 2018	Difference
<b>Adults</b>	337	317	+20
<b>Children</b>	149	130	+19
<b>Total</b>	<b>486</b>	<b>447</b>	<b>+39</b>

### Veteran and Disability Status

*(self-reported & not verified during the PIT count)*

<b>Veterans</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>(5)</b>
<b>Disabled Adults</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>+10</b>

### 2019 Sheltered & Unsheltered

	Sheltered	Unsheltered	Total
<b>Adults</b>	50	287	337
<b>Children</b>	36	113	149
<b>Total</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>486</b>

### Agencies Providing Data

#### **Unsheltered**

New Horizons, The Source, Indian River County Veteran Council, WPB VA, Indian River County School District, Angels of Hope Outreach, Treasure Coast Homeless Services Council, Up Center, Vietnam Veterans IRC

#### **Sheltered**

Hope for Families Center, Samaritan Center, Children’s Home Society, SafeSpace, Camp Haven



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## HOMELESSNESS FACT SHEET FOR ST. LUCIE COUNTY

*These numbers represent the number of sheltered or unsheltered literally homeless individuals in St. Lucie County. These numbers are based on those individuals seeking or receiving services or interviewed in camp sites, feeding sites, and other locations on one single day. An additional 970 households were sharing housing or “couch surfing” and were not counted in these totals.*

### Total Homeless Individuals

	January 29, 2019	January 26, 2018	Difference
<b>Adults</b>	486	533	(47)
<b>Children</b>	222	251	(29)
<b>Total</b>	<b>708</b>	<b>784</b>	<b>(76)</b>

### Veteran and Disability Status

*(self-reported & not verified during the PIT count)*

<b>Veterans</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>( 4)</b>
<b>Disabled Adults</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>+7</b>

### 2019 Sheltered & Unsheltered

	Sheltered	Unsheltered	Total
<b>Adults</b>	0	486	486
<b>Children</b>	5	217	222
<b>Total</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>703</b>	<b>708</b>

### Agencies Providing Data

#### Reporting Agencies

#### Unsheltered

St. Lucie County Community Services, Mustard Seed, New Horizons, Sarah’s Kitchen, In the Image of Christ, St. Lucie County School District, SLC Veteran Services, Angels of Hope Outreach, Up Center, Graceway Village, Ft Pierce Police Department

#### Sheltered

Wave Crest



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## HOMELESSNESS FACT SHEET FOR MARTIN COUNTY

*These numbers represent the number of sheltered or unsheltered literally homeless individuals in Martin County. These numbers are based on those individuals seeking or receiving services or interviewed in camp sites, feeding sites, and other locations on one single day. An additional 330 households were sharing housing or "couch surfing" and were not counted in these totals.*

### Total Homeless Individuals

	January 29, 2019	January 26, 2018	Difference
<b>Adults</b>	219	209	+10
<b>Children</b>	86	102	(16)
<b>Total</b>	<b>305</b>	<b>311</b>	<b>(6)</b>

### Veteran and Disability Status

*(self-reported & not verified during the PIT count)*

<b>Veterans</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>(2)</b>
<b>Disabled Adults</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>(11)</b>

### 2019 Sheltered & Unsheltered

	Sheltered	Unsheltered	Total
<b>Adults</b>	35	184	219
<b>Children</b>	28	58	86
<b>Total</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>242</b>	<b>305</b>

### Agencies Providing Data

#### Unsheltered

House of Hope, Lahia, Martin County Health and Human Services, Salvation Army of Martin County, Martin County School District, WPB VA, House a Vet, Angels of Hope Outreach, Martin County Veteran Service Office

#### Sheltered

Martin County Salvation Army (Compassion House), SafeSpace, Mary's Shelter