





Monthly Members Meeting

March 28th, 2023



Welcome!

Membership Recruitment

Why is membership important to you?

What are the benefits to membership?

How does CoC membership enhance your organization's work?

Agenda

Welcome & Introductions

Permanent Supportive Housing – Universal Application, Martha Are

Race and Equity Workshops, Rachel Allen

Orange County Public Schools – Central Florida Homeless Education Summit, Danielle Batista

HMIS – System Performance Measures, Brittney Behr

System Ops – Myths about Coordinated Entry, Jackie Ebert

Rogue Mobile – Cares Affordable Connectivity Program, John Liu

Announcements



Permanent Supportive Housing – Universal Application

Martha Are

PSH UNIVERSAL APPLICATION

Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH)

Request for Applications

Should be completed by agencies that currently contract with HSN to receive PSH services funding

Will create a pool of PSH providers with whom HSN can contract as funds become available

Will be published within the next 10 days

Will be due roughly end of April/early May

Separate from the HUD application process that will happen later this year



Peace and Justice
Institute – Race &
Equity Workshop
Series

Rachel Allen

Orange County Public Schools
McKinney-Vento Program





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EC Migrant Advocate

OUR TEAM

Overview

MVP Overview

OCPS Hearts Update

Unaccompanied Homeless Youth

Central Florida Homeless Education Summit



LITERAL HOMELESS HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT DEFINITION

- Streets, cars, campground, shelter
- Government housing supports for families generally only are provided to families meeting this definition
- Shelters mainly downtown Orlando, Matthew's Hope
- Section 8 Housing DOES NOT Qualify





HOTELS



- Must be due to financial hardship
- Falls under inadequate housing (no kitchen, often run down) or temporary
- Might be long term
- Many hotels turned apartment and STILL qualify!

INADEQUATE HOUSING DUE TO FINANCIAL HARDSHIP



LEASE OR MORTGAGE?

Even if a family has a lease or a mortgage they can still qualify if the home is inadequate.

- Not enough rooms for family members
- Homes with mold, bugs, rodent infestation, condemned areas
- No beds to sleep in
- No kitchen or bathroom
- No air conditioning
- No running water or electricity
- Domestic violence or natural disaster

SHARED HOUSING DUE TO FINANCIAL HARDSHIP

Could the family be kicked out of the home at any time due to violating the lease?

Is the family living with friends or family due to inability to find a place to live and does not have a lease?



MCKINNEY-VENTO PROGRAM

STUDENT RIGHTS



**IMMEDIATE
ENROLLMENT**



**SCHOOL OF
ORIGIN**



TRANSPORTATION



FREE MEALS

MCKINNEY-VENTO PROGRAM

DISTRICT SUPPORTS



KIDS' CLOSET




FEE COSTS



**AFTER SCHOOL
TRANSPORTATION**



**COLLEGE
SUPPORT**



HEARTS is a collaboration between community agencies and Orange County Public Schools to help increase the self-sufficiency and stability within our OCPS families by providing them with targeted case management services and single point of service events.



UNACCOMPANIED HOMELESS YOUTH



Students experiencing homelessness and are not in the physical custody of parents OR the parent is experiencing homelessness and the student is staying with family or friends temporarily due to financial hardship and the parent is NOT in the physical custody of the child.

STUDENTS ARE NOT REMOVED
FROM PARENTS DUE TO
HOMELESSNESS

ADDITIONAL SUPPORTS FOR
STUDENTS EVEN IN COLLEGE

UNACCOMPANIED HOMELESS YOUTH

LEGAL REQUIREMENTS



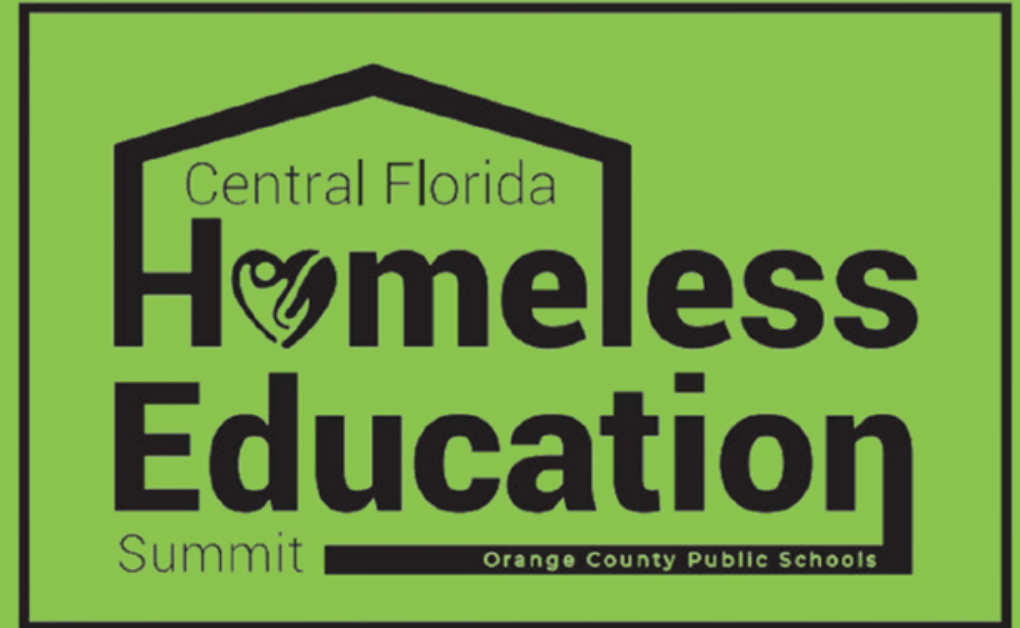
- Must meet with all UHY ages 16+ to discuss post-secondary plans in depth.
- Must provide certified UHY card and DCF letter for supports
- Must be allowed to sign on medical and other school related forms if 16+
- Can receive free tuition, medical supports, and ID

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**ADDITIONAL SUPPORTS FOR
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Purpose

Provide educators and community agencies across Central Florida (Orange, Osceola, and Seminole Counties) information on available community resources for those living in housing transition.



