## CT Statewide Point in Time Count Information

## CT CAN End Homelessness YYA Subcommittee

## What is the CT Point in Time (PIT) Count?

Each year CT counts all people experiencing homelessness as defined by HUD and reports that data to HUD.

### When is the 202 6CT PIT Count?

2026's count is Tuesday night, 1/27/26. HUD requires that the count be conducted for a single night during the last 10 days of January each year.

#### Who is counted?

HUD has strict rules about who must be and may not be counted. Only people who stayed in one of these places on the night of 1/27/26 can be counted:

- A place not meant for human habitation, like a vehicle, tent, park, train station, or abandoned building
- An emergency shelter, transitional housing, or warming center

People who spent the night with friends or family, or in a hospital, jail, emergency room, or rehab cannot be counted.

## How can I help make sure all youth experiencing unsheltered homelessness are counted?

Youth experiencing unsheltered homelessness should be connected to a Street Outreach or Youth Navigator program. Those programs must:

- See the person on the night of the count or speak to the person within 7 days after the count to verify where they slept on 1/27/26. Where the person slept cannot be assumed.
- Complete a <u>Current Living Assessment (CLA)</u> in the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) for the young person for the night of 1/27/26 indicating where the person slept on that night.
- Collect and enter or confirm data in the PIT database by 2/3/26.

If you aren't sure how to connect youth to services and ensure that they are counted, you can reach out to one of the CAN Outreach Contacts included on page 2.

## What should staff at Street Outreach and Youth Navigator programs do to get ready for the count?

Data clean up:

- Ensure all clients are enrolled in HMIS and have a Current Living Assessment (CLA) completed within the past 90 days.
- Ensure clients no longer receiving services are exited from the program in HMIS.

Staff from Street Outreach and Youth Navigator programs must attend the **Unsheltered PIT Training on Tuesday, January 7**<sup>th</sup> to make sure that you have the information you need about the count.

• If you wish to be added to the email distribution list for PIT emails, contact Jim at Jim@nutmegit.com.

## Where can I get more information?

You can find information about CT's 2025 PIT Count on the CT HMIS PIT webpage.

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