# St. Johns County Continuum of Care 2021 Point in Time Count

## Mission & Vision

#### Mission:

The Continuum of Care leads the effort to prevent and end homelessness, bringing together resources and partnerships to make homelessness rare, brief, and one time.

#### Vision:

Believing housing is a human right, we envision a community where all people have access to safe, stable, and affordable housing.

#### What is the Point in Time Count?

- The Point-in-Time (PIT) Count is a count of sheltered and unsheltered people experiencing homelessness on a single night in January.
- SHELTERED Counts: Temporary housing settings such as, emergency shelter, transitional housing, and safe havens.
- UNSHELTERED Counts: Persons who reside in a place not meant for human habitation, such as cars, parks, sidewalks, abandoned buildings, on the street.

#### Why do we conduct the PIT count?

- RAISING PUBLIC AWARENESS AND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT: The benefit of conducting a "street" count allows for suburban and rural areas to make public awareness that although homeless individuals may not be visible, there is homelessness in St. Johns County.
- HUD REQUIRES DATA COLLECTION: HUD and Congress believe it is essential to conduct effective planning and provisions of homeless assistance and preventative services by understanding the size and characteristics of the entire homeless population in each community.

#### WHEN WAS IT?

Date: January 28, 2021
Time: 5 am - 7 pm
Post Count: January 29 - February 4

### What Changed

#### 2020

- Added questions specific to St. Johns County
- Utilized staff and CoC partners to conduct count
- Handed out opening doors pamphlets
- Utilized technology for digital survey

#### 2021

- Decreased face-to-face interaction and survey
- Decreased volunteers and CoC partner staff
- Provided personal protective equipment and COVID guide
- Utilized technology to guide missed surveys

#### 2021 PIT Results



#### Care Connect Information Network All Programs

In 2020 our network of providers served 8,362 people.

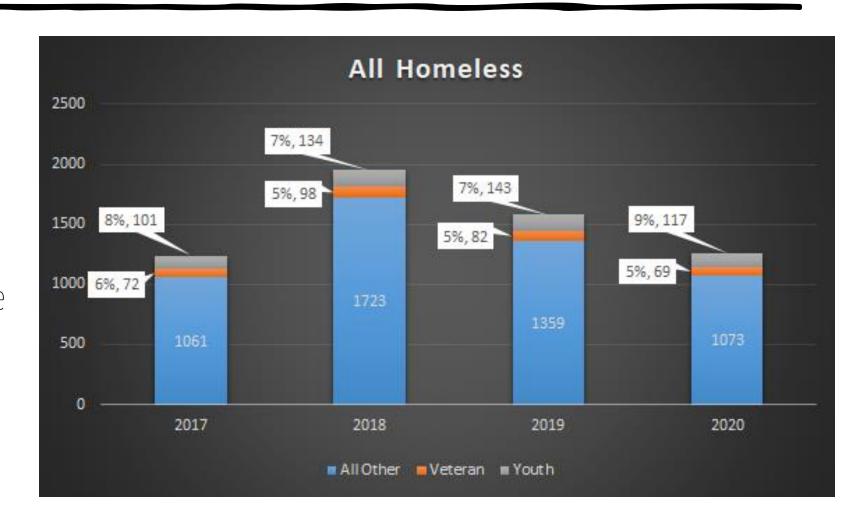
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#### CoC Housing Specific Programs

In 2020 our CoC housing projects served 1,259 people.

During the 2020 year, 68% of the adult population reported they were literally homeless upon asking for assitiance.



