

**OPIOID
ABATEMENT**

Advisory Commission

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Meeting**

July 30, 2025

AGENDA

- I. Welcome**
- II. Call to Order**
- III. Quorum Declaration**
- IV. Approval of Minutes**
- V. DC Council Proposed Changes**
- VI. Needs Assessments**
- VII. Report from the Office of Opioid Abatement**
 - A. Financial Report**
 - B. Grantee Progress Reports**
 - C. Schedule of FY26 Grantmaking**
- VIII. Grantee Presentation**
 - A. Red Sprinkle**
 - B. Federal City Recovery Services**
 - C. The Nehemiah Project**
 - D. CompuRecycling**
- IX. Public Comments**
- X. Adjournment**



Office of Opioid Abatement: DC Council Proposed Changes



Office of Opioid Abatement: Needs Assessments

Needs Assessments

- The Pew Needs Assessment Report (2020) was emailed to commissioners for review.
- Upon further review, there have been multiple needs assessment reports that have been conducted with more recent data.
- Recommendation: Submit most recent needs assessments to Commission subcommittees for review and to determine what new areas they may want to address.



Report of the Office of Opioid Abatement

Financial Report

Opioid Abatement Fund Financial Report			
Fiscal Year	Deposits per OAG	Certification by OCFO	Expenditures
Fiscal Year 2024	\$27,438,282.25	\$13,956,057.81	\$1,140,114.31
Fiscal Year 2025	\$1,119,183.29*	\$1,605,690.58 **	\$13,295,449.08 ***
Total	\$28,557,465.54	\$15,561,748.39	\$14,435,563.39

*Amount updated as of April 2025.
**Certified as of July 2025.
***Total expenditures projected by end of FY25.



Office of Opioid Abatement: Grantee Progress Reports

Faith-based Prevention

Transitional Housing

Drop-in centers

Peer training

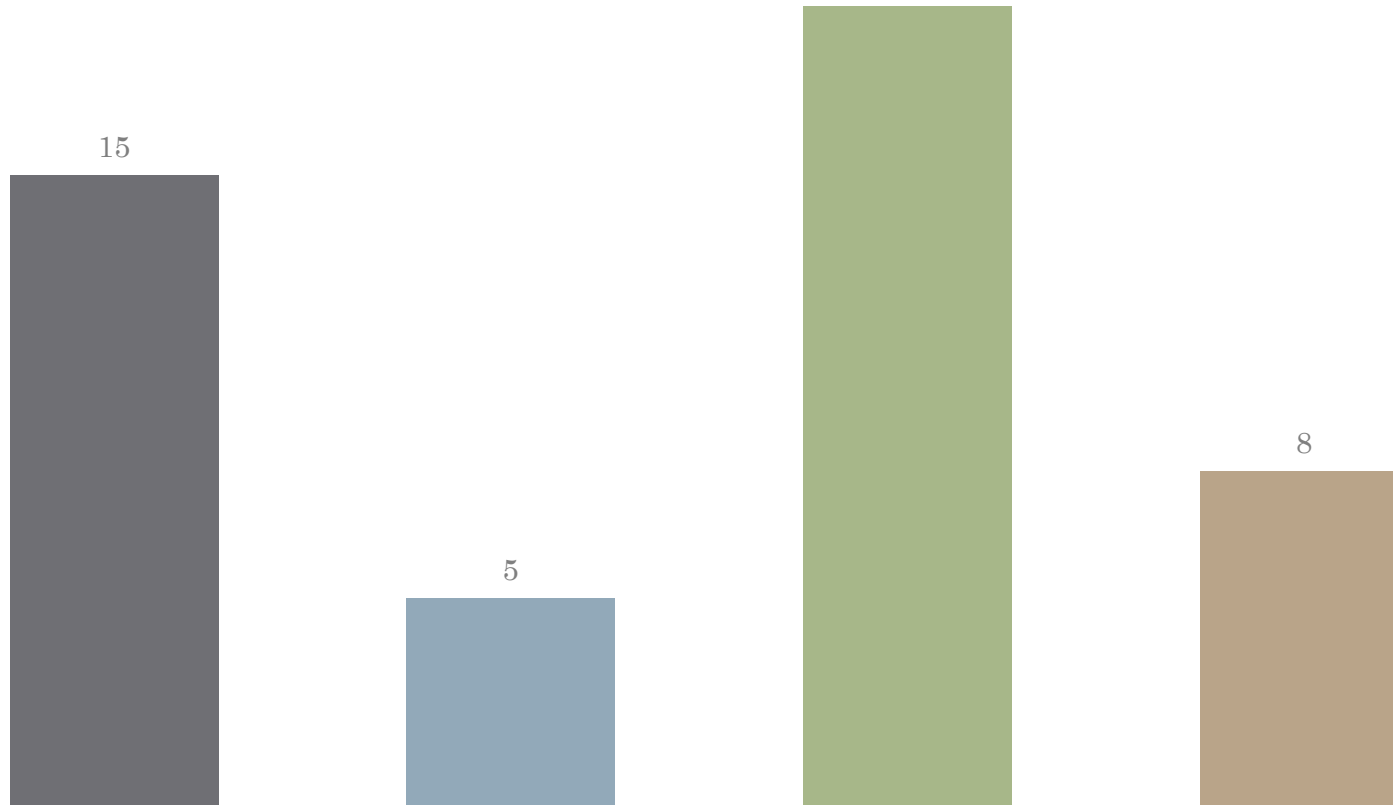
Harm Reduction

Faith-Based Organizations

Nov. 2024-May 2025
(Matthew Memorial Baptist Church and CenterPoint Baptist Church)

NUMBER OF EVIDENCE-BASED TRAININGS FACILITATED

■ General trainings ■ Senior oriented trainings ■ Community oriented trainings ■ Parent oriented trainings

