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Transitional Housing Assistance Grant Program (Transitional Housing Program)[1]
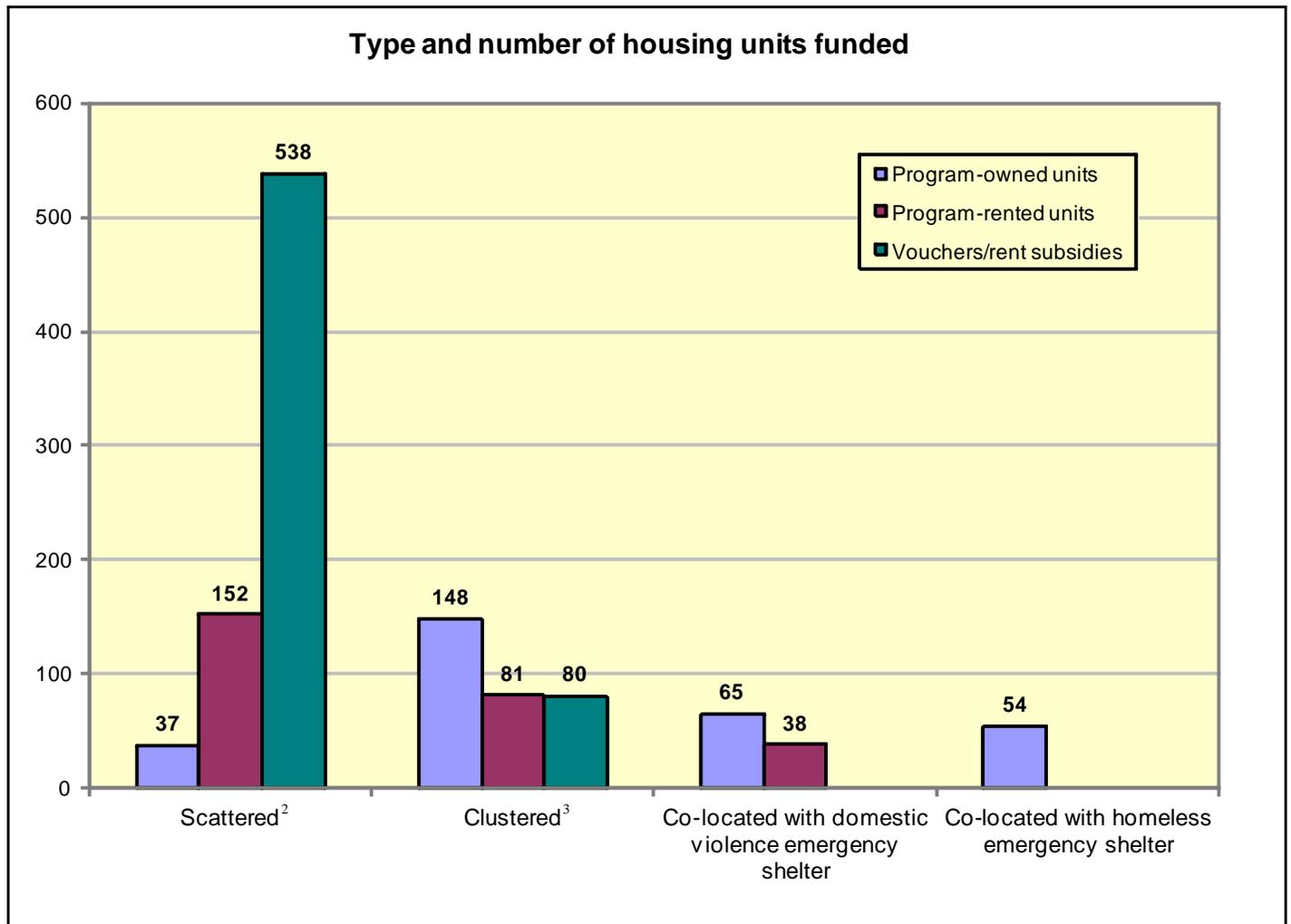
The purpose of the Transitional Housing Program is to support programs that provide assistance to individuals who are homeless or in need of transitional housing or other housing assistance as a result of fleeing a situation of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking, and for whom emergency shelter services or other crisis intervention services are unavailable or insufficient.

