



PINELLAS CONTINUUM OF CARE

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee Meeting

April 16, 2024 | 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

Allendale Methodist Church, Room 109 | 3803 Haines Rd. N., St. Petersburg

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The Pinellas Continuum of Care is dedicated to ensuring homelessness is rare, brief and a one-time experience.

Time	Topic/Materials	Information / Discussion / Action	Lead
9:00 a.m.	Welcome & Introductions	Information	Chair Paterson
9:05 a.m.	Consent Agenda <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Committee Member Attendance • February 20, 2024 Meeting Minutes • March 19, 2024 Meeting Minutes • New Member Approvals 	Action	Chair Paterson
9:10 a.m.	HMIS Report	Information	Tony Salgado
9:25 a.m.	Advocacy	Discussion	Victoria Kelly
9:35 a.m.	HUD DEI Training	Discussion	Chair Paterson
9:45 a.m.	Meeting Locations	Discussion	Chair Patterson
9:55 a.m.	Public Comment	Discussion	Chair Paterson
10:00 a.m.	Adjournment	Information	Chair Paterson

Committee Member Attendance

Name	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Dr. Susie Paterson	X	X									
Jeffery Lorick	Virtual	-									
Dominique Randall	-	X									
Trenia Cox(resigned)	-	-									
Councilmember Deborah Figgs-Sanders	-	-									

Pinellas Continuum of Care Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee Minutes

February 20, 2024, 9:00 a.m.

Allendale United Methodist Church, Room 109

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In-Person Attendees		
Dr. Susie Paterson	Theresa Jones (guest)	Bonnie Epstein (guest)
Virtual Attendees		
Jeffery Lorick		
HLA		
Thanh-Van Le	Victoria Kelly (virtual)	

Welcome (presented by Dr. Susie Paterson)

- The meeting was called to order by Vice Chair Dr. Susie Paterson at 9:05am.

Goals and Priorities for 2024 (presented by Dr. Susie Paterson)

- Committee members discussed virtual, in-person, and hybrid attendance and quorum, deciding physical attendance is imperative.
- Committee discussed possible meeting locations, including potentially rotating meetings to ensure easy attendance. Possible locations included Habitat for Humanity off Ulmerton, the Pinellas Realtor Association, and PSTA location across from Carillon.
- Trenia Cox resigned from the committee. Ms. Cox’s resignation required a vote on since the resignation email did not include a date.
- Theresa Jones will reach out to Helen Rhymes to join DEI committee.

Additional Items

- Committee requests HMIS reporting on racial disparities in chronic and first-time homelessness. Committee asks report is disaggregated by race, gender, households with children, and time in Pinellas County.

Follow Up

- The committee asked whether or not you have to be a member of the CoC to participate on committees.
 - Answer from Victoria Kelly: To be a voting member, they must be CoC members in good standing, but anyone can attend and participate in meetings.

Closing and Adjournment (presented by Dr. Susie Paterson)

- Dr. Susie Paterson adjourned the meeting at 9:53am.

Pinellas Continuum of Care Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee Minutes

March 19, 2024, 9:00 a.m.

Allendale United Methodist Church, Room 109 and on Zoom

In-Person Attendees		
Dr. Susie Paterson	Dominique Randall	Ross Silvers (guest)
Trish Collins (guest)	Kiara Lovett (guest)	
HLA		
Hayla Donovan	Victoria Kelly (virtual)	

Welcome (presented by Dr. Susie Paterson)

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chair Dr. Susie Paterson at 9:05am.

Consent Agenda

- The Consent Agenda included February 20, 2024 Meeting Minutes.
- Victoria Kelly, HLA, indicates committee may make formal recommendations that can be approved by the full committee in April. If quorum is not achieved during the April meeting, items may go to the CoC Board for approval.

Meeting Locations

- Committee discusses reluctance to allow virtual attendance, encouraging members to attend in person and it was suggested to rotate meeting locations further north.

Recommendations

- Dominique Randall recommends Dr. Paterson for Chair of the DEI Committee. Dr. Paterson seconds the motion.
- The committee agrees to vote to approve the February 2024 meeting minutes at the April meeting.
- The committee discussed adding diversity training for members as a topic for April’s meeting along with HUD requirements for annual DEI training.

