



Hypothermia FY 18 Debrief – Unaccompanied Youth Persons Prepared for the District of Columbia Interagency Council on Homelessness May 2018

- During Hypothermia FY18,¹ some **311** unaccompanied, single youth persons used the Low Barrier and Severe Weather Shelters named in the Winter Plan², as well as Youth Specific Temporary Shelter site Programs.
- **39.5 percent** of the single youth persons served were women and **60.5 percent** were men.
- **49.5 percent** of men spent seven nights or fewer in shelter over the course of the season, while **4.8 percent** of men spent the entire season in shelter.
- **35.0 percent** of women spent seven nights or fewer in shelter over the course of the season, while **20.3 percent** spent the entire season in shelter.
- Men served spent an average of **29 nights** in shelter over the course of the season while women spent an average of **53 nights** in shelter during the season.
- **98.7 percent** of the youth persons who used the Low Barrier, Severe Weather, and Youth Specific Temporary Shelter Sites during Hypothermia FY18 were Transitional Aged Youth (ages 18-24), and **1.3 percent** were under the age of 18.

Nights in Low Barrier/Severe Weather Shelter, Hypothermia FY 18			
Men		Women	
1 to 7 nights	49.5%	1 to 7 nights	35.0%
8 to 30 nights	19.7%	8 to 30 nights	13.8%
31 to 60 nights	12.8%	31 to 60 nights	16.3%
61 to 90 nights	8.0%	61 to 90 nights	8.1%
91 to 120 nights	5.3%	91 to 120 nights	6.5%
121 to 151 nights	4.8%	121 to 151 nights	20.3%

- The majority of both youth men (**51.3 percent**) and youth women (**61.5 percent**) served during Hypothermia FY18 used only Youth Specific Temporary Shelter site Programs. About **1 in 5** youth men uses either only Hypothermia sites during the season or only Year Round Low Barrier sites (i.e. New York Avenue). While **1 in 5** youth women only used Hypothermia sites during the season, just **1 in 10** used a Year Round Low Barrier Site (i.e. Harriet Tubman).

¹ Between November 1, 2017 and March 31, 2018.

² <https://ich.dc.gov/page/winter-plan>



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Distribution of Use of Shelter Site Type, Hypothermia '18		
	Men	Women
Used only Hypothermia Sites	21.7%	22.1%
Used only Low Barrier Sites	19.6%	10.7%
Used only Youth Temporary Sites	51.3%	61.5%
Used both Hypothermia & Low Barrier Sites	3.7%	2.5%
Used both Youth and Hypothermia Sites	1.1%	2.4%
Used both Low Barrier and Youth Programs	2.6%	0.0%
Used All Three Types of Shelter	0.0%	0.8%

Additional demographic information on the single, unaccompanied youth persons served during Hypothermia FY18 is detailed in the two tables below.

<i>Subpopulation & History</i>	<i>Youth Persons</i>
Domestic Violence (DV) History	23.0%
<i>Homeless Due to DV (subset)</i>	8.9%
Institutionalization History	44.4%
<i>Homeless Due to Institutionalization (subset)</i>	39.3%
Formerly in Foster Care	23.7%
Chronically Homeless	20.7%
Limited English Proficiency	10.4%

<i>Disabling Conditions</i>	<i>Youth Persons</i>
Chronic Substance Abuse (CSA) history	12.6%
Severe Mental Illness (SMI) history	11.9%
<i>Dual Diagnosis (Both CSA & SMI-subset)</i>	10.4%
Chronic Health Problem	10.4%
Physical Disability	8.1%
Living with HIV/AIDS	0.0%