



Encampment Definition Examples

SOURCE	DEFINITION	REFERENCE
Bitfocus	A place where one or more individuals stay for a continuous time that includes temporary or permanent structures and personal belongings. May include an outdoor location or other conditions meeting the definition of “place not meant for human habitation.”	
HUD/ABT	People are staying in temporary structures or enclosed places that are not intended for long-term continuous occupancy on an ongoing basis. The physical structures that makeup encampments can take many forms, including tents on pallets and shanties, or lean-to shacks built with scavenged materials. Structures may be simple or complex multiroom compounds. People experiencing homelessness in encampments may also stay in groups of cars or vans or in manmade tunnels and naturally occurring caves.	<u>Exploring Homelessness Among People Living in Encampments</u>
USICH	A place where multiple people stay for a continuous time with built structures and personal belongings. Encampments vary in size—from a small group of people to a couple hundred—and their residents have a diverse range of ages, races, and genders.	<u>What clearing homeless encampments costs cities</u>
State of California	Locations where one or more homeless people live in an unsheltered area. These encampments can be found on properties owned by private individuals or companies or owned by local, state, and federal governmental agencies.	<u>Introduction to Homeless Encampments</u>
Homeless Hub	Homeless encampments are defined as an outdoor location with a visible structure that can take many forms, such as tents, shanties, or shacks, where two or more individuals live.	<u>Homeless Encampments as a Temporary Solution to the Housing Crisis</u>
DC Health and Human Services	An encampment is defined as a set-up of an abode or place of residence of one or more persons on public property or an accumulation of personal belongings that is present even when the individual may not be.	<u>Encampment Cares Program</u>