

At Jacob's Well

Recognizing Brokenness, Restoring Dignity

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AJW's Annual "Hope Lives Here" Fundraiser for 2022

Yes we know it's been two years since we have been able to meet up to celebrate and support AJW's mission and accomplishments, but we are holding our Annual Hope Lives Here Event again at the Bowman Restaurant on October 14, 2022 from 5:30 to 9:30 pm. Our last Hope Lives Here fundraiser, held in the fall of 2019, was well received and was a great deal of fun. That was before the Covid outbreak, and who could have guessed in the Fall of 2019 what the new year of 2020 would bring.

Some highly talented local artists will again perform at the event: Barrett Johnson - a singer-songwriter and professional vocalist; Stringtown - a local group which plays folk and jazz music; and the JHU Vocal Chords - an award-winning acapella group from Johns Hopkins University.

The Bowman Restaurant will be offering their very popular deluxe buffet for dining which includes: Cheese & Vegetable Platter, Fruit Platter, Garden Salad, Petite Crab Imperials, with a choice of Beef Burgundy or Sliced Roast Turkey, Parsley Potatoes or Rice, Hot Vegetable du Jour and Cranberry Relish. With a choice of desserts : Vanilla Ice Cream, Chocolate Fudge Cake, or White Cloud Cake.

As always all funds raised will support At Jacob's Well transitional and permanent housing programs which provide housing for those who are homeless and mentally ill. We hope that everyone will be able to join us this year for an evening of music, food, drinks, fun and camaraderie.

For tickets please go to our website: AtJacobsWell.org or call our office at :410-235-8877.

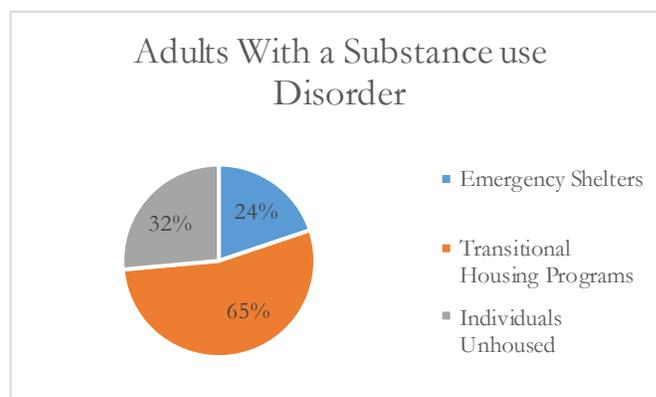
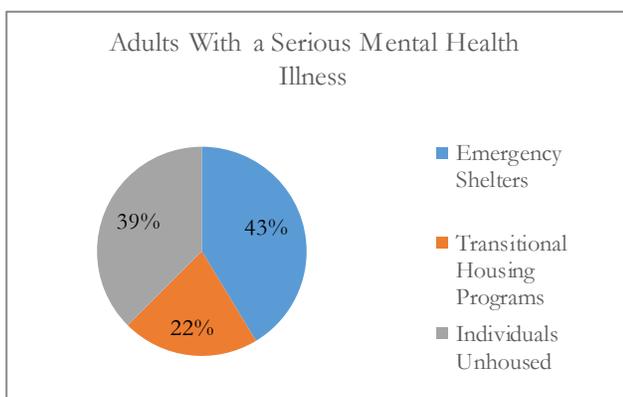
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Baltimore City Point-in-Time Homeless Assessment Report For 2022

The Point-in-Time (PIT) Count is a U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) mandated assessment that provides a snapshot of how many people are experiencing sheltered and unsheltered homelessness in a community on a given night in January. This year, the Baltimore City Continuum of Care (CoC) received a waiver to postpone the count, due to a surge of COVID-19 infections. The Baltimore City PIT Count was conducted on the night of February 26, 2022. For the count, the City assessed both sheltered persons staying in an emergency shelter or transitional housing and unsheltered persons living on the streets or other places not meant for human habitation. While the PIT Count doesn't capture all the people who experience homelessness over the course of a year, it is the only HUD measure that counts people experiencing unsheltered homelessness, which HUD defines as people living on the streets or places not meant for human habitation. Baltimore's unsheltered count relies on mobilizing dozens of trained staff and volunteers.

The overall finding of the count recorded 1,597 individuals unhoused for the night of February 26, 2022 in Baltimore City. While this shows a decline from previous counts, it is believed that the reduced number can be attributed to the Covid pandemic and the efforts that were made to keep individuals housed during the lockdowns. Mental health continues to be a major contributor to homelessness and a majority of those counted were unsheltered. A majority of those housed in transitional housing programs reported suffering from both serious mental illness and a substance use disorder.



Meet Our New Case Manager

It is my pleasure to introduce myself. I am Shanika Sampson. I'm a mother of three born and raised here in Maryland. I have over 10 years' experience working in the mental health field. I'm excited to be a part of such a great team and to share my knowledge as well as resources.

