The City of Las Vegas retained Applied Analysis and Caridad Inc. to survey homeless residents of Las Vegas about the various challenges the group faces. This page is a summary of the results of over 400 one-on-one interviews.

**Length of Homelessness**
- 11% <1 Month
- 19% 1 to 6 Months
- 15% 6 to 12 Months
- 21% 1 to 2 years
- 18% 3 to 5 years
- 17% >5 years

Over half of respondents (51 percent) who were homeless for less than a year were unemployed and looking for work, 32 percent more than those who have been unemployed for longer than a year, emphasizing the need to limit the length of homelessness.

**Shelter Usage**
45% in the Last 12 Months

- Catholic Charities: 61%
- Las Vegas Rescue Mission: 29%
- The Salvation Army: 26%
- St. Shade Tree: 13%

**Why Satisfied? (48%)**
- Place to sleep
- Place to shower
- Caring staff
- Clean

**Why Dissatisfied? (49%)**
- Rude Staff and Patrons
- Stringent Rules
- Stringent Schedules
- Violence and Theft
- Unsanitary and Bed Bugs

**Why Not Shelters?**
- 31% Bed Bugs
- 18% Dirty Conditions
- 17% Safety Concerns
- 13% Theft Concerns

**Top Reasons For Homelessness**
- Loss of job: 28.8%
- Rent: 20.2%
- Alcohol/Drugs: 14.8%
- Move-in Costs: 13.5%
- Eviction: 11.8%
- Disability: 11.1%
- Can't Get Housing: 10.3%

**Homeless Prevention**
Is there any service that could have prevented you from becoming homeless?

- Yes: 32%

Which Service(s) Would Help?
- Rental Assistance: 45%
- Job Training: 30%
- Household Assistance: 20%
- Benefits Doc. Help: 12%

**Improve Shelters**
- Later Check-in Times
- Later Check-out Times
- Later Curfews
- Increased Security
- Increased Cleanliness
Methodology and Approach
Overview

• The City of Las Vegas (the “City”) takes the issue of homelessness very seriously and is actively engaged in both prevention and social assistance programs. That said, one of the biggest obstacles as it relates to homelessness is the difficulty of obtaining the information from the demographic.

• Applied Analysis and Caridad Inc. were jointly retained by the City to survey street homeless in the area to obtain information about the challenges this group faces.

• This summary presentation-report highlights the results of over 400 one-on-one interviews as well as the key findings of our review and analysis.

• Although a number of steps were taken before, during and after the survey process to limit research bias and to ensure the meaningfulness of the results generated, any primary research project of this nature will have some limitations. These limitations should be considered in the evaluation of the findings provided herein.
Overview | Research Parameters

General Approach: ±400 homeless residents were surveyed regarding their history, economic conditions and reasons for being homeless

Survey Parameters:

Timeframe: Summer/Fall 2016; most responses from 9AM to 9PM

Method: Intercept survey at locations where homeless citizens are known to congregate

Respondent Requirements: Self-identify as homeless, 18 and over, unimpaired and unintoxicated

Number of Respondents: 406

Confidence Interval: 95%

Margin of Error: ±5%
Overview | Survey Responses By Area

Downtown –
156 Respondents (38.4%)

North of Downtown –
147 Respondents (36.2%)

Outlying Areas –
86 Respondents (21.2%)

Geography Unavailable –
17 Respondents (4.2%)
Summary of Findings
## Summary of Findings
### Homeless Profile Summary

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**Summary of Findings**

**Preventing Homelessness**

**Q22** Is there any service offered that could have prevented you from becoming homeless?

- Yes: 32%
- No: 49%
- Don’t Know/Refused: 19%

**Q23** What services do you feel could have prevented you from becoming homeless?

- Rental Assistance: 45%
- Job Training: 30%
- Adult Household Assistance: 20%
- Help with Benefits Documentation: 12%

Multiple Responses of Services Allowed
Survey Results
QA Screener Questions

QA: Do you consider yourself homeless?
- No: 10%
- Yes: 90%
N=485

QB: Are you at least 18 years of age?
- No: 3%
- Yes: 97%
N=466

QC: (OBSERVED) Is the respondent too intoxicated/impaired to complete the survey?
- Yes: 2%
- No: 98%
N=434
Q1

About how long have you been homeless?

