FACT SHEET: HOMELESSNESS IN ADDISON COUNTY/VERMONT

• The Annual Point-in-Time (PIT) Count is an unduplicated count of persons experiencing homelessness on the night of January 26, 2016. The total number of homeless Vermonters counted on that single night was 1,102, an overall decrease in homelessness by 28% compared to the 2015 Point-in-Time Count.

• 20% of total households counted in the 2016 PIT statewide count had children. 47% of households reported experiencing homelessness for the first time.

• 9.8% of persons experiencing homelessness in the 2016 PIT Count identified as veterans.

• 20.8% of persons experiencing homelessness in the 2016 PIT Count reported being victims of domestic violence.

• 29% of persons in the 2016 PIT count identified as having serious mental illness. 19% of persons identified as having a substance abuse disorder.

• 16% of persons in the 2016 PIT count identified as having a physical disability and 5% identified as having a developmental disability.

• During the winter of 2015/2016, Charter House-Warming Shelter and the John Graham Shelter provided space that significantly offset emergency motel stays in Addison County.

• Continuing challenges include rapid re-housing due to a lack of affordable housing and implementing strategies to best address the needs of individuals experiencing homelessness along with co-occurring disorders.

All facts sourced from the Vermont Statewide Point-in-Time 2016 Report

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