

# Benton County Community Health Improvement Planning

## Housing, Transportation, and Development

Affordable, safe housing is critical for health. Convenient public transportation improves access to work, healthcare, food, and exercise. Development can support our community's health.

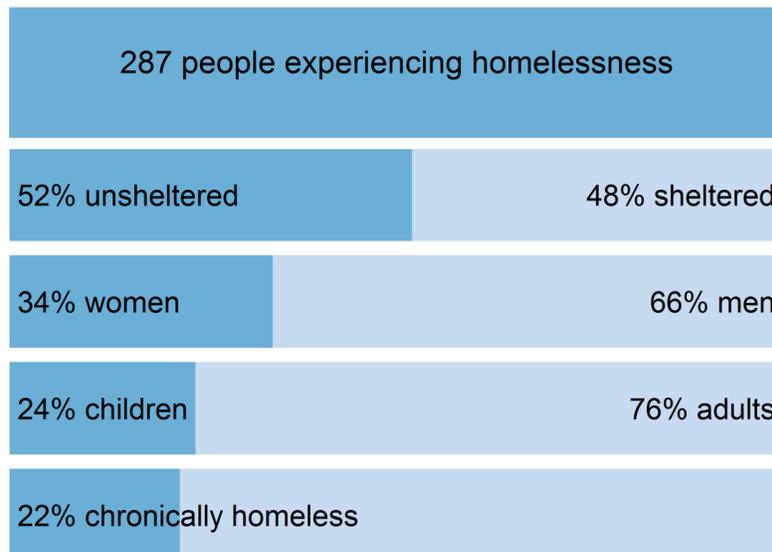
### Key Health Data

- 2 out of 3 households that earn less than \$50,000 a year struggle to pay their housing costs.
- Over 3 percent of Benton County children experience homelessness each year.
- Half of Benton County community members live within 1/4 mile of a bus stop, but almost all of them live in Corvallis.
- Nearly 20 percent of workers commute on a bus, a bicycle, or by walking.

### Focus on: Homelessness

Approximately 1 out of every 100 people in Benton County are homeless.

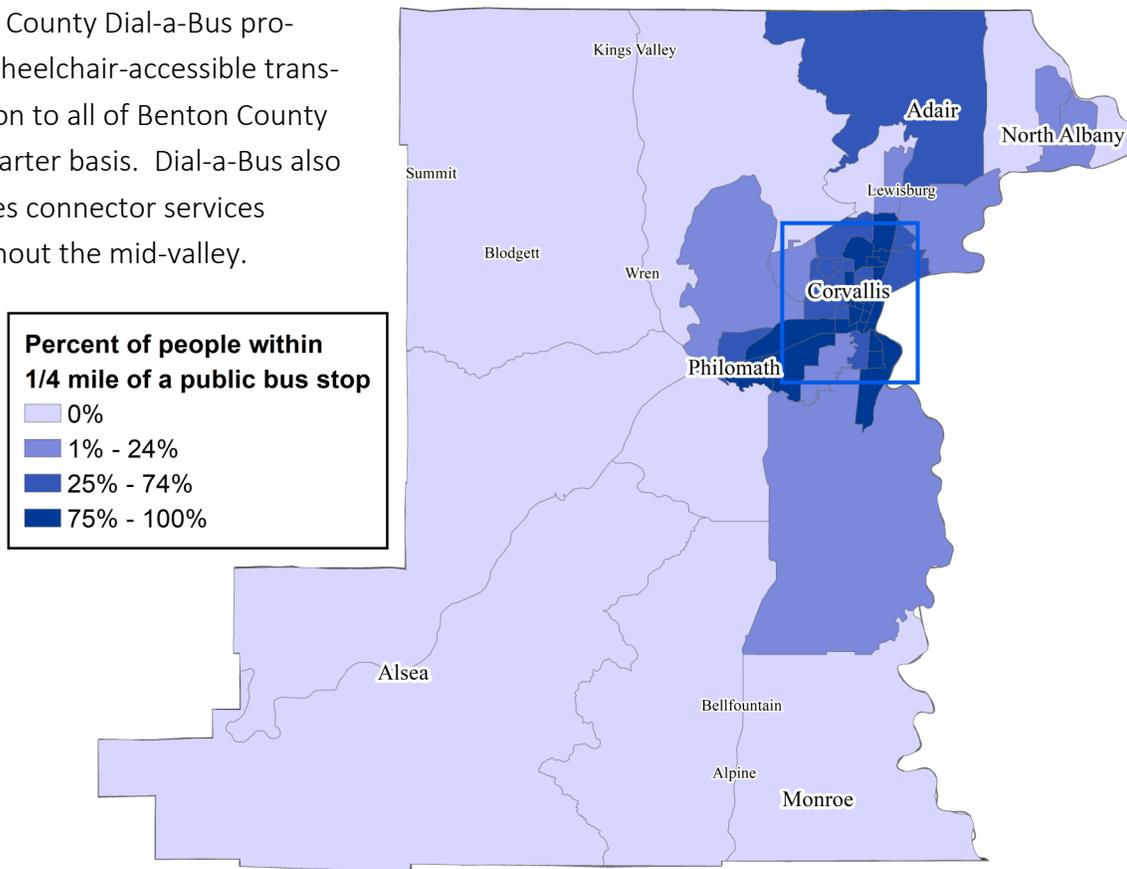
On one night in January, 2017, there were



## Focus on: Access to public transportation

Corvallis has comprehensive, regular bus service, while Philomath has the Philomath Connection and Adair Village has the 99 Express. North Albany has limited bus service as part of the City of Albany. Most of the rest of the county has no regular bus service.

Benton County Dial-a-Bus provides wheelchair-accessible transportation to all of Benton County on a charter basis. Dial-a-Bus also operates connector services throughout the mid-valley.



### To learn more:

Visit this website: [bit.ly/BentonCountyCHIP](http://bit.ly/BentonCountyCHIP) to see all seven themes in an interactive webpage.

Read the [2017 Community Health Assessment](#) on the Benton County Health Department website for much more data.

Take this survey to help us prioritize 3 themes for our Community Health Improvement Plan: [www.surveymonkey.com/r/2018CHIPpriorities](http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2018CHIPpriorities).