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**HOMELESS SURVEY**

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## I. Executive Summary

The City of Pasadena 2011 Homeless Survey was designed to compile information concerning a cross-section of several pre-determined sub-populations by the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) that included: chronic homeless persons, men, persons with a developmental disability, persons with a physical disability, persons with HIV/AIDS, persons with mental illness, persons released from correctional institutions during the past 12 months, substance abusers, veterans, victims of domestic violence, unaccompanied youth under age 18, and women.

An analysis of the data reveals the following information about each of the sub-populations which is compared to the 2010 survey data in the table below. The 2011 survey is based on the responses of 292 survey respondents. The number is a representative sample (27%) of the number of adults counted during the 2011 homeless count. The 2010 survey was based on the responses of 230 survey respondents representing 24% of the number of adults counted during the 2010 homeless count.

<b>Sub-Population</b>	<b>2011 Survey</b>	<b>2010 Survey</b>
Chronic Homeless Persons	43%	43%
Men	71%	61%
Persons with a Developmental Disability	10%	*
Persons with a Physical Disability	30%	*
Persons with HIV/AIDS	01%	03%
Persons with Mental Illness	31%	39%
Persons Released from Correctional Institutions	21%	**
Substance Abusers	24%	20%
Veterans	10%	03%
Victims of Domestic Violence	33%	45%
Unaccompanied Youth Under Age 18	04%	00%
Women	29%	39%

\* question concerning developmental and physical disability was combined in 2010—34% of survey respondents stated that they had a developmental and/or physical disability—and as a result data is not available for each disability as in 2011.

\*\* question regarding release from correctional institutions was not included in 2010 survey.

A profile of each of the sub-populations is provided in Section II, Findings, which includes a breakdown by gender, ethnicity, length of time homeless, disability, health condition, mental illness, substance abuse, veteran status, and domestic violence experiences.

### **WHY WAS THE SURVEY CONDUCTED?**

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The survey was conducted in order to:

- provide a wide-range of information on a representative sample of homeless adults who were included in the homeless count;
- obtain HUD required information concerning homeless subpopulations in Continuum of Care Homeless Assistance grant applications;
- make available information to the City of Pasadena to help meet requirements for planning documents such as consolidated plans, housing elements, and impediments to fair housing choice;
- serve as a basis for developing strategies for public and private agencies to respond to specific needs of homeless families and individuals.

### **WHEN WAS THE SURVEY CONDUCTED?**

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The survey was conducted over a four (4) week period from January 31 through February 25, 2011.

### **WHERE WAS THE SURVEY CONDUCTED?**

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The survey was conducted on the streets and at various residential and nonresidential social service sites that participated in the homeless count.

### **HOW THE SURVEY WAS CONDUCTED?**

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Representatives from more than 20 public and private agencies, service providers and faith-based institutions participated in conducting survey interviews throughout the city. The process involved administering a one-on-one interview with a representative sample of homeless adults living in the City of Pasadena. There were three (3) primary types of contact with homeless persons who participated in the survey. They were: 1) interviews with homeless persons who were contacted on the streets; 2) interviews with homeless persons who were contacted while living in shelters and transitional housing; and 3) interviews with homeless persons who were contacted while using non-residential homeless services.

All surveyors who participated in administering the survey instrument were oriented and trained by staff of the Institute for Urban Initiatives. Using trained interviewers to administer the survey, as opposed to conducting a self-administered survey instrument, increased the opportunity for collecting complete and accurate answers to the questions and provided opportunity for receiving useful evaluation information from the interviewers.

### **WHAT WAS INCLUDED IN THE SURVEY?**

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The survey instrument was also designed to compile information concerning several pre-determined sub-populations that included: chronically homeless persons, families with children, men, people living in homeless facilities, people living on the streets, persons with dual diagnoses, persons with HIV/AIDS, persons with mental illness, pregnant women, seniors, substance abusers, various ethnic groups, veterans, victims of domestic violence, unaccompanied youth, and women. As a result, the survey provides a sampling of data that helps examine the issues and needs of each homeless subpopulation as well as the entire homeless population in the City of Pasadena. A copy of the survey instrument is included in Appendix A.