Tentative Agenda

8:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. - Check-in/Registration

8:30 a.m. - 9:45 a.m. - Opening Session

9:55 a.m. - 10:45 a.m. - Breakout Session #1

10:55 a.m. - 11:45 a.m. - Breakout Session #2

11:45 a.m. - 12:45 p.m. - Lunch/Exhibit Hall

12:55 p.m. - 1:45 p.m. - Breakout Session #3

1:55 p.m. - 2:45 p.m. - Breakout Session #4

3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. - Teacher and MVP Student Panel

4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. - Closing Session

How Can You Support:

PRESENT!

We are currently seeking presenters with the deadline of April 26th, 2023. Submit to present at <https://bit.ly/2023CFHESPresenterRegistration>

ATTEND!

If you would like to attend the event, send us an email. We will notify you when registration goes live.

PROMOTE!

- Share about event with colleagues
- Give flyers, handouts, or swag from your agency
- Donate to help provide for lunch for ALL participants



**Orange County
Public Schools**

OCPS MVP Contact Information:

Phone: 407-317-3485

Email: helphomeless@ocps.net

Website: homeless.ocps.net

System Performance Measures

Data for HUD FY 2021-2022

Submission Due: Feb 28th, 2023



CENTRAL FLORIDA
COMMISSION ON
HOMELESSNESS



What Are System Performance Measures?

- System Performance Measures (SPMs) are a selection of metrics used to evaluate system-level performance
- SPMs encourage communities to coordinate efforts across different projects and funding sources
- SPMs are reported to HUD and are a competitive element in CoC Program Competitions for additional funding (NOFO)
- SPMs focus primarily on how the whole CoC is performing, as opposed to specific projects or jurisdictions
- Previous years were submitted from ServicePoint - this year, data was submitted entirely from ClientTrack



Length of Time Homeless

How long people experience homelessness on average, by their length of stay in Emergency Shelter and Transitional Housing projects, and by their self-reported length of time homeless.

Measure 1A: Length of Time Homeless

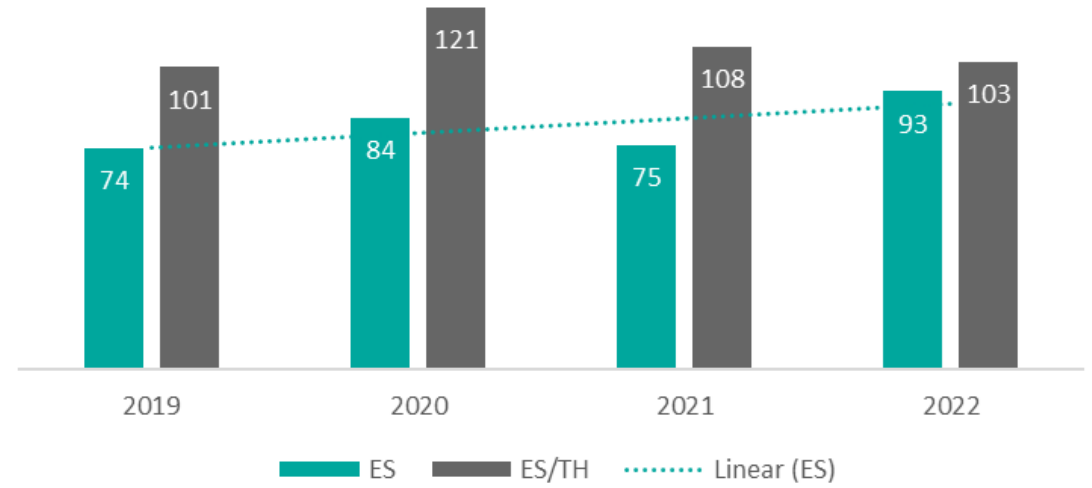
Length of time homelessness as measured by average enrollment length in Emergency Shelter increased by almost 20 days.

The median has stayed the same, meaning it is likely a small number of longer stayers contributing to the increase.

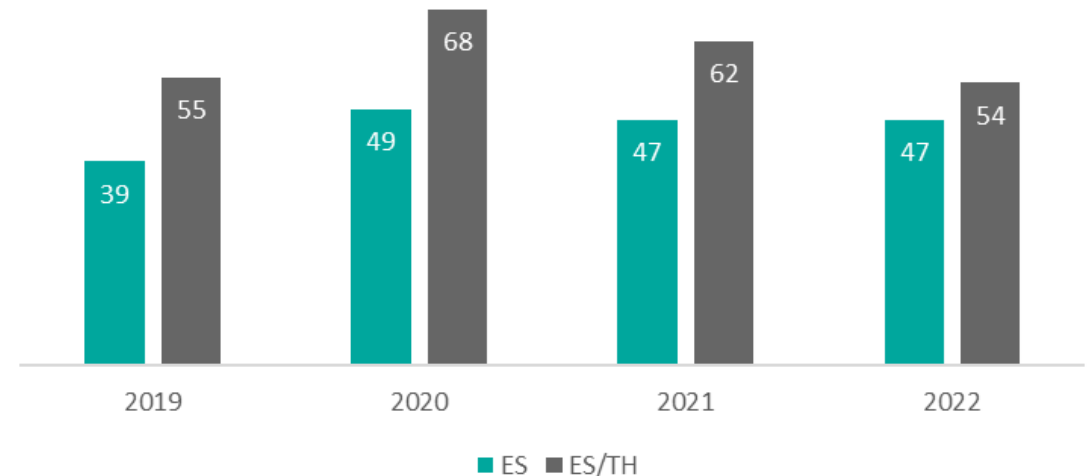
When including Transitional Housing, averages and median length of time homeless decreased slightly.

Takeaway: Length of time homeless is increasing over time.

