TARRANT COUNTY HOMELESS COALITION

INVESTING IN CHANGE

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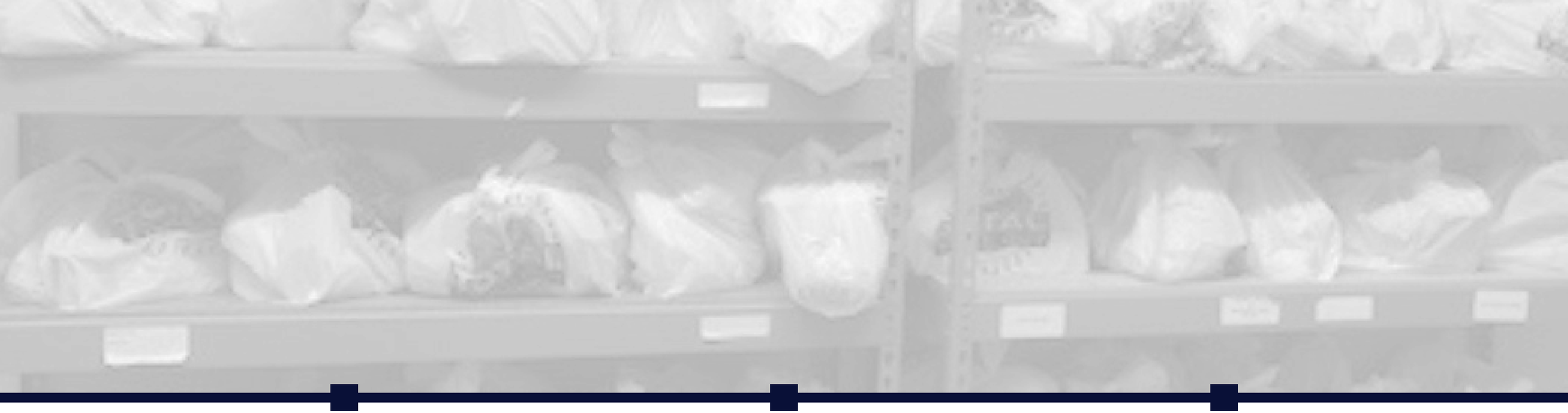

OUR COUNT

What homelessness looked like on count night and how it compares

OUR RESPONSE

How we respond to housing crises and changing community dynamics

OUR FUTURE

Where do we go from here and the continued focus on housing

POINT IN TIME COUNT

A SNAPSHOT OF HOMELESSNESS ON JANUARY 25, 2024

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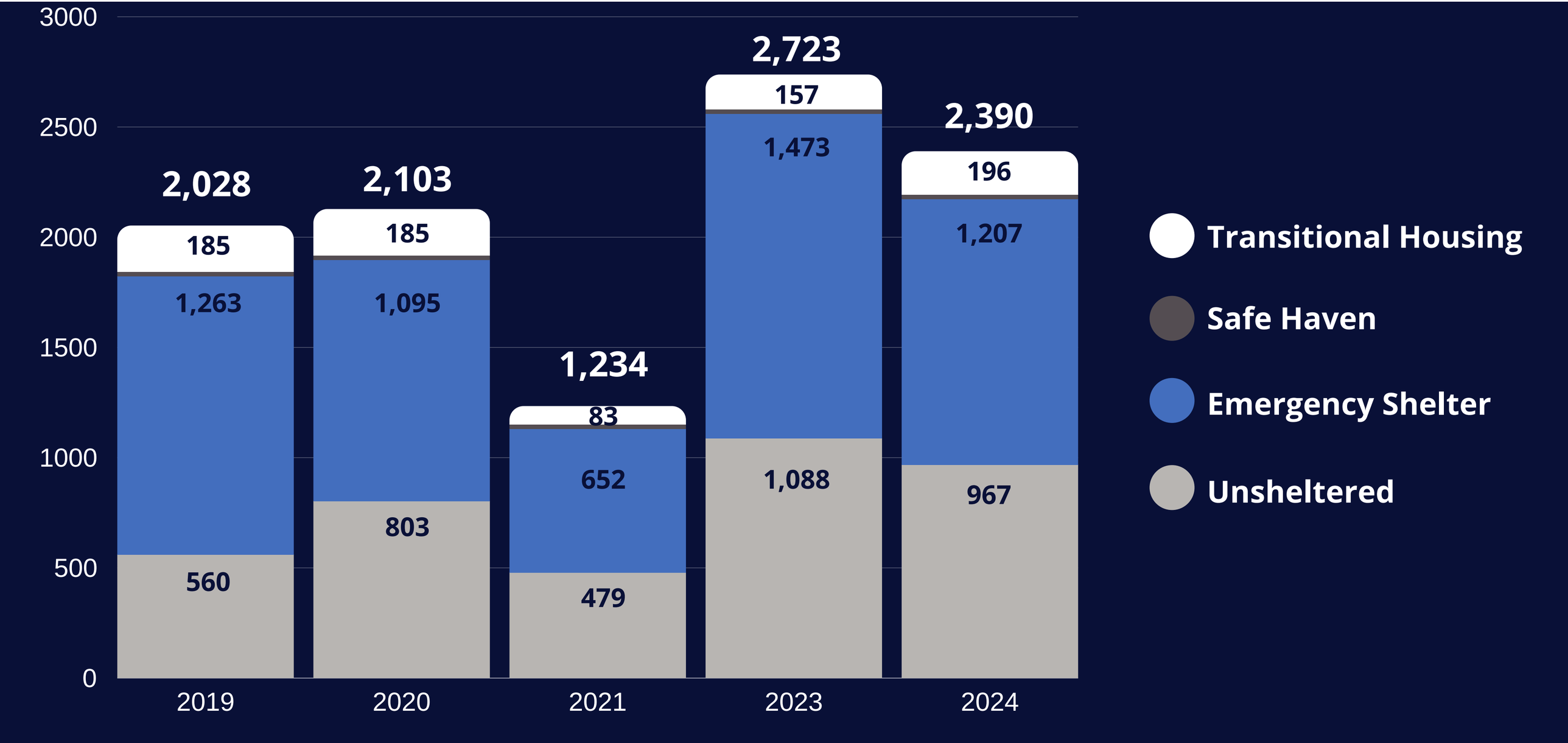
Point in Time Count