### **WHO WAS INCLUDED IN THE SURVEY?**

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Two hundred and ninety two (292) adults participated in the survey.

## II. Findings

A profile of each of the sub-populations is provided in this section which includes a breakdown by gender, ethnicity, length of time homeless, disability, health condition, mental illness, substance abuse, veteran status, and domestic violence experiences.

### CHRONIC HOMELESS PERSONS

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*43% or 123 survey respondents were chronically homeless according to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) definition of chronic homelessness;*

According to HUD, the term 'chronically homeless' means, with respect to an individual or family, that the individual or family—

- (i) is homeless and lives or resides in a place not meant for human habitation, a safe haven, or in an emergency shelter;
- (ii) has been homeless and living or residing in a place not meant for human habitation, a safe haven, or in an emergency shelter continuously for at least 1 year or on at least 4 separate occasions in the last 3 years; and
- (iii) has an adult head of household (or a minor head of household if no adult is present in the household) with a diagnosable substance use disorder, serious mental illness, developmental disability (as defined in section 102 of the Developmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Rights Act of 2000 (42 U.S.C. 15002)), post traumatic stress disorder, cognitive impairments resulting from a brain injury, or chronic physical illness or disability, including the co-occurrence of 2 or more of those conditions.

The following information provides a profile of chronic homeless persons based on the responses of 123 or 43% of survey respondents.

- **Gender**

78% were men and 22% were women;

- **Ethnicity**  
35% were African American or Black; 27% were White; 23% were Hispanic or Latino; 10% were Other; 1% were Asian; 1% were American Indian or Alaskan Native; and 3% did not have a recorded answer;
- **Age**  
3% were between the ages of 18 through 24; 85% were between the ages of 25 and 61; and 12% were age 62+;
- **Homeless One Year or More**  
97% were homeless one year or more;
- **Homeless at Least Four Times in Last Three Years**  
57% were homeless at least four times in the last three years;
- **Physical Disability**  
53% had a physical disability;
- **Developmental Disability**  
22% had a developmental disability;
- **Chronic Health Condition**  
54% had a chronic health condition such as diabetes, heart trouble, high blood pressure, seizures, hepatitis, respiratory problems, epilepsy, tuberculosis, or arthritis;
- **HIV/AIDS**  
2% had been diagnosed with AIDS or had tested positive for HIV.
- **Mental Illness**  
50% felt that they had a mental health problem, were taking medications for mental health issues, and/or had been hospitalized for mental health issues;
- **Substance Abuse**  
37% had a drug or alcohol problem and/or were using one or more of the following drugs: Cocaine, crack, heroin, pcplsd, uppers/speed, and downers/tranquilizers;

- **Veteran Status**

14% were a veteran (18% of men were a veteran);

- **Domestic Violence**

21% had been a victim of domestic violence by an intimate partner (56% of women were a victim);

25% had been a victim of domestic violence by a parent, guardian, or relative (36% of women were a victim and 23% of men).

**MEN**

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*70% or 206 survey respondents were men*

The following information provides a profile of men based on the responses of 206 or 70% of survey respondents.

- **Ethnicity**  
38% were African American or Black; 25% were White; 23% were Hispanic or Latino; 8% were Other; 2% were Asian; 2% were American Indian or Alaskan Native; and 2% did not have a recorded answer;
- **Age**  
4% were between the ages of 18 through 24; 91% were between the ages of 25 and 61; and 5% were age 62+;
- **Homeless One Year or More**  
65% were homeless one year or more;
- **Homeless at Least Four Times in Last Three Years**  
33% were homeless at least four times in the last three years;
- **Physical Disability**  
32% had a physical disability;
- **Developmental Disability**  
11% had a developmental disability;
- **Chronic Health Condition**  
34% had a chronic health condition such as diabetes, heart trouble, high blood pressure, seizures, hepatitis, respiratory problems, epilepsy, tuberculosis, or arthritis;

- **HIV/AIDS**  
2% had been diagnosed with AIDS or had tested positive for HIV.
- **Mental Illness**  
28% felt that they had a mental health problem, were taking medications for mental health issues, and/or had been hospitalized for mental health issues;
- **Substance Abuse**  
28% had a drug or alcohol problem and/or were using one or more of the following drugs: Cocaine, crack, heroin, pcpl/lsd, uppers/speed, and downers/tranquilizers;
- **Veteran Status**  
12% were a veteran;
- **Domestic Violence**  
11% had been a victim of domestic or intimate partner violence;  
23% had been a victim of domestic violence by a parent, guardian, or relative.

