

# CLACKAMAS COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

## Policy Session Worksheet

**Presentation Date:** May 13, 2025    **Approx. Start Time:** 2:00 PM    **Approx. Length:** 30 Minutes

**Presentation Title:** 2025 Point in Time Count Update

**Department:** Health Housing and Human Services

**Presenters:** Mary Rumbaugh, Director of Health Housing and Human Services; Vahid Brown, Deputy Director of the Housing and Community Development Division

### WHAT ACTION ARE YOU REQUESTING FROM THE BOARD?

This is an informational update only on the 2025 Point-in-Time Count of people experiencing homelessness in Clackamas County.

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The Point-in-Time (PIT) Count is a count of sheltered and unsheltered people experiencing homelessness on a single night. Sheltered means staying in a safety off the streets program and unsheltered means living in a place not meant for human habitation. The U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD) requires that Continuums of Care (CoC) plan, coordinate, and carry out these counts no less than bi-annually and report on the data and findings. As the local Continuum of Care Lead Agency, Clackamas County's count is carried out by the Housing & Community Development Division. In addition to providing valuable information about the prevalence of homelessness in our community (in-flow vs. out-flow), HUD uses the PIT Count to measure the performance of the CoC's efforts to respond to homelessness. Beginning in 2022, Clackamas County joined Multnomah and Washington Counties in conducting coordinated regional PIT Counts.

For this year's Count, carried out in January, the three counties contracted with Portland State University to support the regional count and conduct data analyses of regional data. Performing a regional count presents a number of system improvement opportunities, including further regionalization efforts consistent with the implantation of the Supportive Housing Services Measure and improving the consistency and quality of the data collected across the three counties. A regional report on the outcomes of the 2025 PIT Count will be provided this summer and a local Clackamas County PIT report will be produced by staff by June. This update is to provide the Board with high level outcomes of this year's PIT Count and its relation to the previous regional count conducted in January 2023.

### FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS (current year and ongoing):

Is this item in your current budget? ☒ YES    ☐ NO

What is the cost? \$105,747    What is the funding source? Supportive Housing Services

### STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT:

- How does this item align with your Department's Strategic Business Plan goals?

This item aligns with the following Department strategic priorities:

- Assist individuals and families in need to be healthy and safe
- Increase self-sufficiency
- Increase community safety and health
- Continually improve the efficiency and effectiveness of services

- How does this item align with the County's Performance Clackamas goals?

This item aligns with the following County strategic priorities:

- Ensure safe, healthy and secure communities
- Grow a vibrant economy
- Build a strong infrastructure
- Build public trust through good government

**LEGAL/POLICY REQUIREMENTS:** N/A

**PUBLIC/GOVERNMENTAL PARTICIPATION:**

The 2025 PIT Count engaged staff across H3S, in collaboration with Continuum of Care partners, service providers, Portland State University, and community volunteers, to coordinate street count surveys, conduct the shelter count, assemble outreach kits, ensure geographic coverage, and coordinate training sessions and communications.

**OPTIONS:** N/A, informational update only.

**RECOMMENDATION:** N/A, informational update only.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

Attachment #1: Presentation Slides (*to follow, publication on Monday, May 12*)

**SUBMITTED BY:**

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 County Administrator Approval \_\_\_\_\_

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