COMMUNITY HOMELESSNESS REPORT SUMMARY

Saskatoon

2021-2022

Collaboration between Indigenous and Non-Indigenous Partners

Specific to the implementation of Coordinated Access and an HMIS, has there been collaboration between the Designated Community (DC) Community Entity (CE) and local Indigenous organizations?	Yes

Describe how this collaboration was done and how it affected the implementation of Coordinated Access and/or the HMIS. How will it be strengthened in the future?

A) Within the contractual agreements with Designated Community Funded organizations. The DC organizations are required to join HIFIS and Coordinated Access. While the Indigenous Housing funded organizations are not required; it is highly recomended that they participate in HIFIS and Coordinated Access. With these requirements in place, we have been able to bring together community organizations towards a singular project.

In Saskatchewan, the implementation of the Housing Information Partnership Saskatchewan (HIPSK) - which is a group of agencies within Saskatoon, Prince Albert and Regina that use a shared HIFIS system - has enabled the collaboration between DC, CE and Indigenous Organizations. This group includes those such as All Nations Hope Network, Carmichael Outreach Inc. Eage Heart Centre Inc, Namerind Housing Coporation and River Bank Development Corporation. With these partnerships we have been able to implement the HIFIS system within Saskatchewan.

b) This has been done with the consultation of a third party - which implemented local design labs to bring in organizations.These organizations will offer their experience and feedback as to how Coordinated Access will function within the community. The design labs will lay the ground work for the governance structure with these organizations and bring them towards implementing a Coordinated Access Advisory Board. The organizations invited have been DC organizations as well as local Indigenous organizations.

Specific to the implementation of Coordinated Access and an HMIS, has there been collaboration between the DC CE and the Indigenous Homelessness (IH) CE and/or Community Advisory Board (CAB), where applicable?	Not applicable

With respect to the completion of the Community Homelessness Report (CHR), was there collaboration between local Indigenous and non-Indigenous organizations and, where applicable, the IH CE and/or CAB?	Yes
Describe when this collaboration occurred and what parts of the CHR were informed by these efforts.	
The CE and CAB have meetings monthly to discuss the community organizations and gaps in services, what the expectations are from the Reaching Home Directives and the best measures to take to move forward. The Community Entity engages with local Indigneous and non-Indigenous organizations who receive Reaching Home funding; it has been extremely beneficial to providing the CE up-to-date developments needs within the community. This information is then shared with the Community Advisory Board on a continuous basis. It is because of this monitoring and engagement that the CE is able to successfully support the Saskatoon Community to the best of their ability. The Community Homelessness Report is informed through onsite visits with subprojects as well as reports and results gained from these subprojects. These projects come from both local Indigenous and non-Indigenous organizations.	

Does your community have a separate IH CAB?	No

Coordinated Access and Homelessness Management Information System (HMIS) Self-Assessment

Summary Tables

The table below provides a summary of the work your community has done so far to meet the Reaching Home minimum requirements for Coordinated Access and an HMIS.

	Met	Started	Not Yet Started
Number of minimum requirements	6	4	8

The table below shows the percentage of minimum requirements completed for each core Coordinated Access component.

Governance	HMIS	Access Points to Service	Triage and Assessment	Coordinated Access Resource Inventory	Vacancy Matching and Referral
100%	75%	0%	0%	0%	0%

Summary Comment
Are there particular efforts and/or issues that you would like to highlight for this reporting period related to your community's work to achieve the Reaching Home minimum requirements? In particular, please include an update about your community's efforts to set-up, sustain and/or improve the Coordinated Access system and use of an HMIS.
HIFIS Activities During this period we navigated through some issues related to data sovereignty and governance; established a staging and production server in a tested hosting environment; finalized and sent out our data sharing agreement and consent form for review by agencies; and drafted a HIFIS Manual with all policies and settings determined by HIFIS Advisory Committee to date; drafted an Incident Response Plan; performed user testing; developed support documents, developed a website for HIFIS and CA resources and support, working with a graphic designer to develop a partnership logo (HIPSK - Homelessness Information Partnership Saskatchewan) for a common look and feel across documents and resources, developed an online, self-paced HIFIS course in an Learning Management System (LMS), signed and countersigned the Data Sharing Agreement (DSA) with onboarded agencies, delivered 20+ hours of in-person training, and performed other activities to move towards launching HIFIS across Saskatchewan's three DCs. The biggest challenges are related to negotiating liability language in the DSA, working with agencies to meet minimum technical requirements, and resolving a large number of errors resulting from the installation of a firewall on servers. Coordinated Access Coordination and community engagement towards partnership has started - bringing together all DC and IH proponents to implement and further explain the next steps regarding coordinated access. Work has been done on policies and procedures - which will be finalized once a governance structure has been identified

