Allegheny County Department of Human Services (DHS) provides human services to Allegheny County residents, including emergency help and support for long term needs.

Below is a breakdown of services provided by DHS by percent of total population. Pleasant Hills is compared with the JRF Communities. Aging and Mental Health Services were the most utilized for both—though the percent of Pleasant Hills total population utilizing services was less for every type.

People

Population: 8,291

- As of 2014, Pleasant Hills’ total population was estimated at 8,291. This is a slight decrease from a total of 8,397 reported in 2000.1
- The racial/ethnic composition of Pleasant Hills is 95% white, 3% African American and 2% Other.
- 22% of the total population is over age 65 — higher than the JRF Communities (18%) and the City of Pittsburgh (14%). Age 18—64 makes up 59% of Pleasant Hills and under 18 accounts for 19% of the population.
- The median age for Pleasant Hills is 46. This is higher than the Jefferson Regional Foundation (JRF) Communities (43) and the city of Pittsburgh (33).

Public Transportation

5%

JRF Communities: 8.5%

- 5% of population age 16 and over take public transportation to work.
- 12% of Pleasant Hills households do not have access to a vehicle.

Median Household Income

$62,969

JRF Communities: $49,773

- On average, 5% of Pleasant Hills families have income below the poverty level.
- 23% of those families are single mother families.

College Education

41%

JRF Communities: 26%

- 41% of population 25 years old and over has completed a Bachelor’s Degree or higher.
- High school degrees are the next highest level completed (28%).

Labor Force

62%

JRF Communities: 63%

- 62% of population age 16 and over are in the labor force.
- The labor force for Pleasant Hills is 46% female, 54% male.

Owner-Occupied Housing

77%

JRF Communities: 70%

- Of the 3,482 occupied housing units, 78% are owner occupied and 22% are renter occupied.
- 7% of total housing units are vacant.

Food Assistance

2%

JRF Communities: 10%

- In 2014, 183 residents of Pleasant Hills (2% of the total population) received SNAP benefits.

Overdose

3

JRF Communities: 62

- In 2015, 3 residents of the zip code 15236 fatally accidentally overdosed.
- This number has not changed from 3 deaths in 2008.

Population by Race/Ethnicity:

- White Alone
- Black or African American Alone
- Other

Percent of Population Receiving DHS Services by Type (2014)

- Aging
- Mental Health
- Medical Assistance Transportation
- Child Welfare
- Homelessness and Housing Support
- Drug and Alcohol
- Intellectual Disability
- Family Support Centers

Number of DHS Services Received in Pleasant Hills (2014): 1,963

0.0% 1.0% 2.0% 3.0% 4.0% 5.0%

Percent of Total Population

Sources: Unless noted, source is American Community Survey (ACS) 5 year estimate (2014)
Please Note: The ACS is an estimate with a Margin of Error (MOE) — please visit profiles.ucsur.pitt.edu for more information about specific indicators and their MOE