

EMERGENCY SHELTER ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE

One City Center

**Thursday, June 18, 2020
9:00 AM**

AGENDA

1. Introductions

- a. Review and Approval of Minutes
- b. Topic: ESAC June 18, 2020
Time: Jun 18, 2020 09:00 AM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

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2. HVJ Update

3. Monthly Shelter Bed Usage Statistics & New Slides

- a. May, 2020 Shelter Statistics

4. LTS Update

5. **Federal, State and Local Legislation**
6. **Governance Sub-Committee**
7. **Other Business**

Next Meeting

July 16, 2020

Time: 9:00 AM

Location: One City Center

If you should have any questions, please contact:

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Emergency Shelter Assessment Committee

One City Center

Thursday, May 21, 2020

9:00 am – 10:00 am

Minutes

Name	Organization
Adam Harr	City of Portland
George Rheault	Bayside Resident
Dan Coyne	United Way
Aaron Geyer	City of Portland
Jim Divine	HVJ
Margaret LaLachuer	United Way
Tom Natalie	Milestone Recovery
Bill Higgins	HA4A
Kelley Walsh	City of Portland
Heather Zimmerman	Preble Street
Cullen Ryan	CHOM

Name	Organization
Norm Maze	Shalom House
Ginny Dill	Shalom House
Vickey Rand	CHOM
Amanda Methot	City of Portland
Elizabeth Jackson	GPH
Meredith Pesce	Amistad
Brian Townsend	Amistad
Anna Brewer	HVJ
Suzanne Randall	HA4All
Mia Smith	Preble Street
Jonathan Sahrbeck	Cumberland County District Attorney

- **Introductions**

- Review and approval of April 16, 2020 Draft Meeting Minutes.
 - Bill moved to approve the January meeting minutes; Suzanne seconded and the motion passed unanimously as amended.
 - Include that Amistad is not co-locating with the Catholic Church at the Cathedral as previously planned and has signed a lease on Forest Ave that is off the peninsula but on the bus line.
 - We are adding the names, organizations and motions made in the chat box while remaining on mute when not speaking.

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- **Homeless Voices for Justice**
 - Longest Day of Homelessness on the Solstice (not in person)
 - Concerned about unsheltered homelessness and CTOs from Deering Oaks park
 - Sweeps of camps -do not help public health.
 - Support the changes made to shelters during the pandemic (multiple shelters) and see the need for those to continue during as past the pandemic
 - There is a continued need for public facilities.
- **Monthly Shelter Bed Usage Statistics**
 - Intakes, Placements and first-time homeless statistics are all down due to COVID-19
 - Is there a list of GA clients that would normally have an intake at OOS and stay at the shelter?
 - Yes
 - This group can help connect folks in hotels to more permanent housing options.
 - Is there a way in the GA data to break out GA applicants that are reporting homelessness?
 - To date at 203 individuals since March 13th have presented to GA for shelter.
 - GA is open 7 days a week: 8am - noon on weekends.
 - The After-hours number is posted, the weekend hours are not (the printed hard sign isn't being changed anticipating the situation will.
 - Staff on weekends can field after hours calls, hotel calls,
 - Last Saturday had 5 people present to GA for shelter.
 - Using two hotels for singles and three hotels for families.
- **LTS Update**
 - LTS has not met during the pandemic as key stakeholders are frontline staff needed for the shelter system response.
 - How are LTSers being tracked, are there folks being lost from the 180-day definition.
 - 180 days is cumulative and based on HMIS data; it is cumulative across shelters and path that have 180 days' worth of HMIS entries within a 365-day period.
- **Federal, State and Local Legislation**
<http://www.mainehomelessplanning.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/3-State-and-Federal-Legislation-Update-4.16.20.pdf>
 - Federal
 - Stimulus Packages
 - CARES ACT
 - brought 12 million to HUD
 - Time extension youth demonstration
 - Financial Resources that the State is looking

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- Strengthen Homeless Shelters
 - Create units of supportive housing
 - Rapid Re-Housing following the SSVF program.
 - Affordable housing development that includes homeless populations: Land banking and other resources that gets housing off the ground quickly and includes units for people experiencing homelessness.
 - o Looking for solutions for specific populations: Domestic Violence, Homeless Youth, and substance use.
 - o Funding streams through ESG.
- Seeking in next Stimulus:
 - o Seeking a waiver to the RFP so frontline resources aren't supplanted to apply
 - o Rental Assistance
 - Hopefully some section 8; long term solution.
 - o 4% floor on the tax credit program.
- HEROES Act passed by the House and moving to Senate
 - o Follow up and extends CARES Act
 - o Not likely to Pass Senate
 - o Senator Collins and others put out legislation that includes relief for states but it has not gotten traction yet.
- Timing is unclear.
- SNAP Proposed Rule was stalled, keeping people from being kicked off for the time being.
- House and Senate bills pushing for \$100 billion in rental subsidies to get affordable housing off the ground and people into housing and remaining housed.
- o State.
 - Before convening: there was an executive order to halt evictions for tenants who cannot pay rent during the pandemic.
 - BRAP moved to a 40% subsidy instead of 50%
 - \$3 million to support emergency shelter (supported)
 - FUSE (Voted ought to pass).
- **COVID-19**
 - o Maine CDC said 14 people in the Portland shelter system has tested positive (cumulative)
 - 4/90 positive tests at OSS in recent round of testing.
 - Where did the CDC get the 14 number?
 - The people that used the respite shelter at 55 & 56 Family Shelter for people recovering (tested positive) and PUI (person under investigation) at each FFS location respectively.