Average Length of Time Homeless - Measure A



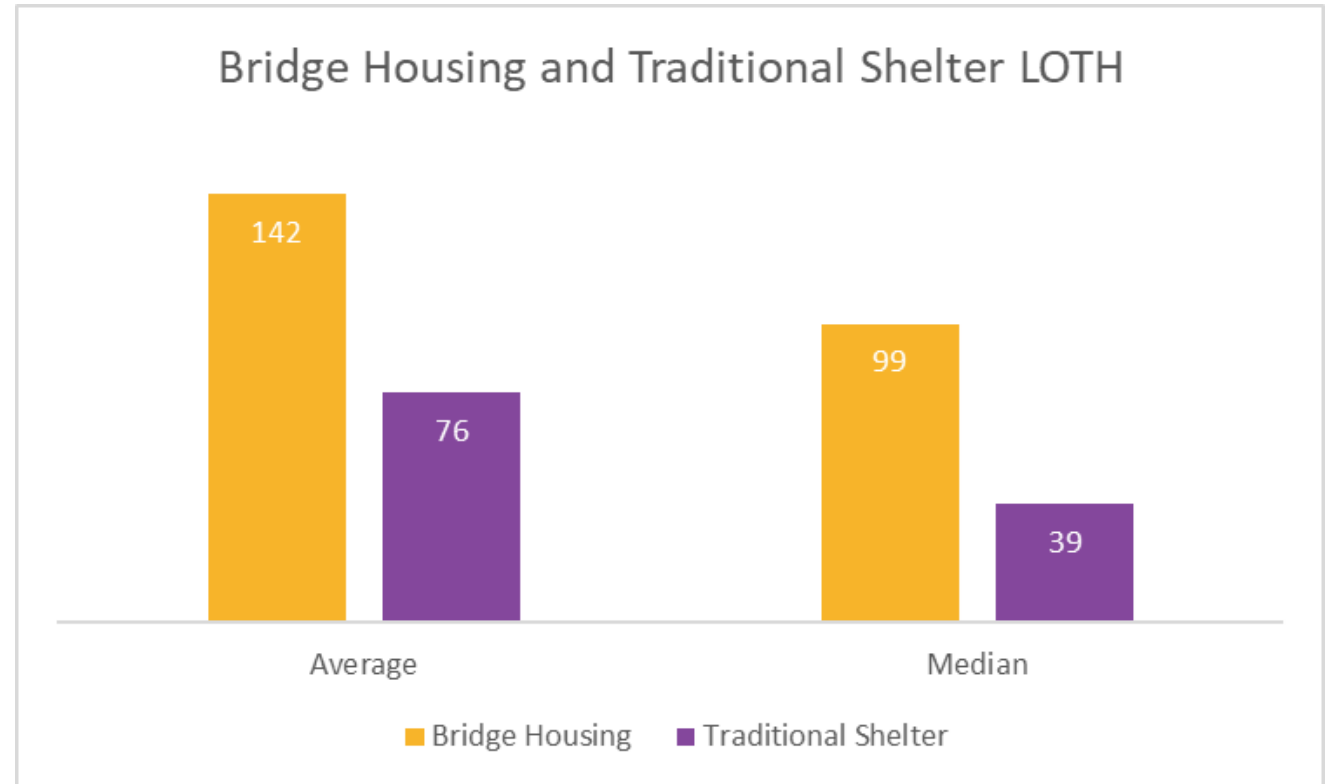
Median Length of Time Homeless - Measure A



Measure 1A: Length of Time Homeless

Bridge Housing or Non-congregate shelters operate by providing hotel vouchers. Hotel vouchers are a safe, low-barrier option to shelter. Typically, our community utilizes this resource for people who qualify for a housing program such as Rapid ReHousing (RRH) or Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH).

This population has high barriers that would otherwise prevent them from accessing traditional shelter options, such as a larger family size, pets, substance use problems, and/or criminal histories.



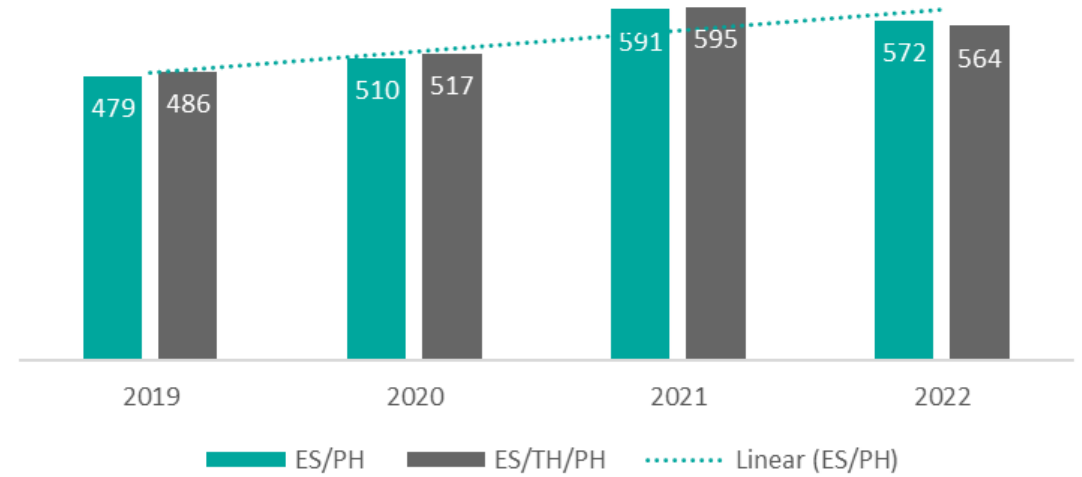
Measure 1B: Length of Time Homeless

Length of time homeless, as measured by the Approximate Date Homeless and based on self-report, decreased overall.

