

# tarrant county



Evictions,  
Homeless  
Prevention and  
closeout of HPRP



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# Our Mission, Our Task

*Tarrant County Homeless Coalition provides leadership to prevent and end homelessness*

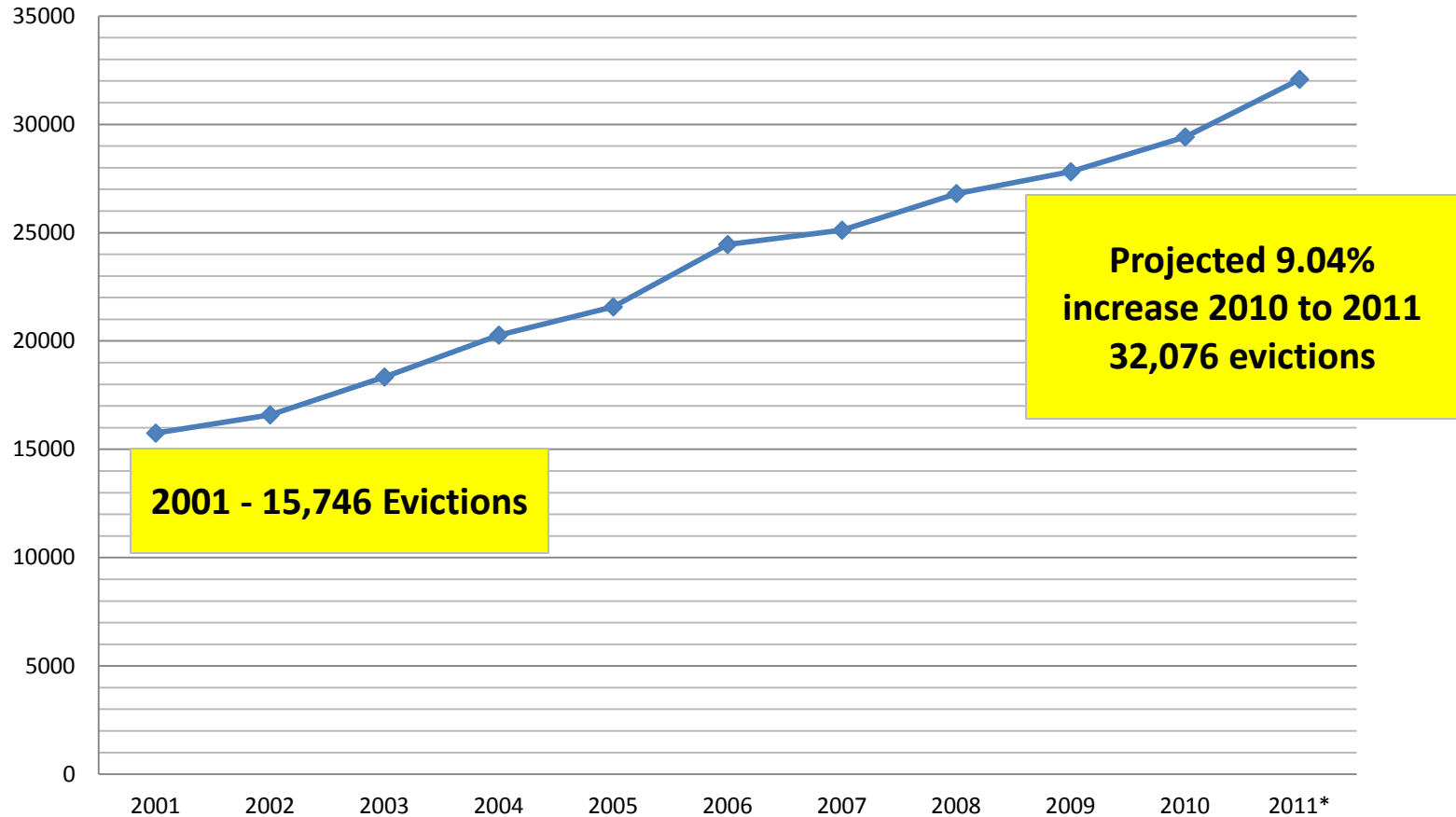
- TCHC collects and analyzes eviction data from Tarrant County as an indicator of potential new homeless and the need for homeless prevention activities
- TCHC collects and reports data from the Homeless Prevention and Rapid Rehousing programs funded from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA)
- TCHC collects data and conducts official census of the persons experiencing homelessness

