



King County HMIS News October 2024

Welcome to the King County HMIS October 2024 newsletter!

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Upcoming Events

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Coordinated Entry Monthly Assessor Credential Training (ACT)

Users must attend an ACT training before they gain assessor access in the HMIS.

- November 5 | 9-11 a.m. | [Register Here](#)

Inventory Enhancement: Weekly Office Hours

Come in with questions and leave with answers! We use this space to talk through specific user questions/scenarios related to Inventory and provide demonstrations.

- September-December | Weekly on Wednesdays | 1-2 p.m. | [Register Here](#)

Interested in additional inventory resources? [Click here!](#)

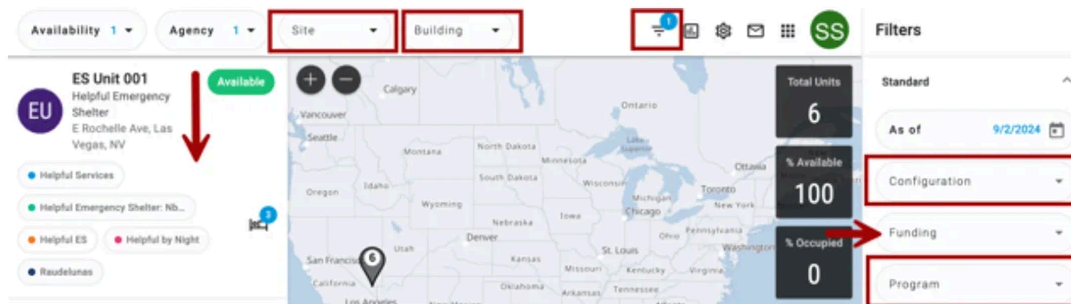


Clarity Human Services Updates

Updated: INVENTORY Filter Adjustment

Overview

The filters for the [INVENTORY dashboard](#) have been updated to filter out inactive [Sites](#), [Buildings](#), [Unit Configuration Types \(UCTs\)](#), and [Programs](#), displaying only active entities in the filter drop-downs.



Sites

If a housing inventory site is set to “Inactive” in [Housing Inventory Sites](#), the Site will not appear in the [Site](#) filter on the [INVENTORY dashboard](#).

The site Status is Inactive:

SITES			ADD NEW SITE +	Site Categories
Housing Inventory Sites				Administrative
				Housing Inventory
Site Name	Address	Status		
Helpful Emergency Shelter: NbN	E Rochelle Ave, Las Vegas, NV, 89119	Active		
Helpful Hosts	E Rochelle Ave, Las Vegas, NV, 89119	Inactive		
Helpful RRH	E Rochelle Ave, Las Vegas, NV, 89119	Active		

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Announcements


2024 LSA How to Guide

Check out this helpful visual, [the 2024 LSA How to Guide!](#) It's packed with valuable information, including an overview of:

- What is the LSA
- 2024 LSA Timeline & Reporting Period
- LSA Flag Types
- LSA Resources


FEDERAL REPORTING: LSA

A How-To Guide

 Bitfocus

WHAT IS THE LSA?

The Longitudinal Systems Analysis (LSA) is a report that provides HUD and CoCs with information about how people experiencing homelessness use their system of care.



The LSA is a large CSV data file pulled from Clarity and uploaded to the HUD HDX, HUD's data submission site.

THE LSA FOCUSES ON THREE KEY PERFORMANCE MEASURES:

1. Returns to Homelessness
2. Exits to Permanent Destinations
3. Cumulative Days Homeless

WHAT IS THE LSA USED FOR?

Communities earn points based on their effectiveness in addressing homelessness, often measured through the LSA report, influencing the allocation of funds according to their ranking in the system.

THE LSA TIMELINE

- 30 SEPT 2024
Reporting Year Ends
- 4 NOV 2024
LSA Data Collection Opens
- TIME TO ADDRESS FLAGS
- 9 JAN 2025
LSA Final Deadline

2024 LSA REPORTING PERIOD
10/1/23 - 9/30/24

COMMON DATA QUALITY ERRORS CAUGHT BY THE LSA:

- HOUSEHOLD DATA
- INVENTORY
- OVERLAPPING ENROLLMENTS

\$ BETTER LSA DATA = MORE FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES \$

[Click here for the PDF](#)

Please Note: *Hyperlinks are not available in the actual PDF, so please see below for direct links to the resources.*

- [2024 LSA Toolkit](#)
- [LSA Tools - HUD Exchange](#)
- [Intro to submitting LSA](#)
- [LSA Common Flags](#)
- [Bitfocus Help Center](#)



Report Spotlight

Housing Move-In Date

One of the most important and complex HUD HMIS data elements is *Housing Move-in Date* (3.20). This article will explain some of the fine points and nuances regarding the usage of this element in HUD and Federal Partner reporting. Some of the reports where *Housing Move-in Date* calculations are relevant include:

- Annual Performance Report [HUDX-227]
- ESG CAPER [HUDX-228]
- System Performance Measures [HUDX-223-AD]
- Longitudinal System Analysis [HUDX-231-AD]*
 - *LSA has additional logic outside of this overview for adjusted move-in dates per the specifications.*
- Housing Inventory Count [HUDX-123-AD]
- Shelter Count PIT [HUDX-230-AD]

Additionally, Bitfocus has implemented the same logic into other "canned" reports requiring *Housing Move-in Date* as part of the report logic.

The Basics

The following is an overview of the minimal requirements for counting an enrollment as having a *Housing Move-in Date*. Additional rules and guidance for handling Housing Move-in Dates are outlined in the [HMIS Standard Reporting Terminology Glossary](#) and worked into move-in date calculations.

