

# 2016 WeALLCount

## Data & Results: Unaccompanied Youth



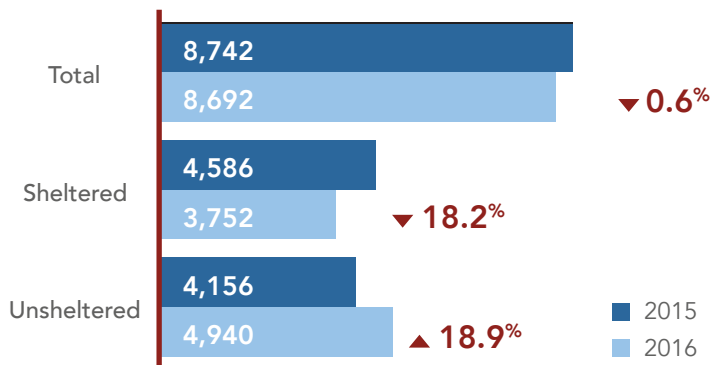
### Homelessness IS solvable.

Homeless youth are part of a hidden population that has historically been undercounted in efforts to enumerate the homeless population. In recent years, the Regional Task Force on the Homeless has worked to emphasize the importance of considering the needs of homeless youth as a distinct sub-population of the homeless population by conducting a Youth Count separate from the general point-in-time count efforts.

The count results in approximately \$16 Million in federal funding (HUD) for local homeless services. These organizations provide services for the thousands of individuals and families who experience homelessness annually in our region. The 2016 WeALLCount included a separate Youth Count to examine the specific context of youth homelessness.

### GENERAL HOMELESS SUMMARY

Point-in-Time Count



### UNACCOMPANIED HOMELESS

YOUTH SUMMARY – Point-in-Time Count\*

	Under 18	18-24	Total
Total Homeless Youth	145	685	830
Sheltered	31	226	257
Unsheltered	114	459	573

### UNACCOMPANIED HOMELESS YOUTH SUMMARY

– Point-in-Time Count\*\*

	% Total
Male	72.1%
Female	27.2%
Transgender	0.7%
Mental Health Issues	22.8%
Substance Abuse	14.6%

### SUMMARY: 211 CALLS FROM

AT-RISK YOUTH – (Jan 29-Feb 4, 2016)\*

	2015	2016	% calls	% change
Youth Calls	259	191	1%**	-26.3%
Under age 20	62	55	29%	-11.3%
Age 20-24	197	136	71%	-31.0%
Homeless (Self-Reported)	21	32	17%	52.4%
Female	194	133	70%	-31.4%
Basic Needs	160	98	40%	-38.8%
Housing Needs	76	58	23%	-23.7%

\*Total of 259 youth calls indicated 445 needs, which included food; housing and shelter; material goods; transportation; and utility assistance. \*\*% of total unsheltered youth

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Final PITC data for WeALLCount 2016





# REGIONAL TASK FORCE ON THE HOMELESS

"OUR COMMUNITY, OUR HOMELESS, OUR ISSUES"

## ABOUT THE RTFH

### Our Vision

An end to homelessness in the San Diego region

### Our Mission

To provide comprehensive data and trusted analysis that empowers the entire community to identify, implement, and support efforts to prevent and alleviate homelessness

### Our Work

RTFH is indispensable in our region's effort to prevent, to alleviate, and to find lasting solutions to homelessness. We are our region's source for comprehensive data that leads to important insights and targeted services to address homelessness.

We administer the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) for San Diego County's network of service providers on behalf of the Regional Continuum of Care.

We provide in-depth analysis and essential reports that result in critical funding for services. Our trusted analysis enables our communities to acquire resources, to collaborate, and to implement effective and sustainable solution.

## THE RTFH SUPPORTS

**46**

Agencies

**237**

Unique Programs

**484**

Individual System Users

**1,676**

RTFH Volunteers

**8,692**

Homeless Persons, 2016 Annual Count

The San Diego Point-in-Time Count, the WeALLCount, is a one-day, statistically reliable, unduplicated count of sheltered and unsheltered homeless individuals and families across the county. Data from the campaign enables our community to better understand the scope, details, trends, impact, and potential solutions to homelessness.

WeALLCount empowers our region to qualify for millions in critical federal funds. Those resources go directly to services that address homelessness on many levels.

WeALLCount is instrumental in helping our region collaborate and implement targeted services that lead to homeless persons becoming permanently housed.



*Annual Homeless Census*

### Regional Continuum of Care Council (RCCC)

The goal of the RCCC is to work together with other stakeholders to achieve common purposes, particularly to end homelessness in our region. The mission of the Regional Continuum of Care Council (RCCC) is to engage stakeholders in a community-based process that works to: (1) End homelessness for all individuals and families throughout the region; (2) address the underlying causes of homelessness; and (3) lessen the negative impact of homelessness on individuals, families and communities.

### Homeless Management Information System (HMIS)

The HMIS is a data collection tool designed to capture client-level information over time on the characteristics and service needs of men, women, and children experiencing homelessness. HMIS is integral in coordinating case management, tracking service progress, referring individuals and families to critical resources, measuring results, and producing accurate and timely reporting. As the system administrators of the system, the RTFH supports agencies and users with technical training, support, and analysis. Our region relies on data from the HMIS to make effective data driven decisions, measure program goals and coordinate services.