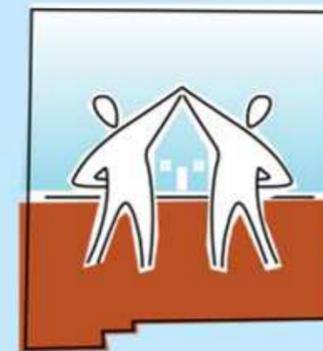


# New Mexico Coalition to End Homelessness

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# AGENDA

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- Mission & Vision
- Programs & Initiatives
- What resources do we have?
- Obstacles
- Questions



## MISSION & VISION

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“To assist communities to create solutions to homelessness; from prevention through permanent housing by using action, advocacy, and awareness.”

“A New Mexico where everyone has a home.”

# PROGRAMS & INITIATIVES

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## *Continuum of Care*

NMCEH coordinates the CoC Program for New Mexico. The cornerstone functions of the CoC are to foster community-wide collaboration and effective communication throughout the state by coordinating federal funding, fostering state-wide connections and aligning quality data with the goal of providing housing and supportive services for individuals and families facing homelessness. Under the umbrella program of the CoC, these functions are meant to optimize outreach, intake and assessment with a centralized focus on data quality. Through funding allocations and pipelines, the CoC further allows for flow from the emergency shelter response system to housing through transitional housing, rapid rehousing and permanent supportive housing.

## *Coordinated Entry*

### **Albuquerque & Balance of State**

Split between Albuquerque and all areas outside of ABQ, our Coordinated Entry teams help connect people experiencing homelessness to supportive housing programs. Together with our member agencies, we use a common assessment tool to identify who is most in need of housing and how to connect these people with the housing services and programs to best suit their needs. The CES team also runs the HELPLINE, which is a resource line for people experiencing a housing crisis. Any person who is unhoused or at risk of homelessness can contact the HELPLINE for resources most appropriate for their situation.



# PROGRAMS & INITIATIVES

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## *Homeless Management Information System*

Our HMIS Team works with the HMIS centralized database which securely collects client-level information on demographics, characteristics and needs of people experiencing homelessness. This data allows us to examine how we are doing as a local community, region and state in meeting the needs of people experiencing homelessness.

The Coalition manages the HMIS databases, operating all aspects of technical support, management of reporting functions and ensures the data entered is transparent and as high quality as possible. We are jointly partnered in this area with the New Mexico Mortgage Finance Authority and the City of Albuquerque. Our HMIS system is administered by Footholds, Awards.

## *Built for Zero*

Built for Zero communities use real-time data to secure the housing resources they need and target them for the greatest possible reductions in homelessness. NMCEH started the BfZ Initiative in both Albuquerque and Santa Fe in 2023. The Albuquerque community focus population is families and In Santa Fe the focus is on youth and veterans.



# PROGRAMS & INITIATIVES

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## *Youth Homelessness Demonstration Project (YHDP)*

YHDP helps connect youth in New Mexico to services and programs related to housing. In 2019, NCEH was awarded the YHDP grant and it encompasses 14 counties in Northern New Mexico and helps fund member agencies that work in housing services related to youth homelessness. In 2023 NMCEH applied for and was granted the YHDP grant for Southern New Mexico to ensure state-wide access to this type of funding and programmatic support for youth experiencing homelessness.

## *Advocacy*

The Coalition advocates and lobbies for solutions to homelessness at the local, state and federal levels. We collaborate with partner providers, agencies, governmental bodies and community members to bring forward meaningful legislation that centralizes the need for affordable housing, supportive community services and legal measures to prevent forms of housing discrimination. We sponsor an annual lobby day during the state legislative session each year where our partners spend the day discussing with state law makers about legislative solutions to homelessness.



# THE DATA



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# 2024 PIT Count

2024 PIT/HIC Results	PIT			
	# Persons in Emergency Shelters	# Persons in Transitional Housing	# Persons Unsheltered	Total # Persons
Albuquerque CoC	1289	220	1231	2740
New Mexico Balance of State CoC	746	152	1011	1909
2023 PIT/HIC Results				
Albuquerque CoC	1125	292	977	2394
New Mexico Balance of State CoC	665	160	623	1448
Year-over-Year Change	164	-72	254	346
	81	-8	388	461

# 2023 HMIS DATA

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**27,486  
HMIS Clients**

**14,213 in  
Coordinated Entry**

**13,272 in  
Partner Agency  
Services**

## **GEOGRAPHIC DISTRIBUTION**

Nearly 60% of enrolled HMIS clients were in Albuquerque; 38.3% were Balance of State.

