



# HMIS Agency Administrators Meeting

July 5, 2018



# Agenda

1. CoC / Coordinated Assessment / UPLIFT Updates
2. Scheduled Maintenance Time on 7/7
3. Reminders: VI-SPDAT and Location Tab
4. HMIS Newsletter
5. Data Literacy Institute Starting This Quarter!
6. HIC/PIT Results
7. CDQI: Longitudinal System Analysis (LSA) Report
8. Q&A

# CoC / Coordinated Assessment / UPLIFT Updates



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**Scheduled Maintenance Time on  
*7/7***



# Scheduled maintenance for Clarity Human Services on 7/7

On **Saturday July 7th (07/07/2018) at 8:00am PST**, there will be scheduled down time for approximately **4 hours** to conduct hardware infrastructure upgrades. We will be using this time to add more capacity to our infrastructure and speed up our overall services.

During this maintenance window, the Clarity Human Services and Data Analysis applications will be inaccessible and email delivery will be paused. All operations around these systems, including triggering of events, delivery of scheduled emails, and processing of reports will resume immediately after the maintenance window.

**A notice has been posted on the HMIS login page. Please help remind your users as well!**

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# Reminders: VI-SPDAT and Location Tab



# Reminder: Add Location Information for Clients Referred to the Community Queue

## Why is Location information important?

When a client is referred from the queue to a housing opportunity, staff from the program receiving the referral will need to locate the client. HMIS is the primary source of information available for address, phone, email, and other contact information, which are tracked in the Location tab.

*At the moment, over half of the clients on the Community Queue do not have Location information completed.*

# Where to Enter Location Information

- Go to the client's Location tab and click "Add Address"
- Complete fields and "Add Record"

The screenshot displays a web application interface. At the top, a dark navigation bar contains several tabs: PROFILE, HISTORY, PROGRAMS, SERVICES, ASSESSMENTS, NOTES, FILES, and LOCATION. The 'LOCATION' tab is highlighted with a red circle. Below this, a light blue header bar reads 'CLIENT LOCATION' and features an 'ADD ADDRESS' button with a plus icon, also circled in red. The main content area is a form titled 'CLIENT LOCATION' with the following fields:

- Address Type: Home (dropdown menu)
- Name: (text input field)
- Address (line 1): (text input field)
- Address (line 2): (text input field)
- City: (text input field)
- State: CA - California (dropdown menu)
- Zip Code: (text input field)
- Email: (text input field)
- Phone (#1): (text input field)
- Phone (#2): (text input field)
- Status:  (toggle switch)
- Private:  (toggle switch)

At the bottom right of the form, there are two buttons: 'ADD RECORD' and 'CANCEL'.

# Checking for Clients with No Location

When a client is referred to the Community Queue, a notice appears on their Client Profile screen to indicate they are on the Queue.

If the client does not have contact information on the Location tab, there will be a red notice. Click “Add” to add contact information to the Location tab.

## Jasmine Tea

PROFILE SERVICES PROGRAMS HISTORY ASSESSMENTS FILES NOTES LOCATION REFERRALS

### CLIENT PROFILE

Social Security Number	XXX - XX - 6513
Quality of SSN	Full SSN Reported
Last Name	Tea
First Name	Jasmine
Quality of Name	Full name reported
Quality of DOB	Full DOB Reported
Date of Birth	01/01/1998 <span>Adult. Age: 20</span>
Middle Name	Middlename III



UNIQUE IDENTIFIER  
6A120C62D

**COMMUNITY QUEUE**  
Client has an active entry on the Community Queue.  
[VIEW DETAILS](#)

No Contact Information - Add

## Other Ways to Help

- If a client's profile indicates that they are on the Community Queue, check to make sure their Location information is still accurate, and update it if it is not.
- When completing a VI-SPDAT, please make sure to be as detailed as possible when filling out the questions related to locating the client.
- Look for the yellow "Public Alert" banner on the client's profile. This may be a notice that another agency / program is trying to locate the client for a housing referral

On a regular day, where is it easiest to find you and what time of day is easiest to do so? (Please include address and phone number if possible)

Is there someone that you trust and communicate with regularly that we can contact when we look for you? (Please include name and phone number if possible)

I'd like to take your picture. May I do so?