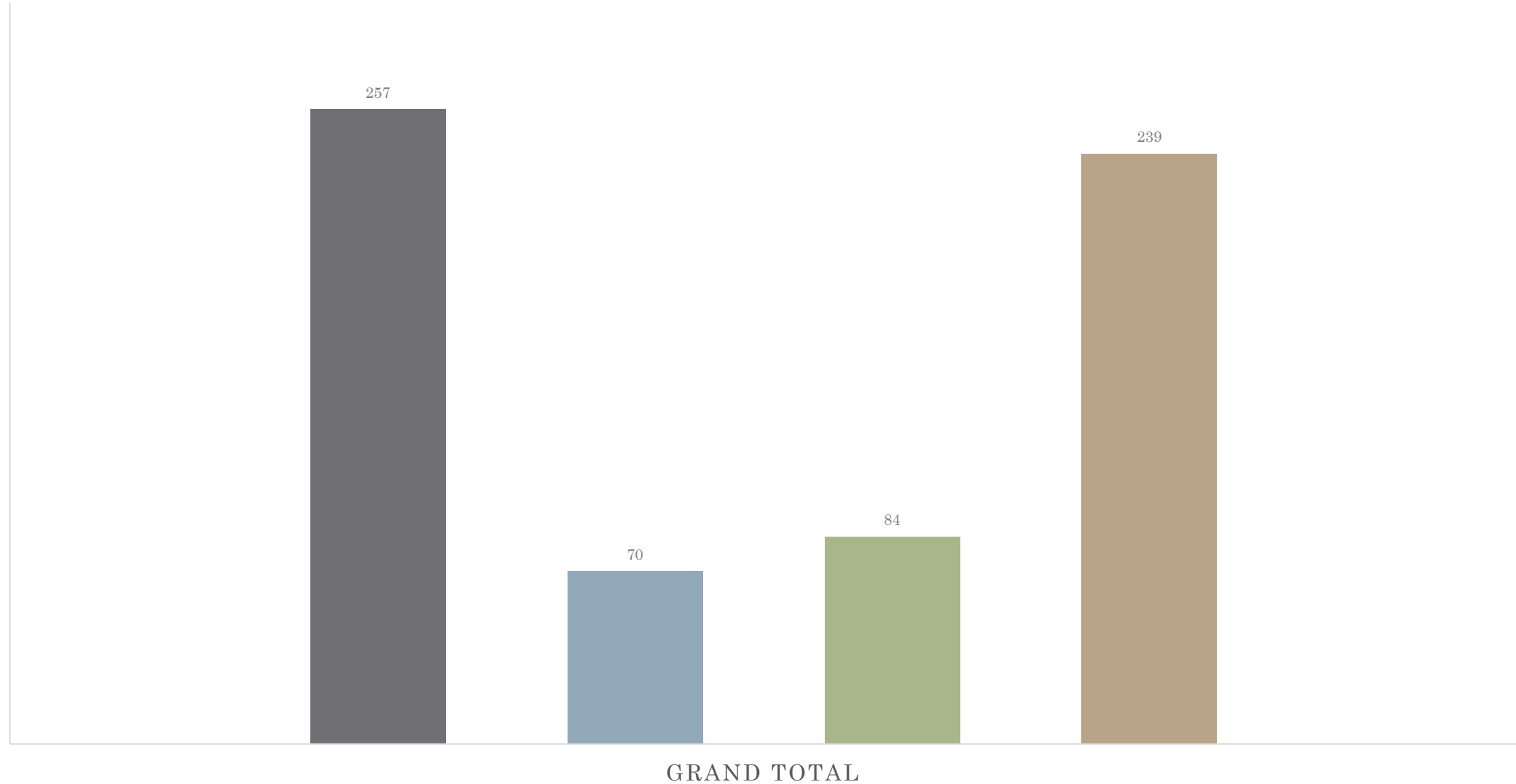


GRAND TOTAL



NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS IN EVIDENCE-BASED TRAININGS

■ General trainings ■ Senior oriented trainings ■ Parent oriented trainings ■ Community oriented trainings