## **AGE**

Children, 0-18: 6,410 (23.3%)  
Young Adults, 18-24: 2,209 (8.0%)  
Adults, 25-64: 17,422 (63.3%)  
Seniors, 65+: 1,445 (5.3%)

## **GENDER**

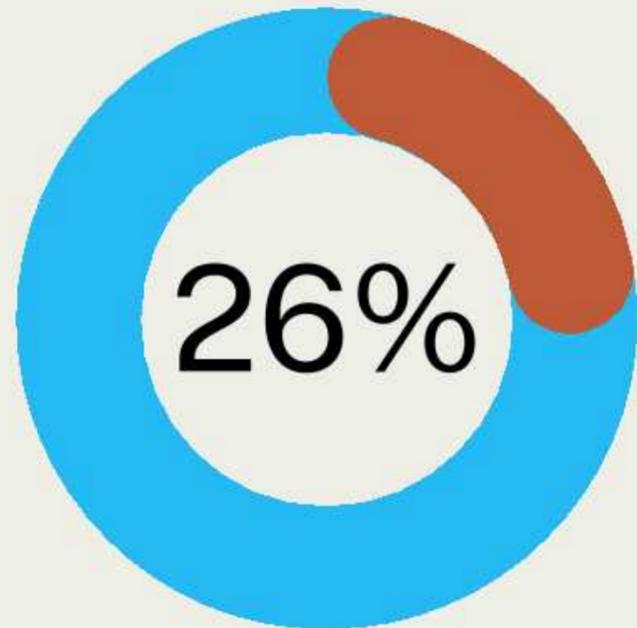
Women: 12,251 (44.6%)  
Men: 14,373 (52.3%)  
Transgender or Non-Binary: 174 (0.6%)  
Unknown/Not Indicated: 687 (2.5%)

## **RACE**

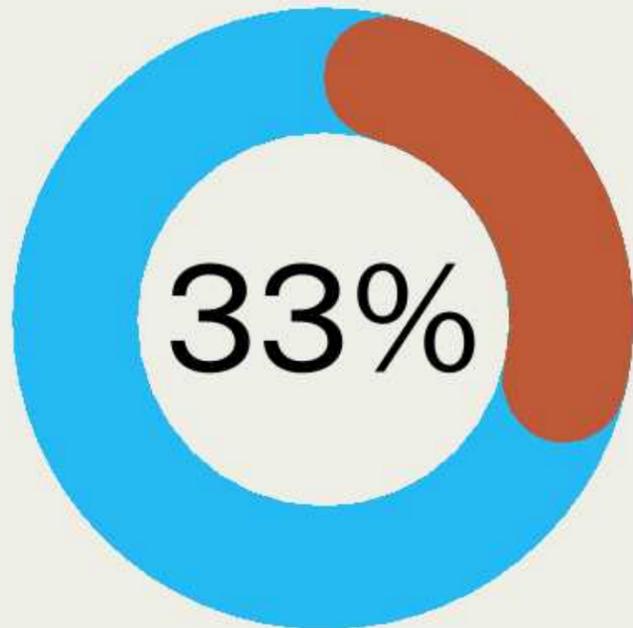
American Indian/Indigenous: 3,479 (12.7%)  
AAPI: 248 (0.9%)  
Black: 1,915 (7.0%)  
Hispanic/Latino: 1,631 (5.9%)  
White-only: 6,560 (23.9%)  
White-Hispanic: 10,709 (39%)  
Non-White Hispanic: 1,401 (5.1%)



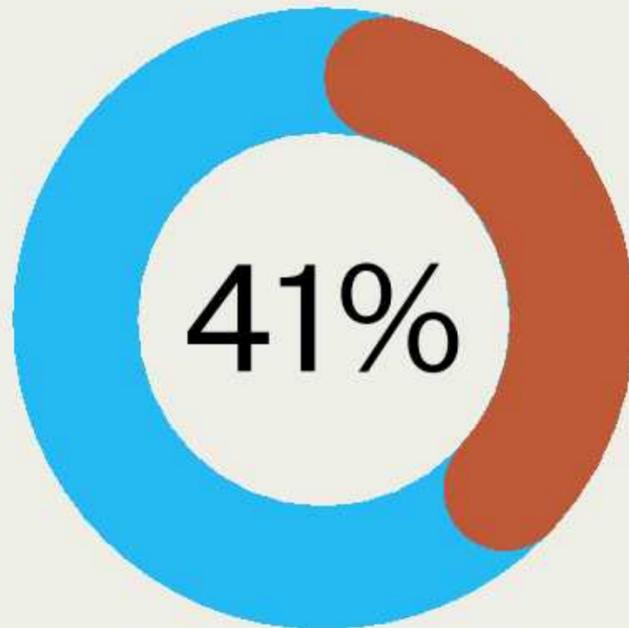
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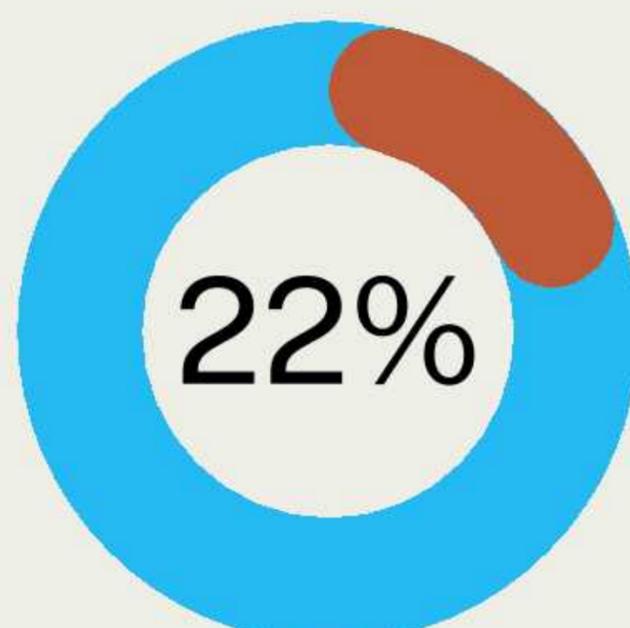
7,025 CLIENTS  
WITH A HISTORY  
OF DOMESTIC  
VIOLENCE