Name and Phone Number of Staff Completing the VI-SPDAT

**On the VI-SPDAT, try to be as detailed as possible when filling out contact information questions**

**Read Public Alerts if they appear on the client's profile**

PROFILE SERVICES PROGRAMS HISTORY ASSESSMENTS FILES NOTES LOCATION REFERRALS

CLIENT PROFILE

**Public Alert:** This client has been issued system-wide alert. Please review notes for full details →



# New Feature Update: Automatic Removal from Community Queue

Will be activated in mid-July

If a client exits a program and their exit destination is permanent housing

OR

They are in RRH or PSH and a Housing Move-In Date is entered, then...

...the client will be removed from the Community Queue.

Users will get a notice before they save the exit or status update screen notifying them of the update.

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# HMIS Newsletter



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Will be sent out monthly to all HMIS users

**June 2018 Newsletter** included:

- New Coordinated Entry Feature!
- Data Quality Lab - Part 3 - Missing Data
- All About Enrollments
- Bitfocus Is Hiring!
- Upcoming Events (including Data Literacy Institute!)
- Report Spotlight: [EXIT-101] Potential Exits

Web link to the newsletter will available in the Agency Admin meeting minutes



## Santa Clara County HMIS News, June 2018

Welcome to the Santa Clara HMIS Newsletter! In this edition you'll find the following:

- [New Coordinated Entry Feature!](#)
- [Data Quality Lab - Part 3 - Missing Data](#)
- [All About Enrollments](#)
- [Bitfocus Is Hiring!](#)
- [Upcoming Events](#)
- [Report Spotlight: \[EXIT-101\] Potential Exits](#)

### New Coordinated Entry Feature!

Bitfocus recently released a bunch of new features for Clarity Human Services, some of which you may already be seeing, and some that will be showing up shortly. Read more about one exciting update below!

### Missing Location Warning When on Community Queue

This new feature updates a client's profile screen to quickly provide you with important Coordinated Entry information:

1. A new section under the client's photo and Clarity ID helps you **quickly identify whether a client is on the Community Queue**. If the client is on the Queue, you can click "View Details" to go directly to their Queue referral.
2. If a client is on the Community Queue and **does not have current contact**

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**Data Literacy Institute Starting  
This Quarter!**



# Data Literacy Institute

Goal is to enable agencies and users to have greater insight into their work through data.

Activities:

Assist Agency Managers to dive deeper into their data, learn to develop non-public Dashboards and Visualizations, and System Monitoring tools that assist Agencies to determine project success.

Support HMIS users on common Data Literacy topics. Examples: how to frame a question with a common definition, how to analyze data that is extracted, what are the best types of visualizations for specific types of data, etc.



# Thanks for your feedback!

Conducted a survey in May to get feedback on what would be useful to include as part of the Data Literacy Institute

Survey was sent out to both the HMIS Users and CoC mailing list

107 surveys were completed

Also gathered feedback at Agency Administrator meetings



# Quarterly Workshops

- Workshop/session geared toward **Agency Administrators** (as well as any **Agency Managers** with interest in Data Literacy topics)
  - These will take place during Agency Administrator meetings, to reduce time commitment for participants. Non-Agency Administrators are welcome to attend
  - Agency Leads are invited to share any best practices or feedback during the workshops!
  - Attendees are encouraged to bring their laptops to run reports, etc
- Workshop/session geared toward **End Users**, with dial-in option whenever possible
- When possible, Agency Manager / End User workshops will have a common theme
- Newsletter article recapping topics covered during the workshops that quarter

# Quarterly Workshops Schedule (Tentative)

	Agency Manager Workshops	End User Workshops
<b>Q1: HMIS Resources</b>		
July/Aug	HMIS Starter Kit	Useful Reports (webinar)
Sept	What HMIS data is used for	What HMIS data is used for
<b>Q2: Data Requests</b>		
Nov	Planning for Data Requests	How to Request Data
<b>Q3: Telling Your Story</b>		
Feb	How to Tell Your Story	Statistics, Charts and Graphs
<b>Q4: Data Quality</b>		
May	Monitoring Data Quality	Monitoring Data Quality



