



**PROJECT  
HOMELESS  
CONNECT**

**Trenton  
and  
Mercer County**



**Tuesday,  
January 26, 2010**

**On Tuesday, January 26, 2010, the Trenton /Mercer Continuum of Care (CoC)** will conduct a Point-In-Time survey of the homeless in Trenton and Mercer County. The purpose of this survey is to count the homeless living on the streets, in emergency shelters and transitional housing programs.

The **Point-In-Time Count (PIT)** survey is a mandate by the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) conducted on a bi-annual basis.

**On January 26, 2010, the day of the Point-In-Time survey, we are also planning a one-day event called Project Homeless Connect (PHC). Project Homeless Connect activities will be 9:00am to 2:00pm, at the First Baptist Church on Centre, Trenton, NJ.**

This event sponsored by community leaders and designed to provide housing referrals, support services, and hospitality in a convenient one-stop format for people experiencing homelessness.

**Last January, we served over 300 individuals at Project Homeless Connect event. The July 2009 event served over 600 people.**

The success of Project Homeless Connect is contingent upon communities joining together with local businesses, private corporations, hospitals, volunteers and a variety of providers to positively affect the lives of the homeless in Trenton and Mercer County.

**There are over 712 individuals and 350 children homeless according to this year's count.** This opportunity can help the homeless to move off the street and be connected with the services that can help move them out of homelessness. It costs everyone more to have these individuals and families on the street.

Please become part of the solution and generously donate to this project. We are in need of volunteers, funding for food, clothing and other necessities.

**Please extend the holiday season into January and help the most fragile of our city and county.**

**In Mercer County,** if you are interested in learning more about this event and would like to participate as a provider, please contact:

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Thank you for your help!