- Refused/No answer - 0%
- Greater than 5 years - 17%
- Less than 30 days - 10%
- 30 days to 6 months - 19%
- 6 months to 1 year - 15%
- 1 to 2 years - 21%
- 3 to 5 years - 18%
- Greater than 5 years - 17%

56% of respondents were homeless for more than a year.
Q2 Which of the following are reasons that caused you to become homeless?

- Loss of job: 28.8%
- Unable to afford monthly rent: 20.2%
- Alcohol/drug usage: 14.8%
- Unable to afford move-in costs: 13.5%
- Eviction: 11.8%
- Disability: 11.1%
- Unable to find housing¹: 10.3%
- Runaway: 6.9%

¹Due to Credit or Criminal History

Multiple Response, Up to 3 Responses Allowed | N=406
Q2 Which of the following are reasons that caused you to become homeless? (Continued)

- Do not earn enough at job: 5.9%
- Domestic violence: 3.9%
- Medical bills: 3.7%
- Death of spouse: 3.4%
- Runaway (LGBTQ): 2.2%
- Foreclosure of home: 1.5%
- Aged out of the foster care system: 1.2%
- Other: 25.6%
- Refused: 1.2%

Multiple Response, Up to 3 Responses Allowed | N=406
Q2 Which of the following are reasons that caused you to become homeless? (Other 26%)

- Death of a parent
- Conviction
- Mental disability
- Divorce
- No ID
- No Home
- After Jailtime
- Gambling
- Depression

Multiple Response, Up to 3 Responses Allowed | N=104
Q3  Tell me where you sleep most often?

- Street, sidewalk or doorway - 52%
- Shelter - 16%
- Park - 8%
- Daily/Weekly motels - 5%
- Flood tunnels - 4%
- Car, van or other vehicle - 2%
- Other, specify: - 10%
- Refused/No answer - 2%

84% Of respondents slept most often outside of a shelter

N=406
Tell me where you sleep most often?
Other Responses (10%)
Q4  Do you have any children that live or travel with you?

Yes - 7%
No - 93%

N=406
Q5 Are you a veteran of the United States Armed Forces?

- Yes - 9%
- No - 91%

N=406
Q6 Employment status

- Employed - 5%
- Unemployed and looking for work - 45%
- Unemployed and not looking for work - 49%
- Refused/No answer - 1%

N=406
Q7

Do you have any money coming in on a regular basis from somewhere other than formal employment?

- Yes - 41%
- No - 59%
- Refused - 0%

N=406
Q8 Do you get money from...

- Food Stamps (SNAP): 67%
- Panhandling: 34%
- Government Benefits: 25%
- Odd Jobs/Day Labor: 24%
- Bottle/Can Collecting: 18%
- Performance/Busking: 3%
- Spousal Benefits: 1%
- Sex Work: 1%
- Other: 5%

N=406
Q8: Do you get money from...
Other Responses (5%)
Q9 Have you used any shelter services in Las Vegas in the past 12 months?

- Yes - 45%
- No - 55%

N=406
Q10 What shelter service did you use?

- Catholic Charities: 61.4%
- LV Rescue Mission: 28.8%
- The Salvation Army: 26.1%
- The Shade Tree: 12.5%
- Other: 9.8%
- Refused: 0.5%

Multiple Response | N=184
Q11  Shelter services satisfaction?

- Very satisfied: 16%
- Somewhat satisfied: 31%
- Somewhat dissatisfied: 15%
- Very dissatisfied: 34%
- Don’t know: 3%
- Refused: 1%

48% Satisfied

49% Dissatisfied

N=184
Q12 What is the main reason you were satisfied with your shelter experience?
Q13 What is the main reason you were dissatisfied with your shelter experience?