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- At the shelters where universal testing took place, everyone on site were part of the samples. (Testing done at Florence House, Sullivan Gym Wellness Shelter, the Expo, two rounds at OSS.)
- There is a daily 2 pm call with the CDC, Major medical partners in town and shelter leadership from each shelter in the City.
 - Connects guests to medical care.
- OSS shut down to new intakes since March
 - The 4 positive cases are from people in this population social distancing in shelter but community transmission remains.
 - Concern that there will be heightened stigma against people experiencing homelessness due to COVID-19 when space like the library open up.
- This group will work with the understanding that COVID-19 will last longer for the population we serve.
- As we come closer to reintegrating shelters, is the opportunity for media advocacy.
 - OP ed, TV and social media.
- **Governance sub-committee**
 - No update; scheduled to meet May 29th at 3:00 PM; detail will be emailed to the committee.
- **Other Business**
 - CDBG: City received CARES Act funding and the CDBG application is condensed and will still go through a public scoring process, but on an expedited timeline. The ESG portion will be administered like regular ESG so there is no application.
- **Next Meeting May 18, 2020.**
 - Heather suggested extending the June meeting by 30 minutes.
 - United Way will set up the call for 1.5 hours for those who are able to stay on the meeting.

PORTLAND HOMELESS SHELTERS

Average Total Number of Individuals Residing in Shelters per Night:

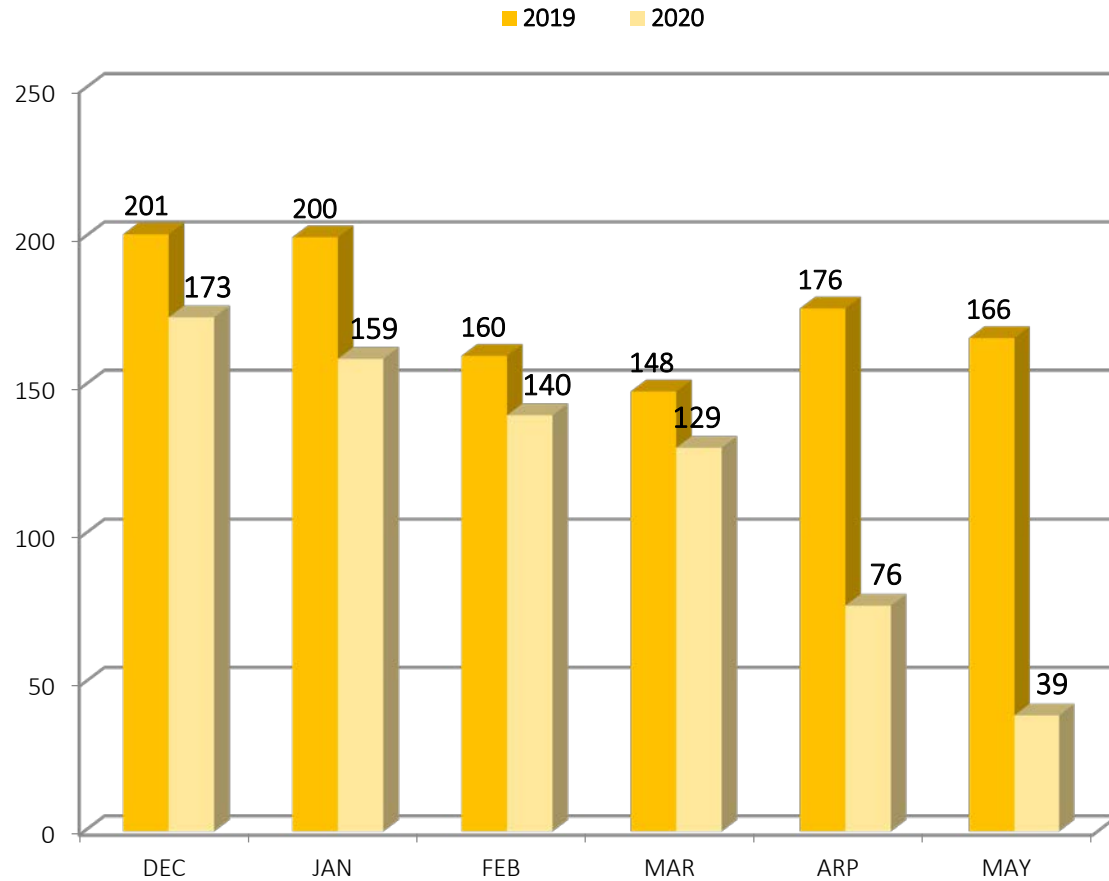
	May 2019	May 2020
ADOLESCENTS	19 Individuals	10 Individuals
FAMILIES	162 Individuals 54 Average Families	212 Individuals 74 Average Families
ADULTS	282 Individuals	200 Individuals
Total	463 Individuals	422 Individuals

