

***People with long histories of homelessness are living in permanent supportive housing***

In fiscal year 2011, a total of 3,467 households experiencing long term homelessness obtained permanent supportive housing through housing and services funded under the Minnesota Business Plan to End Long-Term Homelessness. Minnesota Housing funded housing opportunities with capital funding sources, operating subsidies and rental assistance. The Department of Human Services funded supportive services through the Supportive Services Grant. Providers funded by both agencies provide access to housing and services to stabilize people in housing.

Another 1,148 households identified as long term homeless were living in permanent supportive housing not funded through the Business Plan (identified in HMIS).

**Minnesota Housing Snapshot**

At the end of fiscal year 2011, 2,223 households were living in housing funded by Minnesota Housing under the state's business plan. Throughout the year, 2,904 households were housed, including 3,098 adults and 2,019 children (7/1/2010 – 6/30/2011).

**The People Housed**

- 36% of the households were families; 64% were single adults.
- 8% of households were headed by youth under the age of 22 (55% families, 45% singles).
- 41% of participants self-identified as Black/African-American, 20% as American Indian.
- 71% of adults reported some type of disability, mental illness being the most prevalent (44%).
- 60% of households were living in scattered site supportive housing; 40% were living in site based supportive housing.
- 70% served in the seven-county metro area; 30% in Greater Minnesota

**Outcomes**

- 88% of households served were still in housing at the end of the year or had moved into another permanent housing option.
- Household income increased for 31% of households since entering housing and 16% of households have income from wages.
- The median income for single adults increased 94% since program entry (from \$203 to \$420 monthly). Family median income increased 23% (from \$532 to \$654 monthly).
- Most households that exit housing do not return to shelter (15% of LTH program exits in 2010)

**Department of Human Services Snapshot**

Throughout state fiscal year 2011, 1,646 long-term homeless households, including 2,006 adults and 1,528 children, received services from the DHS Long-term Homeless Services Grant. About 71 percent of the households with a known housing status were living in permanent supportive housing.

The Long-Term Homeless Supportive Services grants provide funding for services needed to help households escape homelessness, stay in housing and achieve their goals. Funds are also used to fill gaps in the current service system and for services ranging from utility bill assistance to transportation needs to crisis intervention.

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**DHS Snapshot, continued**

**The People Served**

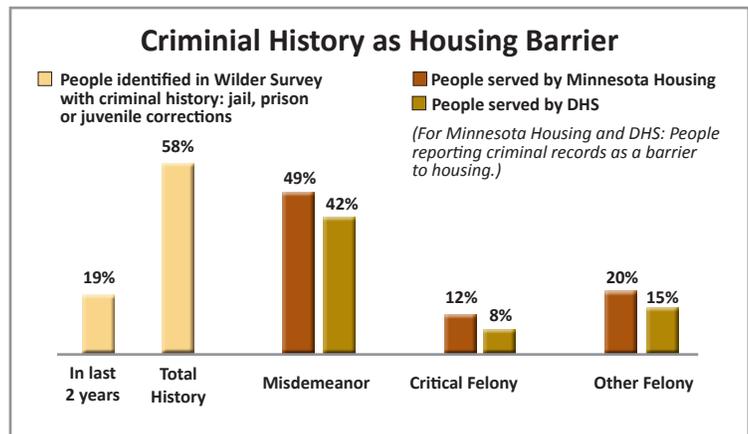
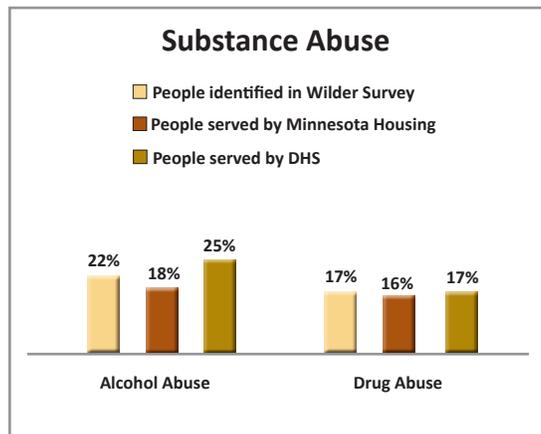
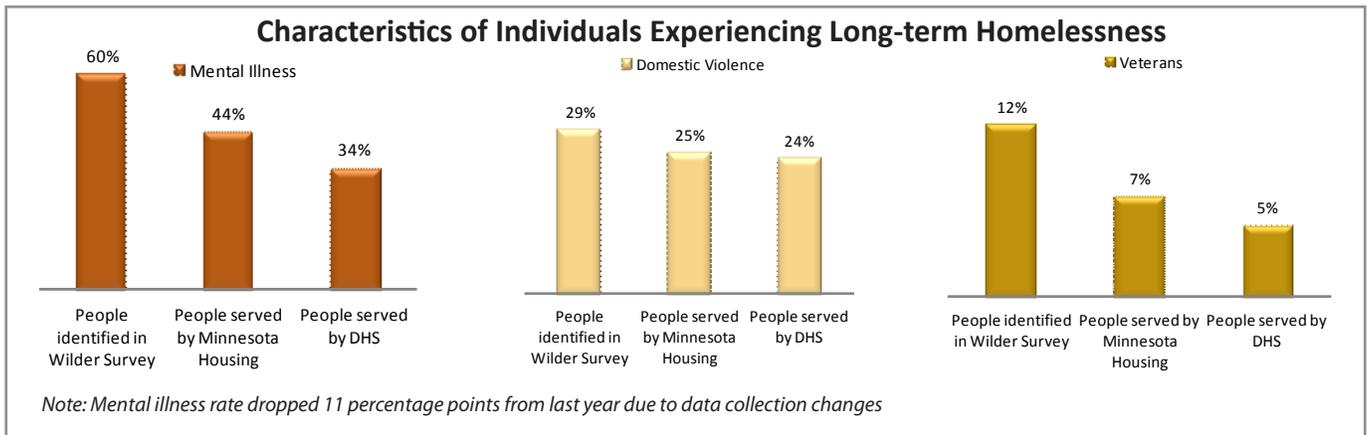
- Households served were evenly divided between families and single adults.
- 12% of households were headed by youth under the age of 22
- 15% of participants self-identified as Black/African-American, 50% American Indian.
- 50% of adults reported some type of disability, mental illness being the most prevalent (34%).
- 90% of those living in permanent housing were in a scattered site setting; 10% were in site-based.
- 26% served in the seven-county metro; 74% in Greater Minnesota

**Outcomes**

- Household income increased for 44% of households since program entry and 19% of households have income from wages.
- 58% of households that left the program exited to permanent housing
- Most households that exit the program do not return to shelter (15% of LTH exits in 2010)

**Business Plan reaches target population.**

Comparing the characteristics of long-term homeless (LTH) individuals identified in the 2009 Wilder Survey with the individuals served through the plan, housing and services are reaching the targeted long term homeless populations of people with mental illness, chemical dependency, criminal histories, and domestic violence. The population of veterans is lower than identified in the survey.



N= Number of adult individuals      Wilder Survey N=3553      MN Housing N=3098      DHS N=2001

The data in this report were compiled from more than 100 provider reports submitted to Minnesota Housing and Department of Human Services and statewide data compiled by Wilder Research. All data are from the Minnesota Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) and include households served from July 1, 2010 – June 30, 2011.