- No coed shelters
- Rules
- Dirty
- Can't sleep
- Rude staff
- Sanitary
- Curfew
- Too loud and can't sleep
- Don't make people shower
- Too many people and violence
- Staff turned me away when I asked for help
- Have been getting the run-around trying to get help.
- They make it too easy for you to stay in the shelters and not move on.
- Don't like shutting down bathrooms, intake, or cleanliness of bunks
- They made it hard being homeless!
- I was in a four-man room. They watch the movie till 2 o'clock in the morning.
- They were judgemental and unwilling to help me.
- The employees are very disrespectful. They talk down to those using the services.
- They released her too early. They wouldn't help me with anything I got some running around in circles trying to get help. And bed bugs, the staff was rude and nasty. They didn't really explain anything to you. The overall atmosphere was a gross situation
- Structure and culture of facility. Food. Lack of department services to clients. Lack of computer access. Cleanliness.
- Theft. I would have given him a hundred percent if I wouldn't have gotten woken up by my wife and had to leave.
- Rude people
- Bed Bugs
- Have to be in by 7 and can't leave until 7am the next day. Got robbed there.
- Did not like me
- Pay for meals, have to work, bed bugs
- Don't like being around other people
- Didn't feel sheltered
- Harassment due to having one drink, rather then offering help they kicked her out
- Bed Bugs, don't require showers
- Bed Bugs, thrown out at 5 AM, theft, overcrowded, not nice, check for warrants
- They don't make you anything to move you along out of homelessness.
- Don't have capacity, was pregnant at the time, favoritism
- Only let you stay for a week, bad beds, unresponsive staff
- The amount of people
- Should never get put out of shelter, should have extensions
- Doesn't work with families
- Was robbed
- No I used to live in a regular apartment
- Bed Bugs, stuff getting stolen
- They wouldn't let my girlfriend and I stay together
- Bed Bugs, staff issues
- Don't really help you, treat you crazy
- Hate being treated like 3rd gender
- Was robbed by director
- Frustration
- Cleanliness
- Uncomfortable and rude people
- Unhealthy
- Medical-stroke
- SCSI
- Not safe
Q14 Why don’t you use the Las Vegas shelter system?

- Bed Bugs: 31.1%
- Conditions are Dirty: 18.0%
- Safety Concerns: 17.1%
- Theft: 13.1%
- Too Many Rules: 12.2%
- Separated from Family/Partner: 9.0%
- I Must Be Sober to Stay There: 7.7%
- Check-in is Too Early: 5.4%
- Check-out is Too Early: 4.5%

¹Shelters sometimes charge a small amount to encourage self-sufficiency amongst their patrons
Q14 Why don’t you use the Las Vegas shelter system? (Continued)

- Staff Members Disrespectful: 4.5%
- I Have a Pet I Can't Bring: 4.1%
- No Money for Bed/Food at Shelter: 2.3%
- Unable to Reach Top Bunk: 1.4%
- Can’t File A Staff Complaint: 1.4%
- Communicable Diseases: 0.9%
- Only Allowed One Belonging: 0.9%
- Other: 24.3%
- Refused: 10.8%

Multiple Response | N=222
Q14 Why don’t you use the Las Vegas shelter system? Other Responses (11%)

- Too crowded
- Doesn't want to split from partner
- Don't get along with people
- Never
- Dirty sick guys
- No ID
- Price
- Never
- Use friends home
- No bed
- Over crowded
- No full
- Can't drink
- Too much drama
- Too confrontational
- Friends available
- Drugs
- Feel like jail
- No reason
- Psychological issues
- Feels like jail
- No need
- Been in jail
- No reason
- Psychological issues
- Pride
- Friends available
- Drugs
- Discriminated against, amenities
- Had warrant
- Not worthy of help
- Too much drama
- Scared
- Too full
- Can't drink
- Too much control, No trust
- Didn't know
- Stays in car
- Got into too many fights
- Stand down can't use services
- No availability
- God is in control
- Like to be by myself
- Can't find my way
- God is in control
- Don't like them
Q15 What changes at the local shelters might encourage you to use them more often?