OXFORD STREET SHELTER
MAY 2020
Intakes by Residency

MAINE TOWN						OUT-OF-STATE						OUT-OF-COUNTRY	

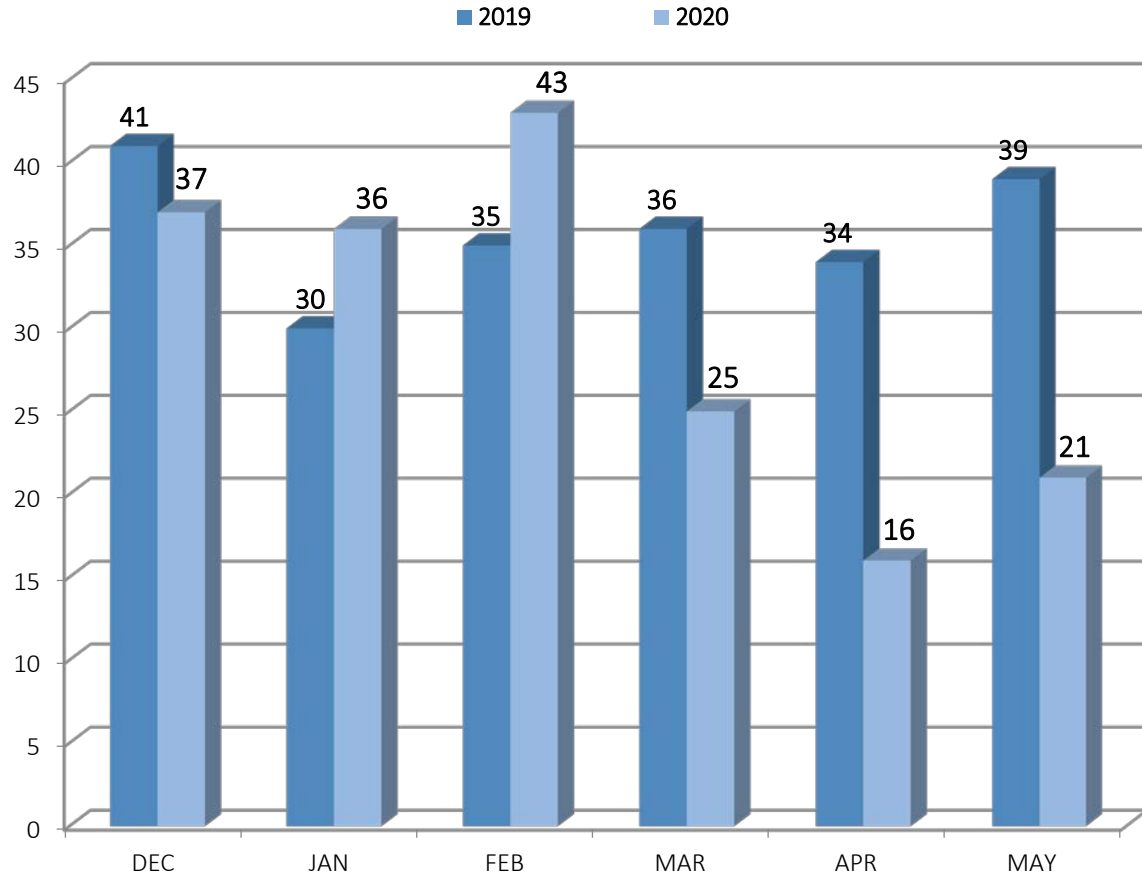
MAINE TOWN:		OUT-OF-STATE:		OUT-OF-COUNTRY:		PORTLAND:		Unknown:		TOTAL:	0
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PORTLAND, CITY-WIDE MAY 2020 SHELTER INTAKES BY MONTH



3	INTAKES
Through These Doors	9/11
Family Shelter	0/0
Joe Kreisler	2
Milestone	3
Oxford Street (Men)	0
Oxford Street (Women)	0
Florence House	6
Sullivan Wellness Shelter	19
TOTAL	39

