



2020 Point in Time (PIT) Count Methodology

The 2020 Point in Time Count will take place on Wednesday January 29th, 2020.

Sheltered PIT Methodology:

In order to conduct the sheltered count, Delaware's CoC will utilize a "**census**" methodology, meaning that we will count all homeless persons in temporary shelters. For shelters and transitional housing programs participating in CMIS, all client level PIT data will be collected through CMIS.

For shelter, code purple/cold weather sanctuaries, and transitional housing programs that do not participate in CMIS, paper surveys will be distributed for on-site completion, where possible, with all people in the shelter or transitional housing program on January 29th, 2020.

For people staying in a hotel/motel being paid for with voucher from the State, data will be provided to Housing Alliance Delaware by the State Service Centers.

Unsheltered PIT Methodology:

The Delaware CoC will utilize the "**known locations**" methodology, meaning we will identify locations throughout the state where unsheltered individuals/families are likely to be located that night, and send teams of surveyors out to these known locations.

The Delaware CoC will also utilize a "**service-based**" methodology to interview people at homeless drop in centers, clinics, dining rooms, etc., where individuals/families, who are homeless are likely to go the morning after the PIT. The volunteers will identify unsheltered people on the night of the count. If they were not surveyed the prior night, they will be surveyed at the drop in center.