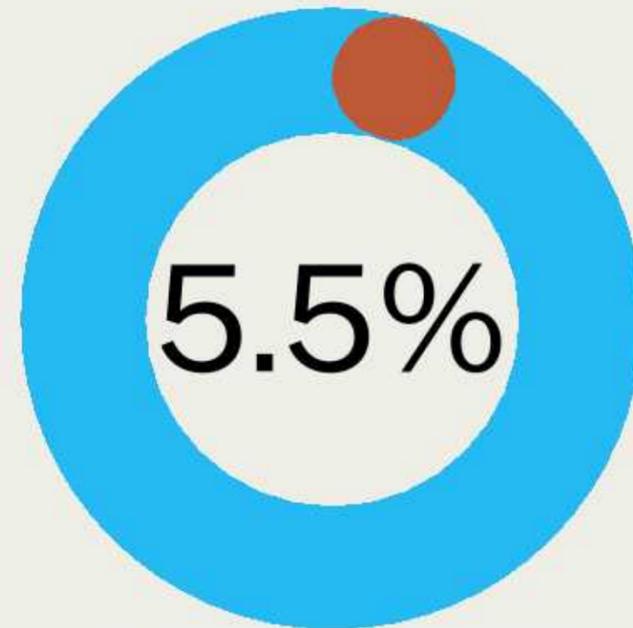
9,075 CLIENTS  
WITH AT LEAST  
ONE DISABILITY



11,283 CLIENTS  
WITH NO SOURCE OF  
MONTHLY INCOME



6,158 CLIENTS WITH  
NO HEALTH  
INSURANCE



1,532 VETERAN  
CLIENTS



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# WHAT COSTS ARE INVOLVED

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<b>Total to address homelessness:</b>	<b>\$136,500,000</b>
<b>Total homeless prevention:</b>	<b>\$34,500,000</b>
<b>Grand total annual cost:</b>	<b>\$171,000,000</b>
<b>One time construction cost</b>	<b>\$96,000,000</b>

2023 Update to Analysis of Resources Needed to House Everyone in New Mexico



# THE IMPACT



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# OBSTACLES

- **Barriers**
- **Criminalization**
- **Policy**
- **Collaboration**

# BEST PRACTICE

- **Lived Experience**
- **Data, Data, Data**
- **Deep investments in housing, services and community**
- **Policy**
- **Collaboration**

# IMPACT STORIES

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## *Community Collaboration*

Client initially had a RRH voucher through an ABQ agency but was dropped due to lack of contact. Turns out she was living in her car with no phone service. Our navigator by chance met her at an APS Title I event we attend quarterly. Client was very motivated to work on housing, so we reassessed her with the VISPDAT at the event. She met eligibility criteria for housing through S.A.F.E. house, and was able to acquire housing in two weeks.

## *Improved Coordination Statewide*

Due to the merger with Albuquerque CES and BOS, CES can better coordinate with agencies in SF and ABQ, helping families find housing opportunities that were previously inaccessible. Affordable housing in Santa Fe is scarce, especially for families. One family camping in Santa Fe was referred to a local shelter, where they received case management and addressed substance use issues. They are now using Coordinated Entry and shelter case mgt. to find housing resources in Albuquerque.

## *Helping Clients Overcome Obstacles*

CES and Joy Junction helped a mother and her six children secure PSH despite many challenges, including a couple of evictions and significant restitution debts. The family had lived in their car, the Hawthorne, and Joy Junction for years, and had an unsuccessful attempt with EHV housing. CES was able to refer them to PSH, and with Joy Junction's case mgt., they found a suitable property accommodating her and her large family.

## *Housing as a foundation for Success*

Client, a 23-year-old human trafficking survivor, is a strong advocate for herself and her family. She sought support from the Dream Center and completed her tasks. With a PSH voucher, she is actively seeking housing. Once housed, she plans to gain custody of her younger siblings and return to school to become a case manager. Stable housing will help her meet basic needs and focus on long-term goals.



# QUESTIONS?

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# Thank you!

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