

# Lane County

## Executive Order 23-02 Community Plan overview



On Jan. 10, 2023, Governor Kotek signed Executive Order 23-02, declaring a state of emergency due to unsheltered homelessness in seven Continuum of Care regions across the state. The Governor chose the regions based on the 2022 Point-in-Time Count data, which showed an increase in unsheltered homelessness of 50% or greater since 2017.

In alignment with the emergency order, the Governor proposed House Bill 5019 to provide a down payment to achieve three actionable goals by Jan. 10, 2024:



### A whole-community approach

Oregon's response to this crisis requires bold action and coordination between government agencies and service providers. That's why Oregon created Multi Agency Coordination (MAC) Groups that includes representatives from multiple sectors. Lane County leads the region's MAC group and their membership includes representatives from Continuum of Care – PHB, Siuslaw Outreach Services, Catholic Community Services, Carry It Forward, Community Sharing, PacificSource CCO, Lane County Emergency Management, ShelterCare, City of Eugene, HIV Alliance, City of Cottage Grove, Laurel Hill Center, Looking Glass Community Services, Trillium Community Health Plan CCO, and Homes for Good.

### Executive Order 23-02 Community Plan

The Lane County MAC group analyzed the needs of people experiencing unsheltered homelessness within their community and used the information gathered to develop interventions they laid out in their community plan. The MAC group will review data and amend their plan throughout the year to ensure they meet their region's goals.

### Comparison of unsheltered homelessness and overall population by race in Lane County

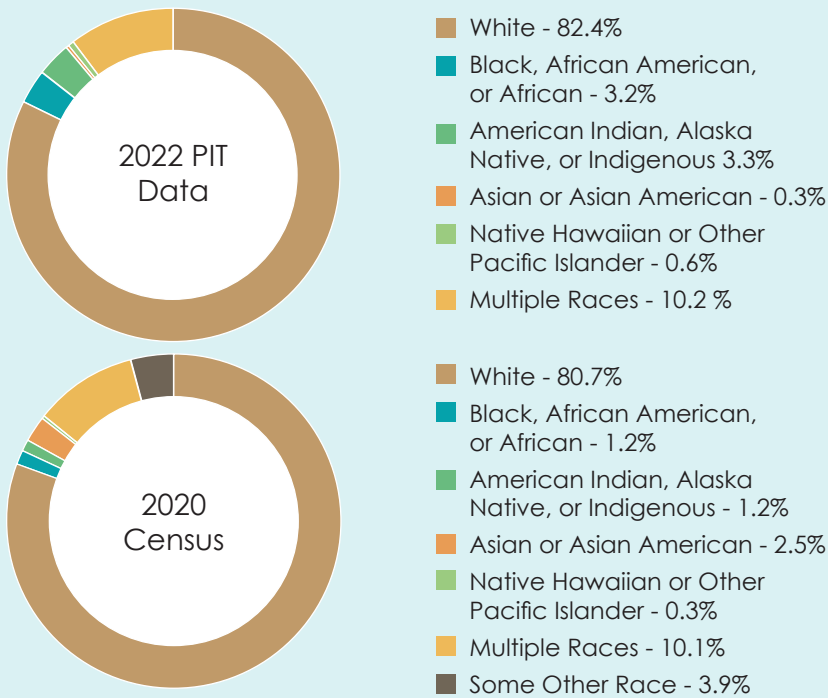
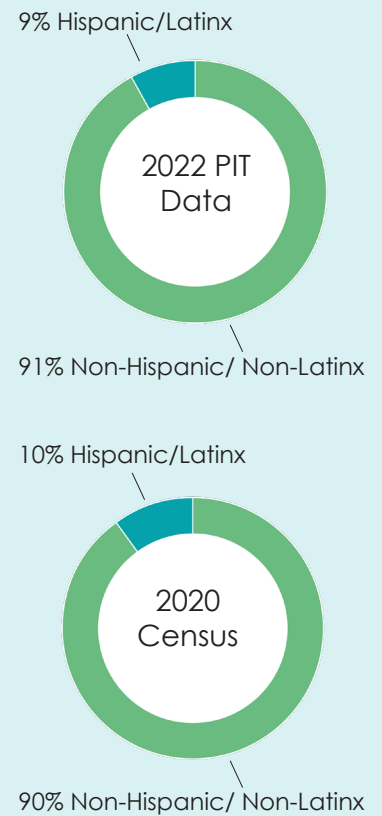


Figure A. Racial disparities within the unsheltered homeless populations in Lane County. In this region, 1.2% of all residents self-identify as American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous, while 3.3% of the unsheltered homeless population self-identify that way. The Black, African American, or African population makes up 1.2% of all residents and 3.2% of the unsheltered homeless population. The Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander population makes up 0.3% of all residents and 0.6% of the unsheltered homeless population. Additionally, one out of every 50 people who self identify as Black, African American, or African experience unsheltered homelessness, compared to one out of every 120 White residents.

### Comparison of unsheltered homelessness and overall population by ethnicity in Lane County



### Rehousing goal

Lane County will collaborate with local services providers to utilize a Diversion approach to quickly rehousing those who are newly unhoused. They also plan to implement new peer-based housing navigation resources and general case management for unhoused individuals searching for housing. In rural communities, Lane County plans to implement new housing navigation resources and case management programs for individuals who already have vouchers but cannot locate housing.

Rehouse  
**247 unsheltered households**  
by Jan. 10, 2024

### Shelter bed goal

Lane County plans to improve alternative shelter sites to meet emergency shelter and low-barrier requirements and add more wraparound supports. They will create medical respite beds for people to recover from illness or injury but are not ill enough to be in a hospital. They also plan to add more medical support to existing programs and upgrade cold weather sites in rural areas so they could become year-round shelters. They plan to increase their emergency shelter capacity by adding beds for youth, families, and people with high vulnerabilities.

Add  
**230 low-barrier shelter beds**  
by Jan. 10, 2024