

2017 MARIN COUNTY HOMELESS COUNT AND SURVEY

Including Children and Families
in the 2017 Point-in-Time Count

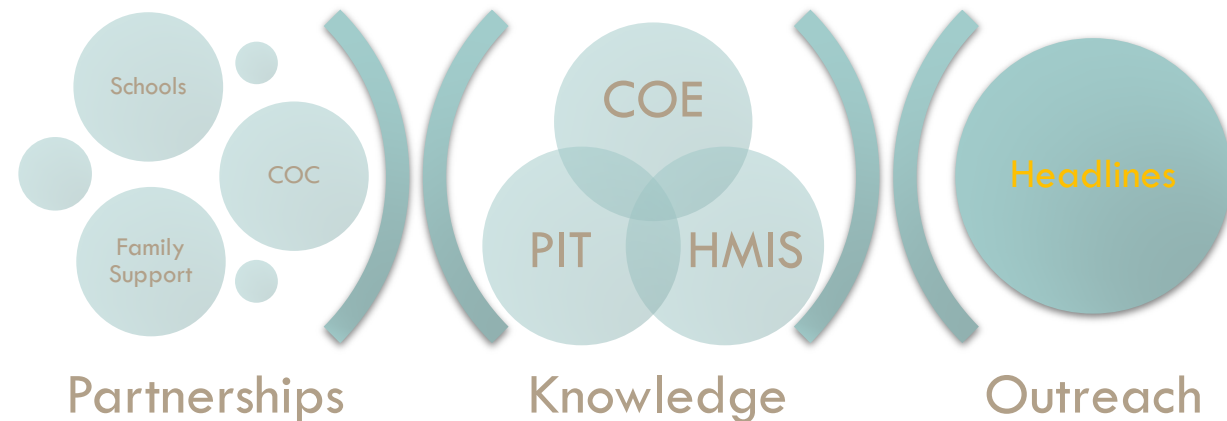
INCREASING VISIBILITY

- COE/LEA data show extremely high number of homeless children and youth
- HMIS (shelter) data show high numbers and proportions of homeless children and families
- Family support services show growing needs of families with children
- Yet, headline PIT count data in California show a small number of homeless families and an even smaller number of unaccompanied children



DEVELOPING ONE NARRATIVE

- Coordinating and partnering to improve local and national understanding
- Showing how data interact
- Keeping it simple
- Working together to improve outcomes



UNDERSTANDING DEFINITIONAL DIFFERENCES

- (i) children and youths who are sharing the housing of other persons due to loss of housing, economic hardship, or a similar reason; are living in motels, hotels, trailer parks, or camping grounds due to the lack of alternative adequate accommodations; are **living in emergency or transitional shelters (including DV)**; are abandoned in hospitals; or are awaiting foster care placement;
- (ii) **children and youths who have a primary nighttime residence that is a public or private place not designed for or ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings** (within the meaning of section 103(a)(2)(C));
- (iii) **children and youths who are living in cars, parks, public spaces, abandoned buildings, substandard housing, bus or train stations, or similar settings; and**
- (iv) migratory children (as such term is defined in section 1309 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965) who qualify as homeless for the purposes of this subtitle because the children are living in circumstances described in clauses (i) through (iii).

DEVELOPING A NATIONAL BASELINE

HUD has announced 2017 Point-in-Time count data will be used as the baseline for data on unaccompanied children and youth

The baseline will be used for:

- Future HUD NOFA scoring
- National youth advocacy efforts
- Future HUD funding to end Youth and Family Homelessness
- Future collaborative funding of USICH department agencies – Department of Education, Department of Health and Human Services, Department of Justice, etc.

REVIEW OF MARIN COUNTY PIT COUNT BASICS

One day count:

