2017
WeAllCount
RESULTS

REGIONAL TASK FORCE
ON THE HOMELESS
SAN DIEGO COUNTY
"OUR COMMUNITY, OUR HOMELESS, OUR ISSUES"

WeAllCount 2017

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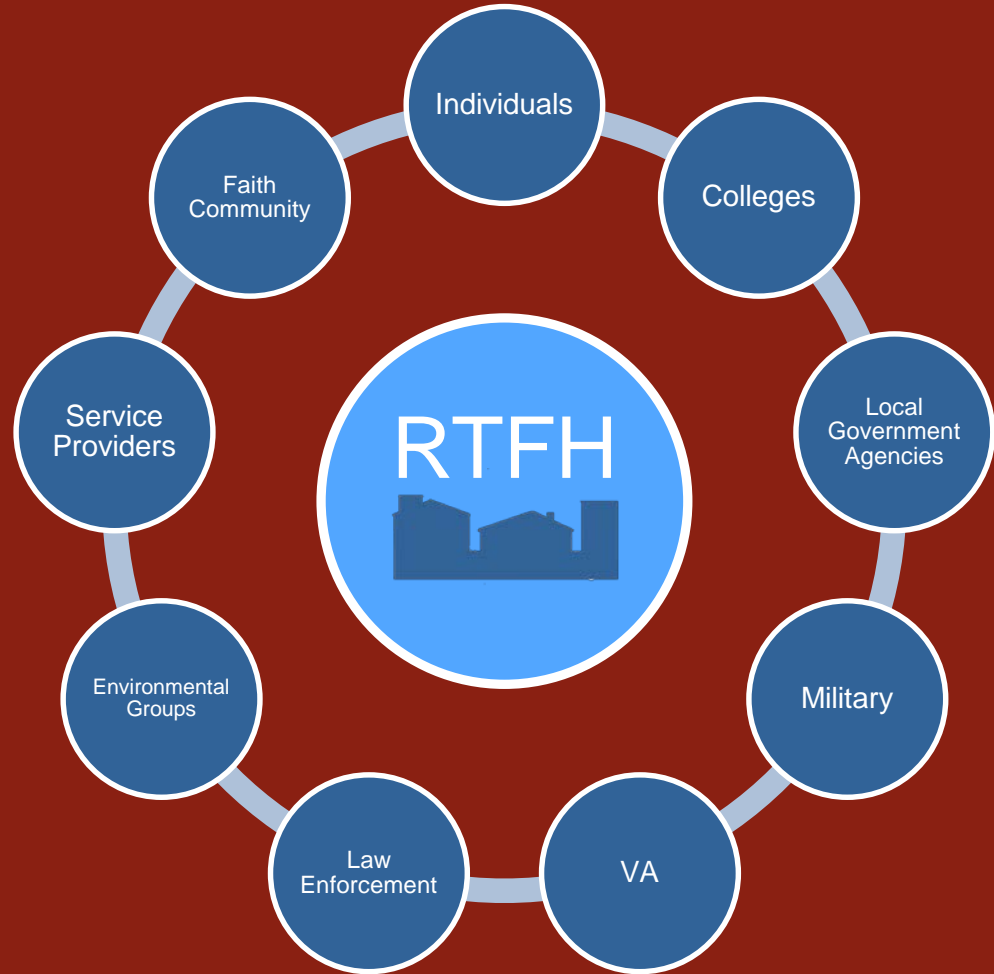# About the WeAllCount
San Diego's Annual Point-in-Time Count

- HUD Mandated (unfunded)
- Last 10 days of January nationally
- Annual Homeless Assessment Report to Congress (AHAR)
- Entire County – All cities and unincorporated areas

1. Unsheltered "Street Count"
2. Sheltered Count (via HMIS)
3. Survey

Volunteering
by the Numbers

1,274
Counters

340
Interviewers

5,479
Volunteer Hours

Street Count:
The Challenge

- **627** Census Tracts

- **4,261** Square Miles

- Over **2,000** Miles of Roads

- County Population:
  3,317,749 Million

- Fifth Most-Populous County
  in the US

Sheltered Count

- Utilize data in HMIS

- Sheltered homeless persons confirmed in HMIS by:

  - **39** agencies

Surveys
by the Numbers

1,362 individuals surveyed

20% of the unsheltered

340 survey volunteers

Count & Interview Sites

Count sites: **38**

Interview sites: **30**

CENTRAL

- Balboa Park
- Community Christian Service Agency
- Copley-Price Family YMCA
- Dreams for Change
- Episcopal Church Center
- First Presbyterian Church
- Golden Hall
- Grace Church
- Harbor Church
- LGBT Community Center
- Operation Homefront
- Pathfinders
- PB United Methodist
- San Diego River Park Foundation
- St. Vincent de Paul
- United Way
- USC San Diego Academic Center

NORTH COUNTY

- Brother Bennos
- City of Carlsbad
- Encinitas Library
- Interfaith Community Services
- Poway Public Library
- San Marcos Branch Library
- Vista Public Library

