



2021 HOMELESS ENUMERATION

Results for Metropolitan Washington

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How Many People are Experiencing Homelessness in Our Region?

Literally Homeless By Jurisdiction, 2020 - 2021

Jurisdiction	2020	2021	Change in Number of Persons 2020-2021	Percent Change 2020 - 2021
City of Alexandria, VA	207	106	-101	-49%
Arlington County, VA	199	171	-28	-14%
District of Columbia	6,380	5,111	-1,269	-20%
Fairfax County, VA	1,041	1,222	181	17%
Frederick County, MD	308	223	-85	-28%
Loudoun County, VA	179	80	-99	-55%
Montgomery County, MD	670	577	-93	-14%
Prince George's County, MD	453	537	84	19%
Prince William County, VA	326	282	-44	-13%
TOTAL	9,763	8,309	-1,454	-15%

NOTE: The literally homeless total above includes persons who were unsheltered on the night of the enumeration.

Significant Decline in Families Experiencing Homelessness

Household Composition						
		Total Persons in Households without Children	Total Persons in Households with Adults and Children	Total Persons in Households with ONLY Minor Children* (Unaccompanied Minors)	Regional Total	
COG REGION	2021	5,917	2,376	16	8,309	
	2020	5,990	3,760	13	9,763	
	2019	5,735	4,044	15	9,794	
	2018	5,798	4,667	15	10,480	
	2017	5,630	5,489	9	11,128	
2017 - 2021 Percent Change		5%	-57%	7	-25%	

- Children represent **60%** of all people in homeless families.

Rising Chronic Homelessness

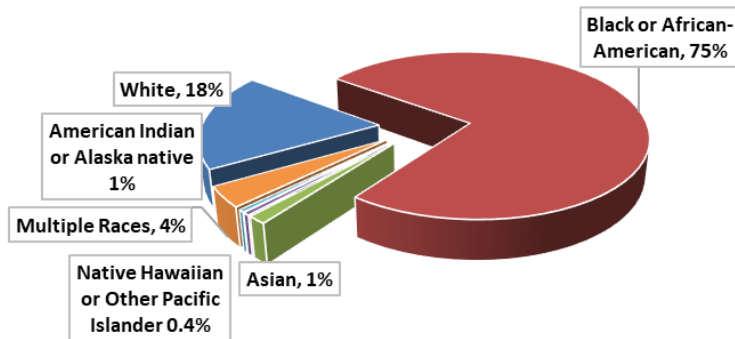
Chronically Homeless Single Adults By Jurisdiction, 2017 - 2021

Jurisdiction	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	Percent Change 2017 - 2021
City of Alexandria	43	57	38	15	21	-51%
Arlington County	63	57	74	20	34	-46%
District of Columbia	1,470	1,586	1,374	1,337	1,618	10%
Fairfax County	150	171	213	174	318	112%
Frederick County	72	39	37	183	N/A	N/A
Loudoun County	15	22	37	21	23	53%
Montgomery County	158	124	11	10	51	-68%
Prince George's County	28	26	12	15	34	21%
Prince William County	76	31	19	53	49	-36%
All COG CoCs	2,075	2,113	1,815	1,828	2,148	4%

Racial Disparities in Who Experiences Homelessness in our Region

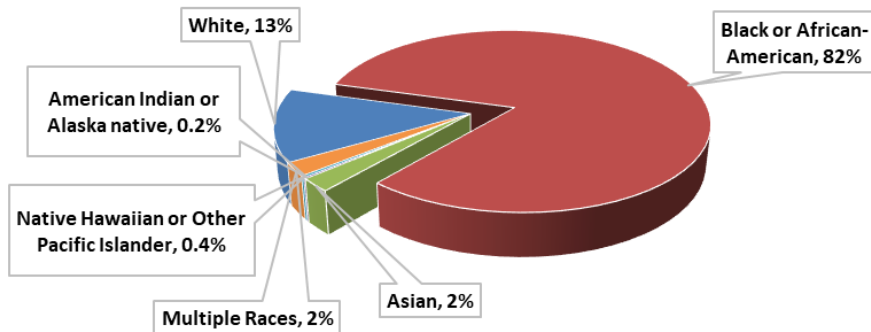
Regional Homeless Single Adults Demographic Profile (Race)

