# 2021 HUD System Performance Measures

Sacramento Continuum of Care



## Overview of HUD System Performance Measures (SPM)

- HUD identified 7 elements of system performance to measure the progress of each community in meeting the needs of individuals experiencing homelessness
- For each performance measure, HUD identified specific data points and sources to ensure measurement is the same across Continuums of Care (CoC)
- Data comes from the Point-in-Time Count and HMIS (Homeless Management Information System)
- SPMs are submitted to HUD annually by the HMIS Lead Agency; Sacramento Steps Forward is the lead for Sacramento County



### **How HUD Measures Effectiveness**

Does the community's homeless response system:

1. Eliminate homelessness

SPM 3: Number of persons experiencing homelessness

2. Reduce the number of people becoming homeless

SPM 2: Returns to homelessness SPM 5: First time homelessness

3. Help people become quickly and stably housed

SPM 1: Length of time homeless

SPM 4: Employment and income growth

SPM 7: Successful placement and retention of housing

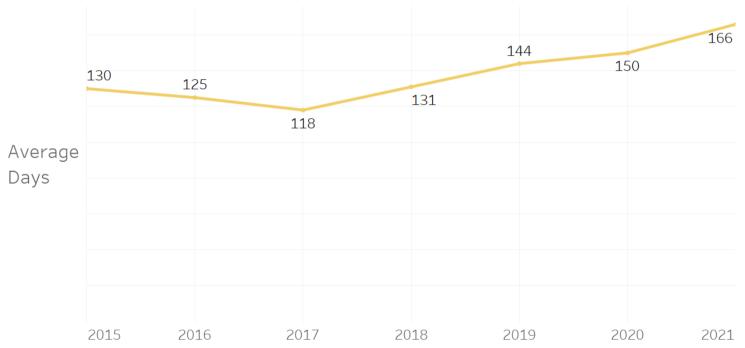


## **Key Limitations of Systems Performance Measures**

- All system performance measures are based on point -in-time (PIT) count and HMIS data, which have some limitations by design
- SPM 1: Length of Time Homeless reflects length of stay in shelter, safe haven or transitional housing (and does not include length of time in unsheltered situations due to data limitations)
- SPM 2: Returns to Homelessness and SPM 5: First Time Homelessness only look at a 2-year timeframe within the same CoC (so returns after 2 years or homelessness prior to 2 years is not reflected, nor is homelessness elsewhere)
- SPM 4: Unlike other measures, Employment & Income Growth measures only performance of CoC-funded projects and not the entire system



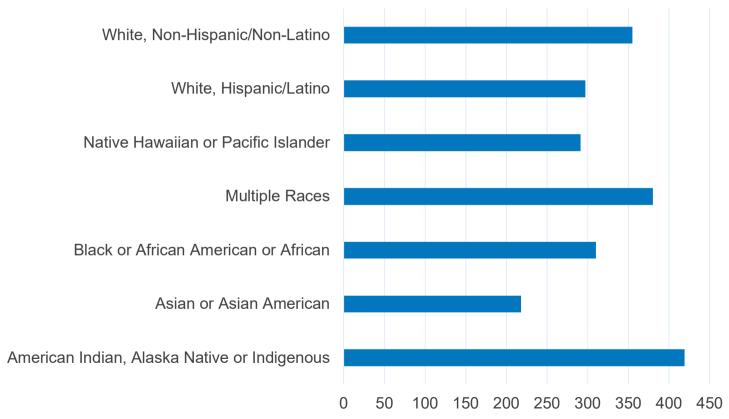
**Measure 1:** Length of time persons remain homeless.



The average length of time persons remain homeless in ES, SH and TH projects increased between 2020 and 2021.



Average Household Cumulative Days Homeless





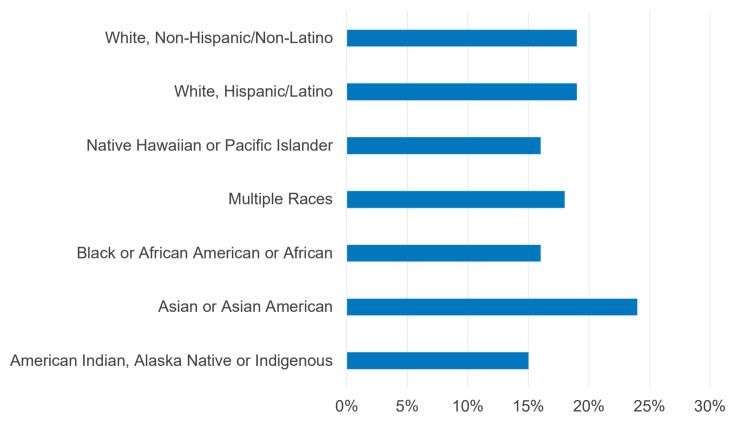
**Measure 2**: Percent of persons who return to homelessness.



The percent of persons who return to homelessness within 6 months (yellow) and 12 months (blue) increased between 2020 and 2021. Returns within 24 months (green) decreased bewteen 2020 and 2021.