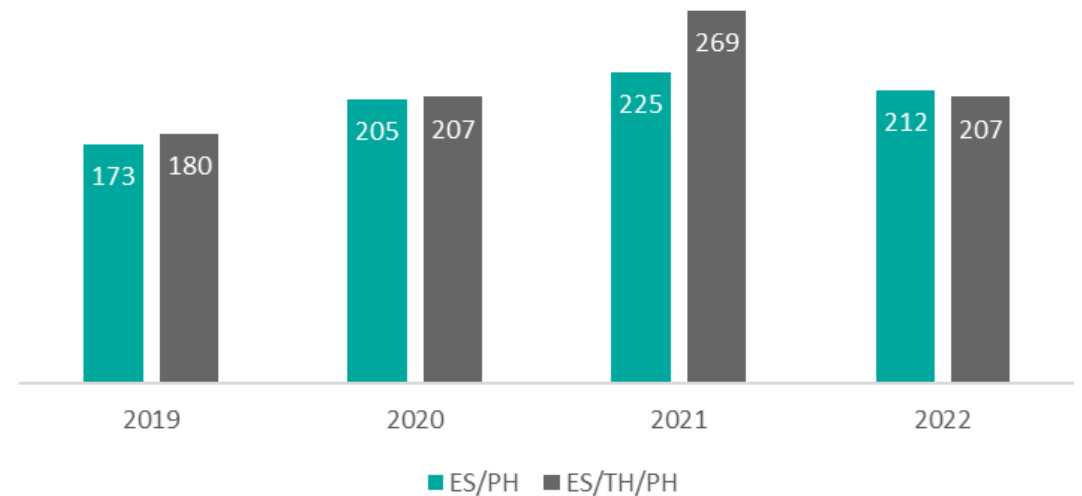
In particular, the median length of time homeless in Emergency Shelter, Transitional Housing, and Permanent Housing projects decreased by over 60 days.

Decreases are largely attributed to better quality data collection in ClientTrack.

Average Length of Time Homeless - Measure B



Median Length of Time Homeless - Measure B





Returns to Homelessness

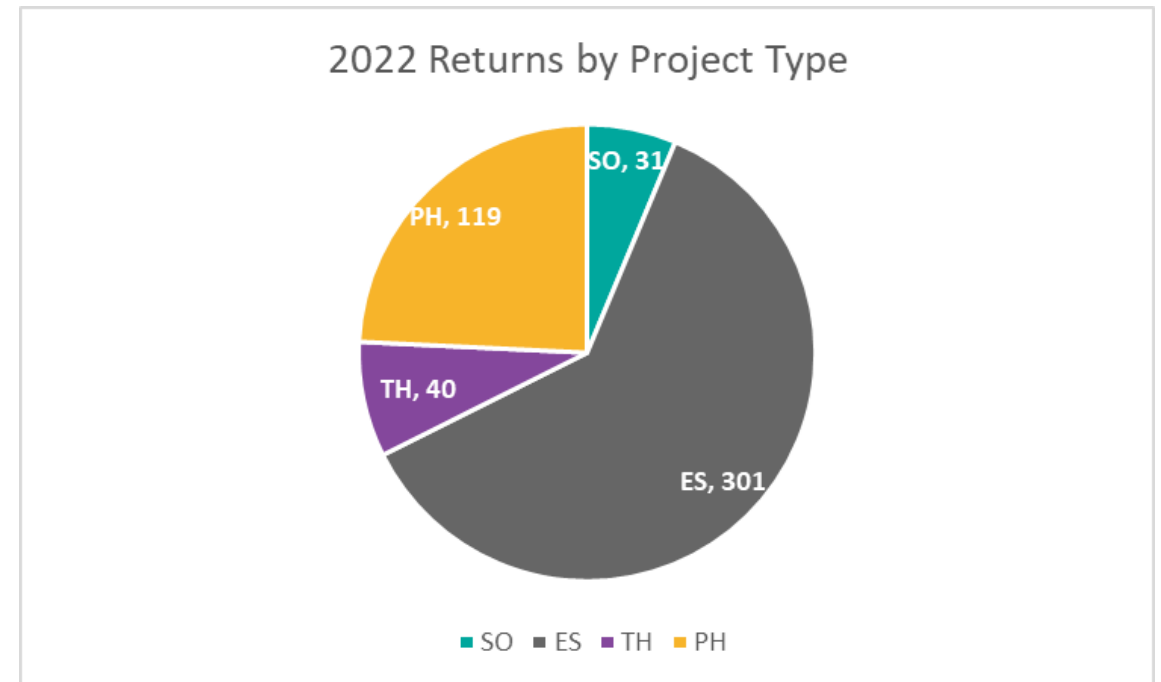
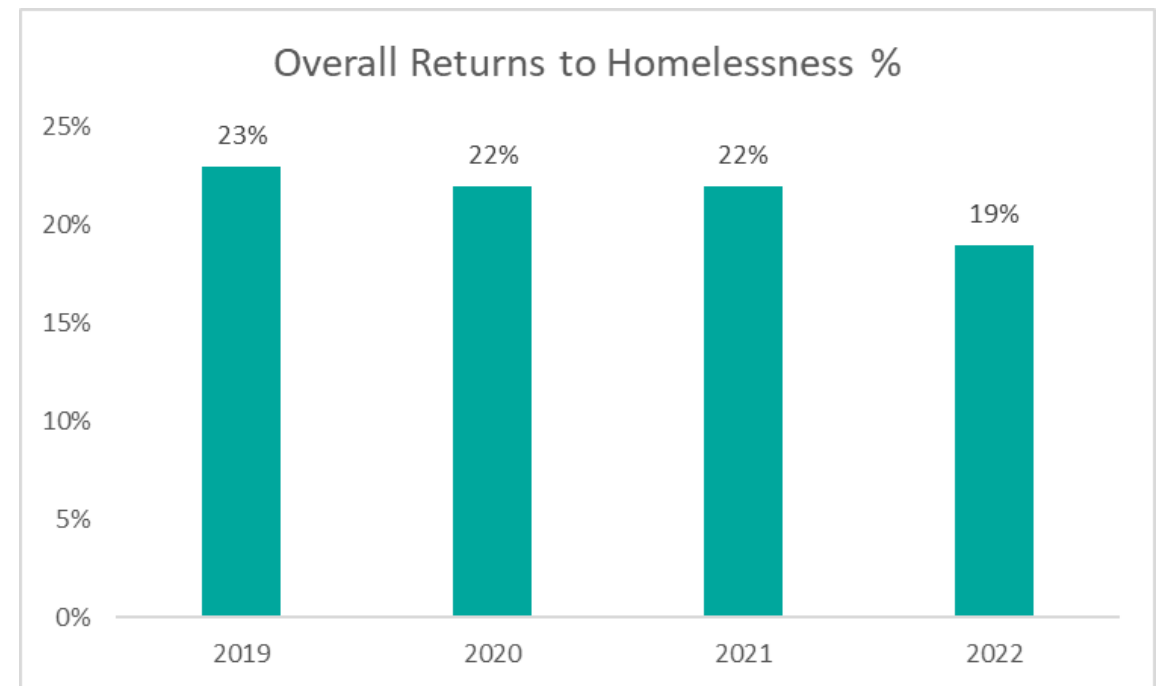
The percentage of people who return to homelessness within two years, after exiting to a permanent housing destination.