Outcomes-Based Approach Self-Assessment	
Where does data for the List come from?	☐ Excel ☐ HIFIS ☐ Other HMIS ☐ Other data source(s) ☑ Not applicable – Do not have a List yet

Optional question: How does data from the List compare to other community-level data sources that are considered reliable? This is an optional follow-up question for communities that have completed the “CHR Community-Level Data Comparisons”.
Community did not complete this optional question.

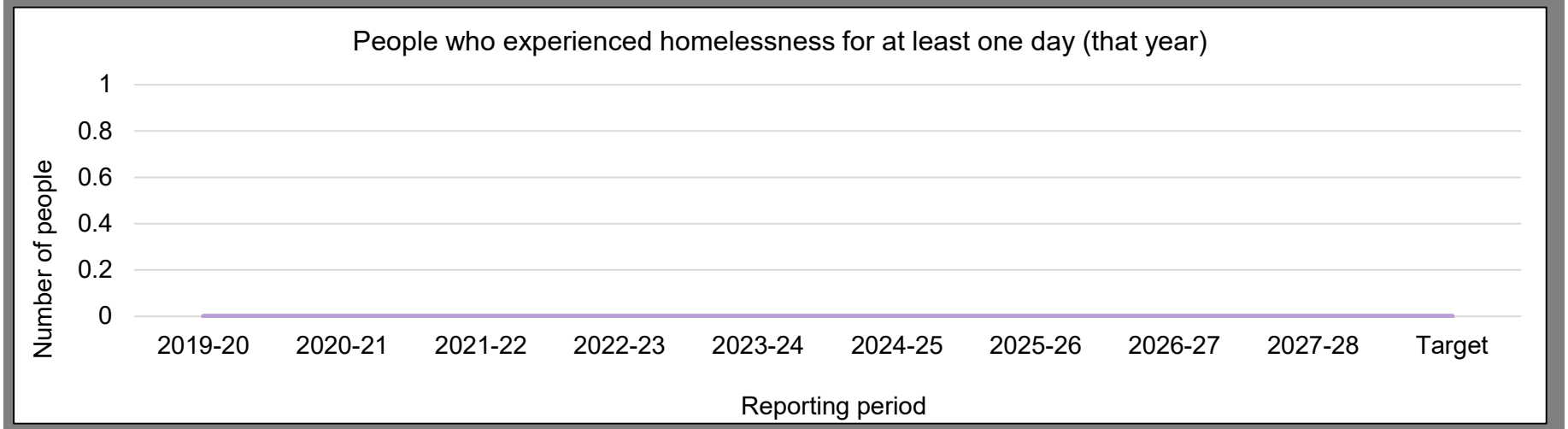
Summary Table
The table below provides a summary of the work your community has done so far to transition to an outcomes-based approach under Reaching Home.

Step 1: Has a List	Step 2: Has a real-time List	Step 3: Has a comprehensive List	Step 4:	
			Can report annual outcome data (mandatory)	Can report monthly outcome data (optional)
Not yet	Not yet	Not yet	Not yet	Not yet

Summary Comment
Are there particular efforts and/or issues that you would like to highlight for this reporting period related to your community's work to transition to an outcomes-based approach under Reaching Home?
The Community Entity (CE) has implemented HIFIS within their Designated Community, Saskatoon, Regina and Prince Albert. This has created a shared data system within the three community entities, with data sharing contracts in place throughout all levels of the organizations. With these set in place, the CE has a solid base to build upon in the implementation of a By-Name List (BNL) for when Coordinated Access has been finalized within the Saskatoon Community.

Community-Level Core Outcomes – Annual Data Reporting

Based on the information provided in the Community Homelessness Report, the community does not have to report annual community-level outcomes for the reporting period.