# Total Surveys

#### 412 Surveys

51 Removed

286 Unsheltered

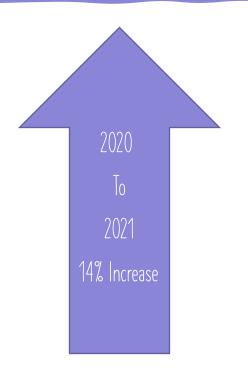
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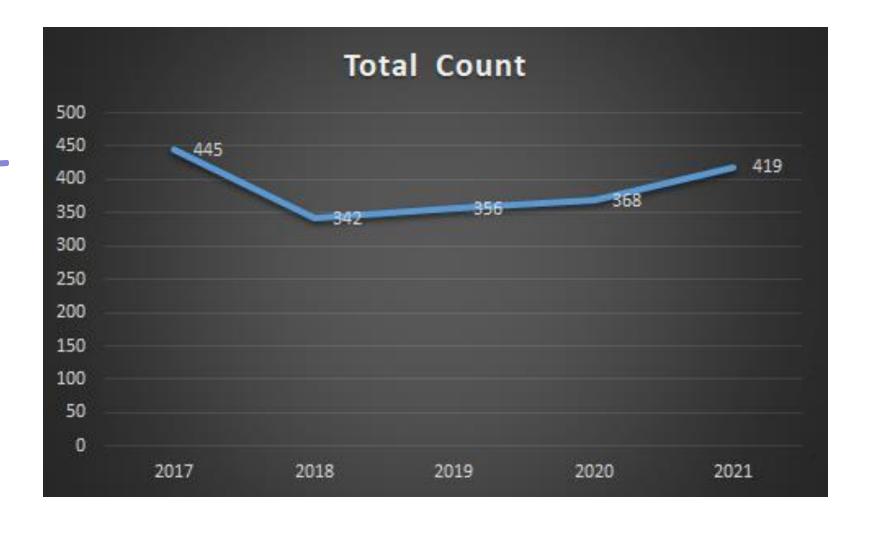
14% observation

<sup>\*</sup> Removed for duplicates, incomplete data, or doesn't meet homeless definition.

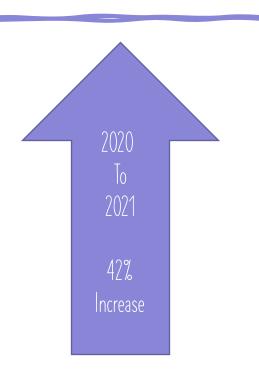
#### Total Count

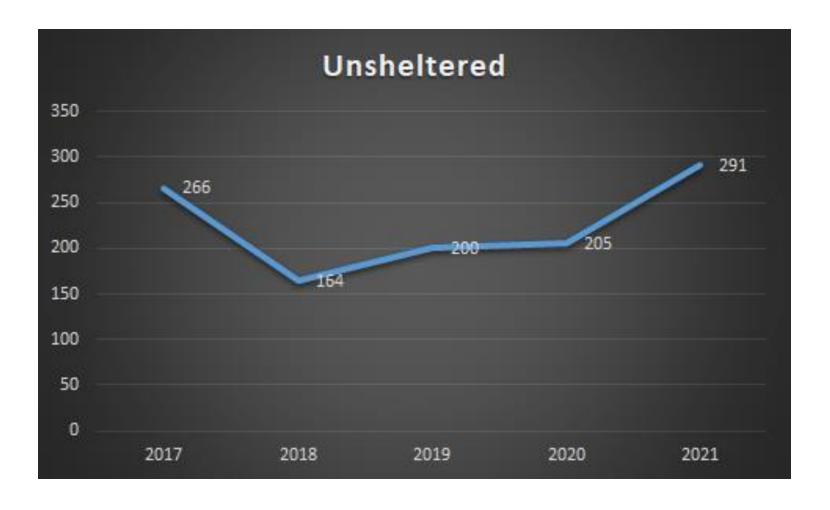
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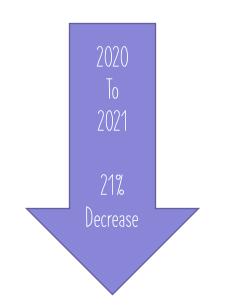
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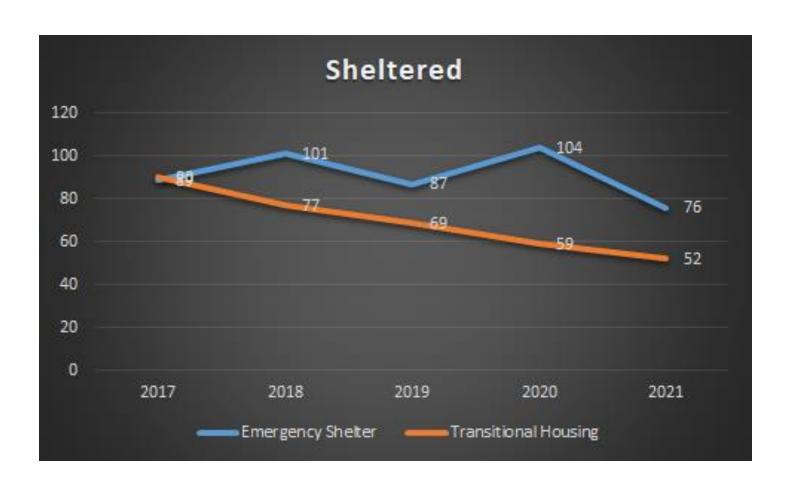




