



ORANGE COUNTY CONTINUUM OF CARE BOARD

Commission to

ADDRESS HOMELESSNESS

Office of Care Coordination

JOINT SPECIAL MEETING

TUESDAY, JULY 21, 2026

AGENDA

- Call to Order
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Roll Call
- Public Comment
- Commission and CoC Board Members Comments
- Discussion Item #1 – 2026 Point In Time Count
- Discussion Item #2 – Orange County Homeless Prevention Committee
- Adjournment

DISCUSSION – ITEM #1

COMMISSION TO ADDRESS HOMELESSNESS UPDATE

2026 Point In Time Count

The County of Orange and Orange County Continuum of Care released the results of the 2026 Point In Time (PIT) Count on May 18, 2026.

The Office of Care Coordination has compiled the results into a PIT Report.

- The full 2026 PIT Report can be viewed online:

ceo.oc.gov/office-care-coordination





EVERYONE COUNTS

2026 POINT IN TIME SUMMARY

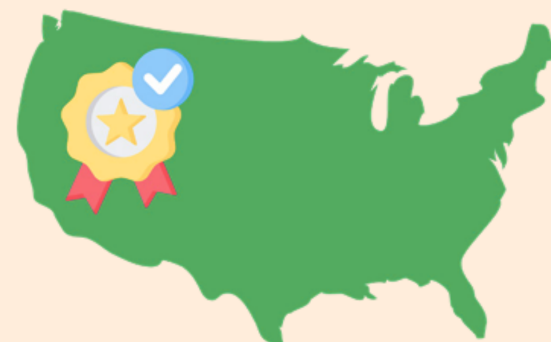




HIGHLIGHTS OF THE 2026 POINT IN TIME COUNT



2026 marks the fourth
federally mandated
PIT Count

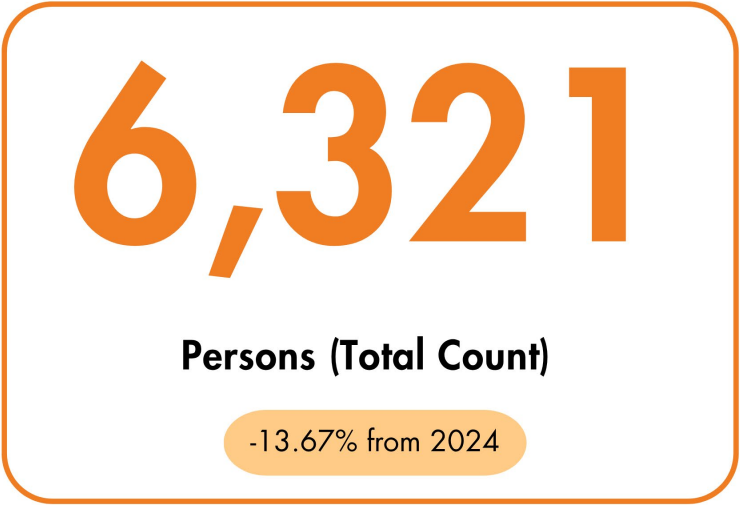
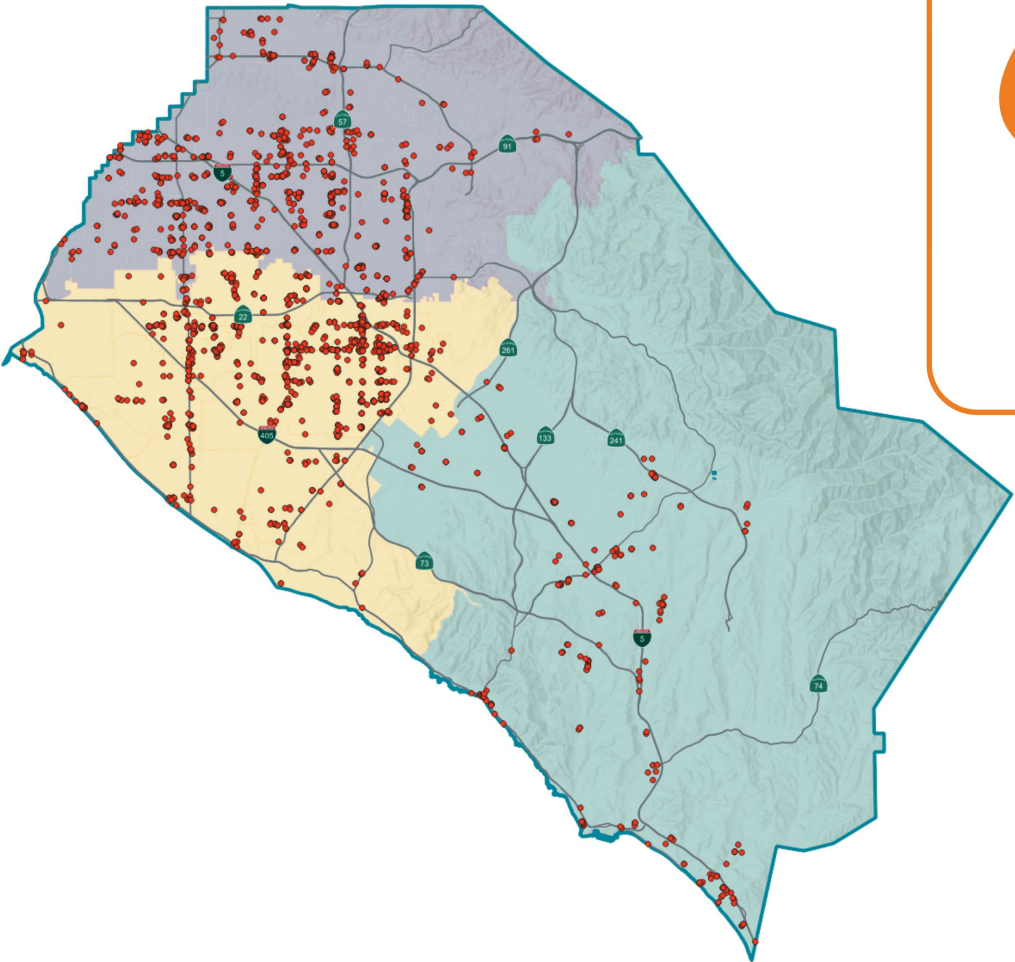
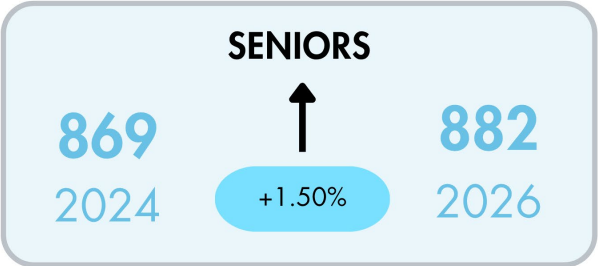
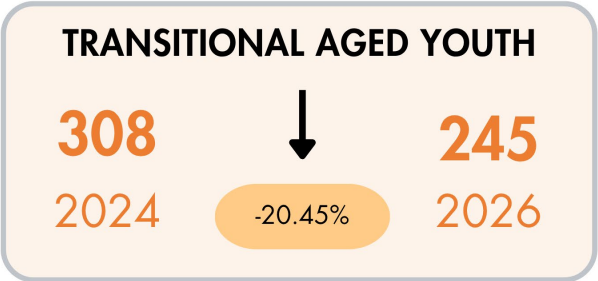
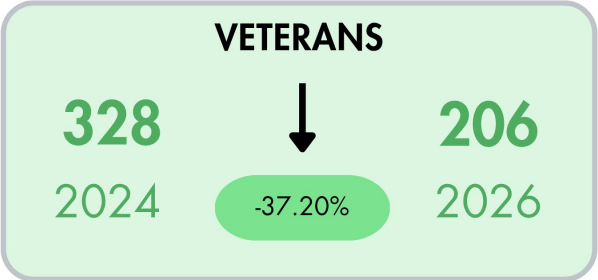