People who experienced homelessness for at least one day (that year)
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0.8
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Number of people
2019-20
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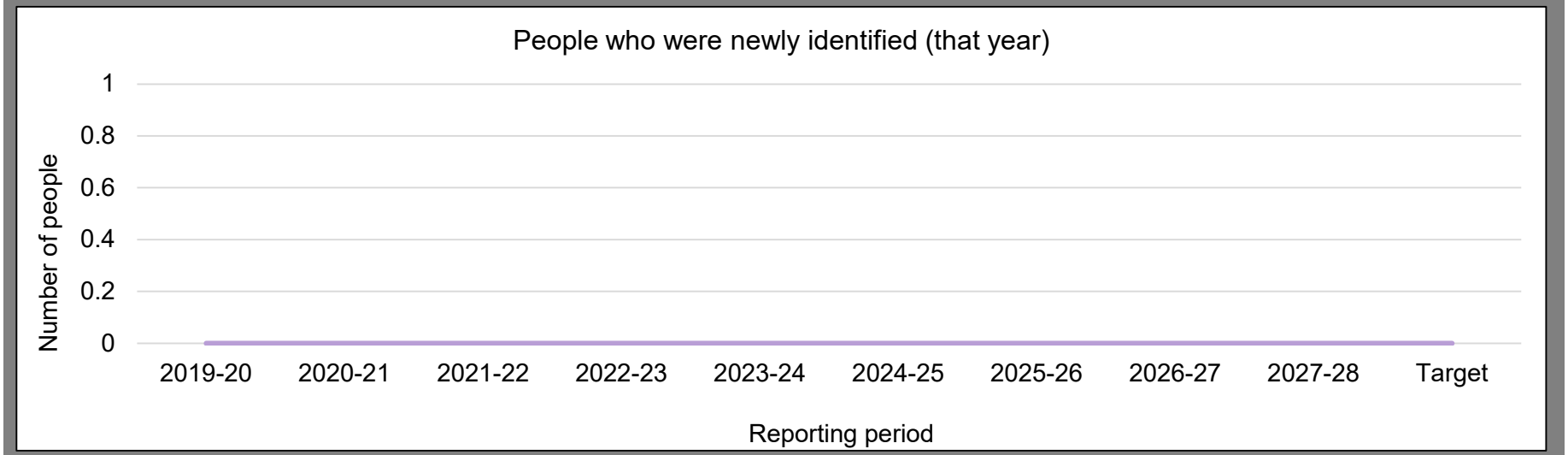
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0.8
