



Elderly Homeless – Cesar Chavez Conference

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The Facts of
Persons
Experiencing
Homelessness

- **42,999 homeless in Maricopa County 2019 (State = 62,565)**
- **9,646 Homeless in PIT count in 2019; Vets = 832**
- **4x increase in chronically homeless in last 3 years (Per PIT)**
- **The fastest growing group of homeless are persons over 55**

FACTS ABOUT SENIORS

10,000

Americans turning 65 every day

30%

of those are ENTIRELY dependent on Social Security for their retirement

265,000

estimated homeless seniors by 2026

2036

the year Social Security depletes reserves

45%

number of Americans over 65 having trouble meeting their most basic needs

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Homeless Elderly in Arizona

- Central Arizona Shelter Services (55 and over)
- 2018 - 2019 = 1,300
- 107% increase of elderly





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2015 – 250
2019 – 1,500

Why elderly homeless?

Lack of income

Lack of family supports

Evictions

Lack of affordable housing

Inability to access public resources



Unique Characteristics of Elderly Homeless

- Majority homeless for first time
- Low Social Security income
- Physical and Mental health issues
 - Lack of mobility
 - Hypertension
 - Diabetes
 - Chronic Pulmonary Disease
- Loss of support systems



Resources

- Human Service Campus/Brian Garcia Center - [\(602\) 229-5155](tel:6022295155)
 - Justa Center - [\(602\) 254-6524](tel:6022546524)
 - Central Arizona Shelter Services (See HSC)
 - Homeless I D Project - [\(602\) 223-3427](tel:6022233427)
 - Circle the City Healthcare - [\(602\) 776-0776](tel:6027760776)
 - AARP – [\(866\) 389-5649](tel:8663895649)
 - Area Agency for the Aging - [\(602\) 264-4357](tel:6022644357)
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