



### Slides & resources will be available!

We're covering brand new material today!

We'll post these slides and companion resources on the website.
 <a href="https://www.ncceh.org/datacenter/pointintimehowto/">https://www.ncceh.org/datacenter/pointintimehowto/</a>

• This information will be good to share with your team, so everyone is starting from the same place.



# Agenda

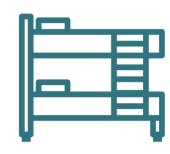
- Introducing the PIT Count
- Inside the Counting Us App
  - PIT Questions
  - Beta Testing





## **Data Collection for Point-in-Time Count**





Unsheltered	Sheltered Count		
	HMIS ES + TH	Non-HMIS ES + TH	
Counting Us App	HMIS Reports	Counting Us App	Aggregate Reports*
Night of Count: Jan 29 Service Based Counts: Jan 29-Feb 5	Work with NCCEH Data Center to finalize data and submit reports	Night of Count: Jan 29 Service Based Counts: Jan 29-Feb 5	NCCEH staff can assist agency staff to gather and report data by 2/14/20

# **Counting Us App**



#### Improvements from last year's App

- Includes expert technical support
- Use on phones, tablets, or computers
- Low-barrier access and use (does require sign-up)
- Available for agencies and volunteers to practice with starting in mid-November

#### Other awesome features

- Used nationwide
- Already includes all questions required by HUD
- Data submitted will be immediately able to be viewed, allowing for quicker response and reporting



## Tips for Good Etiquette During PIT:

#### **General tips:**

- Explain your role as a volunteer with the annual one-night homeless census of people experiencing homelessness.
- Use open-ended questions when asking demographic questions: "What is your gender?" or "What is your race?"
- It's ok to refuse questions! It's up to us to ask them.
- Remember you are asking for someone's time. Thank folks for their help.
  - Offering socks, hygiene products, or gift cards may help incentivize participation.



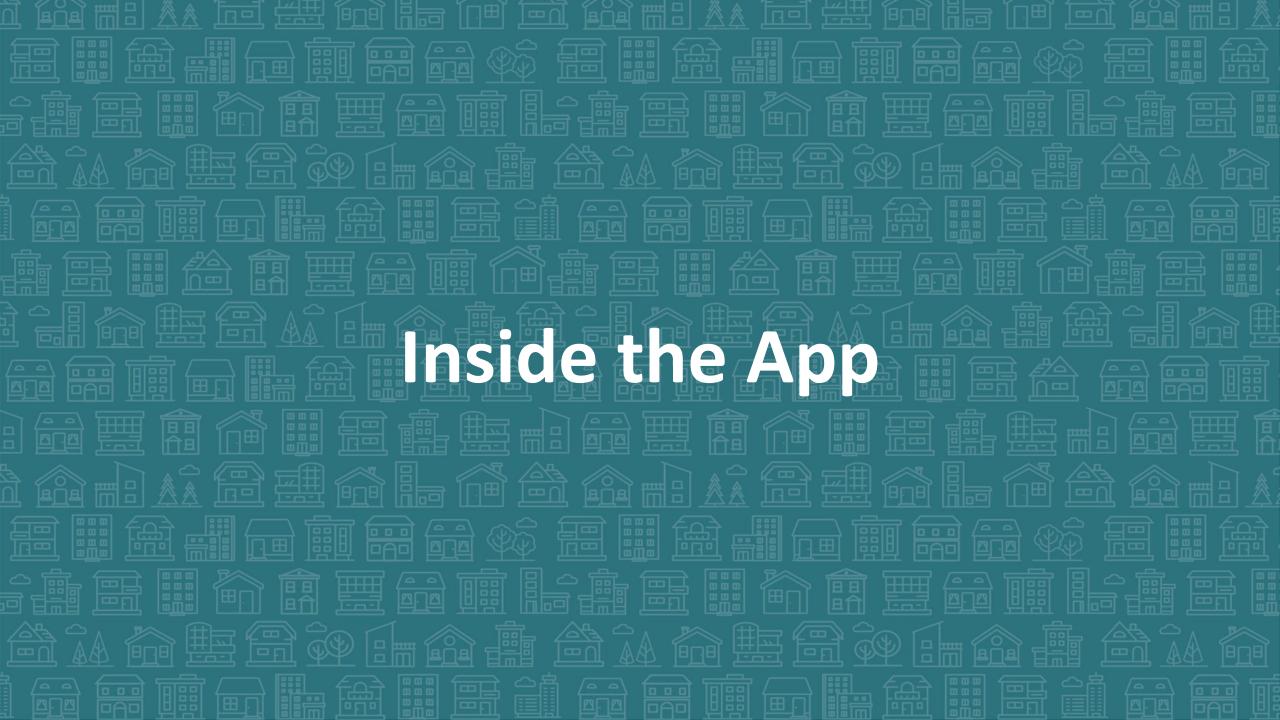
## Tips for Good Etiquette During PIT:

#### **Unsheltered Count:**

- Keep mobile device held down or hidden when approaching someone.
- Do not wake someone up if they are sleeping. Calling out "hello" should be enough to determine if they are awake.
- Make plenty of noise as you approach an individual or camp. Try not to surprise anyone with your presence.

#### **Sheltered Count:**

- Survey individuals in private spaces whenever possible.
- Reinforce that answering PIT survey is not required to receive shelter services.



## A look inside the App

We will give you access to the App for testing at the end of this training

- For now, we're skipping past the steps:
  - 1. Download the app
  - 2. Tap Register
  - 3. Register
  - 4. Log In and select "Choose Count"
  - 5. Join the Count
  - 6. Click "Get Started"



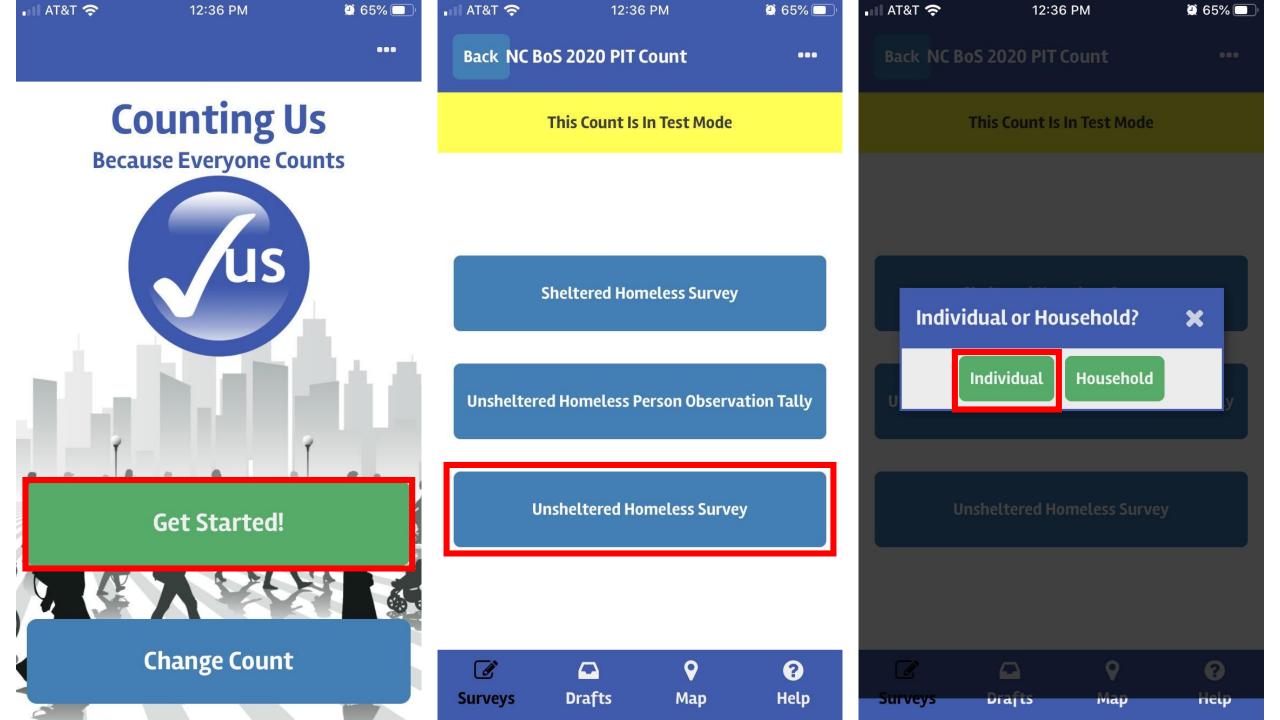




# Select the Survey activity

Let's look at the different options in the app!