# Q1 Workshops

## For Agency Administrators / Agency Managers:

- HMIS Starter Kit:
  - **Content:** Overview of useful reporting / data analysis resources for Agency Leads
  - **Date/Time/Location:** Thurs, Aug 2  
1:30-2:30pm at Sobrato (first half of Agency Administrator meeting)
- What HMIS data is used for:
  - **Content:** Overview of what HMIS data is used in and federal/County reports
  - **Date/Time/Location:** Thurs, Sept 6  
1:30-2:30pm at Sobrato (first half of Agency Administrator meeting)

## For End Users:

- Useful Reports Webinar:
  - **Content:** A review of useful reports in the Report Library, what data they provide, and how to run them
  - **Dates/Times:** Wed, July 18 2-3:30pm or Thurs, Aug 23 10-11:30am online
- What HMIS data is used for:
  - **Content:** Overview of what HMIS data is used in and federal/County reports
  - **Date/Time/Location:** TBD



# Other Activities

## Ongoing:

- Data Analysis training is available for those with an Agency Manager license:
  - Training video and registration for weekly Q&As here: <http://scc.hmis.cc/training/schedule-a-training/>

## In Progress:

- Gathering feedback from Executive Directors on Data Literacy topics of interest to them
- Some feedback from the surveys were outside the scope of the Data Literacy Institute, but we're evaluating ways to get that information out to everyone.

*If you have any suggestions or feedback as we go along, please let OSH and Bitfocus know!*



# For August Data Literacy Workshop

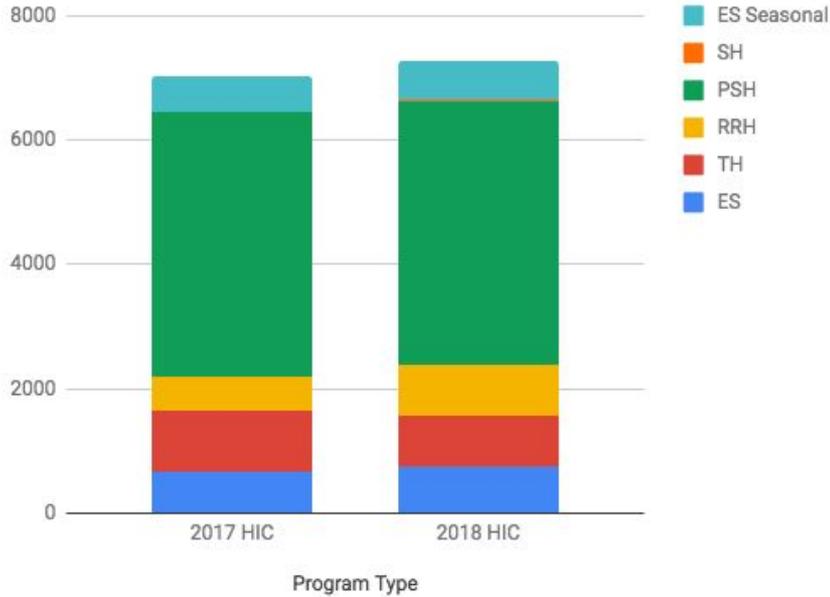
- What reports do you find useful in the Reports Library? Why?
- If you use Data Analysis / Looker - what do you use Looker for? Are there any suggestions you would give others?
- What information do you struggle to get, and why?
- What general HMIS data / statistics do you think would be helpful for all agencies to see on a regular basis?