# Evictions in Tarrant County

- Between 2001 and 2011, evictions are projected to more than double
- Between 2010 and 2011 through the end of September, evictions have increased by over 9% - the highest one year increase since 2005/2006
- Data provided from January 1, 2011 through September 30, 2011

# Evictions in Tarrant County

## Tarrant County Eviction Filings 2001 - 2011\*



# Evictions and Homelessness

## 2011 TCHC Homeless Survey:

- 44 of the 1,184 surveyed during the January 27, 2011 homeless count responding to the question of how they become homeless stated they had been evicted **within the past week**
- 51% (604 of 1,184) said that their inability to pay the rent lead to their homelessness

# Preventing Homelessness

The ARRA, through the HPRP program, provided funding for rents and utilities to keep persons facing eviction in their homes and rapid housing placement for families who became homeless

- Programs began in October 2009
- Local and State governments distributed these funds to agencies to administer the HPRP programs to qualifying families and individuals



# HPRP Homeless Prevention IMPACT

Homeless Prevention Assistance Through Sept 30, 2011			
	Households	Persons	Children in Families
Arlington	290	772	376 (49%)
Fort Worth	355	896	406 (45%)
Tarrant County	302	791	336 (42%)
Catholic Charities Region 2	137	288	90 (31%)
Catholic Charities Region 3	178	422	175 (41%)
Community Storehouse Region 3	277	874	475 (54%)
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>1,539</b>	<b>4,043</b>	<b>1,858 (46%)</b>



# HPRP Rapid Rehousing IMPACT

HPRP Rapid Rehousing Assistance Through Sept 30, 2011			
	Households	Persons	Children in Families
Arlington	178	196	106 (54%)
Fort Worth	116	260	122 ( 47%)
Tarrant County	25	32	6 (19%)
Catholic Charities Region 2	7	12	1 (8%)
Catholic Charities Region 3	29	52	18 (35%)
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>355</b>	<b>540</b>	<b>253 (47%)</b>

# Homeless Prevention Rapid Rehousing IMPACT

**1,894 households 4,583 persons – 46% children**

- Stabilized Housing for families with direct rental assistance
- Allowed participants to clear rental and utility arrearage
- Increased participants' financial literacy
- Increased participants' enrollment in benefits (e.g. TANF, food stamps, unemployment, SSI/SSDI)
- Provided case management
- Aided participants in seeking and completing training

Evictions are up.  
HPRP Programs End Spring 2012.



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Prevent Homelessness

# Ramping Down HPRP

The work ahead for TCHC and the CoC:

- Assure participants are well informed of the end of the programs and are linked to any needed continued supportive services
- Data analysis to understand the rent burden, household demographics, benefit / employment income of families at risk of homelessness
- Review all outcomes from HPRP to identify the most successful programs

# Ramping Down HPRP

The work ahead for TCHC and the CoC:

- Finding new funding for the best components of HPRP programs, training and case management
- Track any former HPRP households who fall into homelessness down the road
- Profile the most at risk household types and target for new HUD Emergency Solutions Grant RFPs in 2012

# Homelessness During HPRP Program

- Approximately 4,487 will experience homelessness in 2011
  - Homelessness has decreased slightly
  - Chronic unsheltered homelessness has decreased markedly
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- *Persons and Families that are doubled-up are not included in the official homeless census*

