



Data Matters, August 2010

Spotlight

[Homeless service use in Minnesota: Federal fiscal year 2009](#)

The second installment of the Minnesota homeless service use report is now available. Like the previous year, this reports on clients served in emergency shelter and transitional housing programs in Minnesota. This report also includes an in-depth look at veterans served throughout the year.

Service Pointer

Don't forget to use the data entry forms!

There were a number of changes made to data entry requirements this year. To ensure you're collecting all the required data-and doing it as simply and quickly as possible, funder-specific data entry forms are

HMIS USER APPRECIATION AWARDS

Do you have a star HMIS performer at your agency? Does your agency use HMIS data to improve service to clients? Do you promote HMIS as a data management and reporting tool? Send in your nominations for the user appreciation awards! We are looking for nominations for two awards:

The *Data Matters Award* can go to a person, agency, or CoC that uses data from HMIS for program or agency reports, analysis, outcomes measures, funding requests, etc.

The *I Love HMIS Award* can go to a person, agency, or CoC that positively promotes HMIS as a data and reporting tool.

Please send your [completed nomination](#) form to Matt Thiede at hmis@wilder.org by **September 15, 2010**. All HMIS user appreciation Awards will be announced and presented at the [2010 Minnesota Coalition for the Homeless Conference](#) in November.

2010 Annual Homeless Assessment Report (AHAR)

The reporting period for the 2010 Annual Homeless Assessment Report (AHAR) is October 1, 2009 through September 30, 2010. Each year, Wilder submits aggregate data to HUD from all **emergency shelter** and **transitional housing** programs across Minnesota. For the first time this year, we will also submit data from all **permanent supportive housing** programs across the state.

In order to be included in the submitted reports, and ensure that HUD has an accurate and complete picture of your programs, your clients' needs, and homelessness in Minnesota, data for this period should be current by October 15, 2010.

posted in Word
format on each [HMIS
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If you have questions about your data or this year's AHAR,
please contact Emily Warren or Melissa Hansen at
hmis@wilder.org.

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Reports Due

HPRP-QPR: October 5, 2010

DHS Youth: October 15, 2010

ESGP: October 29, 2010

LTH: November 2, 2010

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