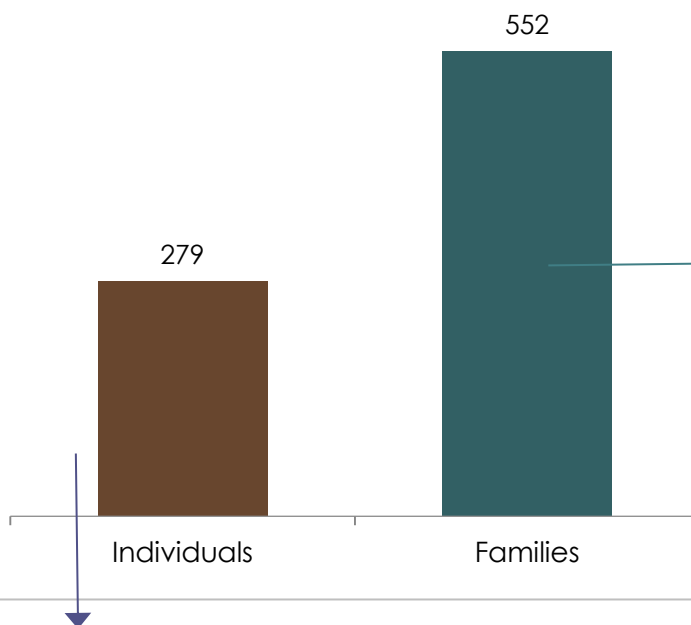


## Hampden County Homeless Point-in-Time Count: 2016 Highlights

The annual point-in-time count identifies the number of persons on the streets, in emergency shelter, and in transitional housing on a single night. The count took place January 27, 2016.

- > A **total of 2385 persons** were counted, which is a drop of 21% from 2015. Of these persons, 1% were living outside; 91% were staying in emergency shelter; and 8% were in transitional housing.
- > The decrease from 2015 was driven by a decrease in **homeless families**. The number of homeless families dropped from 756 to 552.
- > The total number of homeless **veterans** dropped from 38 in 2015 to 25 in 2016 - a 34% reduction.

### 2016 PIT: Summary of families and individuals in emergency shelter or unsheltered



#### Family homelessness

552 families were staying in emergency shelter or overflow hotel/motel rooms on the night of the count. No families were living outside.

#### Veteran Families

0.6%

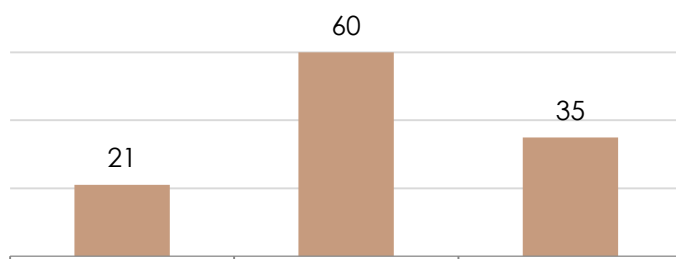
#### Chronically Homeless Families

6%

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#### Veterans 8%      Chronic Homeless 22%      Unsheltered 13%



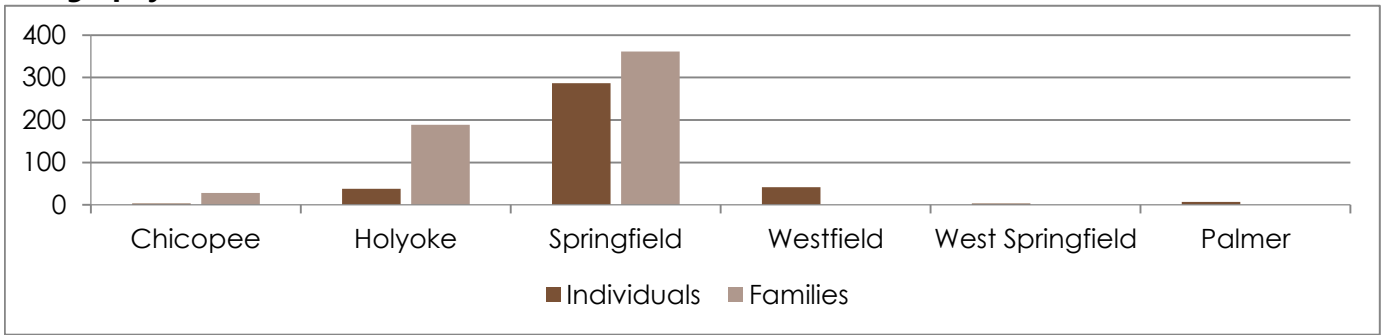
#### Individual homelessness

244 individuals were staying in emergency shelter and 35 were on the street on the night of the count.