PORTLAND, CITY-WIDE MAY 2020 HOUSING PLACEMENTS BY MONTH

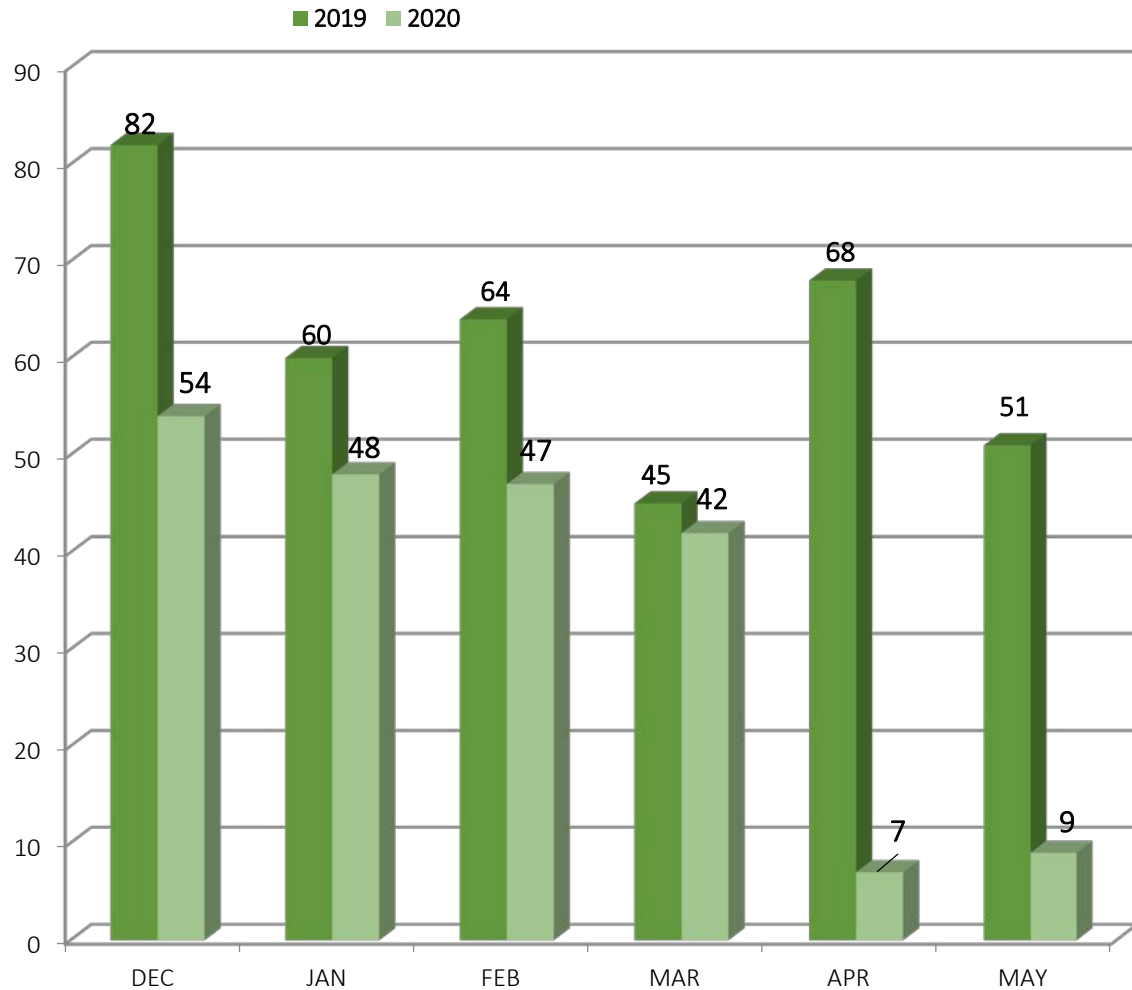


*Starting November, 2013, Oxford Street Shelter shifted prioritization of housing placements to their 30 longest-term stayers.

	TOTAL HOUSING PLACEMENTS	TRANSITIONAL	PERMANENT
Through These Doors	4/6	2/2	2/4
Family Shelter	5/19		3/12
Joe Kreisler	3	3	
Milestone	0		
Oxford Street (Men)	6		6
Oxford Street (Women)	0		0
Florence House	4	1	3
Sullivan Wellness Shelter	1		1
TOTAL	21	6	15

