

# City of Needles Indicators of Potential Homelessness

## BASIC DEMOGRAPHICS

2010 Population: 4,844  
Population Growth: 0.3%

### Race & Ethnicity for Total Population

Not Hispanic							Hispanic
White	Black*	Indian*	Asian	Islander*	Other*	Two*	**
3,169	90	296	34	6	1	165	1,083

## HOUSING SUPPLY

### Housing Units

Housing Units	Owner Occupied		Renter Occupied		Vacant Housing	
	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%
2,895	1,084	56.5	834	28.8	977	33.7

Foreclosure filings: 8 (May 2011)

Source: 2011 RealtyTrac Real Estate Trends

## RENTER DETAILS

- A household earning \$8/hour at 40 hours/week can afford to spend as much as \$416 per month in rent.
- A renter household needs to earn at least \$18.44 per hour in order for a two-bedroom rental unit at the Fair Market Rent to be affordable.
- An individual whose sole source of income is SSI can afford to spend as much as \$202 in monthly rent.

## AFFORDABILITY

City of Needles Area Median Income: \$30,114 (+/- \$4,948) / Median Gross Rent: \$684 (+/- \$59)

Needles City Income Distribution for Households	< \$10K - \$34.9K	\$35 - \$74.9K	\$75 - \$99.9K	\$100 - \$199.9K	\$200K+
Percentage	56.7%	24.7%	7.7%	10.1%	0.8%
Amount available for Rent	\$0-\$874	\$875-\$1,874	\$1,875-\$2,499	\$2,500-\$4,999	\$5,000+

### Population below poverty level\*\*\*

Count	%
1,448	29.9

### Number of Children Homeless Per School District<sup>A</sup>

District	Total Students	Total Homeless	%
Needles Unified	1,026	44	4.3

## Employment

Unemployment Rate
10.0

There is evidence that experiencing homelessness as a child is associated with experiencing deep poverty and homelessness as an adult.

Source: U.S. Interagency Council on Homelessness

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics – May 2011

## HEALTH

### Estimated Number of Individuals in Needles with Disabilities

Sensory	Physical	Mental	Self-care	Reside Outside-home	Employment	Total
388	779	481	263	484	557	2,952

More than 40% of America's homeless population are people with disabilities – Source: U.S. Dept. - Housing and Urban Development (HUD)

**OTHER****Homeless Individuals Applying for Assistance Last Known Permanent Address for the Period of 12/1/10-5/1/11<sup>B</sup>**

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**RECEIVING AID****Number of Individuals Receiving Aid by Benefit in Needles<sup>C</sup>**

Cash Benefit <sup>A</sup>	Only CalFresh & Medi-Cal	Only Medi-Cal	Only CalFresh	Total on Aid	% of People on Aid
553	455	401	360	1,769	36.5%

<sup>A</sup> Most Cash Benefit recipients also receive CalFresh and Medi-Cal benefits

**Value of Welfare by Benefit for City of Needles<sup>C</sup>**

Cash Benefit	Medi-Cal	CalFresh	Total Monthly	Annual Value
\$113,021	\$500,195	\$176,378	\$789,594	\$9,475,128

**Value of Child Care Paid to Providers by Location<sup>C</sup>**

Community	Child Care paid in January 2011 <sup>α</sup>
Needles	\$4,091

<sup>α</sup>The amount of child-care funds paid to providers in order to assist those moving from welfare to work.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2010 Census Redistricting Data, Table P2

\*The complete Census race descriptions are as follows: White; Black or African American; American Indian and Alaska Native; Asian; Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander; Some other race; and Two or more races.

\*\*Hispanics may be of any race. See 2010 Census Redistricting Data (Public Law 94-171)

\*\*\*Income in the past 12 months - Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2005-2009 American Community Survey

<sup>A</sup>Source: San Bernardino County Superintendent of Schools Homelessness Report by County School District 2009-2010

<sup>B</sup>Source: SB Homeless Management Information System – Meeting the HUD definition of “Literally” Homeless

<sup>C</sup>Source: 2011 Report County Residents Receiving Aid Distribution by Cities. Prepared by Human Services Legislation & Research Unit