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Number of people
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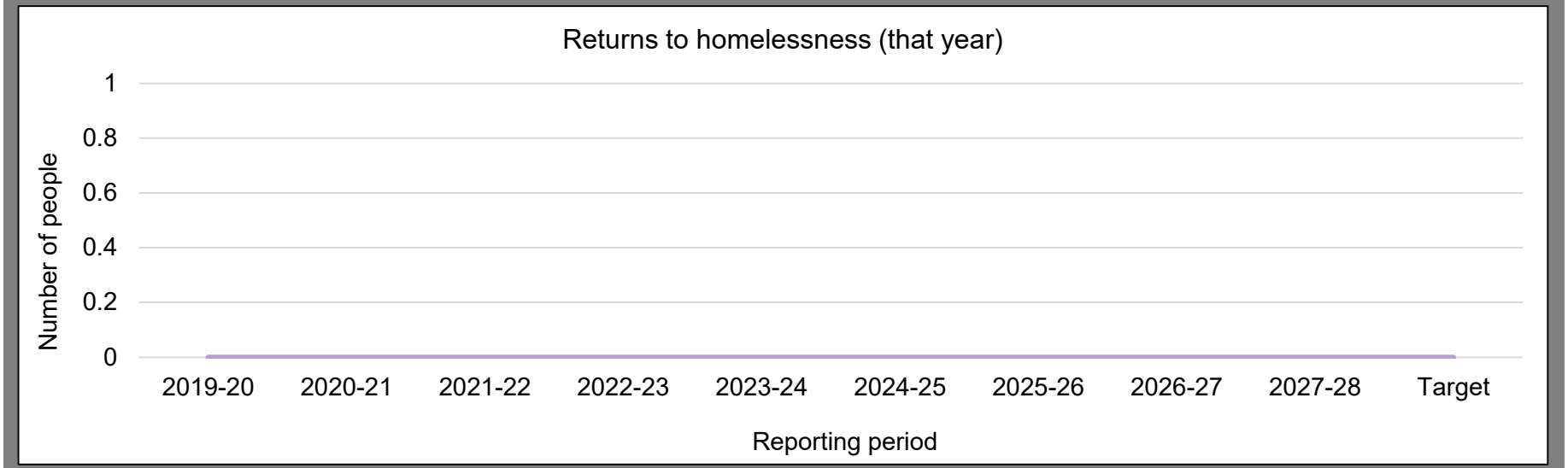
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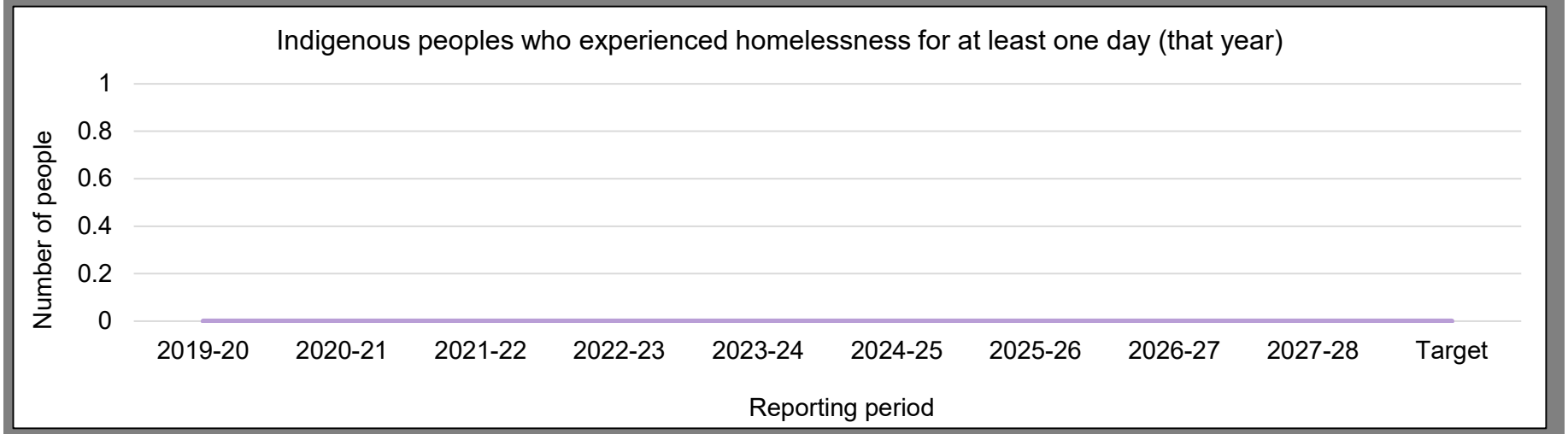
Indigenous peoples who experienced homelessness for at least one day (that year)
Number of people