Number of grantees reporting	196

Program Description: Transitional Housing Program grantees provide housing units, which include program-owned units, program-rented units, and units paid for with voucher or rental assistance.

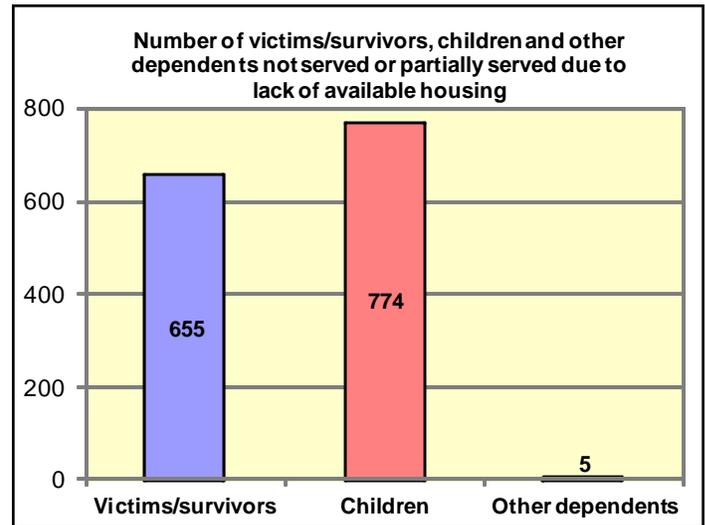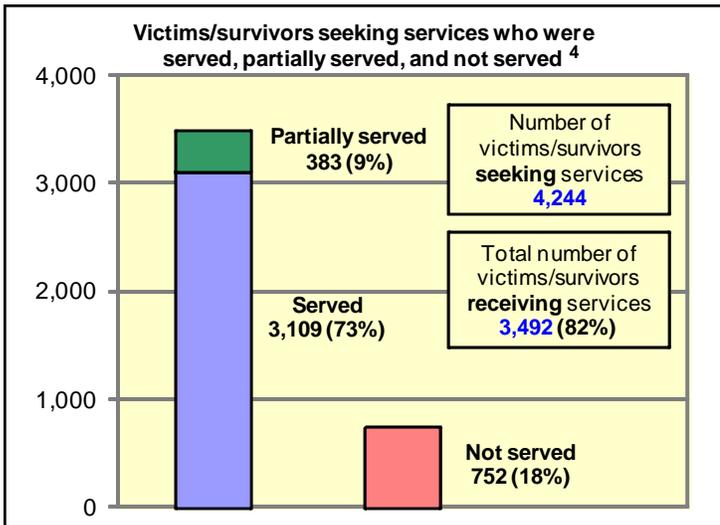Number of grantees using funds for housing units: **131** (67% of all grantees reporting)

Type and number of housing units funded

Legend:
- Program-owned units
- Program-rented units
- Vouchers/rent subsidies

Category	Program-owned units	Program-rented units	Vouchers/rent subsidies
Scattered[2]	37	152	538
Clustered[3]	148	81	80
Co-located with domestic violence emergency shelter	65	38	
Co-located with homeless emergency shelter	54		

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[1] This report contains selected data submitted by Transitional Housing Program grantees on a semi-annual progress report.
[2] Individual housing units located throughout the community or service area.
[3] Multiple housing units located in one building or in a complex.

Victim Services: Transitional Housing Program grantees provided services to nearly **3,500** victims/ survivors of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking and nearly **4,700** children and **59** other dependents to help them become and remain safe from violence.

Number of grantees using funds for victim services: **169** (86% of all grantees reporting)

Victims/survivors seeking services who were served, partially served, and not served [4]

Partially served 383 (9%)

Number of victims/survivors **seeking** services **4,244**

Served 3,109 (73%)

Total number of victims/survivors **receiving** services **3,492 (82%)**

Not served 752 (18%)

Number of victims/survivors, children and other dependents not served or partially served due to lack of available housing

Victims/survivors: 655
Children: 774
Other dependents: 5

Victim Services and Demographics: Transitional Housing Program grantees provided an array of support services designed to enable victims/survivors, who are fleeing sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking, to locate and secure permanent housing and integrate into a community by providing those individuals with services such as: transportation, counseling, child care services, case management, employment counseling, and other assistance. Victims/survivors receive safety planning, referrals, and information as needed.