Aligns with National
best practices

*By keeping the methodology consistent, parallel comparisons
can be made between the four counts.*

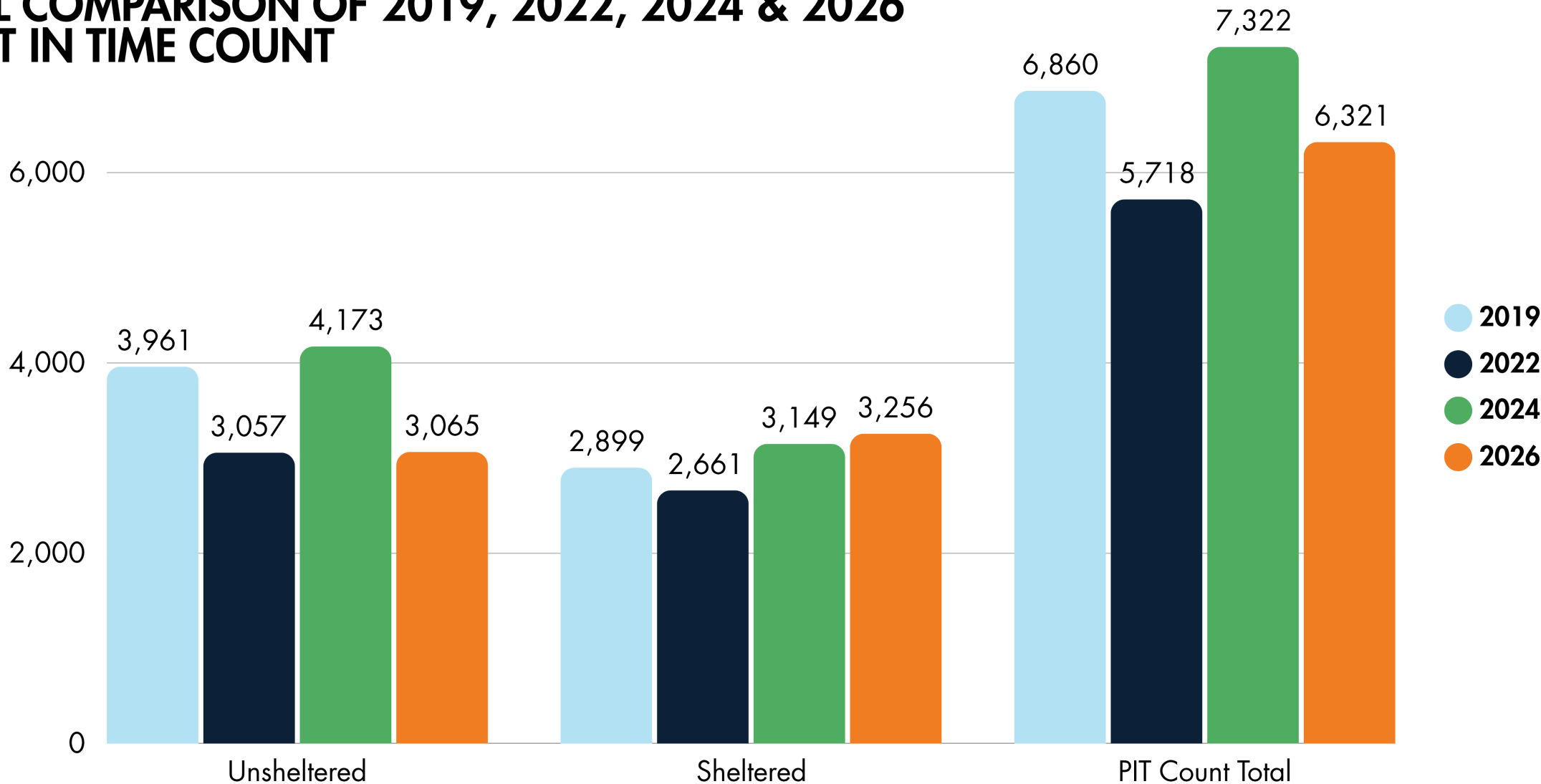


2026 POINT IN TIME COUNT BY THE NUMBERS



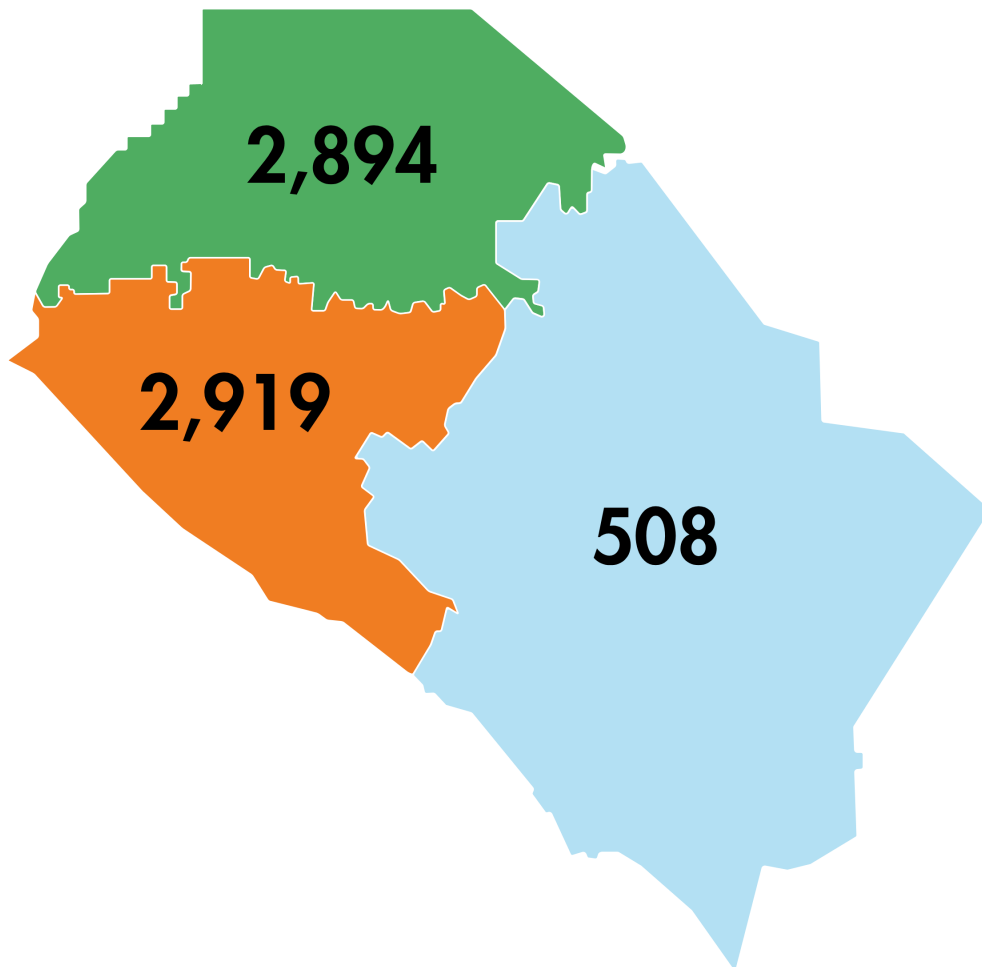


**TOTAL COMPARISON OF 2019, 2022, 2024 & 2026
POINT IN TIME COUNT**





TOTAL PIT COUNT BY SERVICE PLANNING AREA



North Service Planning Area



Central Service Planning Area

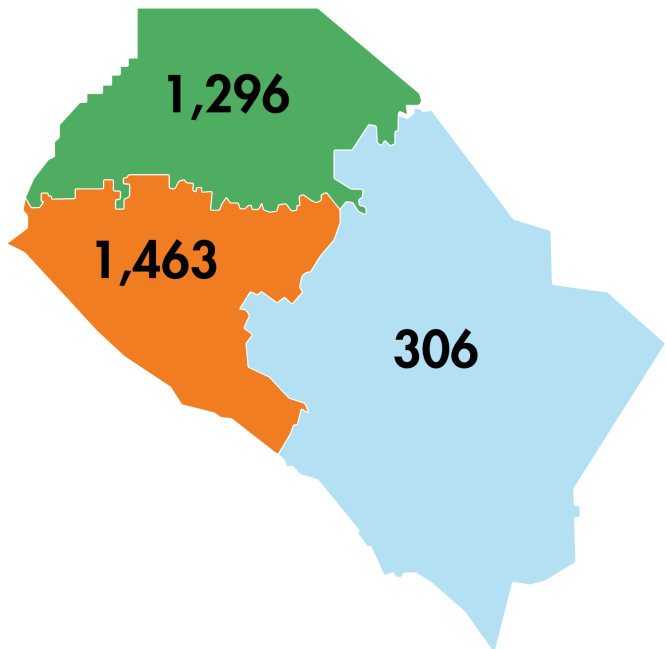


South Service Planning Area





UNSHELTERED VS SHELTERED COUNT



3,065

UNSHELTERED TOTAL

140

VETERANS

Persons who served in the U.S. Armed Forces, National Guard or Reserves

93

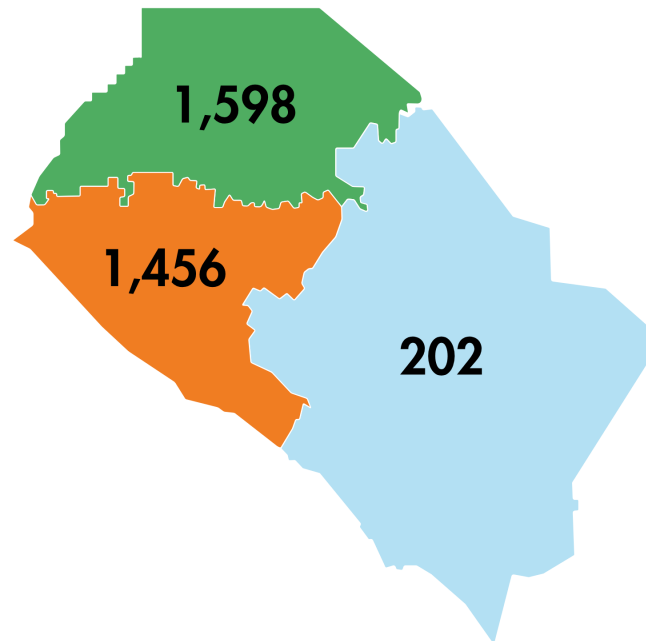
TRANSITIONAL AGED YOUTH

Persons ages 18 to 24

361

SENIORS

Persons ages 62 and older



3,256

SHELTERED TOTAL

66

VETERANS

Persons who served in the U.S. Armed Forces, National Guard or Reserves

152

TRANSITIONAL AGED YOUTH

Persons ages 18 to 24

521

SENIORS

Persons ages 62 and older



SUBPOPULATIONS AND DISABLING CONDITIONS

CHRONIC HOMELESSNESS

UNSHELTERED

41.11%

1,235 Adults
increase from 2024 (38%)

SHELTERED

53.78%

1,479 Adults
increase from 2024 (34%)

SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER

45.04%

1,353 Adults
decrease from 2024 (50%)

26.04%

716 Adults
increase from 2024 (23%)

PHYSICAL DISABILITY

34.82%

1,046 Adults
increase from 2024 (31%)

28.62%

787 Adults
decrease from 2024 (30%)

SERIOUS MENTAL ILLNESS

32.89%

988 Adults
increase from 2024 (31%)

37.85%

1,041 Adults
increase from 2024 (35%)

DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITY

19.74%

593 Adults
decrease from 2024 (17%)

0.40%

11 Adults
increase from 2024 (0.20%)

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

11.35%

341 Adults
increase from 2024 (10%)

8.44%

232 Adults
increase from 2024 (10%)

HIV/AIDS

1.76%

53 Adults
decrease from 2024 (2%)

2.22%

61 Adults
decrease from 2024 (7%)





Age	Unsheltered 3,065 Persons	Sheltered 3,256 Persons
Under 18	1.99% 61 Persons	15.54% 506 Persons
18-24	3.03% 93 Persons	4.67% 152 Persons
25-34	16.25% 498 Persons	12.41% 404 Persons
35-44	28.58% 876 Persons	17.87% 582 Persons
45-54	23.00% 705 Persons	17.94% 584 Persons
55-61	15.37% 471 Persons	15.57% 507 Persons
62-64	4.54% 139 Persons	6.05% 197 Persons
65+	7.24% 222 Persons	9.95% 324 Persons



Sex	Unsheltered 3,065 Persons	Sheltered 3,256 Persons
Female	28.91% 886 Persons	45.55% 1,483 Persons
Male	71.09% 2,179 Persons	54.45% 1,773 Persons



DEMOGRAPHICS

Race and Ethnicity	Unsheltered 3,065 Persons	Sheltered 3,256 Persons
American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	1.37% 42 Persons	1.11% 36 Persons
American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous & Hispanic/Latino/a	0.39% 12 Persons	1.87% 61 Persons
Asian or Asian American	5.12% 157 Persons	4.58% 149 Persons
Asian or Asian American & Hispanic/Latino/a	0.13% 4 Persons	0.18% 6 Persons
Black, African American, or African	7.50% 230 Persons	9.98% 325 Persons
Black, African American, or African & Hispanic/Latino/a	0.33% 10 Persons	0.37% 12 Persons
Hispanic/Latino/a	30.56% 1,182 Persons	20.58% 670 Persons

