

# Methodology for IL-514 - DuPage County CoC

## Sheltered Population Total

**1. What data source(s) was used to produce the total number of people included in the sheltered population (staying in an emergency shelter, Safe Haven, or transitional housing) on the night of the count? Please indicate the percentage of the PIT count derived from each of the sources. (If a source was not used, please enter zero).**

HMIS Data	90%
Provider-level surveys	10%
Client-level surveys	0%
Observation	0%
Other	0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>100%</b>

**2. Was the CoC able to collect information about the number of people being sheltered on the night of the count from all emergency shelters, Safe Havens, and transitional housing projects listed on the HIC or only some? listed on your HIC or only some?**

- Complete census count

**3. What information or method(s) was used to de-duplicate the count of the total number of people included in the sheltered population?**

- Comparison of personally identifying information (PII), such as name, date of birth, and Social Security Number

## Sheltered Subpopulation

**4. What data source(s) was used to produce the demographic and subpopulation data included in the sheltered population (staying in an emergency shelter, Safe Haven, or transitional housing) on the night of the count? (select all that were used)**

- HMIS Data
- Provider-level surveys

**5. Was the CoC able to collect information about the demographic and subpopulation characteristics of all sheltered people or only some?**



- All sheltered people

**6. Looking at the change in your sheltered count from last year's count, please choose up to three reasons that best explains these changes from the drop down list below.**

- Other:

**Please provide a brief description of these specific factors (500 word limit):**

The total number of sheltered homeless persons increased 22% from 318 to 388 in 2021. Our congregate and domestic violence shelter sites remained closed for the 2021 Sheltered Count (closed since March-2020), and another shelter is at partial capacity. All shelters were using COVID relief funds and other funding sources to provide the hotel/motel model for sheltering. This model allowed for higher capacity than the traditional shelter sites. Persons in ES increased from 177 to 279. The majority of this increase was in families with children which increased 120 persons from 41 to 161.

We also saw a decline in persons in Transitional Housing, which was reportedly due to vacancies/unit turn-over on the night of the count. Person in TH decreased from 137 to 107.

## **Unsheltered Population**

**7. What approach(es) was used to count the total number of people included in the unsheltered population during the PIT count. (select all that were used)**

**8. What information or method(s) was used to de-duplicate the total count of people in the unsheltered population? (Check all that apply)**

- Other: Volunteers assigned to specific geographic areas to prevent duplicated counts

## **Unsheltered Subpopulations**

**9. What approach(es) was used to collect demographic and subpopulation data about unsheltered people included in the unsheltered population during the PIT count?**

**10. Were all people who were encountered during canvassing on the night of the count or during post night of the count PIT activities asked to complete a survey/interview?**

- N/A

**11. What information or method(s) was used to produce an unduplicated total count of homeless people across your sheltered and unsheltered populations?**

- Other:

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unit vacancies

volunteers were assigned to specific geographical areas to prevent duplicated counts

**12. Looking at the change in your unsheltered count from last year's count, please choose up to three reasons that best explains these changes from the drop down list below**

- Change in PIT count methodology
- Change in emergency shelter capacity
- Change in economic conditions (employment rate, etc.)
- Other: COVID impacts

**Please provide a brief description of these specific factors (500 word limit):**

We conducted a head count only this year, no demographic data was collected, and are reporting an increase of 27 people from the last unsheltered count in 2019.

The shift in shelter models from the congregate to hotel/motel resulted in more families being prioritized for shelter beds. There was a decrease in single individuals in shelter this year so possibly they were on the street. But with no interviews or surveys it is hard to know.



