YEAR TO YEAR



Arlington Point in Time Count

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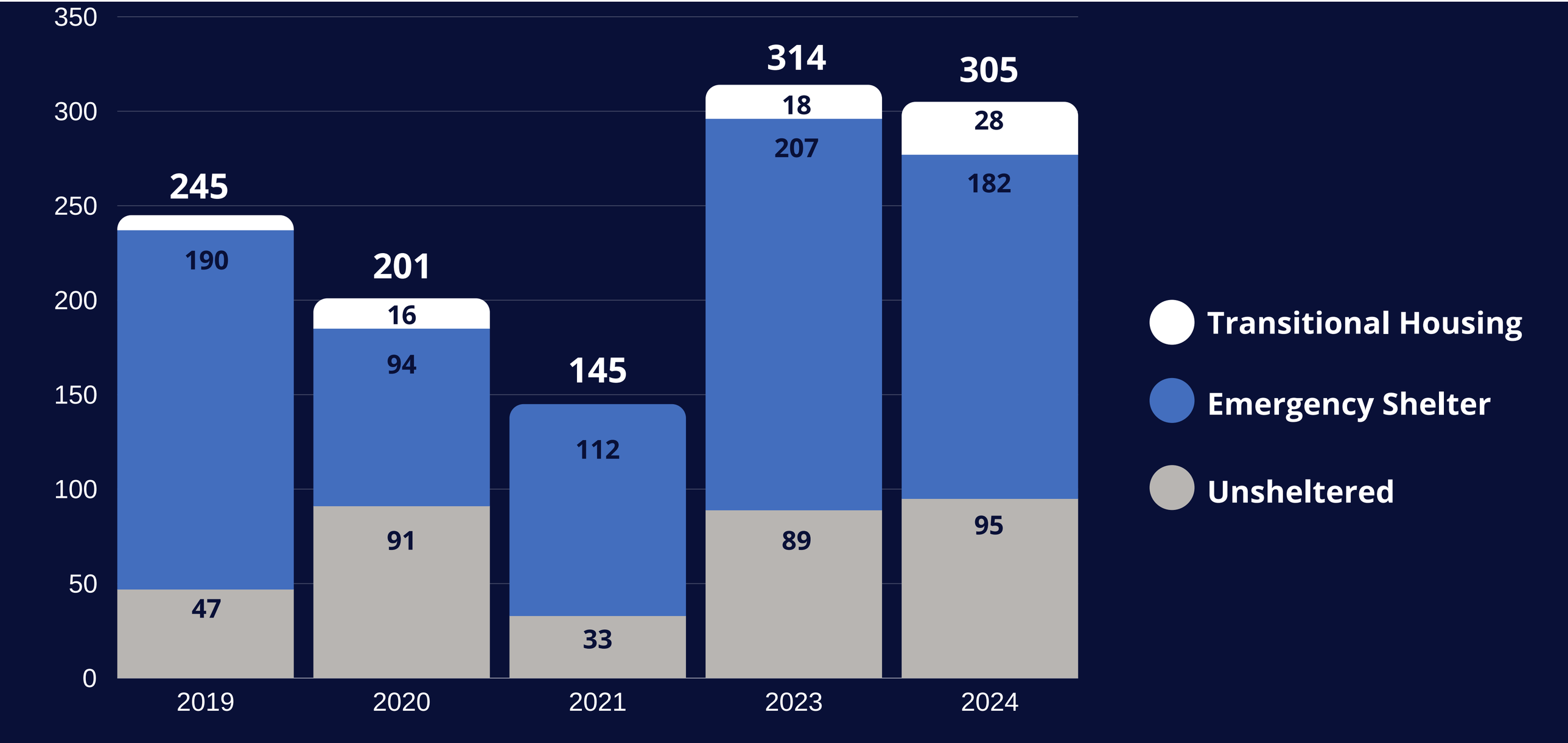