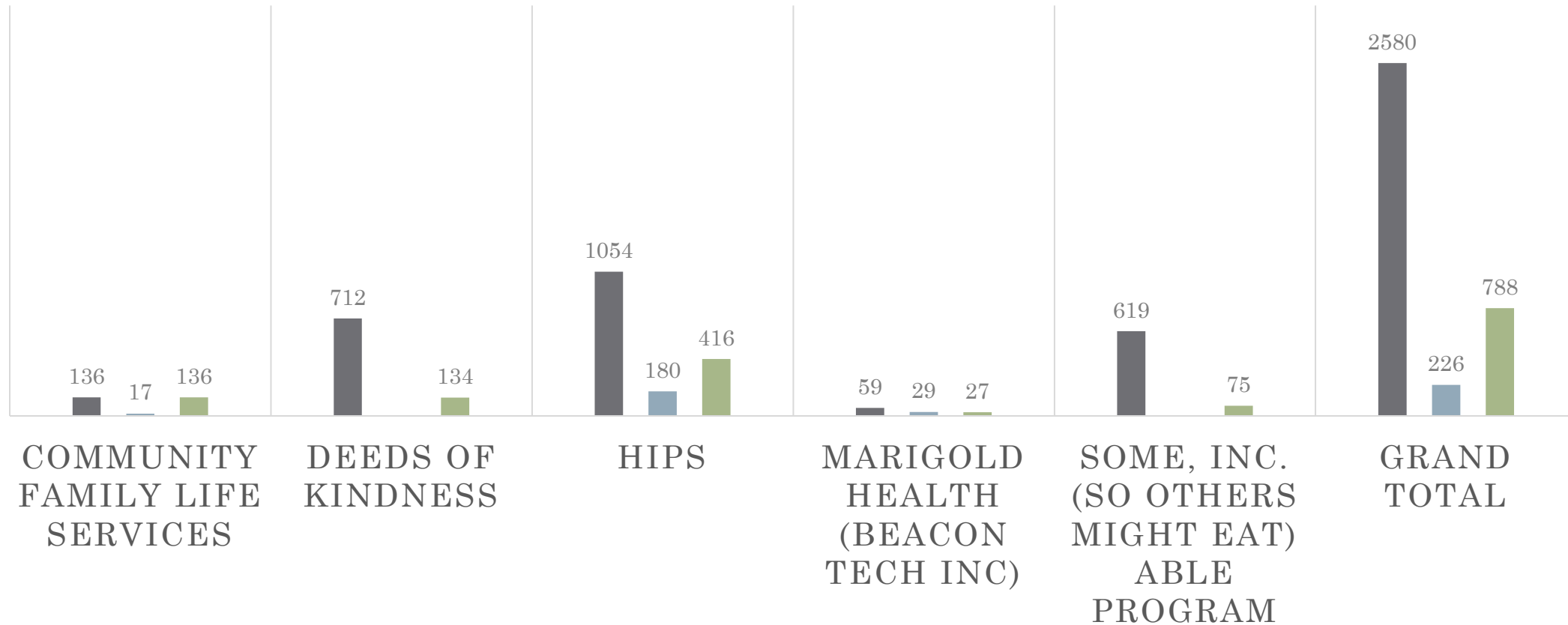


Drop-In Centers

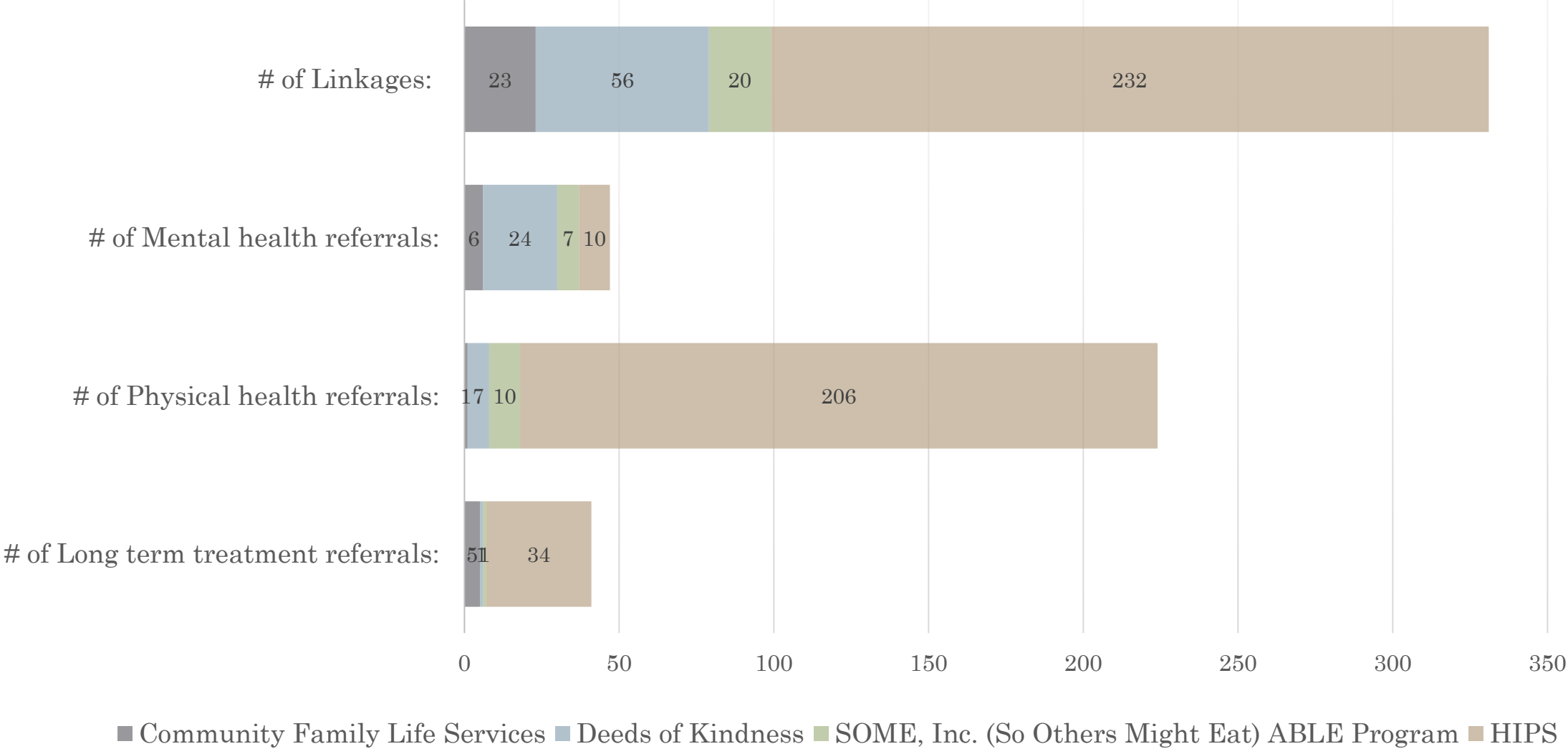
Nov. 2024-May 2025

DROP-IN CENTERS INDIVIDUALS SERVED

■ # of Individuals served ■ Current case management census
■ # of Encounters with a peer specialist