Measure 2: Returns to Homelessness

The overall percentage rate of returns to homelessness decreased by 3% in 2022.

The majority of returns to homelessness occur in Emergency Shelter (ES) projects. The least number of returns to homelessness are reported in Street Outreach (SO) projects.

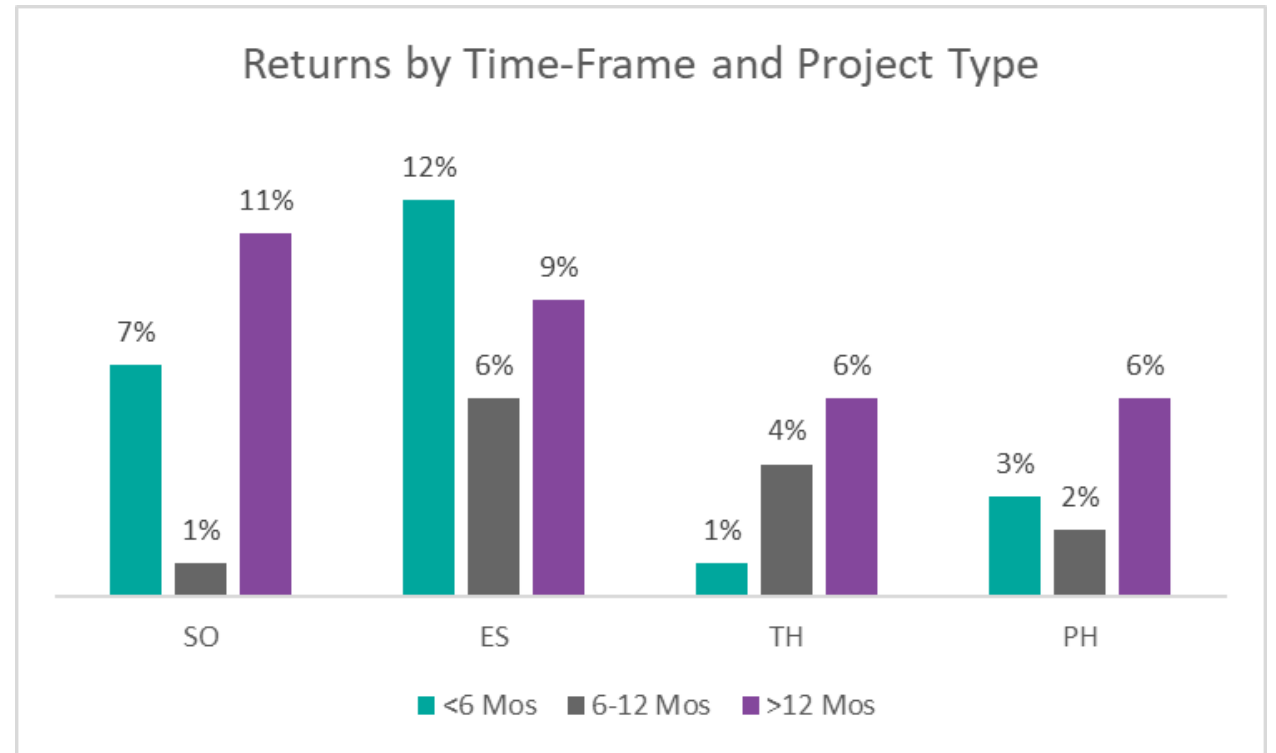
Takeaway: Most people (81%) who exit to permanent housing do not return to homelessness



Measure 2: Returns to Homelessness

Most returns to homelessness occur either in the first 6 months after a positive exit, or 12-24 months after a positive exit.

Project types differ on the most common return timeframe. Emergency Shelter (ES) projects record more returns to homelessness in the first 6 months after a positive exit, while Permanent Housing (PH) projects report more returns in the 12-24 mo range.





Number of People Homeless

The number of people experiencing homelessness in Emergency Shelter and Transitional Housing projects annually.

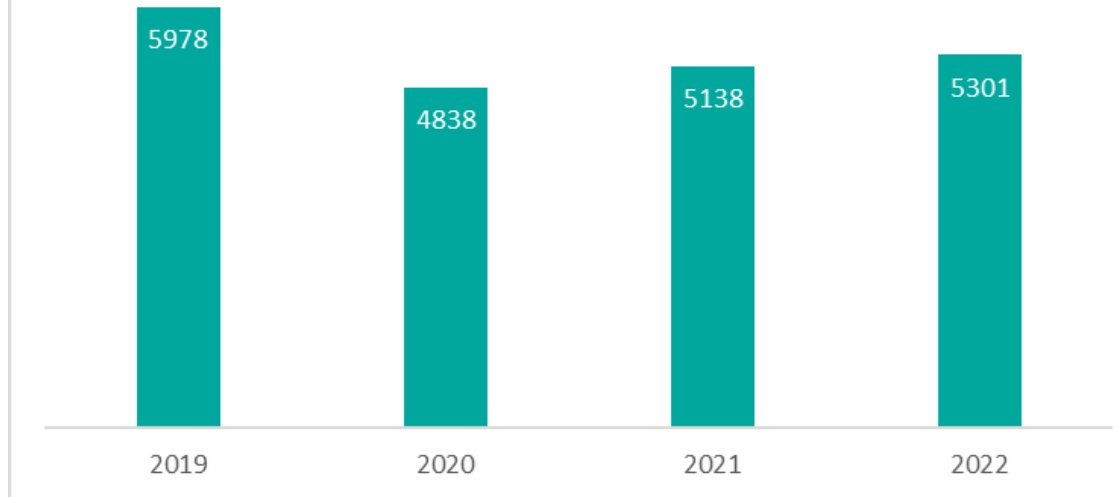
Measure 3: Number of Homeless Persons

The overall number of homeless persons in Emergency Shelter(ES) and Transitional Housing(TH) increased by 163 in 2022, but is still well below pre-pandemic levels.