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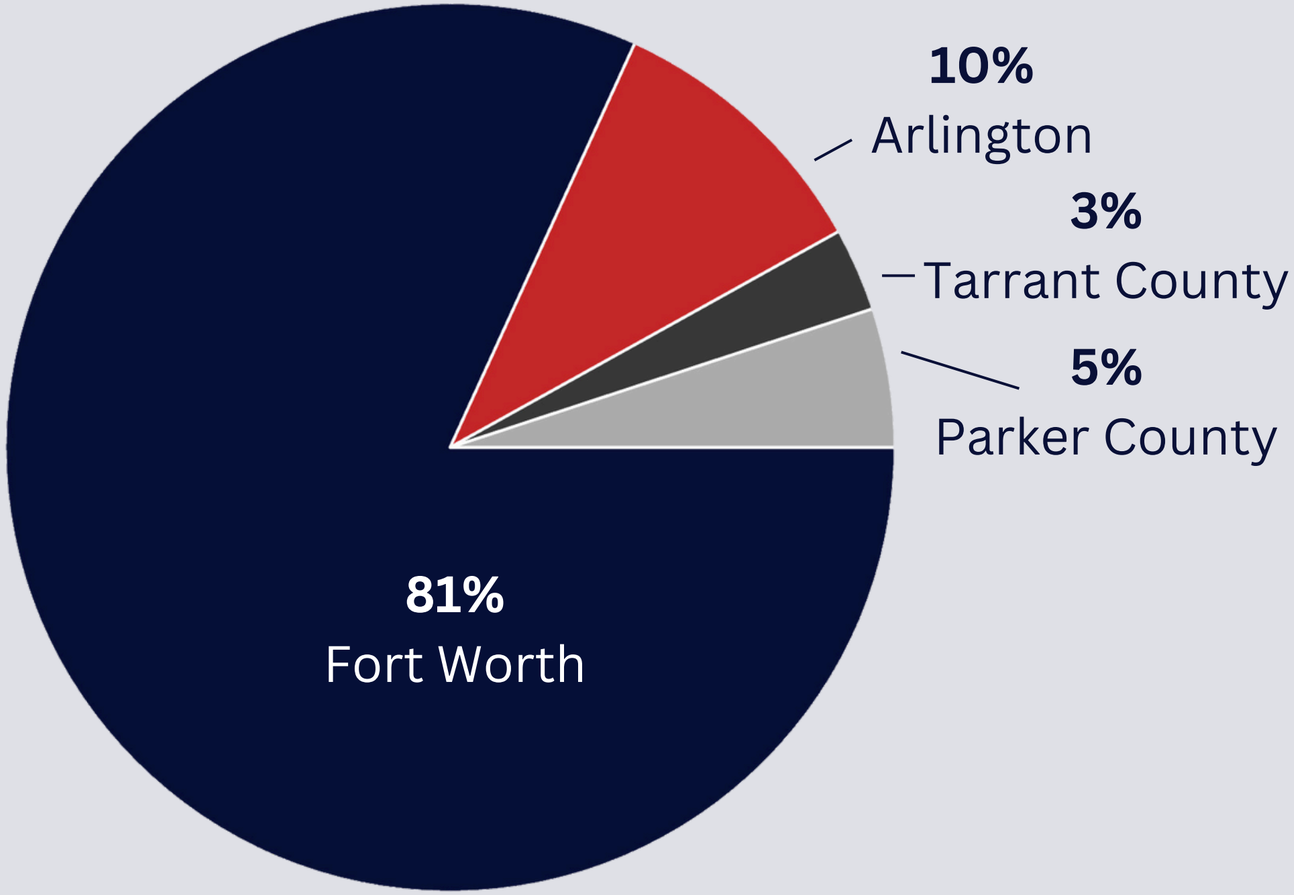

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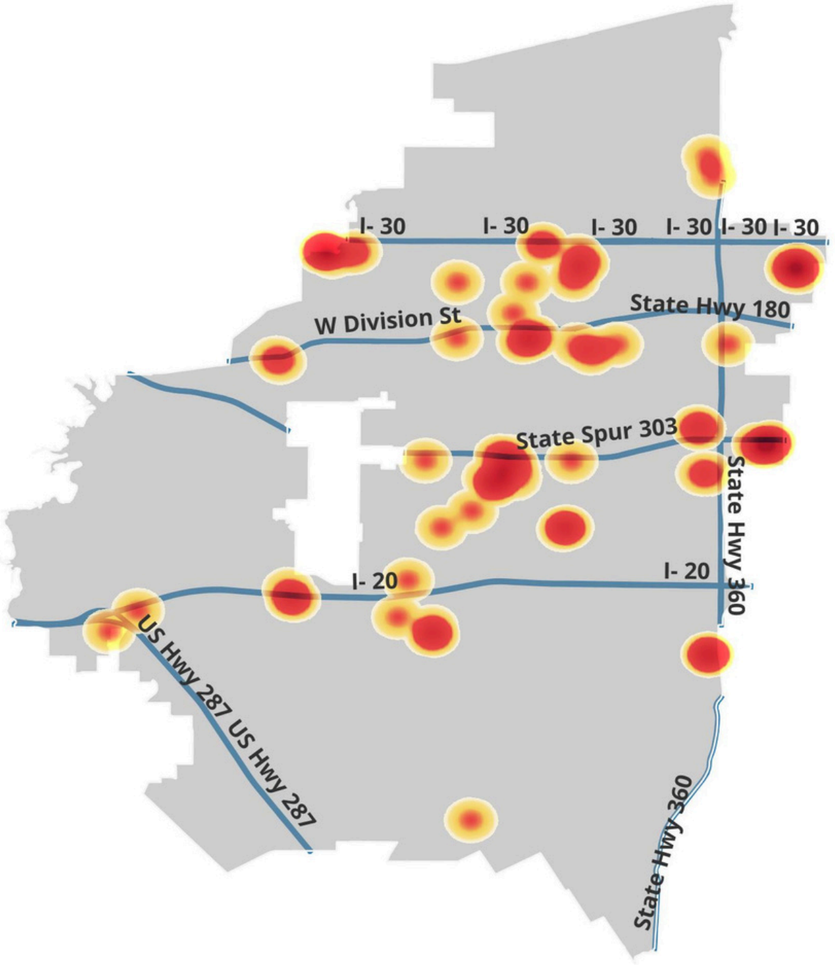

Who experienced homelessness

NIGHT OF POINT IN TIME COUNT

62% male

38% female

11% families

10% children

5% Veterans

60% sheltered

40% unsheltered

VETERANS: WHO ARE THEY?

