



## Minnesota's Business Plan to End Long-Term Homelessness

### People in Housing: 7/1/07 – 6/30/08

Nearly 1,500 households moved into housing created through Minnesota's Business Plan to End Long-Term Homelessness (LTH).

#### Who are the individuals and families housed through the Business Plan?

##### Demographics

1,485 households were housed at some time during the year, including:

- 2,911 people, of which 1,258 were children
- 60% of households were single adults
  - 41% of total households were single men
- 40% of households were families with children
  - 65% of families were headed by single women
- 10% of households were headed by youth (under 22)
- 32% of households identified themselves as Black/African-American
- 18% of households identified themselves as American Indian
- 66% of adults reported some type of disability, mental illness being the most prevalent

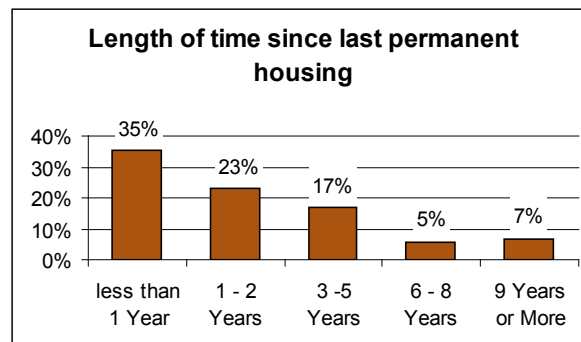
1,209 households were in housing on 6/30/2008

##### Income

- The median income for families was \$704, while the median for single adults was \$600.
- 22 percent of households experienced an increase in income since entering housing.

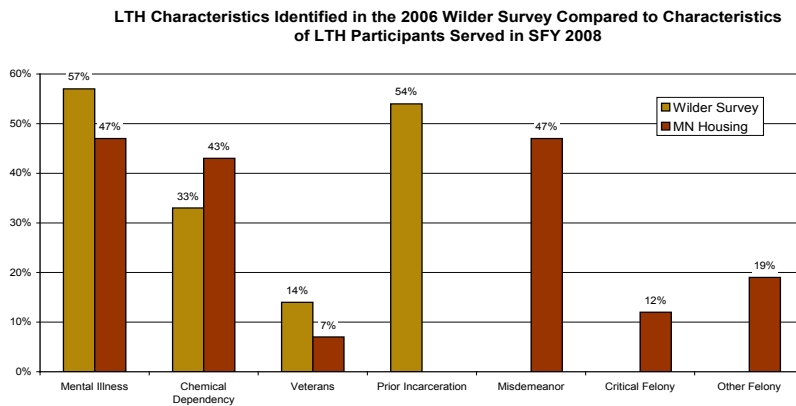
##### Length of time since last housing:

More than half of the households reported not having had a permanent place to live for more than one year. And for many, it had been multiple years:



## Is the Business Plan reaching the target population?

Comparing the characteristics of LTH households identified in the 2006 Wilder Survey with the LTH households served by providers funded through MN Housing, it appears that providers are reaching the targeted populations of people with mental illness, chemical dependency and criminal histories; the veteran population served is lower than identified in the survey.



## Are people staying in housing?

- 88% of households served were still in housing at the end of the report year or had a positive exit (moved into another permanent housing option).
- Of the 658 households that were in housing prior to the start of the report year (7/01/2007), 75% were still in housing at the end of the year (6/30/2008). Of these, 24% had maintained their housing for more than 2 years.
- 273 households exited during the report year:
  - 47 percent of households that exited had a negative reason for exiting (went to a shelter, jail, treatment or transitional housing).
  - Of households that exited, 36 percent are reported to be in a permanent living situation and 25 percent have a rental subsidy or are living in Public Housing.
- There is a variance in outcomes between rental assistance and site based housing. Rental assistance participants have a lower rate of eviction or non-compliance termination (24% compared to 43%), and a higher rate of having a housing subsidy at exit (31% compared to 18%) than those in site based housing.

*The data in this report were compiled from 71 provider reports submitted to Minnesota Housing and statewide data compiled by Wilder Research. All data are from the Minnesota Homeless Management Information (HMIS) and include households served from July 1, 2007 – June 30, 2008.*

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