DROP-IN CENTERS REFERRALS

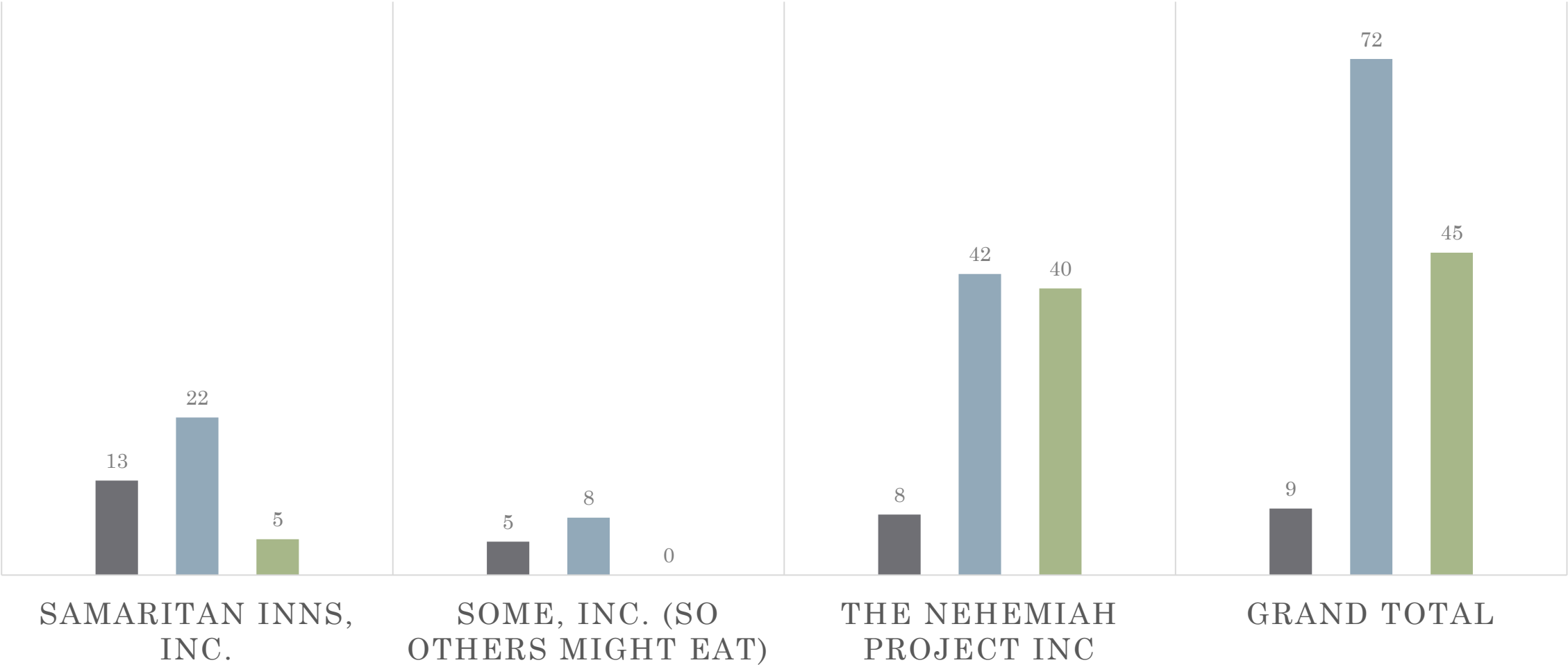


Transitional Housing

Nov. 2024-May 2025

NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS SERVED

■ Average census ■ # of Intakes ■ # of Discharges





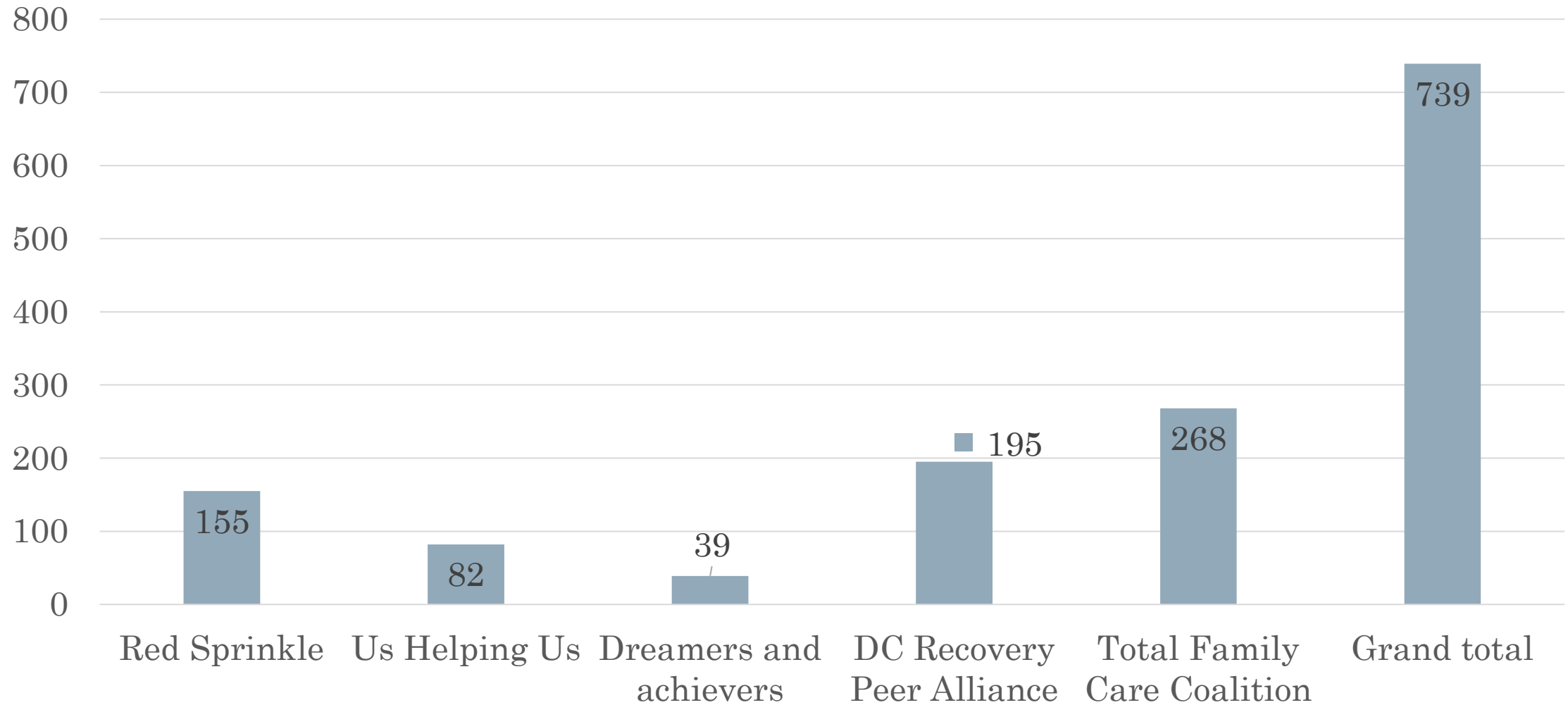
TRANSITIONAL HOUSING- NUMBER OF REFERRALS