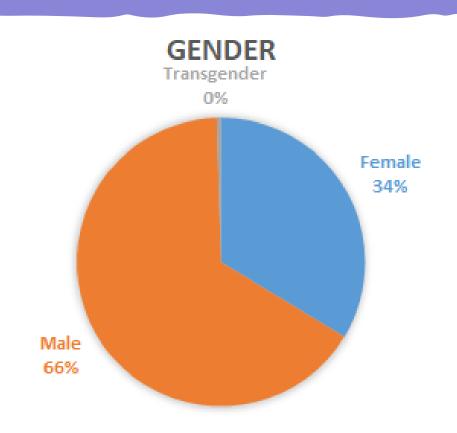
#### Total Sheltered

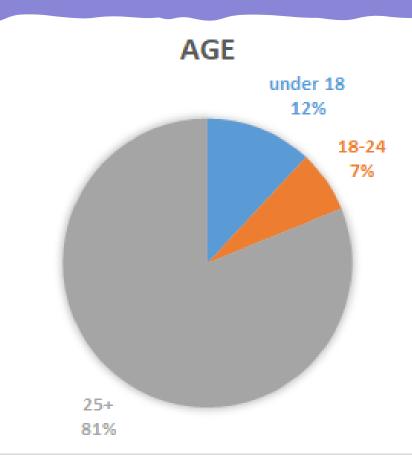




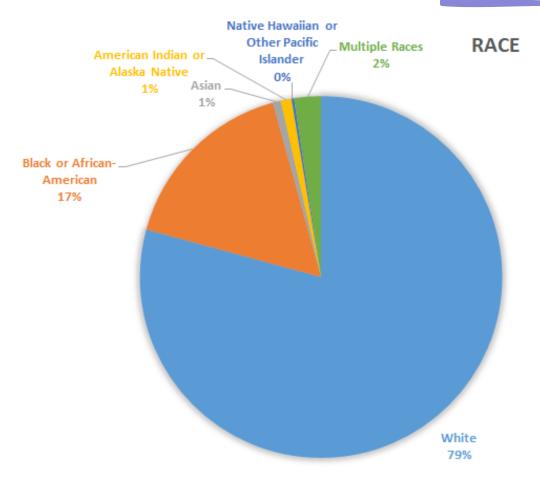


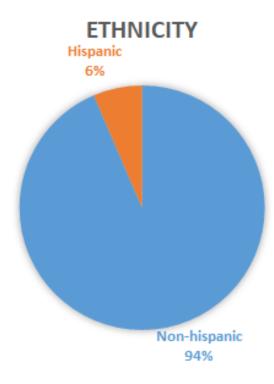
## Demographics



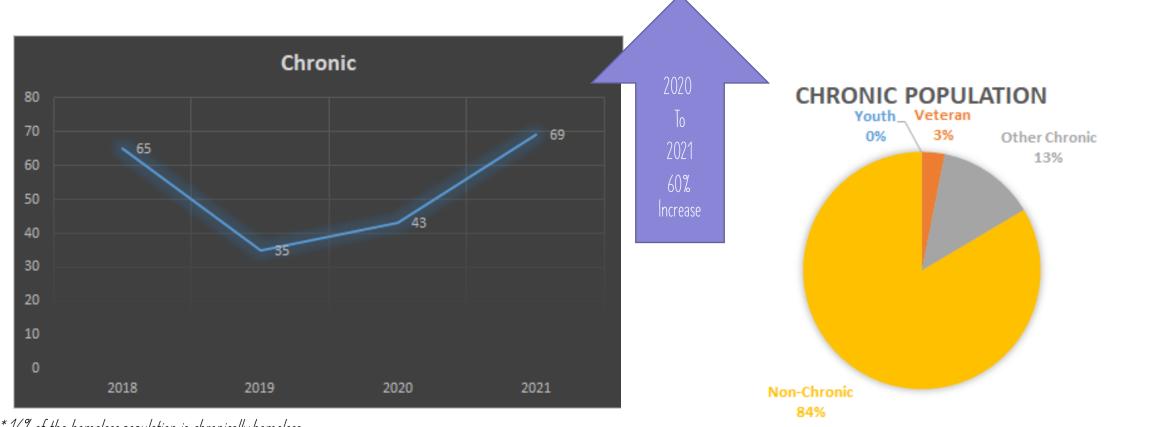


# Demographics





#### Chronically Homeless Population

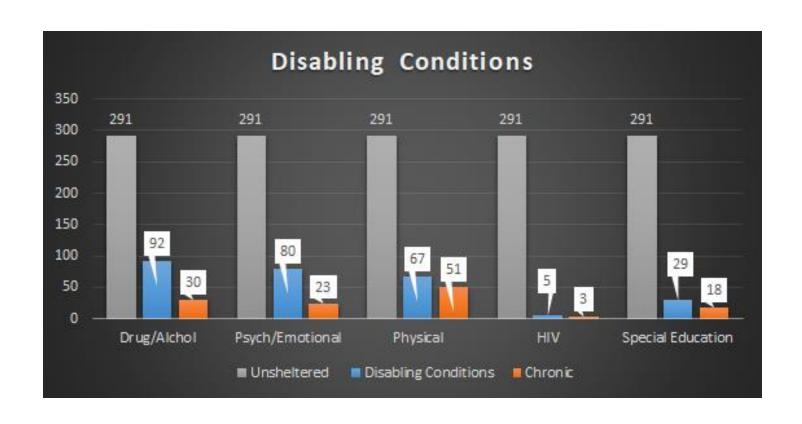


<sup>\* 16%</sup> of the homeless population is chronically homeless.

Chronic Homelessness is defined as being literally homeless a year or longer this time AND has a disabling condition or homeless experience equates to 