

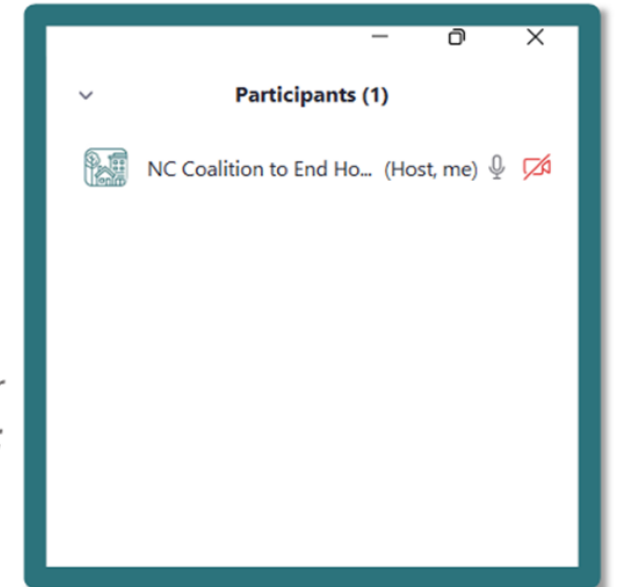
# Coordinated Entry Council Meeting

## February 19, 2024

# Roll Call

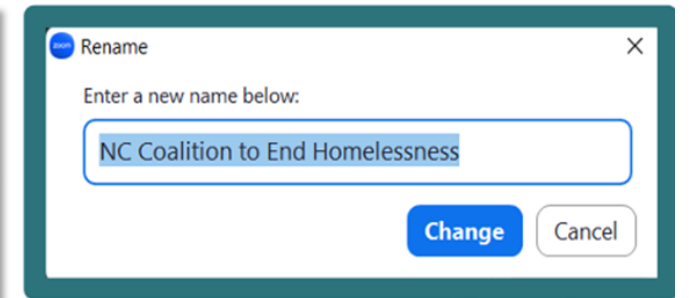
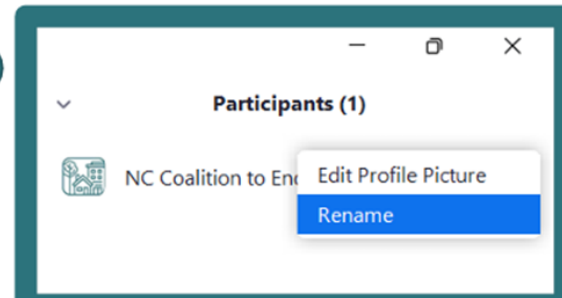
- We will conduct Roll Call for Regional Coordinated Entry Leads.
- All participants should enter their full names, so we can document their participation in the minutes.

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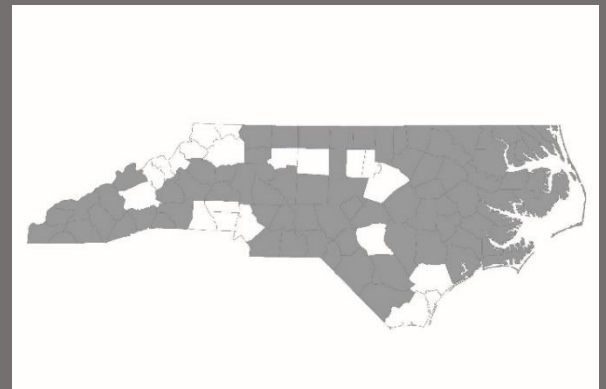


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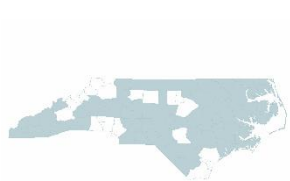


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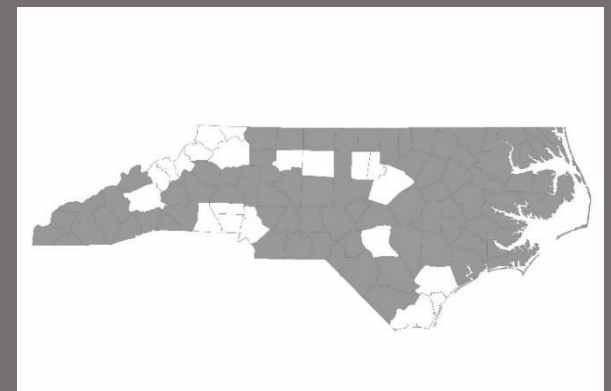