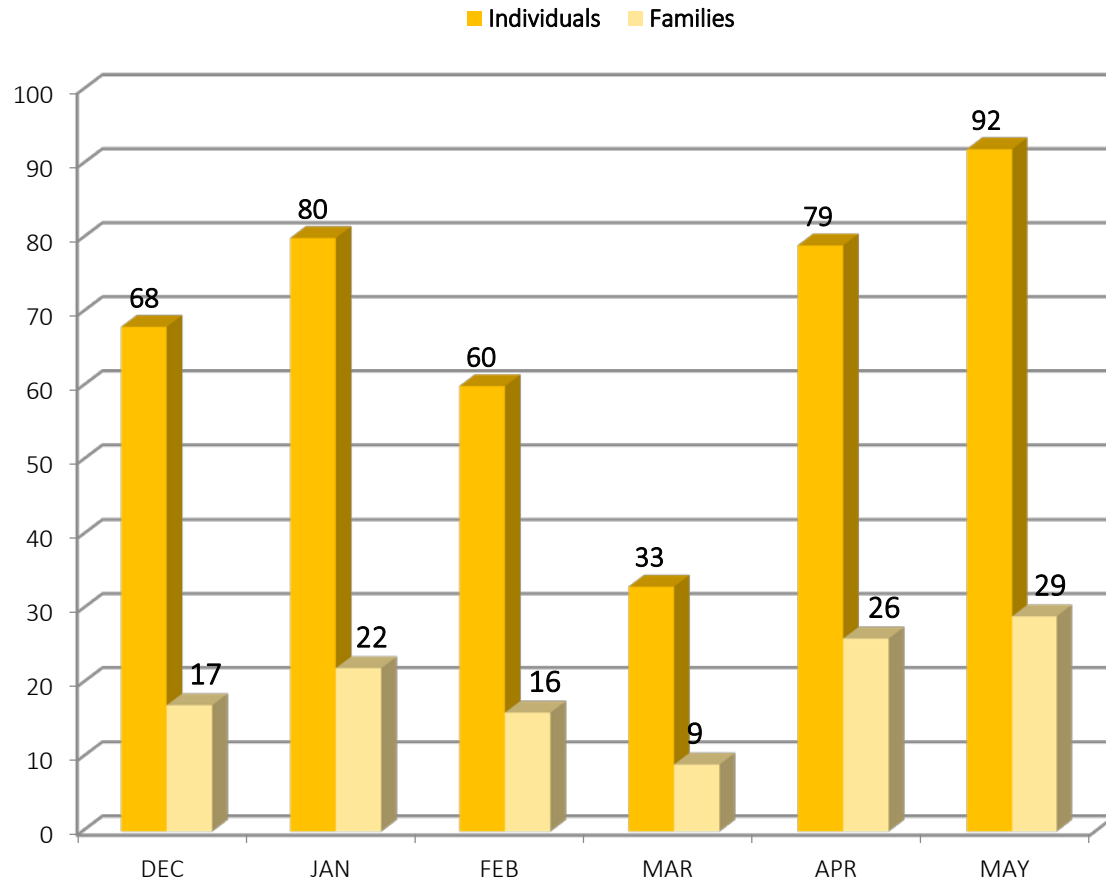
PORTLAND, CITY-WIDE MAY 2020

1st TIME HOMELESSNESS STATISTICS (BASED ON SELF-REPORTING)



1 ST TIME HOMELESSNESS STATISTICS	1 st Time Homeless Intakes	% of Total Intake	% of Total First Time Homeless Intakes
Through These Doors	7/11	18%	78%
Family Shelter	0/0	%	%
Joe Kreisler	0	%	%
Milestone	0	%	%
Oxford Street (Men)	0	%	%
Oxford Street (Women)	0	%	%
Florence House	2	5%	22%
Sullivan Wellness Shelter	0	%	%
TOTAL	9	23%	100%