#### Youth homelessness

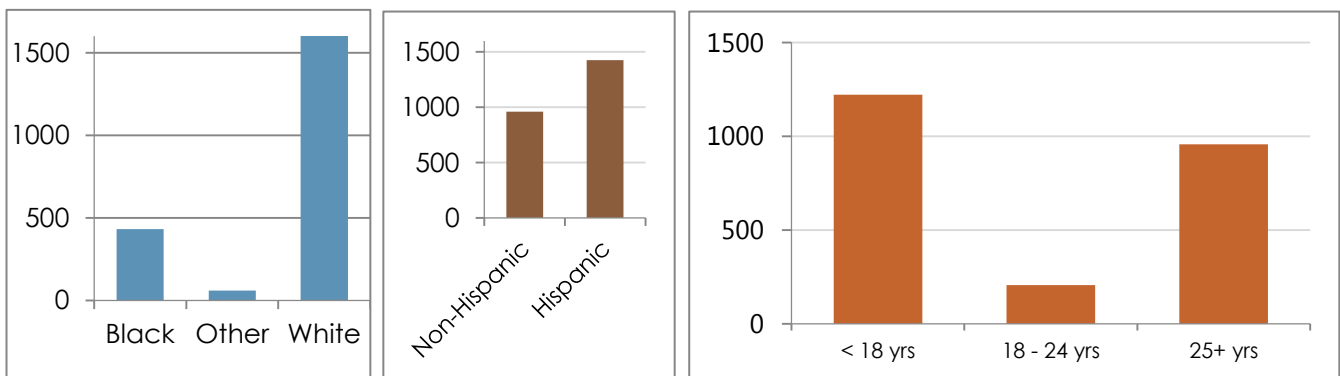
The individuals included 1 youth, under 18, on her own. She was unsheltered.

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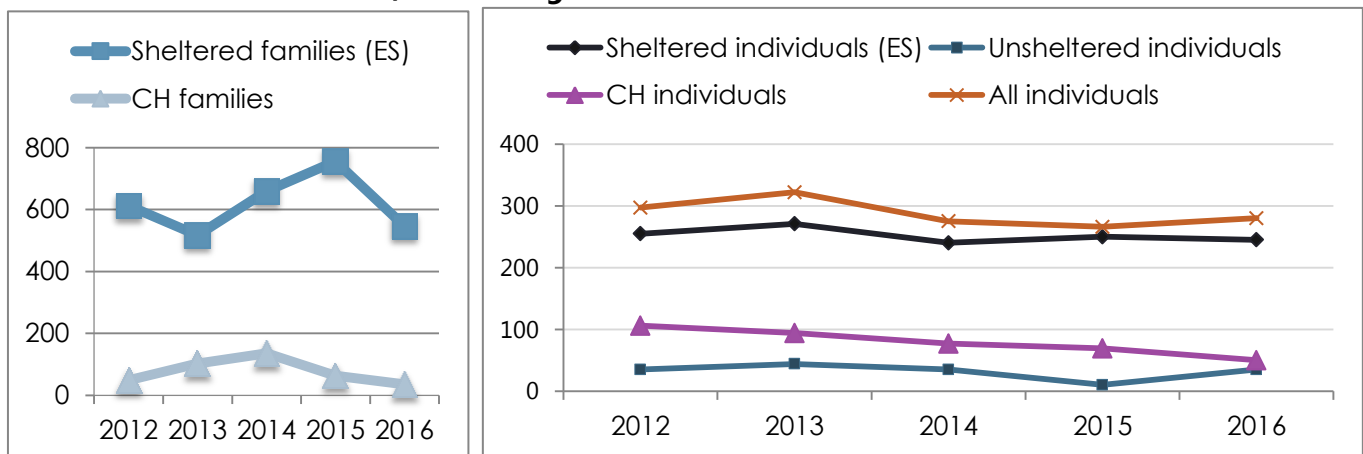
> Most homeless people were in Springfield and Holyoke--where shelters are located.

## Demographics:



> People of color are disproportionately impacted by homelessness within the Hampden County CoC. 60% of all homeless persons are Latino even though Latinos comprise only 21% of the population in Hampden County.

## Trends: Declines for families, little change for individuals.



> There was a significant drop in the last year in the number of homeless families. There is not much movement in the number of homeless individuals, but the number of chronically homeless individuals continues a steady but gradual decline.