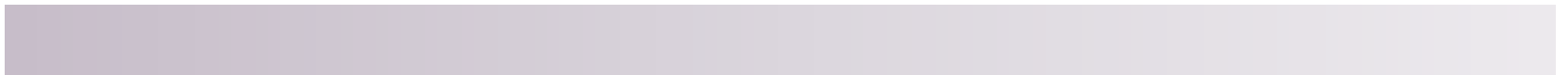


Anchorage Coalition to End Homelessness

Alaska Common Ground

The Housing Continuum: Current Supply and Demand

March 4, 2019



What causes homelessness?



Homelessness is a statewide concern inextricably linked to other community challenges:

- Mental, Behavioral & Physical Health
- Public Health & Safety
- Social Isolation/Lack of Safety Net
- Domestic Violence & Child Abuse
- Statewide Economics
- Reentry/Incarceration History
- Low-Income and Affordable Housing

What causes homelessness?



When Housing is Out of Reach: Now more than at any other time, there is a lack of housing that low-income people can afford. Without housing options, people face eviction, instability and homelessness.

Income and Housing Affordability: Low-income households often do not earn enough to pay for food, clothing, transportation and a place they can call home.



National Alliance to
END HOMELESSNESS

Affordable Housing Shortages



KEY FACTS

10,328
OR
19%

Renter Households that are extremely low income

\$30,380

Maximum income of 4-person extremely low income households (state level)

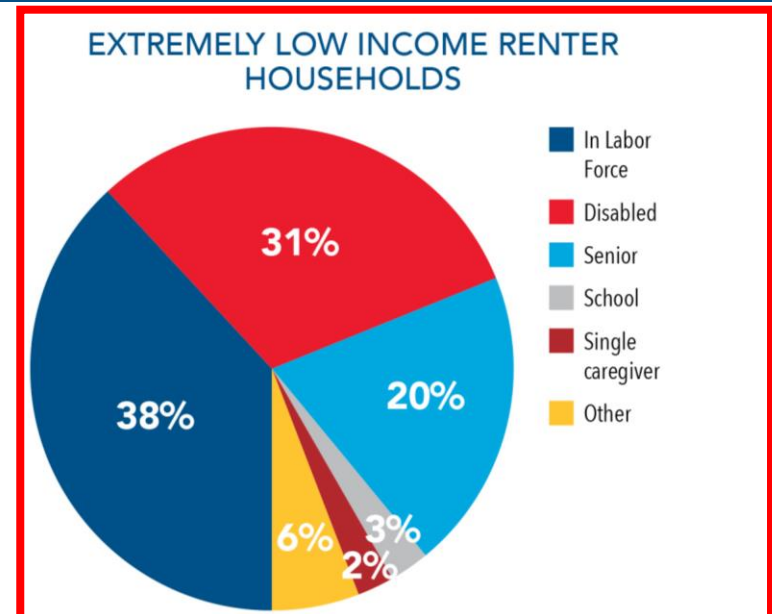
-6,737

Shortage of rental homes affordable and available for extremely low income renters

“Housing Wage” Needed to Afford a . . .	Anchorage HMFA
ONE-BEDROOM APT	\$19.90/hour
TWO-BEDROOM APT	\$25.71/hour

Estimated Mean Renter Wage in Anchorage: \$17.82/hour

National Low Income Housing Coalition Jan 2019



Advocate for and implement strategies to prevent homelessness and provide housing and work opportunities for all.

Who is most at risk?

- Those with economic challenges (38% of ELI households)
 - Ex: 2018 earthquake
- Elders and seniors: (21% of ELI households)
 - Since 2008, Alaska is the # 1 state in the nation for per-capita 65+ senior growth
 - 17% of Anchorage's population is 60+ (increase expected through at least 2035)
 - Anchorage and Matsu house over half of the 60+ population in the state
- Those living with disabilities: (31% of ELI households)
 - Lack of ADA compliant housing
 - Two year plus wait list for those experiencing disabilities and elders
 - Rent to income ratio for those with a fixed income
- Reentry community members:
 - Formerly incarcerated people are almost 10 times more likely to be homeless than the general public*
 - Anchorage Reentry Coalition's recent survey shows 65.8% of reentrants are unsure (or do not have) a place to live upon release

Thank you :

- Access Alaska
- Alaska Housing Finance Corporation
- Anchorage Reentry Coalition
- Disability Law Center of Alaska

*<https://www.prisonpolicy.org/reports/housing.html>

Homelessness in Anchorage



A moral issue
 An economic issue
 A visible issue

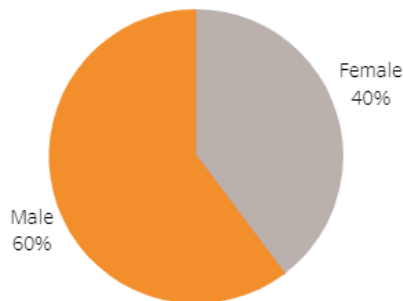


People Experiencing Homelessness in Anchorage	Youth and Young Adults	Families	Veterans	Adults	Total
Point-in-Time Count (January 2018)	99	87 families 280 people	62	715	1,094
Active clients in HMIS (July 2017 - June 2018)	976	1,917 people	531	4,659	7,442

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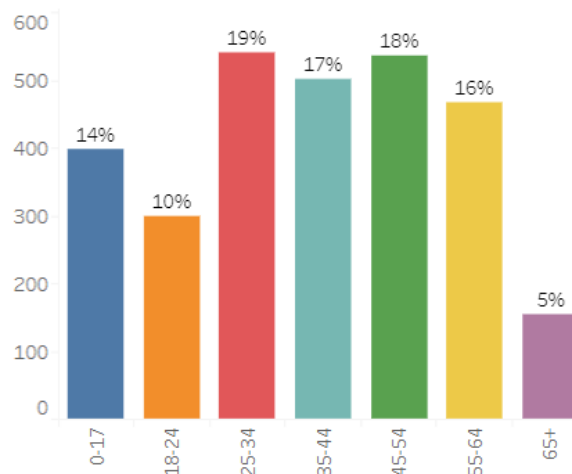
Who is experiencing homelessness?

Gender

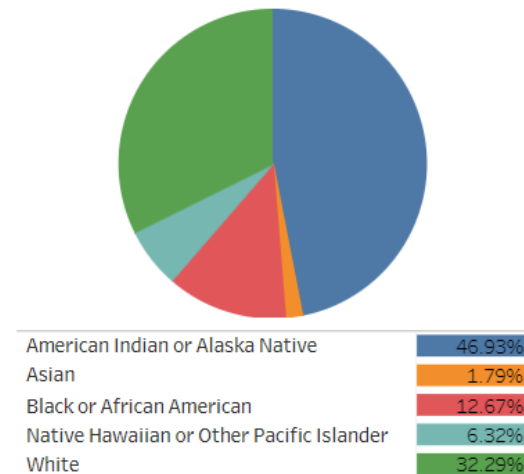


Gender Non-Conforming (i.e. not exclusivel..	2
Trans Female (MTF or Male to Female)	5
Trans Male (FTM or Female to Male)	4

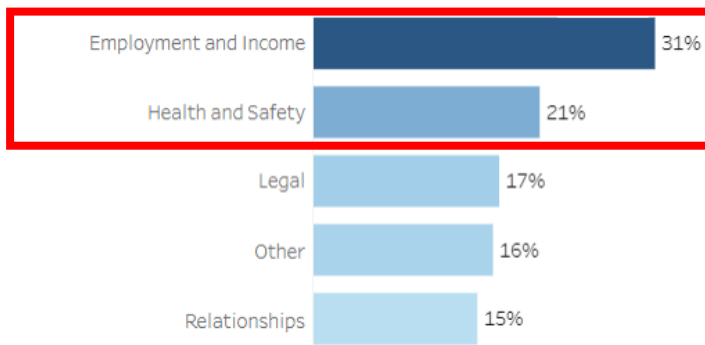
Age Category



Primary Race



Reason for Seeking Assistance



Clients with a Disabling Condition



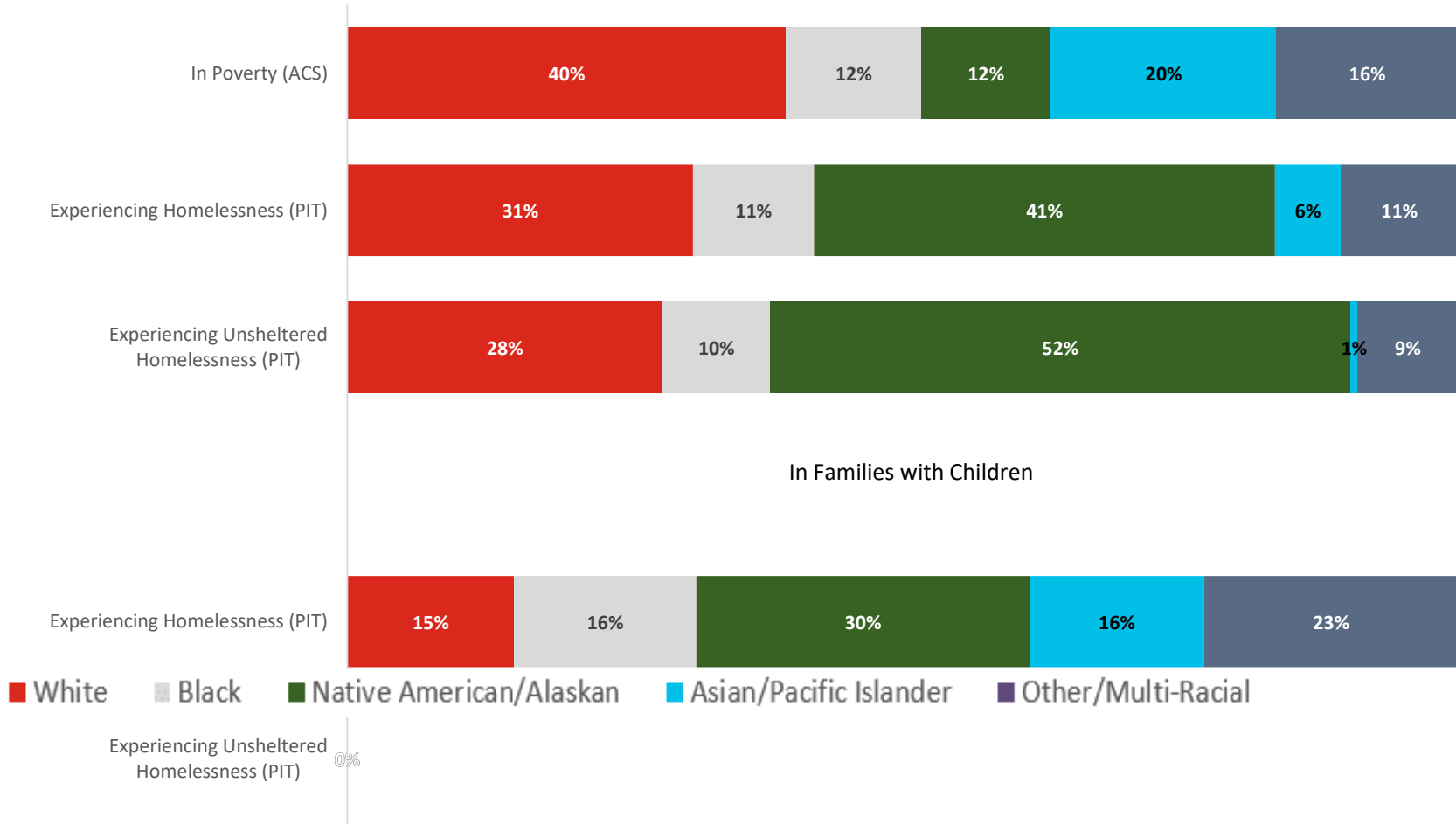
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Racial inequity in homelessness



All People

All



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Anchored Home

VISION



Homelessness is
rare, brief, & one-time



KEY PILLARS



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Rising Risk – Proposed State Budget



FY20 Governor's Amended Budget		
Program	FY19	FY20 (Proposed)
Homeless Assistance Program	\$7,900,000	\$950,000
Special Needs Housing Grant	\$1,900,000	\$200,000
Human Services Community Matching Grant	\$1,387,000	\$0
Community Initiative Matching Grant Program	\$861,700	\$0
Total	\$12,048,700	\$1,150,000

- Proposed budget would remove nearly \$11 million from 4 key statewide programs impacting over 50 projects across Alaska
 - Over 11k people used these services in 2018
 - Since 2017, 89% of those who accessed these services did not return to homelessness
- Additional \$5 million from federal HUD funding is threatened due to a lack of a local match impacting 27 projects
- Proposed budget is another in a series of state cuts impacting our basic safety net services and programs for those with the highest vulnerability

Want to get involved?

- Connect via ACEH's new FaceBook page:
<https://www.facebook.com/AnchorageHomeless/>
- Connect via ACEH's web page:
<https://www.anchoragehomeless.org/>
 - Sign up for e-mail updates on the ACEH's website!
- Learn more about local advocacy around the proposed budget cuts: <https://www.cssalaska.org/get-involved/advocacy/>
- Consider supporting the Anchorage alcohol tax
<https://www.saferanc.com/>

Want to learn more?



- Join the Anchorage Coalition to End Homelessness (ACEH) and attend bi-monthly membership meetings
 - Next meeting: Friday, March 8, 9:00 to 11:00 a.m.
- Attend Anchored Home's Quarterly Community Forums
 - Next Forum: Wednesday, April 9, 2019, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.
Wilda Marston Theater, Anchorage Loussac Library
- Attend Assembly Committee on Homelessness Meetings
- Attend monthly HHAND Commission Meetings
- Follow progress on the ACEH's web page:
anchoragehomeless.org/anchored-home/
 - Sign up for e-mail updates on the ACEH's website!
- Follow the Muni's progress: anchored-muniorg.hub.arcgis.com