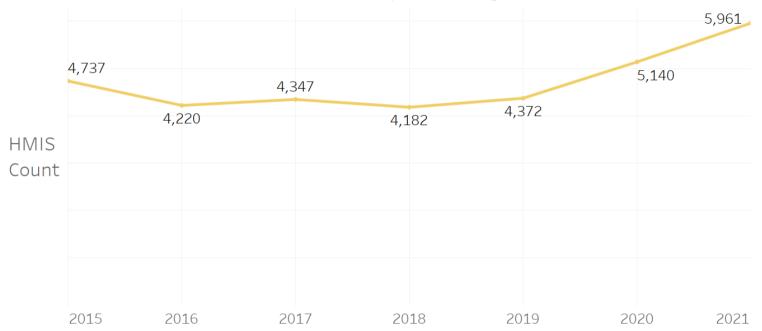


Percent Household Returns from All Destinations within 12 Months





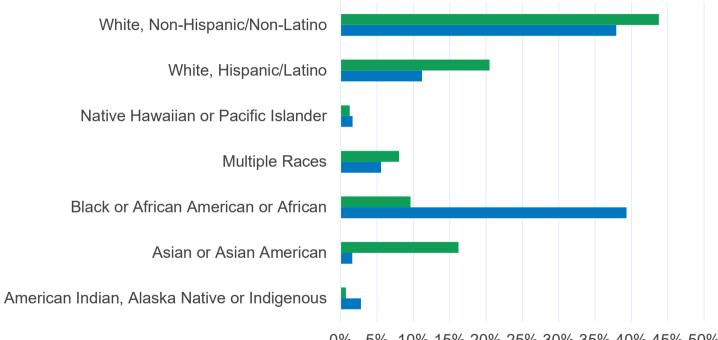
Measure 3: Number of individuals experiencing homelessness.



The number of persons who are homeless increased between 2020 and 2021.



Heads of Households and Adults Experiencing Homelessness

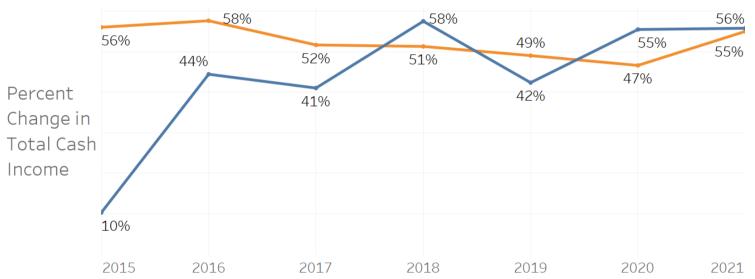


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- Share of Sacramento County Population (2019)
- Share of Households Experiencing Homelessness (2021)



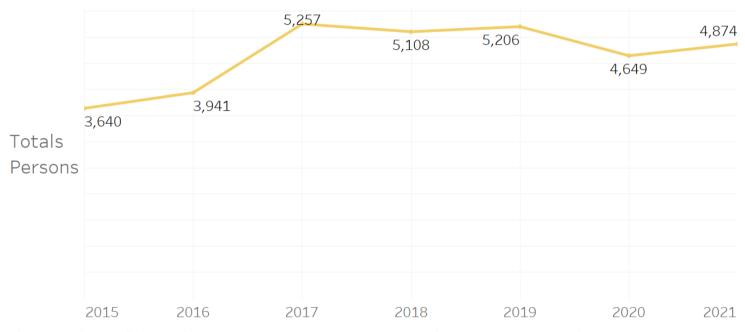
**Measure 4**: Employment and income growth for individuals experiencing homelessness in CoC program-funded projects.



Total cash income for homeless persons staying in projects (**blue**) and leaving projects (**orange**) **increased** between 2020 and 2021.



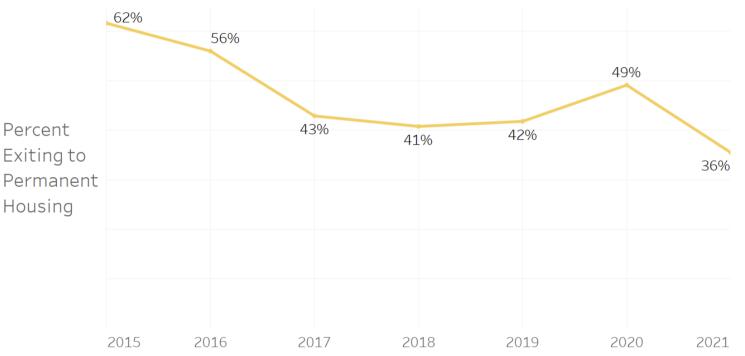
**Measure 5**: Number of persons who become homeless for the first time.



The number of homeless persons in ES, SH, TH and PH projects with no prior HMIS enrollments increased between 2020 to 2021.



**Measure 7**: Successful placement in permanent housing.



99% of those who exited to a Permanent Housing program stayed in Permanent Housing.

The percent of people existing homelessness to permanent housing **decreased** between 2020 and 2021.