- More Flexibility with Curfew: 14.0%
- Later Check-in Times: 13.8%
- Later Check-out Times: 13.3%
- Provide Secure Lockers: 12.1%
- Allow Couples to Stay Together: 11.3%
- Have More Beds Available: 11.3%
- Added Security: 10.1%
- Not Having to Pay for Bed/Food: 6.7%
- Allow More Than One Belonging: 6.2%

Multiple Response, Up to 3 Responses Allowed | N=222
What changes at the local shelters might encourage you to use them more often?

Q15

- No Sobriety Requirements: 5.7%
- Have More Family Units: 4.7%
- Keep Winter-Shelter Open¹: 4.4%
- Allow Complaints Against Staff: 3.9%
- Provide a Kennel for My Animal: 2.2%
- Other: 27.8%
- None of the Above: 14.8%
- Refused: 6.7%

¹All agency shelter beds are open 365 days of the year. Shelters do not add additional beds for inclement weather.

Multiple Response, Up to 3 Responses Allowed | N=222
Q15 What changes at the local shelters might encourage you to use them more often?

Other Responses - Highlights (28%)

- Bed Bug Problem
- Make Everyone Take a Shower
- Closer, More Around the City
- More/Healthier Food
- Privacy Concerns
- Health Concerns at Shelter
- Better Restrooms
- Allow Longer than One Week
- Save Beds for Those That Work
- Graveyard for Those Who Work
- Flexibility With Disabled
- A Place to Store Medicine
- It Isn’t Quiet Enough
- No Pillows
- Had to Lose Job for Work Program
- More Bathrooms
- Solo/Smaller Rooms

Multiple Response, Up to 3 Responses Allowed | N=113
Q16 What is your impression of the safety at the local shelters?

36% Of respondents felt safe or very safe in a local shelter

N=406
Q17 What safety concerns do you have?

- Theft from Homeless Resident: 54.2%
- Assault from Homeless Resident: 36.9%
- Theft from Staff Member: 32.7%
- Concern for Partner: 12.1%
- Assault from Staff Member: 11.2%
- Concerned for Safety of My Pet: 5.6%
- Concern for Minor Child (14+): 2.3%
- Other: 12.1%
- Refused: 11.2%

Multiple Response, Up to 3 Responses Allowed | N=214
Q17 What safety concerns do you have?

Other Responses (12%)

- Fire alarms
- Asbestos
- Not going to prison
- Was punched in face
- Need qualified staff who are out to help people
- Can't voice can voice their opinions on people there and Catholic Charities
- Not having our necessities met
- Afraid pills will be stolen
- Safety and sanitation
- Sanitation
- Stuff being stolen
- Sexual misconduct
- Wheelchair accessibility
- Concern for his little girl
- Lack of staff at night
- Food
- Cleanliness
- Safety (Knives and guns seen)
- Addicts
- Concerned with getting ill
- Bed bugs

Multiple Response, Up to 3 Responses Allowed | N=26
Q18 Are you currently receiving services at each of the following organizations?

- Catholic Charities: 34.2%
- The Salvation Army: 17.2%
- LV Rescue Mission: 17.0%
- Help of Southern NV: 16.3%
- Clark County Social Services: 15.5%
- Caridad: 14.8%
- Straight Up From the Streets: 12.1%
- The Shade Tree: 4.4%
- Lutheran Social Services: 4.4%
- Veteran’s Village: 1.2%
- Help USA: 1.0%

Multiple Response, Up to 3 Responses Allowed | N=406
Q18 Are you currently receiving services at each of the following organizations? (Continued)

- Workforce Connections: 1.0%
- US Vets: 0.7%
- Legal Aid of Southern NV: 0.5%
- Hopelink: 0.5%
- United Way: 0.2%
- NV Partnership for Homeless Youth: 0.0%
- Family Promise of LV: 0.0%
- Safe Nest: 0.0%
- NV Homes for Youth: 0.0%
- Other: 14.3%
- Refused: 20.4%

Multiple Response, Up to 3 Responses Allowed | N=406
Q18 Are you currently receiving services at each of the following organizations?