Source: COG 2021



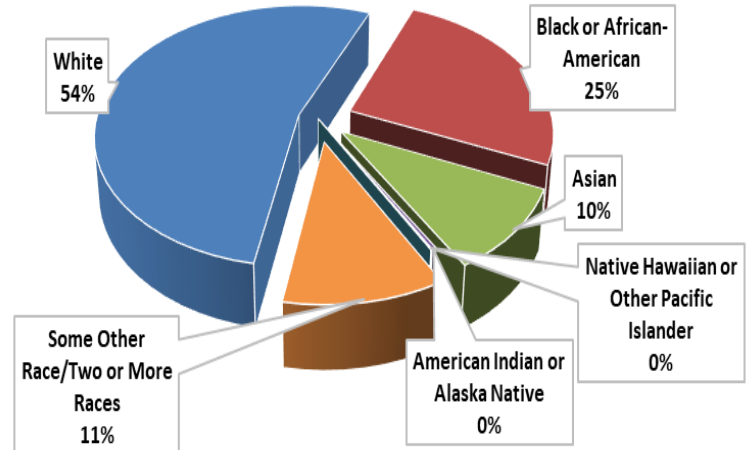
Regional Homeless Adults in Families Demographic Profile (Race)

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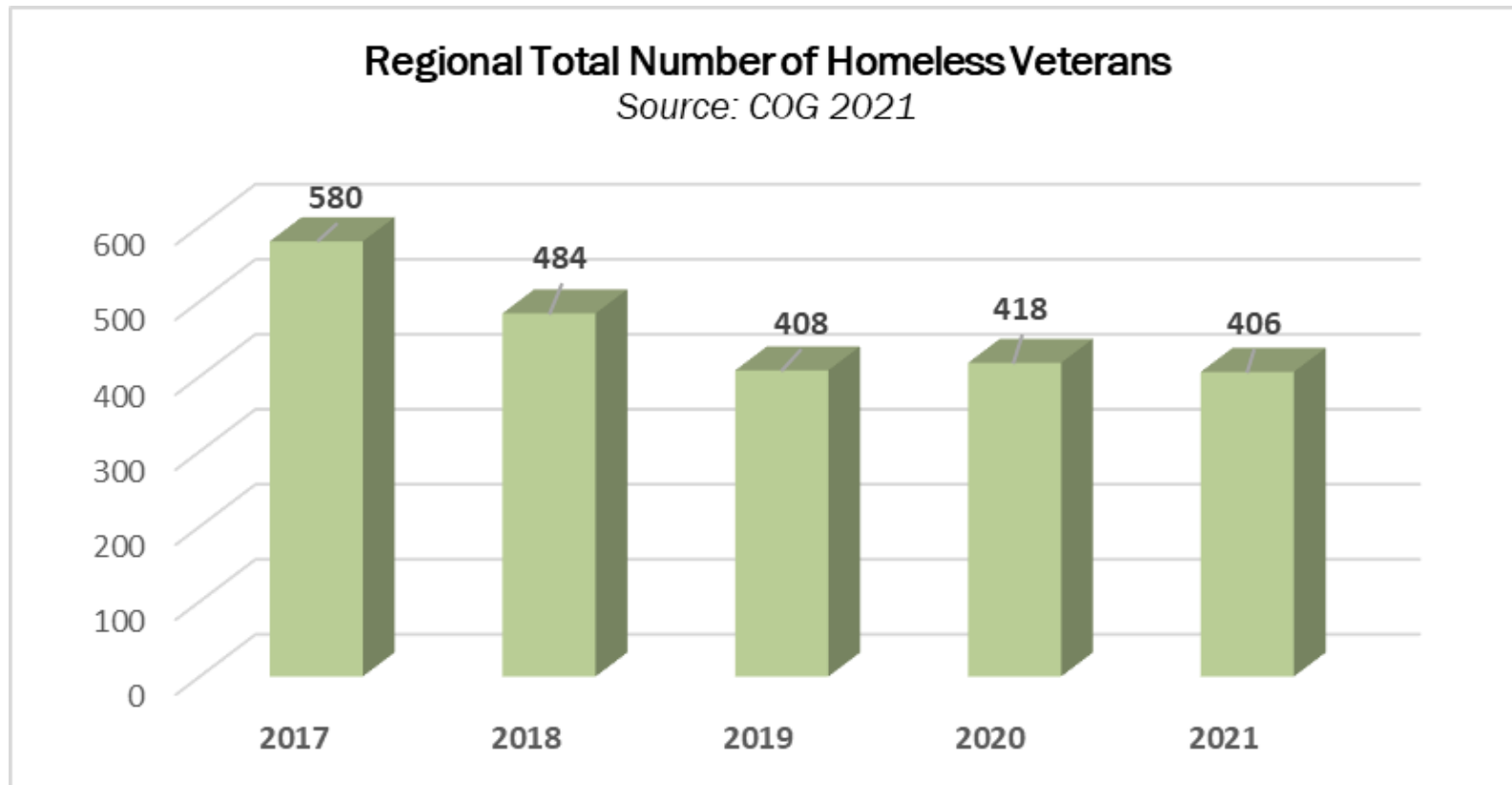


