

2023 State of Homelessness in Ventura County



VENTURA COUNTY
CONTINUUM OF
CARE ALLIANCE

ENDING HOMELESSNESS
IN VENTURA COUNTY

Discussion Points



Point-in-Time
Count Data



At-Risk Populations



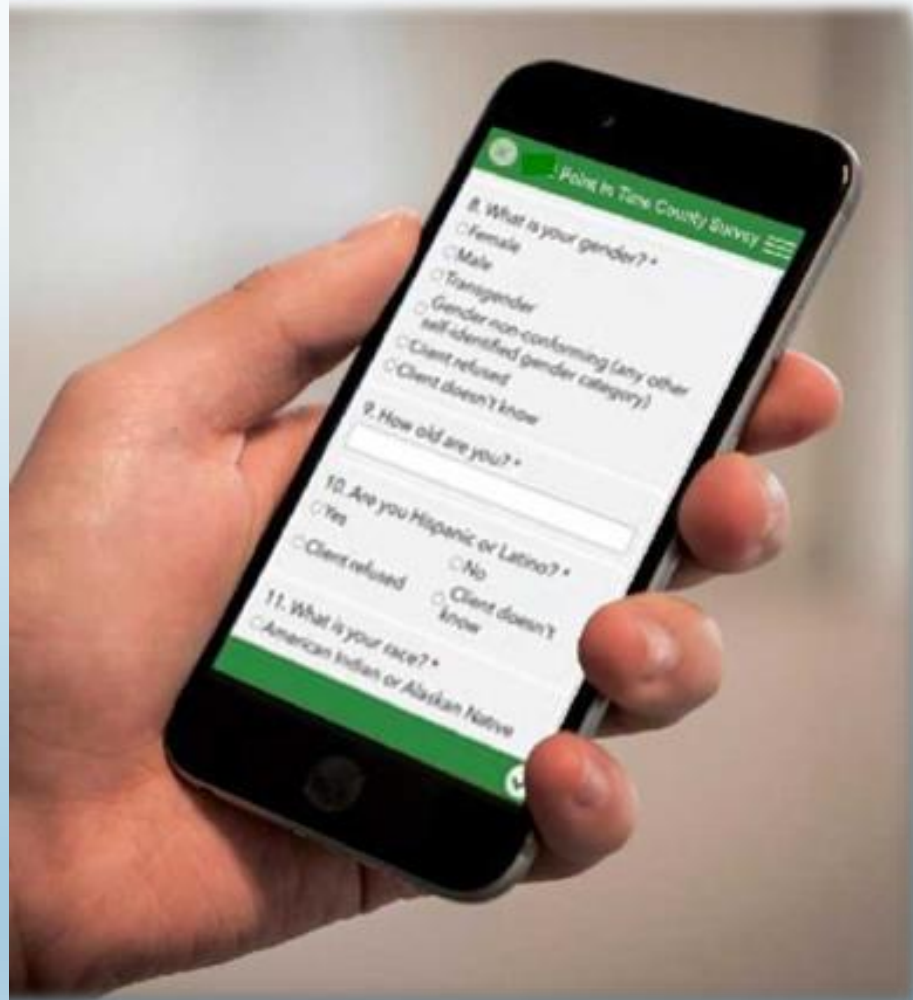
VC CoC Homeless
Service System



Housing Resources
and Challenges



2023 Draft
Recommendations



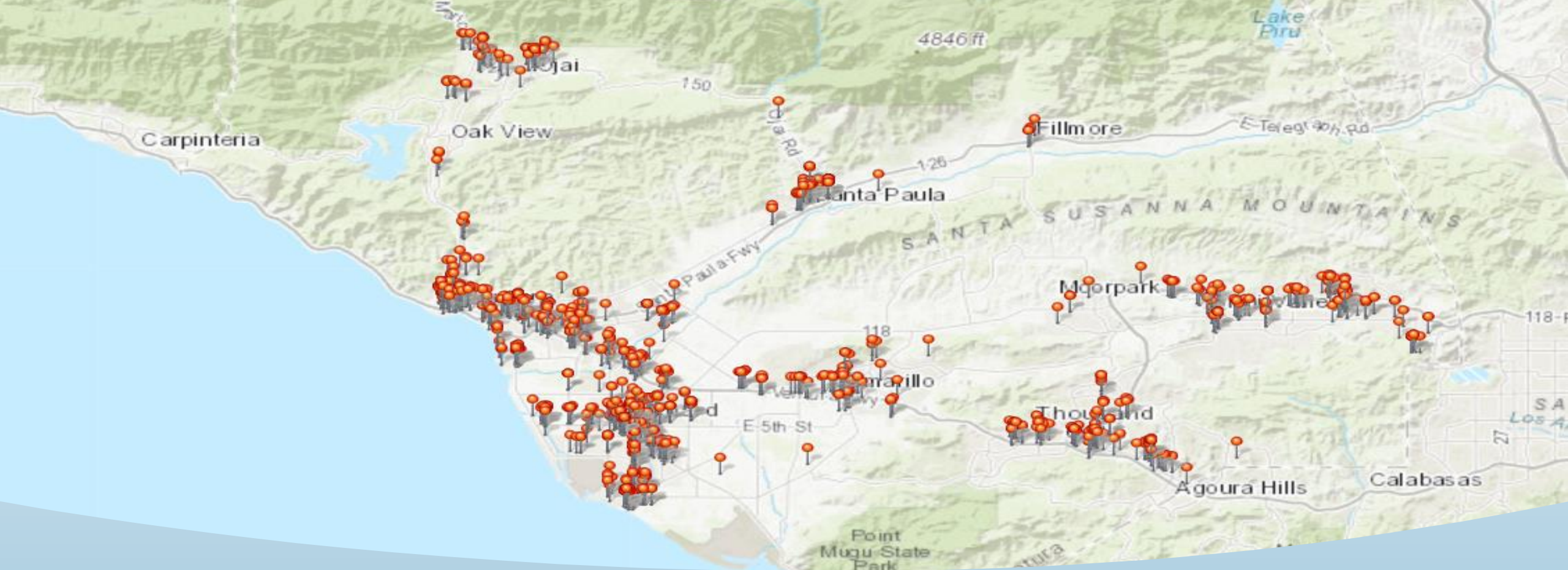
Who Is Counted?

Persons in Emergency Shelters

Persons in motels paid for by a program
(non-congregate / interim shelter)

