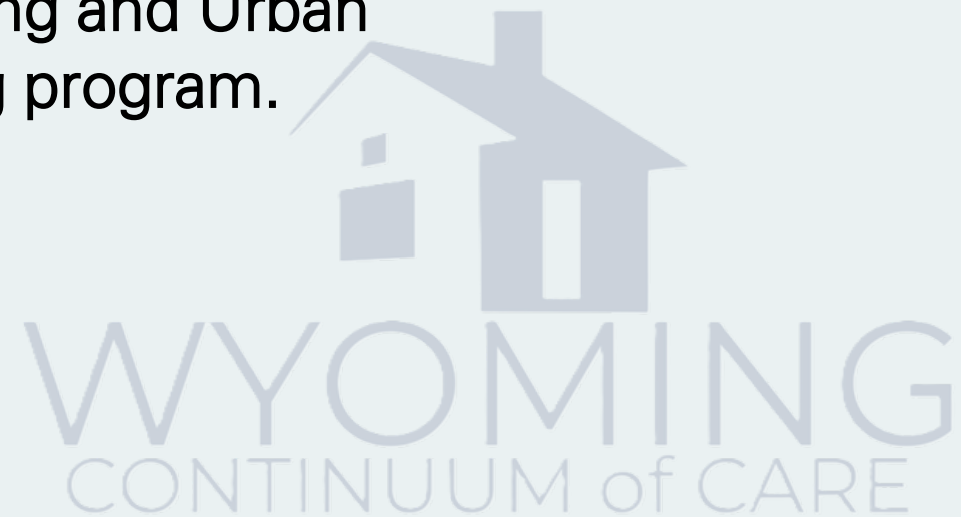


WY Continuum of Care PIT/ HIC Refresher January 7, 2026

What is the WY Continuum of Care

- A statewide planning body that coordinates HUD-funded housing and supportive services for individuals and families experiencing homelessness.
- A HUD-recognized Continuum of Care region for the purposes of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's Continuum of Care funding program.



When is the Count

**Night of
Wednesday,
January 28th**



PIT Count Basics

- CoCs must conduct a Point-in-Time (PIT) Count every year.
- The count happens one night in the last 10 days of January (or another time if HUD requires).
- January is used because shelters are often full and personal resources are low, giving a more accurate picture of unsheltered homelessness.



What happens during the count

Point in Time
Count (PIT)

- Count people and households

Housing
Inventory Count
(HIC)

- Count program capacity
 - Beds
 - Units

How PIT and HIC Work Together

- Point-in-Time Count (PIT):

A snapshot of *who* is experiencing homelessness on a single night.

- Housing Inventory Count (HIC):

A snapshot of *what housing and shelter resources exist*— beds, units, and programs.

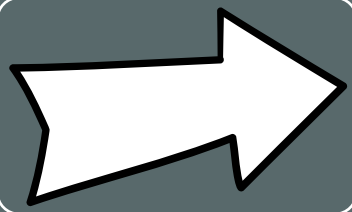
- PIT + HIC:

When you connect the two, you can see *how well current resources match the actual need*.

This helps identify gaps, under-used capacity, and areas where more housing or services are required.



Why we do the Count?



To measure and monitor trends & changes in homelessness on local and national levels



To help our community understand the resources we have, identify what's still needed, and plan the most effective ways to use them



To comply with federal regulations and requirements

Basic Roles



Surveyor

Event/Agency Based
Coordinated Entry List



Housing Provider

Program Using HMIS
Programs Not using HMIS



Connector

Other Community Agency
Event Lead
Volunteer Coordinator

Roles & Responsibilities: Housing & Shelter Programs

HMIS Agencies — Data Integrity

- Report Data to HMIS Lead – Bobbie Neilsen
- Ensure HMIS data accuracy

Non-HMIS Agencies — Manual Reporting

- Record stayers
- Report to HMIS Lead – Bobbie Neilsen



Roles & Responsibilities: Unsheltered Count

Coordinated Entry Leads — Outreach

- Participate in CE List outreach
- Conduct unsheltered street surveys

CoC Leadership — Coordination

- Establish PIT/HIC guidelines
- Collect housing inventory updates
- Provide training materials

HMIS Lead — Technical Oversight

- Develop PIT/HIC tools
- Lead data collection
- Perform final data cleaning



Roles & Responsibilities: Unsheltered Count

Surveyors

- Conduct unsheltered surveys
- [WY Unsheltered PIT Form](#)
- Use Observation Tool if survey declined

Coordinated Entry Leads

- Lead CE List Outreach
- Survey people in known locations
- Update CE records

Outreach Teams

- Identify unsheltered locations
- Guide safe engagement

Connectors & Community Agencies

- Share key location info
- Support outreach logistics
- Coordinate with local partners

Housing & Program Partners

- Provide insight on unsheltered trends
- Assist with service follow-up



Resource and Data Tools

Count Toolkits

- PIT Count Day-of Cheat Sheets
- Point-in-Time Count Forms & Guides

Survey Links

- People in Shelter or Housing (HMIS)
- People in Shelter or Housing (Non-HMIS)
- People Not in Housing (Unsheltered)



Upcoming Trainings

Training Session	Date	Time	Zoom Link
Unsheltered Count (Option A)	Tue, Jan 20	9:00 AM	https://zoom.us/j/97435624239?pwd=BeDEeBYieoLrvQMChvwd2vHt8SjpJ.1
HMIS Agencies Training	Wed, Jan 21	9:00 AM	https://zoom.us/j/97435624239?pwd=BeDEeBYieoLrvQMChvwd2vHt8SjpJ.1
Non-HMIS Agencies Training	Wed, Jan 21	3:00 PM	https://zoom.us/j/97435624239?pwd=BeDEeBYieoLrvQMChvwd2vHt8SjpJ.1
Unsheltered Count (Option B)	Thu, Jan 22	2:30 PM	https://zoom.us/j/97435624239?pwd=BeDEeBYieoLrvQMChvwd2vHt8SjpJ.1

Collection & Submission Deadlines

Street Outreach Window

Sunset Jan 28 → Sunrise Jan 29

Active field data collection

Daytime Events

January 29th

Ask each person where they slept last night
(the night of January 28)

Final Survey Deadline

Friday, February 13, 2026

All data must be finalized and submitted



Links to Know

Wyoming CoC Website

www.wycoc.org

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