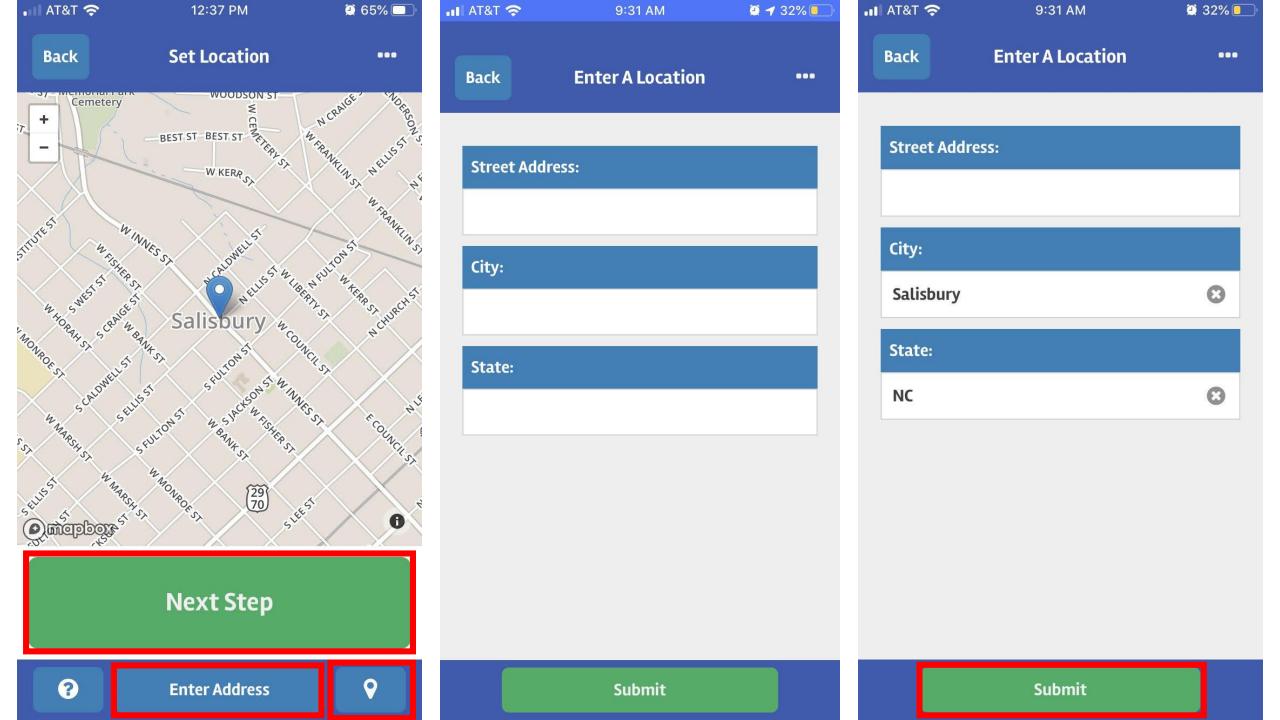


# Add your location

#### Add the location of this conversation

- Use your device's location OR
- Use an address or intersection



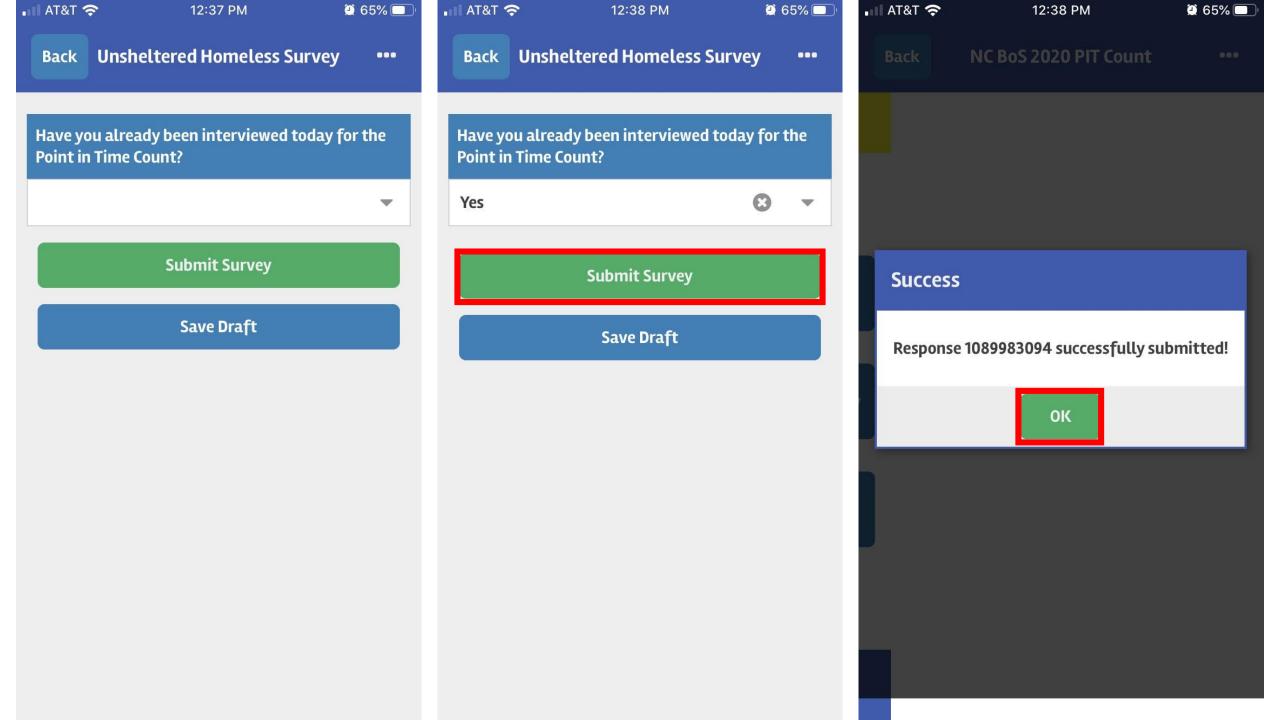


## Screen for previous interviews

#### **Next question**

- We want to make sure we're not double-counting folks!
- If someone has already taken the survey, thank them for their participation and continue to the next person.



