



Emergency Services &
Homeless Coalition of St.
Johns County, Inc.

2007
Homeless
Population
Count and
Survey
**VOLUNTEER
TRAINING
WORKSHOP**

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WHAT IS THE HOMELESS COUNT?

Point-in-Time Survey

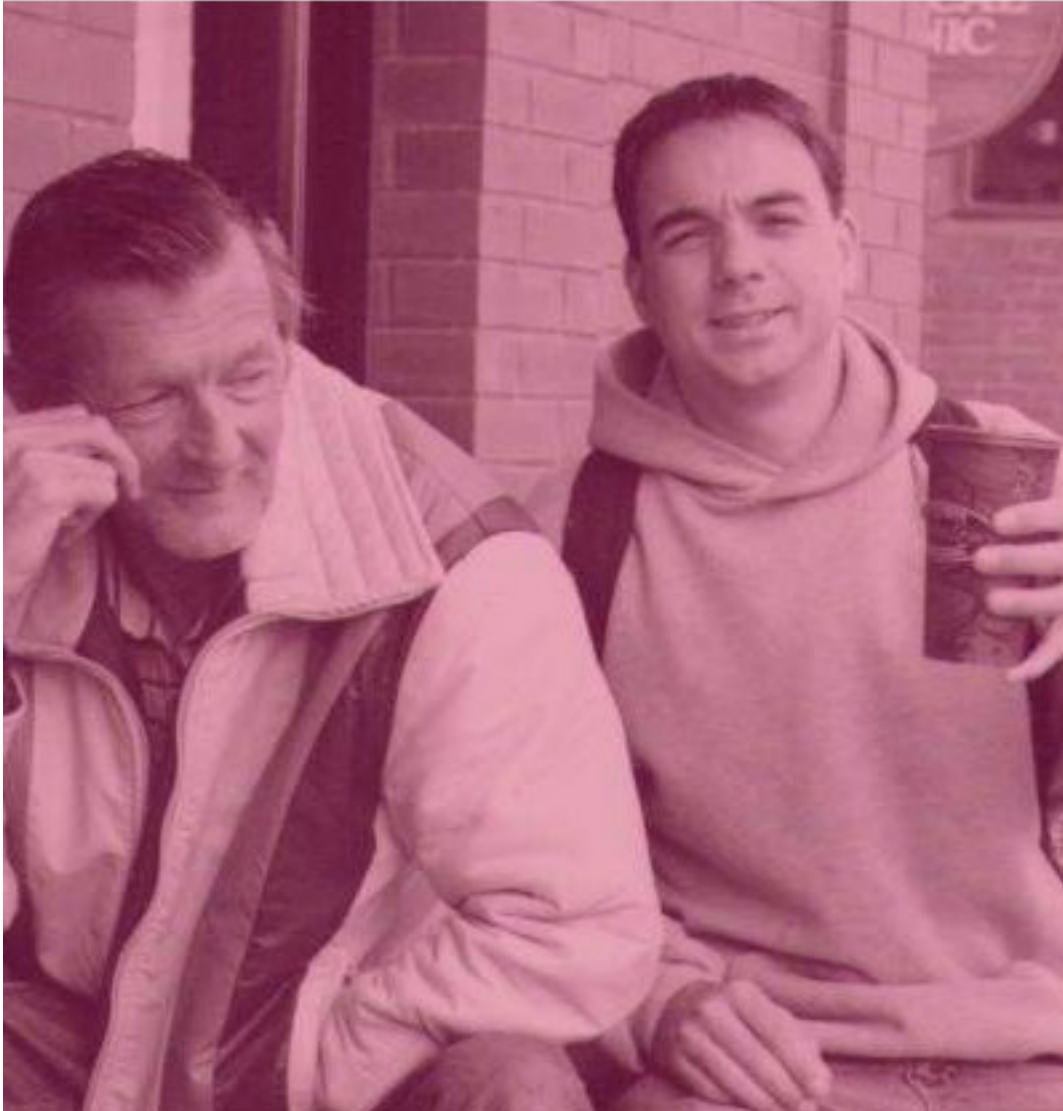
"the number of people who are homeless at a single point in time, usually one day or one night" (Burt, 1996, p. 22).

