

RACE EQUITY & HOMELESSNESS

EXAMINING DISPARITIES AMONG PEOPLE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS IN OHIO

ABOUT THIS TRAINING SERIES



Data from across Ohio's Continuums of Care show that certain races are over-represented in the homeless population. A national dialogue has emerged around how to incorporate race equity in solutions and strategies to end homelessness. It is in this context that the Coalition on Homelessness and Housing in Ohio (COHHIO) is beginning to undertake work to understand and respond to racial inequities in homelessness statewide.

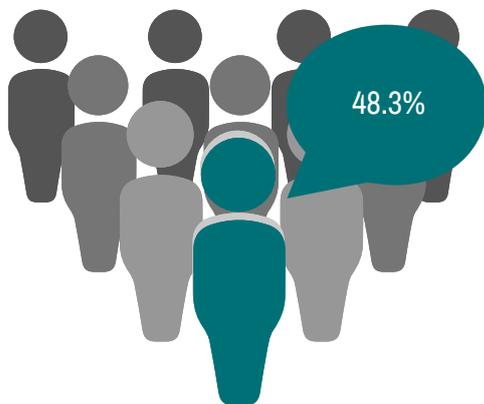


C4 Innovations (formerly the Center for Social Innovation) and COHHIO will host the first of its kind training series and stakeholder meeting convening Ohio communities to analyze racial disparities in homeless services offered and to develop action plans to create more equitable racial and ethnic outcomes in homeless systems. Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (Ohio MHAS) entered into this partnership because of the link between mental health and homelessness.



USING DATA TO DRIVE CHANGE IN COMPLEX COMMUNITY SYSTEMS

Comparing HMIS data on race to data for the general population provides important insight into inequities. For instance, African-Americans comprised only 12.3% of the state population in 2017 but 48.3% of the homeless population for the same year.



Across all racial groups, people of color are dramatically more likely than their white counterparts to experience homelessness and housing instability.

OHIO HOMELESS POPULATION, DEMOGRAPHICS BY RACE (2017)



■ Black (48.32%) ■ White (42.28%) ■ Multi (4.29%) ■ Hispanic (3.81%) ■ Other (0.71%)
■ Asian (0.20%) ■ Hawaii (0.10%) ■ Native (0.29%)

Race information reflects data supplied by the Ohio Human Services Data Warehouse and represents homeless services data from all clients served in homeless and housing programs in Ohio in 2017, except for Stark County. Since race is collected in parallel with ethnicity (Latinx/Non-Latinx), the Latinx population is represented as those respondents who answered: "Latinx/Hispanic" to the ethnicity question and all other race populations are those who did not answer "Latinx/Hispanic" to the ethnicity question.

RACE EQUITY & HOMELESSNESS BEGINNING A STATEWIDE CONVERSATION



ONE DAY TRAININGS

Trainers from C4 innovations, an initiative of the Center for Social Innovation, will facilitate two full-day trainings to cover issues related to racism and homelessness. In addition, C4 innovations partners will share knowledge in using data to drive systems change and implementing equity-based strategies to reduce homelessness among persons of color.

IMPORTANT TO KNOW

- Due to limited space we ask that no more than **2 individuals** per agency attend. If you want more individuals to email me at JoshJohnson@Cohhio.org.
- 6 SW CEUs will be available.
- **Lunch** will be provided.

LOCATION

Race Equity & Homelessness 1-day training:

Akron, Ohio Tuesday, June 11th, 2019

Dayton, Ohio Wednesday, June 12th, 2019