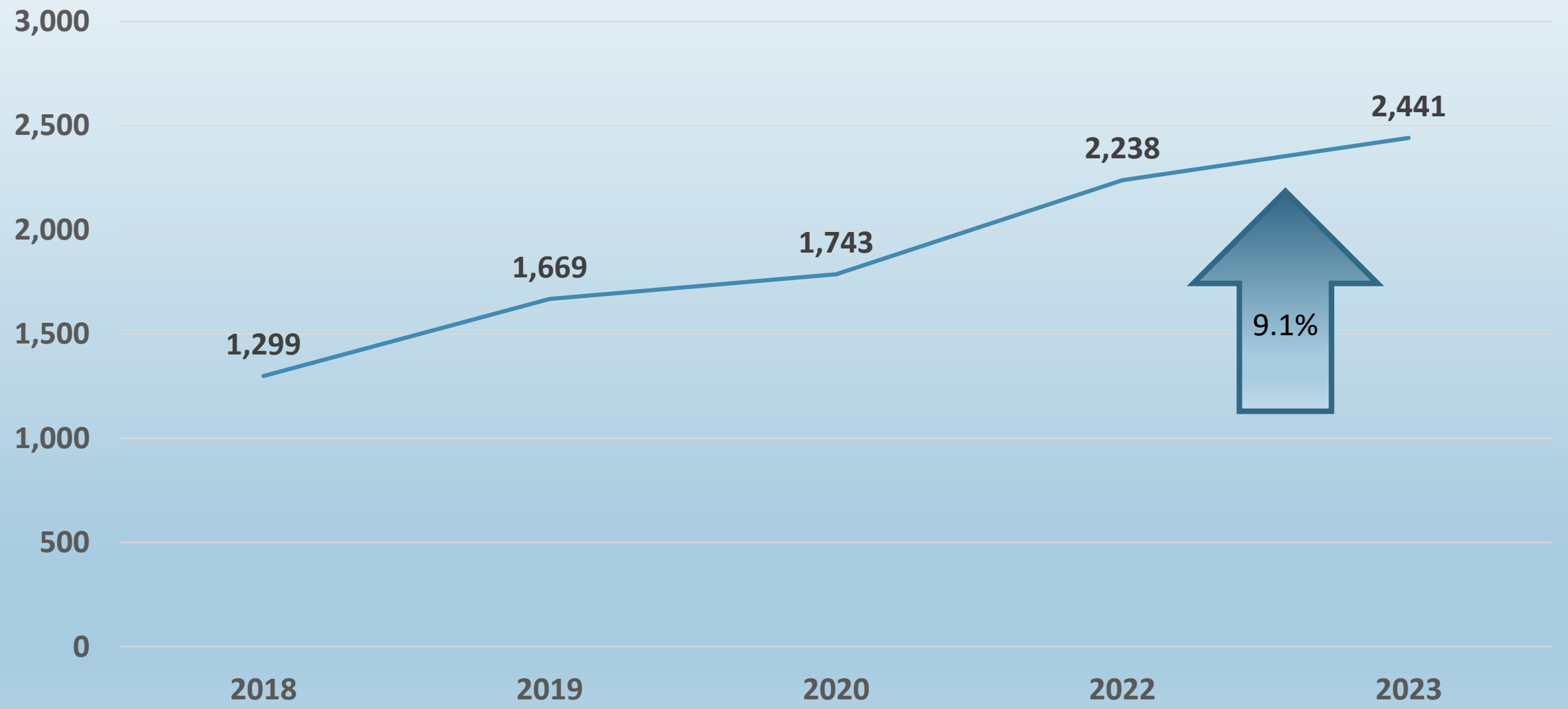
Persons in Transitional Housing

Persons living in places not meant for human habitation: unsheltered, vehicle, encampment



