

Housing Status

Housing Status Answers	Where did you sleep last night? (program entry) and Destination (program exit)
Category 1 - Homeless	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An individual or family with a primary nighttime residence that is a public or private place not designed for or ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings; including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ a car ○ park ○ abandoned building ○ bus or train station ○ airport ○ camping ground • An individual or family living in a supervised publicly or privately operated shelter designated to provide temporary living arrangements, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ hotels and motels paid for by Federal, State, or local government programs for low-income individuals or by charitable organizations ○ congregate shelters ○ transitional housing for homeless persons • An individual who is exiting an institution where he or she resided for 90 days or less and who resided in an emergency shelter or place not meant for human habitation immediately before entering that institution <p>NOTE: If client is in a hotel or motel, paying for it without assistance from an organization or government program, they are NOT category 1-homeless.</p>
Category 2 – Imminent risk of losing housing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Housing Loss in 14 Days:</i> An individual or family who will imminently lose their primary nighttime residence¹ provided that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The primary nighttime residence will be lost within 14 days of the date of application for homeless assistance ○ No subsequent residence has been identified; ○ The individual or family lacks the resources or support networks, e.g., family, friends, faith-based or other social networks needed to obtain other permanent housing <p>Examples of imminent housing loss include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Being evicted from a private dwelling unit (including housing they own, rent, or live in without paying rent, are sharing with others, and rooms in hotels or motels not paid for by Federal, State, or local government programs for low-income individuals or by charitable organizations); • Being discharged from a hospital or other institution;

¹A primary nighttime residence may include housing an individual or family owns, rents, or lives in without paying rent, are sharing with others, and rooms in hotels or motels not paid for by federal, state, or local government programs for low-income individuals or by charitable organizations.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Living in housing that has been condemned by housing officials and is no longer considered meant for human habitation;
Category 3 – Homeless Only Under Other Federal Statutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No one should use this category
Category 4 – Fleeing Domestic Violence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Any individual or family who: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Is fleeing, or is attempting to flee, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or other dangerous or life-threatening conditions that relate to violence against the individual or a family member, including a child, that has either taken place within the individual's or family's primary nighttime residence or has made the individual or family afraid to return to their primary nighttime residence; AND ○ Has no other residence; AND ○ Lacks the resources or support networks, e.g., family, friends, faith based or other social networks, to obtain other permanent housing. <p>NOTE: Should only be used when the household does NOT meet any other category but is homeless solely because they are fleeing domestic violence.</p>
At-risk of Homelessness	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An individual or family who: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Has an annual income below 30 percent of median family income for the area, as determined by HUD; AND ○ Does not have sufficient resources or support networks, e.g., family, friends, faith-based or other social networks, immediately available to prevent them from moving to an emergency shelter or another place described in Homeless Category 1 above; AND ○ Meets one of the following conditions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Has moved because of economic reasons two or more times during the 60 days immediately preceding the application for homelessness prevention assistance; ▪ Is living in the home of another because of economic hardship; ▪ Has been notified in writing that their right to occupy their current housing or living situation will be terminated within 21 days after the date of application for assistance; ▪ Lives in a hotel or motel and the cost of the hotel or motel stay is not paid by charitable organizations or by Federal, State, or local government programs for low-income individuals; ▪ Lives in a single-room occupancy or efficiency apartment unit in which there reside more than two persons or lives in a larger housing unit in which there reside more than 1.5 persons reside per room, as defined by the U.S. Census Bureau; ▪ Is exiting a publicly funded institution, or system of care (such as a health-care facility, a mental health facility, foster care or other youth facility, or correction program or institution); or ▪ Otherwise lives in housing that has characteristics associated with instability and an increased risk of homelessness, as identified in the recipient's approved consolidated plan (for

	<p>ESG projects) or the jurisdiction’s approved consolidated plan (for non-ESG projects); OR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ A child or youth who does not qualify as “homeless” under the categories described above, but qualifies as “homeless” under section 387(3) of the Runaway and Homeless Youth Act (42 U.S.C. 5732a(3)), section 637(11) of the Head Start Act (42 U.S.C. 9832(11)), section 41403(6) of the Violence Against Women Act of 1994 (42 U.S.C. 14043e–2(6)), section 330(h)(5)(A) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 254b(h)(5)(A)), section 3(m) of the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2012(m)), or section 17(b)(15) of the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 1786(b)(15)); OR ○ A child or youth who does not qualify as “homeless” under the categories described above, but qualifies as “homeless” under section 725(2) of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11434a(2)), and the parent(s) or guardian(s) of that child or youth if living them. <p>NOTE: At project entry, this category is only a valid response for clients being served by Homelessness Prevention or Coordinated Assessment projects.</p>
Stably Housed	An individual or family who is not otherwise experiencing homelessness or at risk of homelessness according to the categories above.
Client Does Not Know	<p>Program Entry: Client doesn’t know where they slept the night before entering the program</p> <p>Program Exit: Client doesn’t know where they will stay when they leave</p>
Client Refused	<p>Program Entry: Client refuses to share where they slept the night before entering the program</p> <p>Program Exit: Client refuses to share where they will stay when they leave</p>
Data Not Collected	HMIS user who did not collect or simply does not have the information to enter a response that does not present a false answer.