



HOUSING & REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY AGENDA

PUBLIC MEETING ROOM

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1, 2023

6:00 PM

1. Call to Order
2. Items for Discussion
 - A. Unsheltered Hotel Voucher
 - B. Housing and Redevelopment Authority of Faribault Monthly Meeting Date/ Time Confirmation
3. Adjournment



Request for Action

TO: Faribault Housing & Redevelopment Authority
FROM: Rebecca Rand, Housing Coordinator
MEETING DATE: March 1, 2023
SUBJECT: Unsheltered Hotel Voucher

BACKGROUND:

In response to the community's housing crisis, the Housing and Redevelopment Authority of Faribault has initiated interest in allocating \$1000 to the Faribault Police Department to make referrals for a hotel stay for unsheltered individuals and families. Staff requested data on local homelessness to inform the board about additional needs to fund this program. River Valleys Continuum of Care has provided data from the Homeless Management Information Center in summary form.

REQUESTED ACTION:

Review and File program guidelines and amount. Establish future amounts to be allocated to this program.

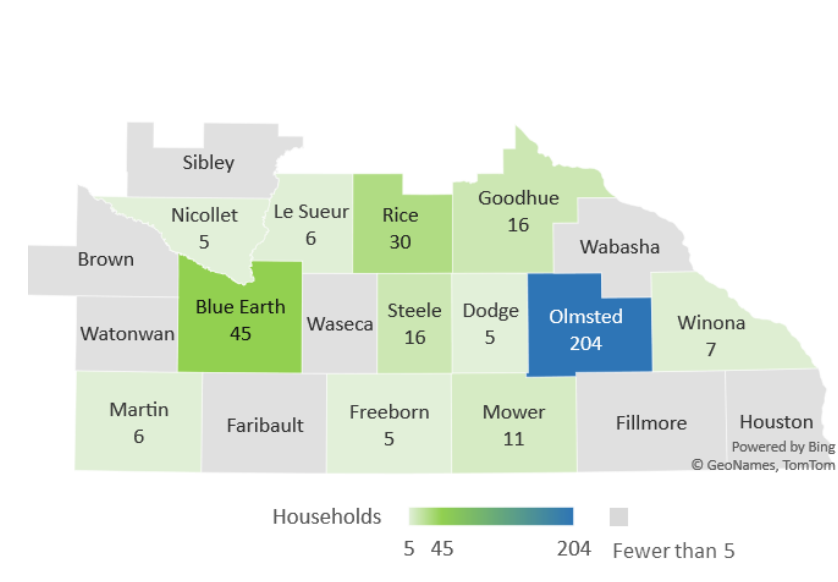
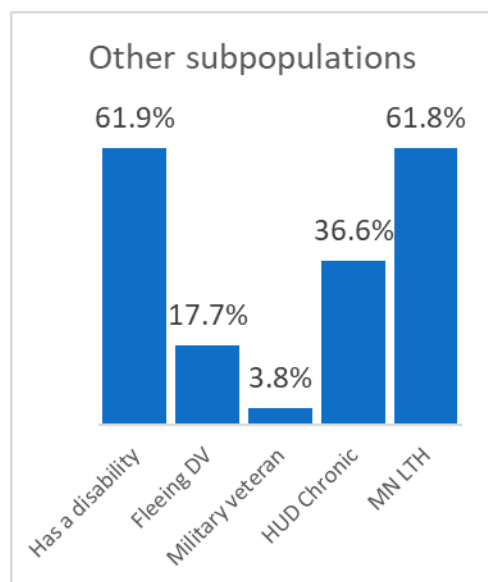
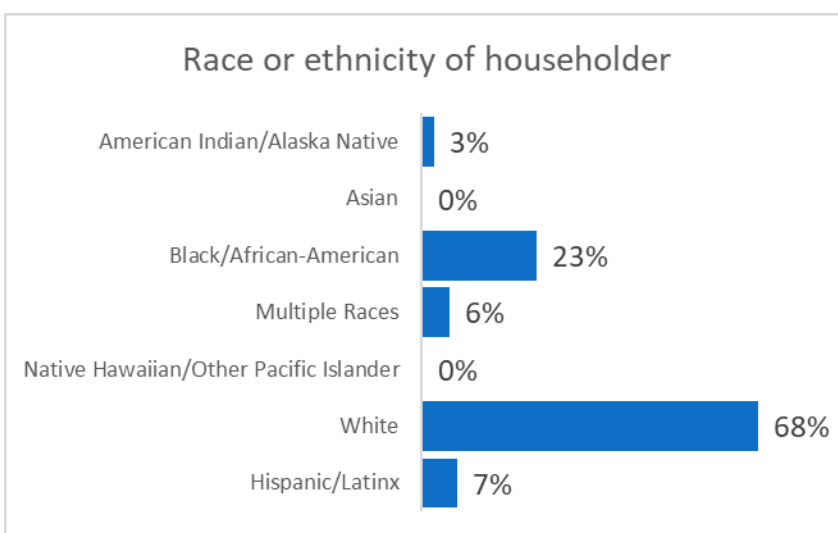
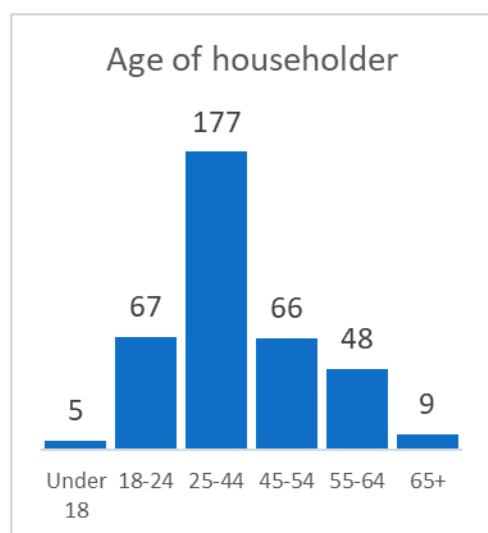
ATTACHMENTS:

