Chicago Continuum of Care (CoC)
Areas of Priority and Interest

The following are areas of priority and interest related to preventing and ending homelessness in Chicago. The priorities and interests are all drawn from both local and national source documents. Requests for HMIS data will be reviewed for how they align with and further these priority and interest areas.

System Goals & Performance Measures
(sourced from local System Goals & national System Performance Measures)

a) Length of time persons experience homelessness
b) Returns of homelessness
c) Number of persons experiencing homelessness, overall & for Priority Populations
d) Persons experiencing first time homelessness
e) Attainment and increase of income and benefits for persons experiencing, and previously, homeless
f) Housing placement and retention for persons experiencing, and previously, homeless
   • Including movement from street homelessness to sheltered destinations
   • Including access to stable and affordable housing

System Improvements & Capacity Building
(sourced from Chicago Plan 2.0)

a) Homeless prevention
b) Coordinated entry system
c) Crisis response system, including homelessness diversion
d) Program models
e) Cross-systems integration
f) Reaching Priority Populations
g) Advocacy and civic engagement

Priority Populations
(sourced from Chicago Plan 2.0 & national USICH Strategic Plan)

a) Veterans
b) Chronic Homelessness
c) Families
d) Youth (24 years old or younger)