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0.8
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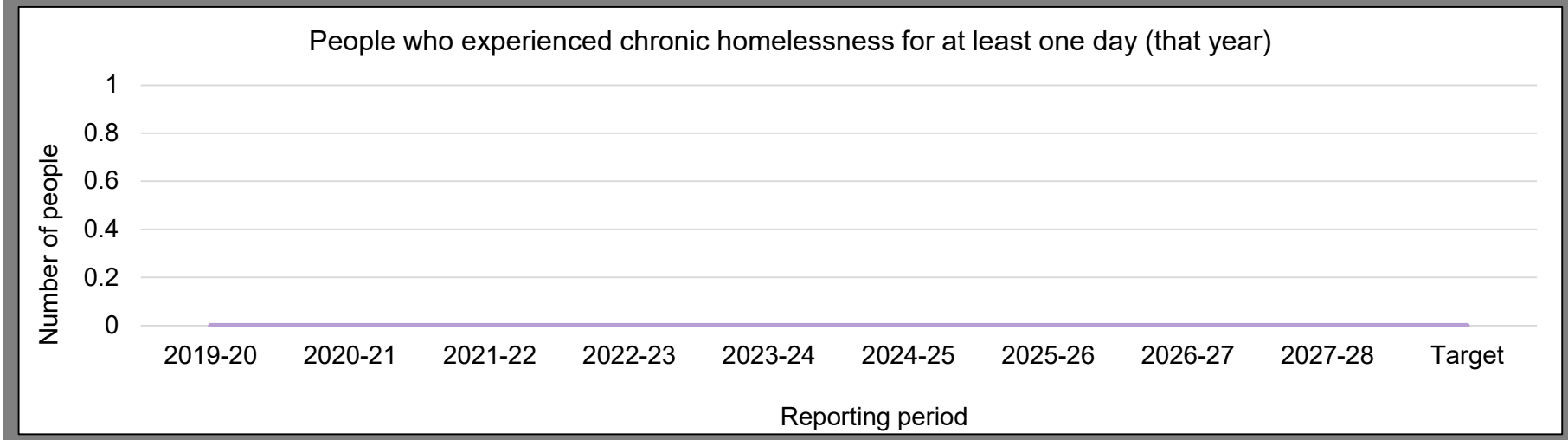
People who experienced chronic homelessness for at least one day (that year)
Number of people
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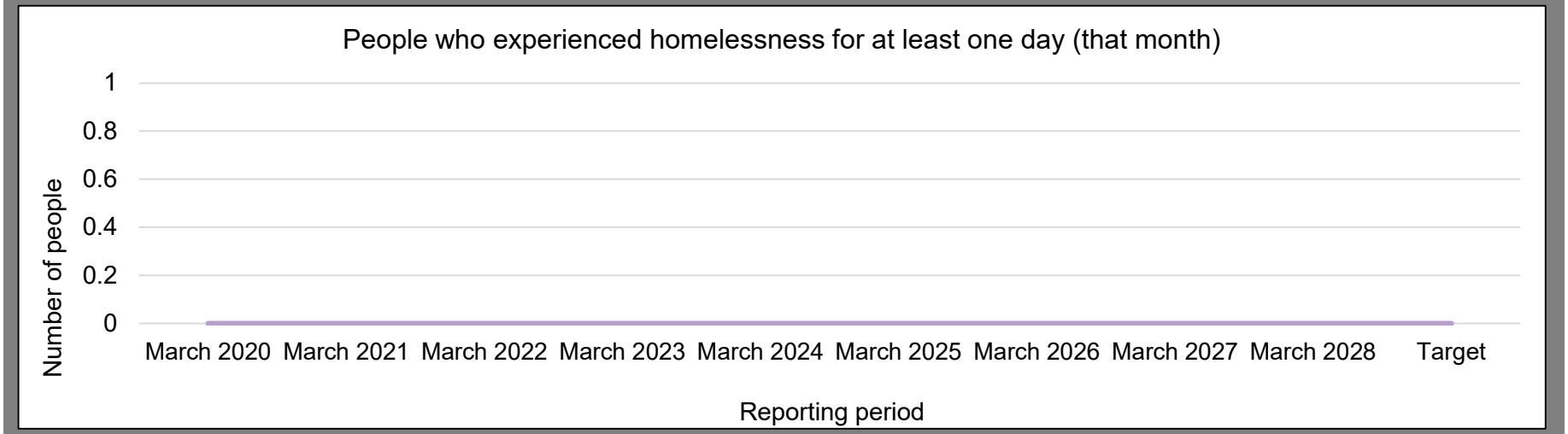
Community-Level Core Outcomes – Monthly Data Reporting