SOUTH COUNTY

- South Bay Community Services

EAST COUNTY

- Casa de Oro Public Library
- Crisis House
- El Cajon Library
- La Mesa Branch Library
- La Mesa First United Methodist Church
- Lemon Grove Public Library
- Lemon Grove School District Office
- Light of the Lamb
- Old Spring Valley Elementary School
- Rise Church
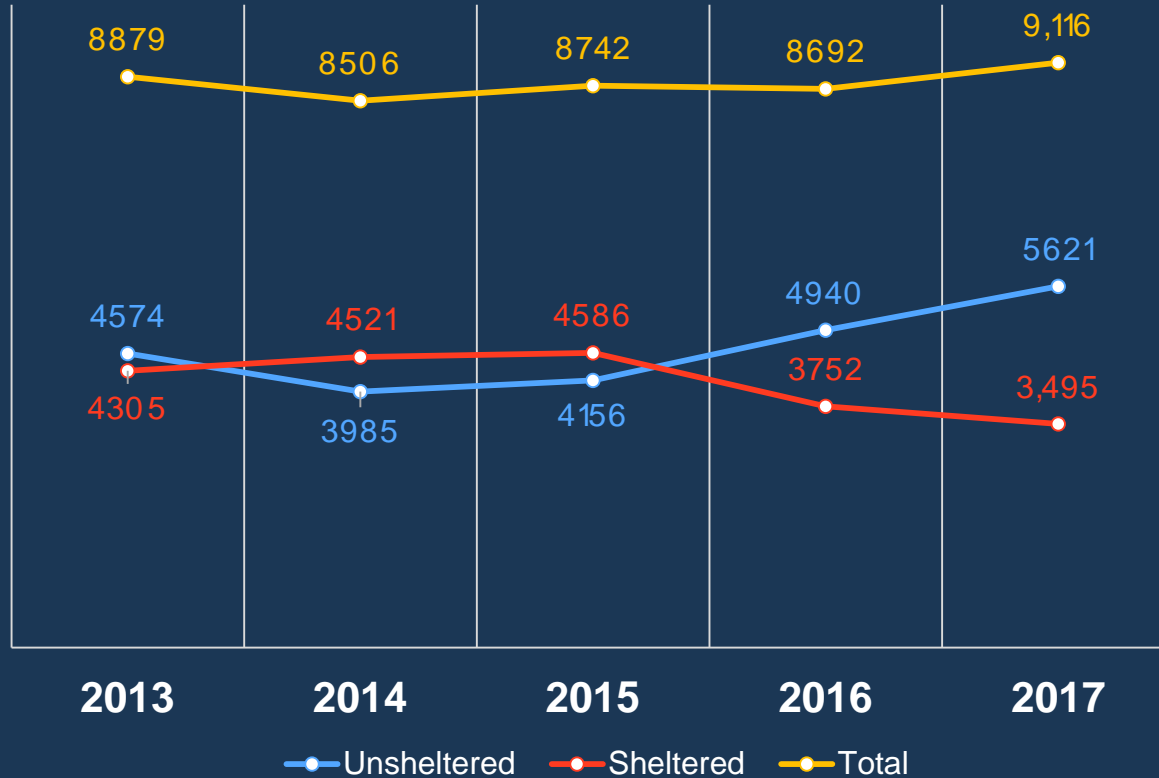- San Diego Christian College
- St. Alban's Episcopal Church

Regional Homelessness Estimates

	2016	2017	Change
Unsheltered	4,940	5,621	**+14%**
Sheltered	3,752	3,495	**-6%**
Total Homeless	8,692	9,116	**+5%**

Regional Breakdown
sheltered +unsheltered

	% of the Region	Total Homeless Persons
City of San Diego	62%	5,619
North County Inland	14%	1,287
North County Coastal	9%	814
South County	8%	711
East County	7%	685
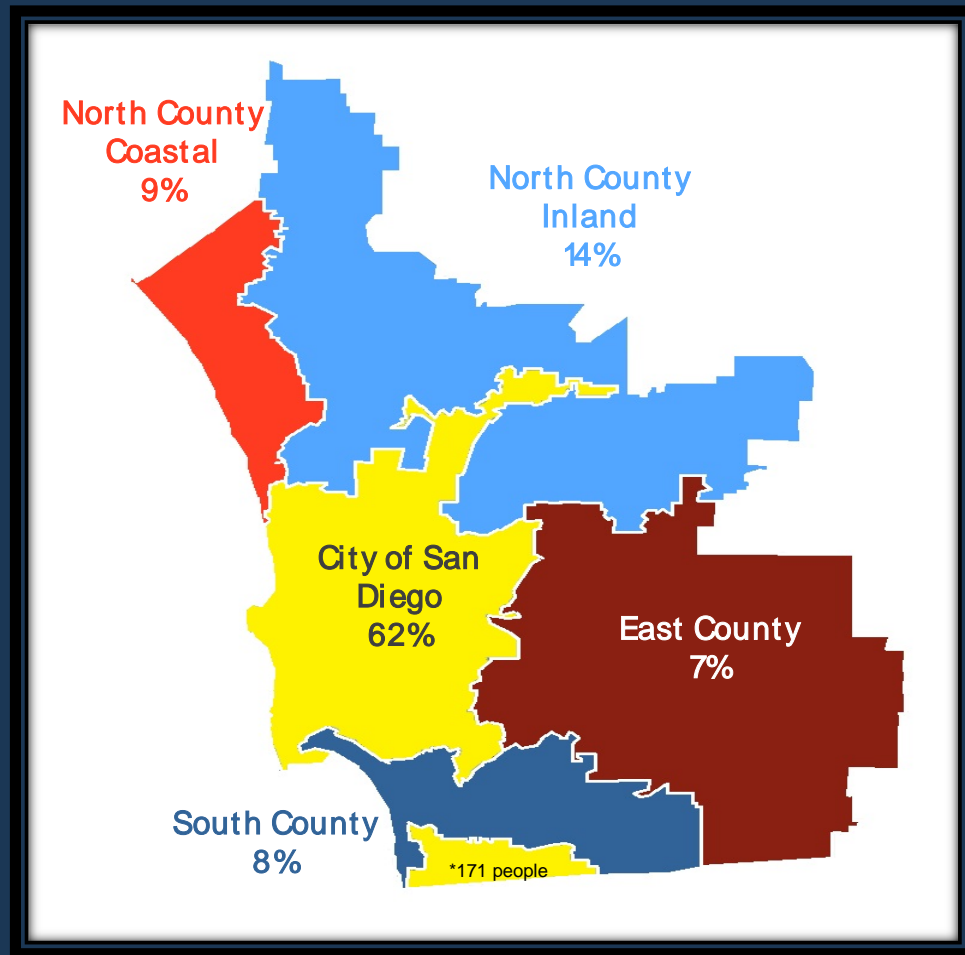
Regional Trends- Tents/ HBS