PORTLAND, CITY-WIDE MAY 2020 WARMING CENTER STATISTICS BY MONTH

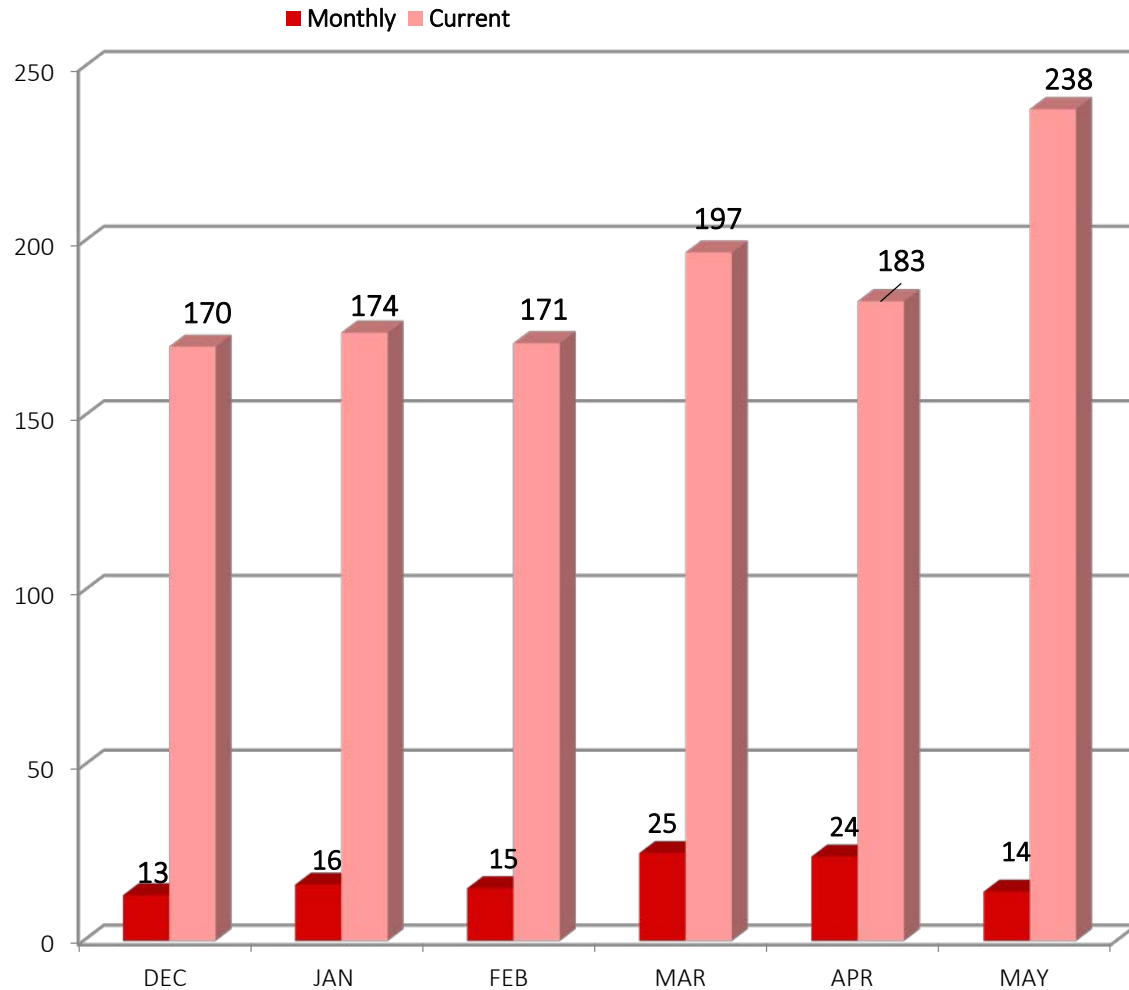


Warming Center	
Intakes	6/21
Housing Placements	2/7
Family Promise	/

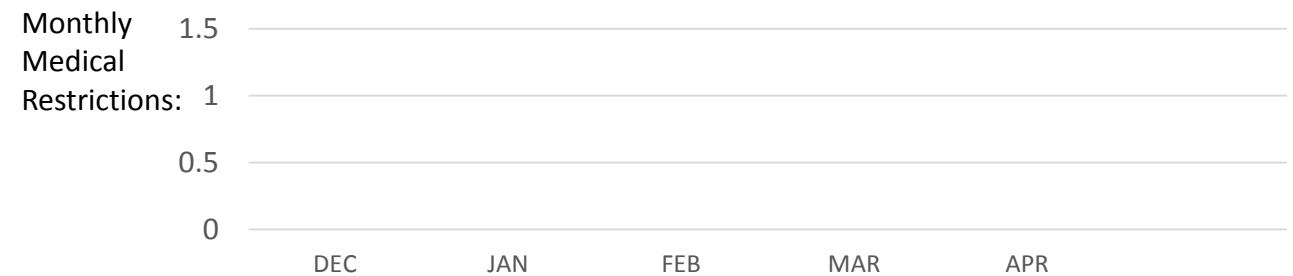
Date	Families	Individuals
1	28	87
2	28	87
3	28	87
4	28	87
5	29	92
6	29	92
7	29	92
8	30	95
9	30	95
10	30	95
11	30	95
12	30	95
13	29	93
14	29	93
15	30	92
16	29	92
17	29	92
18	29	92
19	29	92
20	29	92
21	29	92
22	28	87
23	28	87
24	28	87
25	28	87
26	29	91
27	30	97
28	30	97
29	31	97
30	31	97
31	33	97

PORTLAND, CITY-WIDE MAY 2020 CTOs FROM SHELTER

*Not a shelter guest



CTO STATISTICS	CTOs in the Month	Medical Restrictions by Month	Current CTOs
Family Shelter	0	0	1*
Joe Kreisler	0	0	6
Milestone	5	0	108
Oxford Street Shelter	8	0	120
Florence House	1	0	3
Sullivan Wellness Shelter	0	0	0
TOTAL	14	0	238