Other Responses (14%)

- Senior Center
- Family
- The Catholic Worker
- Social Security
- Joe's house
- VIVO found me today
- German Embassy
- SNRHA
- Shannon west
- Churches that do feeding
- Nevada health clinic
- Catholic worker, st Vincent's, rescue mission
- Nobody will help
- The LGBTQ Center, Golden Rainbow
- VA
- None
- Three square
- St. Joseph's Catholic Church
- Currently none
- Care complex
- LVMPD
- 9th and Ogden that church
- Sfts
- People come by and drop off food
- Nobody don't like them
- WestCare
- Labor Ready and Manpower
- Free community lunches
- Bible study (Free meals)
- Neighborhood family services
- Casa de Luz
- The church on 9th Ogden
- Free community lunches
- Westcare, Monte Vista
- Welfare
- St. Timothy food bank

Multiple Response, Up to 3 Responses Allowed | N=58
Q19 What service or services do you need but do not currently have access to?
What is preventing you from getting this service/these services?

Multiple Open-end Response, Up to 3 Responses Allowed  | N=311 | 824 Responses
Q21 Is there any service that could have been offered to prevent you from becoming homeless?

- Yes - 32%
- No - 49%
- Don’t Know - 14%
- Refused - 5%

N=406
Q22 What services do you feel could have prevented you from becoming homeless?

- Legal Aid (Landlord/Mortgage) 17.2%
- Help With Benefits Documentation 17.0%
- Job Training 16.3%
- Help With Medical Expenses 4.4%
- Foreclosure Prevention Services 1.2%
- Help With Childcare 1.0%
- Rental Assistance 0.0%
- Adult Household Assistance 0.0%
- Family Services 0.0%
- Other 1.0%
- Refused 0.0%

Multiple Response, Up to 3 Responses Allowed | N=132
What services do you feel could have prevented you from becoming homeless?

Other Responses (26%)
Q23 What is the best way for service providers to contact you for services you need help with?

- Phone Number: 41%
- Location: 20%
- Nonspecific Location: 18%
- Email: 8%
- At Charity: 3%
- Mail: 1%
- Family: 1%
- Leave a Message: 2%
- No Contact: 6%

N=311
How would you classify your race or ethnicity?

- White/Caucasian: 53%
- Black/African American: 25%
- Hispanic/Latino: 8%
- Native American: 3%
- Pacific Islander: 1%
- Asian: 1%
- Of Mixed Race: 5%
- Other: 3%
- Refused: 1%

N=406
Q24 How would you classify your race or ethnicity? Other Responses (3%)
Q25 How long have you lived in Las Vegas?

- More than 20 years - 25%
- Less than 2 years - 26%
- 11 to 20 years - 17%
- 6 to 10 years - 16%
- 2 to 5 years - 16%
- More than 20 years - 25%

57% of respondents have lived in Las Vegas for more than 5 years.

N=406
Q26 Where did you live prior to coming to Las Vegas?
Q27 Why did you choose to come to Las Vegas?
Q28 How did you get to Las Vegas?

Bus - 62%
I flew here - 14%
I hitched a ride - 10%
I drove here - 13%
Train - 1%

N=173
What gender do you classify yourself?

- Male: 73%
- Female: 26%
- Transgender: 1%
- Refused: 0%

N=406
Q30 What is the highest level of education you have completed?

