

# Polk County Additional Needs

For Des Moines/Polk County to achieve an “optimal” homelessness response system, our community needs to substantially expand several key services.

The "optimal system" is an estimate of what it would take to provide sufficient high-quality services, emergency shelter, and rehousing capacity to fully meet the forecasted number of households anticipated to enter the homelessness system.



## Family Needs

6 additional slots of Homelessness Prevention

29 additional units of Emergency Shelter

6 additional slots of Diversion/Rapid Exit

4 additional slots of Rapid Rehousing

17 additional units of Permanent Supportive Housing



## Individual Needs

43 additional slots of Homelessness Prevention

48 additional units of Emergency Shelter

43 additional slots of Diversion/Rapid Exit

333 additional slots of Rapid Rehousing

523 additional units of Permanent Supportive Housing



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