## **PERSONS WITH A DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITY**

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The following information provides a profile of persons with a developmental disability based on the responses of 29 or 10% of survey respondents.

*10% or 29 survey respondents had a developmental disability*

- **Gender**  
76% were men and 24% were women;
- **Ethnicity**  
38% were African American or Black; 38% were White; 14% were Hispanic or Latino; 7% were Other; 0% were Asian; 0% were American Indian or Alaskan Native; and 3% did not have a recorded answer;
- **Age**  
3% were between the ages of 18 through 24; 94% were between the ages of 25 and 61; and 3% were age 62+;
- **Homeless One Year or More**  
90% were homeless one year or more;
- **Homeless at Least Four Times in Last Three Years**  
45% were homeless at least four times in the last three years;
- **Physical Disability**  
72% had a physical disability;
- **Chronic Health Condition**  
45% had a chronic health condition such as diabetes, heart trouble, high blood pressure, seizures, hepatitis, respiratory problems, epilepsy, tuberculosis, or arthritis;
- **HIV/AIDS**  
0% had been diagnosed with AIDS or had tested positive for HIV.

- **Mental Illness**

76% felt that they had a mental health problem, were taking medications for mental health issues, and/or had been hospitalized for mental health issues;

- **Substance Abuse**

28% had a drug or alcohol problem and/or were using one or more of the following drugs: Cocaine, crack, heroin, pcp/lsd, uppers/speed, and downers/tranquilizers;

- **Veteran Status**

14% were a veteran;

- **Domestic Violence**

34% had been a victim of domestic or intimate partner violence;

28% had been a victim of domestic violence by a parent, guardian, or relative.

## PERSONS WITH A PHYSICAL DISABILITY

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30% or 88 survey respondents had a physical disability

The following information provides a profile of persons with a physical disability based on the responses of 88 or 30% of survey respondents.

- **Gender**  
76% were men and 24% were women;
- **Ethnicity**  
40% were African American or Black; 28% were White; 18% were Hispanic or Latino; 11% were Other; 0% were Asian; 0% were American Indian or Alaskan Native; and 3% did not have a recorded answer;
- **Age**  
2% were between the ages of 18 through 24; 85% were between the ages of 25 and 61; and 13% were age 62+;
- **Homeless One Year or More**  
74% were homeless one year or more;
- **Homeless at Least Four Times in Last Three Years**  
37% were homeless at least four times in the last three years;
- **Developmental Disability**  
24% had a developmental disability;
- **Chronic Health Condition**  
65% had a chronic health condition such as diabetes, heart trouble, high blood pressure, seizures, hepatitis, respiratory problems, epilepsy, tuberculosis, or arthritis;
- **HIV/AIDS**  
2% had been diagnosed with AIDS or had tested positive for HIV.

- **Mental Illness**

49% felt that they had a mental health problem, were taking medications for mental health issues, and/or had been hospitalized for mental health issues;

- **Substance Abuse**

30% had a drug or alcohol problem and/or were using one or more of the following drugs: Cocaine, crack, heroin, pcp/lsd, uppers/speed, and downers/tranquilizers;

- **Veteran Status**

16% were a veteran;

- **Domestic Violence**

23% had been a victim of domestic or intimate partner violence;

20% had been a victim of domestic violence by a parent, guardian, or relative.

## PERSONS WITH HIV/AIDS

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*1% or 3 survey respondents had a diagnosis of AIDS  
or had tested positive for HIV.*

The following information provides a profile of persons with HIV/AIDS based on the responses of 3 or 1% of survey respondents.

