MARION COUNTY
POINT-IN-TIME JANUARY 2023 COUNT

Unsheltered Individuals:

- 8 Males
- 2 Females

Total = 10

UNSHELTERED SUMMARY

Individuals were in a mix of abandoned structures, residing in their vehicles and living outside. All declined connection to emergency shelter services. More than 50% reported a history of substance abuse or mental health concerns. The rest declined to respond to these questions. Individuals had to consent to the paperwork and process to be counted.

SHELTERED - INSTITUTIONAL

- MARION COUNTY JAIL – 3
- ACCESS CENTER - 0

OVERALL SUMMARY -

For the Point-in-Time count in Marion County, Iowa on January 25th, 2023 outreach efforts were completed by connecting with helping agencies throughout Marion County including church organizations, non-profit and local governmental agencies to best reach overall county populations. Education on the purpose and process was provided for best collection of data. Materials, including flyers, were disseminated to local organizations and business including all local libraries, high frequented gas stations, and hotels educating on the count and resources. Outreach occurred the night before at the free community meal in Knoxville on January 24th. Connection with individuals were made to identify locations, as well as provide safe spaces for individuals to get connected.

Safe spaces were established in both Pella and Knoxville for individuals to get connected. These locations were The Well – in Pella & Knoxville and Marion County Public Health in Knoxville. Street outreach was completed in both Pella and Knoxville. The Marion County Sheriff’s office completed collection of intakes for individuals in the jail on the night of the 25th and the Access Center reported having no encounters on this evening with individuals reporting as homeless.

The temperature at midnight on January 25th was 16 degrees. Marion County will participate in the Summer 2023 Point-in-Time count to compare the number of those unsheltered during warmer temperatures.

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