

Statewide Homeless Systems Needs Analysis

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Goals of a Needs Assessment

*Data Gives
Planners,
Agency Staff,
Stakeholders,
and Elected
Officials Tools
They Need to
Understand
What it Would
Take to End
Homelessness*



- Conversation starter
- Estimates resources necessary to end homelessness (functionally)
- Provides assessment of types of interventions residents need
 - Helps jump-start planning discussions
- Identifies gaps, strengths, funding required
- Provides a look at systems feeding into homelessness

Collect Data

How a Needs Assessment Works

Systems/Populations Needing SH:

Child Welfare

Criminal Justice

Health/Behavioral Health

Foster Care

Residential Settings for MH, SUD, DD

Nursing Homes

Juvenile Justice

Systems Maps

Housing Inventory Counts (HIC)

Homeless Count Data:

People Experiencing Chronic Homelessness

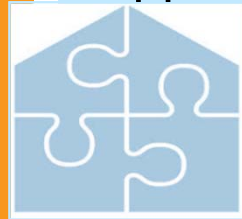
Families

Youth

Individual Adults

Extrapolate Estimates Based on Research

How a Needs Assessment Works



Systems Feeding Into Homelessness: National or, to the extent available, state data on the number of people exiting institutional settings into homelessness, which allows staff to estimate the number of people entering homelessness or needing supportive housing over time.

Numbers: Estimates of individuals, families, youth needing supportive housing, rapid re-housing and other affordable housing, and diversion interventions.