- **Gender**  
100% were men and 0% were women;
- **Ethnicity**  
33.3% or one respondent was African American or Black; 0% were White; 0% were Hispanic or Latino; 33.3% or one respondent was Other; 33.3% or one respondent was Asian; 0% were American Indian or Alaskan Native; and 0% did not have a recorded answer;
- **Age**  
0% were between the ages of 18 through 24; 100% were between the ages of 25 and 61; and 0% were age 62+;
- **Homeless One Year or More**  
100% or all three respondents were homeless one year or more;
- **Homeless at Least Four Times in Last Three Years**  
67% or two respondents were homeless at least four times in the last three years;
- **Physical Disability**  
67% or two respondents had a physical disability;
- **Developmental Disability**  
67% or two respondents had a developmental disability;

- **Chronic Health Condition**

33% or one respondent had a chronic health condition such as diabetes, heart trouble, high blood pressure, seizures, hepatitis, respiratory problems, epilepsy, tuberculosis, or arthritis;

- **Mental Illness**

33% or one respondent felt that he had a mental health problem, was-taking medications for mental health issues, and/or had been hospitalized for mental health issues;

- **Substance Abuse**

33% or one respondent had a drug or alcohol problem and/or was using one or more of the following drugs: Cocaine, crack, heroin, pcg/lsd, uppers/speed, and downers/tranquilizers;

- **Veteran Status**

33% or one respondent were a veteran;

- **Domestic Violence**

00% had been a victim of domestic or intimate partner violence;

00% had been a victim of domestic violence by a parent, guardian, or relative.

## PERSONS WITH MENTAL ILLNESS

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*31% or 90 survey respondents had mental illness*

The following information provides a profile of persons with mental illness based on the responses of 90 or 31% of survey respondents.

- **Gender**  
66% were men and 34% were women;
- **Ethnicity**  
32% were African American or Black; 36% were White; 17% were Hispanic or Latino; 11% were Other; 0% were Asian; 2% were American Indian or Alaskan Native; and 2% did not have a recorded answer;
- **Age**  
8% were between the ages of 18 through 24; 87% were between the ages of 25 and 62; and 5% were age 62+;
- **Homeless One Year or More**  
67% were homeless one year or more;
- **Homeless at Least Four Times in Last Three Years**  
72% were homeless at least four times in the last three years;
- **Physical Disability**  
47% had a physical disability;
- **Developmental Disability**  
24% had a developmental disability;
- **Chronic Health Condition**  
47% had a chronic health condition such as diabetes, heart trouble, high blood pressure, seizures, hepatitis, respiratory problems, epilepsy, tuberculosis, or arthritis;

- **HIV/AIDS**  
1% had been diagnosed with AIDS or had tested positive for HIV.
- **Mental Illness**  
100% felt that they had a mental health problem, were taking medications for mental health issues, and/or had been hospitalized for mental health issues;
- **Substance Abuse**  
34% had a drug or alcohol problem and/or were using one or more of the following drugs: Cocaine, crack, heroin, pcp/lsd, uppers/speed, and downers/tranquilizers;
- **Veteran Status**  
10% were a veteran;
- **Domestic Violence**  
33% had been a victim of domestic or intimate partner violence;  
36% had been a victim of domestic violence by a parent, guardian, or relative.

## PERSONS RELEASED FROM CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTIONS

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*21% or 61 survey respondents were released from correctional institutions such as a prison or jail after serving a court-ordered sentence during the 12 months prior to the survey*

The following information provides a profile of persons who were released from correctional institutions based on the responses of 61 or 21% of survey respondents.

- **Gender**  
80% were men and 20% were women;
- **Ethnicity**  
46% were African American or Black; 23% were White; 21% were Hispanic or Latino; 8% were Other; 0% were Asian; 0% were American Indian or Alaskan Native; and 2% did not have a recorded answer;
- **Age**  
10% were between the ages of 18 through 24; 74% were between the ages of 25 and 61; and 16% were age 62+;
- **Homeless One Year or More**  
75% were homeless one year or more;
- **Homeless at Least Four Times in Last Three Years**  
40% were homeless at least four times in the last three years;
- **Physical Disability**  
39% had a physical disability;
- **Developmental Disability**  
23% had a developmental disability;

- **Chronic Health Condition**

39% had a chronic health condition such as diabetes, heart trouble, high blood pressure, seizures, hepatitis, respiratory problems, epilepsy, tuberculosis, or arthritis;

- **HIV/AIDS**

3% had been diagnosed with AIDS or had tested positive for HIV.