- Represent all branches of the military
- 61% are homeless for the first time
- 52 years old
- Typically male
- Majority have income
- Experience homelessness for 4.5 months
- 58% seek shelter
- 42% stay outside

FAMILIES: WHO ARE THEY?

- Typically a single parent, likely a mom
- 51% are homeless for the first time
- Average of two children with them
- Average age for kids: 6 years
- 69% work or are seeking work
- Experience homelessness for 2.5 months

YOUNG ADULTS: WHO ARE THEY?

- 36% are homeless for the first time
- Most likely to be young women
- 36% have income
- 40% have aged out of foster care
- 76% seek shelter
- 24% sleep outside

Notable Trends*

Point-In-Time Count

12%
Decrease in homelessness

11%
Decrease in unsheltered homelessness

14%
Decrease in veteran homelessness

33%
Decrease in family homelessness

*Compared to 2023 data

3%
Decrease in
homelessness

6%
Increase in
unsheltered homelessness

13%
Decrease in
veteran homelessness

*Compared to 2023 data

Arlington Trends*

Point-In-Time Count

HIGH PERFORMING
RESPONSE SYSTEM

INVESTMENT IN
RENTAL ASSISTANCE

RENT INCREASES
LEVELING OUT

INFLATION REMAINING
STABLE

THE WHY

COMMUNITY RESPONSE

ACCOMPLISHMENTS & HOW WE CHANGED

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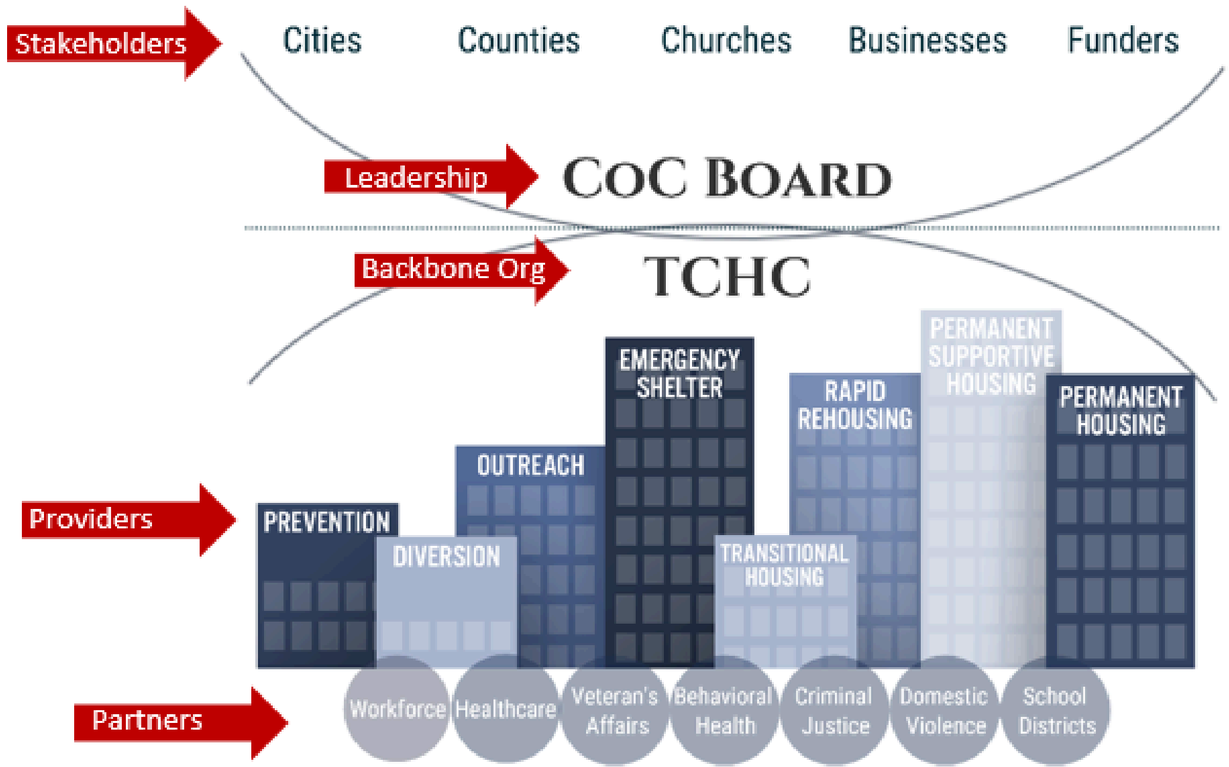
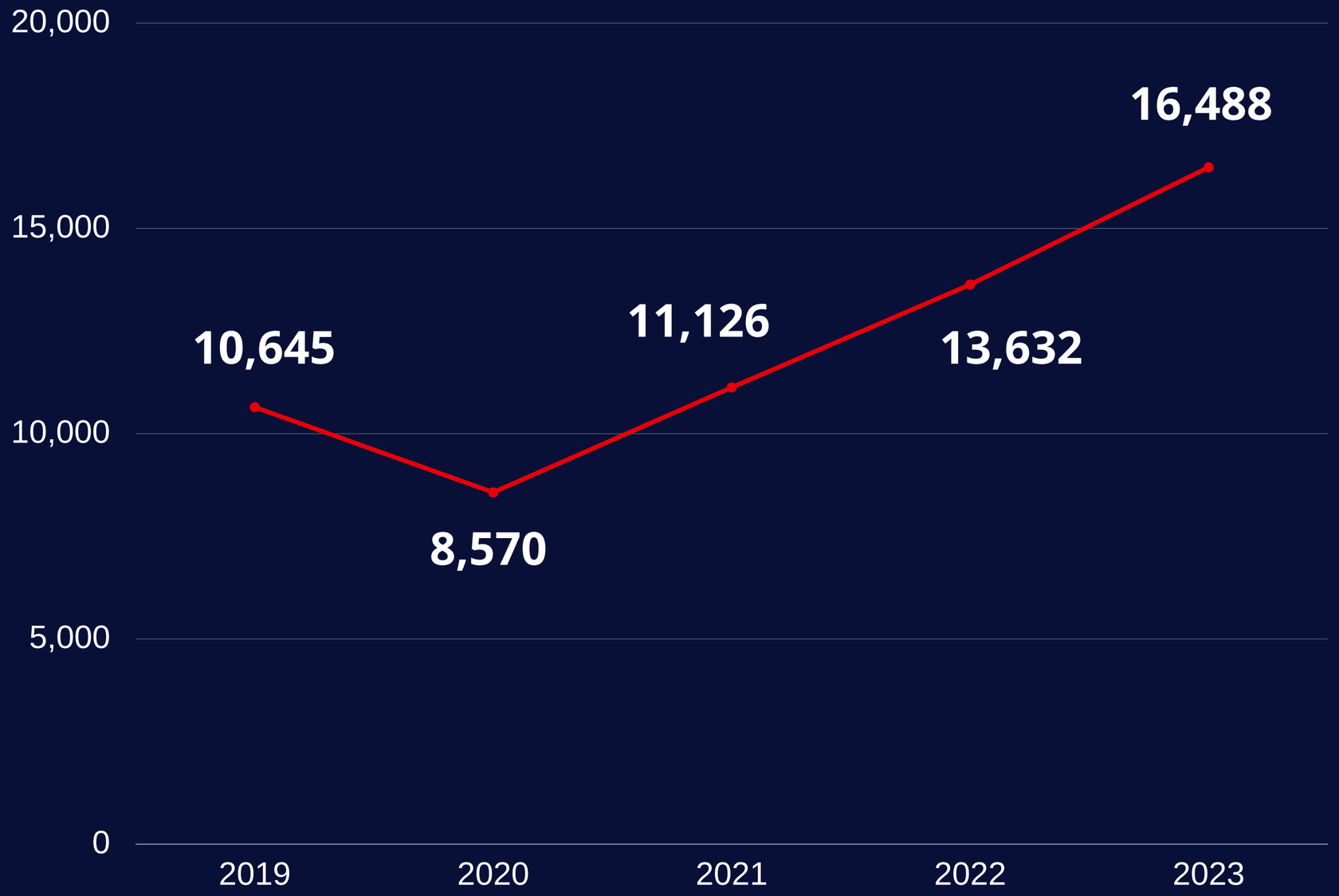