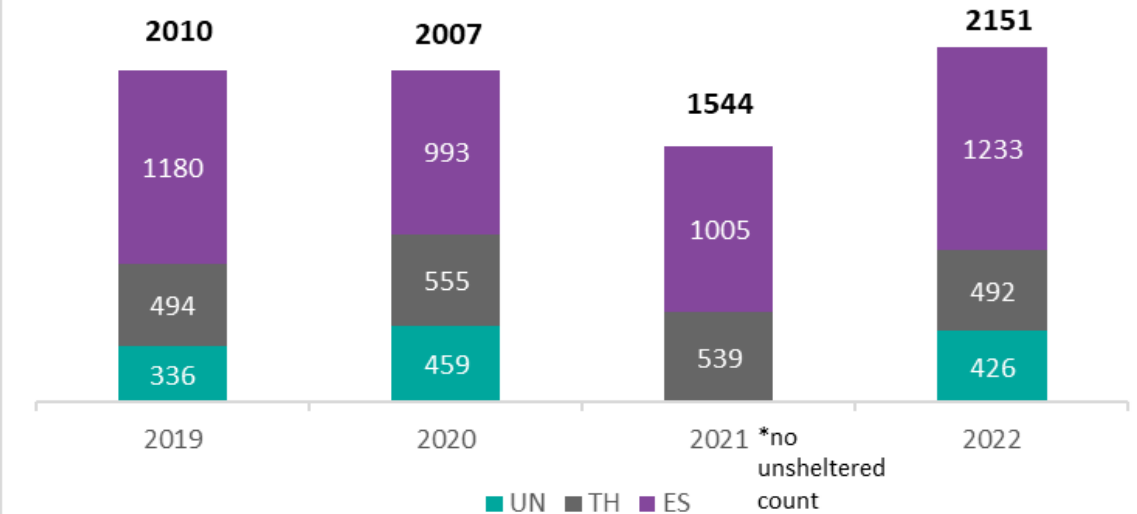
The 2022 PIT count identified 2151 homeless persons in Emergency Shelter (ES), Transitional Housing (TH), and Unsheltered (UN) on the streets. This is an increase from prior years.

Takeaway: The number of people experiencing homelessness is increasing.

Annual Count of Homeless Persons in HMIS



PIT Count Totals by Year





Number of People First-Time Homeless

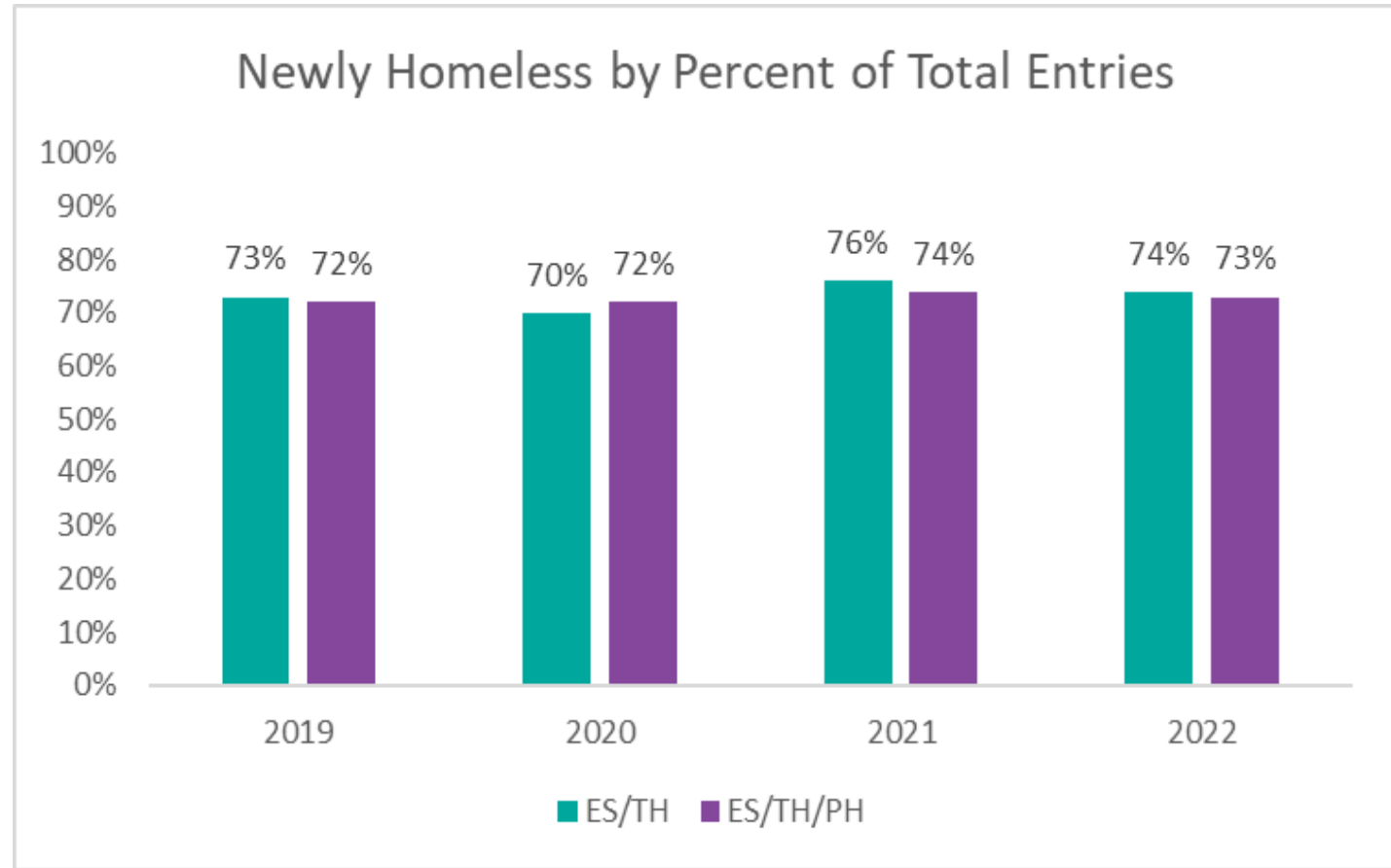
The number of people who experienced homelessness for the first time (meaning they did not have any HMIS system engagement for at least two years prior).