PURPOSE

- Baseline estimate
- Awareness
- Policy Development
- Community Involvement



LIMITATIONS



The primary limitation of this method is undercounting, for it is nearly impossible to count ALL of the homeless people in a community in one day.

METHOD

- Count
- Interview
- Analysis

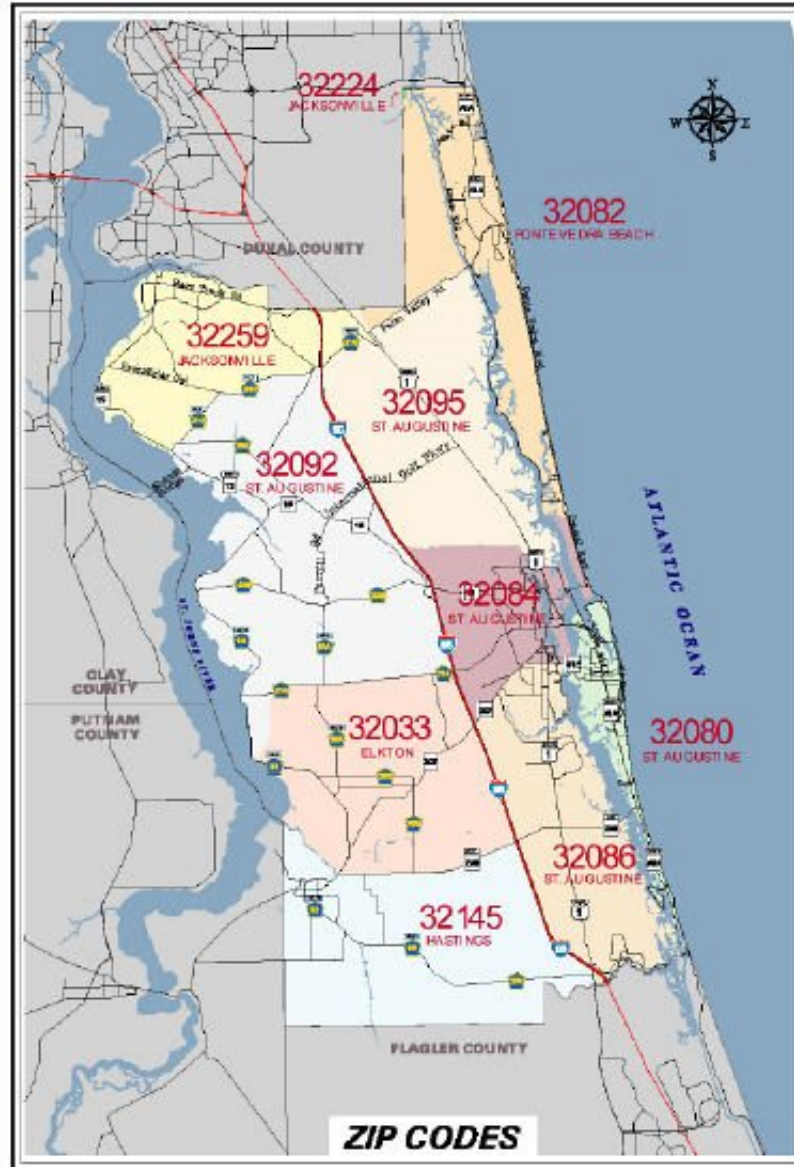


SURVEY AREAS

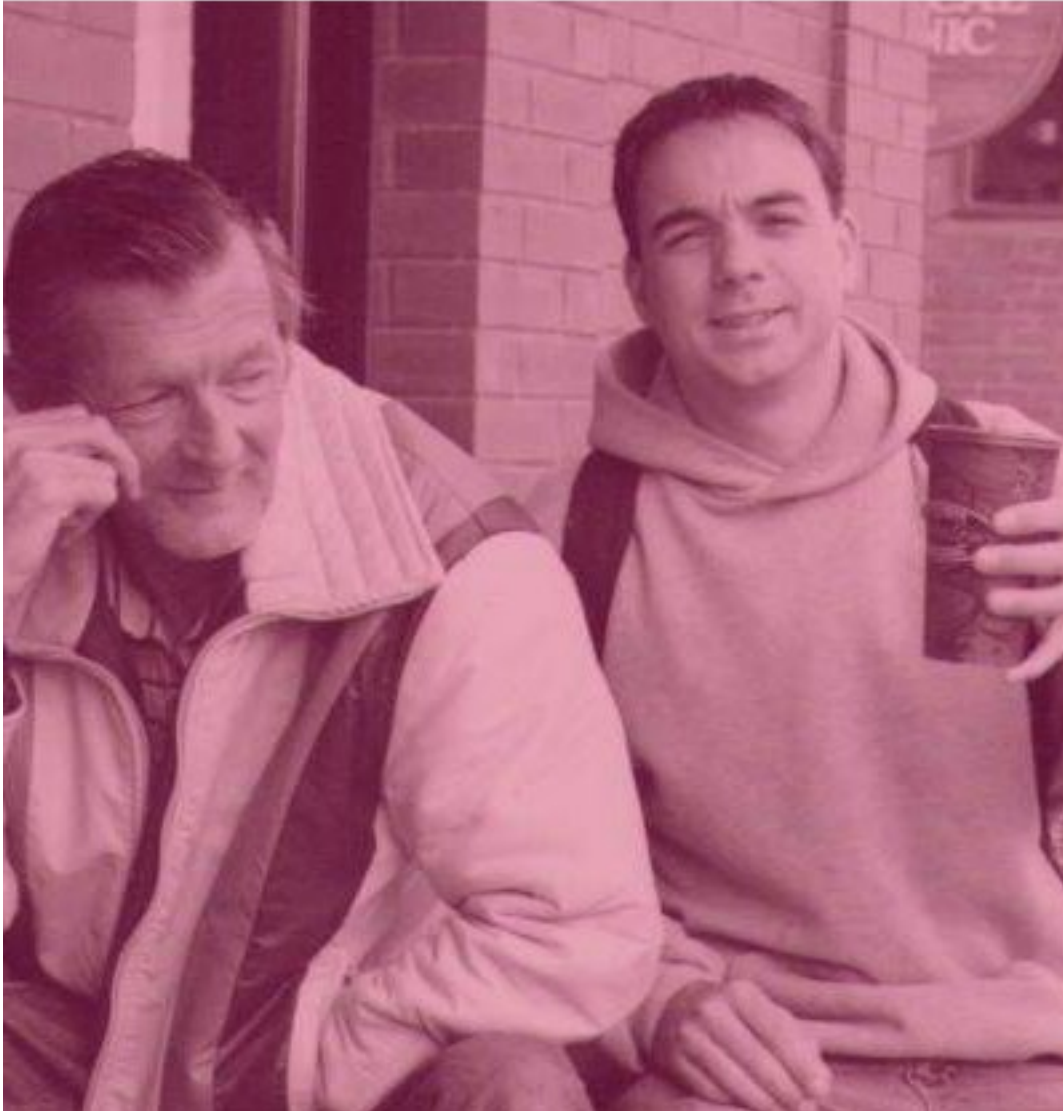
- Vilano Beach
- Anastasia Is.
- Downtown
- W. Augustine
- North City
- Hastings
- Elkton
- Flagler Estates



