

Homelessness in Pierce County

9,523/10,862 People homeless 2017/2018
1,375 People homeless so far this year
4,749 Additional – Students identified in Schools *

4,014 people exited the homeless system last year
85% of those did not return to homelessness



Who is Experiencing Homelessness?

45% Female
8% Veterans
53% People of Color
48% Members of Families with Children



1 Affordable
Housing Unit in
Pierce County for
every 10 people
who need them



From 2012-2017
49% increase in
median rent
For one-bedroom
apartment



But only 4.4%
increase in median
household income



Reasons for Homelessness

25% Un- or under-employment
16% No affordable housing
10% Domestic Violence Victim
9% Eviction
9% Loss of Job
8% Family Crisis/Breakup
8% Other
5% Health and Safety
4% Medical Condition
4% Substance Abuse
3% Mental Health

* 2017-18 McKinney-Vento School homeless population
data: <http://www.k12.wa.us/HomelessEd/Data.aspx>