# Agenda

- Safe at Home
- HART & Core Team Update
- Unsheltered PIT Update
- Reminders



Safe at Home



# DV Rapid Rehousing

- Survivors experience unique housing barriers and safety risks
- Safe at Home is a rapid rehousing program for survivors



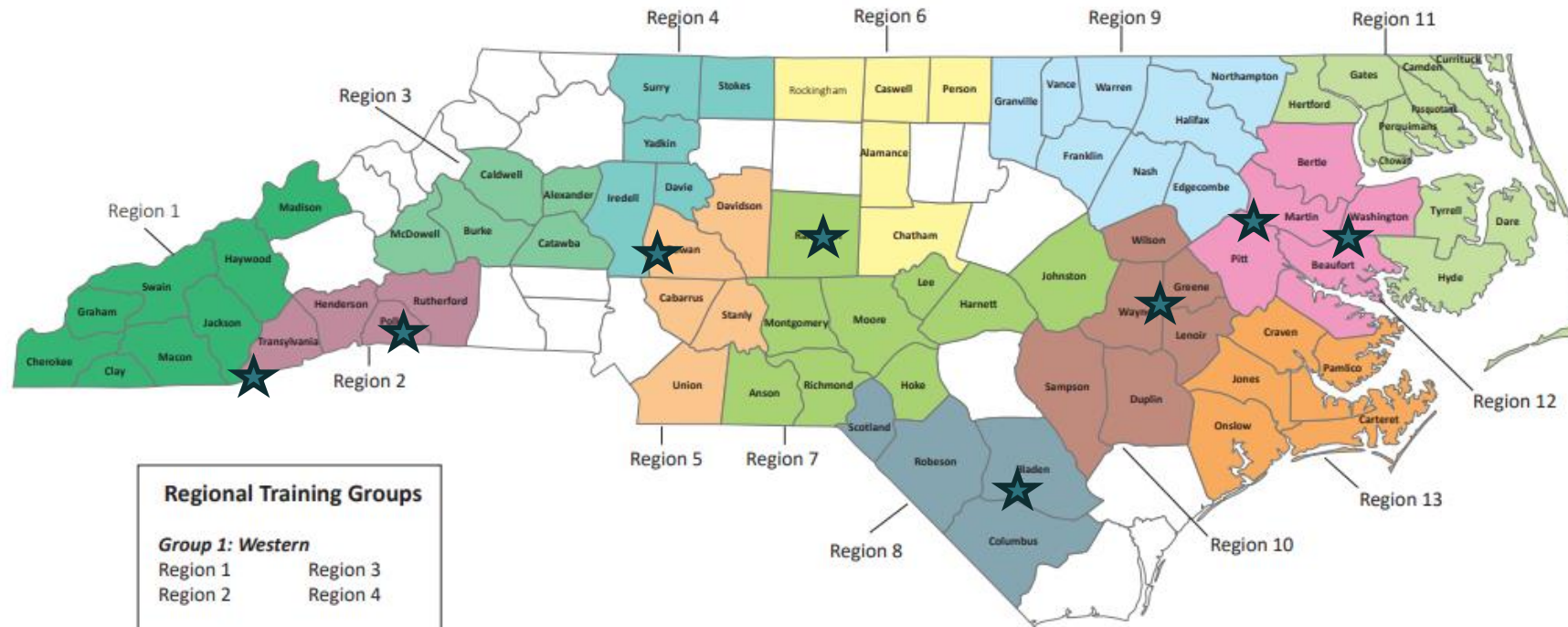
# Safe at Home

- HUD Category 4 Homeless – Fleeing DV
- Goal: help unhoused survivors and their families get into and remain in safe, affordable, permanent housing as quickly and with as few barriers as possible
- Voluntary Supportive Services
  - Case management, moving costs, utility deposits