- **Mental Illness**

49% felt that they had a mental health problem, were taking medications for mental health issues, and/or had been hospitalized for mental health issues;

- **Substance Abuse**

47% had a drug or alcohol problem and/or were using one or more of the following drugs: Cocaine, crack, heroin, pcp/lsd, uppers/speed, and downers/tranquilizers;

- **Veteran Status**

15% were a veteran;

- **Domestic Violence**

25% had been a victim of domestic or intimate partner violence;

25% had been a victim of domestic violence by a parent, guardian, or relative.

## SUBSTANCE ABUSERS

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*24% or 70 survey respondents were substance abusers*

The following information provides a profile of substance abusers based upon the responses of 70 or 24% of survey respondents.

- **Gender**  
81% were men and 19% were women;
- **Ethnicity**  
39% were African American or Black; 26% were White; 21% were Hispanic or Latino; 6% were Other; 1% were Asian; 3% were American Indian or Alaskan Native; and 4% did not have a recorded answer;
- **Age**  
6% were between the ages of 18 through 24; 87% were between the ages of 25 and 61; and 7% were age 62+;
- **Homeless One Year or More**  
61% were homeless one year or more;
- **Homeless at Least Four Times in Last Three Years**  
31% were homeless at least four times in the last three years;
- **Physical Disability**  
39% had a physical disability;
- **Developmental Disability**  
11% had a developmental disability;

- **Chronic Health Condition**

44% had a chronic health condition such as diabetes, heart trouble, high blood pressure, seizures, hepatitis, respiratory problems, epilepsy, tuberculosis, or arthritis;

- **HIV/AIDS**

1% had been diagnosed with AIDS or had tested positive for HIV.

- **Mental Illness**

43% felt that they had a mental health problem, were taking medications for mental health issues, and/or had been hospitalized for mental health issues;

- **Veteran Status**

10% were a veteran;

- **Domestic Violence**

21% had been a victim of domestic or intimate partner violence;

29% had been a victim of domestic violence by a parent, guardian, or relative.

## VETERANS

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*10% or 28 survey respondents were veterans*

The following information provides a profile of veterans based on the responses of 28 or 10% of survey respondents.

- **Gender**  
89% were men and 11% were women;
- **Ethnicity**  
50% were African American or Black; 21% were White; 14% were Hispanic or Latino; 7% were Other; 4% were Asian; 0% were American Indian or Alaskan Native; and 4% did not have a recorded answer;
- **Age**  
0% were between the ages of 18 through 24; 86% were between the ages of 25 and 61; and 14% were age 62+;
- **Homeless One Year or More**  
82% were homeless one year or more;
- **Homeless at Least Four Times in Last Three Years**  
46% were homeless at least four times in the last three years;
- **Physical Disability**  
50% had a physical disability;
- **Developmental Disability**  
14% had a developmental disability;
- **Chronic Health Condition**  
57% had a chronic health condition such as diabetes, heart trouble, high blood pressure, seizures, hepatitis, respiratory problems, epilepsy, tuberculosis, or arthritis;

- **HIV/AIDS**

4% had been diagnosed with AIDS or had tested positive for HIV.

- **Mental Illness**

32% felt that they had a mental health problem, were taking medications for mental health issues, and/or had been hospitalized for mental health issues;

- **Substance Abuse**

25% had a drug or alcohol problem and/or were using one or more of the following drugs: Cocaine, crack, heroin, pcpc/lsd, uppers/speed, and downers/tranquilizers;

- **Domestic Violence**

14% had been a victim of domestic or intimate partner violence;

25% had been a victim of domestic violence by a parent, guardian, or relative.

## VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

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*33% or 95 survey respondents were victims  
of domestic violence*

The following information provides a profile of victims of domestic violence based on the responses of 95 or 33% of survey respondents.

