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Homeless Shelter Use information
based on data collected in August
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Fact Sheet

On Homelessness in Regina



Did you know?

There is a common story of women who stay in the YWCA Kikinaw residence. These women come to Residence to get their lives back on track. "While they live here, they can get the support they need without worrying about finances and shelter. We assist them in maneuvering through the system. We find that while they are here, they know what they need to do, and do it"

By Comparison

Since May 2009:

While the total number of adults using shelters declined, on average shelters had more clients per night with longer stays

The # of men sleeping in shelters each night has risen by over 10%

Quick Facts

Based on current and past data:

463 adults slept in emergency and transitional shelters in August 2009

234 people slept in emergency and transitional shelters every night.

Shelters operated at an average 86% capacity

Youth Homelessness

Since January 2009 there have been at least 200 youth under the age of 19 who have stayed at shelters.

73 of these youth were under the age of 11.

Emergency Shelters

Overall

- 321 people stayed in emergency shelters
- Shelters were usually at 90% capacity

Women's Shelters

- 77 people stayed in shelters for women
- Women's shelters were usually at 86% capacity
- On average, women staying in emergency shelters stayed for about 21 days

Men Shelters

- 188 people stayed in men's shelters
- Men's shelters were on average at 76% capacity— 18% increase since May 2009
- Men stayed an average of 4 days per stay

Transitional Shelters

Women's Shelters

- There are only 8 transitional shelter spaces in Regina for women who are not victims of domestic violence
- These 8 beds have been full almost every night in 2009

Men's Shelters

- About 92 men stayed in transitional shelters
- On average, these shelters operated at 93% capacity

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For more information about this or other homelessness issues visit www.pathwaysregina.com