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# HIC/PIT Results

# Housing Inventory Count (HIC)

Beds Reported in 2017 vs 2018

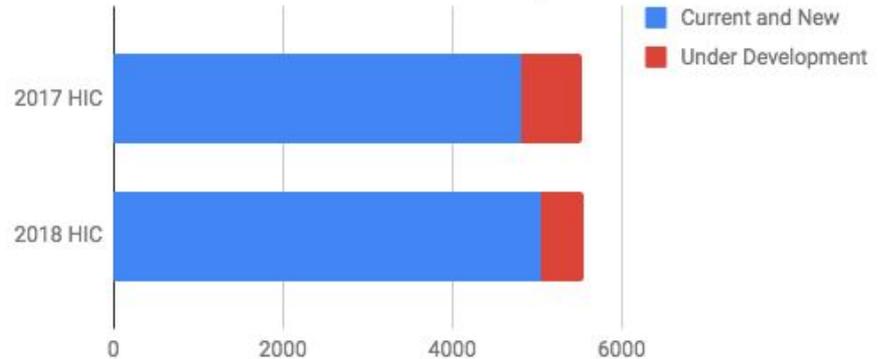


**7,275**  
Beds

**26**  
Agencies

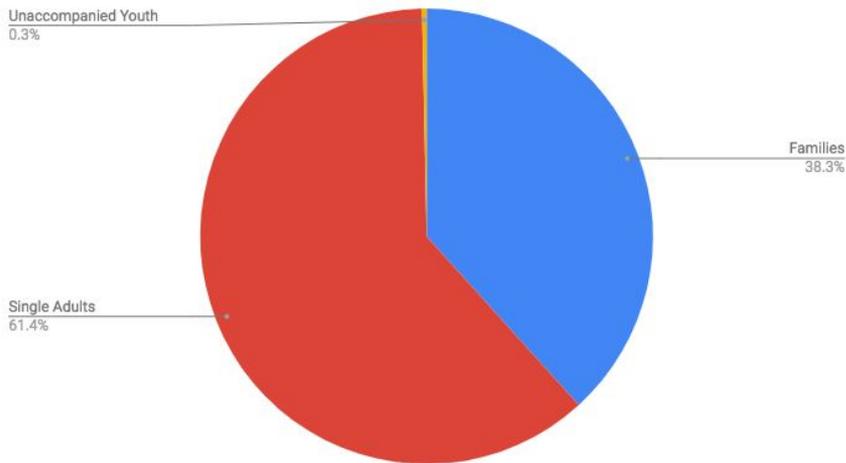
**185**  
Projects

Current PH Beds vs Under Development



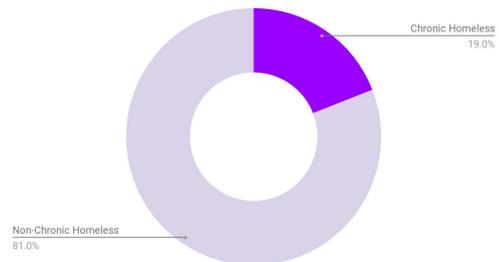
# Point In Time Count (PIT)

### PIT by Household Type

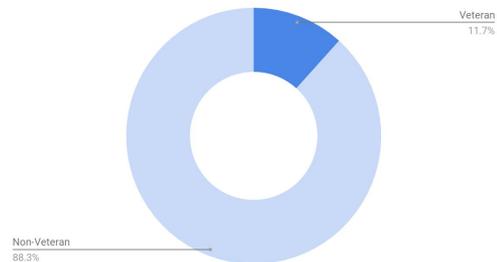


<b>1,806</b> Clients	<b>1,308</b> Households	<b>88%</b> Utilization
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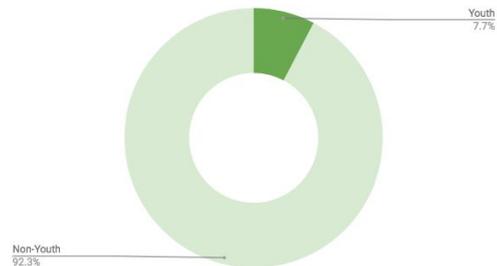
### Chronic Homeless Clients



### Veterans



### Clients in Youth Households



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# CDQI: Longitudinal System Analysis (LSA) Report



# LSA Background

In the past, CoCs would submit the Annual Homeless Assessment Report (AHAR) on an annual basis. The AHAR is a national-level report that provides information about homeless service providers and people and households experiencing homelessness. It informs strategic planning for federal, state, and local initiatives designed to prevent and end homelessness.