Additional Items

- The committee discussed reviewing membership requirements.
- Victoria Kelly will send the committee information about the Built for Zero webinar.
- Ross Silvers, PSTA, advised he will reach out to the Disability Achievement Center to invite staff to the DEI Committee.
- There was a brief discussion about wheelchair accessibility in shelters.

Closing and Adjournment (presented by Dr. Susie Paterson)

- Dr. Susie Paterson adjourned the meeting at 9:53am.

New Committee Member Approvals

Present committee members voted to formally recommend approving the following new members:

- Ross Silvers, PSTA
- Trish Collins, PSTA
- Kiara Lovett, PSTA

Clients Served Committee Report**Date Range:****1/1/2023-12/31/2023****Reporting Group:****All CoC****Report Used:****FY2024 CoC APR**

Total Number of Persons Served:	16043
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Number of Persons Served by household type

- Without Children:	10596
- With Children and Adults:	5129
- With only Children:	248
- Unknown Household Type:	70

Number of Households Served by household type

- Total Households:	10926
- Households Without Children:	9449
- Households With Children and Adults:	1350
- Households With only Children:	120
- Households Unknown Household Type:	7

Clients Served Committee Report

Date Range:

1/1/2023-12/31/2023

Reporting Group:

All CoC

Report Used:

FY2024 CoC APR

Total client served by race/ethnicity

American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	78
Asian or Asian American	59
Black, African American, or African	6572
Hispanic/Latina/e/o	99
Middle Eastern or North African	1
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	16
White	7225
Asian or Asian American & American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	3
Black, African American, or African & American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	76
Hispanic/Latina/e/o & American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	15
Middle Eastern or North African & American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander & American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	1
White & American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	91
Black, African American, or African & Asian or Asian American	23
Hispanic/Latina/e/o & Asian or Asian American	4
Middle Eastern or North African & Asian or Asian American	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander & Asian or Asian American	0
White & Asian or Asian American	19
Hispanic/Latina/e/o & Black, African American, or African	219
Middle Eastern or North African & Black, African American, or African	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander & Black, African American, or African	19
White & Black, African American, or African	349
Middle Eastern or North African & Hispanic/Latina/e/o	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander & Hispanic/Latina/e/o	6
White & Hispanic/Latina/e/o	874
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander & Middle Eastern or North African	0
White & Middle Eastern or North African	0

White & Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	24
Multiracial - more than 2 races/ethnicity, with one being Hispanic/Latina/e/o	132
Multiracial - more than 2 races, where no option is Hispanic/Latina/e/o	2
Client Doesn't Know/Prefers Not to Answer	21
Data Not Collected	115
Total	16043

Race/ethnicity of clients in households without Children

American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	59
Asian or Asian American	50
Black, African American, or African	3207
Hispanic/Latina/e/o	56
Middle Eastern or North African	1
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	11
White	6182
Asian or Asian American & American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	3
Black, African American, or African & American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	50
Hispanic/Latina/e/o & American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	12
Middle Eastern or North African & American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander & American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	1
White & American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	77
Black, African American, or African & Asian or Asian American	13
Hispanic/Latina/e/o & Asian or Asian American	1
Middle Eastern or North African & Asian or Asian American	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander & Asian or Asian American	0
White & Asian or Asian American	12
Hispanic/Latina/e/o & Black, African American, or African	79
Middle Eastern or North African & Black, African American, or African	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander & Black, African American, or African	9
White & Black, African American, or African	102
Middle Eastern or North African & Hispanic/Latina/e/o	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander & Hispanic/Latina/e/o	5

White & Hispanic/Latina/e/o	532
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander & Middle Eastern or North African	0
White & Middle Eastern or North African	0
White & Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	22
Multiracial - more than 2 races/ethnicity, with one being Hispanic/Latina/e/o	43
Multiracial - more than 2 races, where no option is Hispanic/Latina/e/o	2
Client Doesn't Know/Prefers Not to Answer	7
Data Not Collected	60
Total	10596