2023 Map of Point-In-Time Count Surveys

Homeless Count Totals from 2018 to 2023

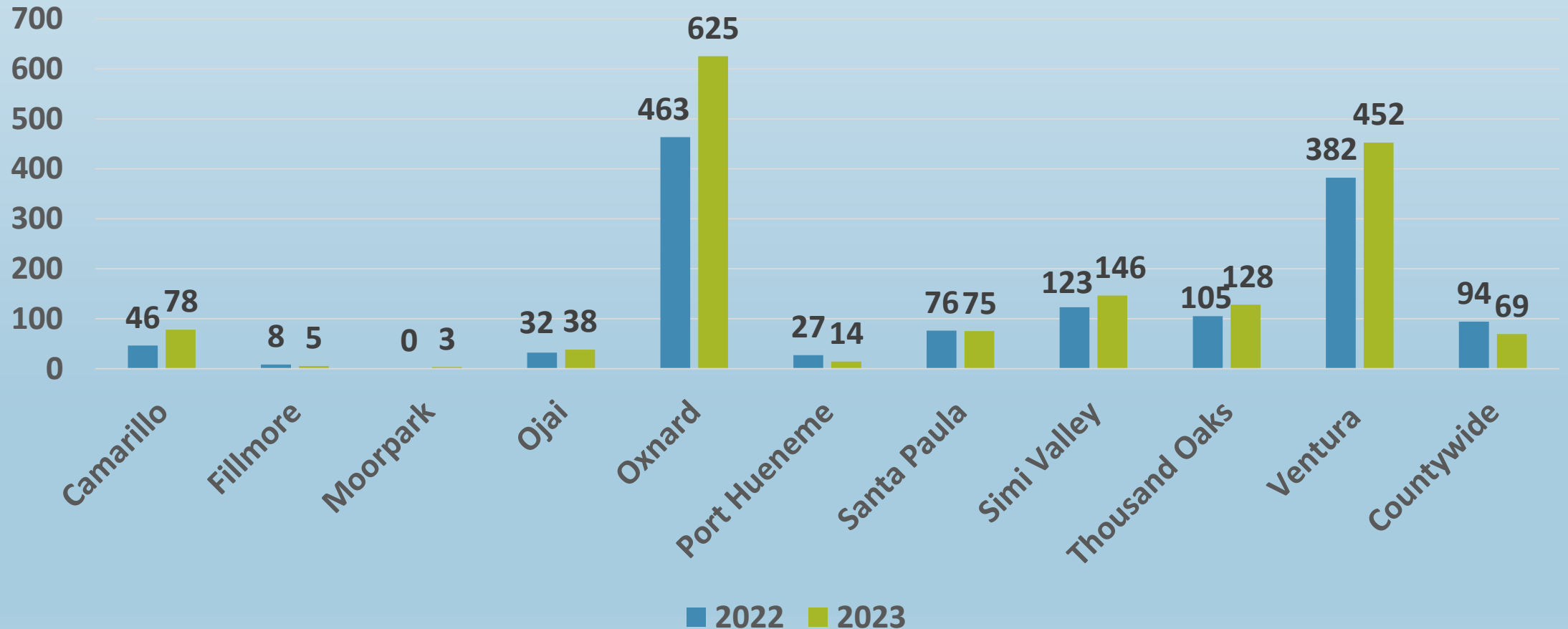


Surveys vs Observations

Year	Surveyed		Observed		Total	
	#	%	#	%	#	%
2019	907	72.1	351	27.9	1,258	100
2020	874	69.1	391	30.9	1,265	100
2022	741	54.6	615	45.5	1,356	100
2023	683	42.2	937	57.8	1,620	100

Ventura County Jurisdictions

Unsheltered Totals