COMMUNITY VISION

A vibrant community where every individual has a place to call home and the resources to live their best life.

People Served

HOMELESS AND HOUSED



Accomplishments: Building on Success

A PLACE TO CALL HOME

Assisted **2,504 households find a place to call home** - this is the more than ever before!

NATIONAL LEADER

Our CoC has received national recognition for implementation of new and innovative programming to address homelessness.

HOUSING DEVELOPMENT

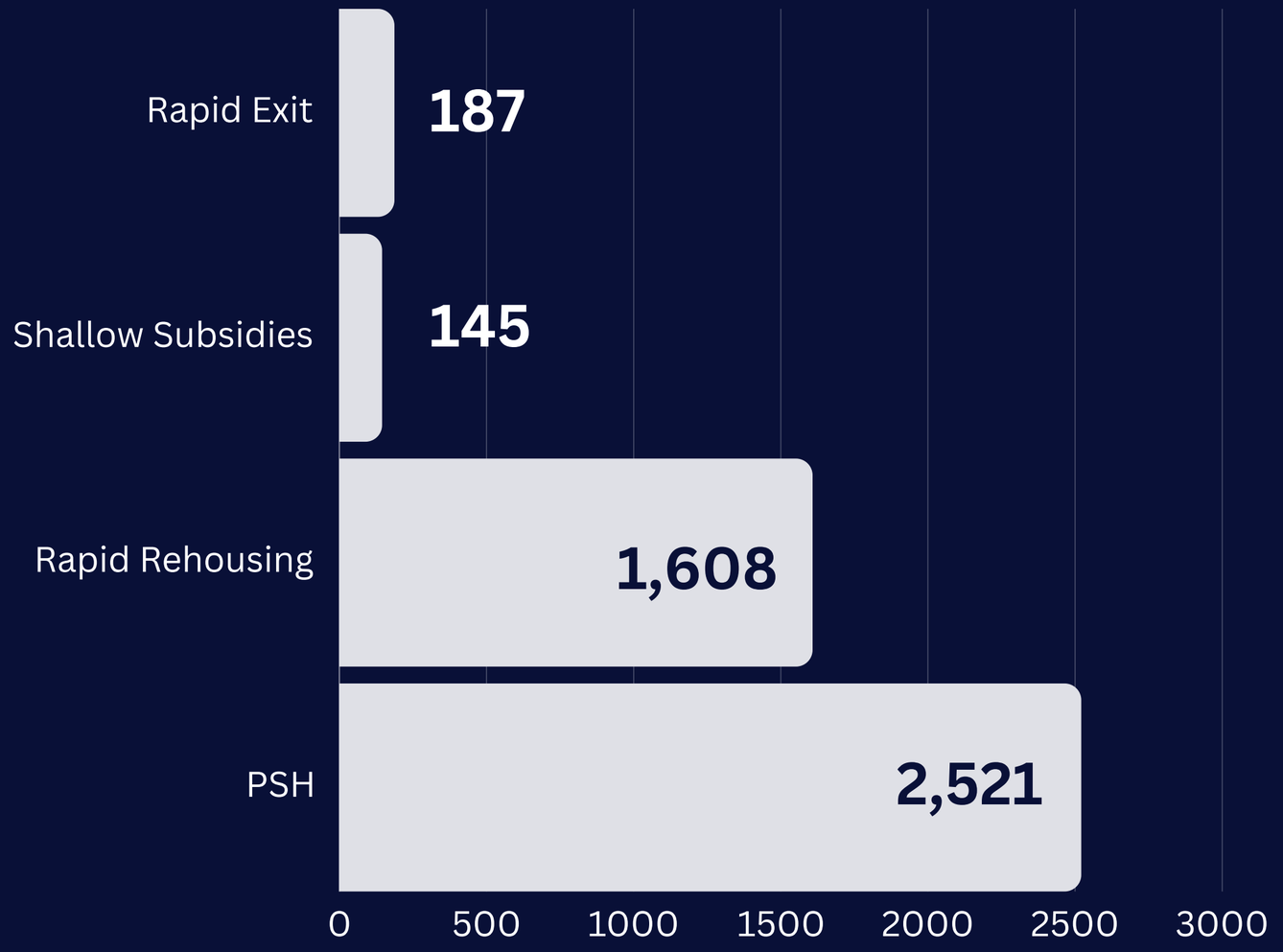
$50M is in the pipeline to build housing for people exiting homelessness. In Partnership with Fort Worth and Tarrant County, this will create over 300 new units over the next two years.

