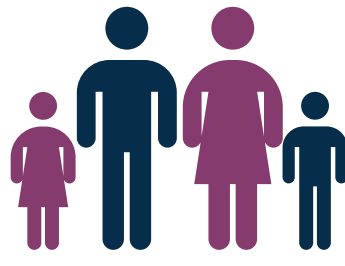


# YOUTH HOMELESSNESS IN CHICAGO

AGE 14-24  
**13,663**

people experiencing homelessness were single unaccompanied youth



IN 2019  
**17,150**

people in families with children were experiencing homelessness



**495**

## YOUTH-HEADED FAMILIES

experienced street and shelter homelessness in families headed by youth (age 14-24)

**65%**

BLACK

**13%**

HISPANIC

**12%**

WHITE

**6%**

MULTIRACIAL

**5%**

OTHER



**21%**

Cook County youth experiencing homelessness are LGBTQ+



**3 OUT OF 5**

youth said they had been the victims of violence in the prior 12 months

**1/3**

youth experiencing homelessness in Chicago blame family conflict for their experience of homelessness

## PAST EXPERIENCE

**25%**

in detention or incarcerated

**10%**

in foster care

**14%**

both

## YOUTH HOMELESSNESS LOOKS DIFFERENT THAN ADULT HOMELESSNESS

In Cook County

**58%**

of youth have used 3 or more sleeping arrangements

**38%**

of youth have used 2 or more sleeping arrangements



Types of sleeping arrangements while unstably housed in Cook County



**95%**

Couch surfing



**95%**

Shelter



**63%**

Streets



**300**

YOUTH SHELTER BEDS AVAILABLE



UP TO **3,000**

youths grapple with homelessness each night in Chicago

WE NEED TO EXPAND SERVICES FOR YOUTH EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS IN CHICAGO BY SUPPORTING:

- ✓ Transitional housing
- ✓ Early Intervention
- ✓ Youth Engagement & Outreach
- ✓ Drop-In Resources
- ✓ Supportive Services
- ✓ Flexible Housing Pool for Youth