Jurisdiction	Sheltered		Unsheltered	Total
	Shelter	Transitional Hg		
Camarillo	0	0	78	78
Fillmore	0	0	5	5
Moorpark	0	0	3	3
Ojai	6	0	38	44
Oxnard	194	19	625	838
Port Hueneme	0	0	14	14
Santa Paula	46	0	75	121
Simi Valley	4	0	146	150
Thousand Oaks	0	0	128	128
Ventura	81*	111	452	644
Countywide**	310	37	69	416
Total:	641	167	1,633	2,441

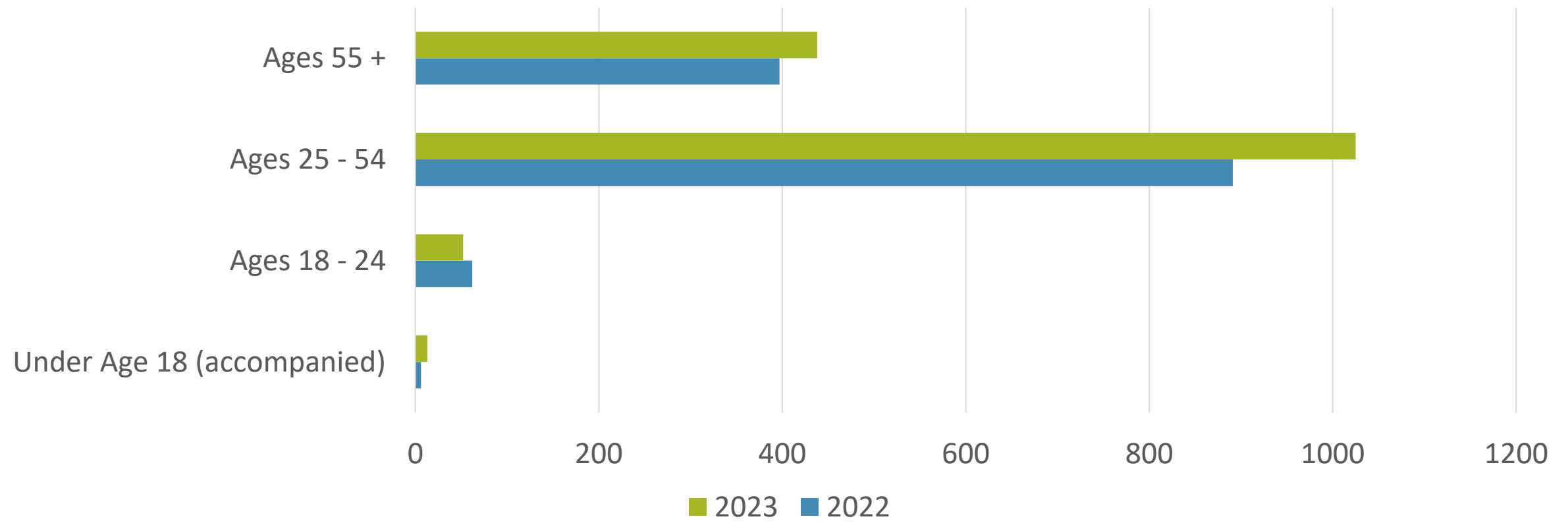
*Includes Safe Haven beds.

