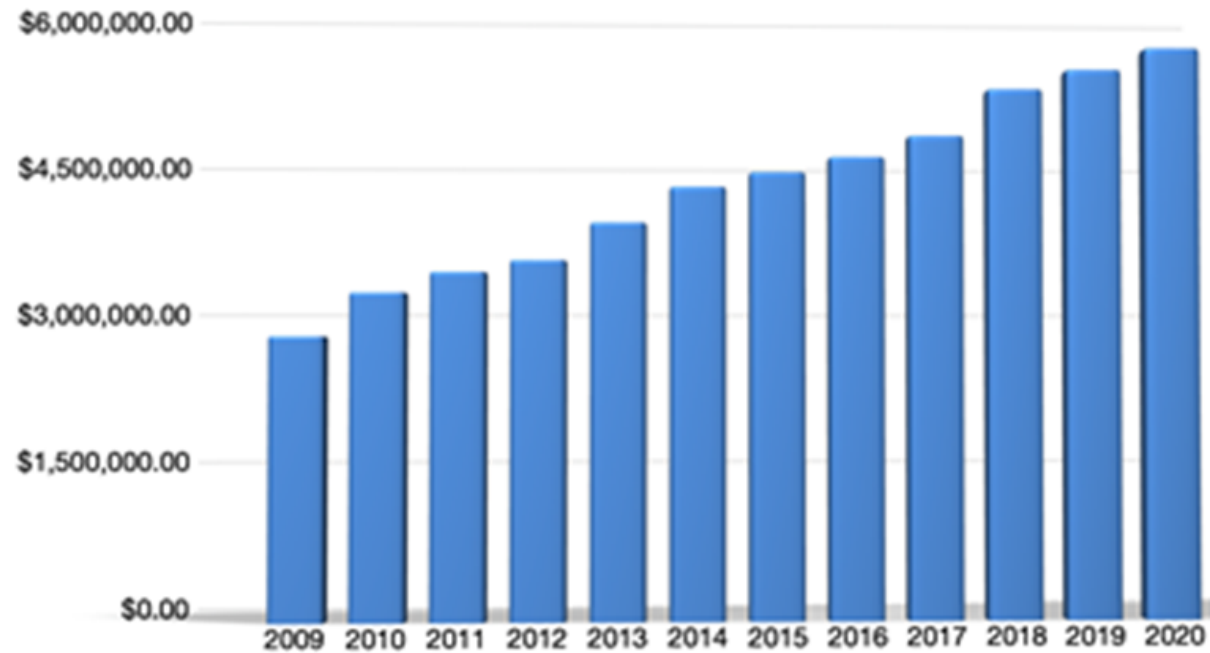


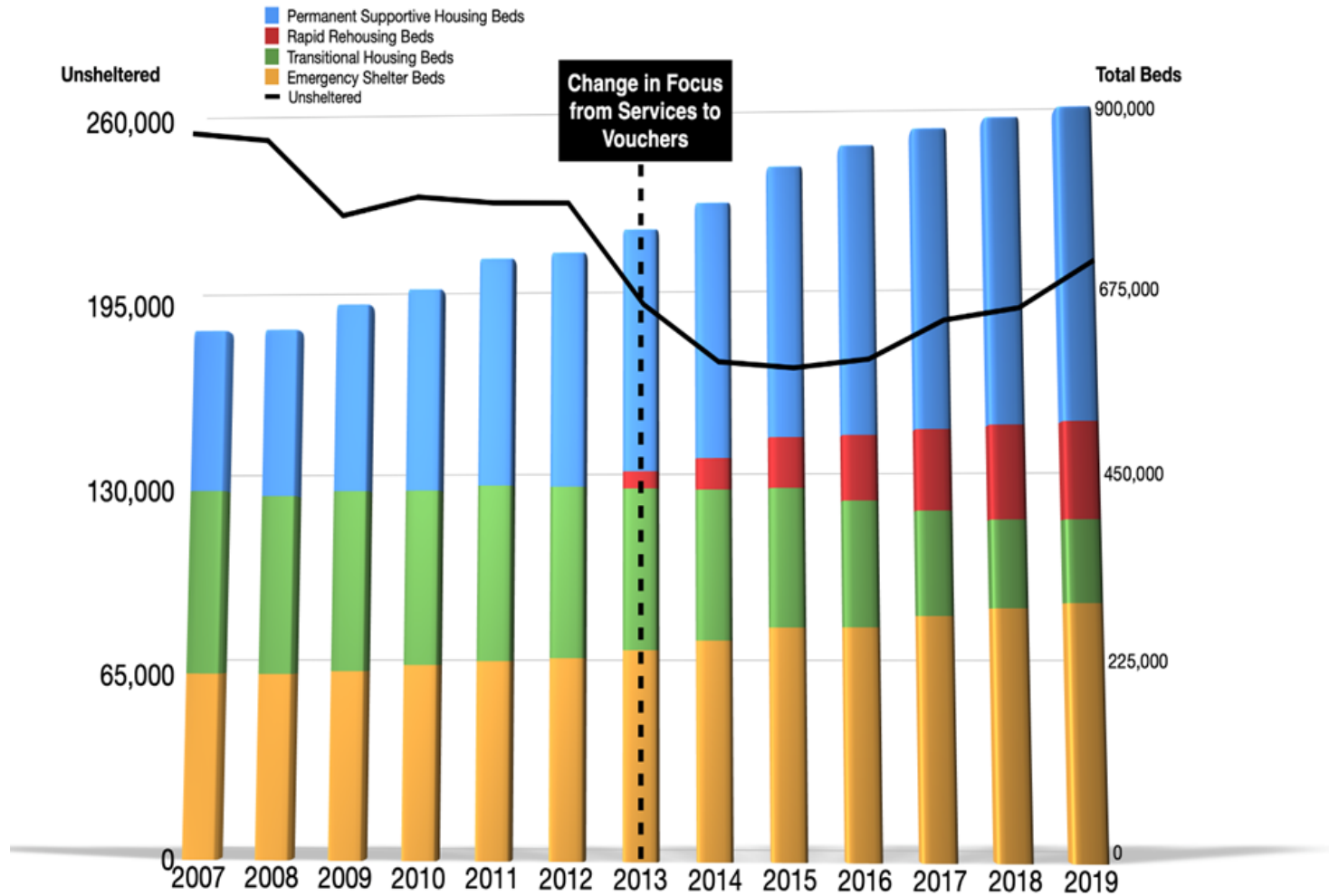
Funding Has Increased



According to HUD's Annual Homeless Assessment Reports (AHARs)

Federal Funding for Dedicated Homelessness Assistance Programs has Increased Every Year.

Capacity Has Increased



The homelessness assistance system has expanded, while unsheltered homelessness has risen dramatically as recovery services have decreased.

Unsheltered Homelessness Has Increased

On a single night in 2020, roughly 580,000 people were experiencing homelessness in the United States. Six in ten (61%, 353,800) were staying in sheltered locations—emergency shelters or transitional housing programs—and nearly four in ten (39%, 226,200) were in unsheltered locations such as on the street, in abandoned buildings, or in other places not suitable for human habitation.

For the fourth consecutive year, homelessness increased nationwide. Between 2019 and 2020, the number of people experiencing homelessness increased by two percent. This increase reflects a seven percent increase in people staying outdoors, which more than offset the modest (0.6%) decline in people staying in sheltered locations.

The Mentally Ill and Chronically Addicted Make Up the Majority of the Unsheltered Homeless

FIGURE 4. Physical health, mental health, substance abuse, and trimorbidity by shelter status¹¹