Race and Ethnicity	Unsheltered 3,065 Persons	Sheltered 3,256 Persons
Middle Eastern or North African & Hispanic/Latino/a	0.07% 2 Persons	0.00% 0 Persons
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0.78% 24 Persons	0.92% 30 Persons
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander & Hispanic/Latino/a	0.16% 5 Persons	0.34% 11 Persons
White	40.00% 1,226 Persons	34.28% 1,116 Persons
White & Hispanic/Latino/a	2.38% 73 Persons	21.59% 703 Persons
Multi-Racial & not Hispanic/Latino/a	2.45% 75 Persons	1.69% 55 Persons
Multi-Racial & Hispanic/Latino/a	0.20% 6 Persons	1.44% 47 Persons

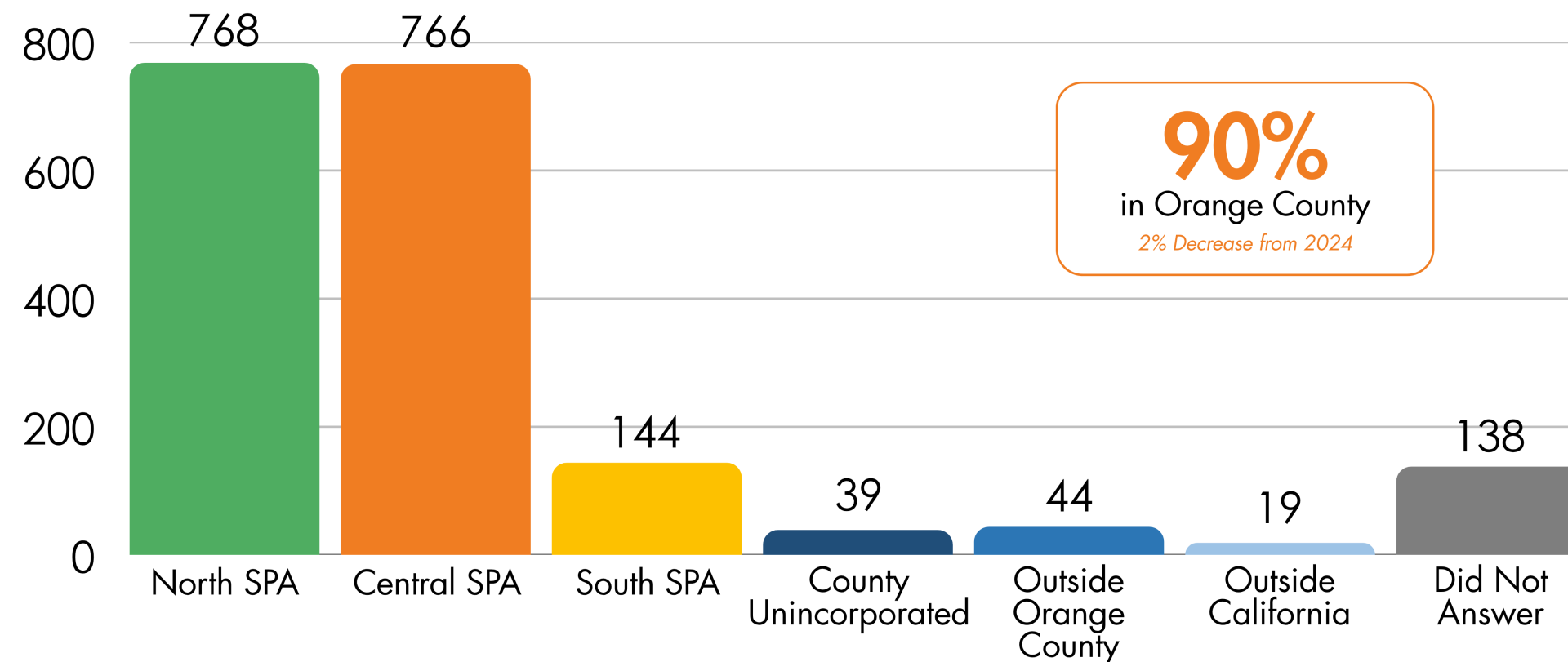


HOUSEHOLD STATUS

Population	Description	Unsheltered (2,805) Households	Sheltered (2,667) Households	Total (5,472) Households
Individuals	Households with only adults age 18 and older	2,767 Households 2,952 Adults	2,384 Households 2,413 Adults	5,151 Households 5,365 Adults
Families	Households with at least one adult 18 and older and one child 17 or younger	37 Families 112 persons in households: 52 Adults 60 Children	270 Families 829 persons in households: 337 Adults 492 Children	307 Families 941 persons in households: 389 Adults 552 Children
Unaccompanied Minors	Minors, 17 and younger not accompanied by an adult	1 Household 1 Minor	13 Households 14 Minors	14 Households 15 Minors



