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**Local Point-in-Time (PIT) Count Data Released for 2024**  
***Updated data will assist local community to qualify for funding***

**Stockton, CA** – On May 10, 2024 the San Joaquin County Continuum of Care (SJCoC) submitted Point-in-Time (PIT) Count data to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). SJCoC is required by HUD to submit PIT Counts bi-annually, where volunteers count the number of sheltered and unsheltered people experiencing homelessness on a single day in January. This year's PIT Count reported 1,254 sheltered individuals and 3,469 unsheltered individuals.

"The demand for homeless services have increased year-over-year, accompanied by concerns from community members, government funding partners, and service providers alike," commented Krista M. Fiser, the new Chair of the SJCoC and Chief Executive Officer of PREVAIL. "Accurate and relevant data is the starting point for measuring meaningful outcomes while engendering trust, transparency and alignment to achieve a common goal."

Hundreds of trained volunteers participated in the one-day count, which occurred on the morning of January 29 between 5 a.m. and 10 a.m. from deployment centers in Lodi, Manteca, Stockton, and Tracy. Efforts were overseen by Applied Survey Research (ASR), who designed the data collection methodology for the unsheltered count. Central Valley Low Income Housing Corporation (CVLIHC) provided the sheltered count which was obtained from the County's homeless management information system (HMIS) that they are contracted to maintain and oversee.

City specific and demographic data is anticipated to be released in June 2024.

San Joaquin County, SJCoC, and the City of Stockton recently approved a regionally coordinated Homeless Action Plan to make homelessness rare, brief, and non-recurring. Several programs are underway to address the complex issue of homelessness with highlights below:

**San Joaquin County** – Funded a Homeless Leadership Forum, facilitated by United Way, San Joaquin County, and Health Care Services; appointed an Interim Program Administrator of Homeless Initiatives; created a Community Assessment, Response and Engagement (CARE) Team; and transitioned its Neighborhood Preservation division to the Human Services Agency.

**City of Stockton** – The City created a Homeless Strategic Initiative Manager position in 2023; supported and received three Homekey Awards creating more than 100 units of homeless housing; funded a navigation center and the Pathways project at St. Mary's Community Services that will net more than 400 beds for unsheltered homeless, due to open later this year.



**City of Lodi** – Added 100+ permanent/transitional housing units and shelter beds since the 2022 PIT Count; partnered with social service providers to aid 330 families with rental assistance; plans for 108 additional affordable housing units for seniors and Veterans; intends to open a permanent Access Center and Emergency Shelter by Fall 2025.

**City of Tracy** – Created a Homeless Services Division in June of 2022; opened a 48-bed shelter in November 2022; added 38 beds to the shelter in December 2023; construction will begin on a 70-bed Navigation Center in August 2024.

**City of Manteca** - Opened two, 25 bed dormitory modular units for overnight use in April 2024; His Way Refuge Center is the current provider of the City's unsheltered emergency center; plans to complete the Manteca Navigation Center with mixed-use/affordable housing components.

If you or someone you know needs resources, please call 211.

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