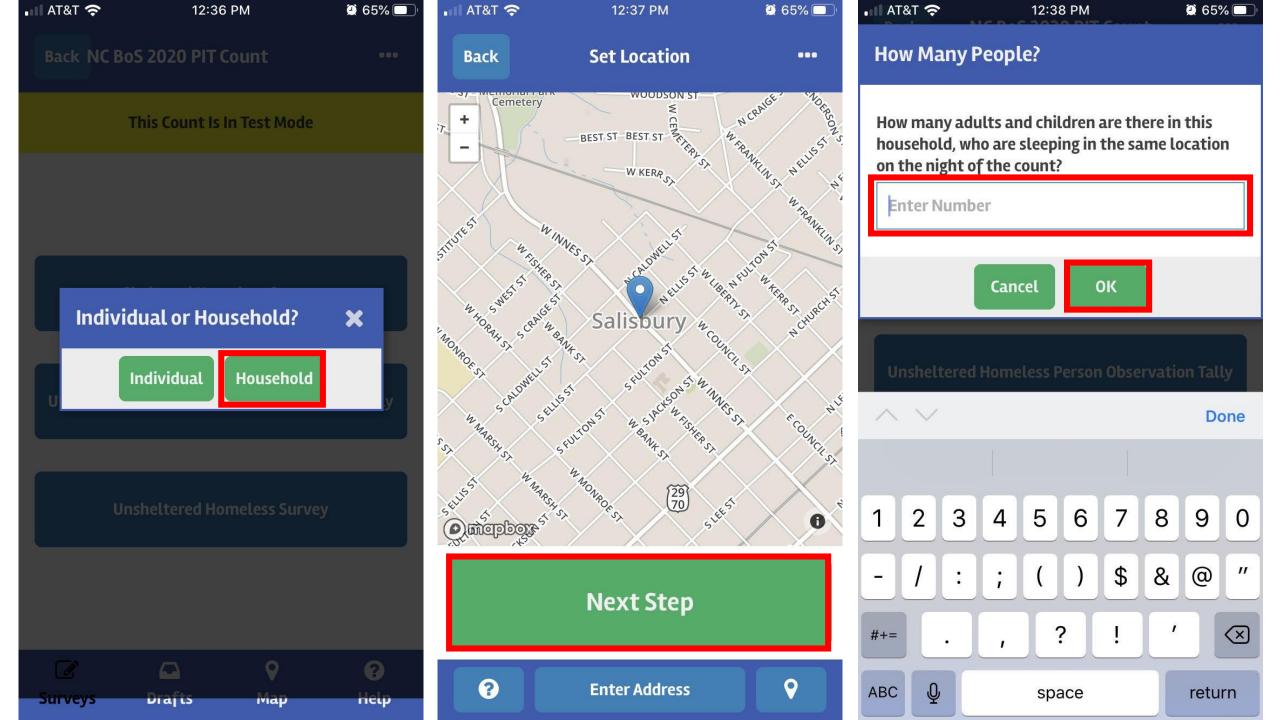


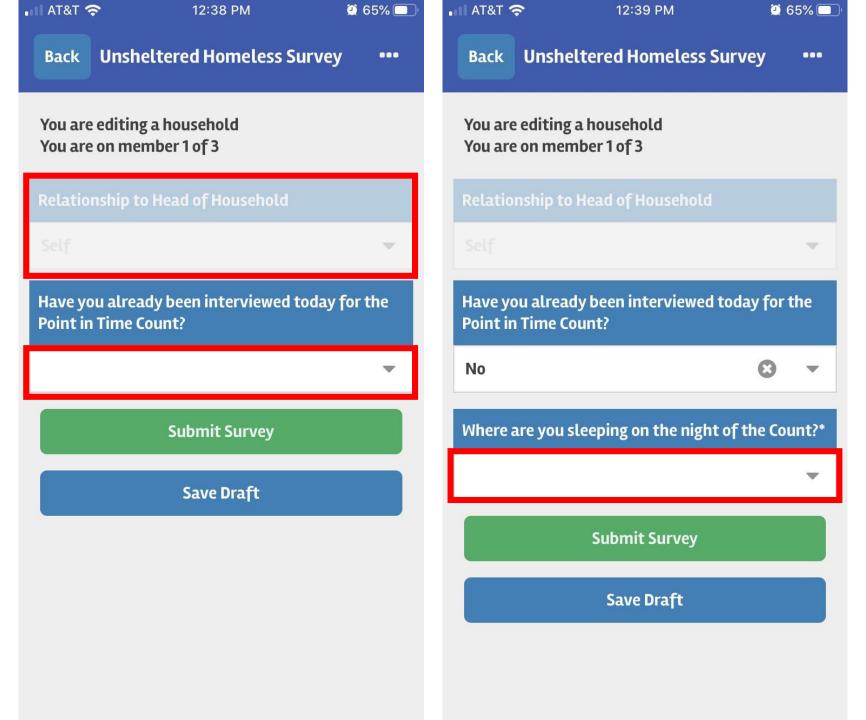
### Now let's see the screen for a household

#### **Start with the correct Survey Activity**

Select Sheltered, Observation, or Unsheltered







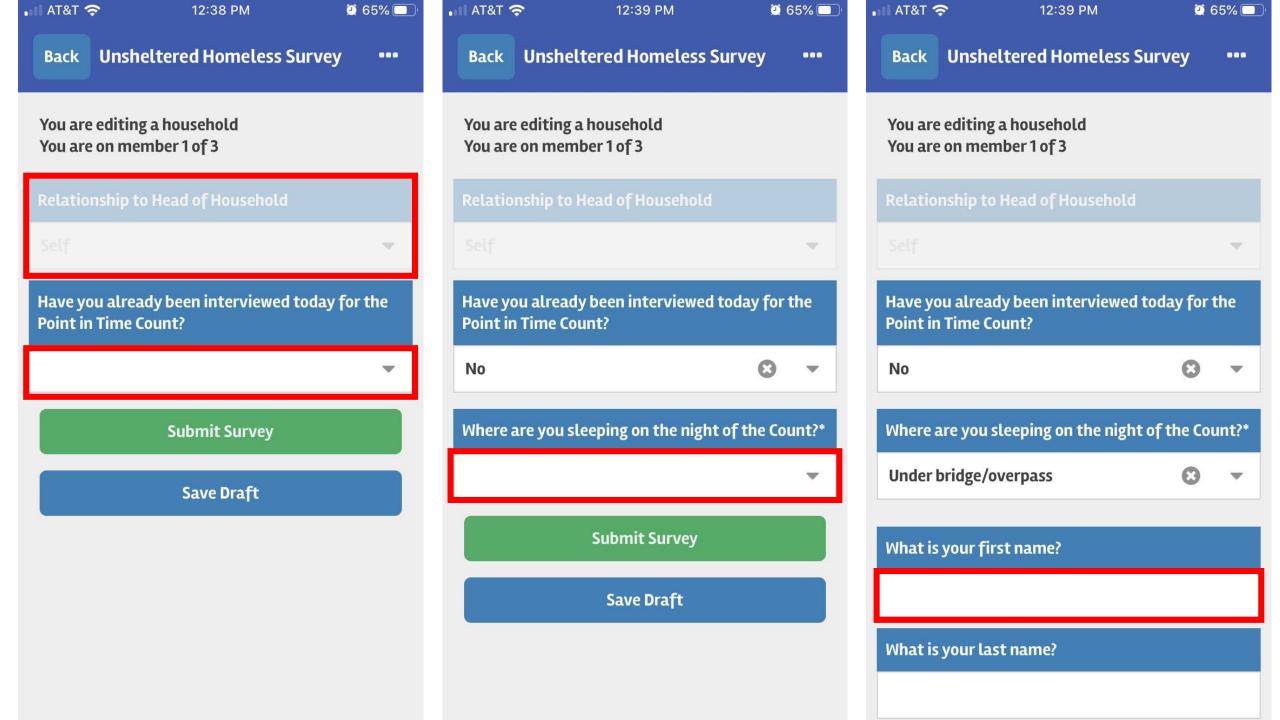


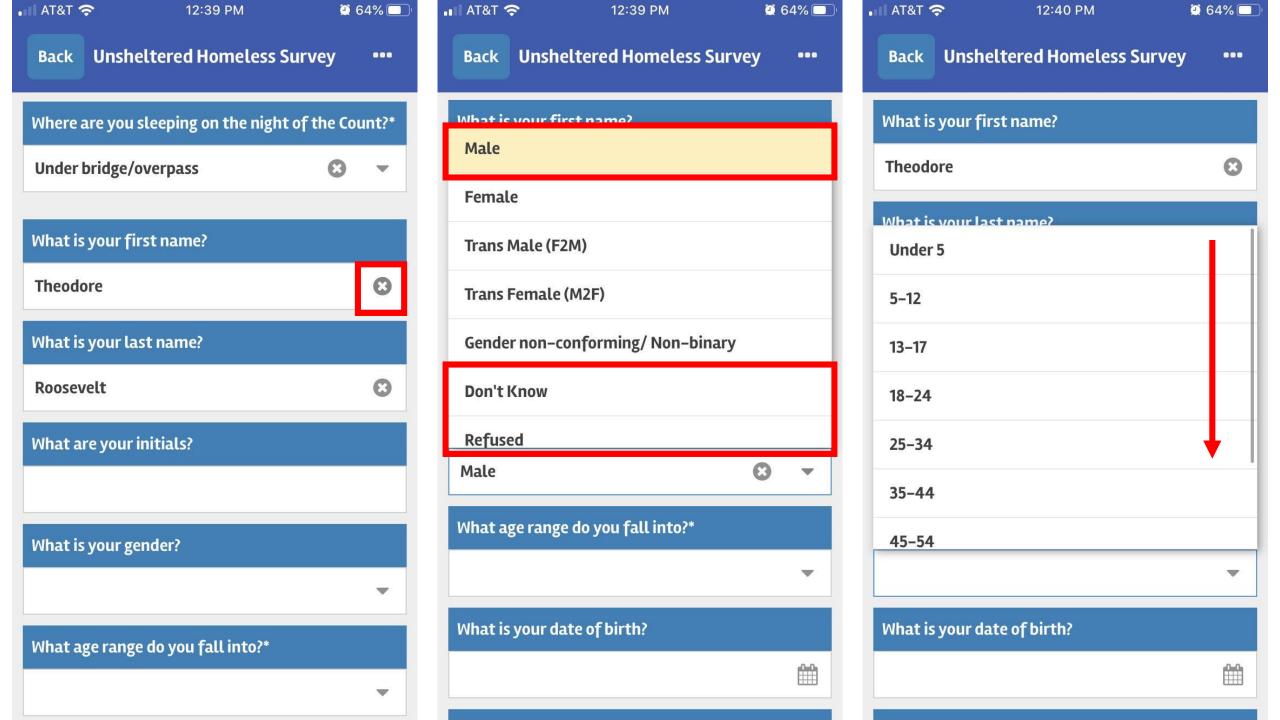
# Now we're getting to the main PIT questions!

