



# Monthly Agency Leads Meeting

San Francisco, January 2026

# Today's Agenda

Welcome!

System Updates

LSA Lessons Learned

HIC/PIT Overview

Wrap Up

# Welcome!

What's one food you couldn't live without?

---> Please share your name, pronouns, and agency in the chat!



# System Updates

- > Federal Reporting Season is here:
  - > **LSA** has been submitted!
  - > **SPM**: launches in early 2026
    - > Currently in early stages of review
  - > **HIC/PIT**: launches in Spring 2026
    - > **PIT date is January 28, 2026**





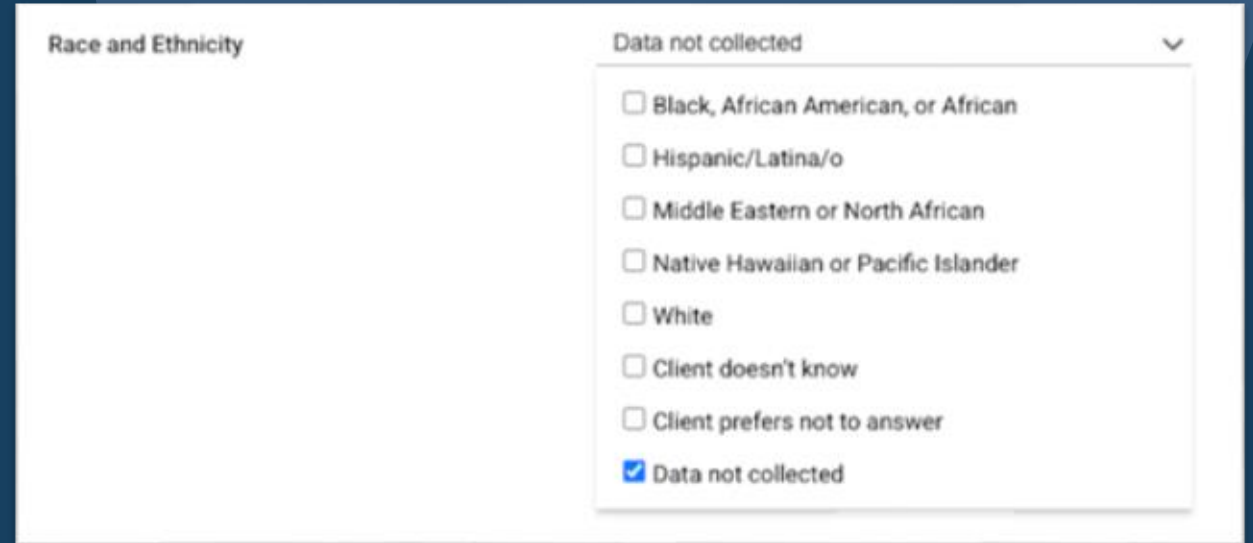
# LSA Lessons Learned

→ Emphasis on Missing Data Elements in our **PSH, RRH and Shelter** programs:

- Race/Ethnicity
- Disability Status
- Prior Living Situation
- Exit Destination

→ These 4 Data Elements had warning flags that were unable to be resolved by the LSA deadline

- Each element has an error threshold that causes a warning flag (i.e. more than 5% of clients enrolled in a Shelter program during the reporting period)



The screenshot shows a form titled "Race and Ethnicity". On the right side, there is a dropdown menu labeled "Data not collected" with a downward arrow. The dropdown is open, showing a list of options with checkboxes:

- ☐ Black, African American, or African
- ☐ Hispanic/Latina/o
- ☐ Middle Eastern or North African
- ☐ Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander
- ☐ White
- ☐ Client doesn't know
- ☐ Client prefers not to answer
- ☒ Data not collected

→ “Missing Data” means that fields were saved on the screen as:

- “**Select**” or no response selected
- “**Data not collected**”
- “**No exit interview completed**” (exit destination only)
- “**Other**” (exit destination only)

# Race/Ethnicity

## Lesson Learned

- Required field found on the client's profile screen
- Cannot be blank but may be "*Data Not Collected*", all other responses are not errors

- Need to speak to a client directly to get an answer
- Staff should check this field on a client's profile when they enroll a client into a program

Race and Ethnicity	Hispanic/Latina/o, White	▼
Additional Race and Ethnicity Detail		

# Disability Status

- Required field found on the client's program enrollment screen
- Only a "Data Not Collected" response is an error
- If "Yes" is selected, make sure at least one of the listed disabilities also has a "Yes" response
- If "No" is selected, make sure all listed disabilities has a "No" response.