REPORTED CITY WHERE MOST SPENT TIME WHILE HOMELESS



City in North SPA
768 Adults, 40.04%

City in Central SPA
766 Adults, 39.94%

City in South SPA
144 Adults, 7.51%

County Unincorporated
39 Adults, 2.03%

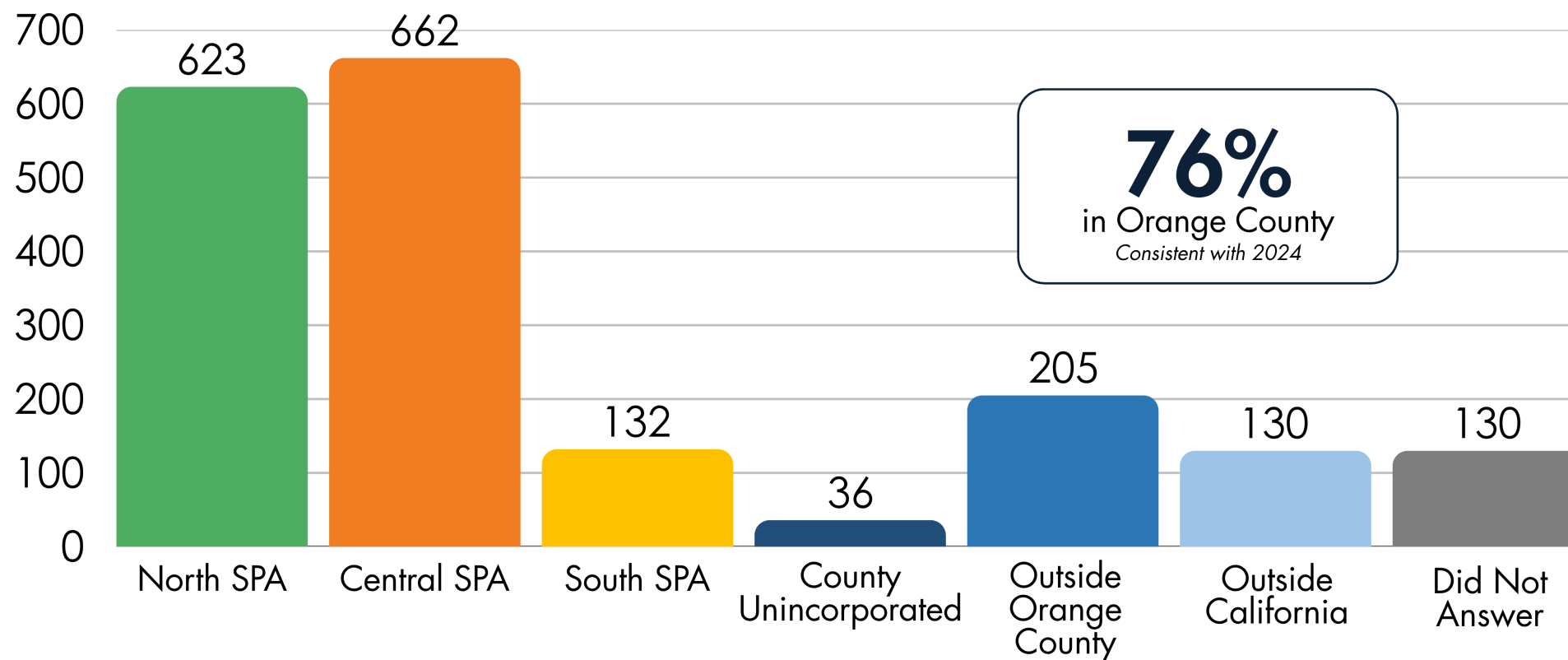
Outside Orange County
44 Adults, 2.29%

Outside California
19 Adults, .99%

Did Not Answer
138 Adults, 7.19%



REPORTED CITY OF LAST PERMANENT ADDRESS



City in North SPA
623 Adults, 32.48%

City in Central SPA
662 Adults, 34.52%

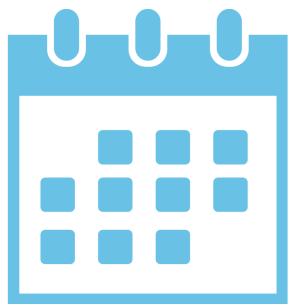
City in South SPA
132 Adults, 6.88%

County Unincorporated
36 Adults, 1.88%

Outside Orange County
205 Adults, 10.69%

Outside California
130 Adults, 6.78%

Did Not Answer
130 Adults, 6.78%



39.73%

762 Adults

Experiencing homelessness for
the first time in the past 12 months

8% decrease from 2024 (48.33%)

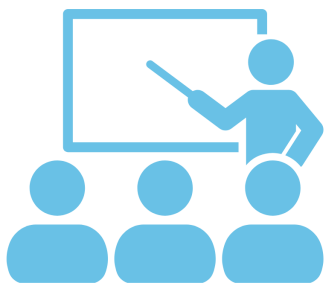


53.49%

1,026 Adults

Have family in Orange County

2% increase from 2024 (51.75%)



38.89%

746 Adults

Attending or have attended school
in Orange County

4% decrease from 2024 (43.09%)



58.50%

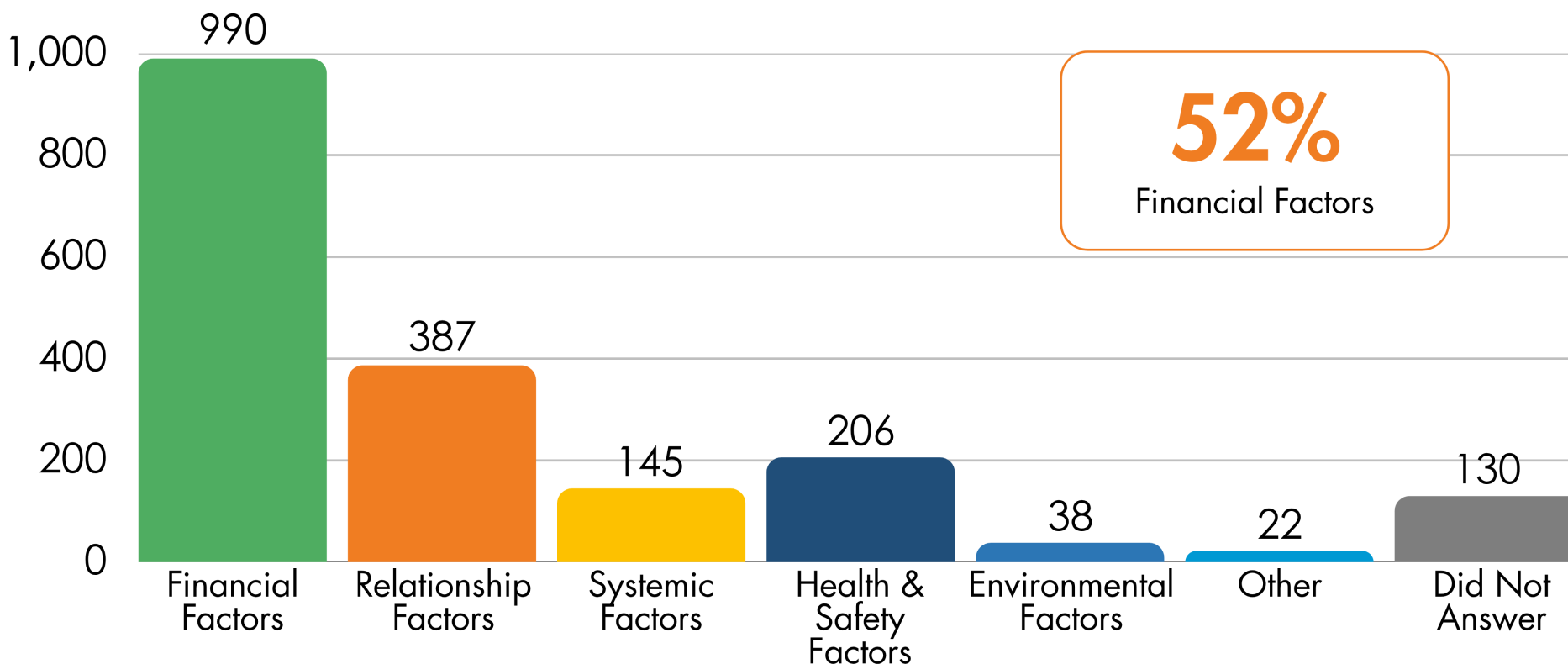
1,122 Adults

Currently working or have ever
worked in Orange County

5% decrease from 2024 (64.42%)