Measure 5: Number of Persons who Become Homeless for the First Time

As a proportion of total enrollments in Emergency Shelter (ES), Transitional Housing (TH), and Permanent Housing (PH) projects, people experiencing homelessness for the first time make up $\frac{3}{4}$ of the homeless population.

Takeaway: Most people experiencing homelessness in our system are homeless for the first time.





Permanent Housing Placement & Retention

The percentage of people who exit to positive destinations, such as movement from the streets to shelters, placement into permanent housing, or retention of a Permanent Supportive Housing placement.

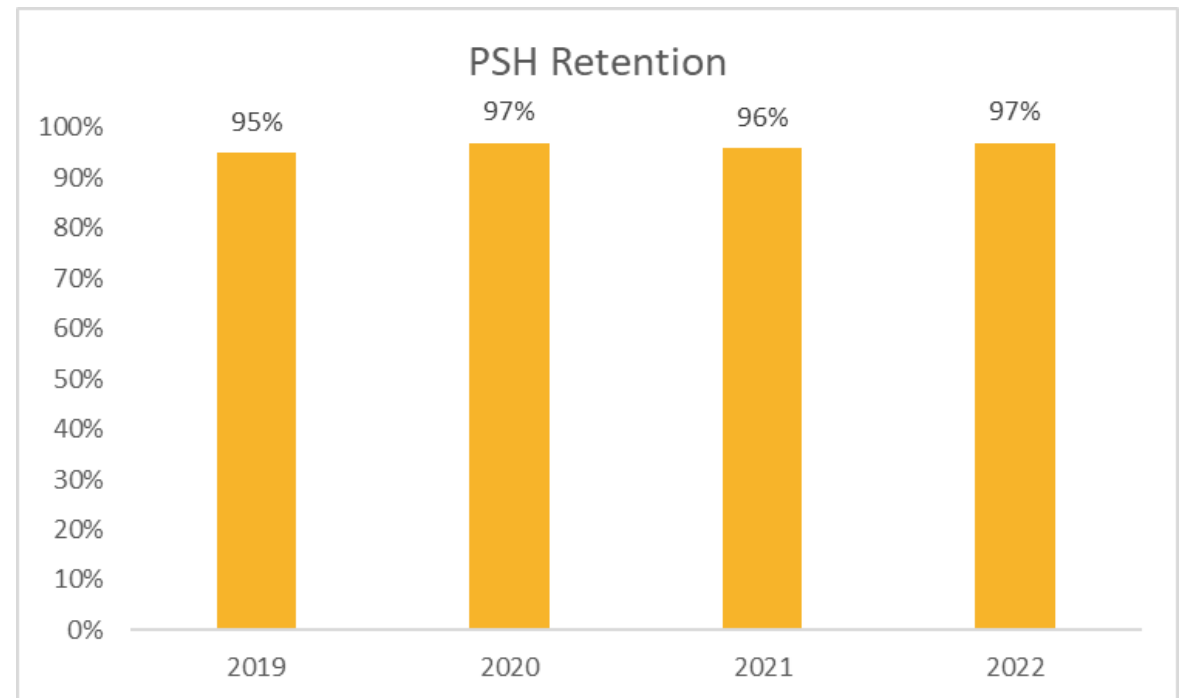
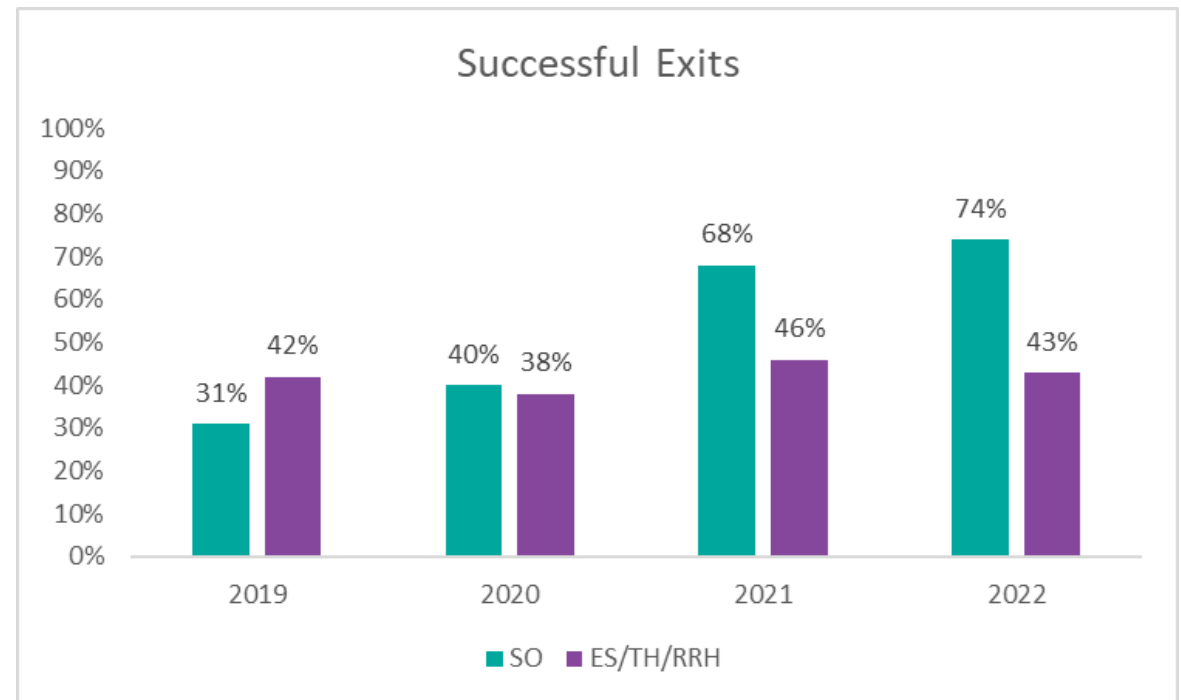
Measure 7: Permanent Housing Placement & Retention

Street Outreach (SO) projects had a positive exit rate of 74%.