12 months or more within a 3 year period AND has had 4 or more instances of homelessness AND has a disabling condition.

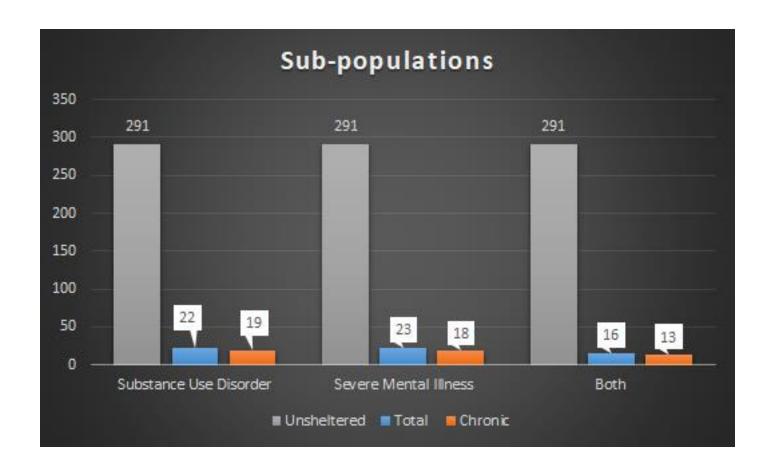
#### Chronic Homeless and Unsheltered Population

 Comparisions of those who answered yes to having disabling conditions, and those who are chronically homeless with disabling conditions.



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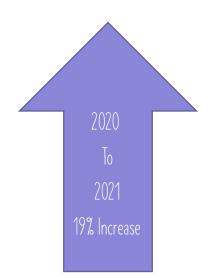
• Comparisions of those who have severe substance use disorders, severe mental illness, and those who are chronically homeless.