This year, HUD has redesigned the AHAR report and replaced it with the Longitudinal System Analysis (LSA) report. The LSA will be due in late Nov / early Dec and cover the federal fiscal year of 10/1/17 - 9/30/18.

Over the next few months, we will be asking agencies to review their data to prepare for the LSA.



# LSA Overview

- Includes five project types: ES/SH/TH (reported as a combined group), RRH, and PSH
- Focuses on adults and heads of household – age is the only demographic reported for non-heads of household under 18
- Report includes data on demographics, length of time homeless, information on specific populations such as veterans and chronically homeless persons, housing outcomes
- Includes not just the federal fiscal year, but includes some historic data prior to the FY as well
- The LSA is a much larger report than the AHAR and requires the upload of a csv file instead of manually entering the data (for example, one table in the LSA is about 4 times the size of the entire AHAR report)



# This Month: Project Inventory

Let Bitfocus know if:

There have been any changes to your **bed / unit inventory** since the HIC/PIT (or your last update):

- What the new bed inventory is
- What was the date of the inventory change

**Any programs ended or started:**

- If the program ended, the end date (please make sure all clients are exited from the program!)
- If the program started, please fill out the Program Request Form (<http://scc.hmis.cc/client-forms/>)



## **This Month, Continued Focus On:**

- Household Review
- Move-In Date for PSH and RRH projects
- Exit Destination
- Income

This review will help both the System Performance Measures and LSA for the year covering 10/1/17 to 9/30/2018

# Households Review

Run the [GNRL-106] Program Roster for the period of 10/1/17 to 6/30/18

Review the household groups:

- If you notice that clients are missing, add them to the household.
- If clients should be grouped together, contact the Help Desk

Program Roster Report										Bitfocus System	
										Enrolled within [06/01/2017 - 11/30/2017]	
Client	Unique Identifier	Birth Date	Age At Entry	Current Age	Enroll Date	Exit Date	LOS	Assessments	Services	Assigned Staff	
<i>Program: Baltimore Emergency Shelter</i>											
Larina, Tanya	128CB485D	10/11/1958	58	59	06/01/2017	07/01/2017	30	0	2	A. Admin	
Katya, Ivanove	54F117E34	10/11/1987	29	30	06/08/2017	06/08/2017	2	0	1	A. Admin	
Katya, Ivanove	54F117E34	10/11/1987	29	30	09/01/2017	09/01/2017	0	2	0	A. Admin	
Gnatenko, Tatyana	CE74C00E6	12/11/1948	68	68	06/01/2017	06/13/2017	12	0	1	A. Admin	
Gnatenko, Lena	86890AD3B	12/10/1958	58	58	06/01/2017	06/01/2017	0	0	0	A. Admin	
Gnatenko, Ivar	F2A73252C	10/10/1948	68	69	06/01/2017	06/01/2017	0	0	0	A. Admin	
Rick, Ilona	379D9DA8B	12/10/1958	58	58	06/01/2017	06/01/2017	0	0	0	A. Admin	
Rick, Lisa	5F6EA0FE1	12/11/1928	88	88	06/01/2017	06/13/2017	12	0	1	A. Admin	
Rick, Ostap	2CC318F74	10/10/1928	88	89	06/01/2017	06/01/2017	0	0	0	A. Admin	
Katya, Ivanove	54F117E34	10/11/1987	30	30	10/24/2017	10/24/2017	0	0	0	A. Admin	
McFly, Lorraine	F0FDDFOC9	05/09/1952	65	65	07/13/2017	07/13/2017	0	0	0	A. Admin	
McFly, George	066D45587	10/01/1950	66	67	07/13/2017	07/13/2017	0	0	0	A. Admin	
Katerinka, Alson	D91FEB7E8	10/10/1980	36	37	07/01/2017	07/01/2017	0	0	0	A. Admin	
Kate, Alson	07D7D9F73	-	-	-	07/01/2017	07/01/2017	0	0	0	A. Admin	
Katya, Testscreen	06C75DF7D	10/11/1987	29	30	08/02/2017	08/02/2017	0	0	0	A. Admin	
Ivanova, Katya	94DD95487	10/01/1985	31	32	06/01/2017	06/01/2017	0	0	0	A. Admin	
Katya, Testemailtemplates	8DCE26718	10/11/1987	29	30	06/01/2017	06/01/2017	0	0	0	A. Admin	
Kate, Alson	07D7D9F73	-	-	-	11/10/2017	-	20	0	0	A. Admin	
Mouser, Michael	F08851A1B	10/10/1985	32	32	11/15/2017	-	15	0	0	M. Shaw	
Mouser, Micky	A4588D705	02/25/2013	4	4	11/15/2017	11/16/2017	1	0	0	M. Shaw	

# Housing Move-In Date

Run the [GNRL-106] Program Roster for the period of 10/1/17 to 6/30/18

For PSH and RRH programs, check the Housing Move-In Date

- If household moved into housing and the Housing Move-In Date is “undefined”, the Housing Move-In Date needs to be added
- If the Housing Move-In date is not accurate (e.g. is before the program start date), it should be updated

Program Roster Report								Jenn Test Agency			
								Active within [05/01/2017 - 05/02/2018]			
Housing Move-In: Undefined = Unknown HoH or Move-in is Null, <input type="checkbox"/> = Non PH Project											
Client	Unique Identifier	Birth Date	Age At Entry	Current Age	Enroll Date	Exit Date	LOS	Housing Move-in	Assessments	Services	Assigned Staff
<b>Program: EAP Demo Program</b>											
Kitty, Hello	1C8A64AFD	01/01/1980	37	38	07/01/2017	-	306		0	3	J. Ong
Bombadil, Tom	77FAD8A1B	01/01/1900	-	-	07/01/2017	-	306		0	1	J. Test5
<b>Program: Jenn Test HP Prevention Program</b>											
Potato, Hot	BE2456D1C	01/01/1980	38	38	01/02/2018	-	121		0	1	J. Ong
<b>Program: RRH</b>											
Bombadil, Tom	77FAD8A1B	01/01/1900	-	-	11/01/2015	-	914	undefined	0	0	J. Ong
Cotta, Ri	3B830C101	01/01/2010	5	8	11/01/2015	-	914	undefined	0	0	J. Ong
Tea, Ginger	53Q20163C	02/01/2015	0	3	11/05/2015	-	910	undefined	0	0	O. Jenn
Tea, Jasmine	6A120C62D	01/01/1998	17	20	11/05/2015	-	910	undefined	0	2	O. Jenn
Lo, He	9A22165C7	01/01/1975	40	43	11/01/2015	-	914	undefined	0	0	J. Ong
Lo, Je	BAD9F1241	01/01/1975	40	43	11/01/2015	-	914	undefined	0	0	J. Ong
Client, Hello	E869E4460	01/01/1980	37	38	03/01/2017	-	428	undefined	0	0	J. Ong
Daniel, Dear	996EDFD20	01/01/2015	2	3	08/01/2017	-	275	undefined	0	2	J. Ong
Kitty, Hello	1C8A64AFD	01/01/1980	37	38	03/01/2017	-	428	undefined	0	3	J. Ong
Cat, Allie	9FFB3597F	01/01/2010	7	8	09/01/2017	-	244	undefined	1	0	J. Ong
Cat, Bob	901BCEED5	01/01/2010	7	8	09/01/2017	-	244	undefined	1	2	J. Ong
Cola, Coca	171F67E3C	01/01/2000	17	18	09/01/2017	09/21/2017	20	undefined	0	0	J. Ong
Cola, Ri	4152D2D03	01/01/1980	37	38	09/01/2017	09/21/2017	20	undefined	1	0	J. Ong
Client, Anonymous	EEC147421	-	-	-	10/01/2017	-	214	undefined	0	0	J. Ong
<b>Program: CoC Outreach</b>											
Bombadil, Tom	77FAD8A1B	01/01/1900	-	-	07/01/2017	-	306		0	0	J. Ong