- Less than High School - 31%
- Graduated High School or GED - 41%
- Some College - 18%
- Bachelor Degree - 4%
- Associate Degree - 5%
- Post-Graduate Degree - 1%
- Refused - 0%

N=406
Q31 (OBSERVED) Do you detect signs or symptoms of severe, persistent mental illness or cognitive function?

Yes - 11%

No - 89%

N=406
Q31 (OBSERVED) Do you detect signs or symptoms of severe, persistent mental illness or cognitive function? Yes (11%) Descriptions

Diagnosis

Paranoid schizophrenic
Claims to have issues
Talking to self, laughing randomly
Dyslexic
Perseveration, difficulty forming thoughts
Schizophrenia
Paranoia

Unable to focus
Slow to respond
Using Drugs
Very woozy; does not seem intoxicated
Depression

N=43
Q32 (OBSERVED) Where did this survey take place?

- Downtown – 156 Respondents (38.4%)
- North of Downtown – 147 Respondents (36.2%)
- Outlying Areas – 86 Respondents (21.2%)
- Geography Unavailable – 17 Respondents (4.2%)
Q33 (OBSERVED) Is there a pet present?

- No - 94%
- Yes - 5%
- Not sure - 1%

N = 406
Cross-tabulations
Q1  About how long have you been homeless?

Q3  Where do you sleep most often?
Q1  About how long have you been homeless?

Q5  Are you a veteran of the United States Armed Forces?

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Q6  Employment Status

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Q1  About how long have you been homeless?

Q9  Have you used any shelter services in the past 12 months?

- **Yes**
  - Less than 1 Year: 43.6%
  - More than 1 Year: 46.9%

- **No**
  - Less than 1 Year: 56.4%
  - More than 1 Year: 53.1%
Q1 About how long have you been homeless?

Q31 (OBSERVED) Do you detect signs or symptoms of severe, persistent mental illness or cognitive function?
Q1  About how long have you been homeless?

Q21  Is there any service that could have been offered to prevent you from becoming homeless?
Q3  Where do you sleep most often?

Q6  Employment status

![Bar chart showing the distribution of where people sleep most often and their employment status.]

- **Shelter**: 18.2% Employed, 16.6% Unemployed and looking for work, 16.5% Unemployed and not looking for work
- **Street**: 54.5% Employed, 50.8% Unemployed and looking for work, 52.0% Unemployed and not looking for work
- **Vehicle**: 4.5% Employed, 2.2% Unemployed and looking for work, 2.0% Unemployed and not looking for work
- **Bus**: 0.0% Employed, 1.1% Unemployed and looking for work, 1.0% Unemployed and not looking for work
- **Park**: 0.0% Employed, 6.1% Unemployed and looking for work, 10.0% Unemployed and not looking for work
- **Motels**: 0.0% Employed, 77% Unemployed and looking for work, 3.0% Unemployed and not looking for work
- **Flood Tunnels**: 4.5% Employed, 4.4% Unemployed and looking for work, 4.5% Unemployed and not looking for work
- **Other**: 18.2% Employed, 8.8% Unemployed and looking for work, 9.5% Unemployed and not looking for work
- **Refused**: 0.0% Employed, 2.2% Unemployed and looking for work, 1.5% Unemployed and not looking for work
Q7
Do you have money coming in on a regular basis from somewhere other than formal employment?

Q6
Employment status

- Employed: 7.2% Yes, 4.2% No
- Unemployed and Looking: 37.1% Yes, 49.6% No
- Unemployed and Not Looking: 54.5% Yes, 45.8% No
Q9 Have you used any shelter services in the past 12 months?

Q16 What is your impression of the safety at the local shelters?
Responses by Geography
Survey Responses by Area

Downtown – 156 Respondents (38.4%)

North of Downtown – 147 Respondents (36.2%)

Outlying Areas – 86 Respondents (21.2%)

Geography Unavailable – 17 Respondents (4.2%)
Q3 Where do you sleep most often?

