The annual Point-in-Time (PIT) usually occurs each year in January.

Volunteers, providers, and the community seek to count the total number of people experiencing homelessness on single night.

Included are those in emergency shelters, living outdoors or unsheltered, transitional housing, or safe haven.

Unsheltered is defined as those individuals sleeping in places not meant for human habitation (ex: streets, parks, abandoned buildings, tents, etc.)

This is not the majority of those experiencing homelessness but is what the general public most readily associates with homelessness.

The number of people staying in unsheltered situations on January 27, 2020 (of the 6,104 total experiencing homelessness) is 1,561.
Adults age 55+ unsheltered on a single night in January 2020

As long as we perpetuate the myth that people without homes have failed in some irreparable way that justifies us turning our backs on them we kick the issue downfield where we run the risk of running into it again, and maybe end up without homes ourselves.

- Caroline