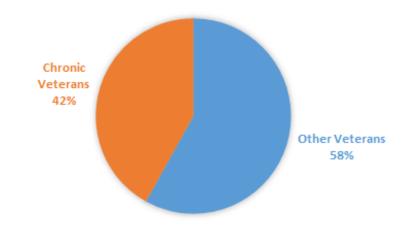


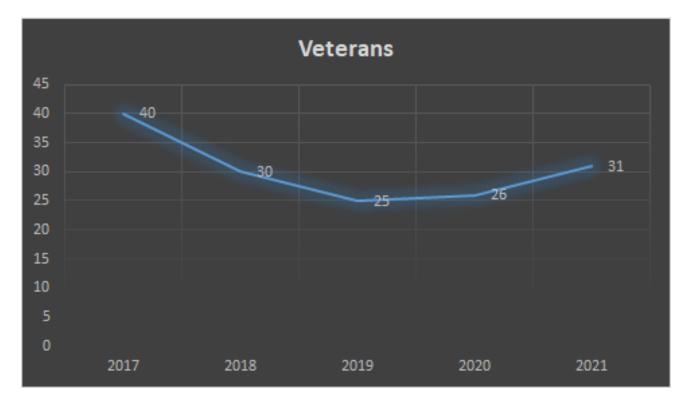
#### CHRONIC VETERANS

# Veteran Population

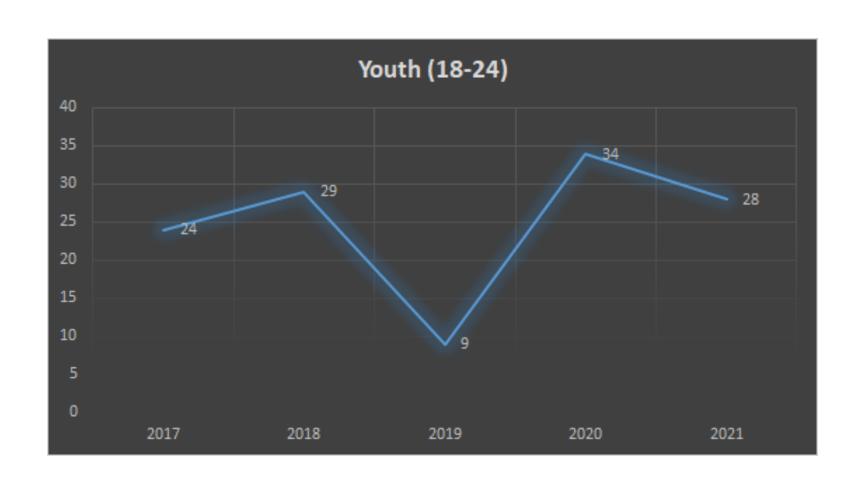
- During the count, 9 veterans were actively engaged to receive housing assistance.
- 17 were confirmed veterans, leaving 14 as potential

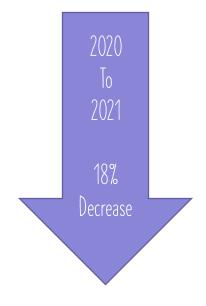






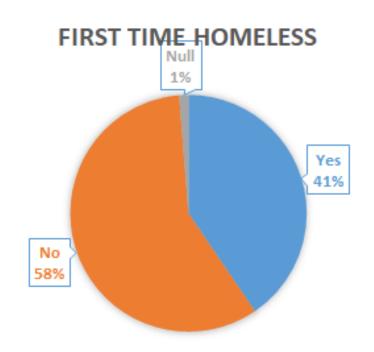
#### Youth Population

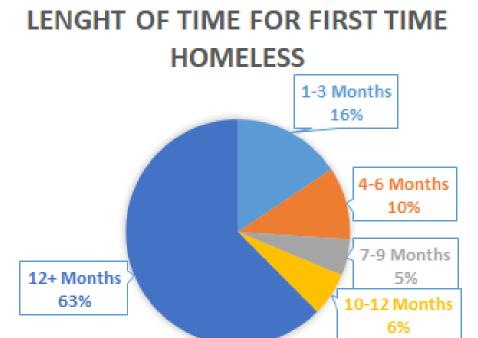




#### Other Characteristics of Unsheltered Population

• First time homelessness increased by 11% from 2020 to 2021





# Questions

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