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3. Unsheltered Hotel Voucher Program

UNSHELTERED HOMELESSNESS

OVERALL SUMMARY

Households unsheltered, as identified in Coordinated Entry	Households	Persons
TOTAL (January 1-December 31, 2021)	372	526
Single adults and couples without children	254 (68%)	275 (52%)
Households with adults and children	56 (15%)	184 (35%)
Unaccompanied youth households	62 (17%)	67 (13%)



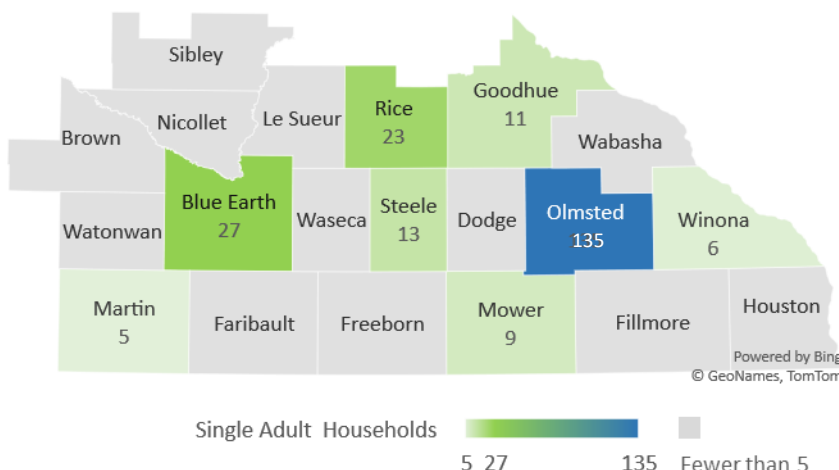
SINGLE ADULTS AND COUPLES

254
households
275 persons



More likely to:

Identify as male (63.3%)
Have a disability (67.1%)
Qualify as HUD Chronic (43.7%)
than the overall unsheltered population



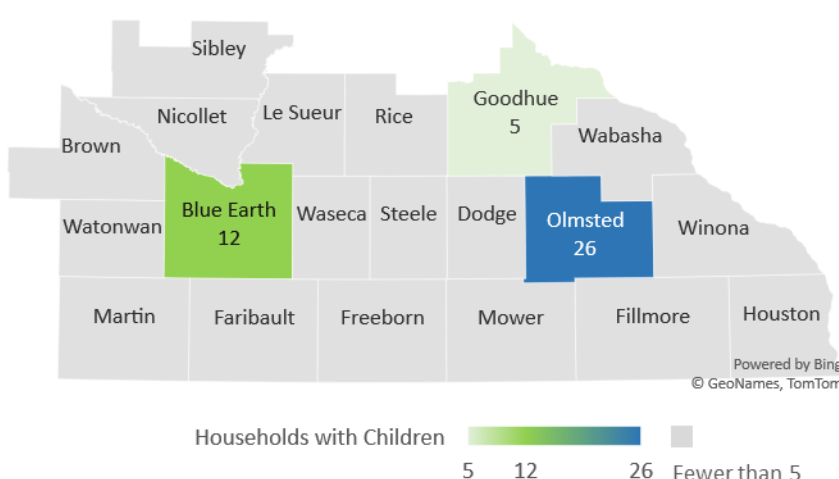
HOUSEHOLDS WITH CHILDREN

56
households
184 persons



More likely to:

Identify as female (77.6%)
Be fleeing violence (22.4%)
Identify as person of color (41.4%)
than the overall unsheltered population



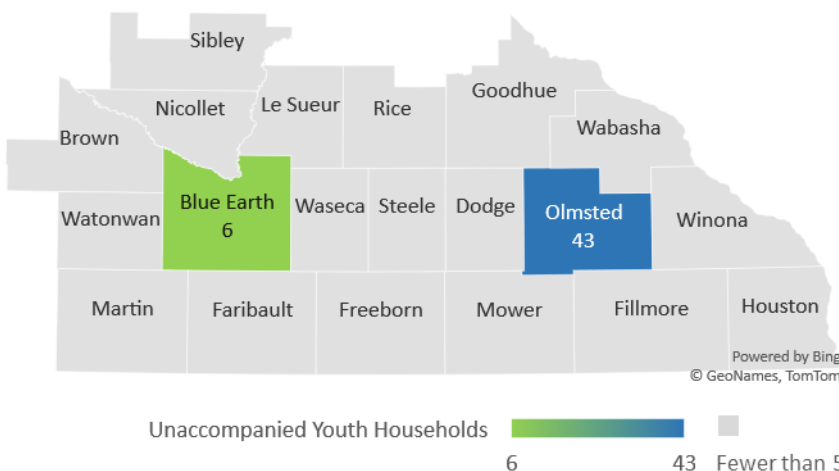
UNACCOMPANIED YOUTH HOUSEHOLDS

62
households
67 persons



More likely to:

Identify as transgender (3.3%)
Be fleeing violence (31.8%)
Identify as person of color (56.6%)
than the overall unsheltered population

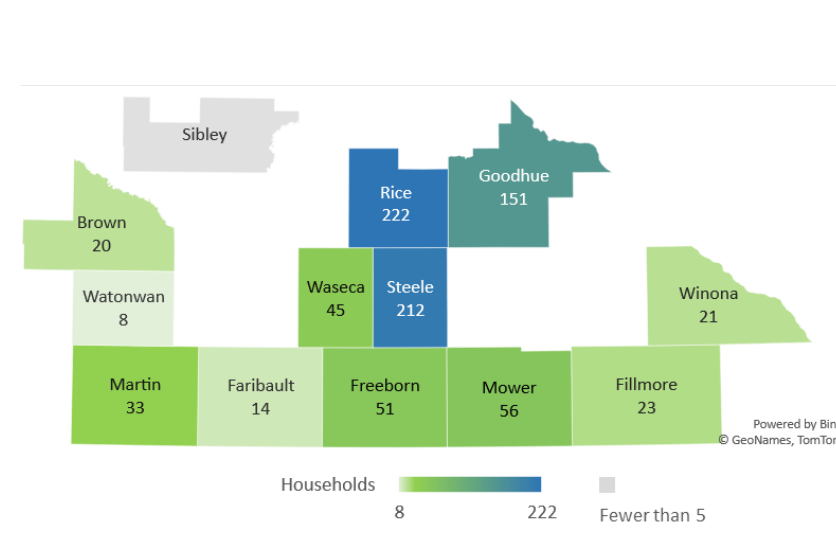
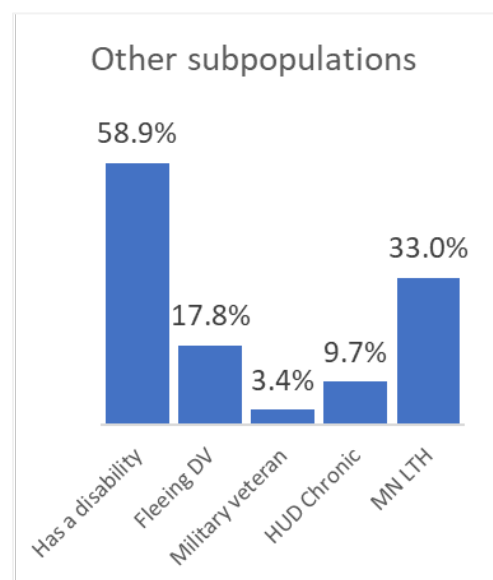
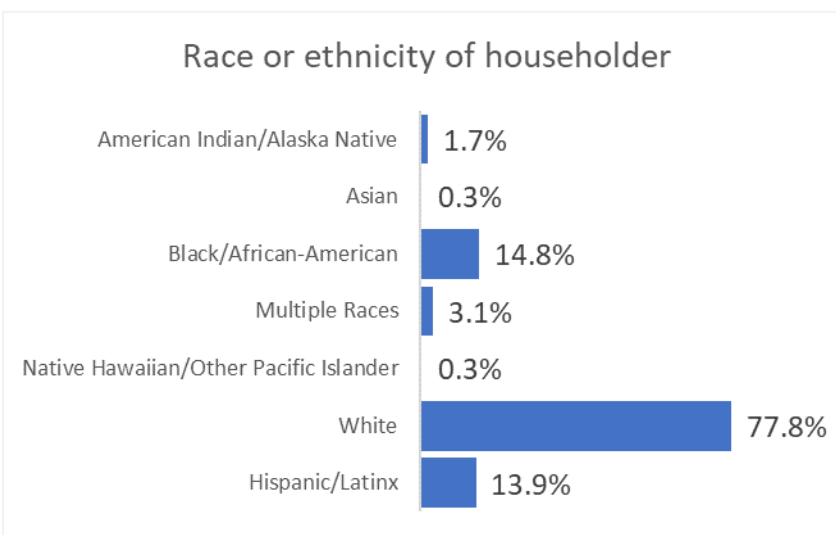
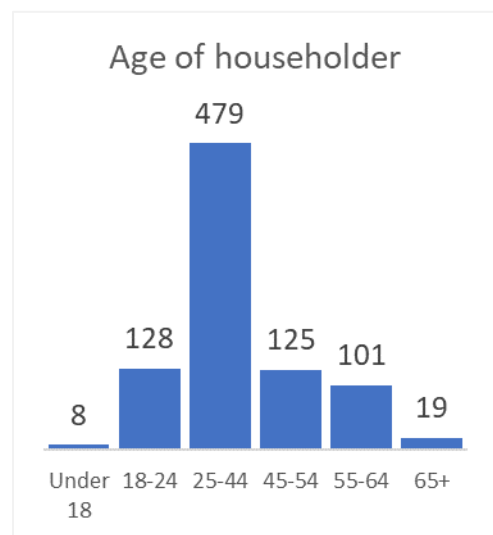


