2018 Results and Trends

On the night of the 2018 PIT Count 12,112 people were experiencing homelessness in King County.



County-Wide Data

- Compared to 2017, the number of individuals identified experiencing homelessness, both sheltered and unsheltered, in Seattle/King County increased by 4% (469 persons)
- This is the smallest increase seen in the last 4 years.
- Fifty-two percent (6,320 persons) of the population was unsheltered, living on the street, in parks, encampments, vehicles, or other places not meant for human habitation -- an overall increase of 15% (835 persons) from 2017 data.
- Forty-eight percent (5,792 persons) of the population was in emergency shelter, transitional housing and safe havens on the night of the count.
- 52% of people experiencing homelessness identified as people of color; however, people of color make up only 33% of the King County general population.
- 14% decline in people living in tents
- From 2017 to 2018, vehicle residents increased by 46%.

East King County Data

- The East King County unsheltered count increased from 319 to 393 (23%) from 2017 to 2018
- 77% of all unsheltered individuals in East King County were in vehicles in 2018, up from 64% in 2017.
- The report does not provide sub-regional breakdowns of the sheltered count.
- In Redmond, the unsheltered count was 52 in 2018, as compared to 31 in 2017.

		UNSHELTERED			
		2017		2018	
REGION		%	n	%	n
East County	Ž.	6%	319	6%	393
North County	Of which 204	-1%	58	4%	251
Northeast Count	were in vehicles	2%	84	2%	137
Seattle		70%	3,841	71%	4,488
Southwest County		20%	1,113	15%	974
Southeast County		1%	70	1%	77
TOTAL		100%	5,485	100%	6,320

Of which 302 were in vehicles

What We're Doing—Outreach Data

	Number of individuals	# of individuals engaged and/or working on a plan	# Housed
2017	227	132 (58%)	41 (18%)
2018 (through 6/26/2018)	116	56 (48%)	25 (22%)