

Re-envisioning Philadelphia's Homeless Services System - Unit Projections/ Needs Assessment

Compiled by the Unit Projections Subcommittee

The **Unit Projections Subcommittee (UPSC)** examined four types of HUD-mandated reports on homelessness and program performance, as well as national research on housing and service trends. The group used this data in conjunction with insight from local providers and agencies to determine the community's **need for additional units of Permanent Supportive Housing, Rapid Rehousing, and Prevention for people experiencing or at risk of experiencing homelessness**. These numbers reflect the **estimated need** for additional units in the system, assuming households are matched to the intervention that best meets their level of service need and 10% of households self-resolve their homelessness without requiring an intervention.

Permanent Housing and Prevention Need

The chart below shows Philadelphia's **estimated** need for additional units of three types of housing interventions: Permanent Supportive Housing, Rapid Re-Housing, and Prevention.

These projections **do not represent exact or final figures on community need**, but are instead intended to provide an empirical **foundation for community conversation** around system-wide strategy and planning for resource allocation and unit creation based on the local and national data available.

Housing Intervention	Additional Units Needed (Estimated)
Permanent Supportive Housing for Families with Children	200
Permanent Supportive Housing for Adults without Children	1,800
Rapid Re-Housing for Families with Children	250
Rapid Re-Housing for Adults without Children	4,500
Prevention for Families with Children	700
Prevention for Adults without Children	2,100

Note: The unmet need for Transitional Aged Youth (Adults ages 18-24, also known as TAY) is included within the Individual and Family totals above. Office of Homeless Services and Corporation for Supportive Housing are working with youth providers to assess the specific needs of TAY experiencing homelessness.

Methodology

Estimates of Additional Units Needed in Philadelphia were calculated by subtracting the number of units of each intervention available annually from the projected annual need for said interventions.

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