**Domestic Violence (DV) Shelter locations are not disclosed and thus are reported here. Project Roomkey non-congregate shelters are counted in the Countywide data, as persons are served from various cities.

Demographics

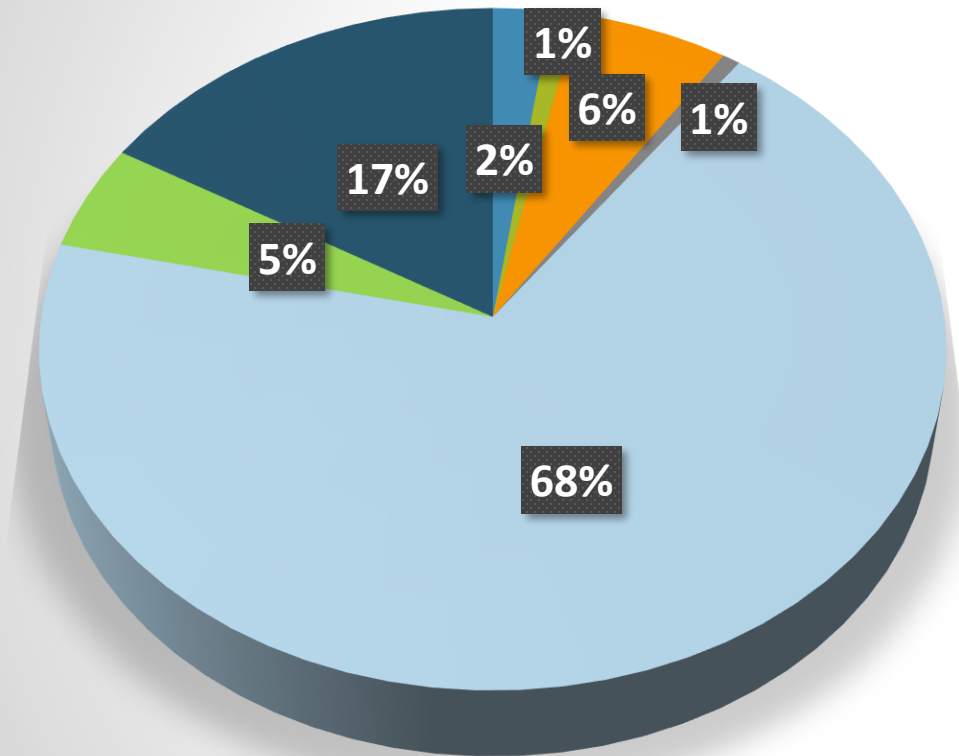


Age of Unsheltered Population



Demographics

Race of Unsheltered Population



- American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous
- Asian or Asian American
- Black, African American, or African
- Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander
- White
- Multiple Races
- Unknown

Comparison of Unsheltered Subpopulation Data

Subpopulations:	2022		2023		Difference	
	#	%	#	%	#	%
Chronically Homeless Adults	629	46.6	787	48.6	+158	+25.1
Homeless Families	4	-	7	-	-	-
Persons w/Chronic Health Conditions	355	26.3	428	26.4	+73	+20.6
Persons w/a Developmental Disability	121	9.0	131	8.1	+10	+8.3
Persons w/HIV/AIDS	15	1.1	10	0.6	-5	-33.3
Persons w/Mental Health Problems	340	25.2	353	21.8	+13	+3.8
Persons w/a Physical Disability	278	20.6	334	20.6	+56	+20.1
Substance Users	447	33.1	599	37.0	+152	+34.0
Veterans	71	5.3	134	8.3	+63	+88.7
Experiencing Homelessness Because of Fleeing Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, or Stalking	130	9.6	99	6.1	-31	-23.8

Note: Survey responses may include multiple categories so this data is duplicated.



At-Risk Populations

HOMELESS UNDER OTHER FEDERAL STATUTES

Ventura County Healthcare Agency 2022 Healthcare for the Homeless

- Approximately 12,000 persons enrolled in the County of Ventura's Healthcare for the Homeless program.
- Approximately 30% met the HUD definition of homeless.



