



# HMIS

Homeless Management  
Information System

At its core, it is a database used to store information about the homeless population of an area. The data stored can be used to generate reports that helps determine the size, needs and the characteristics of the population.



**Grant Writing**



**Program Performance  
Evaluation**

# History of HMIS-2001

Community Stakeholders  
Technology Experts  
Focus Groups  
Consumers

July 2004

# CoC

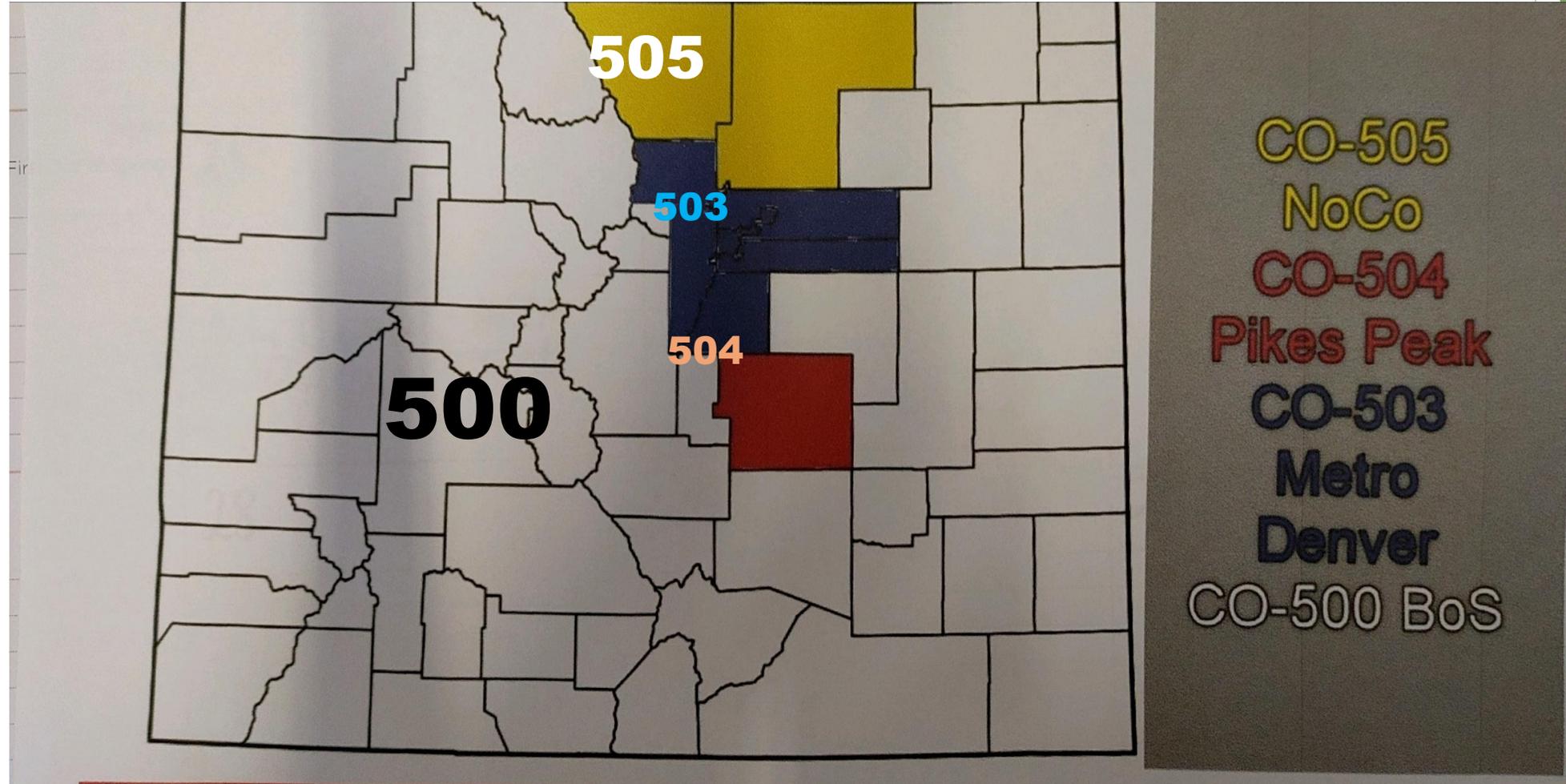
The Continuum of Care (CoC) is a HUD based program committed to the goal of ending homelessness