Number of victims/survivors receiving the following support services:
Case management: **2,884** (83% of those receiving services)
Counseling/support group: **1,953** (56%)
Housing advocacy: **1,786** (51%)
Material assistance: **1,638** (47%)
Other advocacy: **1,611** (46%)
Crisis intervention: **1,562** (45%)
Financial counseling: **1,437** (41%)
Transportation: **1,086** (31%)
Employment counseling: **1,060** (30%)
Civil legal advocacy/court accompaniment: **463** (13%)
Education: **442** (13%)

Transitional Housing nights of shelter:
1,035 victims/survivors received a total of **111,392** bed nights

Number of victims/survivors receiving housing assistance:
Rental subsidy/voucher: **704**
Utilities: **423**
Rental unit fees: **338**

Demographic data:
Gender[5]
- Female: **3,462** (99%)
- Male: **26** (1%)

Race/ethnicity[5,6]
- White: **1,535** (45%)
- Black or African American: **756** (22%)
- Hispanic or Latino: **749** (22%)
- American Indian or Alaska Native: **264** (8%)
- Asian: **108** (3%)
- Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander: **55** (2%)

Other demographics[7]
- Rural: **687** (20% of those receiving services)
- Limited English proficiency: **548** (16%)
- Immigrants/refugees/asylum seekers: **504** (14%)
- Disabilities: **442** (13%)

Relationship to offender[8]
- Current or former spouse or intimate partner: **2,937** (83%)
- Dating: **299** (8%)
- Other family member: **230** (7%)
- Stranger: **35** (1%)
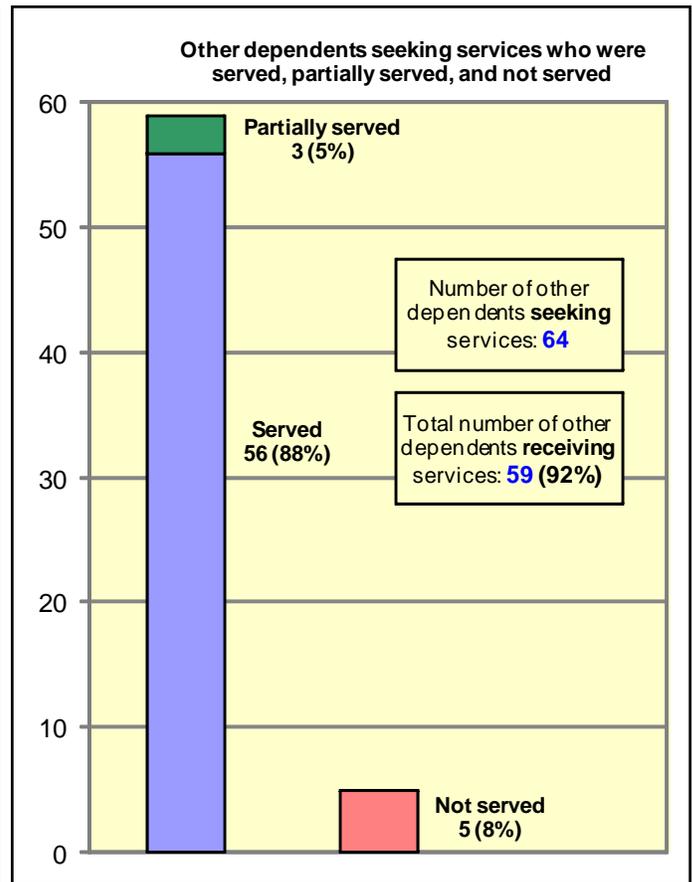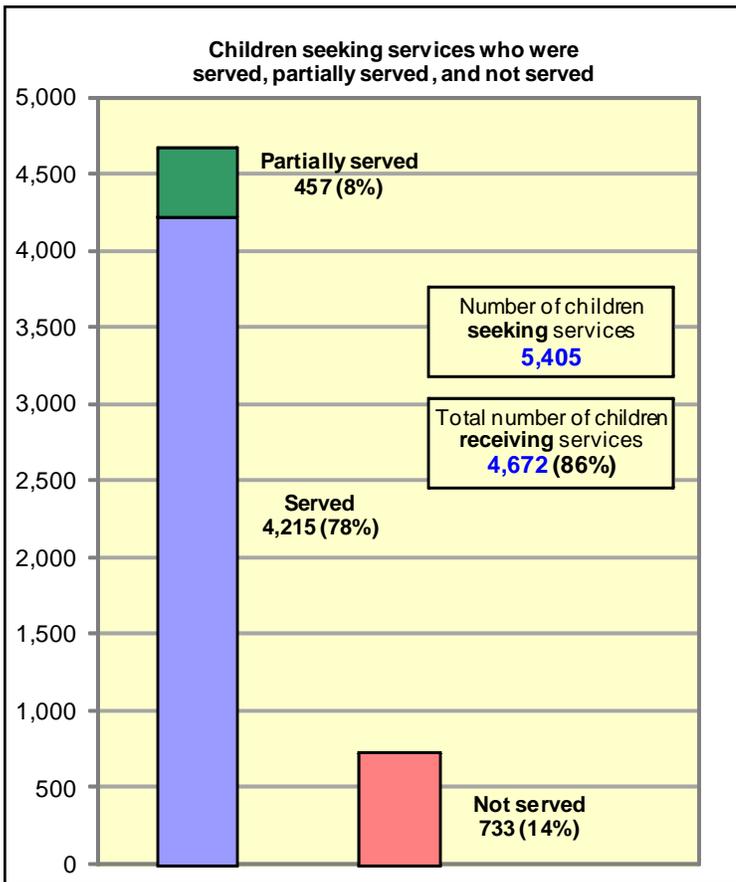- Acquaintance: **31** (1%)