Ventura County Office of Education 2022 School District Data

- 7,076 students identified as homeless in Ventura County.
- 438 (6%) students met the HUD definition of homelessness

2022 Ventura County Interface 2-1-1 Call Data

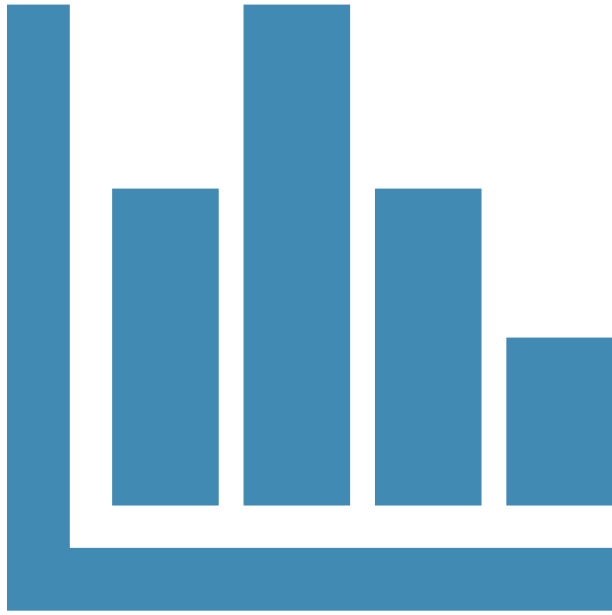
Homeless

City	#Clients	%Clients
Oxnard	1144	39.14%
Ventura	922	31.54%
Thousand Oaks	240	8.21%
Simi Valley	213	7.29%
Camarillo	142	4.86%
Santa Paula	81	2.77%
Port Hueneme	62	2.12%
Fillmore	39	1.33%
Moorpark	36	1.23%
Ojai	29	0.99%
Oak View	8	0.27%
Oak Park	4	0.14%
Somis	2	0.07%
Piru	1	0.03%
Total	2923	100.00%

At-Risk of Homelessness

City	#Clients	%Clients
Oxnard	610	38.03%
Ventura	386	24.06%
Simi Valley	145	9.04%
Thousand Oaks	134	8.35%
Camarillo	127	7.92%
Santa Paula	54	3.37%
Port Hueneme	47	2.93%
Moorpark	37	2.31%
Ojai	28	1.75%
Fillmore	20	1.25%
Oak View	8	0.50%
Oak Park	4	0.25%
Somis	3	0.19%
Piru	1	0.06%
Total	1604	100.00%

51% increase in calls for rental assistance from prior year, due to rising rent costs and higher utility rates