El Paso County-504

Denver Metro-503

Northern Colorado (Larimer/Weld Counties)- 505

Balance of the State not serviced by other counties-500



# Program Types

**Services only-** Groceries, Bus Passes, Vouchers for ID's, Clothing, Food Boxes, etc.

**Emergency Shelters-** Temporary Indoor Sleeping Accommodations where other resources are not available

**Rapid Re-housing-** Provide rent or utility assistance to keep individuals in a stable housing environment while the household works out situations like unstable income

**Transitional Housing-** Provide housing and supportive services for up to two years to help individuals stabilize and possibly move into permanent housing on their own.

**Permanent Supportive Housing-** Housing for those most in need of supportive housing in the community.

▶ Partner Agency-

Local homelessness service organizations who enter data into HMIS

**PUEBLO  
RESCUE  
MISSION**

# Universal Identifier Elements



- ▶ Name
- ▶ Social Security Number
- ▶ Date of Birth
- ▶ Race
- ▶ Ethnicity
- ▶ Gender
- ▶ Veteran Status

# Program Specific Data Elements

Income and Sources	Non-cash benefits	Health Insurance	Physical Disability	Developmental Disability
Chronic Health Conditions	HIV/AIDS	Mental health Disorder	Substance Use Disorder	Domestic Violence
Current Living Situation	Date of Engagement	Bed-Night Date	Coordinated Entry Assessment	Coordinated Entry Event

## Data Entry Time Frame

Program Type	Minimum Data Elements	Time Frame for Entry
Emergency Shelters	Housing Check-In/Check Out, Services	Same Day
Transitional Housing Programs	Program Entry/Exit, Services	7 Calendar Days
Permanent Supportive Housing Programs	Program Entry/Exit, Services	7 Calendar Days
Rapid Re-Housing Programs	Program Entry/Exit, Services	7 Calendar Days After Enrollment/Eligibility is Established
Homelessness Prevention Programs	Program Entry/Exit, Services	7 Calendar Days After Enrollment/Eligibility is Established
Outreach Programs	Services	2 Working Days

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Data Element	Missing	Don't Know or Refuse	Missing	Don't Know or Refuse	Missing	Don't Know or Refuse
First & Last Name	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
SSN	0%	5%	0%	5%	0%	5%
Date of Birth	0%	2%	0%	2%	0%	5%
Race	5%	5%	5%	5%	10%	10%
Ethnicity	5%	5%	5%	5%	10%	10%
Gender	5%	5%	5%	5%	10%	10%
Veteran Status	5%	5%	5%	5%	10%	10%
Disabling Condition	5%	5%	5%	5%	10%	10%
Residence Prior to Entry	5%	5%	5%	5%	10%	10%
Zip of Last Perm. Address	5%	5%	5%	5%	10%	10%
Housing Status (Entry)	0%	5%	0%	5%	10%	10%
Housing Status (Exit)	0%	5%	0%	5%	10%	10%
Income & Benefits (Entry)	0%	5%	0%	5%	10%	10%
Income & Benefits	0%	5%	0%	5%	10%	10%

# Data Quality Standards

# Why is HMIS Important

**Helps HUD  
understand  
patterns of  
homelessness**

**Evaluates  
program  
effectiveness**

**Funding  
Opportunities**

**Connects  
clients better  
to needed  
resources**

**Eliminates gaps  
in community  
planning  
projects**

# Benefits of Participation:

Client

End user

Agency

Community