Regional Total Population Demographic Profile (Race)

Source: American Community Survey 2018 5-Yr Estimates



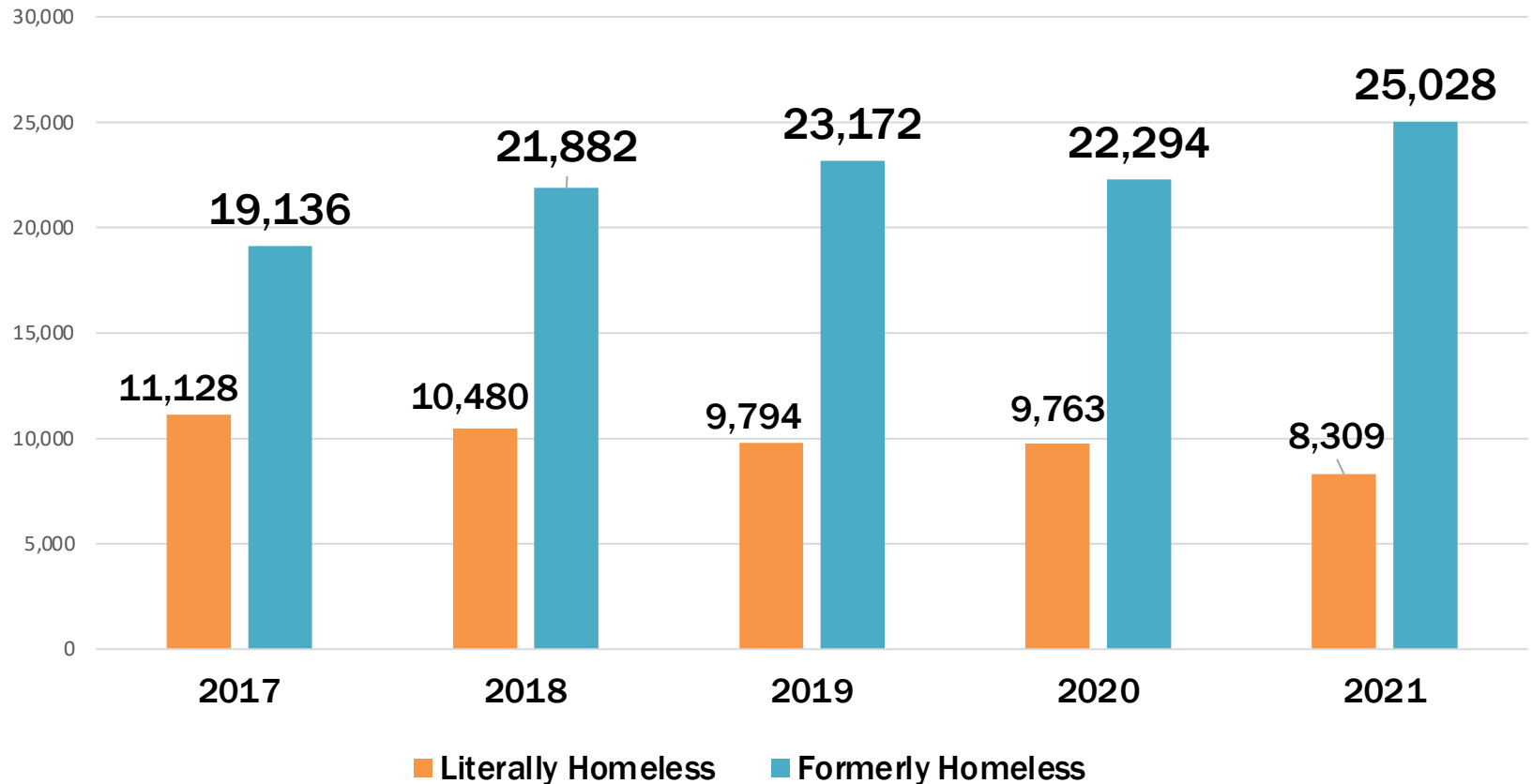
Ending Veteran Homelessness



Formerly Homeless: Regional Progress

Region's Literally and Formerly Homeless in Permanent Supportive Housing, Rapid Re-Housing, and Other Permanent Housing

Source: COG 2021



Conclusions and Recommendations

- Prevention programs, shelter diversion, and strong tenant protections reduce the number of people who experience homelessness
- Increased regional investments in permanent housing resources are necessary to allow people to exit homelessness within their existing communities and support networks
- Increased federal funds provides an opportunity for innovation in cross-jurisdictional collaboration
- Racial equity should center our response to reduce the disproportionate representation of people of color experiencing homelessness
- Need to share data within and across the region's CoCs to strengthen local programs and improve outcomes for people experiencing homelessness

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