HIGH PERFORMING SYSTEM

Our community has been rewarded for having a high performing system. Secured:

- 368 additional state rental vouchers
- $2.5M from Day 1 Families Fund
- $20M in HUD CoC funding

2023 Housing Results

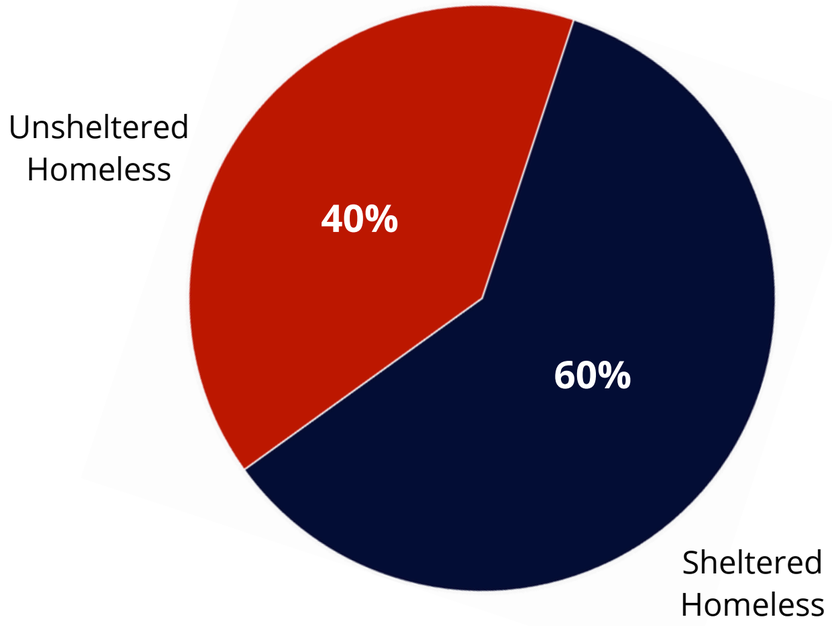


National Leader

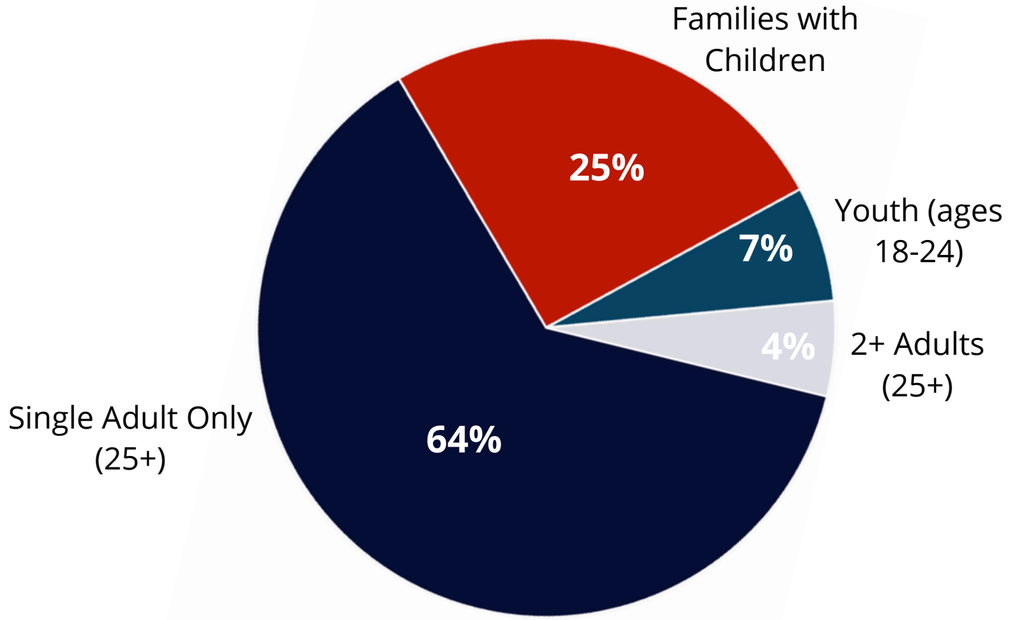
- High performing system with innovative solutions
  - Willing to work together to quickly problem solve
- Creating access to housing through Landlord Engagement
  - Partnered with 175 landlords
  - Have access to 15,600 units
- Benefits Team increases income
  - Secured $543,000 in income
- Commitment to best practices
  - Trained 1,332 professionals
- Launched six new programs to serve young adults

