



Point in Time Count – Cheat Sheet

What To Bring:

Comfortable Clothing
Surveys (Electronic or Paper)
Pen
Flashlight

Umbrella
Information about local shelters or services
Emergency Contact Information

Sample Script:

Hello, my name is _____, and I am helping (PIT Lead Agency) conduct a short survey of our community.

We would like to learn more about people experiencing homelessness to see what services are needed to end homelessness in our community.

This survey is voluntary and confidential. I will protect and respect your privacy. If you are uncomfortable answering any of the questions, you don't have to answer them.

Would you be willing to answer some questions?

Who To Count (Unsheltered)

Individuals and Families living:

- ✓ On the Street
- ✓ In abandoned Buildings
- ✓ In Vehicles
- ✓ In Tents
- ✓ Public parks
- ✓ In the woods
- ✓ Airports, Bus Depots, etc.

Who NOT to Count

Individuals and Families living:

- ✓ In Shelters (Emergency, Transitional or Domestic Violence)
 - ✓ Hotel
 - ✓ Housing (even if doubled up with Family/Friends)
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Safety

- ✓ Always work in teams
- ✓ Be respectful of space
- ✓ Be sincere and caring
- ✓ Know emergency numbers
- ✓ It's voluntary – Don't force anyone to participate
- ✓ Leave valuables behind
- ✓ Don't approach someone if you don't feel comfortable
- ✓ Don't offer anything you can't provide
- ✓ Don't give money or rides