Race/ethnicity of clients in households with Children

American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	18
Asian or Asian American	8
Black, African American, or African	3231
Hispanic/Latina/e/o	29
Middle Eastern or North African	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	5
White	967
Asian or Asian American & American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	0
Black, African American, or African & American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	22
Hispanic/Latina/e/o & American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	2
Middle Eastern or North African & American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander & American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	0
White & American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	13
Black, African American, or African & Asian or Asian American	8
Hispanic/Latina/e/o & Asian or Asian American	3
Middle Eastern or North African & Asian or Asian American	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander & Asian or Asian American	0
White & Asian or Asian American	6
Hispanic/Latina/e/o & Black, African American, or African	134
Middle Eastern or North African & Black, African American, or African	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander & Black, African American, or African	9

White & Black, African American, or African	228
Middle Eastern or North African & Hispanic/Latina/e/o	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander & Hispanic/Latina/e/o	1
White & Hispanic/Latina/e/o	326
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander & Middle Eastern or North African	0
White & Middle Eastern or North African	0
White & Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	2
Multiracial - more than 2 races/ethnicity, with one being Hispanic/Latina/e/o	83
Multiracial - more than 2 races, where no option is Hispanic/Latina/e/o	0
Client Doesn't Know/Prefers Not to Answer	13
Data Not Collected	21
Total	5129

Race/ethnicity of clients in households with ONLY Children

American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	0
Asian or Asian American	1
Black, African American, or African	125
Hispanic/Latina/e/o	5
Middle Eastern or North African	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0
White	60
Asian or Asian American & American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	0
Black, African American, or African & American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	4
Hispanic/Latina/e/o & American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	1
Middle Eastern or North African & American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander & American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	0
White & American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	1
Black, African American, or African & Asian or Asian American	2
Hispanic/Latina/e/o & Asian or Asian American	0
Middle Eastern or North African & Asian or Asian American	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander & Asian or Asian American	0
White & Asian or Asian American	1

Hispanic/Latina/e/o & Black, African American, or African	6
Middle Eastern or North African & Black, African American, or African	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander & Black, African American, or African	1
White & Black, African American, or African	19
Middle Eastern or North African & Hispanic/Latina/e/o	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander & Hispanic/Latina/e/o	0
White & Hispanic/Latina/e/o	15
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander & Middle Eastern or North African	0
White & Middle Eastern or North African	0
White & Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0
Multiracial - more than 2 races/ethnicity, with one being Hispanic/Latina/e/o	6
Multiracial - more than 2 races, where no option is Hispanic/Latina/e/o	0
Client Doesn't Know/Prefers Not to Answer	0
Data Not Collected	1
Total	248

Race/ethnicity of clients in UNKOWN Household Type

American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	1
Asian or Asian American	0
Black, African American, or African	9
Hispanic/Latina/e/o	9
Middle Eastern or North African	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0
White	16
Asian or Asian American & American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	0
Black, African American, or African & American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	0
Hispanic/Latina/e/o & American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	0
Middle Eastern or North African & American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander & American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	0
White & American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	0
Black, African American, or African & Asian or Asian American	0
Hispanic/Latina/e/o & Asian or Asian American	0

Middle Eastern or North African & Asian or Asian American	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander & Asian or Asian American	0
White & Asian or Asian American	0
Hispanic/Latina/e/o & Black, African American, or African	0
Middle Eastern or North African & Black, African American, or African	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander & Black, African American, or African	0
White & Black, African American, or African	0
Middle Eastern or North African & Hispanic/Latina/e/o	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander & Hispanic/Latina/e/o	0
White & Hispanic/Latina/e/o	1
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander & Middle Eastern or North African	0
White & Middle Eastern or North African	0
White & Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0
Multiracial - more than 2 races/ethnicity, with one being Hispanic/Latina/e/o	0
Multiracial - more than 2 races, where no option is Hispanic/Latina/e/o	0
Client Doesn't Know/Prefers Not to Answer	1
Data Not Collected	33
Total	70

Clients Served Committee Report

Date Range:

1/1/2023-12/31/2023

Reporting Group:

All CoC

Report Used:

FY2024 CoC APR

Total Clients Served by Gender

Woman	6767
Man	9173
Culturally Specific Identity	0
Transgender	28
Non-Binary	21
Questioning	5
Different Identity	1
Woman/Man	0
Woman/Culturally Specific Identity	0
Woman/Transgender	8
Woman/Non-Binary	0
Woman/Questioning	0
Woman/Different Identity	0
Man/Culturally Specific Identity	1
Man/Transgender	2
Man/Non-Binary	0
Man/Questioning	0
Man/Different Identity	0
Culturally Specific Identity/Transgender	0
Culturally Specific Identity/Non-Binary	0
Culturally Specific Identity/Questioning	0
Culturally Specific Identity/Different Identity	0
Transgender/Non-Binary	0
Transgender/Questioning	0
Transgender/Different Identity	0
Non-Binary/Questioning	0
Non-Binary/Different Identity	0

Questioning/Different Identity	0
More than 2 Gender Identities Selected	1
Client Doesn't Know/Prefers Not to Answer	5
Data Not Collected	31
Total	16043

Gender of clients in households without Children

Woman	3597
Man	6936
Culturally Specific Identity	0
Transgender	24
Non-Binary	14
Questioning	4
Different Identity	1
Woman/Man	0
Woman/Culturally Specific Identity	0
Woman/Transgender	7
Woman/Non-Binary	0
Woman/Questioning	0
Woman/Different Identity	0
Man/Culturally Specific Identity	1
Man/Transgender	2
Man/Non-Binary	0
Man/Questioning	0
Man/Different Identity	0
Culturally Specific Identity/Transgender	0
Culturally Specific Identity/Non-Binary	0
Culturally Specific Identity/Questioning	0
Culturally Specific Identity/Different Identity	0
Transgender/Non-Binary	0
Transgender/Questioning	0
Transgender/Different Identity	0

Non-Binary/Questioning	0
Non-Binary/Different Identity	0
Questioning/Different Identity	0
More than 2 Gender Identities Selected	0
Client Doesn't Know/Prefers Not to Answer	4
Data Not Collected	6
Total	10596

Gender of clients in households with Children

Woman	3013
Man	2099
Culturally Specific Identity	0
Transgender	3
Non-Binary	2
Questioning	1
Different Identity	0
Woman/Man	0
Woman/Culturally Specific Identity	0
Woman/Transgender	1
Woman/Non-Binary	0
Woman/Questioning	0
Woman/Different Identity	0
Man/Culturally Specific Identity	0
Man/Transgender	0
Man/Non-Binary	0
Man/Questioning	0
Man/Different Identity	0
Culturally Specific Identity/Transgender	0
Culturally Specific Identity/Non-Binary	0
Culturally Specific Identity/Questioning	0
Culturally Specific Identity/Different Identity	0
Transgender/Non-Binary	0

Transgender/Questioning	0
Transgender/Different Identity	0
Non-Binary/Questioning	0
Non-Binary/Different Identity	0
Questioning/Different Identity	0
More than 2 Gender Identities Selected	1
Client Doesn't Know/Prefers Not to Answer	1
Data Not Collected	8
Total	5129

Gender of clients in households with ONLY Children

Woman	131
Man	111
Culturally Specific Identity	0
Transgender	1
Non-Binary	5
Questioning	0
Different Identity	0
Woman/Man	0
Woman/Culturally Specific Identity	0
Woman/Transgender	0
Woman/Non-Binary	0
Woman/Questioning	0
Woman/Different Identity	0
Man/Culturally Specific Identity	0
Man/Transgender	0
Man/Non-Binary	0
Man/Questioning	0
Man/Different Identity	0
Culturally Specific Identity/Transgender	0
Culturally Specific Identity/Non-Binary	0
Culturally Specific Identity/Questioning	0

Culturally Specific Identity/Different Identity	0
Transgender/Non-Binary	0
Transgender/Questioning	0
Transgender/Different Identity	0
Non-Binary/Questioning	0
Non-Binary/Different Identity	0
Questioning/Different Identity	0
More than 2 Gender Identities Selected	0
Client Doesn't Know/Prefers Not to Answer	0
Data Not Collected	0
Total	248