## Lesson Learned

- Easiest to obtain this information at the time of enrollment
- Check to make sure the Disabling Condition field aligns with the individual disability responses


DISABLING CONDITIONS AND BARRIERS				
Disabling Condition	Yes	▼		
Physical Disability	No	▼		
Developmental Disability	No	▼		
Chronic Health Condition	Yes	▼	Long Term	Yes
HIV - AIDS	No	▼		
Mental Health Disorder	Yes	▼	Long Term	Yes ▼
Substance Use Disorder	No			
Survivor of Domestic Violence	No	▼		

# Prior Living Situation

- Required field found on the program enrollment screen
- Used to determine a client's homeless status and chronic homeless status in the system
  - Determines program eligibility determination, meta data, reporting, etc.

## Lesson Learned

- Easiest to collect at the time of enrollment
- Can be difficult to fill after the client has left the program
  - Client can no longer be found
  - Client may not remember their prior living situation

PRIOR LIVING SITUATION	
Type of Residence	Place not meant for habitation (e.g., a vehicle, an abandoned building, bu▼
Length of Stay in Prior Living Situation	One night or less ▼
Approximate date this episode of homelessness started	09/23/2025 
Number of times on the streets, in ES, or Safe Haven in the past three years	One Time ▼
Total number of months homeless on the streets, in ES, or Safe Haven in the past three years	One month (this time is the first month) ▼



# Type of Residence Responses

**Homeless situations**

**Institutional Settings**

**Temporary Housing**

**Permanent Housing**

**Question asked**  
**Question not asked**

 **Data error**

Select




- ✓ Place not meant for habitation (e.g., a vehicle, an abandoned building, bus/train/subway station/airport or anywhere outside)
- Emergency shelter, including hotel or motel paid for with emergency shelter voucher, Host Home shelter
- Safe Haven
- Foster care home or foster care group home
- Hospital or other residential non-psychiatric medical facility
- Jail, prison, or juvenile detention facility
- Long-term care facility or nursing home
- Psychiatric hospital or other psychiatric facility
- Substance abuse treatment facility or detox center
- Transitional housing for homeless persons (including homeless youth)
- Residential project or halfway house with no homeless criteria
- Hotel or motel paid for without emergency shelter voucher
- Host Home (non-crisis)
- Staying or living in a friend's room, apartment, or house
- Staying or living in a family member's room, apartment, or house
- Rental by client, no ongoing housing subsidy
- Rental by client, with ongoing housing subsidy
- Owned by client, with ongoing housing subsidy
- Owned by client, no ongoing housing subsidy
- Client doesn't know
- Client prefers not to answer
- Data not collected

# Exit Destination

- Required field found on the program exit screen
- Select most closely matches where the client will be staying after exiting the project
- Used to determine a client's housing status after program exit

## Lesson Learned

- Can be difficult to fill after the client has left the program and cannot be found
- If your program has auto exits set up, the Destination response will default to “Data Not Collected”
- *No exit interview completed* and *Other* are also considered Data Errors

Program Exit Date	11/21/2025 
Exit Reason	Unit Relinquished 
Destination	Emergency shelter, including hotel or motel paid for with emergency shelter 

# “No exit interview completed” and “Other”

## → No exit interview completed

- Considered by HUD as "missing data" for data quality and reporting purposes.
- Should be used as a last resort in cases where determining a client's exit destination is truly not possible.

## → Other

- Does not count as a positive program outcome.
- Should be used only as a last resort if the client's destination truly cannot be even loosely described by any of the available options.
- If client is moving into a situation that doesn't seem to fit neatly into destination categories, feel free to reach out at [onesf-admin@bitfocus.com](mailto:onesf-admin@bitfocus.com) to request guidance.

