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IA-502 Des Moines/Polk County CoC

Point-in Time Date: 1/29/2025

Summary by household type reported:

	Sheltered		Unsheltered	Total
	Emergency Shelter*	Transitional Housing		
Households without children ¹	317	93	187	597
Households with at least one adult and one child ²	39	15	0	54
Households with only children ³	0	0	0	0
Total Homeless Households	356	108	187	651

Summary of persons in each household type:

Persons in households without children¹	317	93	206	616
Persons Age 18 to 24	23	4	11	38
Persons Age 25 to 34	47	19	29	95
Persons Age 35 to 44	80	24	83	187
Persons Age 45 to 54	79	19	46	144
Persons Age 55 to 64	57	22	29	108
Persons Over Age 64	31	5	8	44
Persons in households with at least one adult and one child²	124	39	0	163
Children Under Age 18	76	24	0	100
Persons Age 18 to 24	6	6	0	12
Persons Age 25 to 34	18	4	0	22
Persons Age 35 to 44	17	5	0	22
Persons Age 45 to 54	6	0	0	6
Persons Age 55 to 64	1	0	0	1
Persons Over Age 64	0	0	0	0
Persons in households with only children³	0	0	0	0
Total Homeless Persons	441	132	206	779

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Demographic summary by ethnicity and race:

	Sheltered		Unsheltered	Total
	Emergency Shelter*	Transitional Housing		
American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	7	2	5	14
Asian or Asian American	3	2	2	7
Black, African American, or African	134	23	31	188
Hispanic/Latina/e/o Only	19	2	4	25
Middle Eastern or North African	18	0	0	18
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	1	0	2	3
White	217	91	149	457
Hispanic and One or More Race	27	5	6	38
Non-Hispanic and Multiple Race	15	7	7	29
Total	441	132	206	779

Summary of chronically homeless households by household type reported:

	Sheltered		Unsheltered	Total
	Emergency Shelter*	Transitional Housing		
Chronically Homeless households with at least one adult and one child ²	2	0	0	2

Summary of chronically homeless persons in each household type:

Chronically Homeless persons in households without children ¹	89	0	107	196
Chronically Homeless persons in households with at least one adult and one child ²	4	0	0	4
Chronically Homeless persons in households with only children ³	0	0	0	0
Total Chronically Homeless Persons	93	0	107	200

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Summary of all other populations reported:

Severely Mentally Ill	80	27	92	199
Chronic Substance Abuse	42	38	52	132
Veterans	27	2	11	40
HIV/AIDS	5	0	1	6
Victims of Domestic Violence	37	9	11	57
Unaccompanied Youth	23	4	9	36
Unaccompanied Youth Under 18	0	0	0	0
Unaccompanied Youth 18-24	23	4	9	36
Parenting Youth	4	6	0	10
Parenting Youth Under 18	0	0	0	0
Parenting Youth 18-24	4	6	0	10
Children of Parenting Youth Under 18	0	0	0	0
Children of Parenting Youth 18-24	4	8	0	12

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