RURAL HOMELESSNESS

“Rural” for the purposes of HUD Supplemental NOFO to Address Unsheltered and Rural Homelessness includes Brown, Faribault, Fillmore, Freeborn, Goodhue, Martin, Mower, Rice, Steele, Waseca, Watonwan, and Winona Counties. Other counties (Blue Earth, Dodge, Houston, Le Sueur, Nicollet, Olmsted, or Wabasha) are not represented in this report.

ALL RURAL SUMMARY

Households in rural counties, as identified in Coordinated Entry	Households	Persons
TOTAL (January 1-December 31, 2021)	860	1,587
Single adults and couples without children	475 (55%)	524 (33%)
Households with adults and children	250 (29%)	840 (53%)
Unaccompanied youth households	135 (16%)	223 (14%)



COMPARISON TO OVERALL HOMELESS POPULATION

Persons and households experiencing homelessness in rural counties are



More likely to:

- Identify as Hispanic/Latinx (14% vs. 9%)
- Be in a household with adults and children (29% vs. 24%)

compared to the overall homeless population



About as likely to:

- Be in an adult only household (55% vs. 53%)
- Have a disability (59% vs. 57%)
- Qualify as HUD Homeless (35% vs. 36%)

compared to the overall homeless population



Less likely to:

- Identify as Black or African American (15% vs. 25%)
- Be in a youth-headed household (15% vs. 21%)

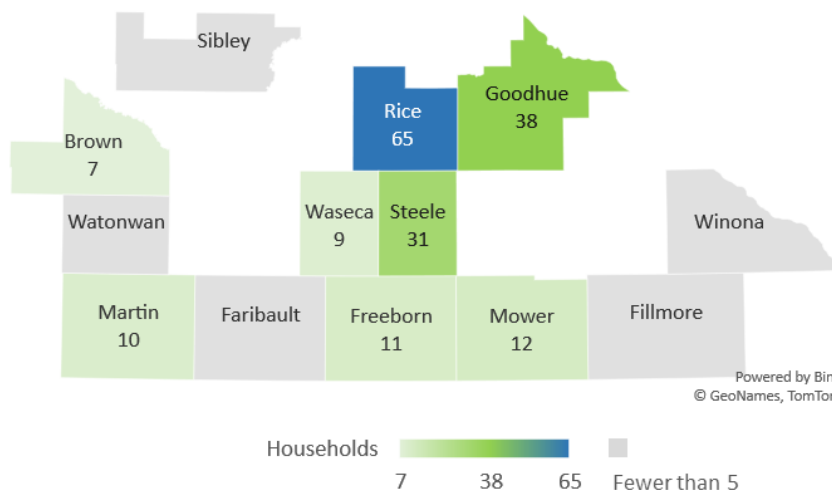
compared to the overall homeless population