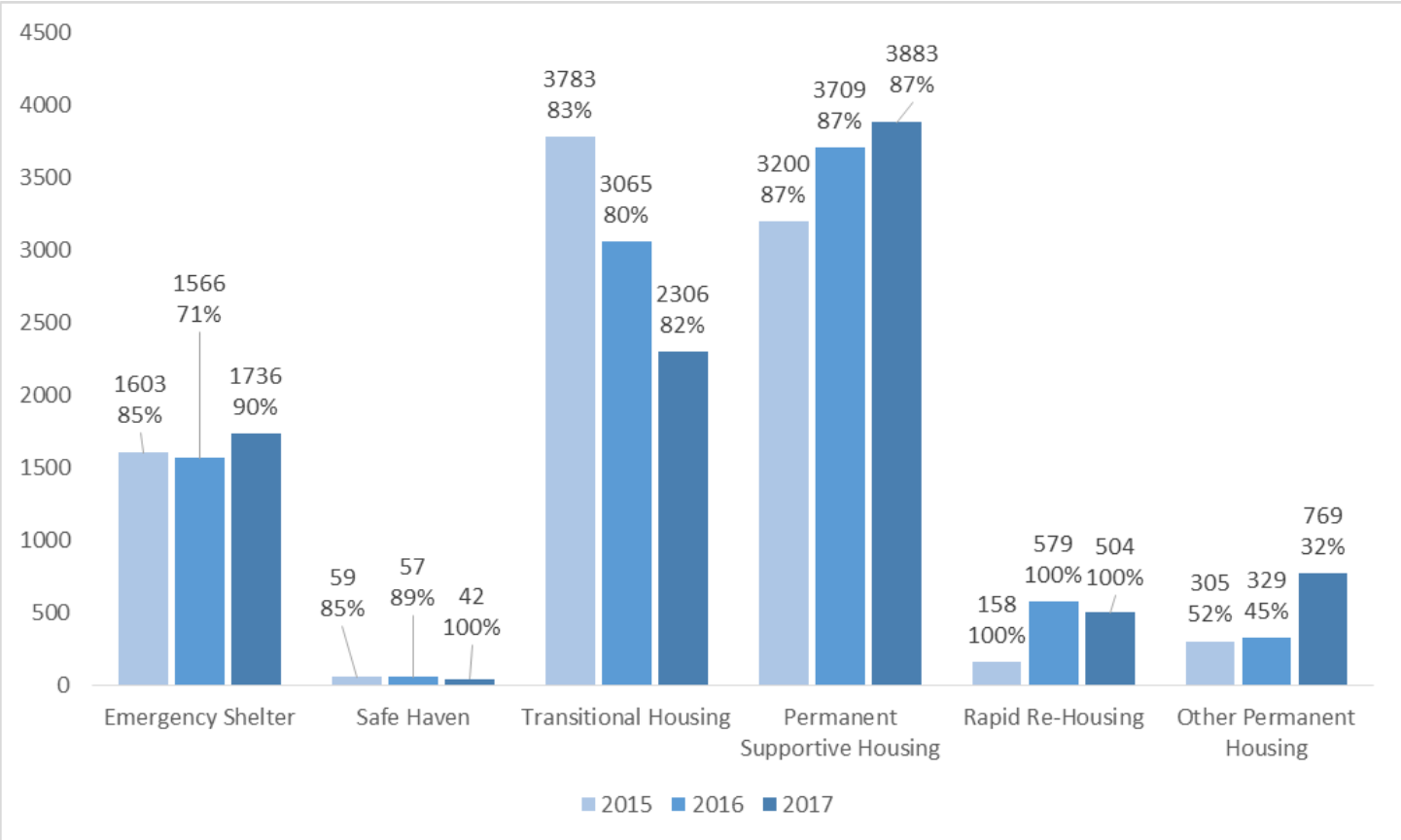|	2016 Tents	2017 Tents	% Change
Region-Wide	593	937	+58%
City of San Diego	411	674	+64%
Downtown	204	418	+104%

** Raw HBS, no multipliers used to keep it consistent over time

Sheltered Count & Bed Inventory/Utilization

Acceptable Utilization Rates	
Emergency Shelter	75% - 105%
Transitional Housing	80% - 105%
Permanent Supportive Housing	85% - 105%