Based on the information provided in the Community Homelessness Report, the community does not have to report monthly community-level outcomes for the reporting period.


People who experienced homelessness for at least one day (that month)
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Number of people
March 2020
March 2021
March 2022
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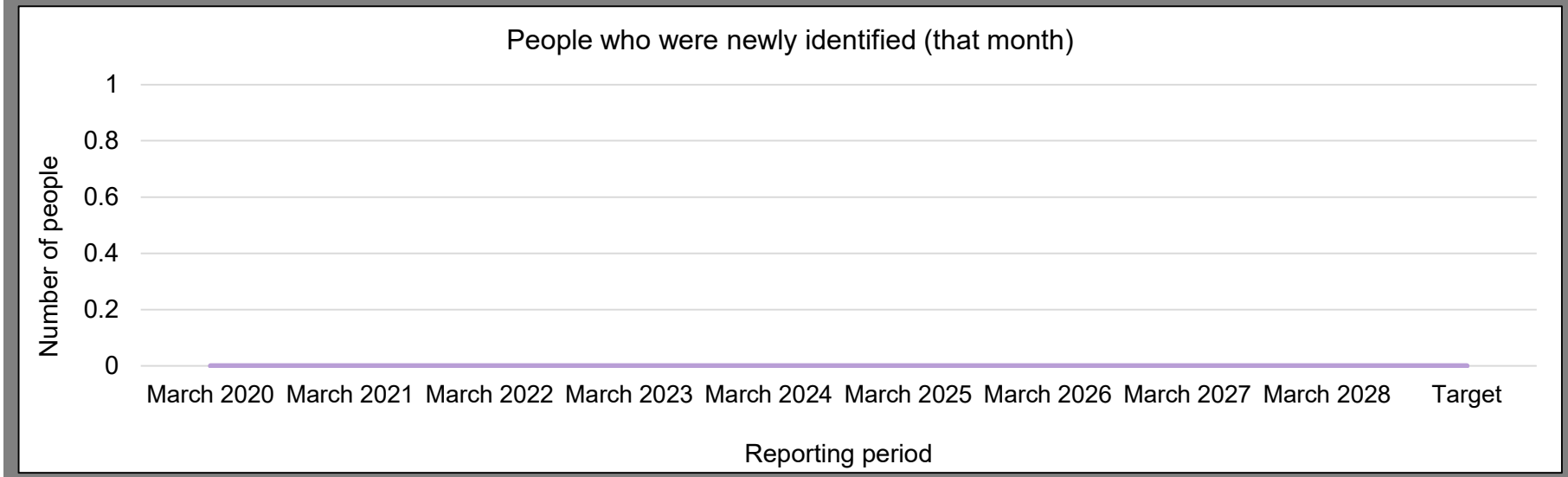
Target
Reporting period