REPORTED MAJOR FACTORS THAT WERE THE MOST SIGNIFICANT IN CONTRIBUTING TO HOMELESSNESS



Financial Factors

990 Adults, 51.62%

Relationship Factors

387 Adults, 20.18%

Systemic Factors

145 Adults, 7.56%

Health & Safety Factors

206 Adults, 10.74%

Environmental Factors

38 Adults, 1.98%

Other

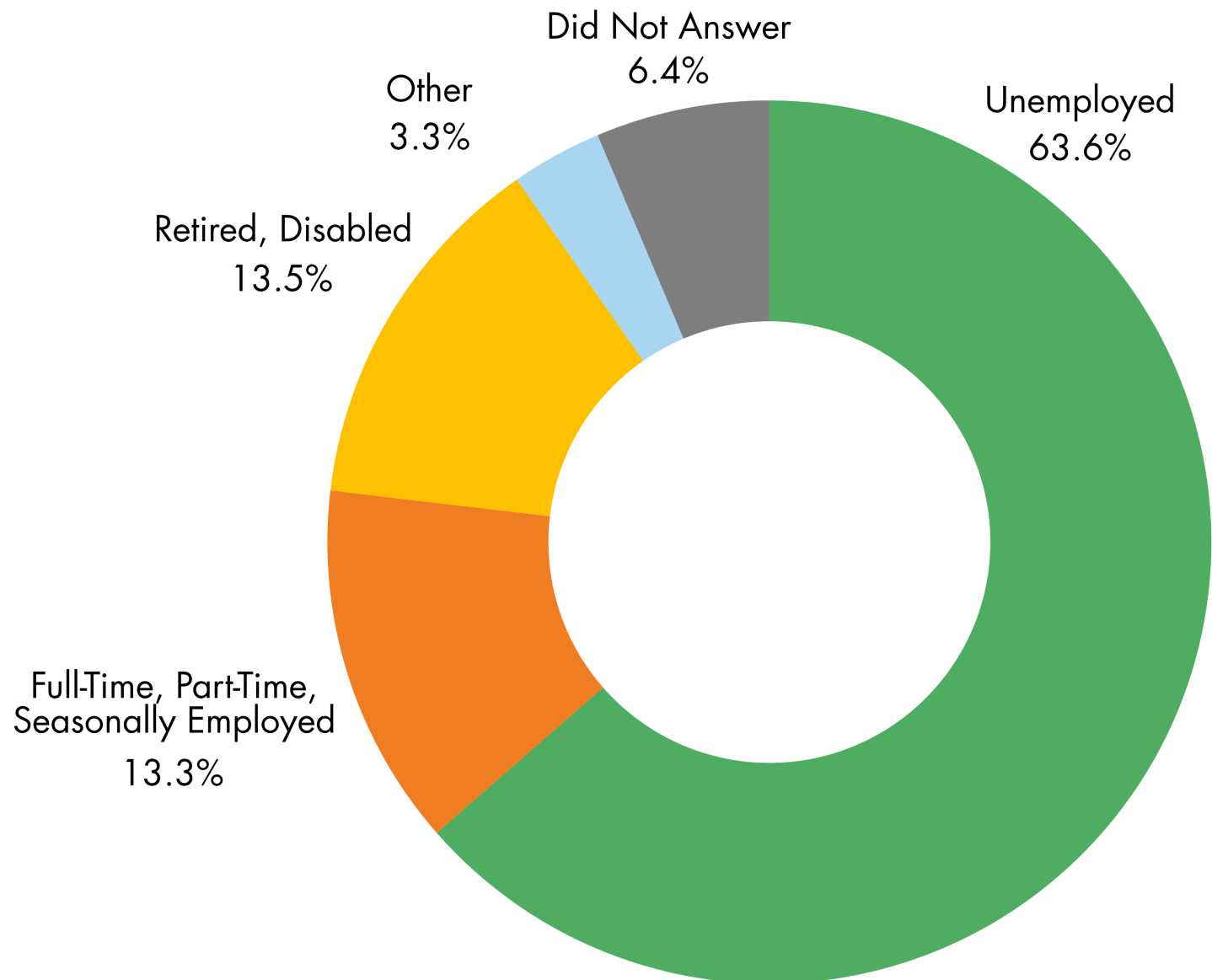
22 Adults, 1.15%

Did Not Answer

130 Adults, 6.78%



CURRENT EMPLOYMENT STATUS



Unemployed
1,261 Adults, 63.56%
decreased from in 2024 (69.11%)

Full-Time, Part-Time, Seasonally Employed
264 Adults, 13.31%
decreased from 2024 (13.94%)

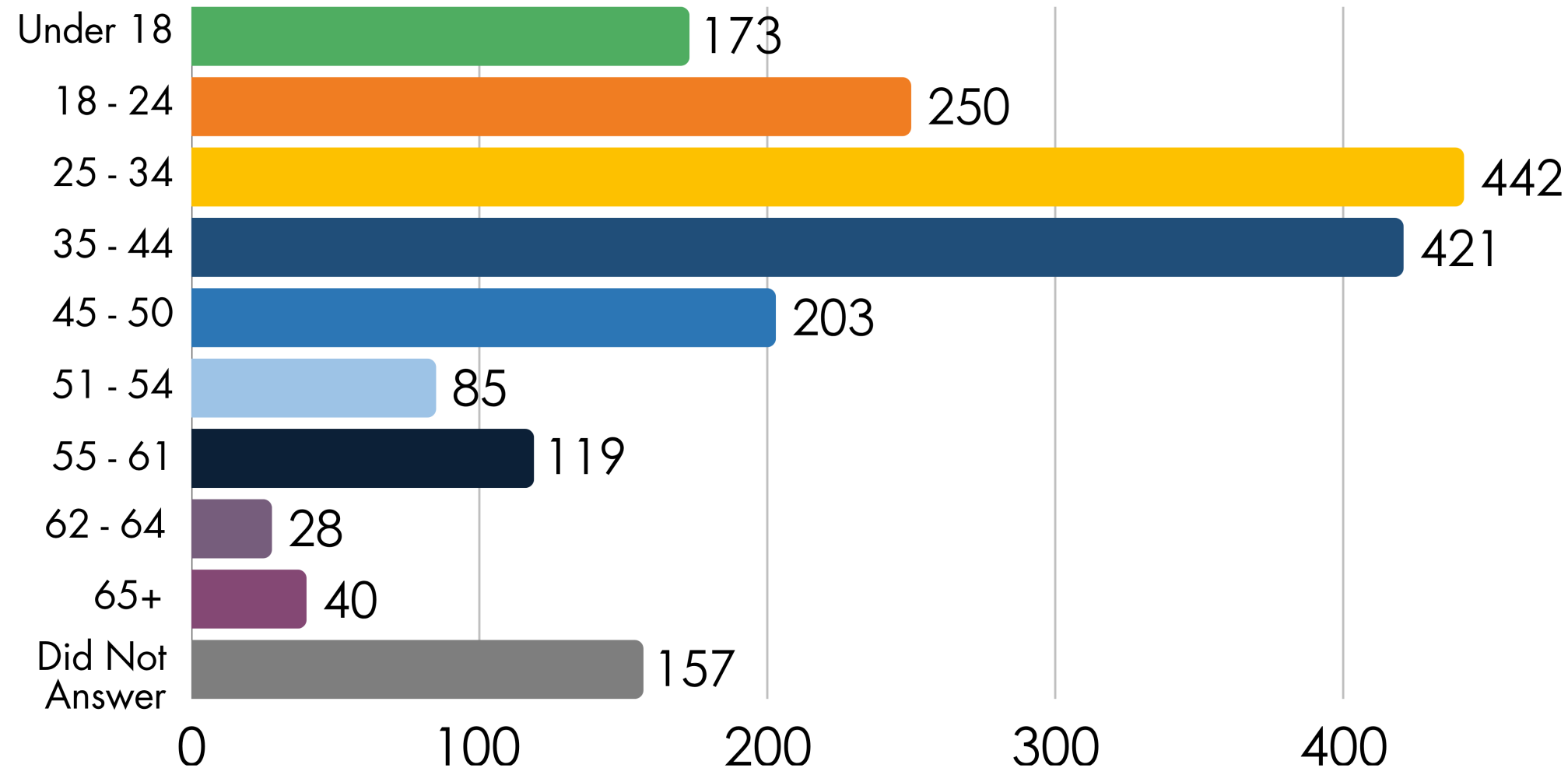
Retired, Disabled
267 Adults 13.46%
increased from 2024 (10.23%)