Housing Assessment Tool

Unsheltered vs. Sheltered



Household Type



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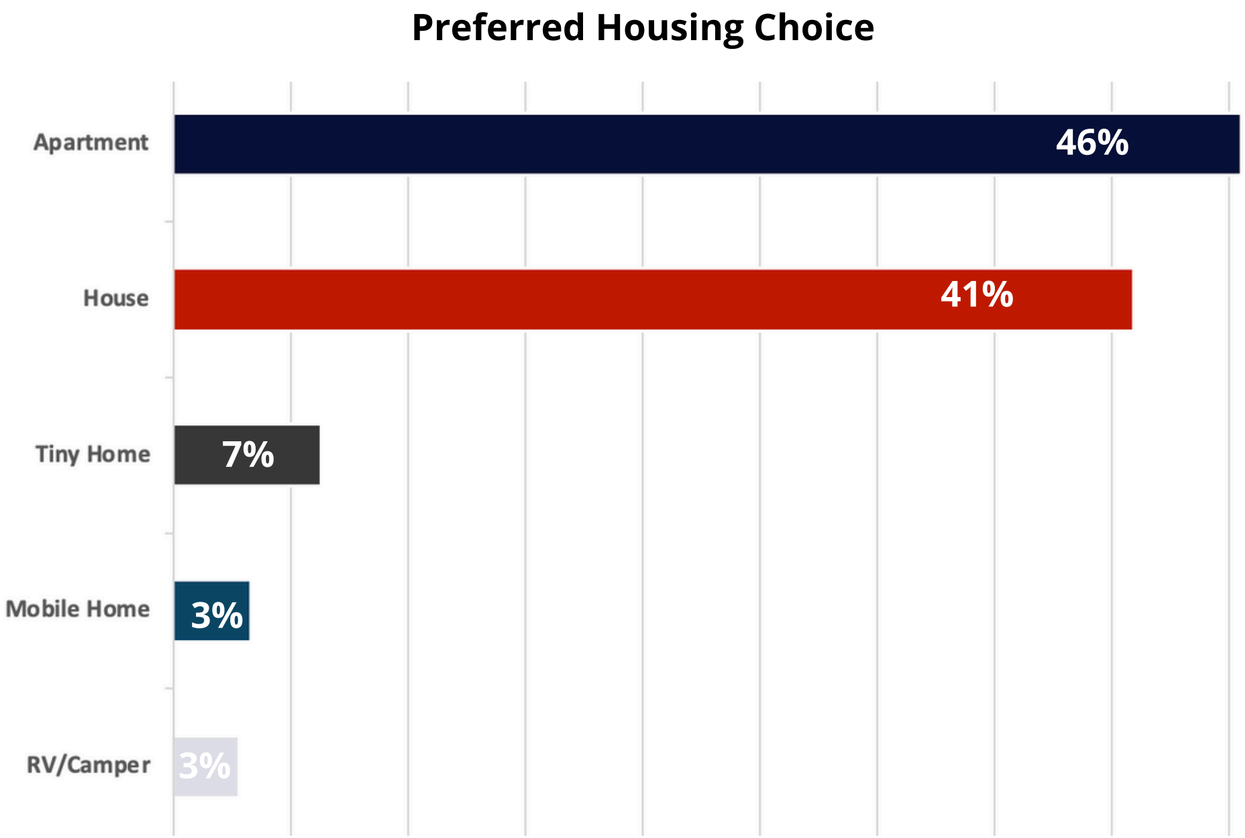
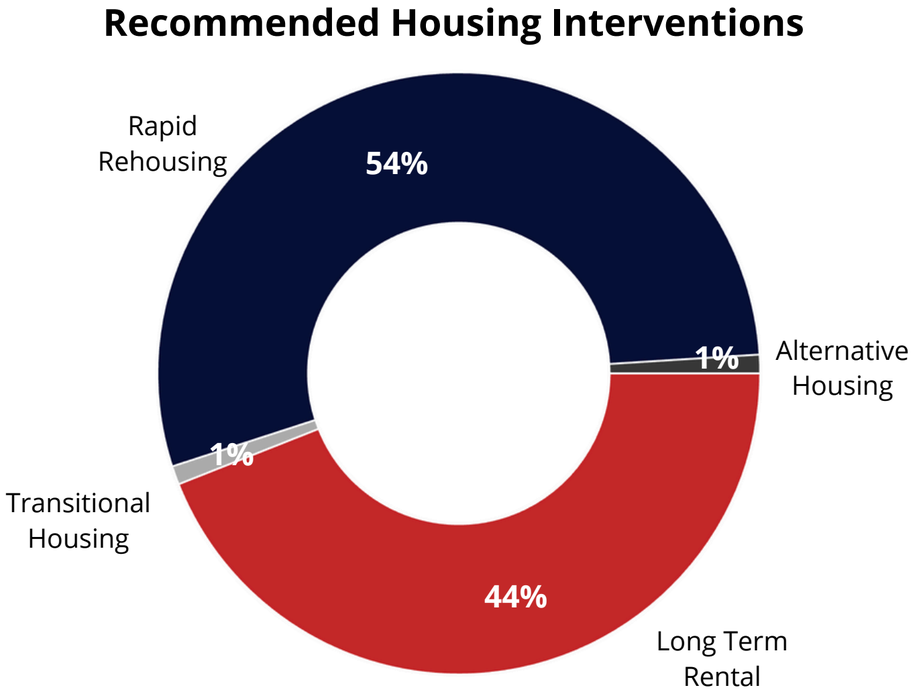
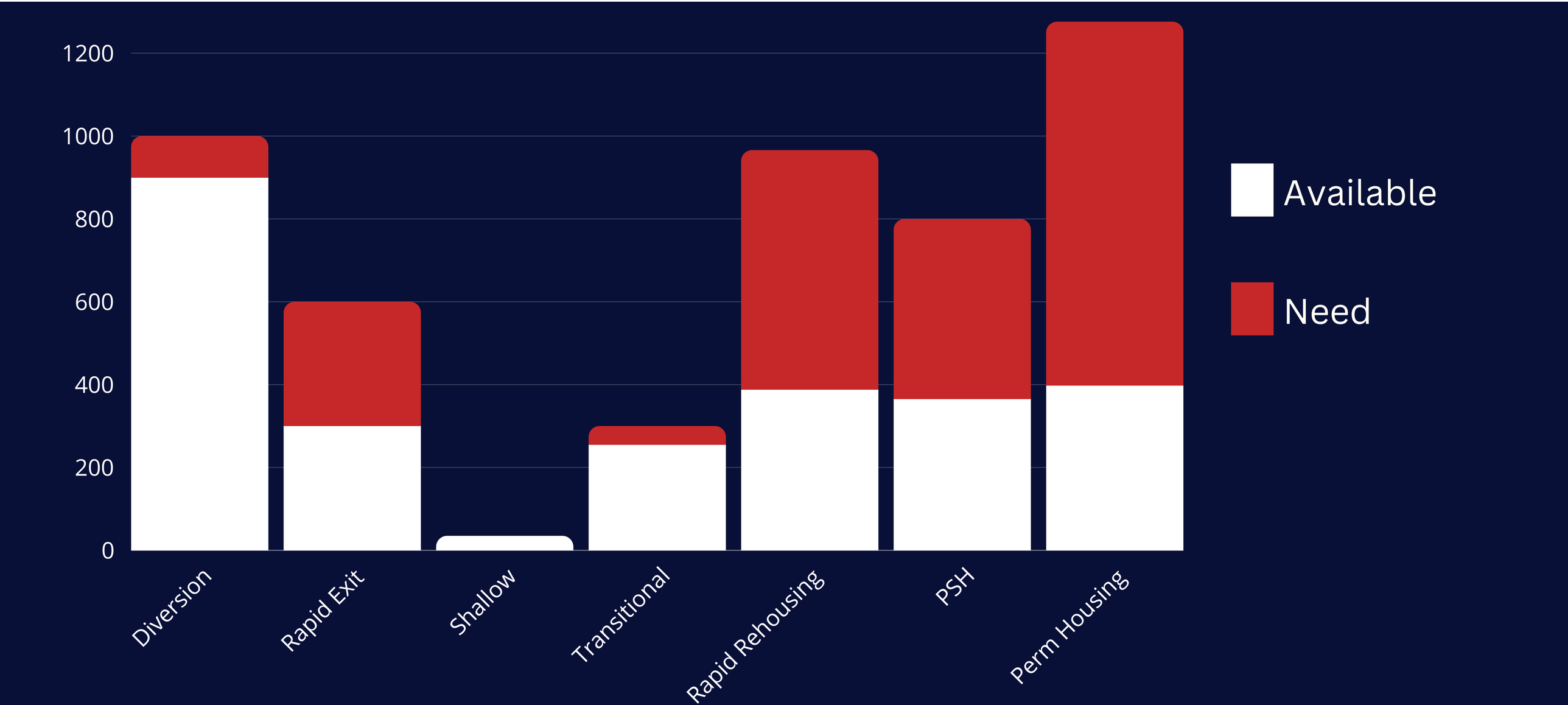




