Orange County’s Point in Time (PIT) count occurred on January 28th, 2017. The PIT count is a biennial tally of people without a home on a particular night. We count because we want to understand homelessness in our community in order to end it. This PIT count provides vital information that guides and shapes the way we approach and solve homelessness in Orange County. This information is provided to the federal Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and informs the amount and type of resources Orange County receives to help end homelessness.

**4,792 TOTAL**

**UNSHELTERED**

- 2,584

**SHELTERED**

- 1,248
  - Emergency Shelter
  - Transitional Shelter

**SERVICE PLANNING AREA MAP**

Orange County is divided into three Service Planning Areas (SPAs) that efficiently direct resources as individuals experiencing homelessness enter the Coordinated Entry System.

**CONTINUUM OF CARE**

A Continuum of Care (CoC) is an integrated system of care that guides homeless individuals & families through a comprehensive array of services and housing designed to prevent and end homelessness. The County of Orange is the lead for Orange County’s CoC, which funds 14 nonprofits across the OC CoC.

**SUMMARY OF KEY FINDINGS**

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In conjunction with 2-1-1 Orange County, the OC Commission to End Homelessness convened an ad hoc committee to provide guidance on the 2017 PIT count project. The ad hoc committee’s direction included a public places count with sampling methodology. This methodology was also used for the 2013 and 2015 PIT counts. During the 2017 PIT count, 86 additional maps were counted and surveyed for a total of 270 maps in comparison to 184 maps in the 2015 PIT count. Reductions in transitional shelter beds is reflective of national HUD funding priorities. Increase in emergency shelter beds is a result of The Courtyard, a County investment. Reallocation of resources to permanent housing are not reflected in the count results.
Orange County is the third largest county in California, and sixth largest in the nation with a population of more than three million people. Despite our affluent reputation, we have residents who have needs you might not expect. Like many counties across the nation, we have people experiencing homelessness. The County of Orange is working diligently to provide funding and resources for this vulnerable population. Here is a look at what we’ve done in the last year.

**SHELTER**
The Board of Supervisors has committed more than $23.5 MILLION to providing multiple shelter options that meet a variety of needs.

**BRIDGES AT KRAEMER**
(North Anaheim) County’s first year-round emergency shelter and multi-service center with on-site programs. 100 beds in phase one opening Spring 2017, 100 additional beds in phase two anticipated in late 2018.

**THE COURTYARD**
(Santa Ana Civic Center) Day service center and low barrier, low threshold safe sleep shelter.

**ARMORIES**
(Santa Ana and Fullerton) Overnight cold-weather emergency shelter providing 400 beds from December to April.

**PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING**
$8 MILLION AVAILABLE The Board approved issuance of the 2016 Permanent Supportive Housing Notice of Funding Availability to provide up to $8 million for the acquisition, new construction and acquisition/rehabilitation of permanent supportive housing for Orange County’s extremely low-income households that are homeless.

**RESTAURANT MEALS PROGRAM**
$250K PER YEAR The Board approved the Restaurant Meals Program that will enable CalFresh recipients who are homeless, disabled and/or elderly to purchase meals from participating restaurants with their CalFresh benefits. It is intended to increase food access for those who do not have a place to store or cook food, may not be able to prepare food or lack access to a grocery store.

**WHOLE PERSON CARE INITIATIVE**
The Whole Person Care Initiative is targeting services to those Medi-Cal beneficiaries experiencing homelessness and are high utilizers of emergency rooms.

**$23.5 MILLION PHASE ONE**
NOVEMBER 2016 - DECEMBER 2020

**$7.6 MILLION PHASE TWO**
JULY 2017 - DECEMBER 2020

**CRISIS STABILIZATION UNITS**
$23.9 MILLION In funding from the County has increased the number of beds available for people in a psychiatric crisis, allowing individuals to receive immediate psychiatric care as opposed to going to the emergency room.

**CONTINUUM OF CARE**
The County is the lead for Orange County’s Continuum of Care, which provides $22.3 MILLION in funding to nonprofits to provide permanent housing options (rapid rehousing or permanent supportive housing) to individuals and families in our community. Provides funding for increased and strategic coordination of resources targeting the most vulnerable populations.

**EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANTS**
$1.1 MILLION The Board approves local nonprofits to receive state grant funding to provide emergency shelter and rapid rehousing services to individuals and families in the community.