

POINT-IN-TIME COUNT SUMMARY

2021 HOMELESSNESS ENUMERATION

37 IDENTIFIED AS HOMELESS

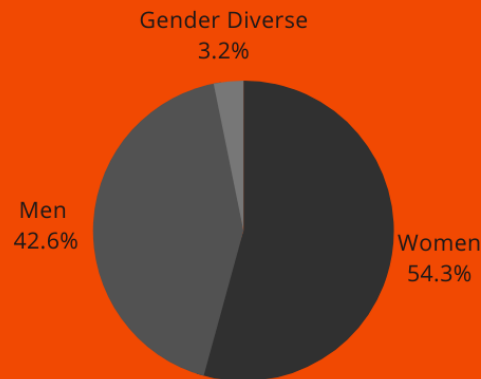


The 2021 Rainy River District Enumeration Point in Time Count was held on October 5, 2021. The count was a time-specific glimpse of the number of people experiencing homelessness in the Rainy River District. The count supports work to end homelessness in our district by helping us understand homelessness better.

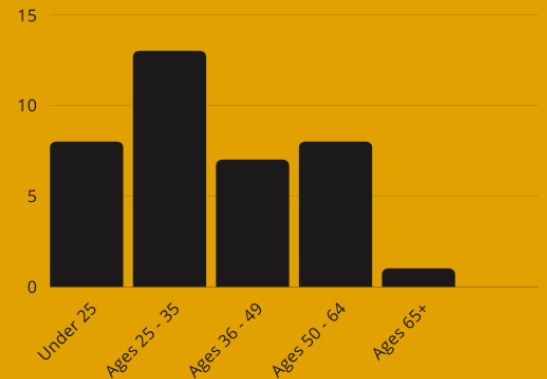
IDENTIFIED AS INDIGENOUS



DEMOGRAPHICS BY GENDER



DEMOGRAPHICS BY AGE



SLEEPING LOCATIONS

LOCATION	PERCENTAGE
Someone Else's Place	41
Outside	19
Hotel	16
Shelter	11
Jail	8
Transitional Housing	3
Camper	3

EXPERIENCING CHRONIC HOMELESSNESS



CONTRIBUTING FACTORS TO HOMELESSNESS

**CONFLICT
WITH OTHERS**
25%

INCARCERATION
11%

**MENTAL HEALTH
& SUBSTANCE USE**
17%

UNFIT HOUSING
9%

LOW INCOME
9%

2021 HOMELESSNESS ENUMERATION

The PiT Count enumeration total is the number of community members experiencing homelessness on the night of the count

METHODS

The PiT enumeration is known to be an under count of the homeless population in the community. The count is not meant to reflect the experiences of homelessness through a year, or the complete scope of homelessness within our district.

The count was held during the COVID-19 pandemic. As much as possible, the 2021 PiT count intended to be conducted similarly to the 2018 count for comparability. However, given public health restrictions, the count was held with limited data collection methods. As a result, the findings cannot be readily compared to those of the Rainy River District Enumeration 2018, *Putting the Spotlight on Homelessness*.

PROJECT PARTNERS

Atikokan Employment Center	
Atikokan Native Friendship Centre	
Canadian Mental Health Association	Fort Frances Jail
Mobile Crisis Response Team	Atikokan Food Bank
Northwest Community Legal Clinic	Salvation Army
Rainy River District School Board	Northwestern Health Unit
Riverside Health Care Facilities	
Rainy River District Women's Shelter of Hope	
Kenora-Rainy River Districts Child and Family Services	
United Native Friendship Centre	
Rainy River District Victim Services Program	



KEY DEMOGRAPHIC FINDING

While people experiencing homelessness make up a small portion of the Rainy River District at large, it is clear that individuals are struggling to find appropriate housing options. Health challenges (e.g., physical/mental health, substance use), unfit housing and low incomes are some of the challenges people experiencing homelessness face when trying to access and maintain stable housing.

The Rainy River District Social Services Administrative Board has an ongoing commitment to end homelessness in our community. We will continue to address housing equity with effort, dedication and with the help of community partners and collaborations.