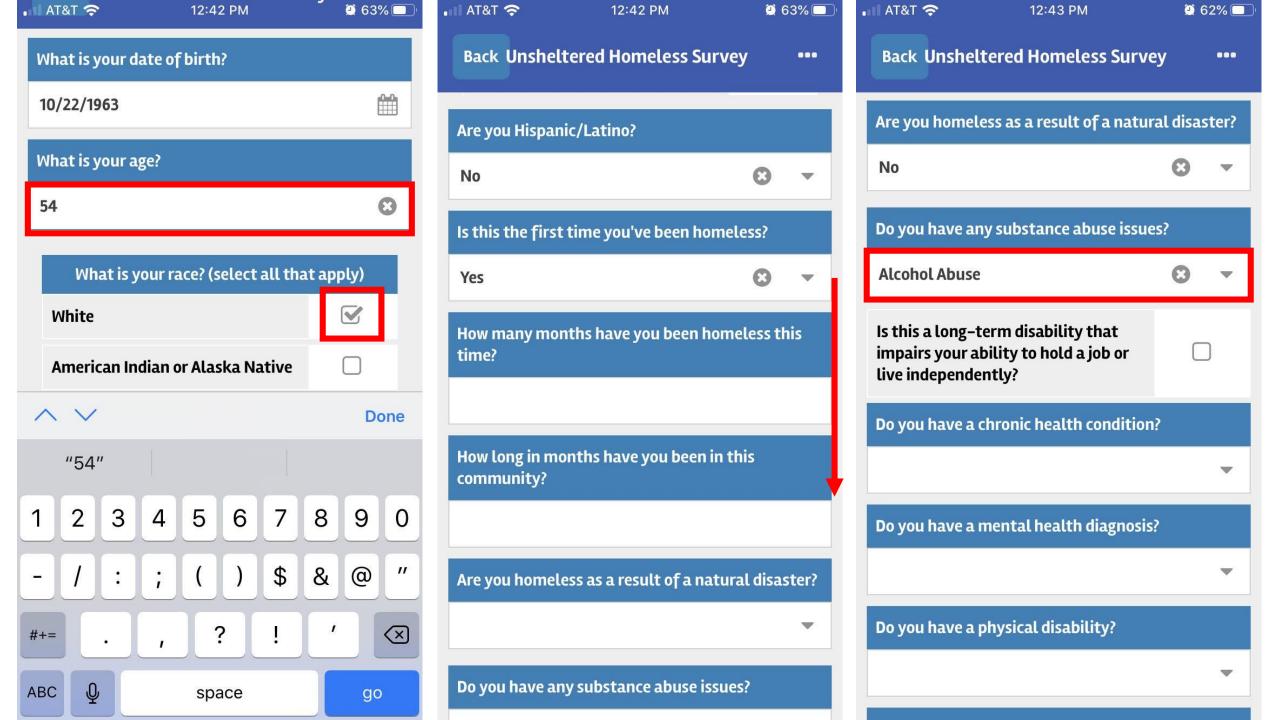
- Only required questions included
- 1st screen for PIT is if the person has been interviewed already
- 2<sup>nd</sup> screen for PIT is if the person slept in a HUD Homeless situation

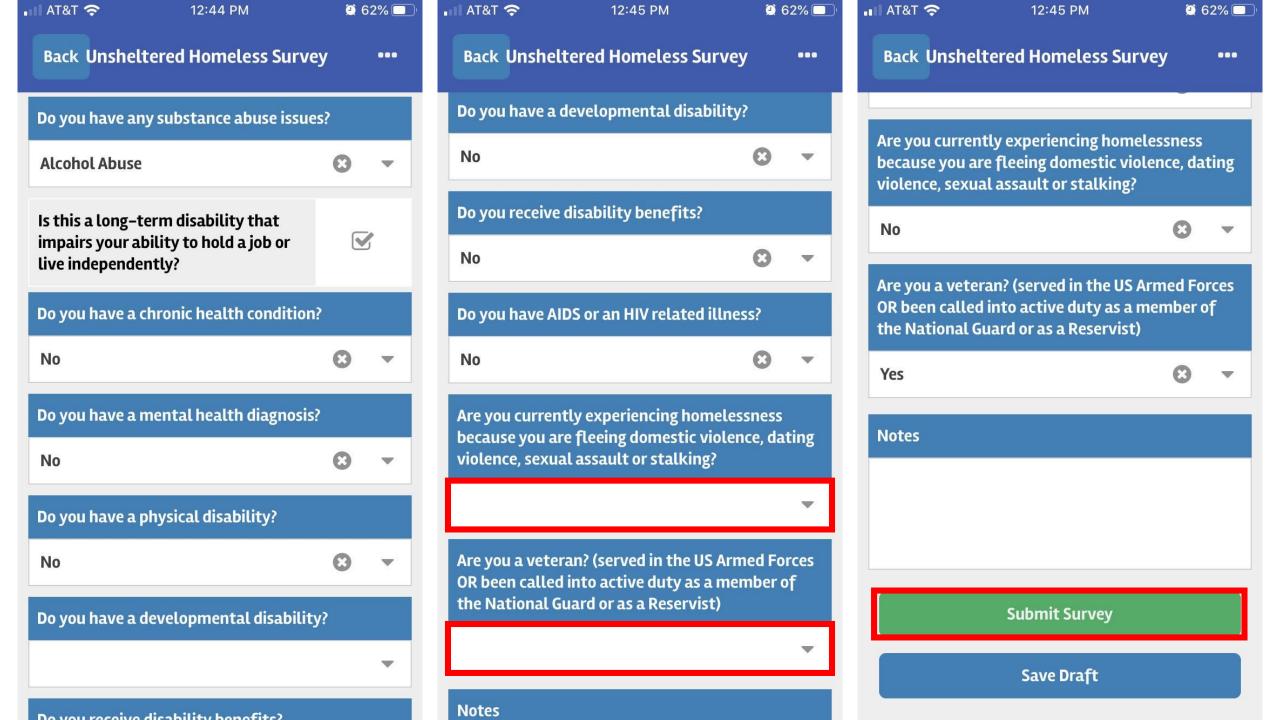
Unsheltered/ Places not meant for human habitation		Sheltered locations / housing / other	
<ul> <li>Street/sidewalk</li> <li>Vehicle (car, van, RV, truck)</li> <li>Park</li> <li>Abandoned building</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Bus, train station, airport</li> <li>Under bridge/overpass</li> <li>Woods/outdoor encampment</li> <li>Other unsheltered location</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Emergency shelter</li> <li>Transitional housing</li> <li>Motel/hotel</li> <li>House/apartment</li> <li>Jail, hospital, treatment program</li> </ul>	