- January 27th

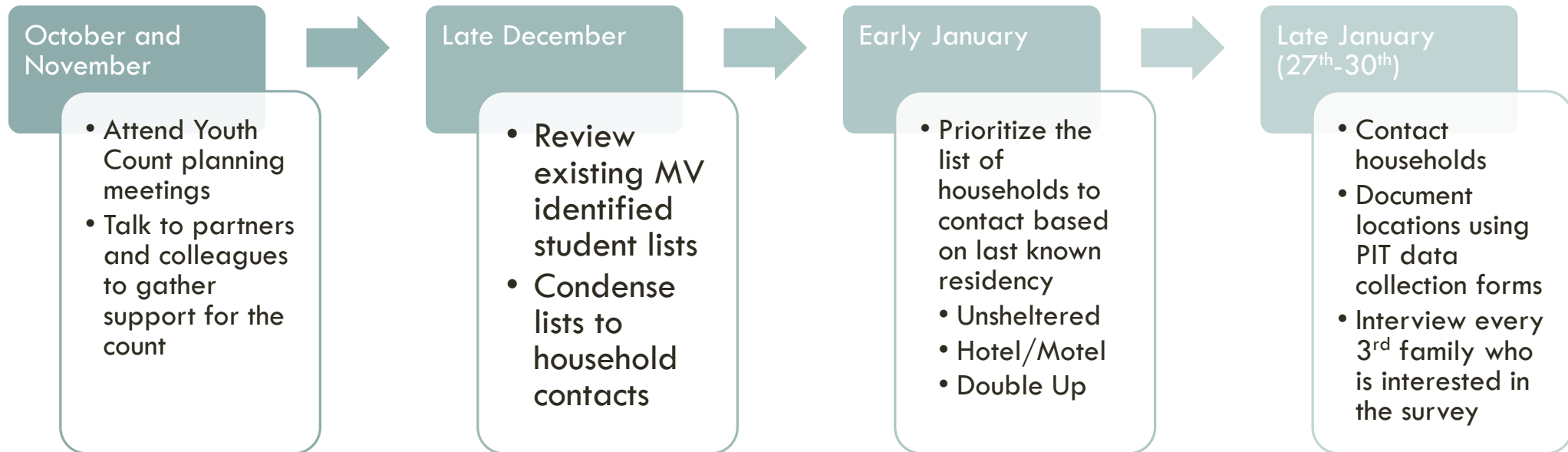
Two Main Components:

- Census – includes every single person we can find who fits the definition and collects limited details regarding ages, gender, and household makeup
- Survey – representative sample of individuals meeting the definition and collects additional demographic detail, lived experiences, barriers to housing, and subpopulation detail needed for federal reporting

ROLE OF COE AND MCKINNEY-VENTO LIAISONS

- Primary point of contact for homeless children and families residing outside of the county shelter system
- Develop a mechanism for contacting households accessing services to determine where they were staying on the night of January 27th
- Interview household to understand their current circumstances and ensure visibility countywide

COE TIMELINE AND PROJECT PLAN



OVERALL TIMELINE AND PROJECT PLAN

September		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Finalize methods and secure dates and locations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Garner feedback on 2015 PIT Count process Reserve Deployment Centers Finalize training dates, times and locations Engage youth providers and school district liaisons 		
Street Count	Youth Count	Shelter Count
October		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Engage service providers and garner support for the project Determine outreach strategies for special populations including veterans, families, vehicles, anchor outs, encampments Finalize survey content 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop a youth count planning committee Finalize method and timeline Finalize youth survey content 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Determine comprehensive list of shelters and agencies Determine primary contacts at each site for data collection Determine capacity of participating agencies to enter data into HMIS
November		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop list of service providers who will recruit guides for the count (140) and provide them with referral cards Begin recruiting volunteers using online sign up page (400) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop list of service providers who will recruit guides for the count (20) and provide them with referral cards Begin recruiting team leaders using online sign up page (20) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Remind providers the count will happen in January Begin reviewing data outputs by provider to ensure accuracy and regularity
December		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Finalize outreach strategies for special populations Begin guide recruitment Conduct targeted outreach for remaining volunteers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conduct focus groups with youth to determine where and when to conduct the count Develop community maps and targeted outreach for remaining team leaders Begin recruiting youth guides Meeting with COE to distribute school count materials and training 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Remind providers the count will happen in January

January		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Communicate regularly with volunteers and fill in any remaining gaps Conduct trainings and count on January 24th and 25th Recruit guides for surveys (50) Conduct surveyor trainings January 25th and 27th 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Finalize recruitment of youth guides and assignments based on geographic knowledge Conduct trainings and count on January 24th Recruit youth guides for surveys (10-15) Conduct surveyor trainings January 27th 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conduct webinar training for providers completing the online survey Complete shelter count Determine staff who will conduct shelters surveys at each location and provide them with supplies
February		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monitor survey quotas and refine quotas based on 2017 data Complete all surveys by February 13th 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monitor survey quotas and refine quotas based on 2017 data Complete all surveys by February 13th 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete all surveys by February 13th
March/April		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review preliminary data and prepare for HUD reporting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review shelter count data Review street count and youth count data Prepare submission Prepare geographic data for entire Santa Clara County, San Jose, South County region (includes Gilroy, Morgan Hill & unincorporated areas south of San Jose), and North County region (includes Palo Alto, Los Altos, Mountain View & Sunnyvale) 		
May		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prepare final reports (City and County) and provide first draft by May 1st, 2017 Review draft report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Confidential draft provided for community input and finalization Prepare executive summary and regional reports 		
June		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Final reports released Community meetings and public release Data to action discussions 		
July		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Debrief 2017 count and survey process 		

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