Gender of clients in UNKOWN Household Type

Woman	26
Man	27
Culturally Specific Identity	0
Transgender	0
Non-Binary	0
Questioning	0
Different Identity	0
Woman/Man	0
Woman/Culturally Specific Identity	0
Woman/Transgender	0
Woman/Non-Binary	0
Woman/Questioning	0
Woman/Different Identity	0
Man/Culturally Specific Identity	0
Man/Transgender	0
Man/Non-Binary	0
Man/Questioning	0
Man/Different Identity	0
Culturally Specific Identity/Transgender	0

Culturally Specific Identity/Non-Binary	0
Culturally Specific Identity/Questioning	0
Culturally Specific Identity/Different Identity	0
Transgender/Non-Binary	0
Transgender/Questioning	0
Transgender/Different Identity	0
Non-Binary/Questioning	0
Non-Binary/Different Identity	0
Questioning/Different Identity	0
More than 2 Gender Identities Selected	0
Client Doesn't Know/Prefers Not to Answer	0
Data Not Collected	17
Total	70

7a - Number of Persons Served by household Type	Total	Without Children	With Children and Adults	With Only Children	Unknown Household Type
Adults	12558	10596	1949		13
Children	3422		3171	248	3
Client Doesn't Know/Client Prefers Not to Answer	21	0	3	0	18
Data Not Collected	42	0	6	0	36
Total	16043	10596	5129	248	70

8a - Number of Households Served	Total	Without Children	With Children and Adults	With Only Children	Unknown Household Type
Total Households	10926	9449	1350	120	7

10a - Number of Persons Served by Gender	Total	Without Children	With Children and Adults	With Only Children	Unknown Household Type
Woman	6767	3597	3013	131	26
Man	9173	6936	2099	111	27
Culturally Specific Identity	0	0	0	0	0
Transgender	28	24	3	1	0
Non-Binary	21	14	2	5	0
Questioning	5	4	1	0	0
Different Identity	1	1	0	0	0
Woman/Man	0	0	0	0	0
Woman/Culturally Specific Identity	0	0	0	0	0
Woman/Transgender	8	7	1	0	0
Woman/Non-Binary	0	0	0	0	0
Woman/Questioning	0	0	0	0	0
Woman/Different Identity	0	0	0	0	0
Man/Culturally Specific Identity	1	1	0	0	0

Man/Transgender	2	2	0	0	0
Man/Non-Binary	0	0	0	0	0
Man/Questioning	0	0	0	0	0
Man/Different Identity	0	0	0	0	0
Culturally Specific Identity/Transgender	0	0	0	0	0
Culturally Specific Identity/Non-Binary	0	0	0	0	0
Culturally Specific Identity/Questioning	0	0	0	0	0
Culturally Specific Identity/Different Identity	0	0	0	0	0
Transgender/Non-Binary	0	0	0	0	0
Transgender/Questioning	0	0	0	0	0
Transgender/Different Identity	0	0	0	0	0
Non-Binary/Questioning	0	0	0	0	0
Non-Binary/Different Identity	0	0	0	0	0
Questioning/Different Identity	0	0	0	0	0
More than 2 Gender Identities Selected	1	0	1	0	0
Client Doesn't Know/Prefers Not to Answer	5	4	1	0	0
Data Not Collected	31	6	8	0	17
Total	16043	10596	5129	248	70

11 - Number of Persons Served by Age Group	Total	Without Children	With Children and Adults	With Only Children	Unknown Household Type
Under 5	859	0	817	42	0
5 - 12	1594	0	1536	58	0
13 - 17	969	0	818	148	3
18 - 24	1095	741	354	0	0
25 - 34	2076	1416	658	0	2
35 - 44	2547	1928	616	0	3
45 - 54	2341	2119	217	0	5
55 - 64	2890	2811	78	0	1
65 +	1609	1581	26	0	2

Client Doesn't Know/Client Prefers Not to Answer	21	0	3	0	18
Data Not Collected	42	0	6	0	36
Total	16043	10596	5129	248	70