	Emergency Shelter	Safe Haven	Transitional Housing	Permanent Supportive Housing	Rapid Re-Housing	Other Permanent Housing
Utilization	90%	100%	82%	87%	100%*	32%
Capacity:	1,736 beds	42 beds	2,306 beds	3,883 beds	1722 beds *(504 used)	769 beds
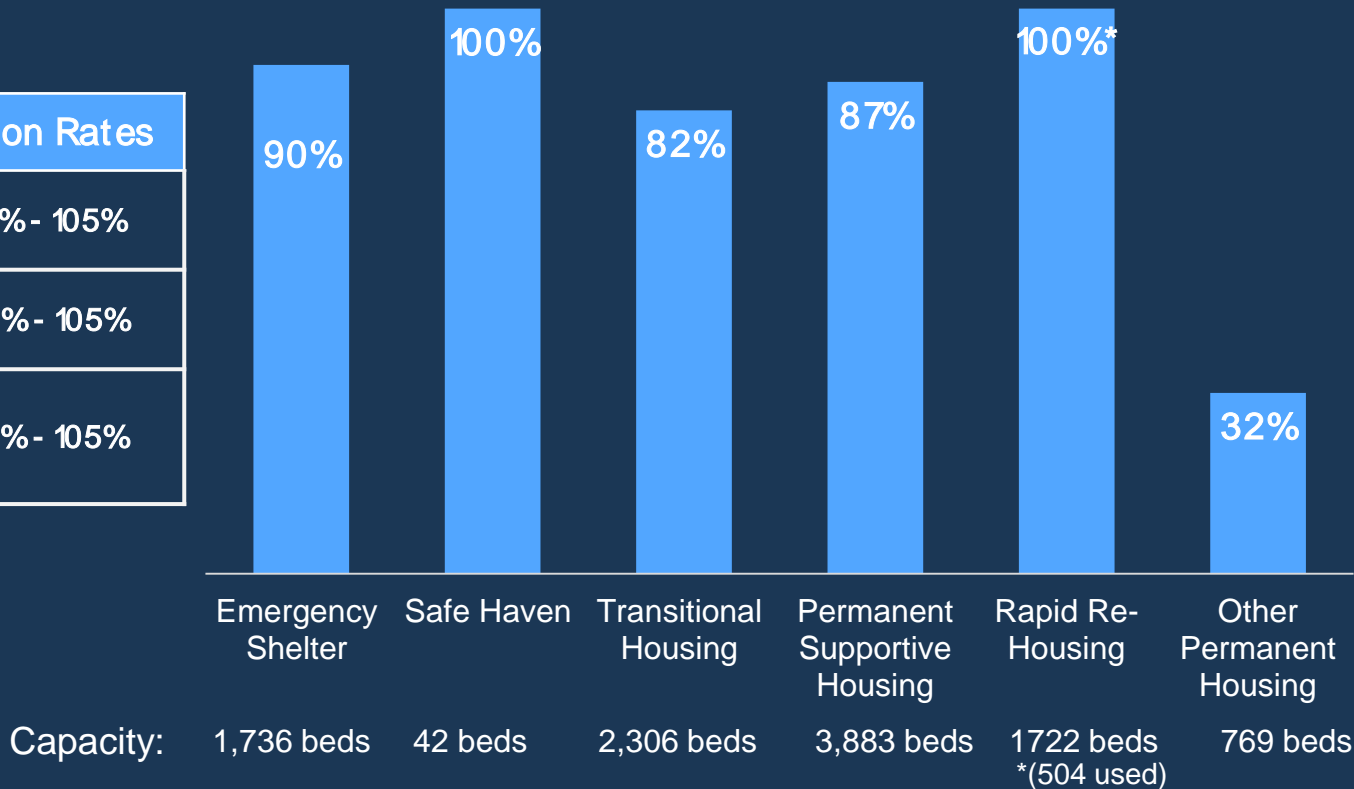
Bed Inventory by Year

City of San Diego Breakdown

	2016	2017	%Change
Unsheltered	2,745	3,231	+18%
Sheltered	2,348	2,388	+2%
Total Homeless	5,093	5,619	+10%

City of San Diego Totals

Sheltered			Unsheltered		
Emergency Shelter	Safe Haven	Transitional Housing	Individual	Vehicle	Hand-Built Structure/ Tent
1,240	30	1,118	1,234	817	1,180
Total	2,388		3,231		

San Diego City Totals

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
	5733	5199	5538	5093	5619
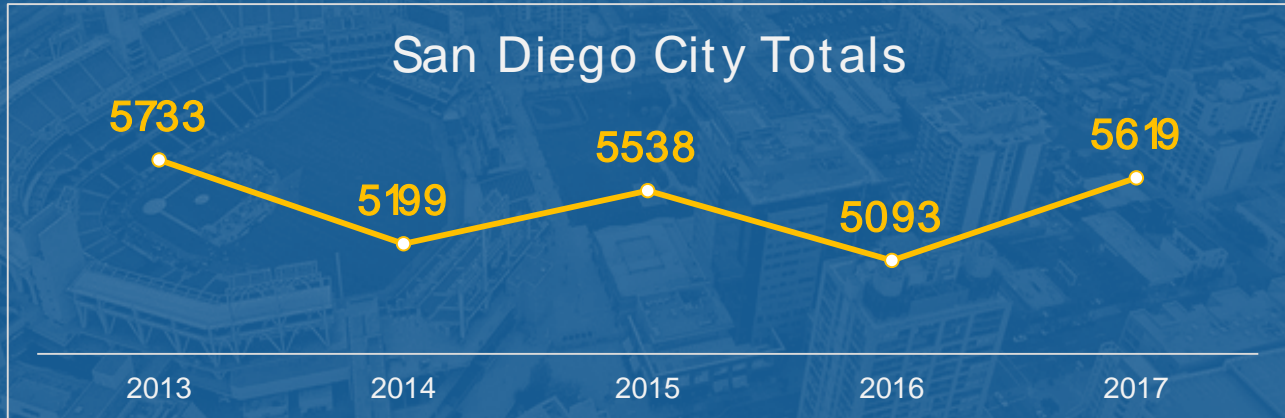
Downtown Footprint

PITC Census Tract	2016	2017	General Area Description
51.00	400	361	East Village. South of Market, West of Barrio Logan
53.00	276	279	Horton Plaza, Balboa Theater area (by Market, Ash)
52.00	94	251	East Village, City College Area
47.00	4	112	East of I-5, South of Market
56.00	8	108	Balboa Park
54.00	138	90	South of Waterfront Park
58.00	77	57	Waterfront Park
46.00	8	18	South of Balboa Park, North of Market, East of 1-5
TOTAL	1,005	1,276	+27%

Survey
Data

8%

Are Unsheltered
Veterans
(454 individuals)

31%

Are Chronically
Homeless
(1,750 vs 1,087 in 2016)

29%

Are Female

69%

Are Male

*Estimates extrapolated from surveys of adults self-reporting as Unsheltered during PITC

Survey Data- Disabilities

20%
Reported instances of substance abuse issues**

3%
Have a Substance Abuse* Issue that is
- Long term
- Impacts their ability to remain housed