■ # of Physical health referrals ■ # of Long term treatment referrals
■ # of Mental health referrals ■ # of Housing referrals

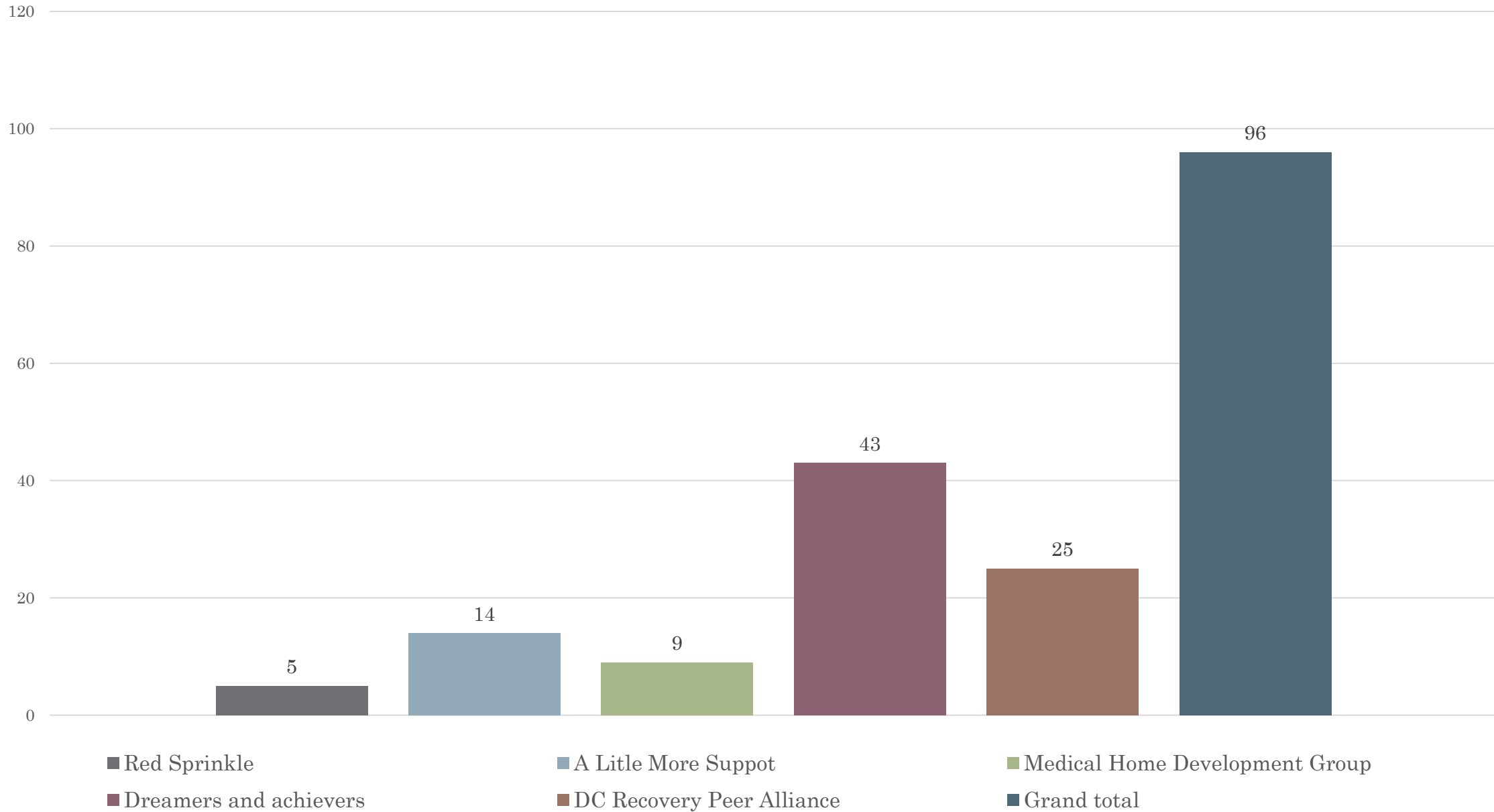


Peer Training Oct. 2024-May 2025

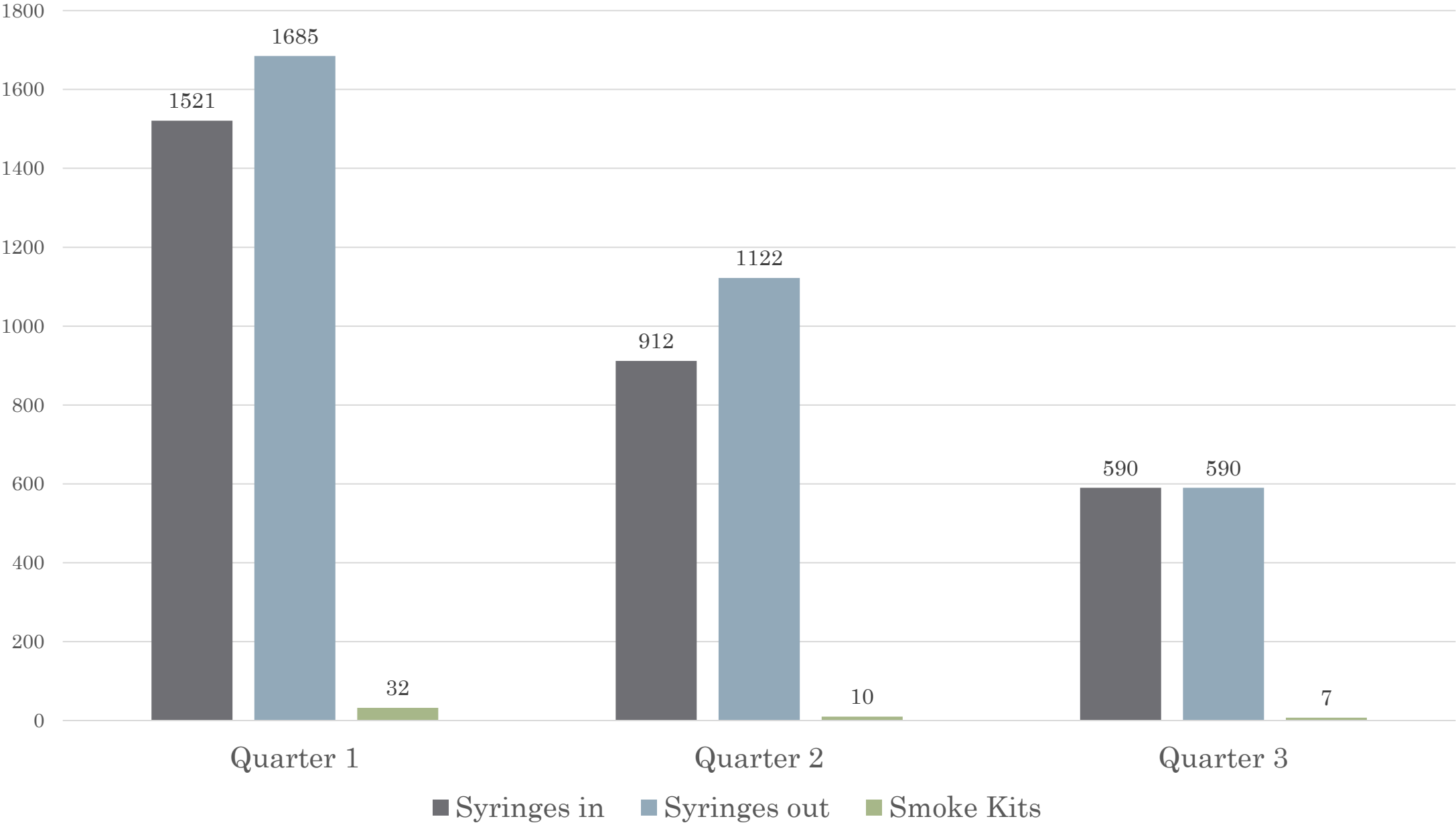
NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS ENGAGED THROUGH PEER OUTREACH



NUMBER OF PEERS IN TRAINING



HARM REDUCTION KITS AND EXCHANGES





Office of Opioid Abatement: Schedule for Grantmaking

FY 25/26 Grantmaking Schedule

- Opioid Abatement Strategic Impact Grant
 - Upcoming RFA to be released covering the areas of focus previously recommended by the Commission
 - 12-Month Period of Performance starting in FY26
- Request for Application Release Date: Friday, August 15, 2025
- Pre-Application Conference Date: Friday, August 22, 2025
- Opioid Abatement Public Forum: Wednesday, August 27 , 2025
- Application Submission Deadline: Friday, September 12, 2025



Opioid Abatement Presentation from Grantee:

1. Red Sprinkle
2. Federal City Recovery Services
3. The Nehemiah Project
4. CompuRecycling



SOBER + CHIC

A Peer-Driven Recovery Program
for Youth + Women

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WHY IT WORKS

We teach:

Reframing; Redefining
what sobriety looks
and feels like

Restructuring: Wellness,
somatics, creativity, and
emotional literacy

Redirection: Peer
certification; volunteering
community building





OUR IMPACT

Over 150 women
served since launch

92% satisfaction rate
in participant surveys.

100% abstinent in
current cohort

75% of graduates found
employment, training
or family reconnection





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Live sober. Live chic.