VC CoC
Homeless
Service
System

2022 System Performance Data

Housing Placements

47%

408 into PH

Target

85%

Housing Retention

97%

Target

85%

Average Length of Time Homeless

168 days -ES

180 days -TH

Target

ES: 90
TH: 180

2022 System Performance Data

Returns to Homelessness

3%

Target

< 5%

First Time Homeless

909

+5% from prior year

Target

Reduction from Prior Year

Income and Employment Growth

33%

Target

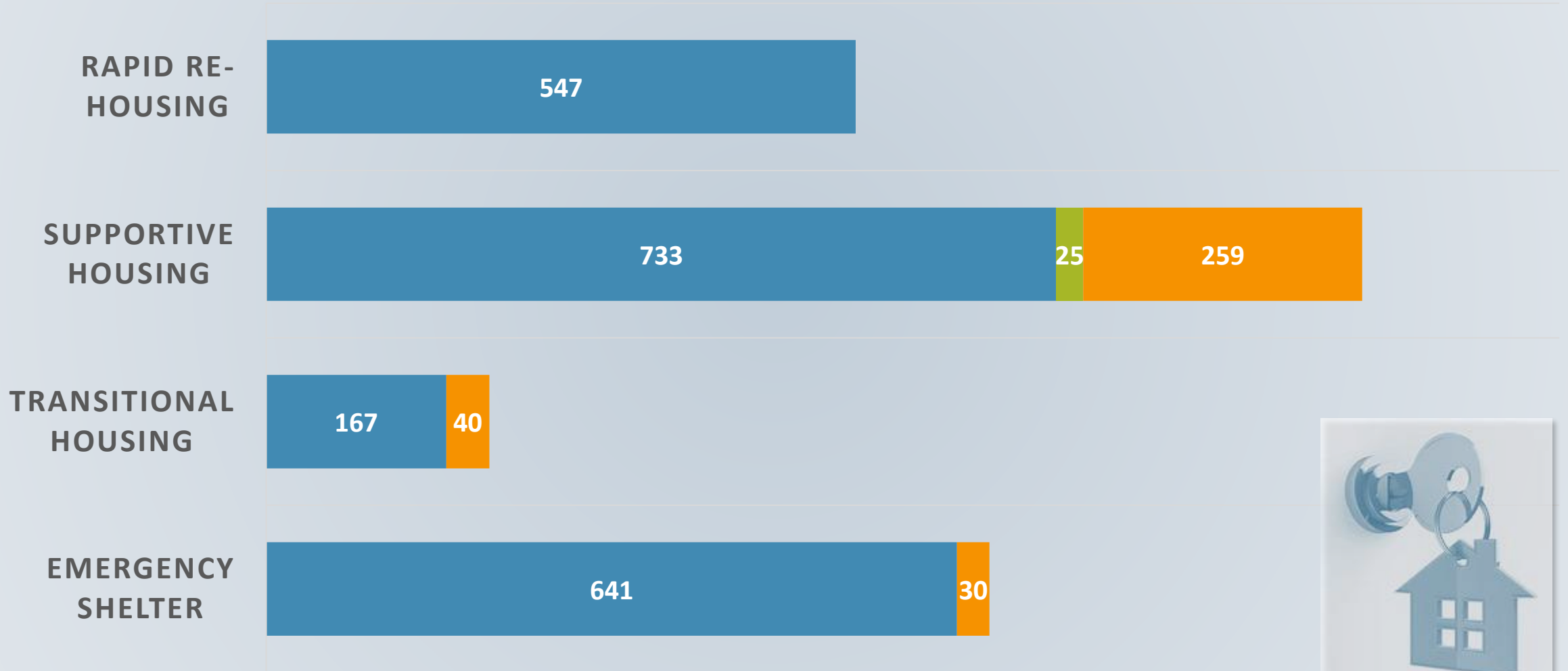
55%



Housing Resources & Challenges

2023 HOUSING INVENTORY CHART

■ Utilized ■ Available ■ Under Development



2023-24 Housing Pipeline

- **Step Up in Thousand Oaks:** 77 new Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) units by October 2023
- **Mesa in Ojai:** 13 new Transitional Housing units for Transitional Age Youth (TAY 18 – 24) by December 2023
- **Casa Pacifica in Unincorporated:** 27 new Transitional Housing Units for homeless or at-risk TAY by January 2024
- **Central Terrace in Oxnard:** 35 new PSH units by Spring 2024
- **Casa de Carmen in Oxnard:** 55 new PSH units by Spring 2024
- **Casa Aliento in Oxnard:** 68 new PSH units by Summer 2024
- **Rancho Sierra in Unincorporated:** 24 new units for seniors by Fall 2024
- **Homekey Round 3 Projects in Camarillo and Ventura:** by June 2024
 - Camarillo proposes 62 units of PSH through a motel conversion.
 - Ventura proposes 53 units for persons at-risk of homelessness and 84 for persons experiencing homelessness through a motel conversion.

2023 VC CoC Board Recommendations

Achieve

Achieve functional zero with homeless Veterans in 2024 in collaboration with Veteran Affairs and local veteran service providers.

Further

Further efforts to end homelessness among unsheltered youth with the expansion of new transitional housing programs for TAY.

Reduce

Reduce the number of chronically homeless adults by 2024 with the addition of new PSH units.

Encourage

Encourage each jurisdiction to review their 2023 unsheltered homeless count and review local strategies to reduce unsheltered homelessness.

Expand

Expand the efforts of the VC CoC Workgroup partnering with People with Lived Experience to solicit feedback and provide recommendations

Reduce

Reduce the number of first time homeless households by expanding homelessness prevention programs and implementing diversion strategies.

Questions?

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