39%
Reported instances of mental health issues while on the street**

4%
Have a Severe Mental Illness that is
- Long term
- Impacts their ability to remain housed
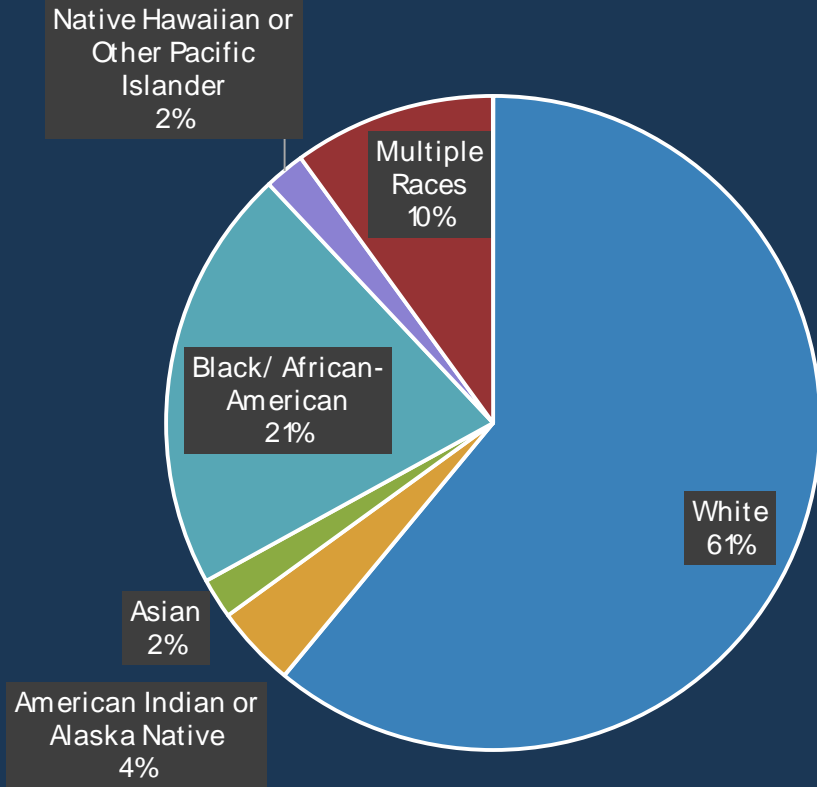
40%
Reported a physical disability

29%
Reported being a survivor of domestic violence

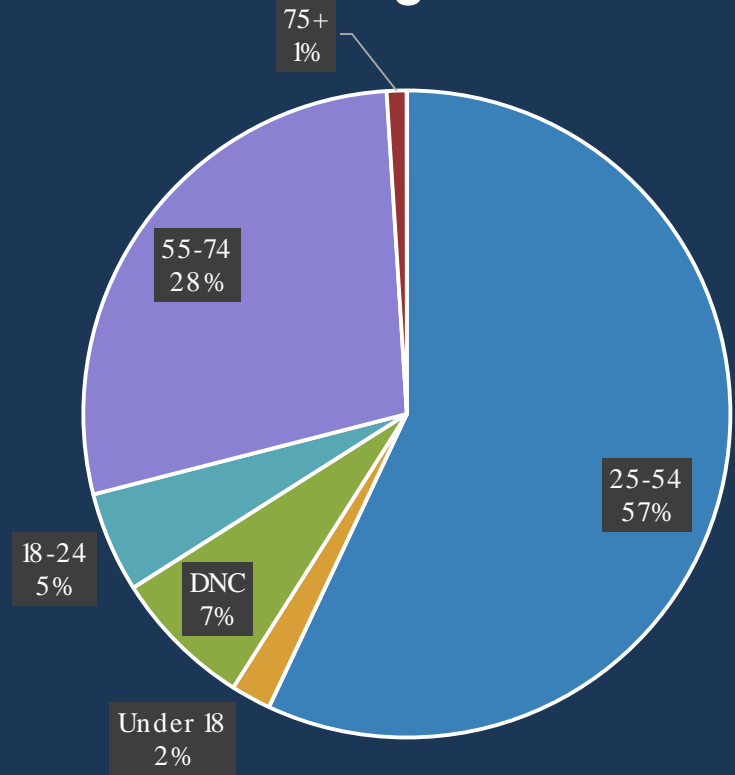*Substance abuse means drug and/or alcohol abuse, deduplicated by unique client
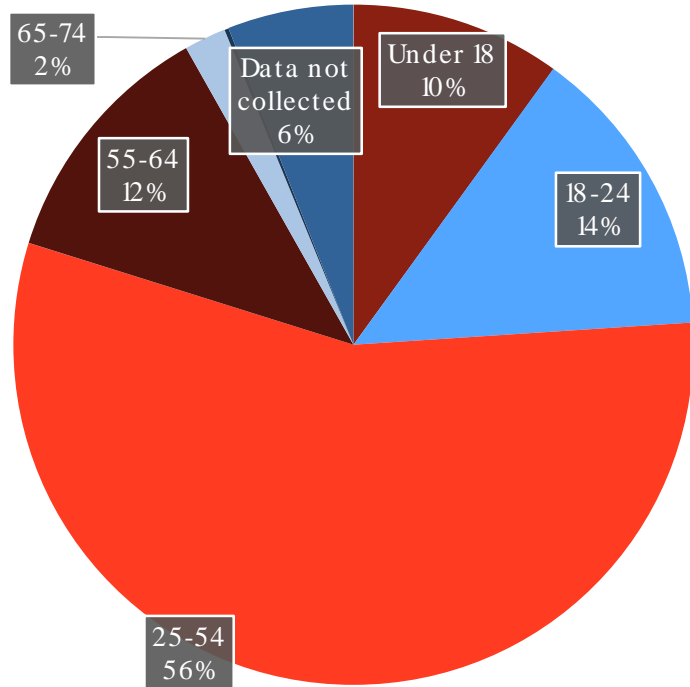** issues that were self reported, but answered no to long term and housing impacts

Age of First Instance of Homelessness
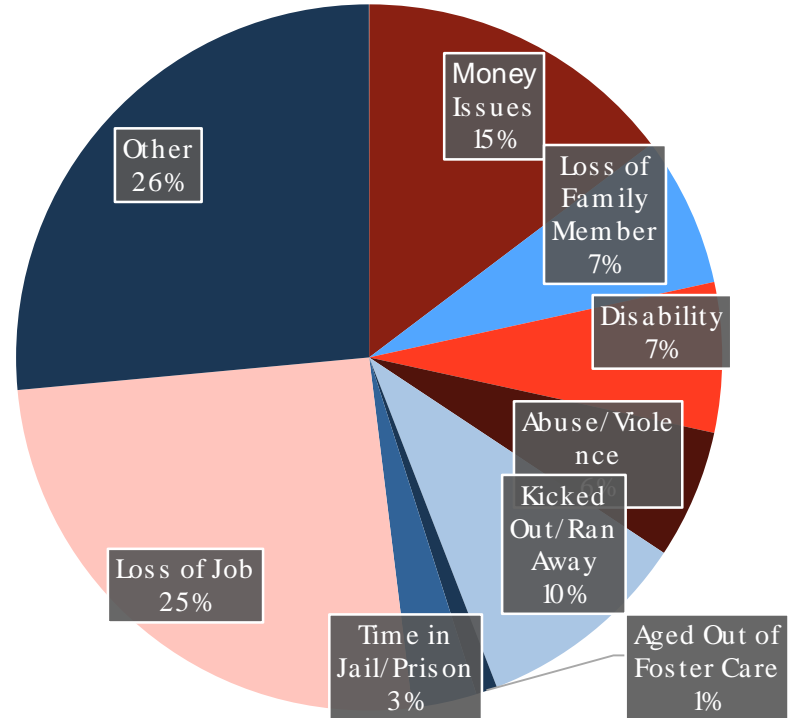

Under 18 10%

18-24 14%

25-54 56%

55-64 12%

65-74 2%

Data not collected 6%

Primary Cause of Homelessness

Money Issues 15%

Loss of Family Member 7%

Disability 7%

Abuse/Violence

Kicked Out/Ran Away 10%

Aged Out of Foster Care 1%

Time in Jail/Prison 3%

Loss of Job 25%

Other 26%

Trends in Veteran Homelessness

San Diego Region Point-in-Time Counts		
	% Change '16 – '17	% Change '13 - '17
Unsheltered	-21%	-34%
Sheltered	+3%	-25%
Total Homeless	-9%	-29%