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LOCATIONS

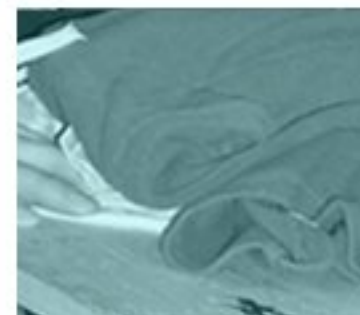
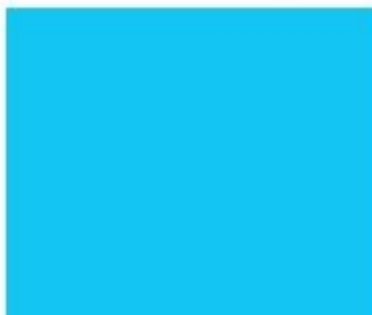


- Shelters
- Service Providers
- Churches
- Libraries
- Bars
- Streets
- Parking Lots
- Woods
- Camps



PROCEDURES

- Survey Teams
- Deployment Center
- Guides
- Count
- Interviews



2005 St. Johns County Homeless Census

Count Sheet

Confirm All Classifications. Use Separate Count Sheets for Sheltered & Unsheltered.

Sheltered Unsheltered (Circle One) Location (and Zip Code): _____

Census Takers Name(s): _____

Single Homeless Individuals

Confirmed	White	Black	Hispanic	Am. Indian	Asian	Other	TOTALS
Single Adult Men							
Single Adult Women (18 or older)							
Single Youth Male							
Single Youth Female							
Single Person Undetermined Age/Gender							

Count a person only once, EITHER as a single person (count above) OR as a person in a family (below)

Persons in Homeless Families

Confirmed	White	Black	Hispanic	Am. Indian	Asian	Other	TOTALS
Adult Men (18 or older)							
Adult Women (18 or older)							
Male Youth (Under 18)							
Female Youth (Under 18)							
Persons of Undetermined Age/Gender							

SURVEY FORM

Section A - Demographics
Section B - Family Info
Section C - Homeless Data
Section D - Income
Section E - Services Used

Modules:

- Mental Health
- TB & HIV/AIDS
- Substance Abuse
- Legal Issues
- Disability/Medical Issues



INTERVIEWER GUIDELINES

- Informal, flexible, sensitive BUT objective
- Friendly conversational tone
- Assurance of Confidentiality
- Follow Survey wording
- Explain questions
- Personal Safety

HUD DEFINITION

A person is considered homeless only when he/she resides in one of the places described below:

1. Places not meant for human habitation, i.e. cars, parks, sidewalks, abandoned buildings, etc.
2. Emergency Shelter
3. Transitional Housing or Permanent Supportive Housing *
4. Short time in hospital or other institution
5. Is being evicted within a week, with no resources to obtain housing
6. Is being discharged from Institution after 30 days*
7. Fleeing a domestic violence situation, with no resources to obtain housing.

* Cannot be used in the Gaps Analysis

WHO NOT TO COUNT:

1. Persons living doubled up in conventional housing
2. Formerly homeless, residing in Section 8 SRO, Shelter Plus Care, Permanent Housing
3. Homeless Children or Youth, temporarily living in hospital, treatment facility, foster care, etc.
4. Adults living in mental health facilities, chemical dependency or criminal justice facilities

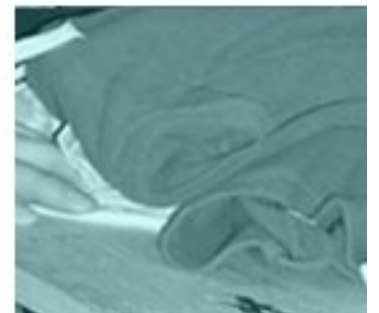


DATE & TIME

Thursday, January 25

ALL DAY & NIGHT

(5:30 am – 9:00 pm)





HOW CAN I VOLUNTEER?

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