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# ANCHORAGE COALITION TO **END HOMELESSNESS**

ANCHORAGE ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS

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## Monthly Data: August 2022\*

<b>Project/Subpopulation</b>	<b>August 2022</b>	<b>July 2022</b>	<b>June 2022</b>	<b>May 2022</b>	<b>April 2022</b>	<b>March 2022</b>
<b>Total Number of Adults over the age of 25 Experiencing Homelessness in Need of Housing and Supports (not all of these individuals need shelter)</b>	1955	2050	2184	2263	2187	2175
<b>Total Number of Adults over the age of 25 Served through Housing Surge in Previous Month</b>	281	506	433	405	333	286
<b>Total Number of Adults over the age of 25 Who Secured Housing through Housing Surge and Moved in during Previous Month</b>	24	30	38	60	52	47

\*Visit <https://aceh.org/data/>

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## **Bottlenecks and Challenges within the local and state systems that result in service barriers or failure to secure housing including risks and issues that will slow down or reduce housing stabilization**

Street Outreach barriers to service delivery: lack of official provider at Centennial Campground, PEH lack of confidence in service connection/delivery; therefore, refusing engagement, providers lack tangible incentives to increase engagement

Shared understanding of foundational elements in the HPRS ie Housing First, Coordinated Entry, Permanent Supportive Housing, Racial Equity, etc

Active communication and collaboration with AHD and Administration regarding services/planning for PEH

Locating housing/funding for housing placement for sex offenders

Access to transportation for individuals to obtain units from the viewing process to the move in process

Locating individuals initially and/or following up with individuals within a timely fashion for housing opportunity or housing program including gathering identification documents

## **Bottlenecks & Challenges: September 2022**

## GUESTHOUSE PERMANENT HOUSING

- 125 housing units leased up
- 33 self-pay
- 16 with Emergency Housing Vouchers (EHV), Housing Choice Vouchers (HCV), and/or HUD VASH/Tribal vouchers\*
- 25 Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) ie Home For Good (HFG)
- United Way of Anchorage (UWA) through Landlord Housing Partnership assisted 60 individuals with rental assistance

\*Some individuals may not use voucher at this site; in which, a unit will be available for another person experiencing homelessness (PEH)

## FAMILY EMERGENCY SHELTER

- AHD in process of issuing a grant to Christian Health Associates.
- CHA is working with RuralCap to provide support to unsheltered families.
- Process identified is:
  - Calls to 211 or AWAIC
  - Received at a church 7 nights a week
  - RuralCap will engage next day for case management
  - Move to shelter dependent on capacity or transitional housing while work on finding a permanent unit.

## BROTHER FRANCIS SHELTER UPDATE

- Brother Francis Shelter began a census increase on September 1<sup>st</sup> increasing its census to 100.
- On October 1<sup>st</sup> that census will raise to 120.
- Currently there is still a wait list for services and the increase in census will not clear that waitlist.

## EXPANDED OUTREACH THROUGH ACEH

- ACEH is working with AHD to get a grant agreement in place.
- Cannot incur expenses prior to a signed grant agreement, so no outreach under the grant has started.
- As soon as the grant agreement is signed a RFP will be issued for 5 outreach teams of 2 individuals each and necessary equipment and supplies will be purchased.
  - Hopeful for an anticipated mid-October start.
- Grant will only be administered through 12/31/22 without a reappropriation which presents challenges to get contracts with service providers for outreach teams since funding is only secured for approximately 3 months.