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MACCH to conduct annual Point-In-Time count of homeless

Omaha, Neb., Jan. 11, 2019 – The [Metro Area Continuum of Care for the Homeless](#) (MACCH) will conduct its annual Point-In-Time (PIT) count of the homeless in the Omaha metro area on Tuesday, Jan. 22.

The PIT count is a single-night count of homeless persons in Douglas, Sarpy and Pottawattamie counties. It allows communities to gain a snapshot of local homelessness on any given night.

Federal law requires the PIT count to be completed annually during the last 10 days of January. MACCH joins the rest of Nebraska in conducting the PIT count on Jan. 22.

During the 2018 PIT count:

- 1,411 adults and children were classified as homeless
- 174 were under the age of 18
- 358 individuals were chronically homeless
- 142 were veterans
- Fewer than 1 percent were unsheltered

“Often the community thinks Omaha doesn’t have a serious homelessness ‘problem’ because our rate of unsheltered homelessness is so low,” said Lisa Vukov, MACCH assistant director. “However, our data proves otherwise.”

Media is encouraged to attend. For more information about the event or to arrange interviews, contact Andrew Schnitker at 402.689.5835 or andrewschnitker@unomaha.edu. For more information about MACCH, visit www.endhomelessnesstoday.org.

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MACCH mobilizes, advocates and empowers community collaboration towards ending homelessness and fosters an effective system of crisis response, homelessness prevention and intervention in the greater Omaha-Council Bluffs Metropolitan Area.