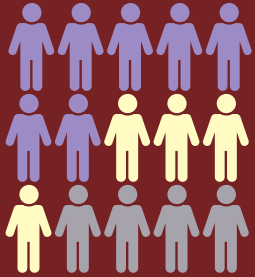


VETERAN HOMELESSNESS: RARE AND BRIEF IN DOUGLAS COUNTY

From Jan. 1, 2023 to Sept. 30, 2024, 15 Veterans experiencing homelessness were identified. We are still working with four of them. Of the remaining 11, seven (64%) have been housed, and four are considered inactive due to loss of contact or self-resolution.



What is Built for Zero?

Built for Zero is a nationwide movement to use reliable data as a central tool for ending homelessness. Currently, 142 cities in the US are participating. Using data, these communities have changed how local homeless response systems work and the impact they can achieve. Built for Zero is a movement by nonprofit Community Solutions.

How does the Built for Zero data compare to the Point-in-Time Data?

Built for Zero communities know everyone experiencing homelessness by name, in real time. The result is more tailored solutions for individuals and a clearer picture of the system as a whole. Point-in-Time data is the result of a count of everyone in a community experiencing homelessness on a given night. Douglas County - along with six other metro area counties - participates in the Metro Denver Homeless Initiatives' annual Point-in-time Count every January. Douglas County also does its own Summer Point-in-Time Count.

For Veterans in Douglas County, the Point-in-Time Count data from January 2024 matches the by-name Built for Zero data, providing a pilot for using the Built for Zero framework across all populations.

Consider donating to the Heroes Hall Foundation to help create a unified, welcoming space where Veteran organizations come together under one roof to provide comprehensive support, services, and community for those who have served.