PORTLAND, CITY-WIDE MAY 2020 SHELTER COUNT BY NIGHT

On May: 11th

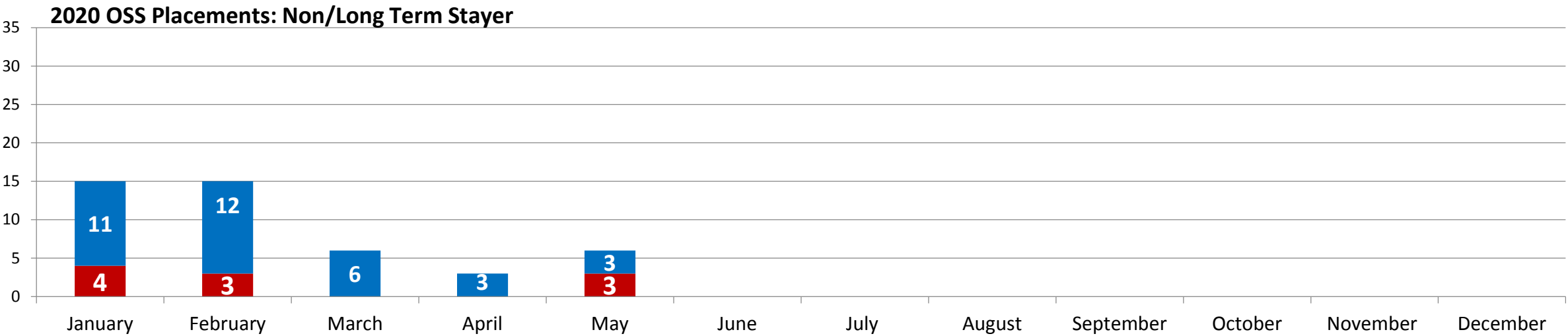
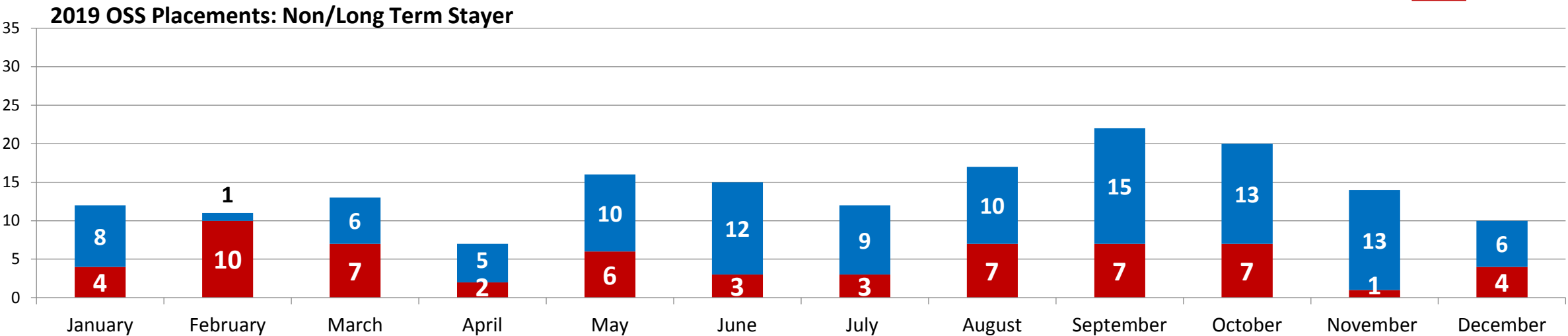
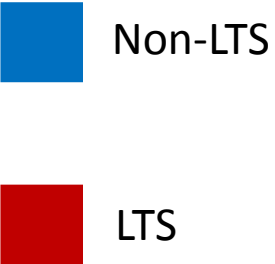
446 individuals

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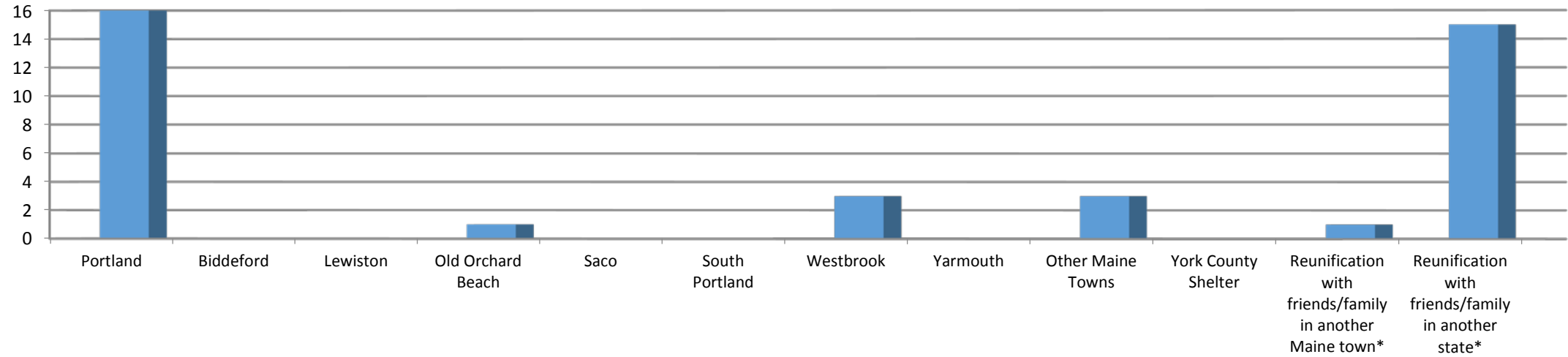
were utilizing shelter services in
Portland