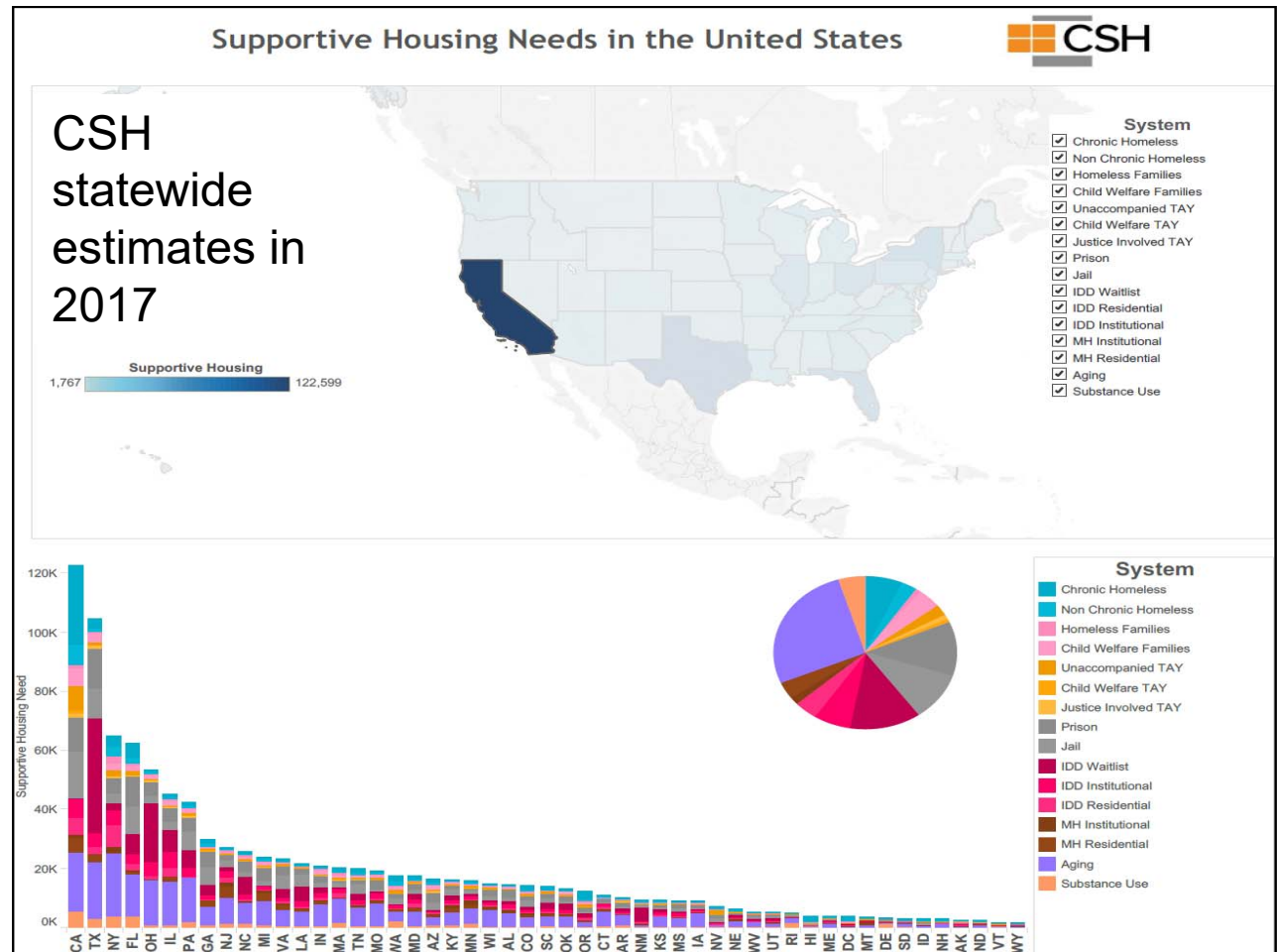


Financial Model: Staff use data on capital, operating, rental assistance, and services costs, based on statewide and local averages, fair market rents, and operating costs modeling.



Not an Exact Science

How a Needs Assessment Works



Estimates are as good as data received. Data from state agency staff would likely be more accurate than national data.

Approaches to Needs Assessment in California

Options
Considered by
Interagency
Working Group

Assess
homeless
systems in 3-4
homeless CoCs
with largest
homeless
populations.

+ **Statewide Needs
Assessment**

Assess
homeless
systems in a
cross-section of
2-6 homeless
CoCs
representing
geographic
diversity.

Assess
homeless
systems in all
CoCs in
California.

Needs Assessment in California

Statewide Needs Assessment

Assessment Identified by Interagency Working Group

Assess homeless systems in 3-4 homeless CoCs with largest homeless populations.

- Los Angeles, Santa Clara, San Francisco, and (potentially) San Diego Counties
- Assess homeless systems in areas with greatest impact
- Use existing assessment data

Assess homeless systems in a cross-section of 2-6 CoCs representing geographic diversity.

- Analysis of differences in need, based on diverse cross-section of geographies
- Representatives of other CoCs of similar type
- Data availability

Process

Timeline depends on local buy-in & data availability

CSH Staff & Interagency Working Group

1. Collect Data: Statewide Data & Research

Large Homeless CoCs

Reach Out to Other Potential CoCs

2. Work with Council Members to Complete Statewide Assessment

3. Complete Needs Assessment for 3-4 CoCs with Largest Populations (existing data)

4. Identify CoCs for Next Phase, Attempt to Obtain Local Buy-In to Gather Data

5. If Feasible, Complete Needs Assessment for 2-6 Geographically Diverse CoCs (6-12 months)

6. Finalize Statewide Assessment, Complete Report, Present to Council & Stakeholders

Partnership in Process

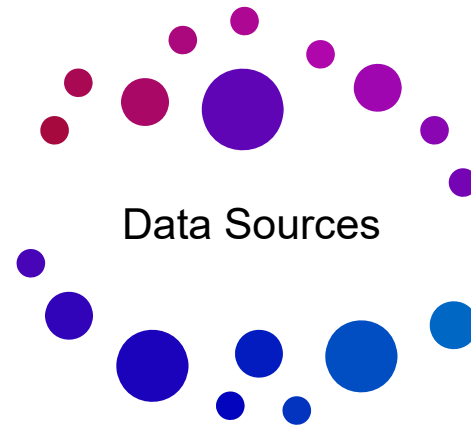
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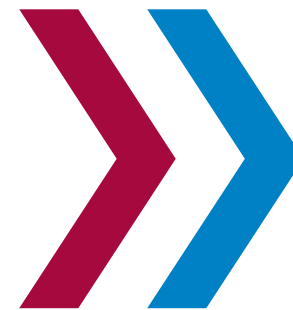
**Phased
Process:
Feedback
with
Interagency
Working
Group &
Other State
Agency Staff,
Staff of Local
CoCs**

Role of Council & Members

**Accuracy &
Quality
Depend on
Data
Availability**



**Council Members Help
to—
Identify Sources of Data,
Share Findings on Exits
to Homelessness,
Provide Local Contacts**



**Provide Input on
Direction of
Assessment,
Share Once
Complete**

THANK YOU!



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