HOMELESS MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEM

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WHAT

The Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) is a local information technology system used to collect client-level data and data on the provision of housing and services to those experiencing homelessness and those at risk of homelessness. Each Continuum of Care (CoC) has their own HMIS system to store data about clients served in their geographical area. The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) requires each CoC to establish and maintain an HMIS and designate an HMIS Lead. Haven for Hope serves as the HMIS Lead for our community.

PURPOSE

The information from HMIS is used by HUD to annually measure and report national homelessness. HMIS is used by projects that target services to persons experiencing homelessness within SNAPS and the office of HIV-AIDS Housing. It is also used by other Federal Partners from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) and the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs and their respective programs to measure project performance and participate in benchmarking of the national effort to end homelessness.

HOW

Data is inputted by employees/volunteers of participating agencies and administered by the HMIS Team.

GOVERNANCE

The HMIS is governed by the HMIS Advisory Committee and the CoC Board.



WHO

Local agencies who serve those experiencing homelessness and those at risk of homelessness. For those agencies who specifically serve victims of domestic violence, a comparable database is required as they are not authorized to enter data into the HMIS.

CONTINUM OF CARE (COC)

The South Alamo Regional Alliance for the Homeless (SARAH) serves as our CoC. The CoC is responsible for monitoring the HMIS Lead. SARAH and the HMIS Team work closely to establish and maintain policies, procedures and operations. Our community's CoC Code is TX-500, which includes the San Antonio/Bexar County area.

VENDOR

Our community's vendor is Caseworthy which is a cloud based application. A vendor is the case management software company that manages and owns the software utilized by our HMIS Lead. Caseworthy is responsible for executing HUD compliance with standards that are set fourth by HUD.