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HOMELESS

## LOUISVILLE METRO CONTINUUM OF CARE 2016 HOMELESS CENSUS

### NUMBER OF HOMELESS PEOPLE

The homeless service providers in Jefferson County, Kentucky, counted 6,373 unduplicated homeless people who were served between October 1, 2015 and September 31, 2016. This represents a 5.4% decrease in the number of homeless people last year over the year prior, including people who were sheltered (who stayed in emergency or transitional shelter) and unsheltered (who lived only in the streets or in camps). As with each year, the count of unsheltered homeless is likely an undercount due to the difficulty in counting these individuals.

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|----------------------|--------------|--------------------------------|
| Sheltered homeless   | 5,630        | 8% decrease from 2015          |
| Unsheltered homeless | 743          | 22% increase from 2015         |
| <b>Total</b>         | <b>6,373</b> | <b>5.4% decrease from 2015</b> |

### HOMELESS SUBPOPULATION COUNTS

The below apply to homeless counted in County Please these

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|--|-------|---------------------------|
| Number of single individuals   | 4,909 | 1.9% decrease from 2015   |
| Number of homeless families  | 362   | 15.6 % decrease from 2015 |
| Number of people in families   | 1,139 | 13.52% decrease from 2015 |
| Number of children (age less than 18, including unaccompanied youth) | 1,079 | 14% decrease from 2015    |
| Number of unaccompanied 18-24 year olds                              | 443   | 7% decrease from 2015     |
| People with disabilities   | 3,549 | 2.2% increase from 2015   |
| Victims of domestic violence   | 1,249 | 19.8% increase from 2015  |
| Chronically homeless**   | 773   | 14% decrease from 2015    |
| Veterans   | 706   | 10.8% decrease from 2015  |

numbers all 6,373 people Jefferson last year. note that

subpopulations are not mutually exclusive—e.g., someone could have a disability *and* be a veteran.

*\*\*Chronic homelessness is self-reported and not verified until people are served. Chronically homeless persons or families must include a disabled member and be homeless over a year or four or more times in three years.*

### SHELTER CAPACITY

The shelter capacity is the total number of shelter beds that were available during the reporting period. ES means “Emergency Shelter” and TS means “transitional shelter.”

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| Number of ES and TH shelter beds in 2016 | 801 (32% decrease from 2014) |      |
| Bed utilization on an average night      | ES - Singles                 | 85%  |
|  | ES - Families                | 100% |
|  | TH - Singles                 | 94%  |
|  | TH - Families                | 96%  |

### SUCCESS IN REDUCING HOMELESSNESS

Each year, the homeless providers in Jefferson County, KY, manage to stabilize and move many of the homeless people out of homelessness. This table shows our community’s success in doing so during this reporting period.

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| People exiting shelters to permanent housing in 2016                | 1,005 |
| Percent of total homeless people entering permanent housing in 2016 | 17.1% |