# Destination Responses

**Homeless situations**

**Institutional Settings**

**Temporary Housing**

**Permanent Housing**



**Data error**  
**Deceased**



**Question asked**  
**Question not asked**

Select

Place not meant for habitation (e.g., a vehicle, an abandoned building, bus/train/subway station/airport or anywhere outside)

✓ Emergency shelter, including hotel or motel paid for with emergency shelter voucher, Host Home shelter

Safe Haven

Foster care home or foster care group home

Hospital or other residential non-psychiatric medical facility

Jail, prison, or juvenile detention facility

Long-term care facility or nursing home

Psychiatric hospital or other psychiatric facility

Substance abuse treatment facility or detox center

Transitional housing for homeless persons (including homeless youth)

Residential project or halfway house with no homeless criteria

Hotel or motel paid for without emergency shelter voucher

Host Home (non-crisis)

Staying or living with family, temporary tenure (e.g., room, apartment, or house)

Staying or living with friends, temporary tenure (e.g., room, apartment, or house)

Moved from one HOPWA funded project to HOPWA TH

Staying or living with family, permanent tenure

Staying or living with friends, permanent tenure

Moved from one HOPWA funded project to HOPWA PH

Rental by client, no ongoing housing subsidy

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Owned by client, with ongoing housing subsidy

Owned by client, no ongoing housing subsidy

No exit interview completed

Other

Deceased

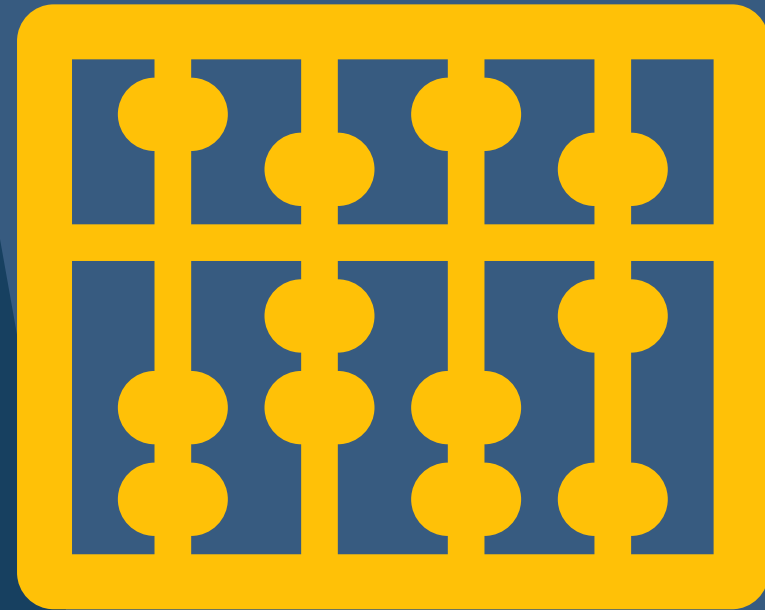
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Data not collected

# Preparation for the 2026 LSA

- HSH and Bitfocus will work on developing Data Quality Monitoring tools over the year.
  - Used to try and catch data errors before the 2026 LSA
  - Will reach out to providers when data is missing
  - Already have successfully developed tools to catch other warnings such as enrollment overlaps



## Helpful Reports

- [\[HUDX-225\] HMIS Data Quality](#)
- [\[HUDX-227\] Annual Performance Report](#)





# 2026 HIC/PIT Overview

# What is the PIT?

**The Point-in-Time (PIT) Count** is a count of sheltered and unsheltered people experiencing homelessness on a single night in January.

- HUD requires that Continuums of Care conduct an annual count of people experiencing homelessness who are sheltered in emergency shelter, transitional housing, and Safe Havens on a single night.
- Continuums of Care also must conduct a count of unsheltered people experiencing homelessness every other year.
  - SF last completed its unsheltered count in 2024 (data of sheltered and unsheltered count [available online](#))
- Each count is planned, coordinated, and carried out locally.



# What is the HIC

**The Housing Inventory Count (HIC)** reports on shelter and housing programs (ES, TH, RRH, PSH), including non-participating HMIS programs (e.g. DV programs) and includes:

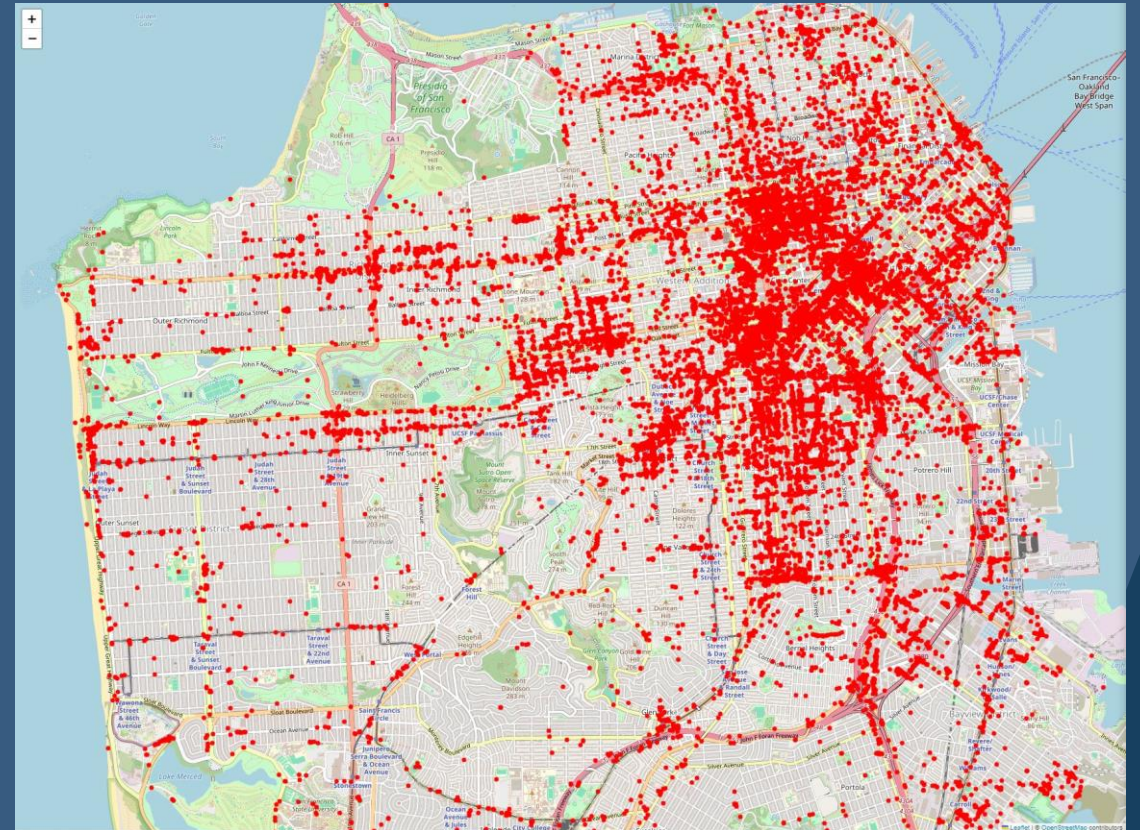
- > Bed/unit capacity
- > Federal funding source
- > HMIS participation
- > Location (geocode and address)
- > Other project details
- > Utilization rate based on clients in shelter/housing during one night in January (point-in-time count)





# Why does accurate data in the HIC/PIT matter?

- Improves our understanding about the size and characteristics of our homeless population and our current resources, which informs strategic planning
- Results impact our CoC's funding
- SF's HIC/PIT data is presented locally and nationally



# 2025 HIC/PIT – Jan 28



- > San Francisco will conduct the HIC/PIT Count on **January 28, 2026**
- > All Shelter and Housing projects will need to report the actual number of clients served on the night of January 28. Information will be used to calculate Utilization Rates for each project.
  - > **Important that rosters for all Shelter, Transitional Housing, RRH and PSH program are reviewed for accuracy!**

# How can I prep my agency's data for the 2026 HIC/PIT?

- > Run the [GNRL-106] Program Roster report and review the list of active clients
  - > Exit clients who are no longer in the project
  - > Enroll missing clients
    - ❖ Especially important to review your ONE System program roster for the night of Jan 28. Set a reminder in your calendar for 1/30 to review your rosters!
- > RRH and PSH projects - Fill in the Housing Move-In Date for your housed clients in the enrollment screen
  - > Housing Move-In Date should always be on or after the Project Start Date (if the client was housed at entry, use the Project Start Date)
- > The deadline for any review and correction of program rosters for the night of the HIC/PIC will be in early February





# Don't forget about Office Hours!

- > ONE System Office Hours occur every 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month at 2pm
- > Available to everyone who is a user of the ONE System
- > No problem too big, no question too small!
- > Register at [bitfocus.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZcrce-rqTouHNZejrOoeyxlqx7faH4\\_LdNK#/registration](https://bitfocus.zoom.us/join/tZcrce-rqTouHNZejrOoeyxlqx7faH4_LdNK#/registration)

# Announcements

Monthly Office Hours:

- January 27th @2pm

Registration Links: [onesf.bitfocus.com](https://onesf.bitfocus.com)

# Helpful Resources



## ONESF Help Center Website

- [onesf.bitfocus.com](https://onesf.bitfocus.com)

## Bitfocus Help Center

- [help.bitfocus.com](https://help.bitfocus.com)

## Bitfocus Helpdesk

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