Supporting Transitional Age Youth (STAY) Process Demographic and Outcome Data

Since opening in August 2006, STAY Process has served 491 participants, ranging in age from 16 through 25 years old (Transitional Aged Youth). The following graphs and data, unless otherwise noted, present information about the 330 participants (N=330) served during Fiscal Year July 2009 – June 2010.

**Gender**
Of the 330 participants served during FY 09/10, 142 were female and 188 were male.
Age

The vast majority of STAY participants were 18 years old or older. Only one participant was in the 16–17 year old age range.
**Ethnicity**

This graph illustrates STAY participants’ self-identified ethnicity, with 44% Caucasian, 35% Hispanic and 9% African American. The remaining participants described their ethnicity as American Indian, Asian, Mixed or Other.

![Ethnicity Pie Chart](image_url)

*N = 330*
Education

At the time of enrollment in STAY Process, 23% of participants were enrolled in school. Since receiving services from STAY, 29% of participants were enrolled in either high school, adult education courses, vocational schools or community college.
**Employment**

At the time of enrollment in STAY Process, only 23% of participants were employed. Throughout Fiscal Year 2009-2010, that number more than doubled to 47% employed at some point while enrolled in STAY.
To develop essential job skills and provide an opportunity to gain valuable work experience, STAY Process has a supported employment program offering subsidized work opportunities in community organizations and businesses. Since December 2007, 61 participants have benefited from the supported employment program, working at placement sites for an average of 4.5 months. Additionally, as shown in the following graph, over 40% of STAY participants who completed this program gained employment in the community before leaving STAY Process.

Data from June 2010 indicates that current participants work an average of 25.6 hours each week, and earn an average of $8.90 per hour through the supported employment program. Participants work as peer mentors, program assistants, receptionists, boat maintenance technicians and janitors. Through the efforts of the STAY Employment Coordinator, and several participants who act as advocates for the supported employment program, new companies and programs continue to be added to provide participants with work experience in a variety of fields.
**Employment & Education**

In Fiscal Year 2009-2010, STAY Process served 213 participants who were employed, enrolled in school or both. Of those 213 participants:

- 55% were employed
- 28% were enrolled in school
- 17% were enrolled in school and employed, not necessarily at the same time
Housing & Homelessness

In the year prior to enrolling in STAY, 156 participants had been homeless, in temporary emergency housing, (i.e. at the home of a friend) or living in a shelter. Since enrollment, only 24 of those participants were in the homeless or temporary housing category at any given time during the year, an 85% decrease.

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- Year Prior To STAY, 156
- Since STAY, 24

N = 330
In June 2010, 57% of participants sustained their housing independently. The remaining 43% received a housing subsidy and are working to increase their contribution towards their rent each month with the goal of paying their rent in full.

N = 227
**Psychiatric Hospitalizations**

Reducing the number of participants’ hospital stays is a goal of STAY Process. In the year before entering STAY Process, 79 participants reported being admitted to a psychiatric hospital. Since enrollment, only 16 of those participants returned to a psychiatric hospital again.

\[ N = 330 \]
Incarcerations

In the year prior to enrolling in STAY, 66 participants were incarcerated. Since enrollment, that number was reduced to 15. Additionally, only two of those participants were incarcerated more than once.

This information was obtained from STAY Process’ Caminar† database, Housing Matrix, Employment Coordinator records and the CDMH Initial FSP Outcomes Analysis Presentation.

†Caminar is a program that is used to collect and send data to the State. Data are also available for immediate use by contracted programs and the County for analysis.