[4] Percentages are based on victims/survivors seeking services

[5] Percentages are based on victims/survivors receiving services for whom this information was known.

[6] Some victims/survivors may identify with more than one race/ethnicity, so the total number reported in race/ethnicity may be higher than the total number of victims/survivors served.

[7] Because victims/survivors may be represented in more than one of these categories, or not at all, the total for this category may be higher or lower than the total number of victims/survivors served.

[8] Victims/survivors may have been abused by more than one offender, so the total (when unknowns are included) may be higher than the total number of victims/survivors reported as served. Percentages presented here are based on the total number of known relationships.

Children seeking services who were served, partially served, and not served

Partially served
457 (8%)

Number of children **seeking** services
5,405

Total number of children **receiving** services
4,672 (86%)

Served
4,215 (78%)

Not served
733 (14%)

Other dependents seeking services who were served, partially served, and not served

Partially served
3 (5%)

Number of other dependents **seeking** services: **64**

Served
56 (88%)

Total number of other dependents **receiving** services: **59 (92%)**

Not served
5 (8%)

Number of children receiving the following support services:

Case management: **2,330** (50% of those receiving services)

Material assistance: **1,616** (35%)

Children's activities: **1,452** (31%)

Child care: **1,053** (23%)

Other advocacy: **965** (21%)

Crisis intervention: **821** (18%)

Counseling/support group: **807** (17%)

Transportation: **697** (15%)

Education: **469** (10%)

Translation and interpretation: **119** (3%)

Leadership development opportunities: **17** (<1%)

Transitional Housing nights of shelter:

1,486 children received a total of **170,108** bed nights

Demographic data:
Gender[9]
- Female: **2,357** (51%)
- Male: **2,290** (49%)

Other demographics[10]
- Rural: **940** (20% of those receiving services)
- Limited English proficiency: **307** (7%)
- Immigrants/refugees/asylum seekers: **205** (4%)
- Disabilities: **187** (4%)

Number of other dependents receiving the following support services:

Case management: **43** (73% of those receiving services)

Material assistance: **13** (22%)

Other advocacy: **10** (17%)

Transportation: **10** (17%)

Counseling/support group: **9** (15%)

Crisis intervention: **7** (12%)

Translation and interpretation: **3** (5%)

Transitional Housing nights of shelter:

14 other dependents received a total of **1,508** bed nights

Demographic data:
Gender[9]
- Female: **28** (47%)
- Male: **31** (53%)

Other demographics[10]
- Limited English proficiency: **8** (14% of those receiving services)
- Rural: **8** (14%)
- Immigrants/refugees/asylum seekers: **7** (12%)
- Disabilities: **3** (5%)