Screen Type

The *Housing Move-in Date* is only taken from *Program Enrollment Screens* of the enrollment's *Head of Household*. If a program captures *Housing Move-in Date* on a different screen, it will not be included in reporting on Housing Move-ins.

Project Type Code

The enrollment must be in one of the following project types:

- PH - Permanent Supportive Housing (3)
- PH - Housing Only (9)
- PH - Housing with Services (10)
- PH - Rapid Re-Housing (13)

Pay for Success Programs: Due to the nature of some Pay for Success programs, Move-in Date is collected and utilized for reporting in the APR, CAPER, CSV/XML Export, and Program Roster.

Head of Household

- The enrollment must have one and only one *Head of Household* designated.
- The HoH entered the project on or before the date, all other household members entered.
- A *Move-in Date* is required for the HoH.

Housing Move-in Date in Relation to Other Dates

- The *Move-in Date* must be on or between the HoH's Project Start Date and Project Exit Date.
- The *Move-in Date* must be before the reporting period end date.
- The *Move-in Date* that is prior to the HoH's Project Start Date, should be disregarded entirely and handled as null.
- The *Move-in Date* that is after the Reporting End Date should also be disregarded and handled as null.

Household Members

- If a household member's Project Start Date is before or on the HoH's Move-in Date, the HoH's Move-in Date will be applied to the household

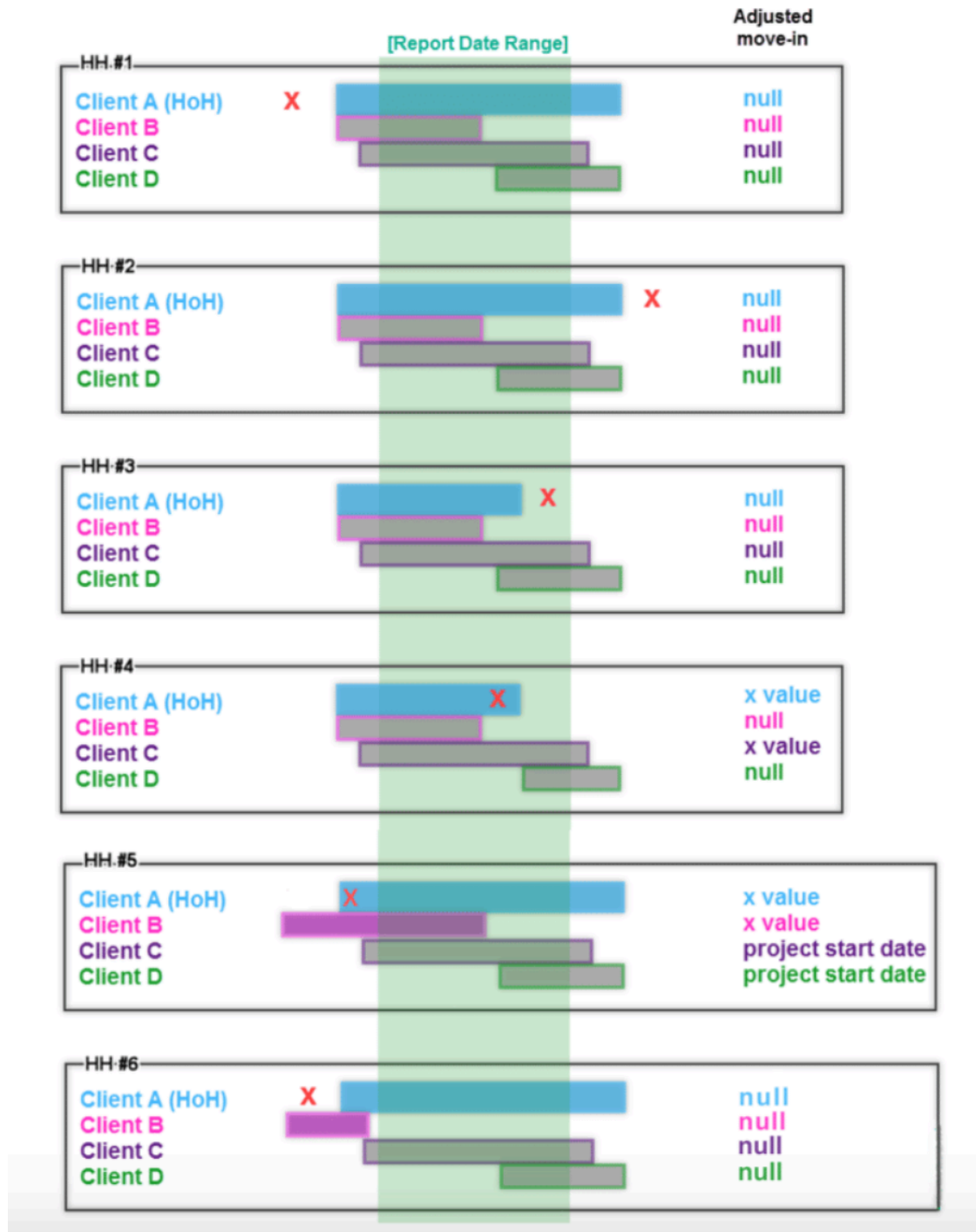
member for reporting.

- If a household member exits prior to the HoH's Move-in Date, the Move-in Date is not inherited.
- If a household member's Project Start Date is after the HoH's Move-in Date, the household member's Move-in Date will be the same as their Project Start Date.

Variations

Often, reality does not conform to the ideal standards. As a result, some specific alternate situations are visually summarized below:

x - HoH move-in date on enroll screen



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We Welcome Your Ideas

We encourage you to suggest improvements and new features for our products. You can [create feature suggestions](#) or vote, watch, and comment on existing suggestions at ideas.bitfocus.com.

Refer to our [Feature Suggestions](#) article for additional details.

Questions? Your HMIS Administrator is happy to help.

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