



# COUNTY OF YOLO

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## **Yolo County Homeless Count January 27-29**

**(Woodland, CA)** – Yolo County will be conducting its 2015 homeless point-in-time count during the week of January 26. Donations of needed items to be distributed to people experiencing homelessness during the count (i.e. gift cards in small denominations; warm gloves, socks and hats; personal hygiene products) are being accepted by several local homeless service providers.

The 2015 homeless point-in-time count is a survey that communities conduct every two years to identify the number of sheltered and unsheltered homeless individuals living in Yolo County. The survey is also designed to collect information regarding the characteristics and needs of people experiencing homelessness. The count is an activity mandated by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development for communities that receive federal homeless funding, and nearly every community in the country will be conducting a similar count during the last ten days of January.

In addition to the mandated point-in-time count, Yolo County received a grant from We Count, California! to increase the inclusion of unaccompanied youth (ages 14-24) in the 2015 count. The grant allowed the county to convene a working group of youth services providers, and to develop a plan for conducting targeted outreach to at-risk youth. The goal of the youth count is to increase the availability of data on the housing and service needs of unstably housed youth in the Yolo community.

Each community is conducting its count and street outreach efforts on a different day of the week:

- Davis: Tuesday, January 27
- West Sacramento: Wednesday, January 28
- Woodland: Thursday, January 29
- Winters and unincorporated communities: January 27-29

Street outreach to homeless adults and families will typically occur in the morning and early afternoon, while targeted street outreach to unaccompanied youth will typically begin in the early afternoon.

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Attachment: Partners and Homeless Service Providers

## **Partners**

- 4th and Hope\*
- California Homeless Youth Project
- Center for Families
- City of West Sacramento
- Davis Community Meals\*
- Homeless and Poverty Action Coalition
- Rise, Inc.
- United Christian Centers\* We Count! California
- Woodland Joint Unified School District
- Yolo County Administrator's Office, Employment & Social Services, Health Services, Library , 211 Yolo and Probation
- Yolo County Housing
- Yolo County Office of Education

## **Homeless Service Providers**

Homeless service providers throughout Yolo County are currently collecting donations of needed items that can be distributed to people experiencing homelessness during the count. Suggested donations include: gift cards in small denominations; warm gloves, socks and hats; and personal hygiene products. To make a donation, please contact one of the following organizations:

Davis Community Meals  
1111 H. Street, Davis  
(530) 753-9204

4th and Hope  
207 Fourth Street, Woodland  
(530) 661-1218

United Christian Centers  
110 6th Street, West Sacramento  
(916) 372-0200