Northeast Minnesota Continuum of Care Coordinated Entry Data Summary

Background

This summary reflects data from the Northeast Minnesota Continuum of Care (NE CoC) HMIS Priority List Monitoring Report and reflects the NE CoC's Coordinated Entry System activity between 01/01/2025 – 12/31/2025. The summary also includes early results from the NE CoC's new Housing Problem Solving model that launched in February 2026.

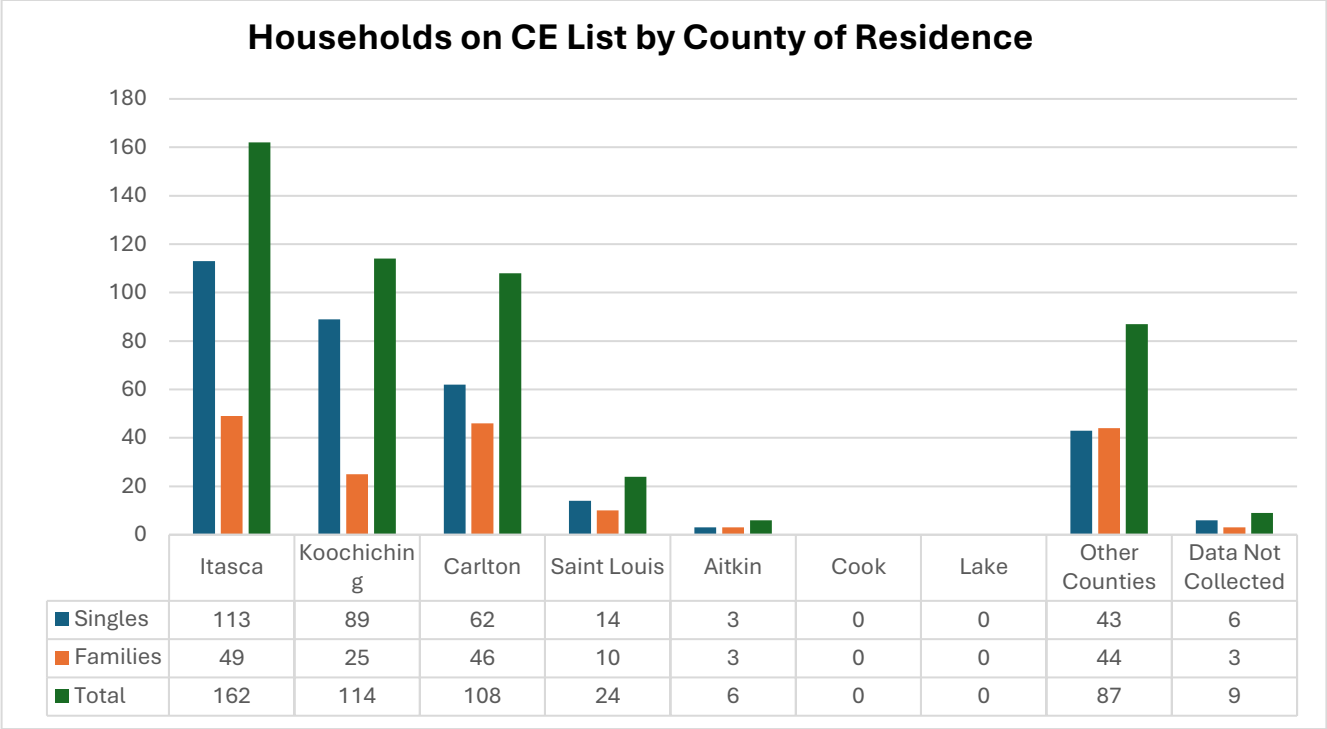
2025 Coordinated Entry Data Summary (01/01/2025 – 12/31/2025)

Who was on the NE CoC Priority List in 2025:

- 492 households (797 people) were on the Coordinated Entry Priority List.
- 330 single households and 162 family households were represented.
- 545 people entered the list during the year and 559 exited.

Where Households Were From

- Most households seeking assistance were from Itasca, Koochiching, and Carlton Counties.
- Most counties had substantially more single households than family households on the list.
- About 5% of households accessing Coordinated Entry were from neighboring St. Louis County.



	Itasca	Koochiching	Carlton	Saint Louis	Aitkin	Cook	Lake	Other Counties	Data Not Collected
Singles	113	89	62	14	3	0	0	43	6
Families	49	25	46	10	3	0	0	44	3
Total	162	114	108	24	6	0	0	87	9

Who Was Seeking Help (Subpopulations):

- 48% reported a disabling condition (384 households).
- 43% were HUD homeless (340).
- 37% met Minnesota long-term homelessness criteria (292).
- 36% were experiencing homelessness for the first time (286).
- 11% were fleeing domestic violence (85).
- 6% were chronically homeless (47).
- 3% were veterans (26).
- Two-thirds of households were single adults (330).

Coordinated Entry Changes Implemented in 2026

What Changed?

- In February 2026, the NE CoC launched Housing Problem Solving as the 2nd step in the Coordinated Entry process (after prescreen, before a full CE housing needs assessment)
- The goal is to help households resolve housing crises more quickly and connect them to the right level of support.
- Not every household needs a full CE assessment to get help.

6 Month Highlights

- 111 households completed Housing Problem Solving.

- Only about ½ of them (51 households) completed a CE assessment and were added to the priority list.
- Some households were connected to resources and supports without needing to complete the full CE process.

What's Working Well

- Connecting households to navigation and a consistent point person throughout the housing process.
- Tailoring the CE process to the level of need.
- Reducing barriers (and saving assessor's limited time) by not collecting unnecessary information upfront.
- Focusing on quickly connecting households to resources and housing options.

Data Summary:

- View a summary of the first six month's of Housing Problem Solving implementation here: https://canva.link/bmqpx088taordes