[9] Percentages are based on children/other dependents receiving services for whom this information was known.
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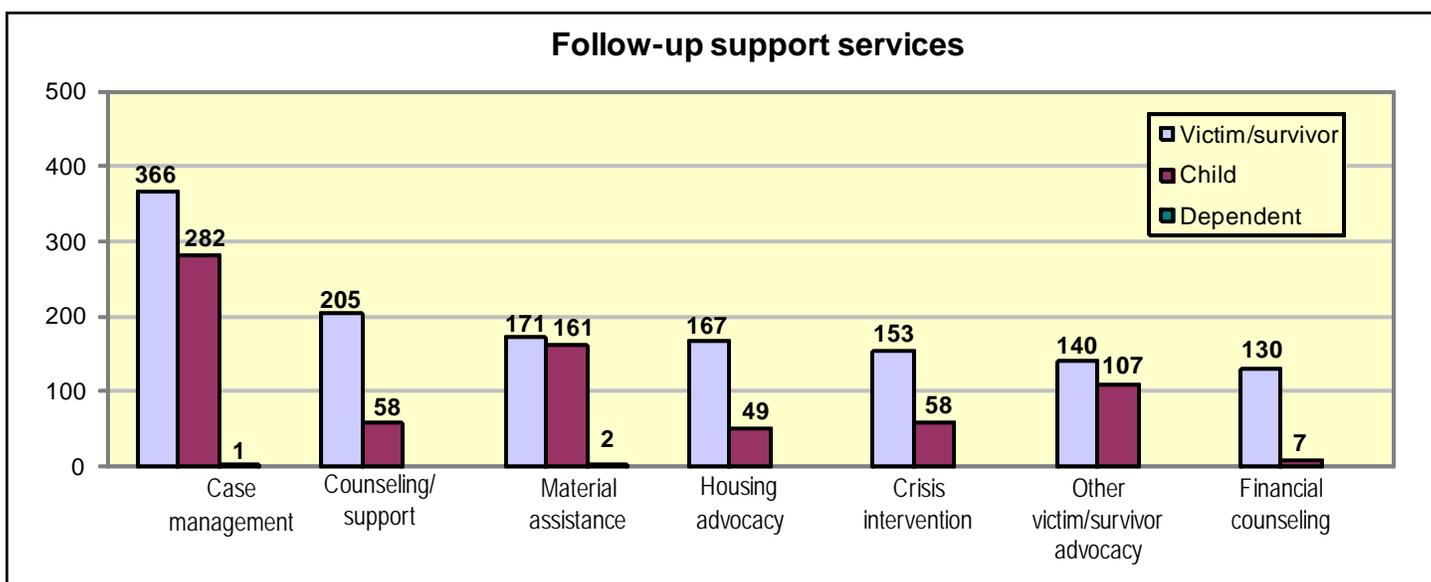
Transitional housing and destination upon exit[11]

Destination upon exit	Number of victims/survivors
Permanent housing of choice	332
Temporary housing with family or friends	68
Transitional housing (other than grant-funded program)	36
Domestic violence emergency shelter	11
Homeless emergency shelter	6
Incarceration/jail	5
Health care facility/substance abuse treatment program	4
Hotel or motel	4

Victim/survivor perception of risk of violence upon exit

Perception about the risk of future violence	Number of victims/survivors
Lower risk of violence	374
Equal risk of violence	27
Does not know	19
Greater risk of violence	2

Follow-up Services: Number of grantees using funds for follow-up services: **123** (73% of all grantees using funds for victim services)

Follow-up support services

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[11] Does not include the 41 victims/survivors reported as unknown/other. Total number of victims/survivors who exited from their transitional housing program was 507.

Staff: Transitional Housing Program staff provide victim services, including advocacy, counseling, financial assistance, material assistance, transportation, and child care services to increase victim and child safety.

Number of grantees using funds for staff: **182** (93% of all grantees reporting)

Total number of full time equivalent staff funded [12]	184
Case manager (40% of all staff funded)	74
Program coordinator (18%)	33
Victim advocate (8%)	15
Transitional services advocate (7%)	12
Child advocate/counselor (6%)	11
Housing advocate (6%)	11
Administrator (5%)	10
Counselor (3%)	6
Support staff (3%)	5
Child care worker (2%)	4
Driver/ transportation provider (1%)	2
Facilities/operations staff (1%)	2
Attorney (1%)	1

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[12] Categories are rounded to the nearest whole number and only categories with at least one full FTE after rounding are included.