



2014 One Night Homeless Count HIGHLIGHTS

During Lane County's 2014 One Night "Sheltered" Homeless Count, 667 people were counted.

Nine organizations counted sheltered and transitionally housed homeless people on January 29, 2014. While the sheltered count occurs annually, the unsheltered count (street count) is administered in odd number years. Both counts are required by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) which provides \$2.5 million in housing and services to single adults, families and youth who are homeless in Lane County. As per HUD instructions, we carried over the 1,102 people from the 2013 unsheltered count.

The 2014"sheltered count "includes emergency shelters, and transitional housing programs designated for homeless people.

The combined 2014 number (1,769) includes the 2013 unsheltered count of people who were counted on the streets, under bridges, in parks, at food pantries, day access centers, and churches.

Of the 1,769 people included in this count:

- 338 individuals were staying in Emergency Shelter
- 329 individuals were living in Transitional Housing (up to 24 months) designated for people who are homeless
- 1,102 men, women, and children were without shelter (carried over from the 2013 unsheltered count)

Total 1,769 individuals (1,447 households)

Highlights included in the sheltered count:

- 105 homeless households with children: 336 homeless people
- 79 homeless veterans
- 120 chronically homeless people
- 89 people recently fled domestic violence
- 122 people have a mental illness
- 80 people have chronic alcohol/substance abuse issues

Homelessness – A Bigger Picture

- 9,856 individuals who were homeless sought social services through Lane County Human Services Commission funded programs during calendar year 2013
- 1,124 unduplicated individuals were served at the Egan Warming Center during 19 nights of extreme weather at six faith-based sites during the 2013-2014 winter season
- 2,062 homeless students attended public school in Lane County during the 2012-13 school year (Oregon Dept. of Education)

Cost of Homelessness (updated Spring 2013, Lane County Human Services Division)

Homelessness affects all Lane County residents because people without shelter require costly support services:

- \$420 average cost of a visit to the Sacred Heart Hospital Emergency Room at River Bend
- \$865 average daily cost of care at the Johnson Unit, Sacred Heart's acute psychiatric care facility, where the average stay is 9 days
- \$237 daily cost of in-patient detoxification services at Willamette Family Treatment 's Buckley Center
- 234 daily cost for "housing" per inmate day at the Lane County Jail
- \$75 daily cost at the Springfield Jail