Understanding System Performance Measures: A HUD Federal Report Overview
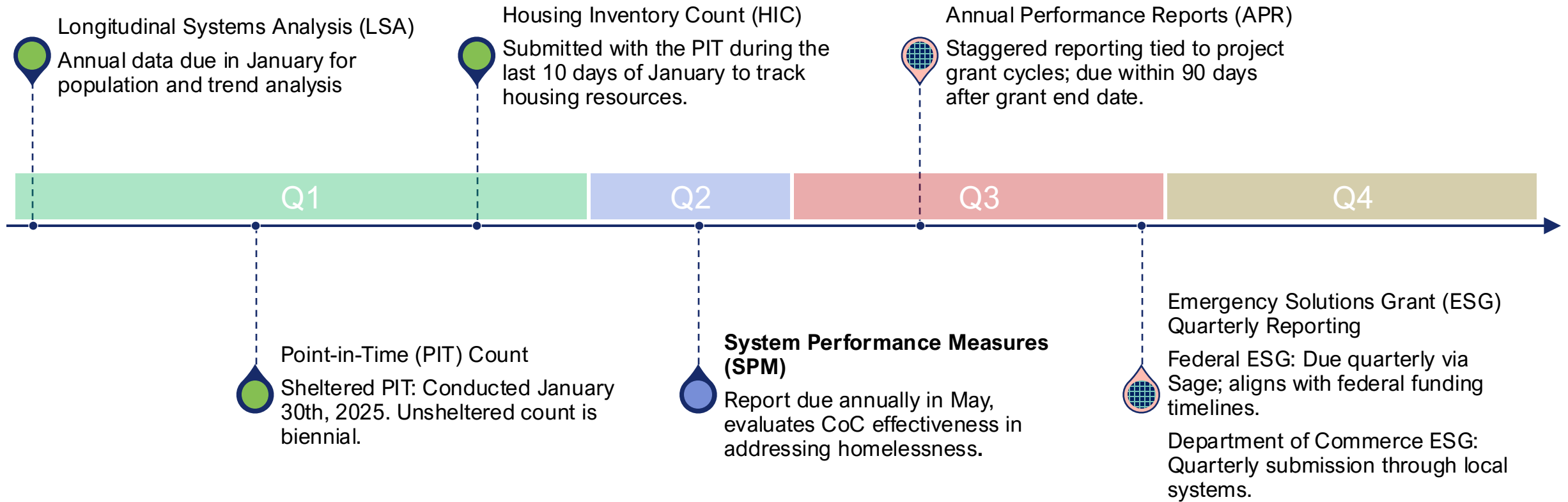
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Goals:

Enhance Understanding: Provide CoC Board members with a clear overview of the System Performance Measures (SPM) report, focusing on Measure 3 (*Number of People Experiencing Homelessness*).

Facilitate Informed Discussion: Create space for advisory board members to ask clarifying questions and deepen their understanding of how the measures reflect system performance.

Support Strategic Use of Data: Identify ways the CoC Board can leverage the SPM report to inform policy decisions and strengthen the region's homelessness response.

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Federal Reporting Calendar

Longitudinal Systems Analysis (LSA)
Annual data due in January for population and trend analysis

Housing Inventory Count (HIC)
Submitted with the PIT during the last 10 days of January to track housing resources.

Annual Performance Reports (APR)
Staggered reporting tied to project grant cycles; due within 90 days after grant end date.

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4

Point-in-Time (PIT) Count
Sheltered PIT: Conducted January 30th, 2025. Unsheltered count is biennial.

System Performance Measures (SPM)
Report due annually in May, evaluates CoC effectiveness in addressing homelessness.

Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Quarterly Reporting
Federal ESG: Due quarterly via Sage; aligns with federal funding timelines.

Department of Commerce ESG: Quarterly submission through local systems.

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System Performance Measures

SPM Report Focus: Measure 3

What's measured	Critical Data Elements
Length of time homeless	Project start and exit dates
Exits to permanent housing	Exit destination
Number Experiencing Homelessness	Compare PIT Counts & Enrollments
Returns to homelessness	Re-enrollment data
Income growth and employment gains	Income & sources at entry, annual, and at exit

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Measure 3:

Number of People Exp. Homelessness

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- Measures change in overall number of homeless individuals

- Assesses *CoC* progress toward reducing homelessness

- Utilizes PIT Count *in combination* with Annual Counts

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Measure 3:

Number of People Exp. Homelessness

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- *3.1* estimates number based on *PIT* count
  - Sheltered counts conducted annually
  - Unsheltered counts conducted biennially

- *3.2* estimates number based on *HMIS* enrollments data
  - Add total active Clients in HMIS, by project type
  - *Unduplicated* records are counted

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Measure 3.1: Number of Homeless Persons

This measures the change in PIT counts of sheltered and unsheltered homeless persons as reported on the PIT (not from HMIS)**

Category	2023 PIT Count	2024 PIT Count	Difference
Total Homeless Persons	**14,149***	**16,868**	**__***
Emergency Shelter Total	4,885	5,601	+716
Transitional Housing Total	1,525	1,399	-126
Safe Haven	54	58	+4
Total Sheltered Count	6,464	7,058	+594
Unsheltered Count	7,685*	9,810	—*

*Note: No unsheltered count was conducted in 2023, so that unsheltered PIT counts for 2023 are carried forward from 2022. We must exercise great caution when evaluating estimated changes in unsheltered population for years without directly comparable data.

**The 2025 PIT was recently submitted to HUD and not yet available for comparison.

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Measure 3.2: Number of Homeless Persons

This measures the change in annual counts of sheltered homeless persons as reported in HMIS across the federal fiscal year.

Category	2023 Count	2024 Count	Change	% Change
Unduplicated Total Sheltered Persons	**15,281**	**14,619**	**-662**	**-4.33%**
Emergency Shelter	13,476	12,904	-572	-4.24%
Safe Haven	146	157	+11	+7.53%
Transitional Housing	2,205	2,022	-183	-8.30%

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Discussion & Questions