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# Who can be homeless?



Jennifer Lopez, *Musician*



Daniel Craig, *Actor*

Homelessness can affect anyone; in fact, several celebrities have experienced it themselves. Homelessness can result from many circumstances, some even without notice. Some examples are:

- A friend who recently lost their job and can't afford rent
- A family experiencing domestic violence and needs to flee their home
- An elderly person who can't live on their own or afford high costs of living
- A neighbor who suffers from mental illness
- A classmate who can't live at home and relies on "couch surfing" at other friends or family members could be at-risk of becoming homeless

Michael Oher, *Athlete*



Natasha Lyonne, *Actor*



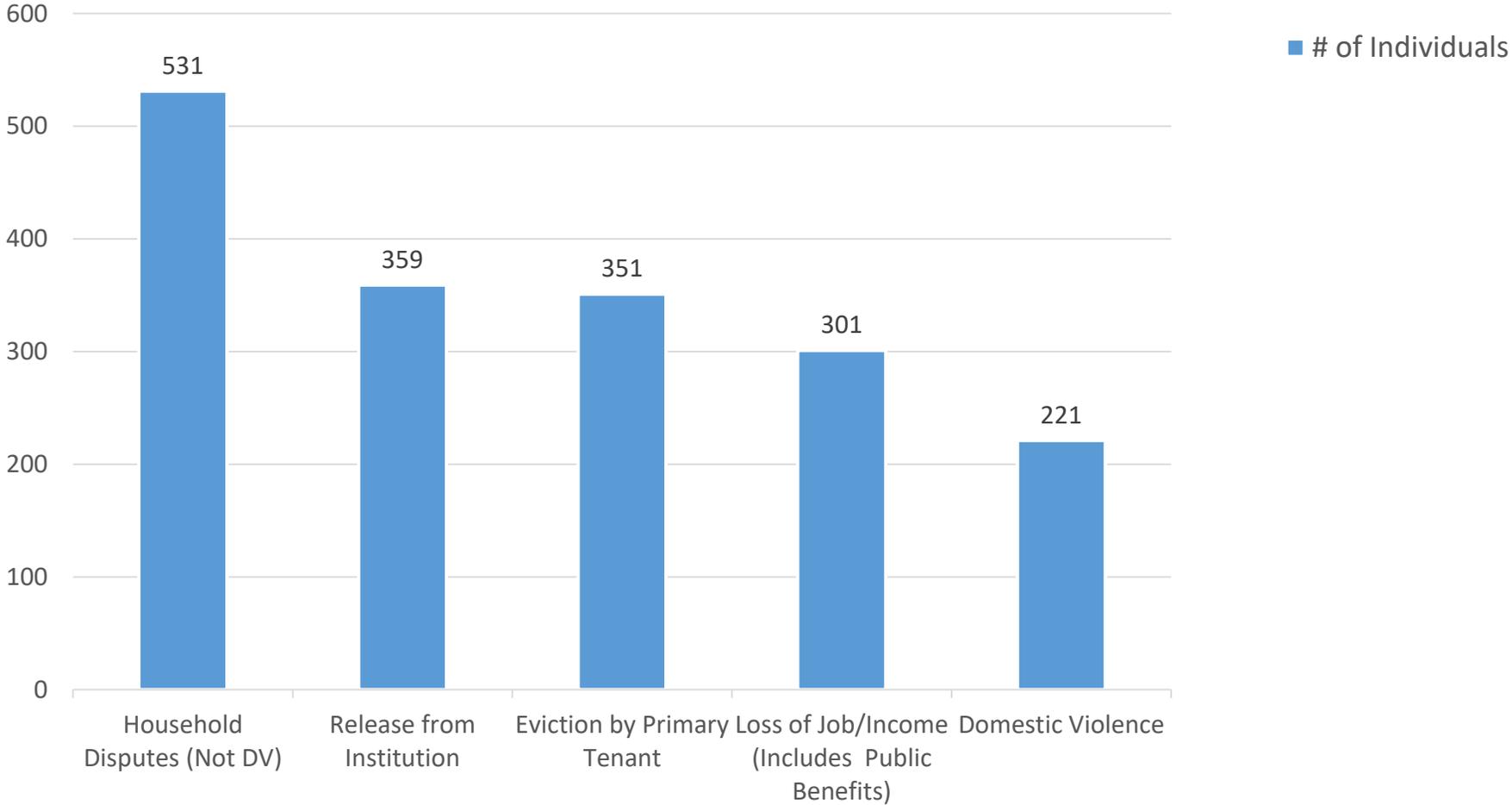
Steve Harvey, *Comedian*



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# Top 5 Reasons for Homelessness in Erie County\*



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\*2018 Homelessness Summary Brief Erie County, HAWNY

# Why is Awareness Important?

- Homelessness can affect anyone
- There are tools and resources available to help
- You may know someone that we don't
- You could help make a difference and save someone's life



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# How can you help?

If you see someone asking for money...

If you see someone outside in the cold this winter and nowhere to go...

If you see someone struggling with domestic violence, job loss, eviction...

If you see someone, help someone and CALL 2-1-1



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# Remember...



Get Connected. Get Help.™

- Homelessness can affect everyone whether it's a friend, a neighbor, or a family member. You can help!
- If you see someone, help someone
- Call 2-1-1



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# Want to Get Involved?

To Donate:

- Call 2-1-1 or email [kdodd@211wny.org](mailto:kdodd@211wny.org)

Contact the Homeless Awareness Task Force:

- Call (716) 851-4017 or Email [stulumello@city-buffalo.com](mailto:stulumello@city-buffalo.com)

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