CLOSING

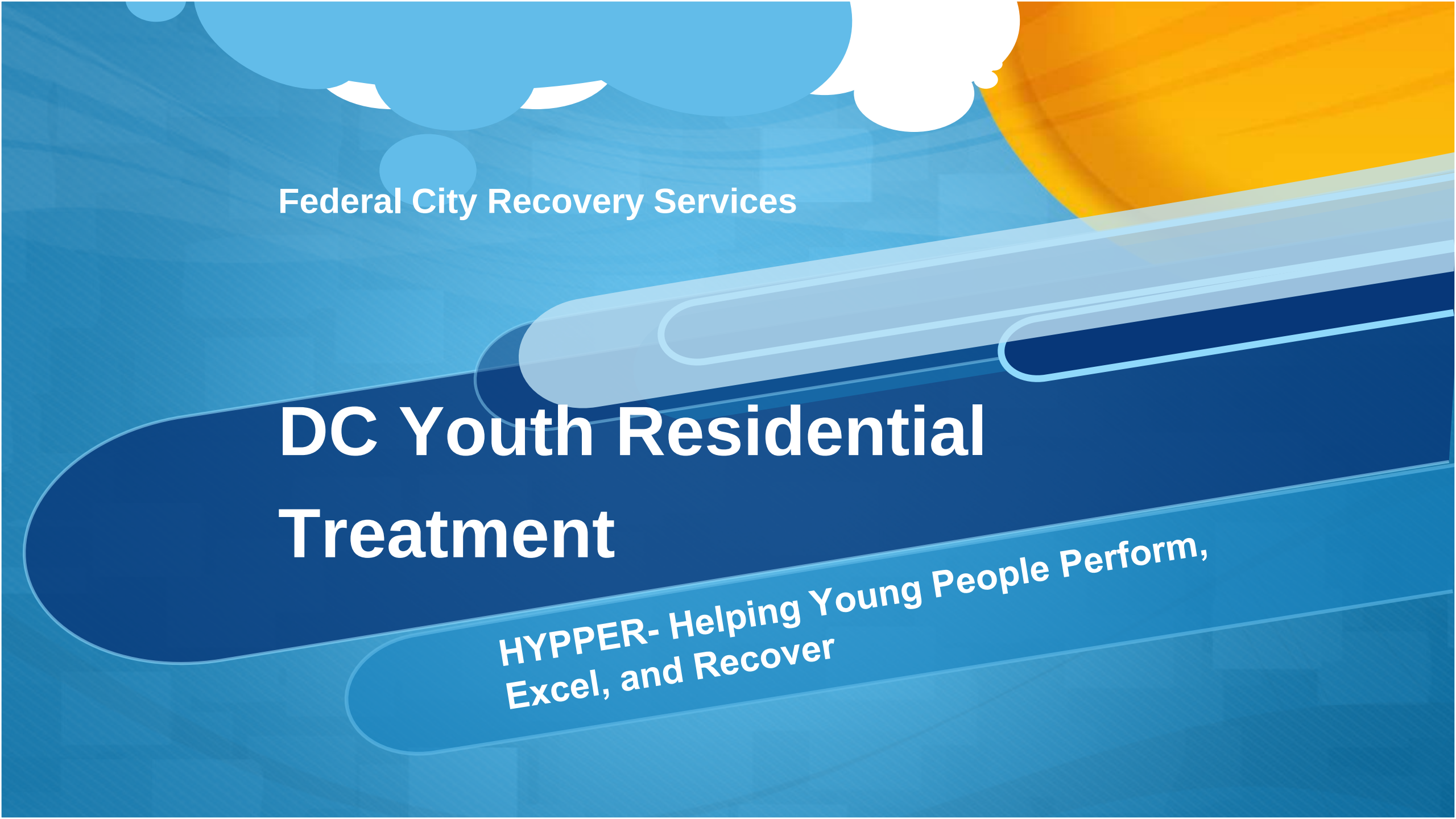
We are not just
reducing harm.

We are restoring
identity.

Sober = Chic proves
that peer-based
no-cost, culturally
relevant recovery
works.

This is not just about staying sober, it's
about becoming whole.





Federal City Recovery Services

DC Youth Residential Treatment

**HYPPER- Helping Young People Perform,
Excel, and Recover**

HYPPER

Youth Recovery Services Overview

- Local youth (adolescents, young adults aged 12 - 25) SUD programs.
- Treatment includes counseling, therapy, recreational activities, academic support.
- Care involves multidisciplinary teams and community partnerships (Children's National Hospital) for support.





Multidisciplinary Team and Residential Support

FCRS will staff a multidisciplinary team including:

- Therapists specializing in adolescent SUD and mental health
- A physician in addiction medicine
- A pediatric psychiatric nurse practitioner
- An education coordinator working with DCPS

Residential monitors will provide 24/7 supervision, mentorship, and support with daily living, reinforcing therapeutic goals in a safe, structured environment.

The Nehemiah Project of DC

Respite Housing with Wrap-Around Services

Location: Ward 7, Washington, DC

Facility: 18-bed, short-term crisis housing

- **Target Population:**

- Individuals in active opioid-related crisis
- Recently People experiencing incarcerated individuals (returning citizens)
- Those awaiting placement in formal treatment or recovery housing
- Uninsured or underinsured individuals lacking documentation

- **Key Services Provided:**

- ❖ 24/7 staff supervision
- ❖ Access to medical and psychiatric care
- ❖ Recovery resource navigation with warm handoffs to MAT, detox, outpatient, and housing
- ❖ Individual recovery planning with peer support
- ❖ Daily transportation for medical, legal, and treatment needs
- ❖ Meals, hygiene supplies, bedrooms rooms
- ❖ Daily low-threshold peer-led support groups
- ❖ Naloxone access and overdose prevention education





Community Impact, Prevention, and Lessons Learned

Preventing Opioid Use Among Youth

Many participants are parents, siblings, or caregivers. By stabilizing their lives and reconnecting them with treatment and housing, the program reduces youth exposure to trauma and substance use. Several clients have reconnected with their children or regained visitation rights. Former residents have returned post-discharge to support current clients, reinforcing a culture of recovery.

Reducing Risk for Families and Communities

The program serves Ward 7, an area with elevated rates of poverty, housing instability, and justice involvement. By removing clients from overdose-prone environments and linking them to comprehensive care, the program reduces reliance on emergency systems and increases safety and stability within families and neighborhoods.

Program Outcomes (as of June 30, 2025)

- ❖ 59 individuals served
- ❖ 40 clients linked to long-term treatment (67.79%)
- ❖ 188 total linkages to care (medical, psychiatric, inpatient, outpatient)
- ❖ 100% received individualized recovery care plans
- ❖ 0 overdose deaths
- ❖ 624 group attendances (Recovery & Life Skills)
- ❖ 57 naloxone kits distributed; 20+ doses available onsite

Challenges and Lessons Learned

Transportation capacity continues to limit access to external appointments. The team is addressing this through new partnerships and scheduling strategies. Mistrust of traditional systems was reduced by employing peer staff with lived experience. The program has learned

Model, Approach, and Sustainability

Program Design and Evidence Base

The Nehemiah Project of DC's respite housing program is based on the Doorway Program in New Hampshire and follows SAMHSA's Recovery-Oriented Systems of Care (ROSC) framework. The model emphasizes trauma-informed care, peer leadership, and low-threshold access to treatment. Every client receives individualized recovery planning, harm reduction support, and daily engagement.