# Year 1 Safe at Home Programs

Balance of State CoC  
Regional Committees

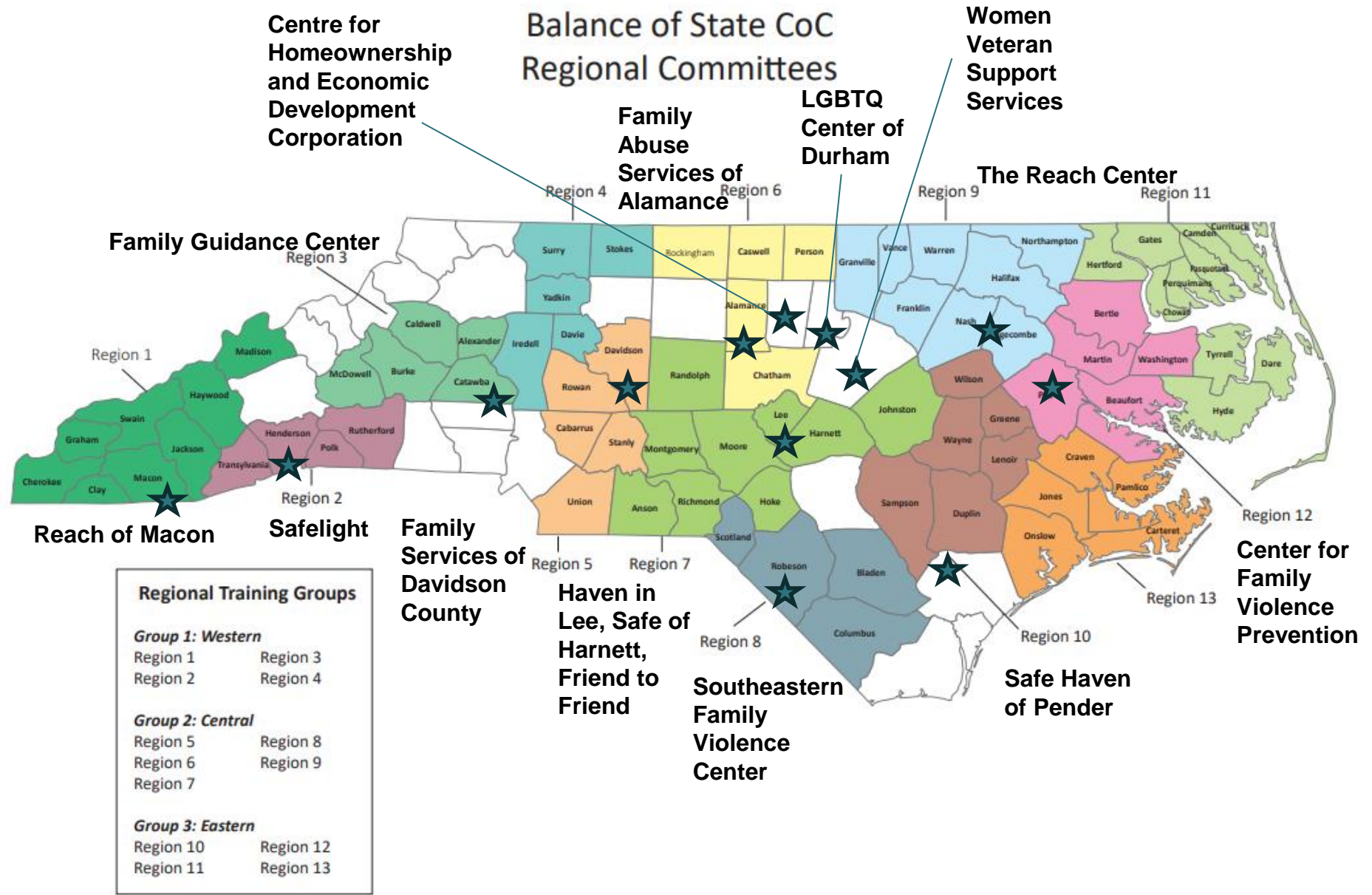


Regional Training Groups	
<b>Group 1: Western</b>	
Region 1	Region 3
Region 2	Region 4
<b>Group 2: Central</b>	
Region 5	Region 8
Region 6	Region 9
Region 7	
<b>Group 3: Eastern</b>	
Region 10	Region 12
Region 11	Region 13

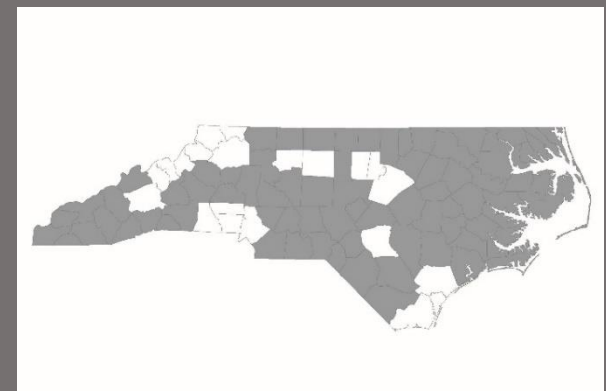




# Year 2 Safe at Home Programs



# Understanding Rapid Rehousing



# Goals for rapid rehousing (RRH)

HUD goals:

- Reduce the number of people experiencing homelessness
- Reduce the length of time people experience homelessness to 30 days or less
- Reduce recidivism or returns to homelessness



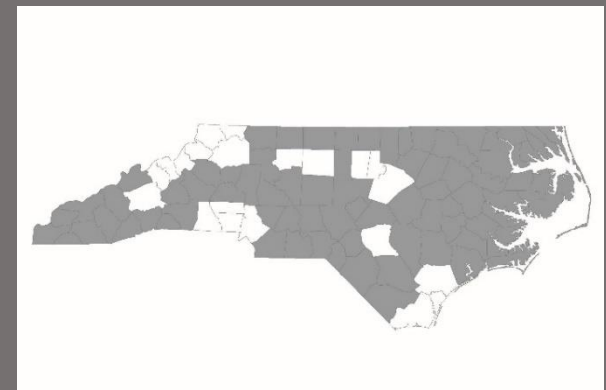
# RRH programs focus on moving people quickly from homelessness to housing.

## **RRH operates on the premise that:**

- People experiencing homelessness deserve housing without preconditions;
- Survival and safety needs will drive behavior and households cannot focus on more complex needs until the basics are met; and
- People can exit homelessness with targeted supports, quickly stabilize, and reintegrate into the community.



# Eligibility & Assistance





# Compliance: Eligibility

Safe at Home RRH can only assist households that meet the following:

- This is an updated definition!

*Homeless Definition, Category 4: Any individual or family who:*

- i) is experiencing trauma or a lack of safety related to, or fleeing or attempting to flee, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or other dangerous, traumatic, or life-threatening conditions related to the violence against the individual or a family member in the individual's or family's current housing situation, including where the health and safety of children are jeopardized;
- ii) has no other *safe* residence; **and**
- iii) lacks the resources to obtain other *safe* permanent housing.





# Compliance: Eligibility

Providers Focused on Specific Subpopulations Experiencing Category 4

- LGBTQ Center of Durham
- Women Veteran Support Services





# Compliance: Assistance Limits

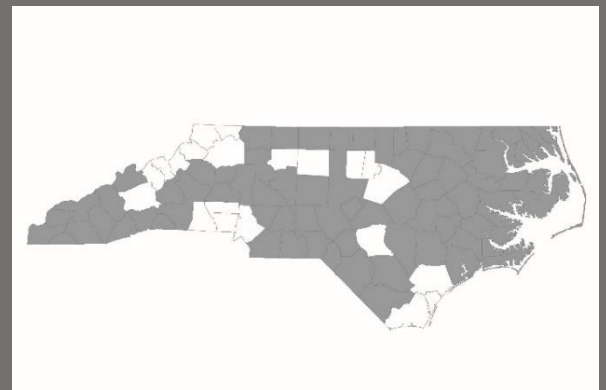
RRH is a short- to medium-term assistance program.

- Assistance is limited to 24 months per household.
- Programs can provide up to 6<sup>th</sup> months of case management as “after care services” once financial assistance has ended. This 6<sup>th</sup> months can go beyond the 24 months.
- RRH should target Fair Market Rent (FMR) housing, but units not limited to FMR.
  - Must document and meet Rent Reasonableness standards
- All units must meet a Housing Quality Standards (HQS) inspection prior to payments or move into the unit.
- RRH programs provide Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (TBRA)
  - Leases must be in the household’s name
  - Initial lease term should be 12 months, renewable, & only terminable for cause.





# Safe at Home & CE



# Safe at Home Coordinated Entry

NC BoS CoC wants to ensure Safe at Home (CoC-funded program) is meeting the requirement of Coordinated Entry while ensuring survivors are connected to SAFE housing as quickly as possible.



# Safe at Home Coordinated Entry

- Safe at Home agencies can begin serving eligible households immediately after assessment and will track their clients in an Excel document.
- The Excel document should be shared with the Regional Coordinated Entry Lead monthly.

A	B	C	D	E	F	G
<b>ID Number</b>	<b>NC County of Service</b>	<b>VI-SPDAT Date</b>	<b>Individual VI-SPDAT Score</b>	<b>Family VI-SPDAT Score</b>	<b>Current Living Situation</b>	<b>Housing Status</b>



# Safe at Home Coordinated Entry

- Safe at Home providers should attend regional coordinated entry meetings.
- Survivors may be referred to Safe at Home through other agencies in the region and during coordinated entry case conferencing.
  - Coordinated Entry Leads will receive an email after today's meeting with a list of Safe at Home agencies and their contact information.