- **Street, Sidewalk or Doorway**
  - Downtown: 50.3%
  - North of Downtown: 46.5%
  - Outlying Areas: 5.8%

- **Shelter**
  - Downtown: 12.2%
  - North of Downtown: 31.3%
  - Outlying Areas: 5.5%

- **Daily/Weekly Motels**
  - Downtown: 2.7%
  - North of Downtown: 2.3%
  - Outlying Areas: 9.0%

- **Park**
  - Downtown: 4.1%
  - North of Downtown: 7.7%
  - Outlying Areas: 15.1%

- **Flood Tunnels**
  - Downtown: 1.9%
  - North of Downtown: 1.4%
  - Outlying Areas: 15.1%

- **Car, Van or Other Vehicle**
  - Downtown: 0.7%
  - North of Downtown: 2.0%
  - Outlying Areas: 4.7%

- **Bus**
  - Downtown: 1.3%
  - North of Downtown: 1.3%
  - Outlying Areas: 14.0%

- **Other**
  - Downtown: 6.1%
  - North of Downtown: 6.1%
  - Outlying Areas: 3.2%

- **Refused**
  - Downtown: 15.1%
  - North of Downtown: 15.1%
  - Outlying Areas: 4.7%
Q6  Employment status

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Q7

Do you have any money coming in on a regular basis from somewhere other than formal employment?

Yes: 47.4%
No: 63.3%
Refused: 0.6%

Downtown: 36.7%
North of Downtown: 51.9%
Outlying Areas: 64.0%
Q8

Do you get money from...

- Government Benefits
- Food Stamps (SNAP)
- Spousal Benefits
- Bottle/Can Collecting
- Sex Work
- Odd Jobs/Day Labor
- Panhandling
- Performance/Busking

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Q9

Have you used any shelter services in Las Vegas in the past 12 months?

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Q10 Which shelter service did you use?

Multiple Response (N=63, N=91, N=28)

Catholic Charities: 72.5%
The Salvation Army: 25.4%
Las Vegas Rescue Mission: 19.0%
The Shade Tree: 17.5%
Other: 9.5%
Refused: 0.0%

Note: Due to the survey methodology of trying to find homeless where they congregate, some responses are from shelter areas.
Q11 In general, how satisfied or dissatisfied were you with the shelter services?

![Bar chart showing satisfaction levels in Downtown, North of Downtown, and Outlying Areas.](chart)

- **Very satisfied**
  - Downtown: 11.1%
  - North of Downtown: 20.9%
  - Outlying Areas: 10.7%

- **Somewhat satisfied**
  - Downtown: 40.7%
  - North of Downtown: 27.0%
  - Outlying Areas: 10.7%

- **Somewhat dissatisfied**
  - Downtown: 19.0%
  - North of Downtown: 7.7%
  - Outlying Areas: 28.6%

- **Very dissatisfied**
  - Downtown: 42.9%
  - North of Downtown: 26.4%
  - Outlying Areas: 35.7%

- **Don't know**
  - Downtown: 0.0%
  - North of Downtown: 3.3%
  - Outlying Areas: 7.1%

- **Refused/No answer**
  - Downtown: 0.0%
  - North of Downtown: 0.0%
  - Outlying Areas: 11.1%

**Total Satisfied:** 38.1%
**Total Dissatisfied:** 61.9%
Q16 What is your impression of the safety at the local shelters?

1 (Not safe at all) 2 (unsafe) 3 (neither safe nor unsafe) 4 (safe) 5 (very safe) Refused

Downtown North of Downtown Outlying Areas

Total Safe: 34.0% 49.0% 20.9%
Total Unsafe: 32.7% 22.4% 33.7%
### Q25: How long have you lived in Las Vegas

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**10 or Less:**
- Downtown: 62.2%
- North of Downtown: 60.5%
- Outlying Areas: 51.2%

**More than 10:**
- Downtown: 37.8%
- North of Downtown: 39.5%
- Outlying Areas: 48.8%