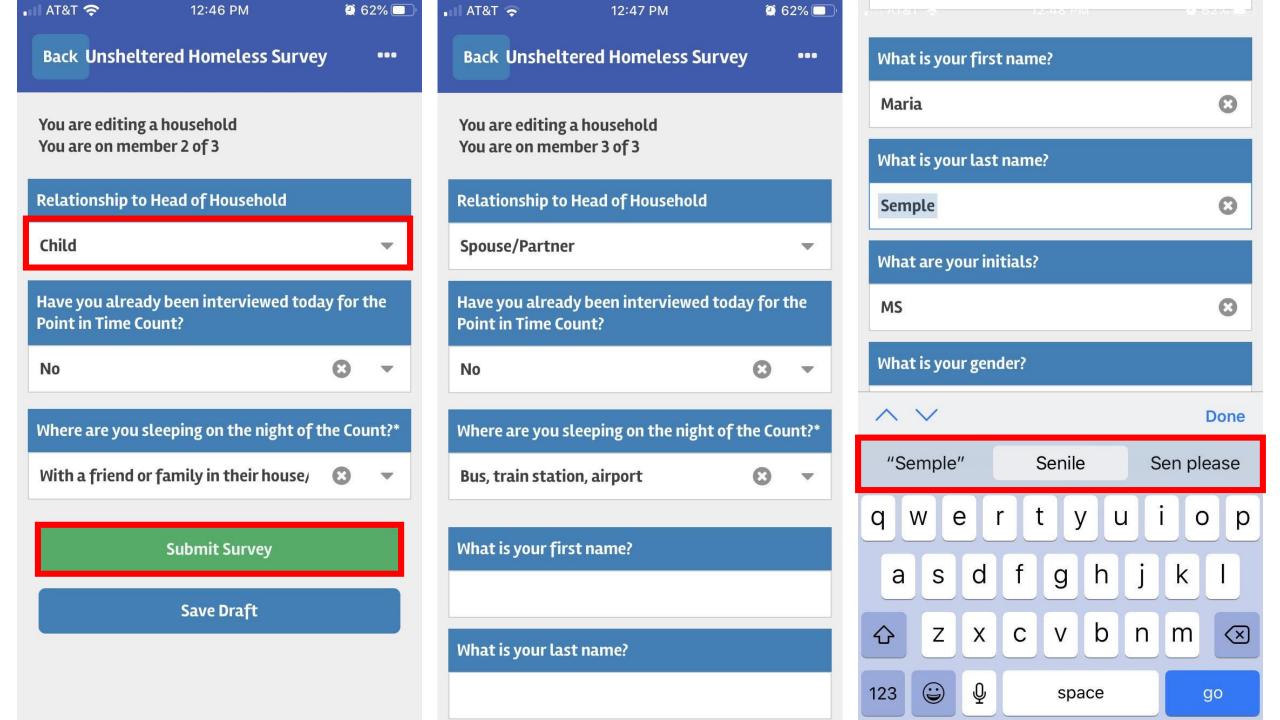


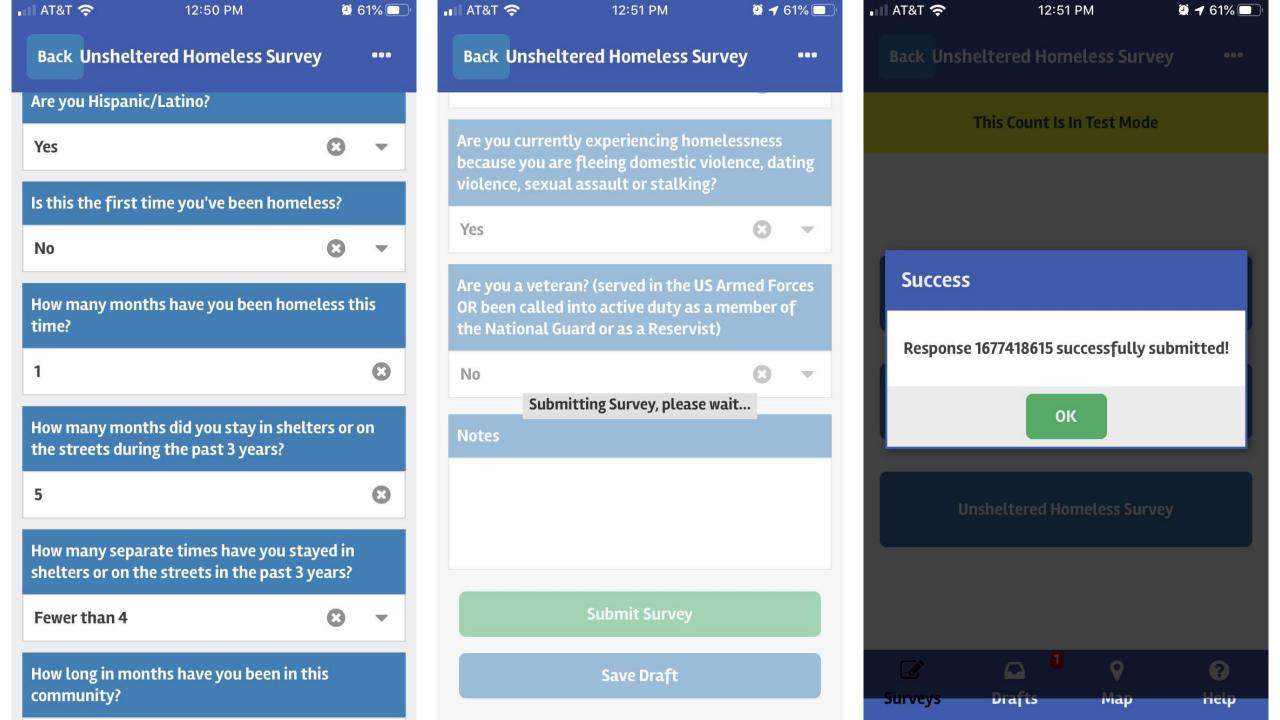


## Submitting the survey

- Submissions are per person
- If you are out of cell-service or don't have data, use Save Draft
  - Make sure you remember to submit all your drafts once you're back in range!
  - You can view drafts from the home page
- Notes are available if anything else is needed

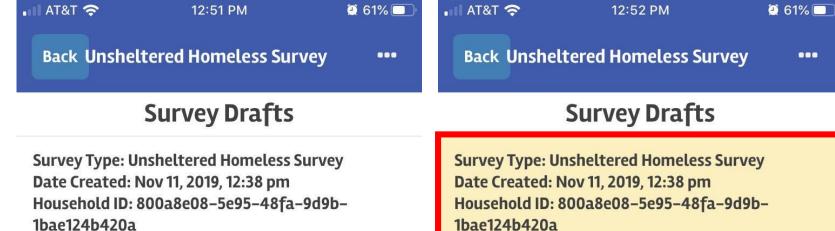


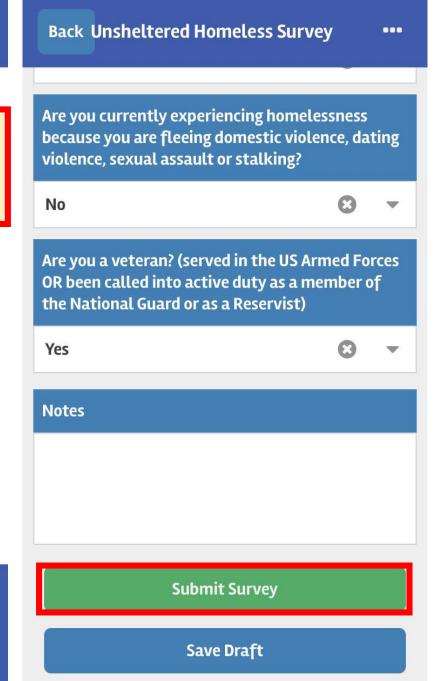




## Let's look at how to submit Saved Drafts



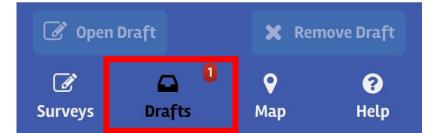


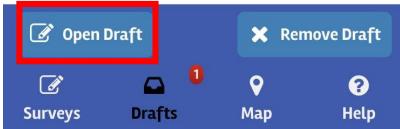


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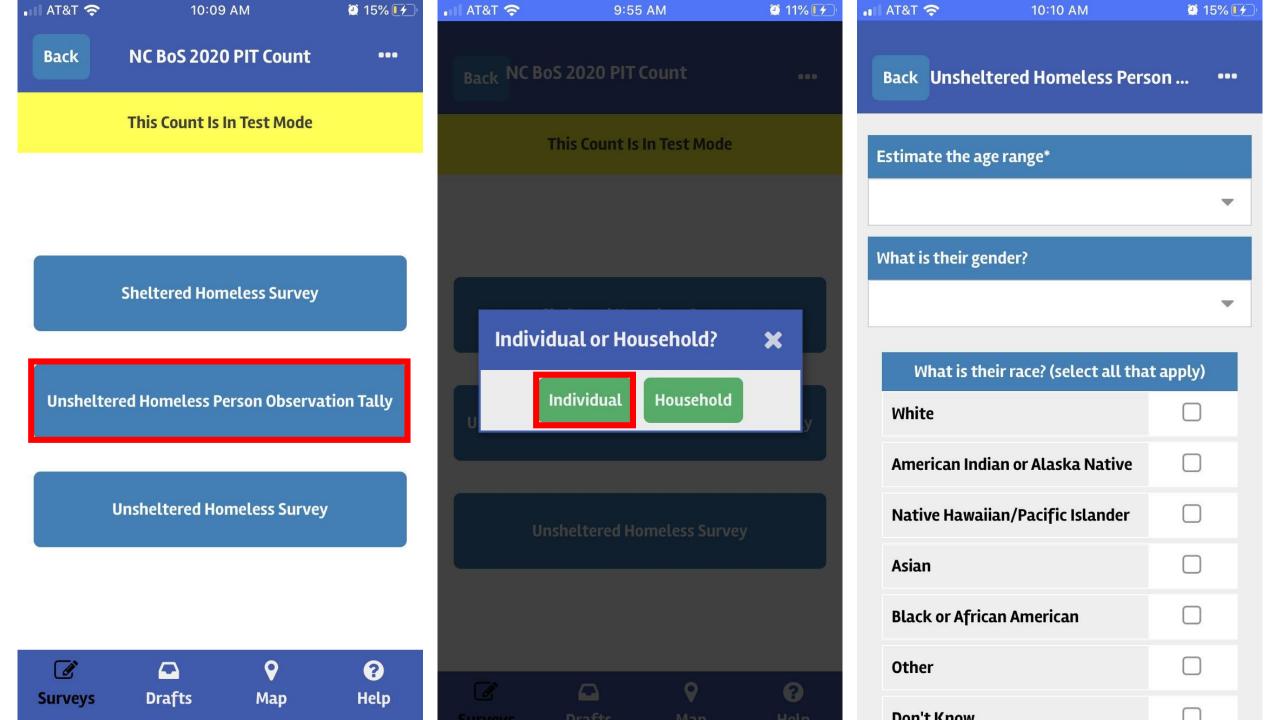
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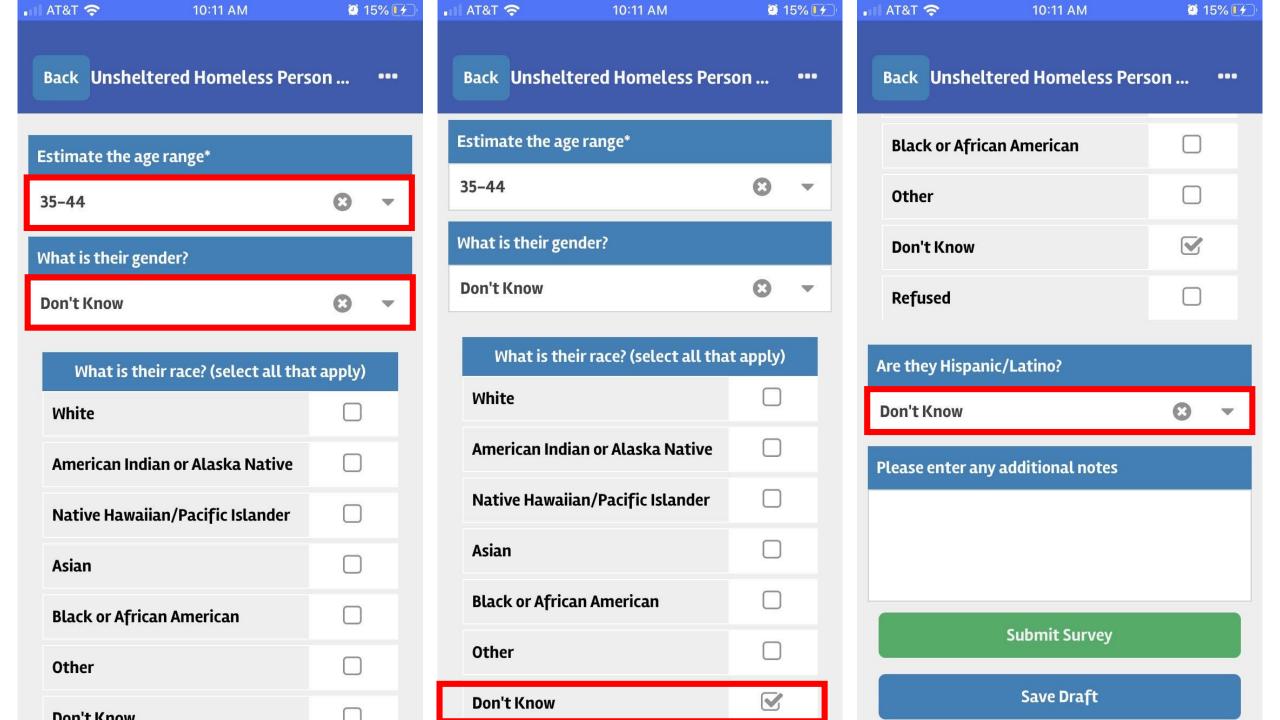