- 42% of positive exits were to housing destinations
- 58% of positive exits were to temporary situations

97% of persons housed in Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) projects retained their permanent housing or moved into other permanent housing.

Takeaway: Our community values housing first principles, even though housing can be difficult to secure.



MYTHS ABOUT COORDINATED ENTRY

Jackie Ebert






Affordable Connectivity Program

John Liu

Announcements!

FREE NUTRITION CLASSES



Free Nutrition Classes

SNAP-Ed Nutrition Education

Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida is now offering SNAP-Ed Nutrition Education classes at partner organizations that serve clients receiving SNAP benefits or those eligible for SNAP benefits. Nutrition education can help SNAP-eligible Florida residents to incorporate more nutritious foods into their diet, adopt an active lifestyle, prevent chronic disease, manage a healthy weight and improve their quality of life. Classes are available for various age groups, such as youth/teens, families with children, adults and seniors.

Nutrition class information

- ◊ Classes are free
- ◊ Classes run approximately 20 minutes
- ◊ Schedule the classes when it's convenient for your organization
- ◊ Marketing materials provided
- ◊ Cooking demonstration supplies are provided
- ◊ Class curriculum is approved by Department of Children and Families (DCF)
- ◊ Educators can teach multiple classes at your facility
- ◊ Handouts are available in English, Spanish and Creole

Available class topics

- ◊ Shopping and cooking healthy on budget
- ◊ How to read nutrition labels
- ◊ Reducing fat, sugar & sodium
- ◊ Diabetes, know the risks
- ◊ Gut health
- ◊ Choosing to eat whole foods
- ◊ Keep moving
- ◊ Healthy portion and serving sizes
- ◊ And more!

For more information: Contact the SNAP-Ed Nutrition Educator for your county

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SECOND HARVEST FOOD BANK



CULINARY TRAINING PROGRAM

The Second Harvest Culinary Training Program is a 16-week continuing education opportunity offering adults facing barriers to employment with the culinary and life skills training needed to pursue a full-time sustainable career in the food industry, and is free of charge to qualified applicants.

ENROLL TODAY!

Applications are being accepted for the following sessions:

Session Dates

May 8 – August 25, 2023
July 31 – November 17, 2023
October 23 – February 23, 2024
Start dates are subject to change.

Application Deadlines

May 1, 2023
July 24, 2023
October 16, 2023

Class Schedule

Monday - Friday
8:30 AM - 2:00 PM
Onsite at Second Harvest Food Bank

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- Minimum 18 years of age
- Authorized to work in the United States
- Have experienced financial instability (unemployment, low wage, government assistance, etc.) during the last 12 months
- Must not possess a criminal history involving arson, sexual battery or violent crimes. All other criminal activity records will be considered on a case-by-case basis
- Must agree to disclose and provide criminal history records
- Must agree to a background check and drug test
- Must be drug and alcohol-free for at least one year prior to the application and enrolled in a rehabilitation support program
- High School Diploma or G.E.D. preferred, or the ability to meet minimum aptitude requirements based on curriculum needs
- Demonstrate an enthusiasm for and willingness to commit to the Program and food service industry
- Must have the physical ability to perform required kitchen duties as assigned, including standing for long periods of time, lifting (which may include up to 50 lbs.), bending and, on occasion, working in rooms with cool temperatures (below 40°F)
- Must be able to attend classes Monday through Friday, 8:30 A.M. to 2:00 P.M., for 16 weeks
- Must be willing and able to work full-time upon completion of the Program

HOW TO APPLY

In Person: 411 Mercy Drive, Orlando, FL 32805

Online: Fill out the pre application form at FeedHopeNow.org/CTPapp



For more information please contact: Keonna Yearwood, KYearwood@FeedHopeNow.org, (407) 514-1037, or Katrina McGee, KMcGee@FeedHopeNow.org, (407) 514-1071.



Join Us!

- ✓ PROMOTE DIGNITY
- ✓ CHALLENGE STIGMA
- ✓ CHANGE THE CONVERSATION ABOUT HOMELESSNESS

Lived Experience Advisory & Advocacy Council

Within Central Florida Commission on Homelessness, there are committees comprised of our peers who have come together with the purpose of collaborating to enhance our system of care for persons within our community experiencing homelessness.

**Complete this 5-min
Interest Form right
on your phone!**



**For Q&A, email Rashad at:
l.rashad.haynes@hscnfl.org**

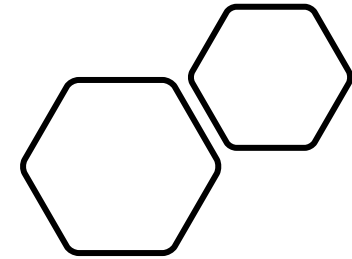




Join Us!

We believe in empowering the youth of today to help shape the safe spaces youth seek while experiencing homelessness. Join the Youth Action Society (YAS) and make the change.

Contact Aja Hunter to Join:
aja.hunter@hsncfl.org





Need PPE?

Let HSN meet your PPE needs!

- Reusable and Disposable Masks
- Hand Sanitizer
- Gloves
- Need any? Let us know!

Contact

Christopher.Fowler@hsncfl.org to
arrange a pickup

Next Meeting:

Tuesday, April 25th, 2023

9 to 10:30 am

Location: Hybrid