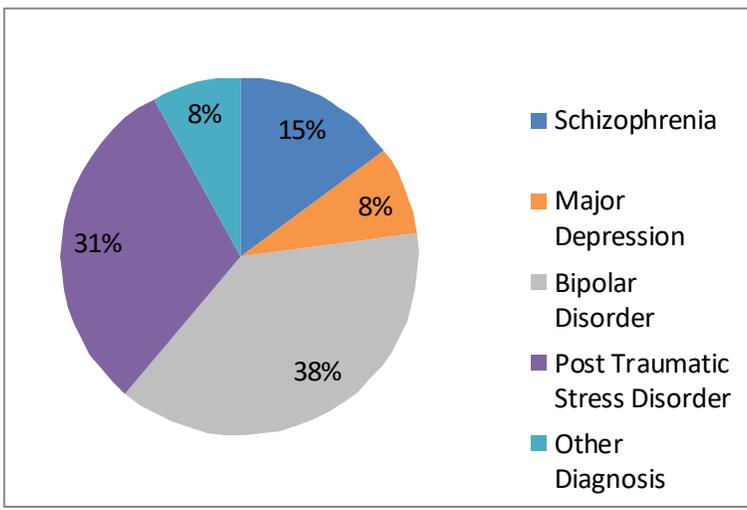


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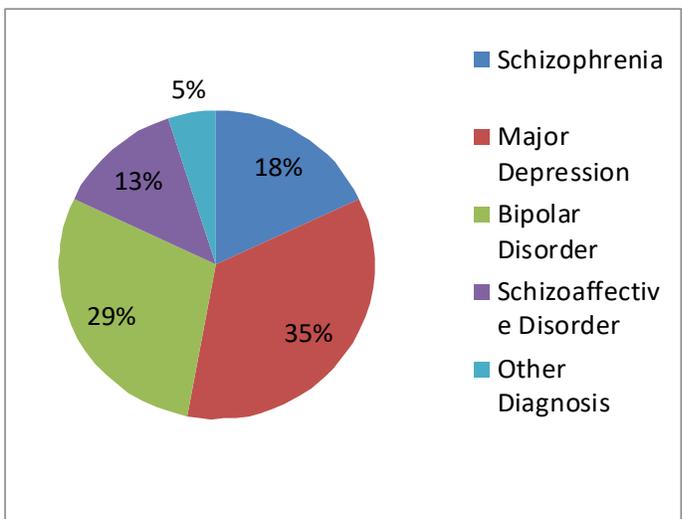
January 2022-August 2022 Transitional Housing

Number of Residents	14
Number of Bed-Nights	4544
Occupancy Rate	87%
Average Length of Stay (in months)	13.5
Favorable Outcomes	66%
Average Monthly Income	\$356
Average Age	52



January 2022-August 2022 Permanent Housing

Number of Residents	28
Number of Bed-Nights	6,804
Occupancy Rate	89%
Favorable Outcomes	100%
Average Monthly Income	\$620
Average Age	48



Residents' Wish List

- Toilet Paper /Paper Towels
- Soap Bars
- Shampoo
- Deodorant
- Bleach & Household Cleaners
- Dish Detergent
- Twin Size Sheets & Blankets
- Towels and Washcloths
- Large Trash Bags
- Dry Goods (Mac and Cheese, Pastas and Sauces, Peanut-Butter, Canned Meats etc.)
- Curtains

Many thanks!! We are very grateful to all who continue to support At Jacob's Well's Housing Programs. Be Safe!



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**To Autumn
By John Keats**

Season of mists and mellow fruitfulness,
Close bosom-friend of the maturing sun;
Conspiring with him how to load and bless
With fruit the vines that round the thatch-eaves run;
To bend with apples the moss'd cottage-trees,
And fill all fruit with ripeness to the core;
To swell the gourd, and plump the hazel shells
With a sweet kernel; to set budding more,
And still more, later flowers for the bees,
Until they think warm days will never cease,
For Summer has o'er-brimm'd their clammy cells.

Who hath not seen thee oft amid thy store?
Sometimes whoever seeks abroad may find
Thee sitting careless on a granary floor,
Thy hair soft-lifted by the winnowing wind;
Or on a half-reap'd furrow sound asleep,
Drows'd with the fume of poppies, while thy hook

Spares the next swath and all its twinéd flowers:
And sometimes like a gleaner thou dost keep
Steady thy laden head across a brook;
Or by a cyder-press, with patient look,
Thou watchest the last oozings hours by hours.

Where are the songs of Spring? Ay, where are they?
Think not of them, thou hast thy music too,—
While barréd clouds bloom the soft-dying day,
And touch the stubble-plains with rosy hue;
Then in a wailful choir the small gnats mourn
Among the river shallows, borne aloft
Or sinking as the light wind lives or dies;
And full-grown lambs loud bleat from hilly bourn;
Hedge-crickets sing; and now with treble soft
The red-breast whistles from a garden-croft;
And gathering swallows twitter in the skies.

