

Alameda County's Plan

- Mission: Build collaborative, ethical systems empowering youth.
- Vision: Make youth homelessness rare, brief, and non-recurring.

Youth Empowerment & Governance

- Youth Action Boards influence decision-making.
- Alameda County YAB collaborates with adult allies to guide policy, program, and funding decisions.

Overview of Youth Homelessness

- 2022 PIT Count:
 - - Ages 0–24: 832 individuals (97 under 18, 735 ages 18–24)
 - - 9 sheltered youth, 88 unsheltered under 18
 - - 161 sheltered, 574 unsheltered ages 18–24
- 2024 Trend:
 - - Youth under 25 experiencing homelessness decreased to 428 (from 880 in 2022).

Progress & Impact

- Youth homelessness decreased from 880 (2022) to 428 (2024).
- Overall homelessness down 3%, unsheltered down 11% (2024 PIT data).

Youth Homelessness in Alameda County (YHDP)

Youth Agencies in Alameda County – Program types

- Covenant House/ Joint RRH and TH, SSO, SO
- Youth Spirit Artworks/ TH, SSO
- LSY - Larkin Street Youth Services/ TH, RRH, SSO
- OTM - On The Move (Voices)/Peer Navigation

RRH – Rapid Rehousing

TH – Transitional Housing

SSO – Support Services Only

SO – Street Outreach

RHY – Runaway Homeless Youth

TAY – Transitional Age Youth (18-24)

Spread the Word

Providers should be communicating with the Covenant House CES and/or TAY Peer Navigation team when working with TAY.

There are various youth services offered that many are unaware of because they only work directly with the adult population. Encouraging other HRCs and providers to connect youth coming through the front door to youth services would help a lot.

There is often a lower threshold for eligibility for TAY resources. A lower assessment score is still eligible for TAY resources.

Data Quality Reminder

- For TH and RRH joint projects that all joint-component clients' TH enrollments should reflect the actual dates they are residing in TH and RRH enrollments should reflect the full time they are receiving assistance from the joint-component project, whether they are receiving RRH rental assistance or not.
- There are additional data fields collected to better understand the youth homeless population.

Additional Data Fields:

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Sexual Orientation

General Health Status

Dental Health Status

Mental Health Status

Pregnancy Status

Formerly a Ward of Child Welfare/Foster Care

Formerly a Ward of the Juvenile Justice System

YOUTH EDUCATION STATUS

Current school enrollment and attendance