



But we don't have any homeless people in my community...

- In 2011, 23% of the respondents to the PIT Count identified themselves as homeless.
- Of that number, 3% were living in a homeless shelter; 2% in their car; and 1% on the streets.
- Typical of rural homelessness, 21% were living in a temporary situation with family or friends.
- There was an increase of over 400% in foreclosures from 1995-2010 in Gallia, Jackson, Meigs, and Vinton counties.
- A 2011 Needs Assessment conducted by the Gallia-Jackson-Meigs-Vinton Continuum of Care showed that raising community awareness about the issue of homelessness needed to be our highest priority –
 - “I would say very little, if any, information has been put out to the public.”
 - “The general public isn't aware of it because they don't see people on the street like you would in an urban area. It's a different kind of homelessness.”
 - “I think the weakness is that the community is not made aware...that there are homeless people out there and what the situation is.”
 - “I think it would take an effort on somebody's part to gather some statistics to make the compelling story that homelessness...is an issue.”

**HELP US MAKE THAT COMPELLING STORY
BY PARTICIPATING IN THE 2013 POINT-IN-
TIME COUNT!**