12 - Number of Persons Served by Rece/Ethnicity	Total	Without Children	With Children and Adults	With Only Children	Unknown Household Type
American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	78	59	18	0	1
Asian or Asian American	59	50	8	1	0
Black, African American, or African	6572	3207	3231	125	9
Hispanic/Latina/e/o	99	56	29	5	9
Middle Eastern or North African	1	1	0	0	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	16	11	5	0	0
White	7225	6182	967	60	16
Asian or Asian American & American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	3	3	0	0	0
Black, African American, or African & American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	76	50	22	4	0
Hispanic/Latina/e/o & American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	15	12	2	1	0
Middle Eastern or North African & American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	0	0	0	0	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander & American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	1	1	0	0	0
White & American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	91	77	13	1	0
Black, African American, or African & Asian or Asian American	23	13	8	2	0
Hispanic/Latina/e/o & Asian or Asian American	4	1	3	0	0
Middle Eastern or North African & Asian or Asian American	0	0	0	0	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander & Asian or Asian American	0	0	0	0	0
White & Asian or Asian American	19	12	6	1	0

Hispanic/Latina/e/o & Black, African American, or African	219	79	134	6	0
Middle Eastern or North African & Black, African American, or African	0	0	0	0	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander & Black, African American, or African	19	9	9	1	0
White & Black, African American, or African	349	102	228	19	0
Middle Eastern or North African & Hispanic/Latina/e/o	0	0	0	0	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander & Hispanic/Latina/e/o	6	5	1	0	0
White & Hispanic/Latina/e/o	874	532	326	15	1
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander & Middle Eastern or North African	0	0	0	0	0
White & Middle Eastern or North African	0	0	0	0	0
White & Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	24	22	2	0	0
Multiracial - more than 2 races/ethnicity, with one being Hispanic/Latina/e/o	132	43	83	6	0
Multiracial - more than 2 races, where no option is Hispanic/Latina/e/o	2	2	0	0	0
Client Doesn't Know/Prefers Not to Answer	21	7	13	0	1
Data Not Collected	115	60	21	1	33
Total	16043	10596	5129	248	70

SPM Table 2a and 2b	"Total Number of Persons who Exited to a Permanent Housing Destination (2 Years Prior)"	"Number Returning to Homelessness in Less than 6 Months (0 - 180 days)"	"Percentage of Returns in Less than 6 Months (0 - 180 days)"	"Number Returning to Homelessness from 6 to 12 Months (181 - 365 days)"	"Percentage of Returns from 6 to 12 Months (181 - 365 days)"
"Exit was from SO"	95	8	8.42%	3	3.16%
"Exit was from ES"	948	164	17.30%	61	6.43%
"Exit was from TH"	136	11	8.09%	6	4.41%
"Exit was from SH"	54	6	11.11%	4	7.41%
"Exit was from PH"	836	66	7.89%	48	5.74%
"Total Returns To Homelessness"	2069	255	12.32%	122	5.90%

SPM Table 2a and 2b	"Number Returning to Homelessness from 13 to 24 Months (366 - 730 days)"	"Percentage of Returns from 13 to 24 Months (366 - 730 days)"	"Number of Returns in 2 Years"	"Percentage of Returns in 2 Years"
"Exit was from SO"	4	4.21%	15	15.79%
"Exit was from ES"	90	9.49%	315	33.23%
"Exit was from TH"	10	7.35%	27	19.85%
"Exit was from SH"	4	7.41%	14	25.93%
"Exit was from PH"	69	8.25%	183	21.89%
"Total Returns To Homelessness"	177	8.55%	554	26.78%

Florida House Bill 1365 and Senate Bill 1530: Unauthorized Public Camping and Sleeping

Recent legislation, Florida Senate Bill 1530 (SB1530) and Florida House Bill 1365 (HB1365), now Florida Statute 125.0231, has been passed and will go into effect on October 1st. This states:

- Municipalities and counties cannot authorize public camping or sleeping on public property without certification from the Department of Children and Families (DCF).
- Public sleeping / camping is:
 - Defined as lodging / residing outside:
 - In a temporary outdoor habitation used as living space, as evidenced by:
 - Use of a tent or temporary shelter;
 - Presence of pillows or blankets; or
 - Storage of personal belongings.
 - Without a tent or other shelter
 - Not defined as:
 - Sleeping overnight in a motor vehicle that is registered, insured, and located in a place where it may lawfully be.
 - Camping for recreational purposes on property designated for such purposes.
- If there is inadequate shelter space, municipalities may designate public camping locations on county or municipal property. This must:
 - Be approved by the county's – and if applicable, municipal – governing body;
 - Receive DCF certification;
 - Provide running water, restroom access, and security;
 - Not be in use for more than 365 consecutive days;
 - Be located in an area that is not zoned for residential use;
 - Be located in an area that will not negatively and significantly affect the property value or safety and security of other existing residential or commercial properties and would not negatively affect the safety of children;
 - Prohibit alcohol and drug use;
 - Provide behavioral health services, including substance use and mental health treatment resources;
 - Follow inspection and community posting requirements.
- Effective January 1, 2025, this law permits Pinellas residents and business owners to sue counties and municipalities for noncompliance.
- This may not apply during a state of emergency in this or neighboring counties.

Funding has not yet been officially allocated for this mandate, though some one-time funding may be provided through the State of Florida.

The full text is available at <http://laws.flrules.org/2024/11>.

Florida Coalition to End Homelessness Statement Regarding FL HB1365 and SB1530

April 2024



In light of the signing of House Bill 1365 into law, and on behalf of its members, the Florida Coalition to End Homelessness (FCEH) encourages county and municipal leaders to work with their homeless continuums of care (CoCs). The CoC in your area has the training and experience to help follow best practices in ensuring emergency accommodations are safe, dignified, and appropriately targeted to households experiencing homelessness.

Strategies such as prevention, diversion, Rapid Rehousing, and Permanent Supportive Housing are being implemented successfully across Florida through the Homeless Continuums of Care and their partners. We are asking local governments to work with their local Homeless CoCs to reduce the impact of this new law on our neighbors who have no other option but to sleep on the street.

House Bill 1365 prohibits counties & municipalities from authorizing or otherwise allowing public camping or sleeping on public property without certification by the Department of Children and Families (DCF); authorizes counties to designate public property for such uses for a specified time period; requires counties to establish specific standards & procedures relating to such property; authorizes DCF to inspect such property and to issue notice; provides exception during specified emergencies and if the county is fiscally constrained

According to an analysis of the costs of these encampments, it will cost an average of [\\$23,910 per tent](#) (including \$3,130 for the initial costs to set up) for one year. Alternatively, providing housing and supportive services will **end homelessness**. Permanent Housing with supportive services costs an average of \$18,530 per bed, per year.

There is not one community that has enough shelter The housing crisis affects everyone, especially those most at risk of being unhoused or already homeless, and each community must do what it can to help all the residents in their area. The state of Florida's 27 continuums of care have the expertise needed to help their communities.

Together, we can make homelessness in Florida rare, brief, and non-recurring.

**HLA Press Release Regarding FL SB1530 and HB1365
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**Homeless Leadership Alliance of Pinellas Encourages Lawmakers to Consider Alternatives to
Florida Senate Bill 1530 and House Bill 1365**

Pinellas County, Florida - The Homeless Leadership Alliance of Pinellas (HLA) is urging Florida lawmakers to carefully consider the implications of Florida Senate Bill 1530 (SB 1530) and House Bill 1365 (HB 1365), which may negatively impact local governments, nonprofit organizations, and Floridians experiencing homelessness. As advocates for the most vulnerable members of our community, the HLA encourages legislators to explore alternative approaches that prioritize permanent housing solutions and transformative supportive services for individuals experiencing homelessness.

SB 1530 and HB 1365 propose measures to prohibit sleeping on public property, requiring certification from the Department of Children and Families (DCF) and introducing the possibility of legal action against local governments for noncompliance. However, these bills do not allocate adequate funding for shelter or vital supportive services. This places a strain on local governments and nonprofits, further limiting resources available to community members experiencing homelessness.

According to the latest report from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), Pinellas County, Florida, faces significant challenges related to homelessness, with high rates compared to similar communities nationwide. Over 2,100 individuals, including families, Veterans, seniors, and children, experience homelessness in our community on any given night. Penalizing these individuals and families for their involuntary circumstances only perpetuates cycles of poverty and marginalization, hindering critical efforts to address homelessness effectively.

The Homeless Leadership Alliance of Pinellas encourages lawmakers to explore alternatives that focus on funding and housing solutions that these individuals and families need, ensuring all members of our community are treated with compassion, dignity, and justice.