- **Gender**  
54% were men and 45% were women;
- **Ethnicity**  
37% were African American or Black; 27% were White; 20% were Hispanic or Latino; 11% were Other; 1% were Asian; 2% were American Indian or Alaskan Native; and 2% did not have a recorded answer;
- **Age**  
8% were between the ages of 18 through 24; 88% were between the ages of 25 and 61; and 4% were age 62+;
- **Homeless One Year or More**  
62% were homeless one year or more;
- **Homeless at Least Four Times in Last Three Years**  
20% were homeless at least four times in the last three years;
- **Physical Disability**  
32% had a physical disability;
- **Developmental Disability**  
16% had a developmental disability;
- **Chronic Health Condition**  
38% had a chronic health condition such as diabetes, heart trouble, high blood pressure, seizures, hepatitis, respiratory problems, epilepsy, tuberculosis, or arthritis;

- **HIV/AIDS**  
0% had been diagnosed with AIDS or had tested positive for HIV.
- **Mental Illness**  
47% felt that they had a mental health problem, were taking medications for mental health issues, and/or had been hospitalized for mental health issues;
- **Substance Abuse**  
26% had a drug or alcohol problem and/or were using one or more of the following drugs: Cocaine, crack, heroin, pcpc/lsd, uppers/speed, and downers/tranquilizers;
- **Veteran Status**  
9% were a veteran;
- **Domestic Violence**  
62% had been a victim of domestic or intimate partner violence;  
65% had been a victim of domestic violence by a parent, guardian, or relative.

## UNACCOMPANIED YOUTH UNDER AGE 18

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*4% or 12 survey respondents were unaccompanied youth under age 18*

The following information provides a profile of unaccompanied youth under age 18 based on the responses of 12 or 4% of survey respondents.

- **Gender**  
42% were male and 58% were female;
- **Ethnicity**  
17% were African American or Black; 8% were White; 75% were Hispanic or Latino; 0% were Other; 0% were Asian; 0% were American Indian or Alaskan Native; and 0% did not have a recorded answer;
- **Homeless One Year or More**  
58% were homeless one year or more;
- **Homeless at Least Four Times in Last Three Years**  
0% were homeless at least four times in the last three years;
- **Physical Disability**  
8% had a physical disability;
- **Developmental Disability**  
0% had a developmental disability;
- **Chronic Health Condition**  
8% had a chronic health condition such as diabetes, heart trouble, high blood pressure, seizures, hepatitis, respiratory problems, epilepsy, tuberculosis, or arthritis;
- **HIV/AIDS**  
0% had been diagnosed with AIDS or had tested positive for HIV.

- **Mental Illness**

8% felt that they had a mental health problem, were taking medications for mental health issues, and/or had been hospitalized for mental health issues;

- **Substance Abuse**

8% had a drug or alcohol problem and/or were using one or more of the following drugs: Cocaine, crack, heroin, pcplsd, uppers/speed, and downers/tranquilizers;

- **Veteran Status**

8% were a veteran;

- **Domestic Violence**

8% had been a victim of domestic or intimate partner violence;

0% had been a victim of domestic violence by a parent, guardian, or relative.

## WOMEN

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*29% or 86 survey respondents were women*

The following information provides a profile of women based on the responses of 86 or 29% of survey respondents.

- **Ethnicity**  
31% were African American or Black; 29% were White; 30% were Hispanic or Latino; 5% were Other; 1% were Asian; 2% were American Indian or Alaskan Native; and 2% did not have a recorded answer;
- **Age**  
6% were between the ages of 18 through 24; 87% were between the ages of 25 and 61; and 7% were age 62+;
- **Homeless One Year or More**  
48% were homeless one year or more;
- **Homeless at Least Four Times in Last Three Years**  
9% were homeless at least four times in the last three years;
- **Physical Disability**  
24% had a physical disability;
- **Developmental Disability**  
8% had a developmental disability;
- **Chronic Health Condition**  
45% had a chronic health condition such as diabetes, heart trouble, high blood pressure, seizures, hepatitis, respiratory problems, epilepsy, tuberculosis, or arthritis;
- **HIV/AIDS**  
0% had been diagnosed with AIDS or had tested positive for HIV.

- **Mental Illness**

34% felt that they had a mental health problem, were taking medications for mental health issues, and/or had been hospitalized for mental health issues;

- **Substance Abuse**

15% had a drug or alcohol problem and/or were using one or more of the following drugs: Cocaine, crack, heroin, pcp/lsd, uppers/speed, and downers/tranquilizers;

- **Veteran Status**

3% were a veteran;

- **Domestic Violence**

42% had been a victim of domestic or intimate partner violence;

29% had been a victim of domestic violence by a parent, guardian, or relative.

