

# Continuum of Care (CoC)

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# 2026 Point in Time Results

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

- The U.S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) requires Continuum of Care (CoCs) to conduct an annual count of people experiencing homelessness on a single night within the last 10 days of January.
- The Point-in-Time (PIT) Count includes people experiencing homelessness who are **unsheltered** and **sheltered** in emergency shelter, transitional housing, and Safe Havens on a single night.
- Data reported through the PIT is used as an ***estimate of the scope and scale of homelessness*** in our community and informs planning, including response to funding opportunities.

# Context for the 2026 Count

- **Wake CoC PIT Count:** January 22, 2026.
  - A White Flag alert was active the night of PIT and subsequent days.
  - Wake CoC results have been officially submitted to HUD per the April 30th deadline.
- The single-night PIT count **does not** reflect system inflow, outflow, or the impact of housing efforts made throughout the year:
  - Bridge 2 Home households served and rapid exit from shelter
  - Matches to Rapid Rehousing and Permanent Supportive Housing through Coordinated Entry or other positive exits
  - Eviction preventions
- Results differ year to year based on HUD guidance, weather, and methodology.

# Methodology

## Unsheltered Count

- Wake CoC confirmed households residing in sheltered locations on the night of PIT from:
  - HMIS program roster reports for all shelter, transitional housing and Safe Haven programs for the night of PIT and
  - Non-HMIS participating programs, such as Domestic Violence or victim-services providers who use an HMIS comparable database.
- Reviewed potential duplicates between unsheltered and sheltered counts.

## Sheltered Count

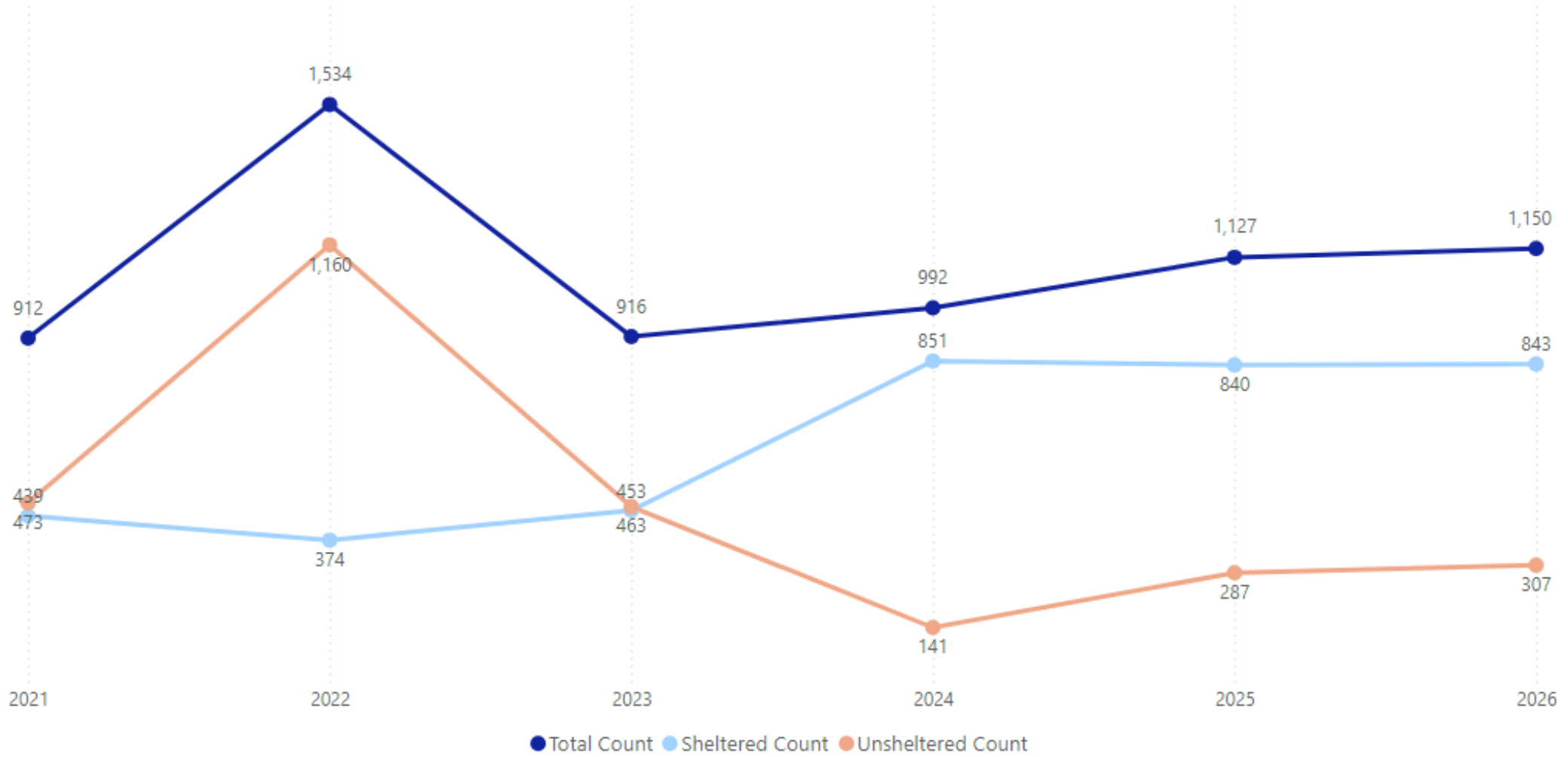
- The Wake CoC employed the Known Locations Strategy for the Unsheltered portion of the PIT Count.
- Over 145 volunteers from 36 organizations formed 7 teams to survey individuals in 81 known locations reported and checked by street outreach teams, agencies, PD/FD, and community members across two 3-hour shifts.
- Service-based (post-night) Count via day service/non-shelter centers on 01/23

# PIT Totals

|            | Emergency Shelter | Transitional Housing | Safe Haven | Unsheltered | Total                 |
|------------|-------------------|----------------------|------------|-------------|-----------------------|
| Households | 629               | 44                   | 0          | 293         | <b>966 Households</b> |
| Persons    | 771               | 72                   | 0          | 307         | <b>1,150 Persons</b>  |

|                 | Emergency Shelter | Transitional Housing | Safe Haven | Unsheltered | Total      |
|-----------------|-------------------|----------------------|------------|-------------|------------|
| Chronic Persons | 201               | 0                    | 0          | 97          | <b>298</b> |

# PIT Trends



# PIT Count Populations

|                                | Emergency Shelter | Transitional Housing | Unsheltered |
|--------------------------------|-------------------|----------------------|-------------|
| Households with Minor Children | 53                | 31                   | 0           |
| Households without Children    | 576               | 31                   | 293         |
| Households with Only Children  | 0                 | 0                    | 0           |

| Population      | Emergency Shelter | Transitional Housing | Unsheltered |
|-----------------|-------------------|----------------------|-------------|
| Veterans        | 26                | 3                    | 15          |
| Parenting Youth | 0                 | 2                    | 0           |



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