People who were newly identified (that month)
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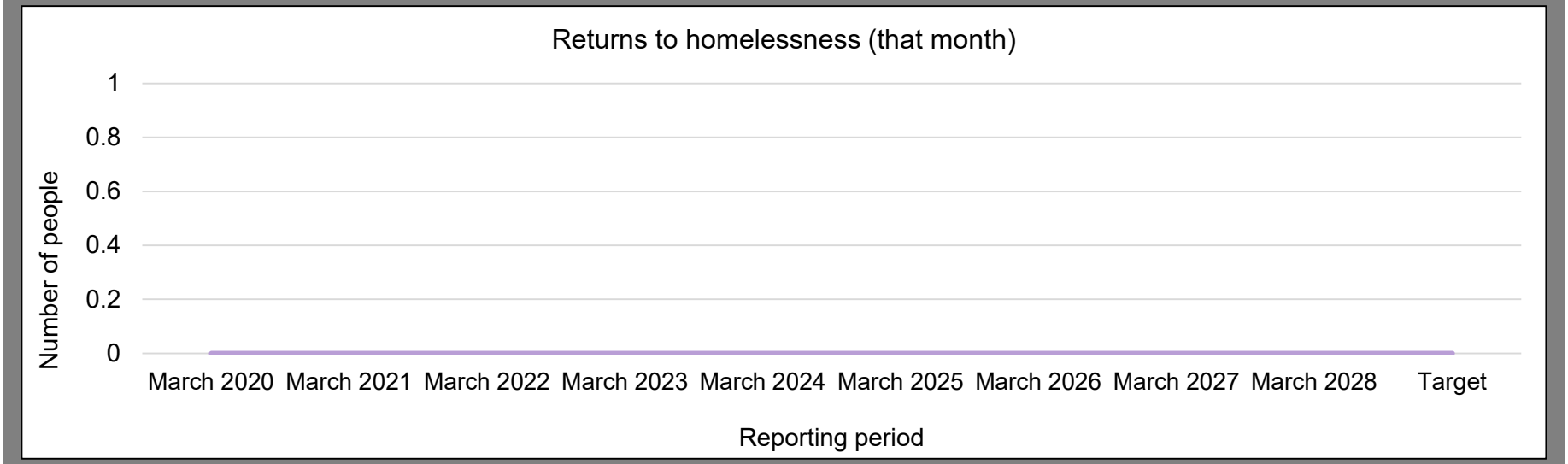
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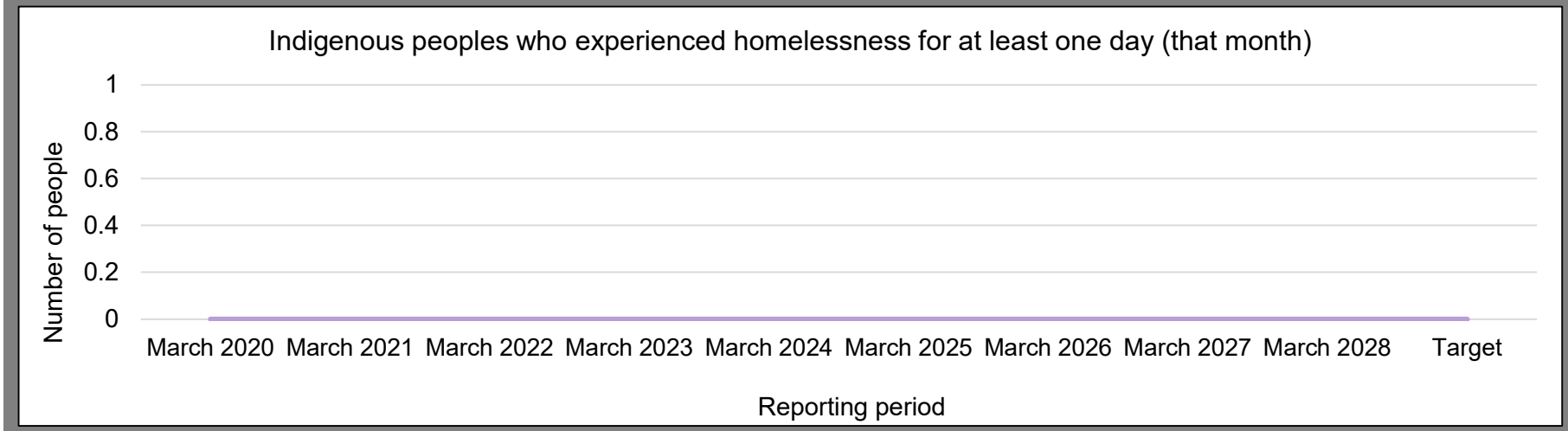
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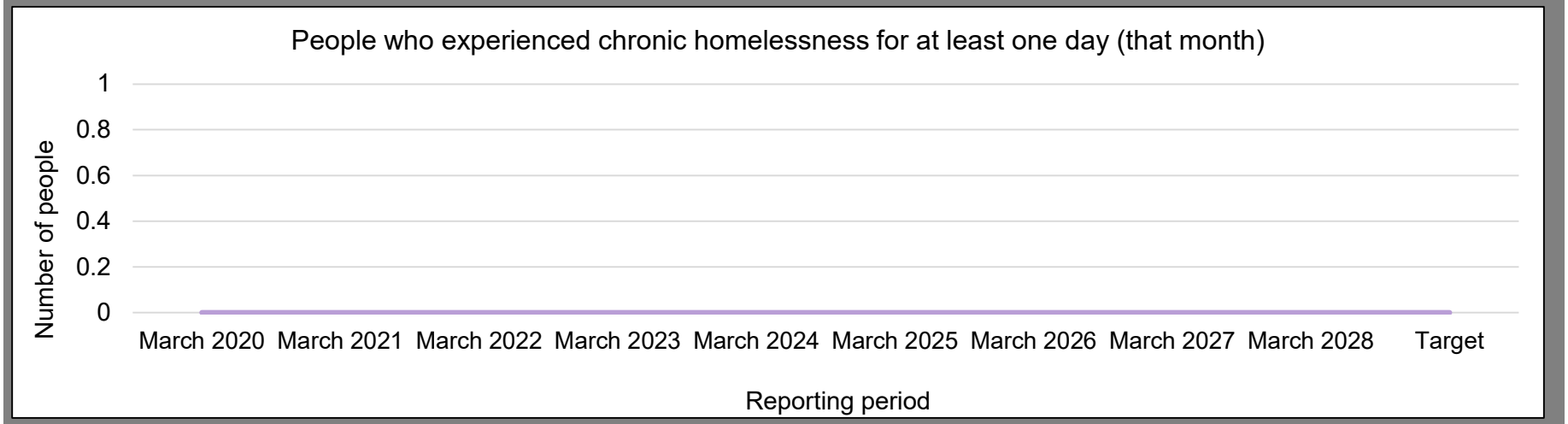
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