Calendar Day	Through These Doors	Family Shelter	Florence House	Joe Kreisler	Milestone	OSS Beds	Sullivan Wellness Shelter	Total Bed Nights
1	14	195	35	11	29	95	48	427
2	14	195	33	8	24	86	48	408
3	14	195	35	10	28	88	45	415
4	14	195	36	12	29	103	42	431
5	16	200	36	12	26	95	42	427
6	16	200	35	13	33	97	46	440
7	16	200	34	9	26	97	47	429
8	17	199	33	10	29	95	44	427
9	17	199	32	12	31	100	47	438
10	17	199	32	12	29	100	45	434
11	19	199	34	11	34	100	49	446
12	19	199	37	10	30	94	49	438
13	19	193	36	10	31	90	45	424
14	19	193	33	12	27	92	43	419
15	19	192	35	10	30	90	40	416
16	19	192	33	9	23	93	47	416
17	19	192	36	8	37	97	48	437
18	19	192	34	9	31	95	48	428
19	16	192	37	11	30	92	48	426
20	17	192	36	10	30	95	47	427
21	18	192	34	11	31	94	48	428
22	19	183	36	10	26	82	45	401
23	19	183	34	11	27	91	44	409
24	19	183	34	8	27	92	46	409
25	19	183	33	9	25	92	48	409
26	19	187	32	8	28	88	49	411
27	23	193	35	8	21	86	49	415
28	24	193	30	9	18	84	50	408
29	24	193	30	10	17	87	50	411
30	24	193	33	9	16	86	48	409
31	24	193	35	6	18	85	44	405
Total*	572	5,989	1,058	308	841	2,861	1,439	13,068
Avg/night*	18	193	34	10	27	92	46	422
Highest*	24	200	37	13	37	103	50	446
Lowest*	14	183	30	6	16	82	40	401

OXFORD STREET SHELTER & COMMUNITY OVERFLOW HOUSING PLACEMENT DATA



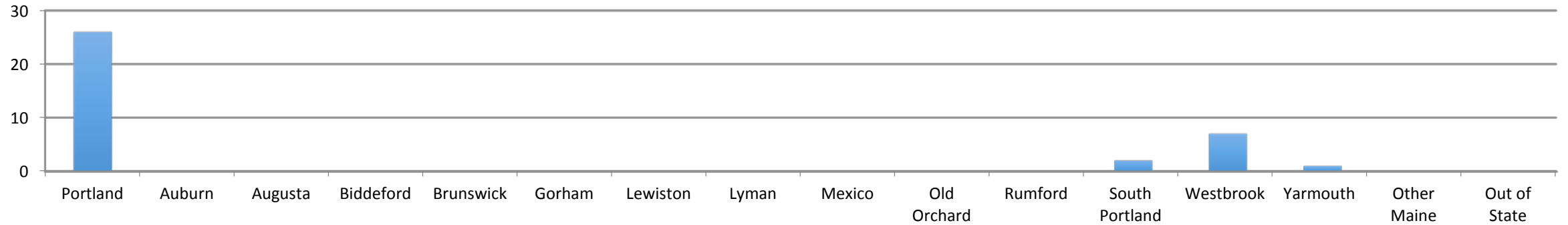
OXFORD STREET SHELTER & COMMUNITY OVERFLOW PERMANENT AND TRANSITIONAL 2020 HOUSING PLACEMENT DATA



	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	TOTAL	%
TOTAL HOUSING PLACEMENTS	15	15	6	3	6								45	100%
Portland	6	7	2	1	5								16	41%
Biddeford														0.0%
Lewiston														0.0%
Old Orchard Beach	1												1	2.6%
Saco														0.0%
South Portland														0.0%
Westbrook			1	2	1								3	7.7%
Yarmouth														0.0%
Other Maine Towns		2	1										3	7.7%
York County Shelter														0.0%
Reunification with friends/family in another Maine town*	1												1	2.6%
Reunification with friends/family in another state*	7	6	2										15	38.5%

FAMILY SHELTER
PERMANENT AND TRANSITIONAL
HOUSING PLACEMENT DATA

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