Core Practices Integrated into the Model

- On-site naloxone access and overdose prevention education
- Recovery education and motivational interviewing for clients not yet ready for treatment
- Daily peer-led recovery and life skills groups
- Warm handoffs to MAT, detox, outpatient, and residential programs
- Case planning and navigation provided by certified peer support staff

Implementation Strengths

- 100% of clients received individualized care plans
- Over 600 total group attendances in recovery and life skills sessions
- 15 new community referral partners formalized since launch
- Numerous clients who completed the program have stayed connected—many return to the property to share their experience, offer encouragement, and participate in on-site recovery meetings
- Several former participants have completed vocational training and found meaningful employment and stable lives
- Strong peer engagement and retention; no overdose deaths among participants



Who We Are

Mission of CompuRecycling Center (CRC) is to fully invest in youth, families, and communities by working as a change agent to strategically improve their health, education, economic stability, and overall wellness through authentic youth engagement, pioneering career readiness, innovative workforce development, intensive entrepreneurship support, and community health outreach.

Our Services

- Technical Assistance
- Entrepreneurial Support
- Academic Assistance
- **Workforce Development***
- **Career Readiness***
- **Community Health Promotion***

Service Locations

Office: 2006 Martin Luther King Jr. Avenue SE

Service Area: District of Columbia with Priority Focus on Ward 5, Ward 7, and Ward 8



**LEVEL UP AGAINST
OPIOID EPIDEMIC**



**COMMUNITY
HEALTH STATIONS**



**AT MARTHA'S
TABLE**



MEDICAL ASCENSION: LEVEL UP AGAINST OPIOID EPIDEMIC

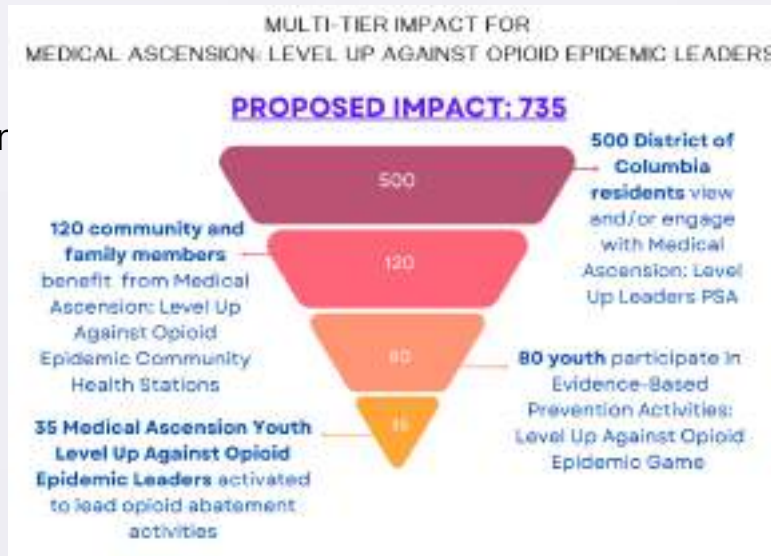
Funding Support

Project: Medical Ascension: Level Up Against Opioid Epidemic

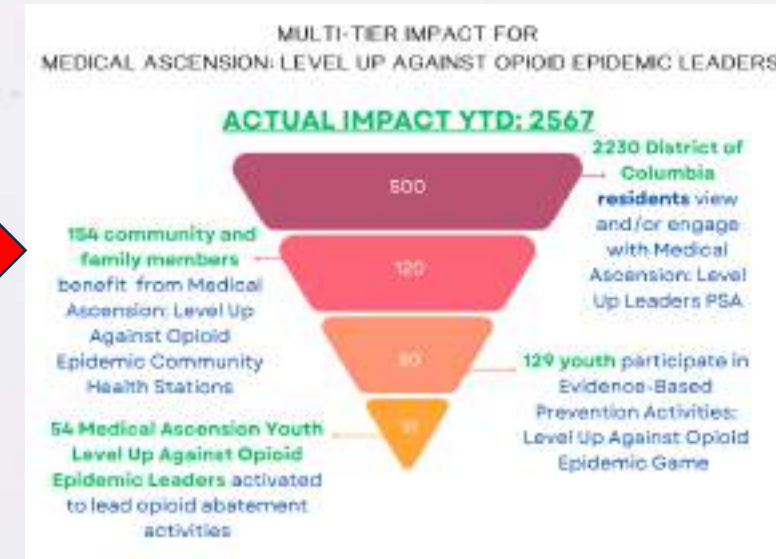
Activating Medical Ascension Youth to lead the following opioid epidemic prevention, harm-reduction and recovery education activities:

- Medical Ascension: Level Up Against Opioid Epidemic Community Health Stations
- Medical Ascension: Level Up Against Opioid Epidemic Game
- Medical Ascension: Public Service Announcements

Proposed Impact



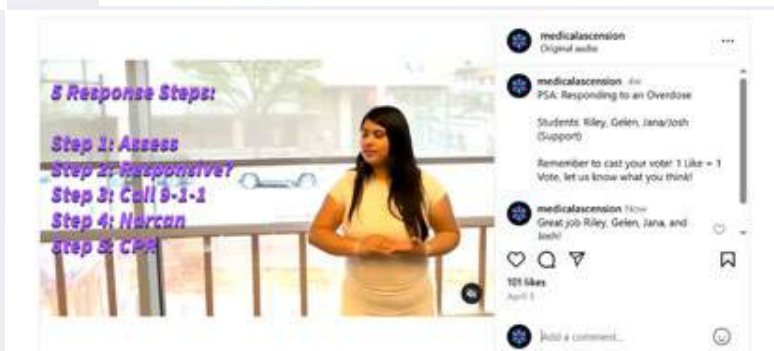
Actual Impact



As of July 9, 2025, The PSA: Opioid Myths Vs. Facts has received **813 views** and reached **323 unduplicated accounts** who viewed the PSA at least once.



As of July 9, 2025, The PSA: 5 Steps to Responding to Opioid OD has received **629 views** and reached **317 unduplicated accounts** who viewed the PSA at least once.



As of July 9, 2025, The PSA: Responding to an Overdose has received **737 views** and reached **352 unduplicated accounts** who viewed the PSA at least once.



MEDICAL ASCENSION



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PUBLIC COMMENTS