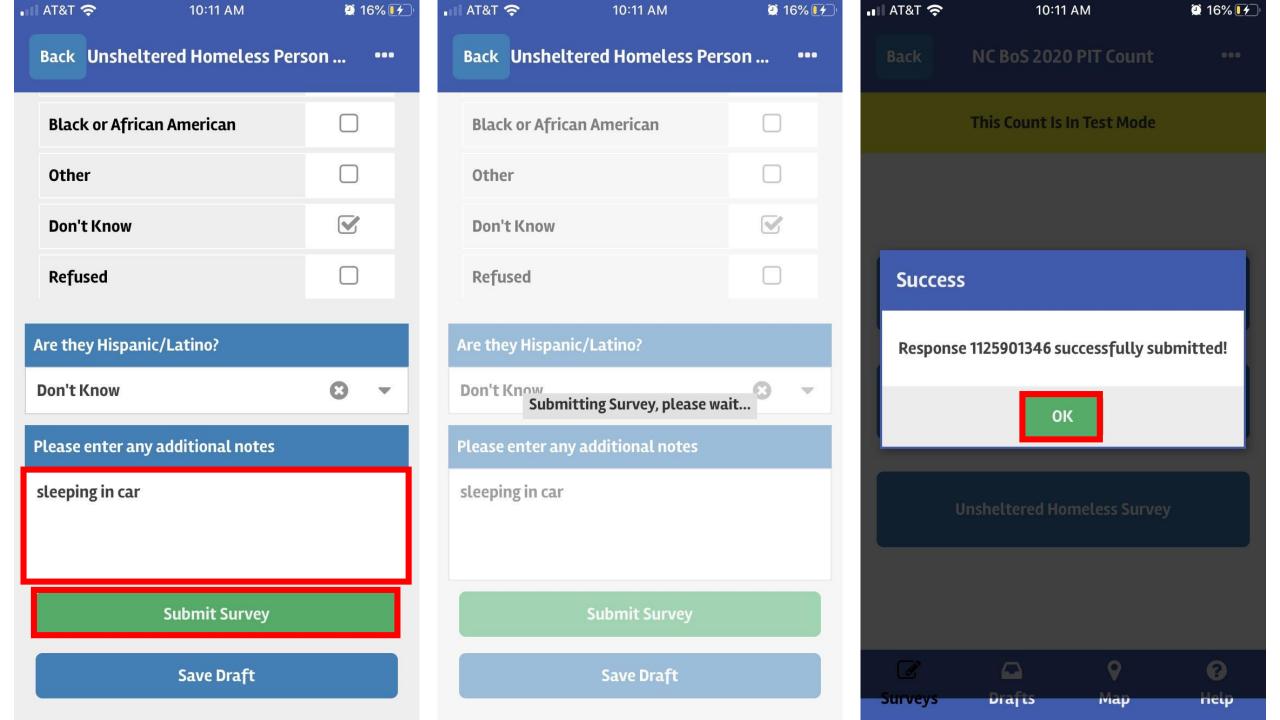






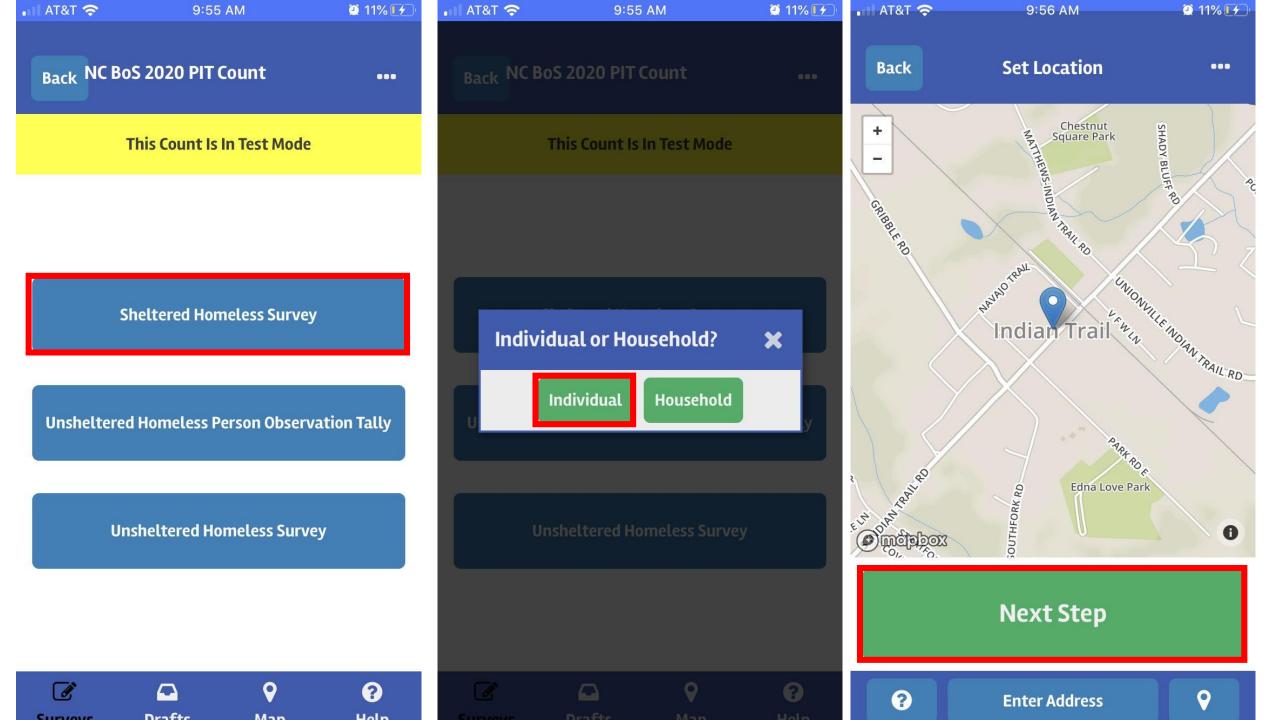


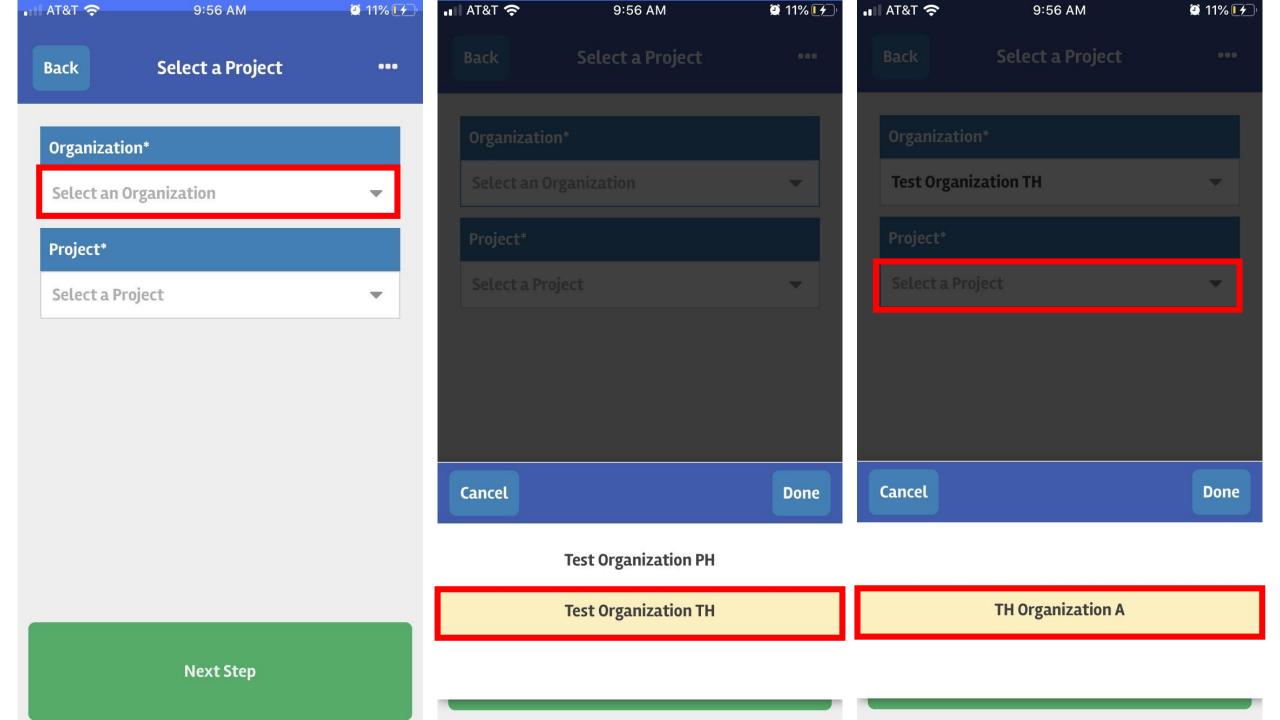


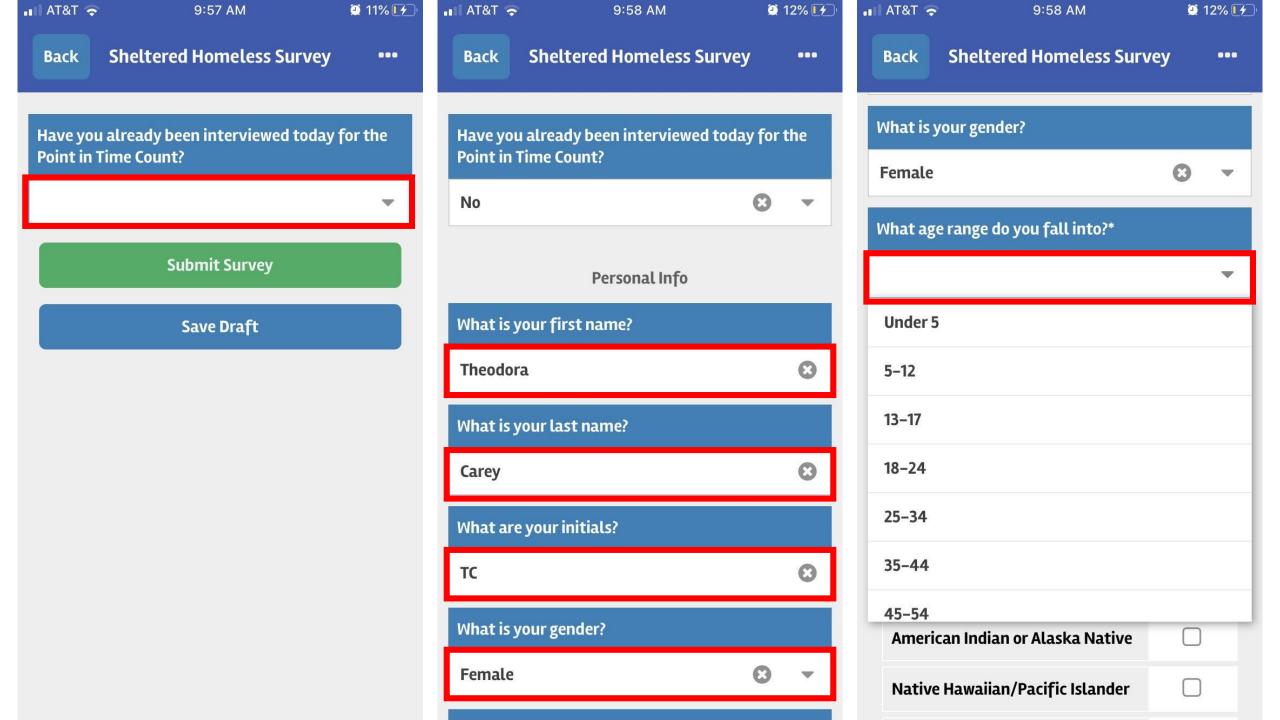


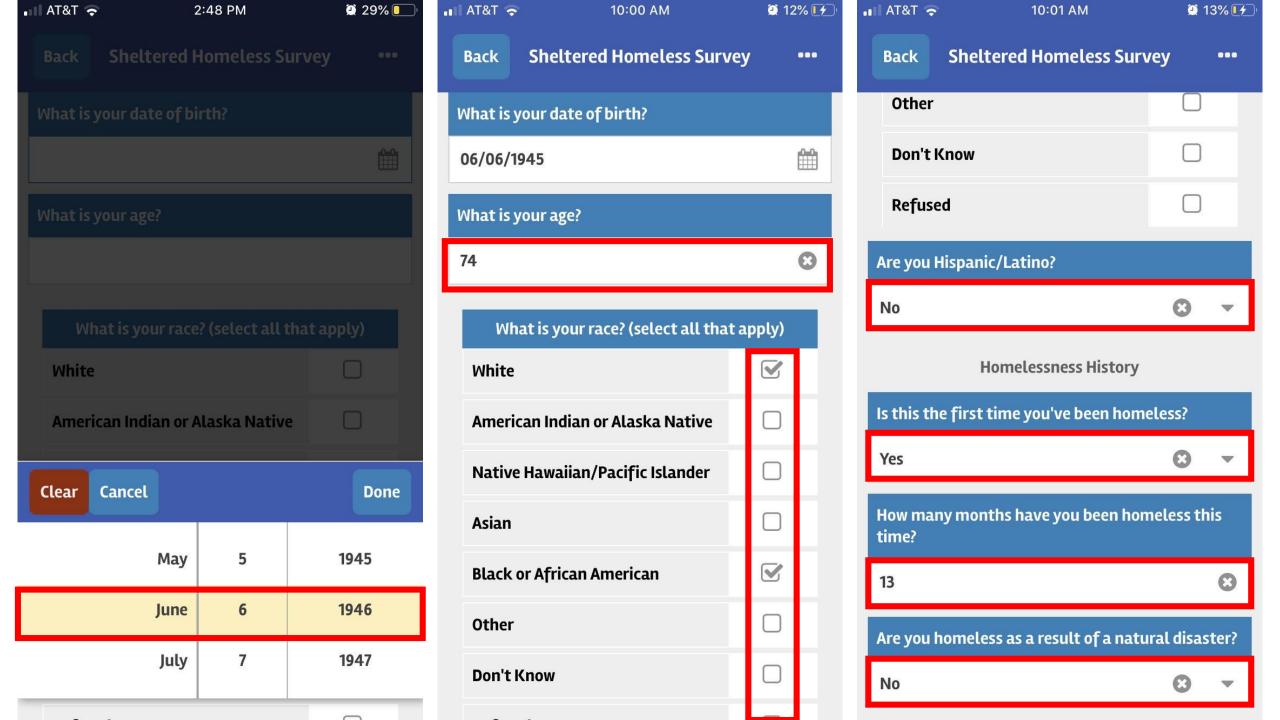


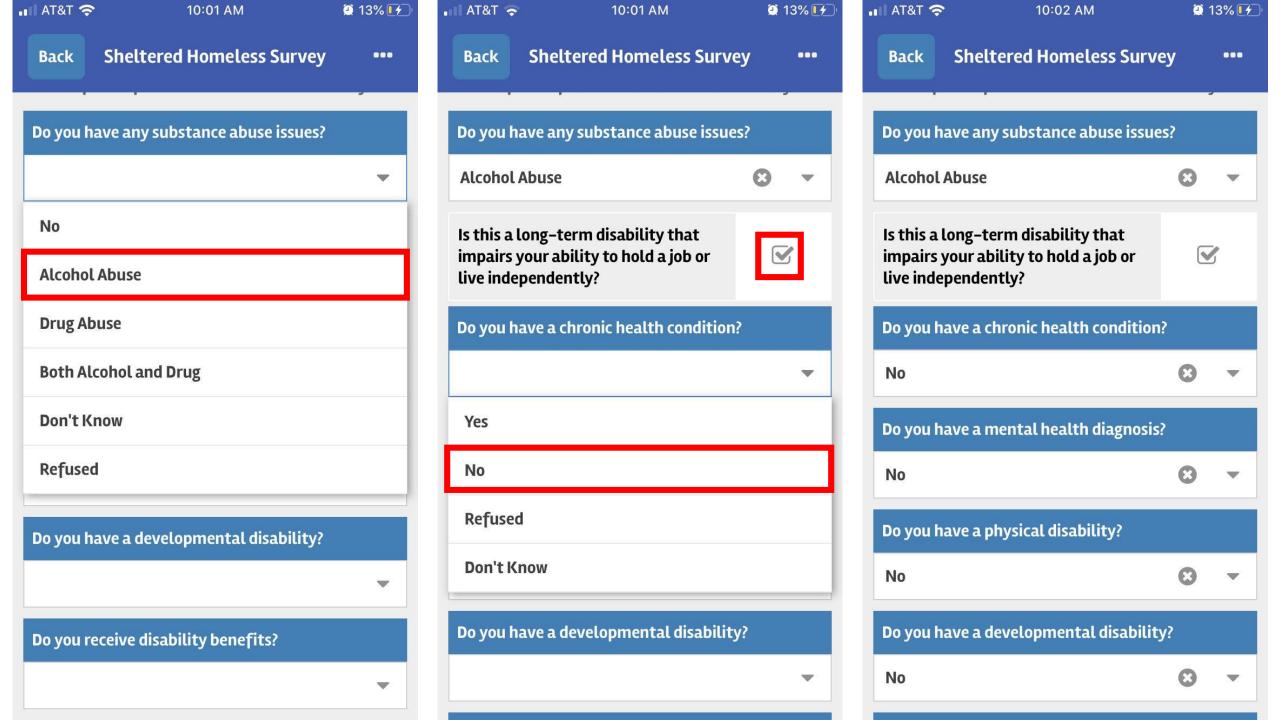


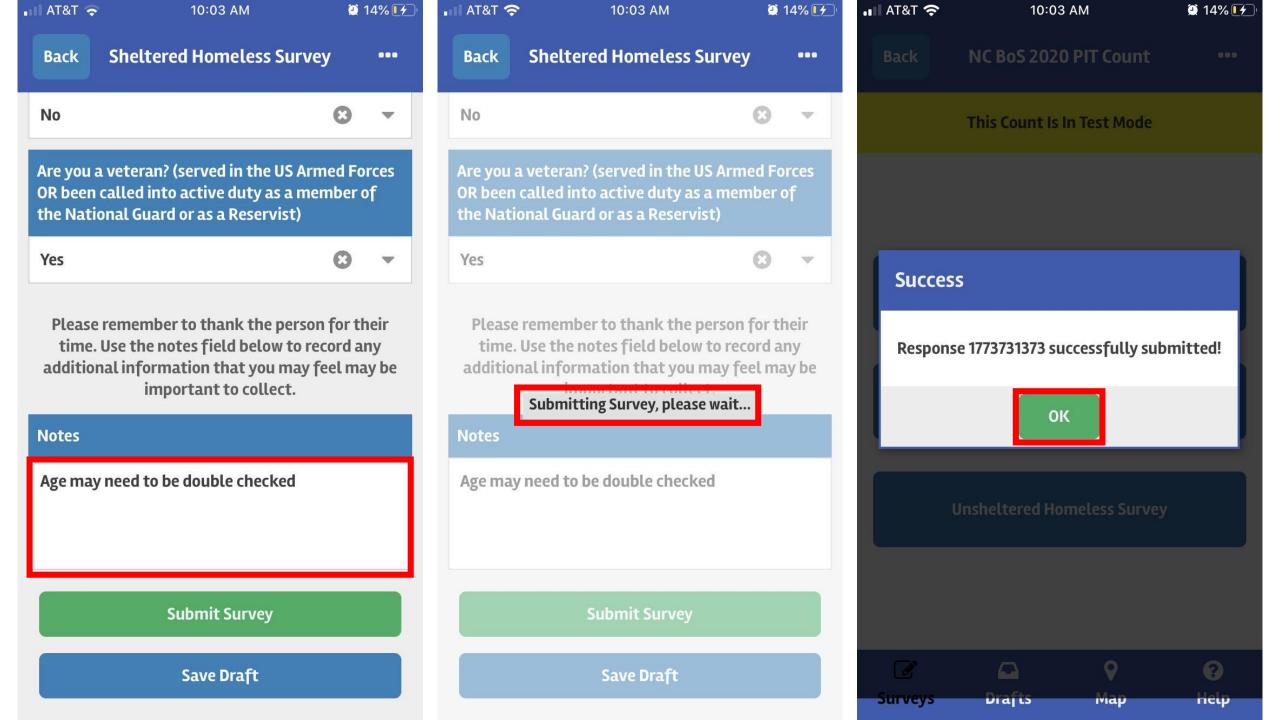














# Help us test the App!

### You can now login to practice!

- Please submit as many individual or household surveys as you'd like
- Try out different survey activities
- No pressure, if you'd like to test the survey later it will be available



Send questions and feedback at hmis@ncceh.org



### Getting Started with the Point in Time App

<u>Step 1: Download the Counting Us mobile app</u> from <u>Google Play</u> or the <u>App Store</u>. Search for the term "Counting Us" or use the QR code to the right to find the app.



Step 2: Tap Register

This will bring you to the registration form

Step 3: Register

Enter your info and tap "Submit Registration"

Step 4: Enter your info

Tap "Log In", "Choose Count", and then "Join New Count"

#### Step 5: Join a Count

Enter the Setup Key of NCBOS2020 and tap "Join Count"

#### Step 6: Get Started

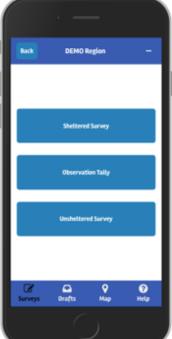
