

2026 Point in Time (PIT) Planning Working Group Meeting #2: Hot Spots & Volunteer Recruitment

Contra Costa Health: HEALTH, HOUSING & HOMELESS SERVICES (H3)

Friday, October 17, 2025 1 pm – 3 pm





Agenda

White Board Activity

Help us identify "hot spots" across the community. Gather feedback for 1, 2 or all 3 regions!

Review of PIT Stakeholders and Partners

Is there anyone missing from this list?

Kick-off Sites

Kick-off locations in West, Central, & East County

What is the Point-in-Time (PIT) Count?

- A PIT Count is a US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) mandated census count of people experiencing homelessness on a community selected date during the last ten days of January
- Every community in the country conducts a PIT Count every year for people in shelter, however HUD only requires a count of people experiencing UNSHELTERED Homelessness every other year. Contra Costa conducts a PIT count every year
- Typically, people experiencing homelessness in shelters have their data entered into a database specifically designed to collect HUD required data (also known as HMIS-Homeless Management Information System)
- Data collected from PIT Count provides a snapshot of who is experiencing homelessness in the community
- Collecting this data helps identify trends in homelessness, supports federal funding, and allows HUD to provide additional insight into homelessness at the local level

What the Point-in-Time (PIT) Count is not

- Perfectly Exact Count
- A Complete Measurement
- A County Representative Homelessness Count

PIT Planning – Behind the scenes!

How H3 is planning to assign canvass/volunteer teams:

- Utilize past PIT data to pinpoint locations where unsheltered homelessness has been recorded
- Collaborate with CORE outreach staff to verify identified areas of unsheltered homelessness and encampments
- 2026 PIT Count: Grid Manager
- Next step: Gather community feedback!





































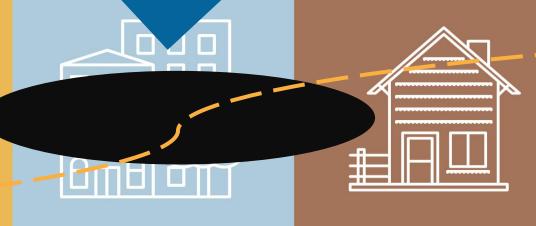
















Hotspot Regions

West County

- Crockett
- El Cerrito
- El Sobrante
- Hercules
- NorthRichmond
- Pinole
- Richmond
- Rodeo
- San Pablo

Central County

- Alamo
- Blackhawk
- Clayton
- Concord
- Danville
- Lafayette
- Martinez
- Moraga
- Orinda
- Pacheco
- Pleasant Hill
- San Ramon
- Walnut Creek

East County

- Antioch
- Bay Point
- Bayview
- Bethel Island
- Brentwood
- Discovery Bay
- Oakley
- Pittsburg



Identifying "Hotspots"





CORE teams have valuable insights into high-density encampment areas, but we want to know:

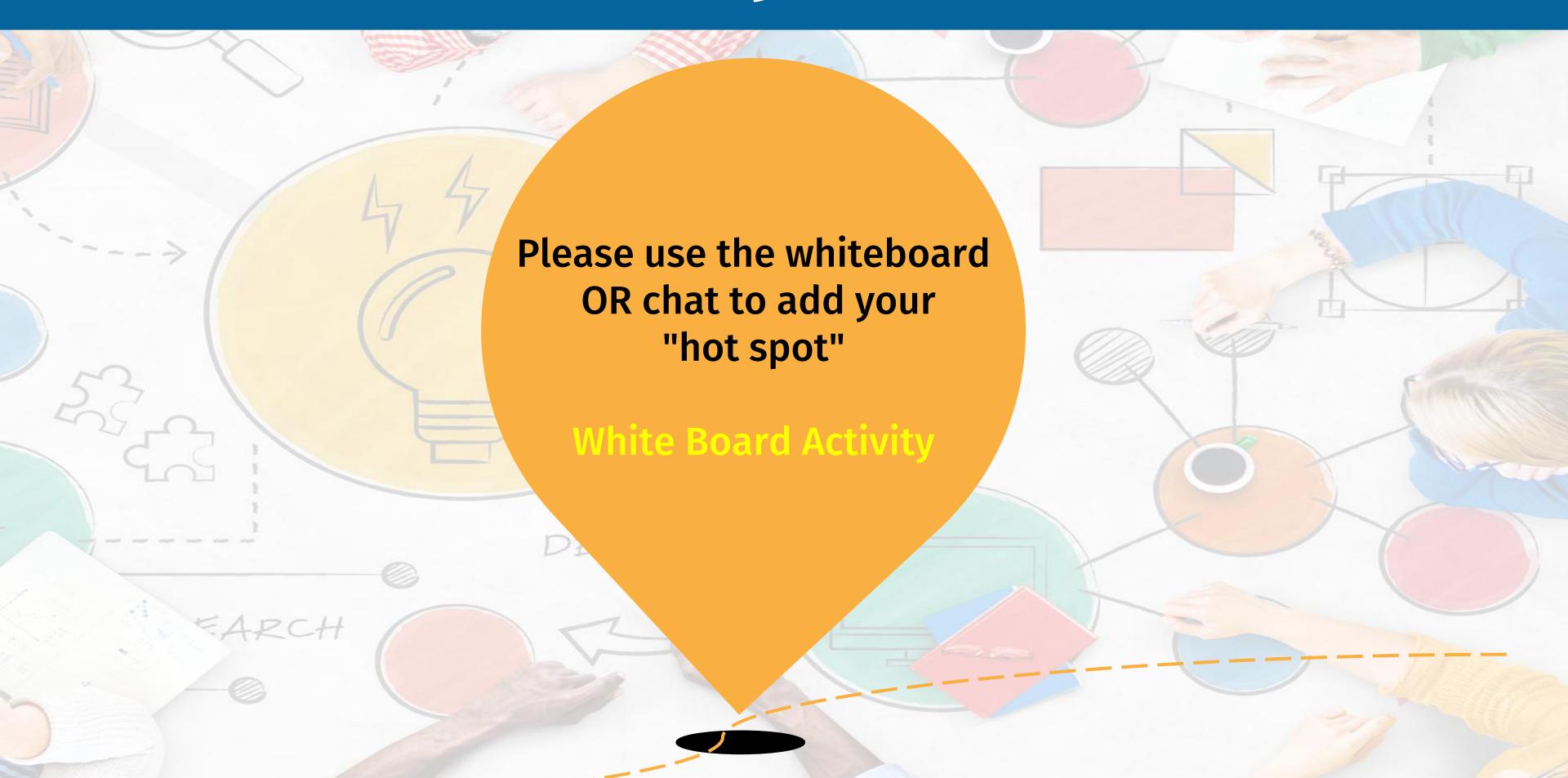
Where else do you observe unsheltered homelessness in your community?

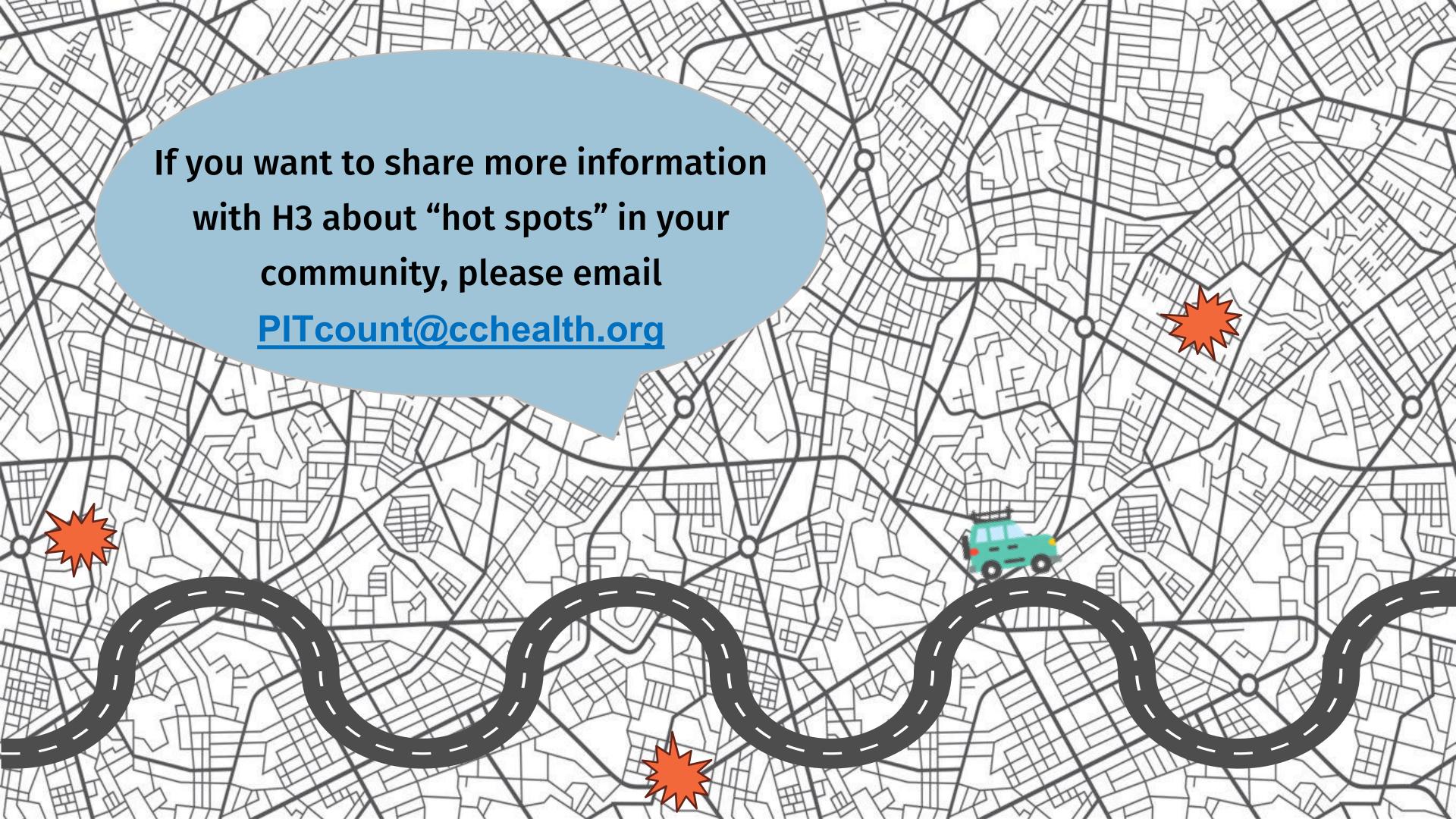
H3 is seeking community input on the following:

- Locations not meant for habitation: Are there areas where individuals are living in cars, RVs, vans, or other temporary settings?
- **Density**: Are there specific locations with a high presence of unsheltered homelessness?
- Accessibility: Is it necessary to exit a vehicle to observe unsheltered individuals or their sleeping arrangements?
- Safety concerns: Are there any known safety issues in these areas that we should be aware of?



White Board Activity



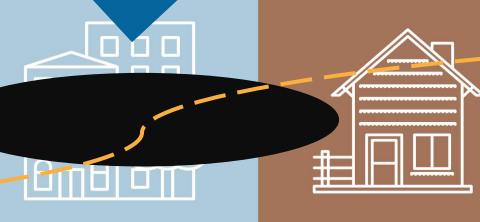
























Stakeholders

Homeless Service Provider Agencies and Partners:

- Bay Area Community Services (BACS)
- Bay Area Rescue Mission (BARM)
- Caminar
- Catholic Charities of the East Bay
- Community College District
- Contra Costa Crisis Center
- Contra Costa Health
- Contra Costa Office of Education
- Greater Richmond Interfaith Program (GRIP)
- Hope Solutions
- Housing Consortium of the East Bay
- Humanity Way
- Insight Housing
- Lao Family Community Development
- Northern California Family Center
- RYSE

- Safe Organized Spaces Richmond (SOS)
- SHARE Community
- SHELTER Inc.
- STAND!
- Shepherd's Gate
- Swords to Plowshares
- The Bay Church
- Trinity Center
- Veterans Accession House
- Winter Nights Family Shelter

Stakeholders

Other partners:

- Basic Needs Partners
- Behavioral Health Agencies
- City Managers
- Colleges
- County agencies
- Faith-based organizations
- Healthcare providers
- Immigration Partners

- LGBTQI Partners
- Law Enforcement
- Legal
- Libraries
- Reentry
- School districts/Office of Education
- Victim & Survivor Services
- Youth and Family Services

Stakeholders – Whiteboard Activity





Training & Kick-off Sites

West

San Pablo Police
Training Site
2300 El Portal Dr. Suite C
San Pablo, CA 94806

Central

Emergency Medical Service Building 777 Arnold Dr. Martinez, CA 94553

East

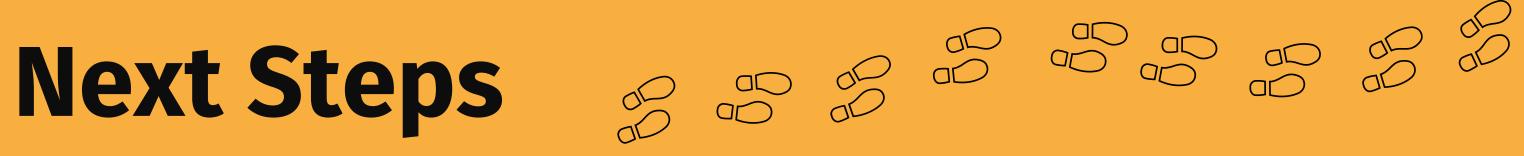
Brentwood Police Station 9100 Brentwood Blvd. Brentwood, CA 94553

- In-person trainings will take place the week of January 12th; times TBD
- > PIT Kick-off will take place the morning of January 29th; 5:30- 9 am









Hybrid -- PIT committee meeting #3: Survey Sampling Strategies

- Friday, November 21st from 1-3 pm
- PIT committee members are required to attend in-person
- Characteristics of sheltered & unsheltered populations
 - What data is collected
 - What data is NOT collected
 - Survey Sampling Methods
- Survey Interview Locations Recommendations
- Review 2026 PIT Survey
- Review Methods & more!