HUD PARAGRAPH 3 HOMELESS: SUMMARY FOR YOUTH AND FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN

Households with children or youth-headed households (up to age 21) in rural counties who are experiencing homelessness under other federal statutes, and who do not qualify under paragraphs 1, 2, or 4 of the HUD Homeless definition.

195
households
577 persons

Household type	HHs	People
Adult with children	152 78%	514 89%
Youth with children	8 4%	22 4%
Unaccompanied youth	35 18%	41 7%



Over half (195 of 395, or 51%) of households with children and youth-headed households in rural areas fall into the category of experiencing homelessness under other federal statutes. Compared to the overall rural homeless population, families and youth in this category are



More likely to:

- Identify as Hispanic/Latinx (22% vs. 14%)
- Be in an adult-headed household (78% vs. 29%)

compared to the RURAL homeless population



About as likely to:

- Identify as Black or African American (16% vs. 15%)

compared to the RURAL homeless population



Less likely to:

- Have a disability (39% vs. 59%)
- Qualify as MN long-term homeless (20% vs. 33%)

compared to the RURAL homeless population

HOUSING & REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF FARIBAUT, MINNESOTA UNSHELTERED HOTEL VOUCHER PROGRAM POLICY GUIDELINES

The Faribault Housing and Redevelopment Authority (HRA) has established a locally funded program to provide hotel vouchers for those who are experiencing unsheltered homelessness in City of Faribault. The goals for the program are to reduce the number of unsheltered homeless sleeping outside by providing the Faribault Police department the ability to temporarily shelter the unsheltered by putting them in a hotel with in the City of Faribault.

ALLOCATION GUIDELINES

1. The unsheltered person or family must be within the city limits of Faribault
2. An employee of the Faribault Police department must make the referral to the hotel.
3. The Faribault Police Department will use their discretion to determine if the person or family is unsheltered.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Due to Minnesota's harsh winters, it can sometimes be difficult for the homeless to find warm places to sleep. The police department will be authorized to use HRA funding in the amount of **\$1000.00** to assist individuals and families to combat this problem, the HRA will contract with Hometown Inn 2509 Lyndale Ave N, Faribault, MN 55021. Every effort will be made to first place a family, or individuals, into a homeless shelter or find a temporary option to stay. When that is not possible the Faribault Police Department will use their discretion to determine when to issue a voucher and how many nights are need. The Faribault Police Department will initiate the stay by calling the Hometown Inn at 507-334-1634. A minimum of one night will be issued for each family or individual. The Faribault Police Department will determine if additional nights are needed. The Hometown Inn will send an invoice to the City of Faribault. Additionally, the Faribault Police Department will communicate the referral for shelter at the Hometown Inn to the Housing Coordinator via email for tracking. A member of the Faribault Police Department will also track the number of vouchers used and will refer to this tracking before determining future referrals.

PROGRAM FUNDING AND REFERRAL PROCESS

1. The Housing and Redevelopment Authority of Faribault will finalize an agreement with the Hometown Inn 2509 Lyndale Ave N, Faribault, MN 55021 to finalize an agreed upon nightly rate that will be invoiced within 10 business days to the Housing and Redevelopment Authority of Faribault after each referral has been made.
2. The Faribault Police Department will use their discretion to determine rather the individual or family meets the definition of unsheltered homeless and how many nights will be needed based on funding availability.
3. A maximum of \$1000 is available.

AMENDMENTS

Program and funding amendments may be made periodically. In this event, the HRA will issue revised guidelines, which will become effective the date of the amendment's approval.



Request for Action

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FROM: Rebecca Rand, Housing Coordinator
MEETING DATE: March 1, 2023
SUBJECT: Housing and Redevelopment Authority of Faribault
Monthly Meeting Date/ Time Confirmation

BACKGROUND:

At the last meeting, the board discussed moving the HRA meeting date and time to the fourth Wednesday of the month at 6 pm. Staff would like to confirm this date and time change works for all board members as some members were not present at the last meeting.

REQUESTED ACTION:

Review and Approve

ATTACHMENTS: