

15,637 lowans were homeless in 2012

8,997 single and 6,968 in families.*

Including 4916 homeless children.

94

Agencies provided homeless services

29

emergency programs

53

transitional housing programs

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permanent supportive housing programs

Prevention agencies helped

17,695

lowans avoid homelessness

Iowa Department of Education Identified

5,254

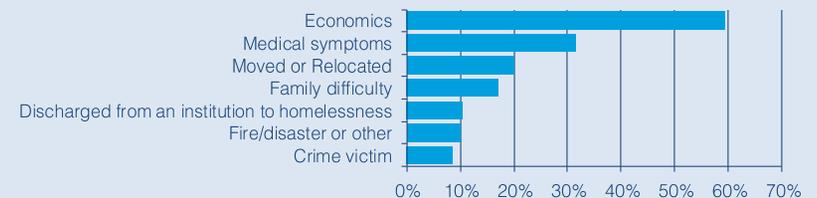
Families in "Doubled-Up" situations with school aged children

RECOMMENDATIONS

- More affordable housing units.
- Support existing funding streams like the Shelter Assistance Fund.
- Protect and expand the economic safety net including health insurance for low income lowans.

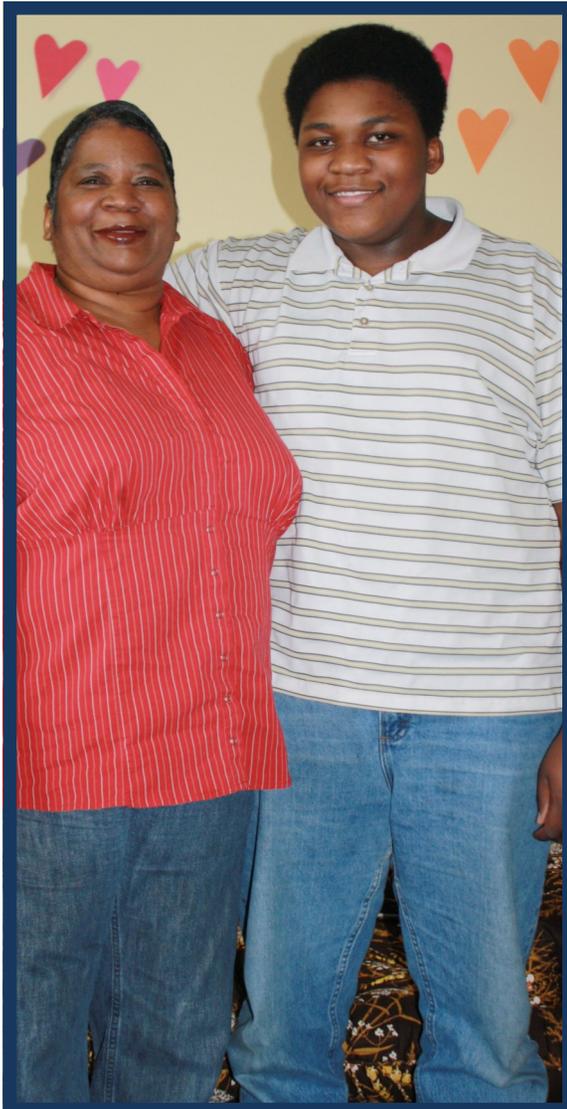
60% answered "Economics is either the primary or secondary cause of my homelessness"

Causes of Homelessness**



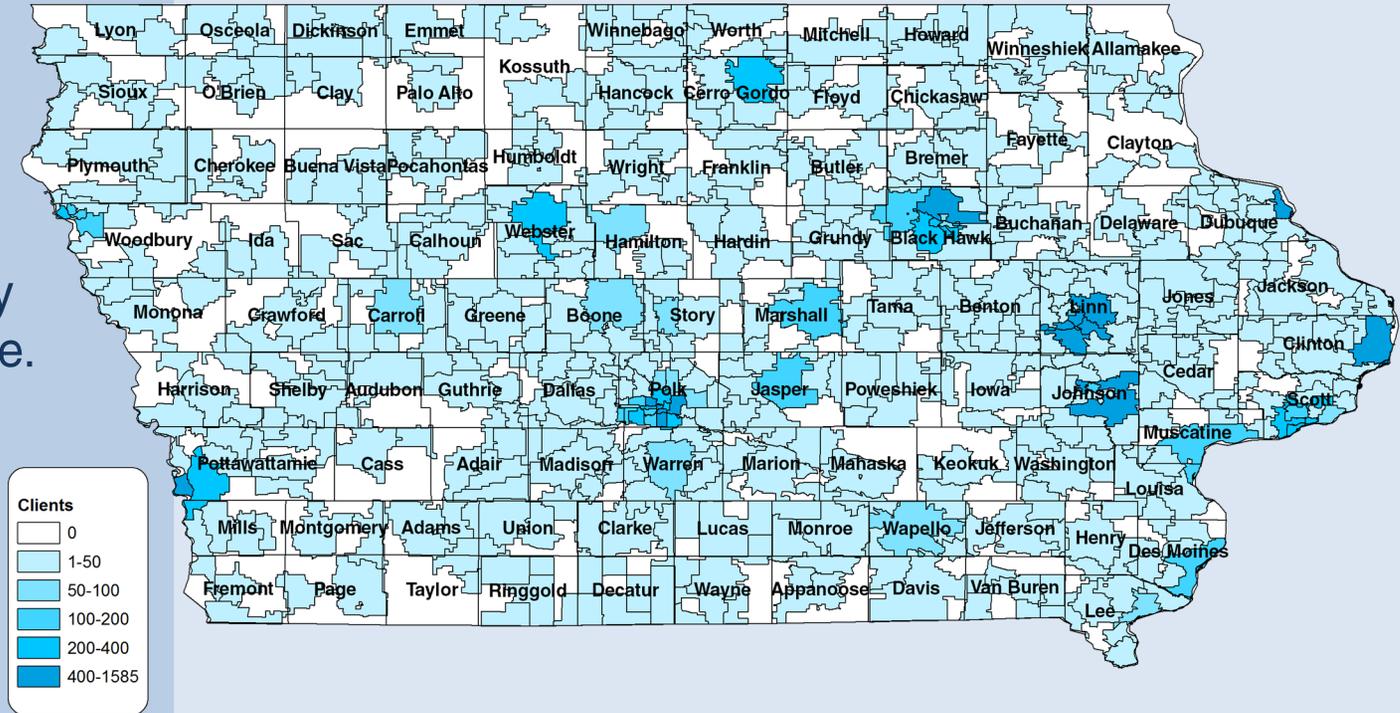
*328 people were in both categories at some point in 2012

** Clients could answer with two causes for their homelessness



For the last few years Iowa's homeless have come from every county in the state.

This map shows the population served by agencies participating in the statewide data network in 2012 that answered the question, "what was the zip code of your last permanent residence." 70% of homeless answered that question.



48% are homeless for the first time

33 days the average length of stay at emergency shelter

24% employed

81% of those employed make less than \$1000 per month

71% have a GED, diploma or even some college

39% experience a disability

26% experience substance dependence (21% alcohol and 16% drug)

28% experience a mental disability

1,110 U.S. Veterans were homeless last year.

4,916 Children were homeless last year.

Sources of Income Among Homeless

