



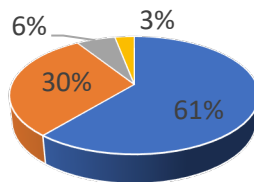
Erie County, PA Continuum of Care

2024 POINT IN TIME COUNT

a one-day snapshot of homelessness in our community.

What is the PIT Count?

The Point-in-Time (PIT) Homeless Count is an annual street and shelter count that determines the number of people experiencing homelessness on any given day. Coinciding with one identified night in the last part of January, this project includes a brief survey to identify the needs and characteristics of those experiencing homelessness. Every Continuum of Care is required to submit PIT Count results to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) as part of a national effort to identify the extent of homelessness across the country.



■ White ■ Black ■ Multi-race ■ Other

Those who are homeless often face other stressors that compound their issue.

- 47% of Adults battle mental illness
- 36% of Adults face substance use disorders
- 9% are fleeing domestic abuse

On the night of January 25, 2024...

454

People experienced homelessness in Erie County



378 were sheltered in emergency shelter, transitional housing, or safe haven...

While 76 were unsheltered, spending the night outside or a place not meant for human habitation.



Who were these 378 sheltered on the night of January 25, 2024?



37 Families with Children

- There were 116 persons in these households
- 73 Children under the age of 18
- 70 were Female and 46 were Men

331 Households of Adults only

- There were 338 persons in these households
- 25 were Senior Citizens (65+)
- 100 were Female, 235 were Men, 2 Transgender



There were 37 households led by Veterans who served our country, accounting for 42 persons.

The Unsheltered

The 2024 PIT Count identified its highest figure of unsheltered persons to date. The 76 identified were 36 more than 2023 and 53 greater than the 2022 figure. There are multiple factors contributing to the increase, including the ending of rental assistance funds, as well as an improved count methodology and increase in volunteers.

What we know about our unsheltered....

- ✓ 69 unsheltered were in adult-only situations
- ✓ 2 Adults with Children households consisting of 7 persons were identified
- ✓ 3 youth ages 18-24 were unsheltered
- ✓ There were 46 Males and 30 Females
- ✓ While the majority were identified in City of Erie locales, 9 were identified in Corry
- ✓ Multiple new encampments were identified



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2024 POINT IN TIME DATA was gathered from the following sources:

Emergency Shelters

- Community of Caring
- Community Shelter Services Drop-In Center
- Erie City Mission Samaritan Care
- EUMA Our Neighbors Place
- EUMA The Refuge
- SafeNet Hospitality House
- Safe Journey
- St. Patrick's Haven
- We Soldier On

Transitional Housing and Safe Haven Programs

- Erie City Mission New Life Program
- EUMA Liberty House
- Mercy Center for Women
- SafeNet Bridge House
- SafeNet TLC

Permanent Supportive and Rapid Rehousing

- Community Shelter Services Lodge on Sass
- Community Shelter Services Columbus Apts
- Community Shelter Services Lighting the Candle
- EUMA My Way Home
- Erie County Care Mgmt Self Start
- Erie Dawn Rapid Rehousing
- Gaudenzia Fresh Start
- SafeNet
- VA HUD-VASH
- We Soldier On Rapid Rehousing

Supplemental Collection Locations

- Emmaus Ministries dinner service
- Erie City Mission breakfast and lunch services
- Mental Health Association of NWPA lunch service
- Upper Room
- Salvation Army of Corry
- Erie County Care Mgmt Street Outreach Team

TREND ANALYSIS: 2018 - 2024

Total Number of Identified Households

	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Unsheltered	4	6	8	0	21	38	64
Emergency Shelter	191	214	206	138	183	212	250
Transitional/Safe Haven	79	87	72	77	44	39	54
Permanent/RRH	350	349	385	458	454	385	349
TOTAL	624	656	671	673	702	674	717

Total Number of Identified People in Households

	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Unsheltered	4	6	8	0	23	40	76
Emergency Shelter	238	273	255	165	224	266	301
Transitional/Safe Haven	114	117	85	96	53	65	77
Permanent/RRH	670	644	656	876	789	688	567
TOTAL	1026	1040	1004	1137	1089	1059	1021

THE NEAR HOMELESS

In addition to those deemed homeless, there is another cohort of families and individuals that are served by Permanent Supportive and Rapid Rehousing programs. Many of the residents came from the Emergency Shelter and Transitional Housing programs, or were unsheltered. Why is this population important to keep an eye on? If not for these programs, our homeless population could be significantly higher.

349 households consisting of 567 Erie County residents resided in a PSH or RRH program on January 25, 2024



- ✓ 90 Adult with Children households
- ✓ 296 residents of these households
- ✓ 190 Children under age 18

- ✓ 259 Adult-only households
- ✓ 271 residents of these households
- ✓ 105 persons over age 55