### III. Conclusion

The results of the 2011 Homeless Count combined with the results of the 2011 Homeless Survey provide information that serves as the basis for three (3) important tasks:

- understanding the nature and extent of the current trends in homelessness in the City of Pasadena;
- responding to the unmet needs and gaps in services for homeless individuals and families in the City of Pasadena;
- developing local community and countywide strategies to meet the goal of ending homelessness over the coming years.

Thus, the purpose of this report is to provide up to date and accurate information necessary to design and implement the housing and social service assistance needed to bring homeless persons back into our workforce, schools, faith-based institutions, and other community institutions and provide the means for them to become stable, productive contributors to our communities.

The challenge is to develop solution-oriented approaches through a well-coordinated, outcome driven social service system designed to directly meet the needs of our local homeless population. Such activities will further build upon collaborative efforts among homeless service providers, business enterprises, residents, faith-based organizations, other community agencies, and local government to provide service enriched program environments in which homeless persons will receive the tools necessary to achieve self-sufficiency and maintain permanent housing.

## Appendix A

### 2011 Pasadena Homeless Survey

Today's Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Interviewer: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Program: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please record the following information about the person you are about to survey:**

**Gender:**  Female  Male

**Ethnicity:**  American Indian or Alaskan Native  Asian/Pacific Islander  
 Black or African-American  Hispanic or Latino  White  Other

**Age:**  Under age 18\*  18 –24  25 - 29  30 – 39  40 – 49  50 - 54  55 –59  
 60 – 61  62 – 64  65 – 69  70+

\*if under age 18 ask: Are you a runaway youth?  yes  no  don't know  refused

**Household Status:** Is this person a  single individual or  adult member of family (check one)

**If an adult member of family,** how many other adults \_\_\_ and how many children \_\_\_ are part of family?

- 1) Have you been homeless for one year or more?  yes  no
- 2) How many times have you been homeless in the past three years?  less than four episodes or  at least four episodes (check one)
- 3) Do you have a physical disability?  yes  no  don't know  refused
- 4) Do you have a developmental disability?  yes  no  don't know  refused
- 5) Do you have a chronic health condition such as diabetes, heart trouble, high blood pressure, seizures, hepatitis, respiratory problems, epilepsy, tuberculosis, or arthritis?  
 yes  no  don't know  refused
- 6) Have you been diagnosed with AIDS or have you tested positive for HIV?  
 yes  no  don't know  refused
- 7) Do you feel you have a mental health problem?  yes  no  don't know  refused
- 8) If yes, do you expect your mental health problem to be of long-continued and indefinite duration and substantially impair your ability to live independently?  
 yes  no  don't know  refused
- 9) Are you currently taking medications for mental health issues?  
 yes  no  don't know  refused
- 10) Have you been hospitalized for mental health issues?  
 yes  no  don't know  refused
- 11) Do you have a drug or alcohol problem?  yes  no  don't know  refused
- 12) If yes, do you expect your drug or alcohol problem to be of long-continued and indefinite duration and substantially impair your ability to live independently?  
 yes  no  don't know  refused
- 13) Do you currently use any of the following drugs? - Cocaine, crack, heroin, pcp/lsd, uppers/speed, and downers/tranquilizers?  yes  no  don't know  refused
- 14) Are you a veteran of the U. S. Armed Forces?  yes  no  don't know  refused
- 15) Have you ever been a victim of domestic or intimate partner violence?  
 yes  no  don't know  refused
- 16) If you have been a victim of domestic or intimate partner violence, how long ago was this experience?  one year or less  more than a year  don't know  refused
- 17) Have you ever been a victim of violence by a parent, guardian, or relative?  
 yes  no  don't know  refused
- 18) If you have been a victim of violence by a parent guardian or relative, how long ago was this experience?  one year or less  more than a year  don't know  refused
- 19) During the last 12 months, were you released from a correctional institution such as a prison or jail after serving a court-order sentence?  yes  no  don't know  refused