

## Summary of Unsheltered Count

Volunteers found a total of **28** persons on Wednesday, **August 17, 2016** during the unsheltered count. The street canvass included **37** volunteer enumerators based in *Abington, Ambler, Bridgeport, Cheltenham, Lansdale, Norristown, Pottstown, Royersford, Souderton, and Willow Grove*. The count started at **9:30 p.m. on August 17<sup>th</sup> and ended at 1:00 a.m. on August 18<sup>th</sup>**. Additionally, **two volunteers** worked remotely to operate the Central Call Center to manage inbound calls from/outbound calls to volunteer teams, police stations, hospitals, and general community partners.

The following breakdown provides more details about the **28 persons** that were found:

- Abington/Willow Grove Team recorded observations of **eight (8) people** including one household with children (single mother of two) and one couple.
- Ambler/Cheltenham Team found **two people**. The PIT Coordinator determined that one person was **chronically homeless** after analyzing his survey.
- Lansdale/Souderton Team found **four (4) people**. The PIT Coordinator determined that one person was **chronically homeless** after analyzing her survey.
- Norristown/Bridgeport Team\* found **12 people**. The PIT Coordinator determined that three of them were **chronically homeless veterans** and another person was **chronically homeless** after analyzing their surveys.
- Pottstown/Royersford Team found **two people**. One of the volunteers recognized one person from the 2016 Winter Count when they visited the **Pastor Cork's Code Blue Shelter in Pottstown**.

### Summer vs. Winter Comparison for 2016

In the winter, **20** people were found on **1/28/16** during the unsheltered count in places not meant for human habitation.

- *Availability of code blue beds:*
  - A total of **84** code blue beds were available.

- 35 at TSA Norristown, 10 at TSA Pottstown, four (4) at Trinity Lutheran, and 35 at Main Street Ministries.
- *Availability of complimentary van-run service for code blue bed accommodations:*
  - The Veterans Multi-Service Center (VMC) and The Resources for Human Development Coordinated Homeless Outreach Center in Norristown (CHOC) served as the backbone organizations for our Van Run service which consisted of two vans. Volunteers from the VMC followed the Pottstown Team but also assisted other teams in the Northern region of the county (Royersford, Souderton, Pennsburg, Schwenksville, and Lansdale); volunteers from the CHOC followed the Norristown Team but will assisted other teams in the Southern regions of the county (Ambler, Bridgeport, Abington, Cheltenham, and Willow Grove).
- *Improved known locations' list for search areas:*
  - Beginning with the winter count, we shifted our focus from general areas to 24-hour establishments such as Walmart. We continued to use the same method for the summer count.
- *Improved Street Outreach follow-up process:*
  - Beginning with the winter count, the PIT Coordinator created a list, identifying the number of unsheltered persons found and submitted it to Street Outreach workers who then attempted to contact each person within one-five days after the count. The same process was used for the summer count.