

Hoosier Uplands 2018 Community Needs Assessment Data



In 2018, the Sagamore Institute performed a statewide needs assessment along with a local community needs assessment for each of the Community Action Agencies across the state. This document reflects a synopsis of the local data collected for our Community Action counties: Lawrence, Martin, Orange, and Washington for community need as well as client feedback on services.

Highest Community Needs

This first table reflects the top 15 categories in which stakeholders reported the highest need for our four county service area. The top five needs in our four county service area, according to the stakeholder survey, are *Substance Abuse Assistance*, *Child/Adolescent Mental Health Support*, *Childcare*, *Adult Mental Health Support*, and *Permanent Affordable Housing*.

Need Category	1 - Great Need	2 - Moderate Need	3 - Limited Need	4 - Not Needed at All	Unsure
Substance Abuse Assistance	96%	4%	0%	0%	0%
Child/Adolescent Mental Health Support	73%	23%	0%	0%	4%
Childcare	69%	27%	4%	0%	0%
Adult Mental Health Support	69%	27%	4%	0%	0%
Permanent Affordable Housing	65%	35%	0%	0%	0%
Help with Food	65%	27%	8%	0%	0%
Help with Transportation	65%	19%	12%	4%	0%
Help with Affordable Housing	65%	35%	0%	0%	0%
Youth Programs	62%	31%	8%	0%	0%
Teen Programs	62%	31%	8%	0%	0%
Financial Education/Literacy	62%	27%	8%	0%	4%
Temporary/Emergency Shelters for Families.	62%	23%	15%	0%	0%
Help with Utilities	62%	35%	4%	0%	0%
Parenting Skills Training	58%	35%	8%	0%	0%
Credit Counseling	58%	27%	8%	0%	8%

Highest Need for Programs based on lack of Accessibility

This second table reflects the 15 programs in which stakeholders perceived to be the least accessible, indicating a high need for these types of programs. The top five least accessible programs, according to stakeholders, were *Temporary/Emergency Shelters for Single Men, Drop-in Centers, Runaway Shelters for Teens, Help with Transportation, and Credit Counseling.*

Accessibility of Program	1-Very	2-Moderately	3-Somewhat	4-Not Very	Unsure
Temporary/Emergency Shelters for Single Men	8%	8%	15%	65%	4%
Drop-in Centers (e.g., showers, mail, clothing, etc.)	12%	4%	12%	65%	8%
Runaway Shelters for Teens	8%	8%	12%	58%	15%
Help with Transportation	8%	8%	19%	58%	4%
Credit Counseling	8%	12%	15%	54%	12%
Temporary/Emergency Shelters for Families.	8%	15%	19%	54%	4%
Transitional Housing	8%	15%	12%	54%	12%
Homelessness Prevention	8%	12%	15%	54%	12%
Parenting Skills Training	12%	19%	23%	46%	0%
Services for Non-citizens/Illegal Aliens	4%	8%	15%	46%	27%
Tuition Assistance	8%	19%	12%	46%	15%
Permanent Supportive Housing	12%	19%	15%	46%	8%
Safe Havens for Persons with Mental Illness	8%	12%	8%	46%	27%
Substance Abuse Assistance	8%	8%	39%	42%	4%
Domestic Violence Shelters	12%	15%	27%	42%	4%

Highest need for Programs based on lack of Effectiveness of Current Community Programs

This third table reflects the 15 program areas in which stakeholders feel are the least effective in the community currently, indicating a high need for these types of programs. The top five least effective programs, according to the stakeholder survey, are *Temporary/Emergency Shelters for Families*, *Runaway Shelters for Teens*, *Safe Havens for Persons with Mental Illness*, *Domestic Violence Shelters*, and *Removal of Blight/Vacant Homes*.

Effectiveness of Program	1-Very	2-Moderately	3-Somewhat	4-Not Very	Unsure
Temporary/Emergency Shelters for Families	4%	19%	8%	46%	23%
Runaway Shelters for Teens	0%	15%	8%	46%	31%
Safe Havens for Persons with Mental Illness	0%	15%	8%	46%	31%
Domestic Violence Shelters	8%	31%	12%	42%	8%
Removal of Blight/Vacant Homes	4%	19%	15%	42%	19%
Temporary/Emergency Shelters for Single Men	8%	15%	19%	39%	19%
Permanent Supportive Housing	8%	23%	12%	39%	19%
Drop-in Centers (e.g., showers, mail, clothing, etc.)	4%	12%	8%	39%	39%
Youth Programs	0%	23%	15%	35%	27%
Teen Programs	0%	27%	12%	35%	27%
Services for Non-Citizens/Illegal Aliens	0%	4%	12%	35%	50%
Specialty Care	0%	27%	19%	35%	19%
Substance Abuse Assistance	8%	19%	19%	35%	19%
Tuition Assistance	0%	23%	15%	35%	27%
Social Security Application Assistance	0%	19%	12%	35%	35%

The following information reflects the opinions of services based on client feedback that was provided as part of this survey.



