

# HOMELESSNESS IN SOUTHERN NEVADA

## FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN

# 184,661 homeless

On any given night, 184,661 persons in 57,991 households with children experience homelessness in the United States.

106 families with children were homeless in Southern Nevada on a single night in January 2018. This means they were living in a place not meant for human habitation, such as in a car or on the street, staying in a shelter or other transitional housing.

# 106

homeless  
on a  
single  
night

# 93%

of mothers  
experience **trauma**

## Risk Factors

- A lack of affordable housing,
- Domestic violence or other trauma
- Unemployment
- Natural disaster

A study of families experiencing homelessness found that 93% of homeless mothers experienced at least one trauma and 81% experienced multiple traumatic events with violent victimization being the most common traumatic experience.

# 15,000

When including families who were living doubled-up with other families in a single home and families living unstably in weekly hotels, the number of children experiencing homelessness in Southern Nevada rises to more than 15,000

## Housing affordability places low income families at risk.

For a single-parent family to afford a two-bedroom apartment at fair market rent in Las Vegas they would need to earn at least \$18.50 an hour.

## Homelessness affects a child's social, physical, and academic life.

Homeless children commonly suffer physical, psychological, and emotional damage due to the circumstances that accompany episodes of homelessness