System Investment



LOOKING FORWARD

WHAT'S NEXT FOR THE SYSTEM AND OUR COMMUNITY

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Unique Challenges for Arlington

- Housing more geographically restricted
- Due land area, mostly looking at redevelopment to produce new affordable housing
- Workforce needed for tourism economy
- No low-barrier shelter

What's Next?

HOUSING DEVELOPMENT

Continued commitment to securing funding to build or acquire more housing

BEST FIT HOUSING

Use data to ensure people have housing that best meets needs

STANDARD OF CARE

Anyone experiencing homelessness receives a high standard of care

HOMELESS PREVENTION

Better understanding predictors of homelessness in our community

QUALITATIVE DATA

Focus on data driven decisions by integrating qualitiative data into analysis

Get Involved

HOUSING

Be part of the solution by supporting housing development

SHARE THE STORY

Know the facts
Engage others
Tune in

SERVE PARTNERS

Volunteer your time
Give needed items
Contribute financially

Key Takeaways

STRONG SYSTEM

There is a large system of providers working to end homelessness

WHO IS HOMELESS

The people experiencing homelessness in our community have changed

THE WHY

Lack of available and affordable units + supportive services needed to thrive

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Lots of innovations and great things happening in our community

HOUSING WORKS

Investments in housing decrease homelessness

AUDIENCE QUESTIONS

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