# Number of Homeless at any *Point in Time* Tarrant County

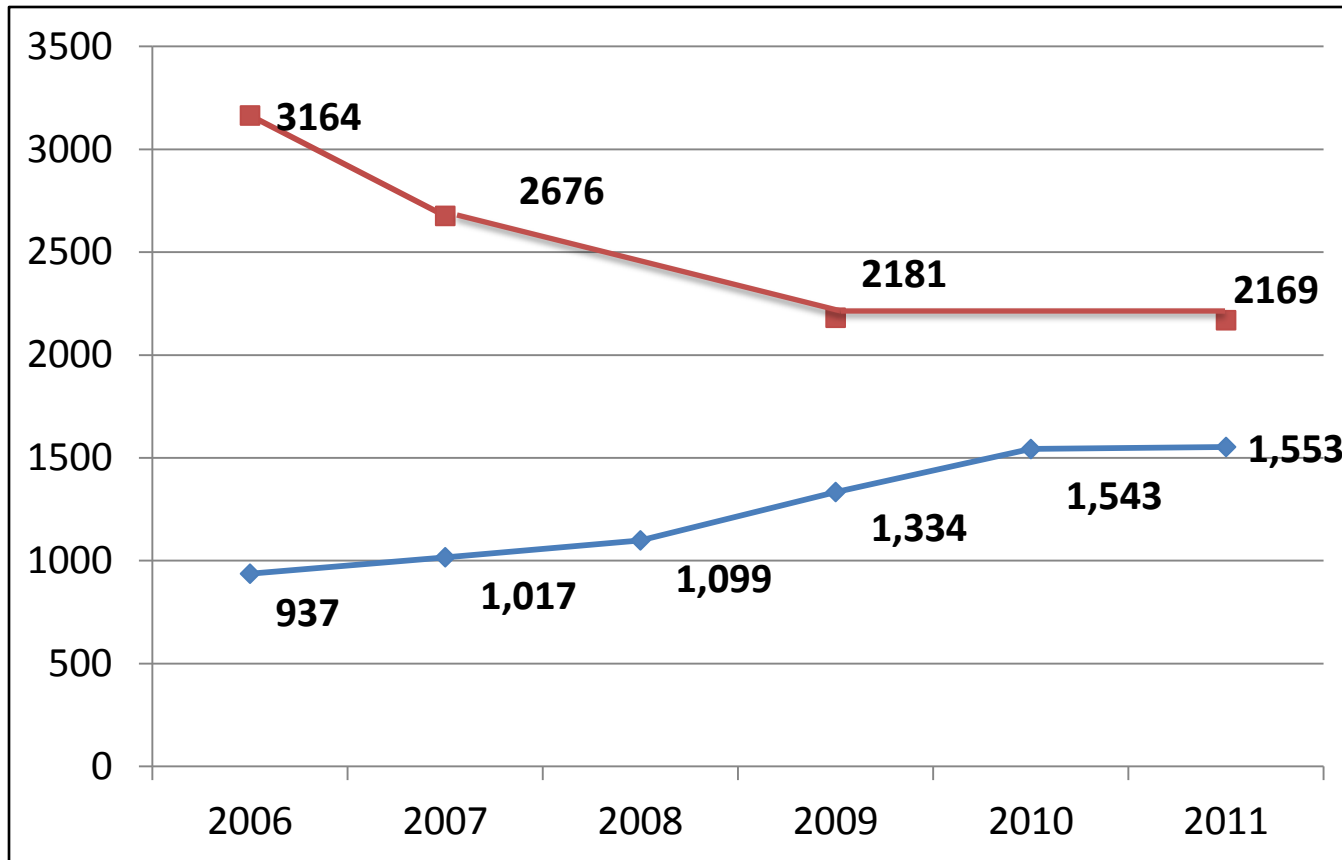
	Unsheltered	Emergency Sheltered	RITI	Safehaven	Transitional	Total
2011	136	1,127	33	20	853	<b>2,169</b>
2009	195	1,117	11	20	838	2,181

# Homelessness During HPRP Program

- The creation of new permanent supportive housing units has a direct correlation to the decrease in chronic and unsheltered homeless



# PSH Inventory and Number of Homeless 2006-2011



# Children in Homelessness

HOMELESS CHILDREN					
	Unsheltered	Emergency	Transitional Housing	TOTALS	Rate
Total 2011 Homeless	136	1,127	853	2,169	
2011 Children	1	165	398	564	26%
2009 Children	0	183	362	545	25%
Change	1	-18	36	19	3.5%

# Families with Children in Homelessness

- HPRP primarily served families facing eviction
- There are only 388 emergency shelter housing beds for persons in families, 150 are restricted to domestic violence victims
- Family Emergency Shelters now have waiting lists
- The CoC is adding family beds to its inventory of Permanent Supportive Housing



# Providing Leadership to Prevent and End Homelessness.

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