

### **Point in Time**

CoC's are required to complete a one-night Point-In-Time (PIT) count of those who are experiencing homelessness during the last ten days in January. The data from this count helps determine the amount of funding awarded for homeless programs across the state, as well as report changes among the homeless population and raise public awareness of homelessness.

Data from the one-night PIT count and the longitudinal data collected by the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) are the primary sources used to measure the progress in meeting the national strategic goal (Opening Doors) of preventing and ending homelessness, which include:

1. End chronic homelessness by 2016
2. Prevent and end veteran homelessness by 2016
3. Prevent and end homelessness for families, youth and children by 2020
4. Set a path to end all homelessness

This year's PIT count will take place on **Thursday January 29 and Friday, January 30** to count where those who are experiencing homelessness spent the night of Wednesday January 28.

### **Volunteer & Housing Provider Training**

Volunteers must attend one of the trainings and fill out a volunteer release form before participating in the PIT count. The training will provide information on surveying those who are unsheltered. Housing providers are also required to participate in training for sheltered surveys and housing inventory at the same time.

#### **Where:**

Idaho Housing and Finance Association, First Floor Conference Room

#### **When:**

- **Tuesday, January 20, 2015 2:00-3:30 PM**
- **Friday, January 23, 2015 2:00-3:30 PM**

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