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Number of surveys recorded	199
Number of adults in households	201
Number of children in households	29
Total number of people	230
Chronically Homeless Households*	34

Age Category

	Frequency	Percent
17 & Under	2	1.0
18 – 24	35	17.6
25 – 64	157	78.9
65 & Older	5	2.5
Total	199	100.0

Gender Identity

	Frequency	Percent
Male	130	68.1
Female	61	31.9
Transgender	0	0.0
Total	191	100.0

Sexual Orientation

	Frequency	Percent
Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual	0	0.0
Straight	100	95.2
Questioning	1	1.0
Prefer not to answer	4	3.8
Total	105	100.0

A shorter way to put it: A person living in emergency shelter, safe haven, or a place not meant for habitation who has a disability, and who has been homeless for at least one year or at least four times in the past three years (total time would equal 12 months or more).

^{*}Per section 401(2) of the McKinney-Act, 42 U.S.C. 11360, Chronically homeless means: as an individual or family that is homeless and resides in a place not meant for human habitation, a safe haven, or in an emergency shelter, <u>and</u> has been homeless and residing in such a place for at least 1 year <u>or</u> on at least four separate occasions in the last 3 years. The statutory definition also requires that the individual or family has a head of household with a diagnosable substance use disorder, serious mental illness, developmental disability, posttraumatic stress disorder, cognitive impairments resulting from a brain injury, or chronic physical illness or disability.

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Race

	Frequency	Percent
White	148	76.7
Asian	0	0.0
American Indian or Alaska Native	28	14.5
Black or African American	6	3.1
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0	0.0
Two or More	11	5.7
Total	193	100.0

Hispanic or Latino

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	11	9.0
No	111	91.1
Total	122	100.0

Nighttime Residence of Households on 1/21/16

	Frequency	Percent
Emergency Shelter (DV shelter included)	81	40.7
Transitional Shelter	63	31.7
Hotel/Motel (paid by voucher)	4	2.0
Place Not Meant For Habitation	51	25.6
Total	199	100.0

Household Makeup

	Frequency	Percent
Households Without Children	153	76.9
Unaccompanied Young Adults (age 18 – 24)	32	16.1
Unaccompanied Youth (under age 18)	2	1.0
Parenting Young Adults (age 18 – 24)	3	1.5
Parenting Youth (under age 18)	1	0.5
Household With Children (at least one adult & one child)	8	4.0
Minor Respondent Living With Parent(s)	0	0.0
Other Type Of Family	0	0.0
Total	199	100.0

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Current Situation

	Frequency	Percent
1st time homeless in the past 3 years	46	39.0
2-3 episodes in the past 3 years	16	13.6
At least 4 episodes in the past 3 years	15	12.7
Continuously homeless for a year or more	41	34.7
Total	118	100.0

Length of Current Episode of Homelessness

Median	1 year
Range	6 days – 37 years

Location Where Respondent Became Homeless This Time

Denton	60	Dallas	5
Ft. Worth	2	Lewisville	6
Out of State	7	Texas	15

Homeless another time in past 12 months

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	43	43.9
No	55	56.1
Total	98	100.0

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Reasons for Homelessness

	Frequency	Percent
Financial Reasons	56	37.8
Unable to Pay Rent/Mortgage	47	31.8
Loss of Public Aid	9	6.1
Natural Disaster	4	2.7
Unemployment	48	32.4
Moved to Seek Work	18	12.2
Evicted	0	0.0
Physical Health	26	17.6
Domestic Violence	18	12.2
Family Illness	14	9.5
Divorce or Separation	17	11.5
Hospital Discharge	9	6.1
Pregnant or Parenting	2	1.4
Mental Illness	15	10.1
Substance Abuse	67	45.3
Left Jail/Prison/Detention	17	11.5
Criminal Record	13	8.8
Ran Away From Home	3	2.0
Lifestyle Choice	4	2.7
Sexual Orientation or Gender Identity	2	1.4
To Protect Self or Family Member(s)	8	5.4
Abandonment by Parent or Guardian	7	4.7
Too Crowded/Doubled Up	8	5.4
Aged Out or Ran Away From Foster Care	2	1.4
Kicked Out by Family	15	10.1
Kicked Out by Friends	9	6.1
Other	7	4.7
Total	445	300.7

148 people answered this question. Those 148 people were able to pick more than one reason for becoming homeless.

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Physical/Mental Disability (self-reported)

	Frequency	Percent
Alcohol/Substance Abuse (or addiction)	16	17.2
Serious Mental Illness	29	31.2
Physical Disability	42	45.2
Developmental Disability	5	5.4
HIV/AIDS	0	0.0
Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD)	12	12.9
Traumatic Brain Injury	12	12.9
None of the Above	32	34.4
Total	148	159.1

⁹³ people answered this question. Those 93 people were able to pick more than one disability.

Previous Experiences

•	Frequency	Percent
Domestic Violence	31	32.6
Child Abuse/Neglect	17	17.9
Foster Care	6	6.3
Legal Problems/Prior Conviction	33	34.7
Sexual Assault	16	16.8
Gang Involvement	5	5.3
None of the Above	38	40.0
Total	146	153.7

⁹⁵ people answered this question. Those 95 people were able to pick more than one previous experience.

Experienced Physical or Sexual Violence While Homeless

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	16	17.8
No	74	82.2
Total	90	100.0

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Education

	Frequency	Percent
Less than 9 th grade	4	4.0
Some high school	23	22.8
High school diploma/GED	54	53.4
Some college	9	8.9
College graduate	10	9.9
Technical school/Training program	1	1.0
Master's degree or higher	0	0.0
Total	101	100.0

Able to work

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	70	69.3
No	31	30.7
Total	101	100.0

Job Status

	Frequency	Percent
Unemployed but looking for work	37	52.9
Unemployed but <i>not</i> looking for work	7	10.0
Regular full-time job	18	25.7
Regular part-time job	5	7.1
Temporary job	0	0.0
Day labor/Odd jobs	3	4.3
Retired	0	0.0
Total	70	100.0

Length of Unemployment

	Months
Median	6.0

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US Armed Forces Service

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	10	13.2
No	66	86.8
Total	76	100.0

Active Duty As

A Member of the National Guard or as a Reservist

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	0	0.0
No	54	100.0
Total	54	0.0

Length of Service

	Years
Median	3.0

Tour of Duty

	Frequency	Percent
Korea	0	0.0
Vietnam	2	40.0
Kuwait	1	20.0
Afghanistan	3	60.0
Iraq	0	0.0
Other	0	0.0
Total Responses	6	100.0

⁵ people answered this question. Those 5 people were able to pick more than one tour of duty.

Health Care or Other Benefits from VA medical Center

	Frequency	Percent	
Yes	2	33.3	
No	4	66.7	
Total	6	100.0	

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Services Needed

	Frequency	Percent
Basic Needs (clothing/food)	84	86.6
Job Training/Placement	49	50.5
Food Stamps	60	61.9
Transportation Assistance	61	62.9
Case Management	48	49.5
Veteran Benefits	8	8.2
Other	28	28.9
Total	338	348.5

⁹⁷ people answered this question. Those 97 people were able to pick more than one needed service.