Did Not Answer
126 Adults, 6.35%
increased from 2024 (4.00%)

Other
66 Adults, 3.33%
increased from 2024 (2.72%)



AGE WHEN FIRST HOMELESS EXPERIENCE BEGAN



Under 18

173 Persons (9.02%)

18 - 24

250 Persons (13.03%)

25 - 34

442 Persons (23.04%)

35 - 44

421 Persons (21.95%)

45 - 50

203 Persons (10.58%)

51 - 54

85 Persons (4.43%)

55 - 61

119 Persons (6.20%)

62 - 64

28 Persons (1.46%)

65+

40 Persons (2.09%)

Did Not Answer

157 Persons (8.19%)

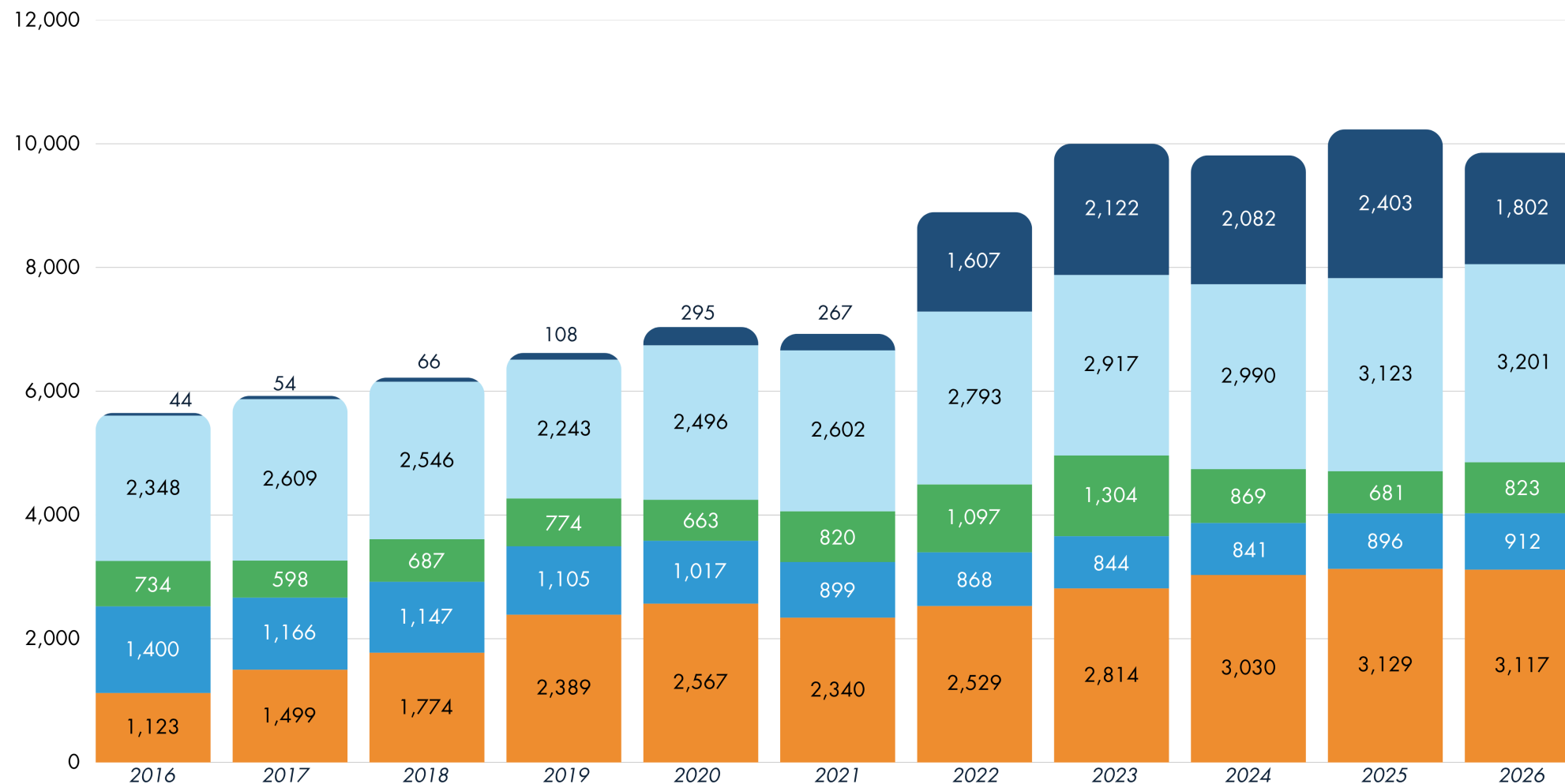


13.7%
*reduction in
overall
homelessness*



26.6%
*reduction in
unsheltered
homelessness*

- This is the first time more people are sheltered than unsheltered.
- Targeted prioritization and outreach efforts are increasing shelter access for highly vulnerable populations.
- These results reflect the impact of robust support, services, and housing provided by Orange County's System of Care.
- These results reinforce the need for Orange County to remain informed and engaged to create meaningful progress in the community.



Emergency Shelter Transitional Housing Rapid Re-housing Permanent Supportive Housing Other Permanent Housing



THANK YOU TO THOSE INVOLVED

- **County of Orange** – including the County Executive Office, OC Community Resources, OC Information Technology, OC Public Works, and OC Sheriff's Department
- **Continuum of Care Board & Agencies**
- **Commission to Address Homelessness**
- **CalOptima Health**
- **City Net**
- **Institute for Urban Initiatives**
- **Nonprofit and faith-based service providers**
- **Orange County Board of Supervisors and local elected officials**
- **Orange County United Way**
- **All 34 Cities and law enforcement agencies**



DISCUSSION – ITEM # 2

ORANGE COUNTY HOMELESS PREVENTION COMMITTEE

Background

The Office of Care Coordination contracted with the Corporation for Supportive Housing (CSH) to help develop recommendations for a comprehensive homeless prevention model, rooted in best practices, that ensures proactive utilization of all homeless prevention resources and prioritizes homelessness prevention efforts.

The Homeless Prevention Committee, a group of local stakeholders led by CSH, convened over the last several months to review existing prevention programs and discuss types of prevention categories and commitments.



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ORANGE COUNTY HOMELESS PREVENTION COMMITTEE

Homeless Prevention Committee Representation

- Office of Care Coordination
- Orange County United Way
- Samueli Foundation
- Volunteers of America
- Social Services Agency
- Orangewood Foundation
- Human Options
- PATH
- Friendship Shelter
- Pathways of Hope
- Orange County Community Resources
- Orange County Department of Education
- Chrysalis
- Project Hope Alliance
- Mercy House
- Public Law Center

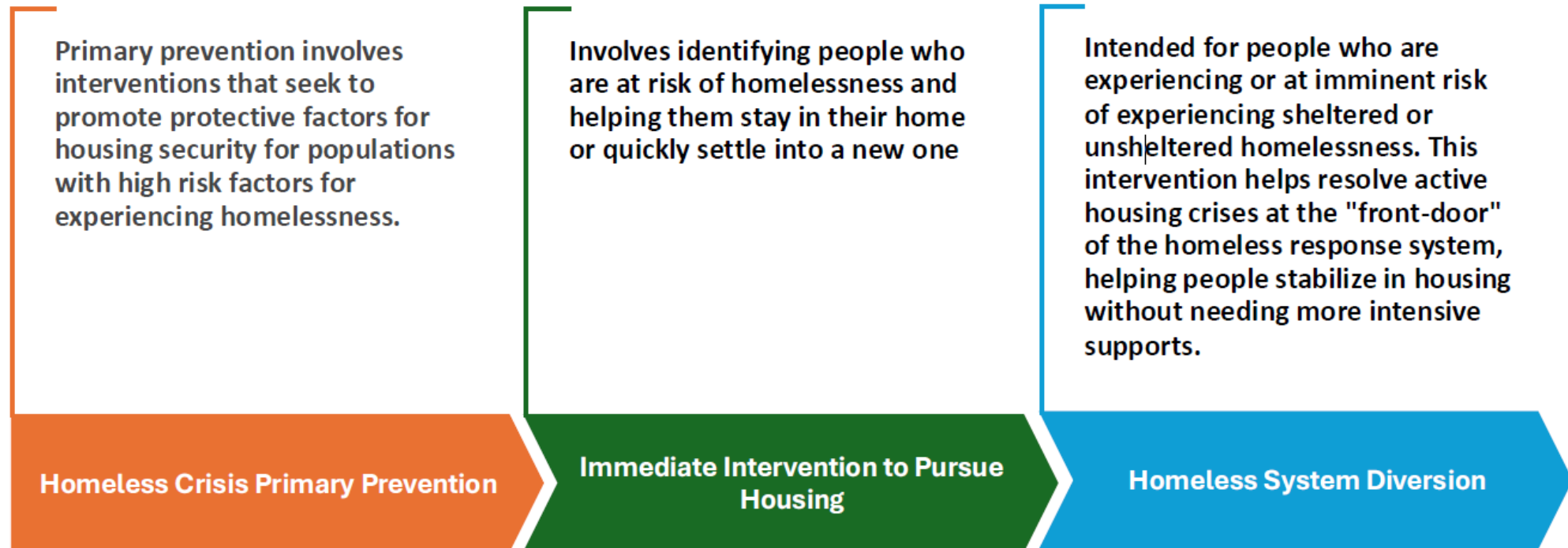


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ORANGE COUNTY HOMELESS PREVENTION COMMITTEE

Homeless Prevention Committee Discussions

Discussions on Homelessness Prevention interventions and practices were divided into three categories:



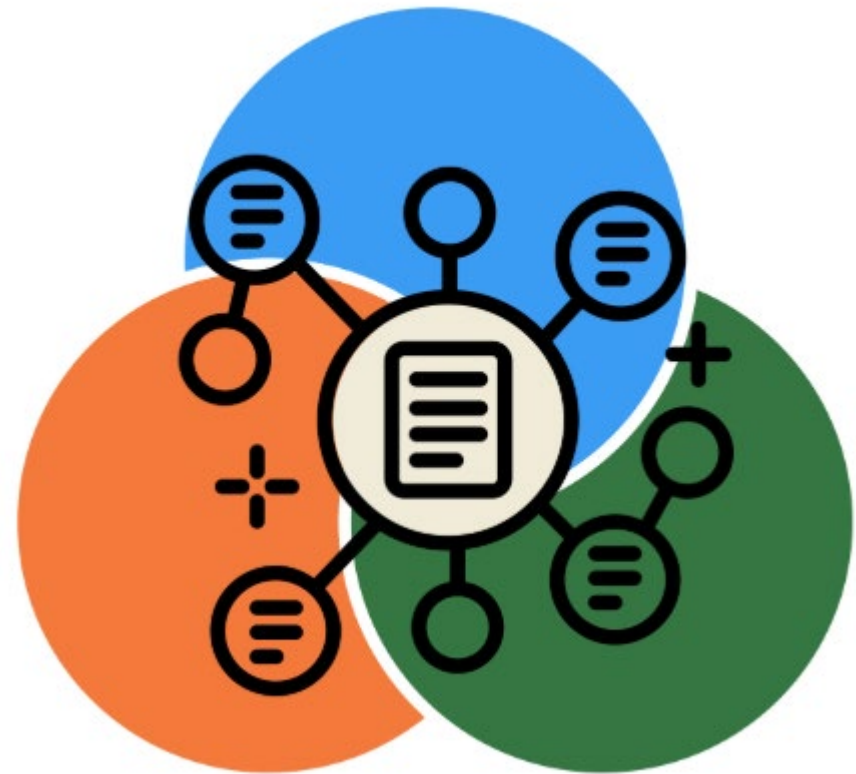
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Homeless Prevention Committee Discussions

For each category, the Homeless Prevention Committee focused on the following areas:

- Early Intervention
- Increase Community Awareness & Education
- Effective Reentry & Transition Planning
- Measure Outcomes
- Homelessness Prevention as an Integral Component of the Homeless Response System

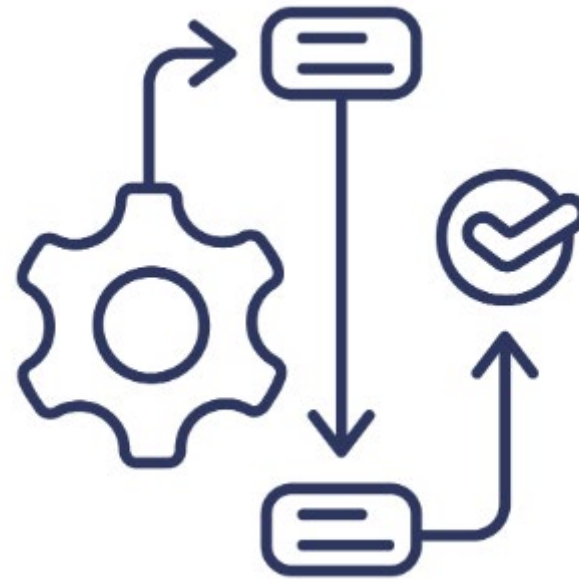


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Homeless Prevention Committee Discussions

The Homeless Prevention Committee is working to develop recommendations related to prevention. The Office of Care Coordination will keep both the Commission to Address Homelessness and the Continuum of Care Board apprised of updates.



ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment

This concludes the Joint Special Meeting of the Orange County Continuum of Care Board and the Commission to Address Homelessness.