

As a member of the **Guam Homeless Coalition's (GHC)**, GHURA will be participating in the annual Point-In-Time (PIT) homeless count, which will take place on **Friday, January 26, 2018**.

The PIT count is an unduplicated count on a single day of homeless individuals and families in sheltered and unsheltered locations. Data from the PIT count provides a statistically reliable snapshot of homeless persons and helps service providers better understand trends in homelessness. The PIT count is conducted with the assistance of volunteers who serve as enumerators.

Each year, volunteers canvas Guam's neighborhoods to count people who appear to be living in places not meant for human habitation. Volunteers also administer a questionnaire about an individual's background and needs. The GHC aims to recruit 250 volunteers for the 2018 count.

In addition to conducting the survey, volunteers will be distributing goodie bags containing hygiene products, canned foods and can opener. The goal is to fill 400 bags with at least 8 canned goods, or 3200 cans. To date, the GHC has collected approximately half that amount. Therefore, GHC is seeking donations for unexpired canned food items. Items should be turned in by January 16, 2018 and will be sorted and assembled in gift bags by volunteers. For more information call WestCare at 989-0234