Veterans

Total Estimated Homeless Veterans: 1054

Sheltered Veterans	600
Unsheltered Veterans	454

Veteran Survey Questions		% of Unsheltered Veterans
Year Entered Military Service	1964-1975 (Vietnam)	19%
	1976-1990 (Post-Vietnam)	47%
Receive VA medical services		42%
Nature of Discharge	Honorable	61%
	General	9%
	Other Than Honorable	10%
	Dishonorable	3%
	Uncharacterized	1%
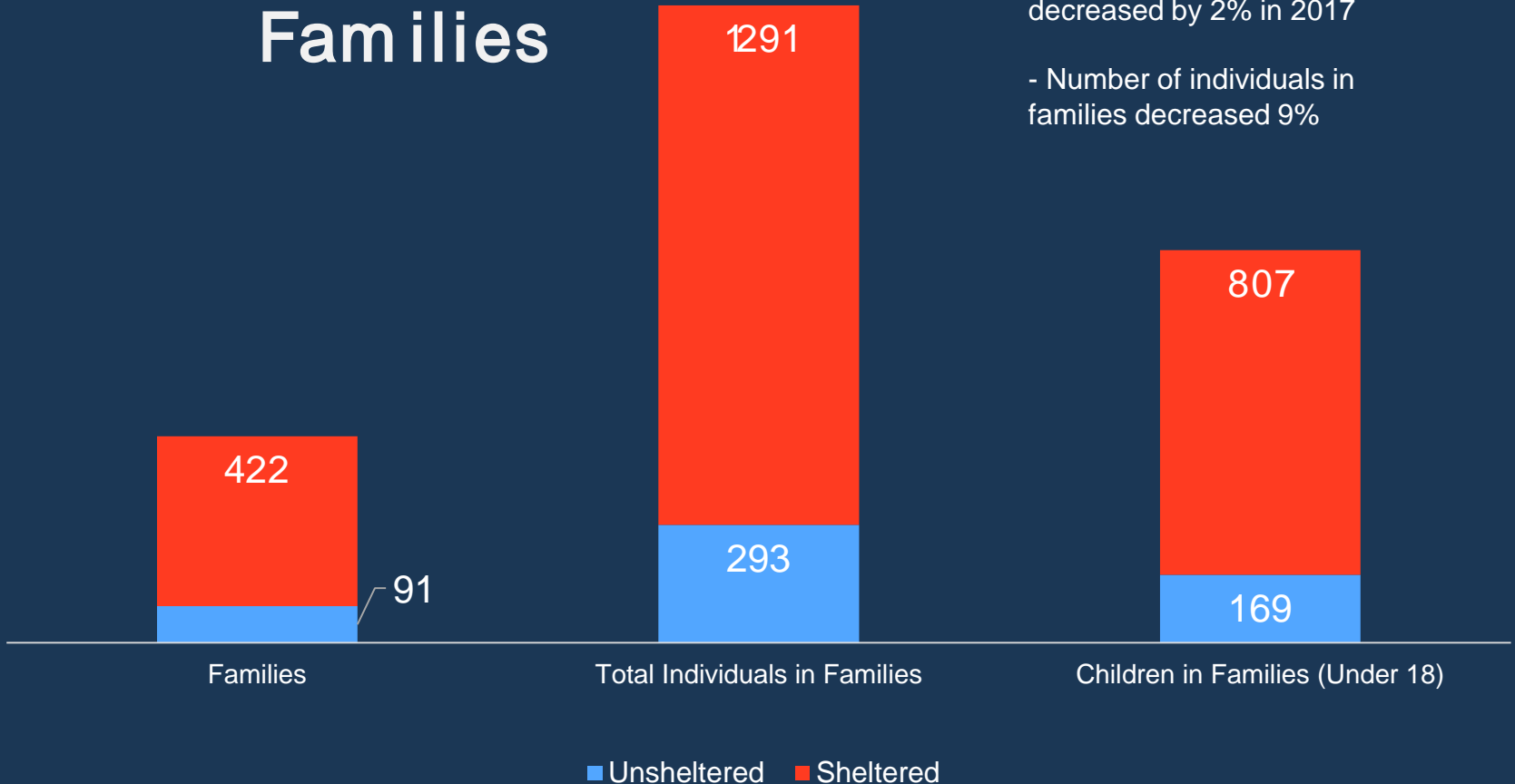
2017 Youth Count
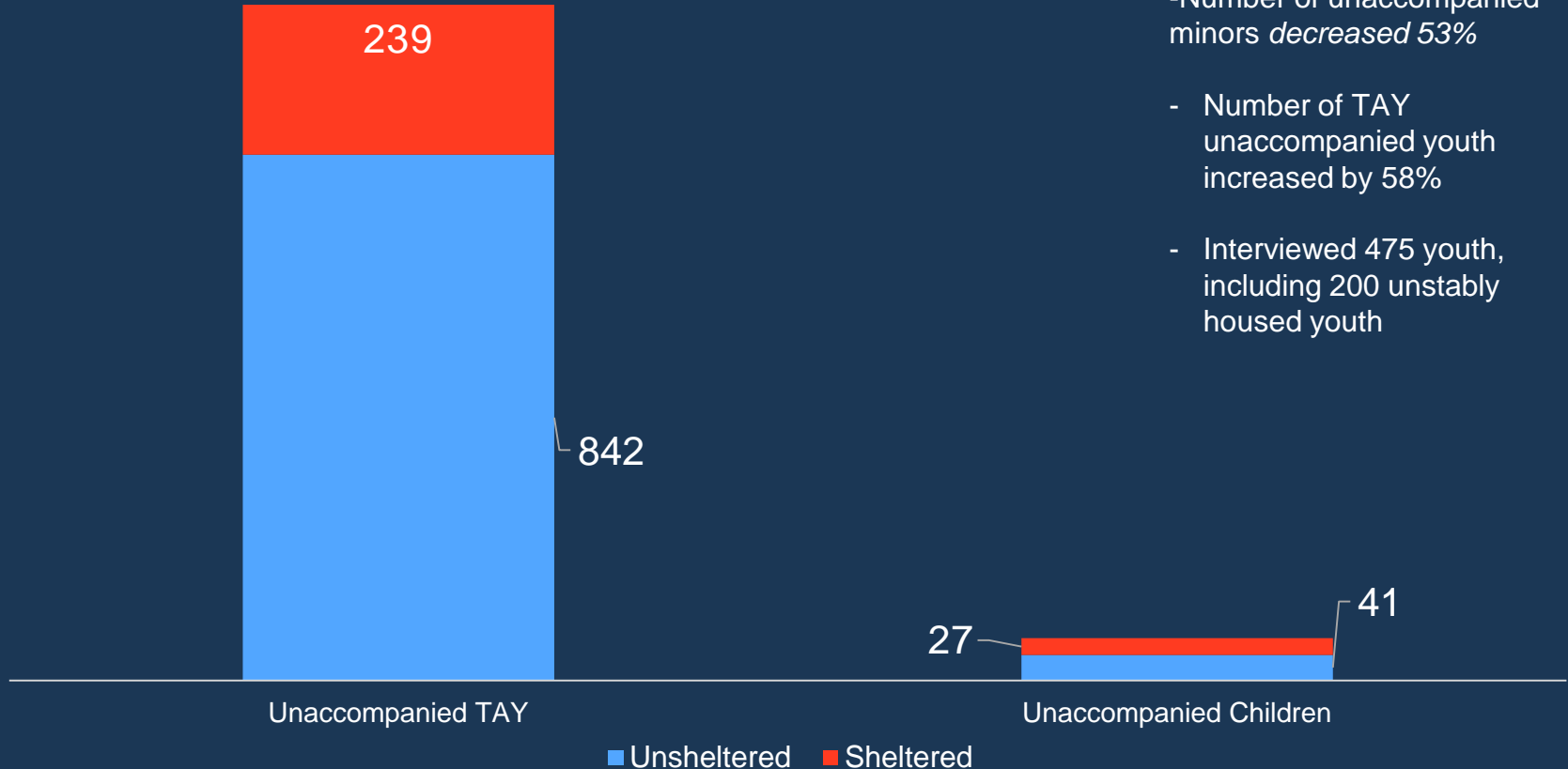
-Number of unaccompanied youth *increased* 39%

