## NEW BRUNSWICK URBAN HOMELESSNESS

SAINT JOHN HOMELESS COUNT 2016 INITIAL FINDINGS





Trained volunteers canvassed Saint John and found that at least 60 individuals were experiencing absolute homelessness\* the night of February 21st.

## SUMMARY OF SURVEY RESPONSES



**Total Surveyed: 60** 



Housing Loss Due to Domestic Abuse & Family Conflict: 32%



Gender Breakdown: Male 55% Female 45%

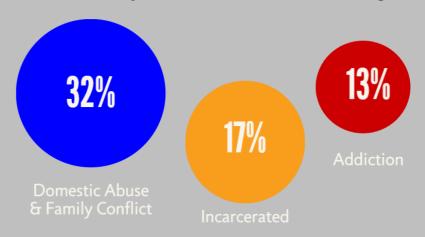


Moved to Saint John in the last year: 31%



Identified as aboriginal or having aboriginal ancestry: 28%

Most Commonly Identified Reasons for Housing Loss





**Identified as Chronically Homeless: 20%** 

Chronically homeless refers to 6 months or more of homelessness in a 12 month period

The Point-in-Time (PiT) Count is a strategy to help determine the extent of homelessness in a community at a single point in time. PiT Counts allow a community to better understand the nature of homelessness and the demographics of the homeless population. Conducting a PiT Count is a first step in creating future measures towards reducing homelessness.

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\*Absolute homelessness includes only those living on the street, in emergency shelters or transitional housing.

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