

**CONTRA COSTA COUNTY CONSORTIUM
2005 – 2009 CONSOLIDATED PLAN**

ATTACHMENT K

**CONTINUUM OF CARE
HOMELESS POPULATION AND
SUBPOPULATIONS CHART**

Continuum of Care: Housing Gaps Analysis Chart

		Current Inventory in 2004	Under Development in 2004	Unmet Need/ Gap
Individuals				
Beds	Emergency Shelter	308	0	948
	Transitional Housing	140	0	878
	Permanent Supportive Housing	307	0	1171
	Total	755	0	2997
Persons in Families With Children				
Beds	Emergency Shelter	228	75	557
	Transitional Housing	417	0	1847
	Permanent Supportive Housing	193	98	1388
	Total	838	173	3792

Continuum of Care Homeless Population and Subpopulations Chart

Part 1: Homeless Population	Sheltered		Unsheltered	Total
	Emergency	Transitional		
1. Homeless Individuals	297 (A), (E)	129 (A), (E)	2997	3423
2. Homeless Families with Children	89 (A), (E)	163 (A), (E)	932	1184
2a. Persons in Homeless Families with Children	220 (A), (E)	376 (A), (E)	3892	4388
Total (lines 1 + 2a)	517	505	6889	7911
Part 2: Homeless Subpopulations	Sheltered		Unsheltered	Total
1. Chronically Homeless	266 (A), (E)		1750 (A), (E)	2016
2. Severely Mentally Ill	773 (A), (E)		<i>Optional for</i>	
3. Chronic Substance Abuse	924 (A), (E)		<i>Unsheltered</i>	
4. Veterans	153 (A), (E)			
5. Persons with HIV/AIDS	234 (A), (E)			
6. Victims of Domestic Violence	366 (A), (E)			
7. Youth (Under 18 years of age)	276 (A), (E)			

Continuum of Care Information Collection Methods
1.(a) Housing Activity Chart: Methods for Conducting Annual Inventory Update

This year, as in years past, we conducted a Homeless Provider Survey of all homeless service providers in the county to update our housing inventory chart. The survey was mailed and emailed to nine agencies, covering 33 housing and service programs. This year's Homeless Provider Survey included inquiries regarding current and planned bed inventory for each emergency shelter, transitional housing and permanent housing program. The point-in-time date for this survey selected by the community was February 25, 2004.

Our definitions of emergency shelter and transitional housing are: *Emergency Shelter* in Contra Costa County is defined as short-term housing available to homeless people on demand, subject to availability. Emergency shelter is available to all clients without charge, service-intensive, and maintains a low client-staff ratio. Clients may stay up to six months in most emergency shelter locations, though some have time limits as low as 30 days. *Transitional Housing* in Contra Costa County is defined as supportive housing designed to help homeless people overcome barriers to stability and move to permanent housing. Transitional housing has intensive case management and wrap-around services in a structured program focused on developing a participant's self-sufficiency. Many of the services are not on-site, but delivered through coordination with several providers with freestanding homeless service programs. Units may be scattered subsidized apartments or they may be located in one building. Transitional housing always requires participants to pay rent. By definition, transitional housing is short-term but generally provides for stays longer than those allowed by emergency shelters; transitional housing programs allow stays between 6 to 24 months.

1(b) Housing Activity Chart: Plans for 2005 Inventory Update

This year's Homeless Provider Survey proved to be a successful method of collecting data and we plan to administer this type of survey annually to update not only the Housing Activity Chart, but also to track progress made on our Five-Year Continuum of Care Plan. Next year we will administer the survey in the last week of January and will ask agencies to report on their program data for January 26, 2005.