-Number of unaccompanied minors *decreased 53%*

- Number of TAY unaccompanied youth increased by 58%

- Interviewed 475 youth, including 200 unstably housed youth

239

842

27

41

Unaccompanied TAY

Unaccompanied Children

■ Unsheltered ■ Sheltered

Unsheltered + Incarceration

69% ever been in jail/prison/juvenile hall
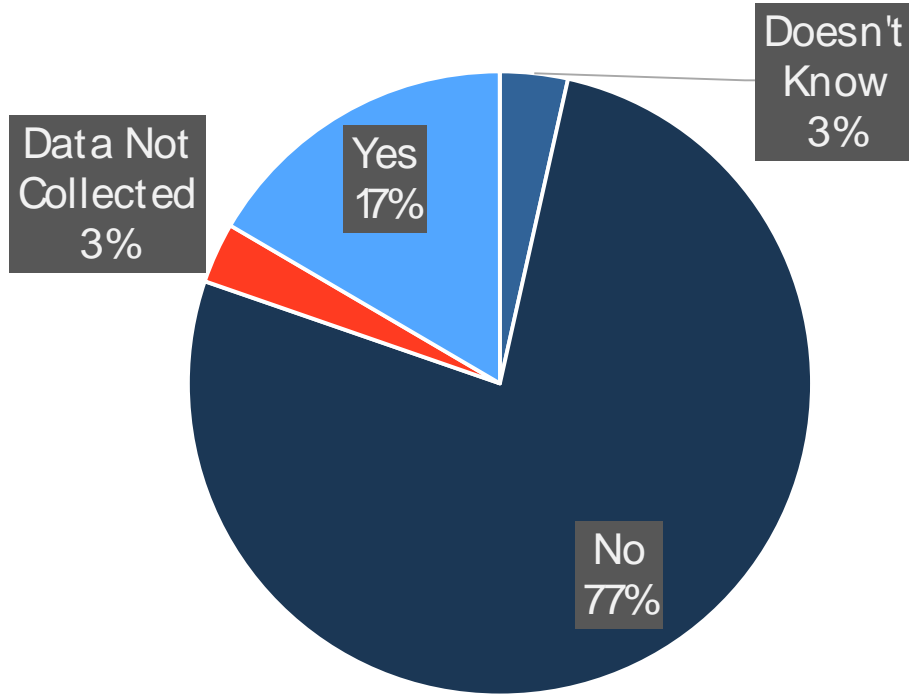
34% last released five or more years ago
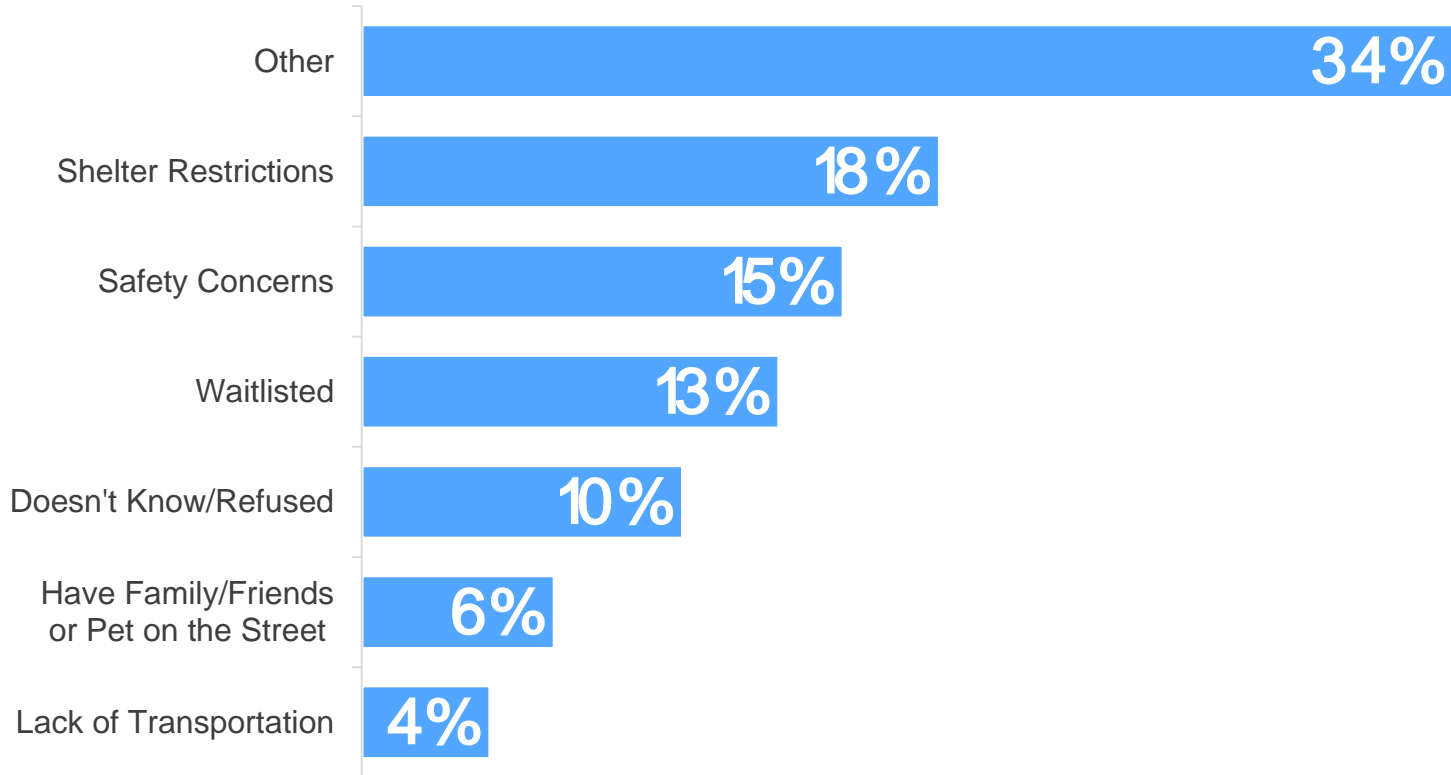
14% currently on probation

2% currently on parole

Local Question- Reconnections

Do you need help to reconnect with your family or other support system?

- Doesn't Know 3%
- Data Not Collected 3%
- Yes 17%
- No 77%

Local Question- Shelters

What is preventing you from staying in a shelter?

Category	Percentage
Other	34%
Shelter Restrictions	18%
Safety Concerns	15%
Waitlisted	13%
Doesn't Know/Refused	10%
Have Family/Friends or Pet on the Street	6%
Lack of Transportation	4%

Local Question- Service Access

What services are you currently accessing?

Emergency Shelter	10%	Free Meals	61%
Bus Passes	16%	Legal Assistance	7%
Transitional Housing	5%	Immigration	<1%
Mental Health	11%	Health Services	32%
Alcohol/Drug Counseling	6%	Other	11%
Employment	7%	Not Using Services	16%
Drop-in/Day Shelter	14%	Doesn't Know/ Refused	2%

New This Year- Stable Housing Assistance

What services would assist you in finding stable housing?

Category	Percentage
Rental Subsidy	59%
Deposit Money	45%
Utility Costs	35%
Other	23%
Legal Assistance	22%
Family Support Help	18%
Doesn't Know/ Refused	14%