

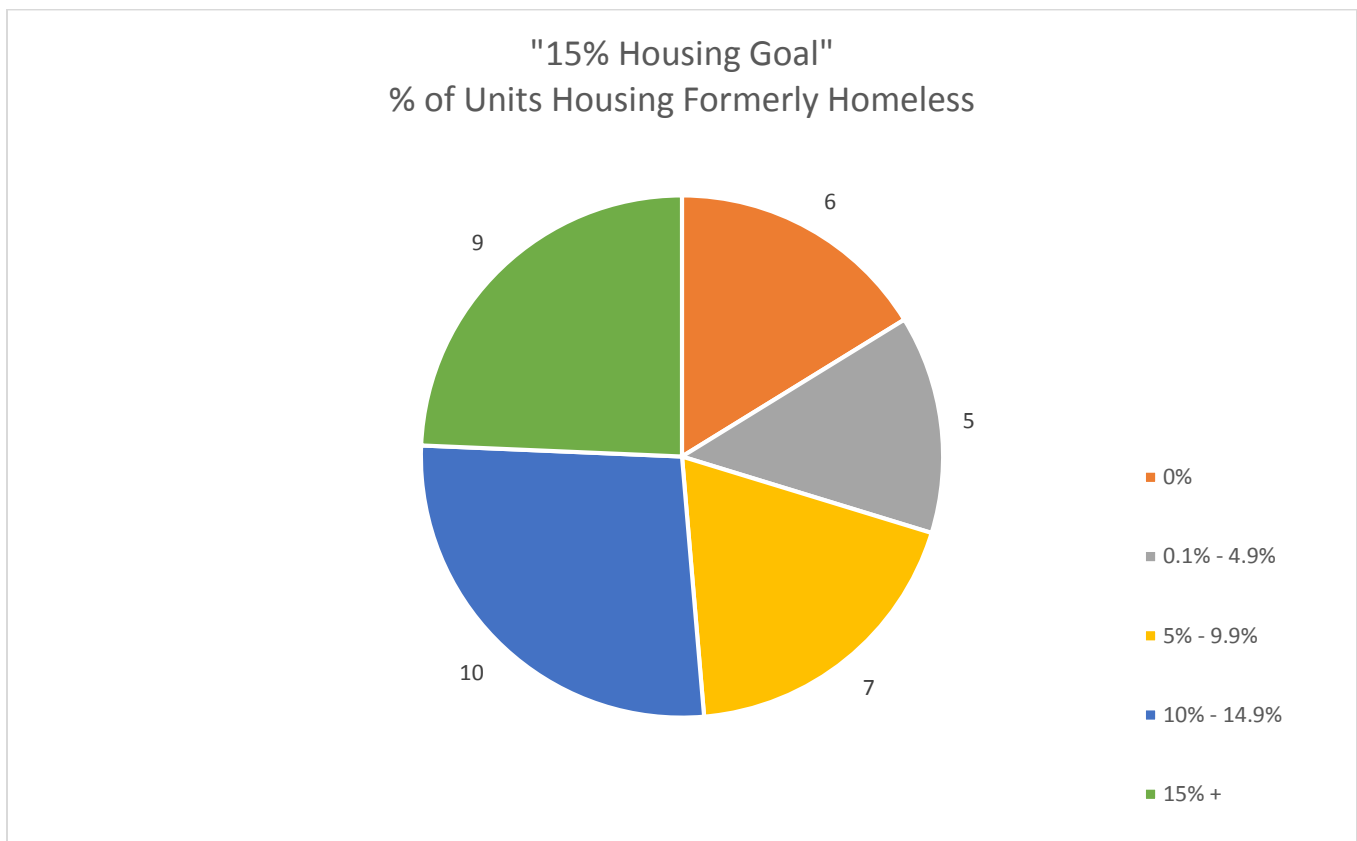
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In April of 2016, Governor Shumlin signed Executive Order 03-16 “Publicly Funded Housing for the Homeless”. The Order established a goal to ensure that at least 15% of the permanent housing units that received state-controlled public funds were available to Vermonters experiencing homelessness. To enhance the partnerships between housing providers and organizations serving those experiencing homelessness, and to track progress towards this goal, the Housing Access Reporting Tool (HART) was created.

Housing organizations that receive funds from Community Development Block Grants, the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board, or the Vermont Housing Finance Agency, were asked to complete the HART to develop data on several factors relating to the utilization of units by households that were experiencing homelessness prior to tenancy.

The following chart breaks out the responses to the question ‘How many of the permanent housing units in your portfolio are occupied by households who were experiencing homelessness at the time of application for the unit?’. In this case, those responding with ‘unknown’ were included in the “0%” category.



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The Housing Access Reporting Tool was first requested from housing providers in State Fiscal Year 2016. These reports represented a “look back” at the previous year’s activity as the HART was only made available in October 2016, part of the way through the 2016 Fiscal Year. State Fiscal Year 2017 was the first full year after the signing of the Executive Order that established the 15% goal. The following chart includes the number of properties that reported in both Fiscal Years. A majority of properties maintained the percentage of their units that are serving those who were experiencing homelessness at the time they applied for the unit.