# Destination and Income

1. Run the [HUD-225] HMIS Data Quality Report for your programs

Choose Program Type(s)

Choose...  
 All  
 Emergency Shelter  
 Transitional Housing  
 PH - Permanent Supportive Housing (disability required)  
 Street Outreach  
 Services Only  
 Other  
 Safe Haven  
 PH - Housing Only  
 PH - Housing with Services (no disability required)  
 Day Shelter  
 Homeless Prevention  
 PH - Rapid Re-Housing  
 Coordinated Assessment

**Choose Program Types in gray**

Choose Program Status

All Programs

**Choose All**

Choose Program(s)

Choose...  
 All  
 Demo RHY Program  
 Demo SSVF Program (RRH)  
 Demo Standard CoC Program  
 Outreach

**Choose Programs you want to review**

Enter the starting report date

2015/10/01

**Use 10/1/2017**

Enter the ending report date

2016/09/30

**Use 5/31/2018**

Choose Report Mode

Regular Report

Choose Report Format

Web Page PDF Excel

**Choose Web Page**

2. Review Q4 (Destination and Income)

Q4. Income and Housing Data Quality		
Program Applicability: All Projects		
Data Element	Error Count	% of Error Rate
Destination (3.12)	28	4.99%
Income and Sources (4.2) at Entry	7	0.77%
Income and Sources (4.2) at Annual Assessment	185	74%
Income and Sources (4.2) at Exit	7	2.47%



# Destination: What to look for

## Issue:

On the Program End screen, “Destination” is:

- Client doesn't know
- Client refused
- No exit interview completed
- Data not collected
- Missing

## How to fix:

If the client's exit destination is known, update the “Destination” on the Program End screen

### End Program for client Bunya Cotta

Program Exit Date	12/14/2015 
Housing Status at Exit	Category 1 - Homeless 
Destination	Data not collected 

# Income at Entry/Exit: What to look for

## Possible Issues:

1. “Income from Any Source” is:

- Client doesn’t know
- Client refused
- Data not collected
- Missing

OR

2. “Income from Any Source” is Yes, but no specific income sources are checked

## How to fix:

1. On the Enrollment or End screens, update “Income from Any Source” question
2. If a client does receive income, make sure to report the type of income (and the amount)

Cash Income for Individual	
Income from Any Source	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Earned Income	<input type="checkbox"/>
Unemployment Income	<input type="checkbox"/>
Worker's Compensation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Private Disability Insurance	<input type="checkbox"/>
VA Service-Connected Disability Compensation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Social Security Disability Income (SSDI)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Supplemental Security Income (SSI)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Social Security Retirement	<input type="checkbox"/>
VA Non-Service Connected Disability Pension	<input type="checkbox"/>
Employment Pension	<input type="checkbox"/>
TANF (Temp Asst for Needy Fam)	<input type="checkbox"/>
General Assistance (GA)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Spousal Support	<input type="checkbox"/>
Child Support	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other Cash Income	<input type="checkbox"/>
Total Cash Income for Individual	0.00

**If Income = Yes, check off the income source(s) received**



# Income at Annual Assessment

## Possible Issues:

Same issues as Income at Entry or Income at Exit

OR

Annual Assessment is not entered correctly

## How to fix Annual Assessment:

1. If the client has been in the program for more than a year, make sure an Annual Assessment was completed
2. Make sure Annual Assessment is dated within 30 days before / after the anniversary of program entry

# Next Month's Meeting Time and Location

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# Next Agency Admin Meeting: Thurs, Aug 2 from 1:30-3:30pm

**At our regular meeting location:** Sobrato Conference Center, Milpitas  
600 Valley Way, Room 1  
Milpitas, CA 95035

The first hour of the meeting will be the first Data Literacy Institute session for Agency Managers. Please feel free to invite anyone who may be interested to attend!

Dates and locations for 2018 meetings are listed on the OSH website:

<https://www.sccgov.org/sites/osh/continuumofcare/osh-events/pages/home.aspx>

**Q&A**

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