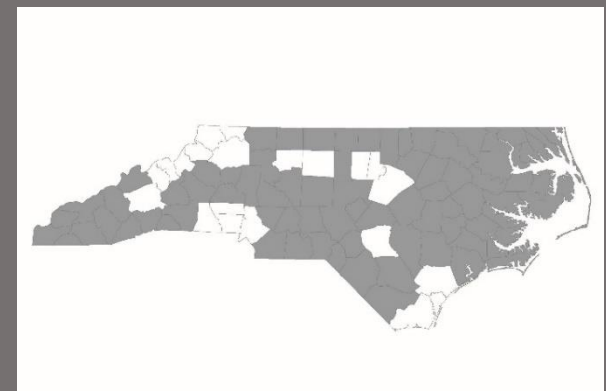


# Questions + Discussion



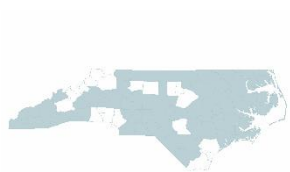
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# HART Updates and Next Steps



# HART Timeline

- ✓ Pilot 2.0 Phase (August – September 2023)
- ✓ Analysis with Stakeholders (October 2023)
- ✓ Update CE Written Standards (October 2023)
- ✓ CE Written Standards Approved by CEC (January 2024)
- CE Written Standards Approved by Steering Committee
- HMIS & By-name List Updates
- Training Phase
- Launch Phase



# Core Team Recruitment



We are seeking diverse candidates with lived experience with homelessness to participate in a group that will create new policies to ensure our CoC's housing opportunities are fair to all!

## WHEN

- Through December
- About to 2-3 hrs/month
- Meeting time can be flexible

## WHERE

- Virtual meetings on Zoom or Microsoft Teams
- You'll need access to a smart phone or computer and the internet.
- We may be able to help!

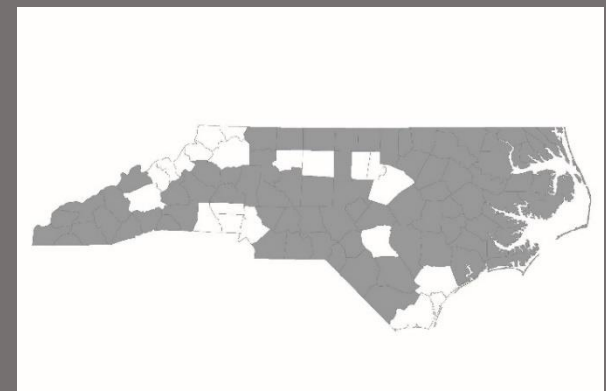
## COMPENSATION & HOW TO APPLY

- \$20/hr stipend
- Contact the Balance of State Continuum of Care ([bos@ncceh.org](mailto:bos@ncceh.org)) with:
  - your name
  - contact information
  - and the best time to reach you





# Unsheltered PIT

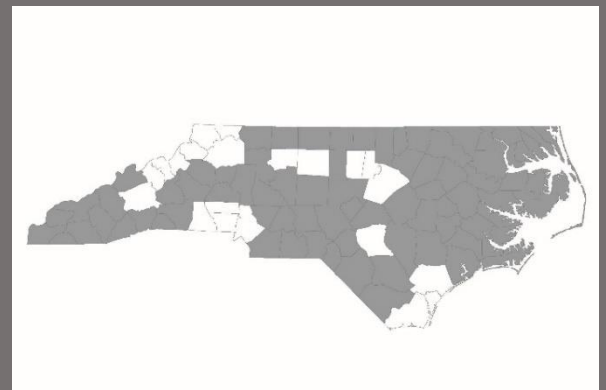


# Unsheltered PIT (2/15/24 Data)

Region	2023 Unsheltered Count	2024 Unsheltered Count
Region 1	72	125
Region 2	171	167
Region 3	166	188
Region 4	116	178
Region 5	239	192
Region 6	28	29
Region 7	313	275
Region 8	50	2
Region 9	26	82
Region 10	21	5
Region 11	38	28
Region 12	22	3
Region 13	131	84
<b>Total</b>	<b>1393</b>	<b>1358 (and counting!!)</b>

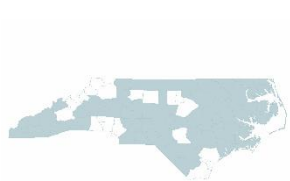


# Reminders



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- February 21: All unsheltered PIT data must be entered into HMIS
- March 18: Next CEC meeting



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