Tap "Get Started" and you are ready to start the count!













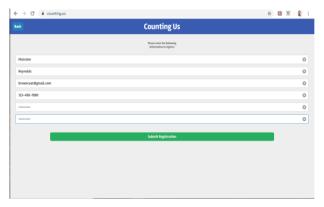
### **Getting Started with Counting Us Website**

Step 1: Visit counting.us from your web browser and click "Register"



#### **Step 2: Register**

Fill in the required information and click "Submit Registration"



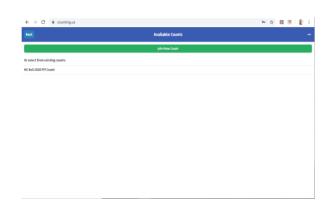
#### Step 3: Login

Enter your info to Log In and the click "Choose Count"



#### **Step 2: Join New Count**

Click Join New Count and Enter Setup Key: NCBOS2020



#### **Step 5: Select a Region**

Click on the region with your county listed



#### Step 5: Get Started!

You are ready to start the count!









#### **Join New Count**

Or select from existing counts:

NC BoS 2020 PIT Count



#### Select a Region

Region 10 (Duplin, Greene, Lenoir, Sampson, Wayne, Wilson)

Region 07 (Anson, Harnett, Hoke, Johnston, Lee, Montgomery, Moore, Randolph, Richmond)

Region 02 (Henderson, Polk, Rutherford, Transylvania)

Region 12 (Beaufort, Bertie, Martin, Pitt, Washington)

Region 05 (Cabarrus, Davidson, Rowan, Stanly, Union)

Region 06 (Alamance, Caswell, Chatham, Person, Rockingham)

Region 09 (Edgecombe, Franklin, Granville, Halifax, Nash, Northampton, Vance, Warren)

# **NCCEH Trainings and Open Office Sessions**

Date	Time	Focus
November 13	1:30-2:30	Conducting the count & Orientation to the App
November 20	1:30-2:30	Virtual Open Office Session
November 25	1:30-2:30	Conducting the count & Orientation to the App
December 11	1:30-2:30	Virtual Open Office Session
December 18	1:30-2:30	Conducting the count & Orientation to the App
January 15	1:30-2:30	Virtual Open Office Session
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**Trainings: Conducting the Count & Orientation to the App** 

Trainings open to all: Regional Team members, Agency Staff, and Volunteers. Cover basics of participating in a count and orientation to the App.

**Virtual Open Office Sessions** 

Virtual Open Office Sessions are for anyone involved in the count can join the call and ask questions about the App, conducting surveys, etc.

## **Stay Connected**

https://www.ncceh.org/datacenter/pointintimehowto/

This page on the NCCEH website is the go-to place to find regular updates, trainings, and other important information.













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