



Section IV: Treatment Programs

For Committed Youth



Youth at Backbone Mountain Youth Center participated in “Backbone Combine”, a version of the NFL Combine, which included passing, catching, 40-yard dash, vertical jump, broad jump, 3-cone run, tire flip run, and a shuttle run.

Introduction to Treatment Programs for Committed Youth

DJS aims to select the most appropriate out-of-home program for youth who have been committed to the custody of DJS by the juvenile court. The court determines the appropriate level of care for each youth but does not select the specific programs to which the youth are referred. Treatment programs vary based on the services provided, as well as by security level.

DJS has made significant reform efforts in recent years, including an increased focus on several key principles to guide decision making regarding out-of-home placements. These principles are:

- Utilize community-based treatment whenever possible;
- Utilize lengths of stay that maximize treatment benefits;
- Utilize research-based programs;
- Prioritize out-of-home placements in Qualified Residential Treatment Programs (QRTPs) when available;
- Identify trauma and provide trauma-responsive care;
- Reduce racial and other systemic biases;
- Utilize a restorative approach by seeking options to repair harm to victims and communities; and
- Foster positive youth development and resiliency.

Beginning in 2020, DJS participated in a learning academy with national experts and other jurisdictions. DJS leadership reviewed best practices and evidence-based approaches to treatment, and the academy provided technical assistance, including an analysis of departmental policies and practices. The DJS team identified a number of issues that unnecessarily increased youth lengths of stay in treatment without improving the services provided, including placement recommendations, case planning, treatment delivery and monitoring, procedures for motivating youth and responding to youth behaviors, enhancing youth and family voice, and reentry planning. As a result, DJS developed its Comprehensive Treatment Model (CTM) policy. Implemented in July 2023, the model identifies Dialectical Behavior Therapy (DBT) as the foundational treatment framework

PLACEMENTS, ADP, AND ALOS FOR DJS-OPERATED COVID-19 QUARANTINE ISOLATION¹, FY 2023²

Program	Placements	ADP	ALOS
Backbone Mountain YC	4	0.1	7.2
Green Ridge YC	0	0.0	N/A
Victor Cullen Center	2	0.1	15.0
<i>Total</i>	6	0.2	8.6

¹ Youth can have more than one quarantine period. ² Data include only COVID-19 quarantines that were temporarily housed at a separate facility. Data do not include youth quarantined in their original placement facility.

CAPACITY, ADP, AND SECURITY TYPE FOR DJS-OPERATED TREATMENT PROGRAMS¹, FY 2023

Program	Capacity	ADP	Security Type
Backbone Mountain YC*	28	23.6	Staff
Garrett Children's Center [^] (formerly Savage Mountain YC)	0	0.0	Hardware
Green Ridge Mountain Quest**	6	0.3	Staff
Green Ridge YC*	30	21.4	Staff
Victor Cullen Center*	26	21.9	Hardware
<i>Total</i>	<i>90</i>	<i>67.1⁺</i>	<i>N/A</i>

¹ This table does not include contracted treatment programs.

* Capacity Changes: Backbone Mountain YC capacity was increased from 21 to 28 on 11/02/2022; Green Ridge YC capacity increased from 26 to 30 on 6/29/2023; Victor Cullen Center capacity increased from 24 to 26 on 6/29/2023.

[^] Garrett Children's Center remained temporarily closed throughout FY 2023.

** Green Ridge Mountain Quest was closed in November 2022, therefore the data only reflect the period it was open.

⁺ Averages may not add to totals due to rounding.

Based on capacities from the end of the FY, the utilization rate for state-operated programs was 74.6%.

and incorporates principles of Positive Youth Development (PYD) and trauma informed care. The model establishes that the intensity of services a youth receives is determined by the youth's risk of recidivism and treatment needs, and identifies the unique strengths of a youth to create an individualized treatment plan. It is anticipated that implementing changes will result in improved outcomes for justice-involved youth, a reduction in recidivism, and increased public safety.

Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS): Implemented in all DJS-operated treatment programs (see table above) since January 2018, PBIS is an evidence-based framework that is designed to facilitate the development of pro-social youth behavior, and maintain safety and security in the programs. For DJS, the PBIS framework includes a behavior motivation system, STARR, which is grounded in the principles of positive reinforcement and modeling. STARR helps youth learn problem-solving and leadership skills, as well as accept responsibility for their behavior. Program staff are trained to teach and model problem-solving and social skills.

PYD is a framework that sees youth and families as full of potential and provides them with opportunities, relationships, and support to build on their strengths and achieve positive outcomes.

Trauma Informed Care (TIC): Trauma Informed Care is an approach that takes in to account past trauma and how it shapes fundamental beliefs about the world and affects behavior. DJS has implemented TIC since since March 2017. The National Association for the States of Mental Health Program Directors (NASMHPD) trained all DJS treatment program staff in a TIC model that was originally developed for the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), a nationally recognized leader in Trauma Informed Care. TIC is taught in entry-level training for all staff and teaches staff to recognize the signs, symptoms, and common reactions to trauma. It also teaches staff about the impact of trauma on the developing brain, and how it impacts the behaviors, reactions, and lives of youth. Through training with the NASMHPD trauma trainers, DJS staff have developed and implemented specific strategies to help youth address their reactions to trauma triggers, and programs have developed more trauma-informed environments.

PLACEMENT PROCESS

The DJS placement process is designed to select the most appropriate program and treatment services for youth. The process begins after adjudication with a comprehensive case review of each youth.

Community or Multidisciplinary Assessment Staffing Team (MAST) Staffing: For youth in the community at the time of adjudication, the local DJS office conducts a community staffing. A community staffing meeting brings together key parties responsible for treatment service planning, including parents and/or guardians. For detained youth, a MAST staffing takes place in the detention center. MAST is a specialized diagnostic team responsible for assessing youth who are detained

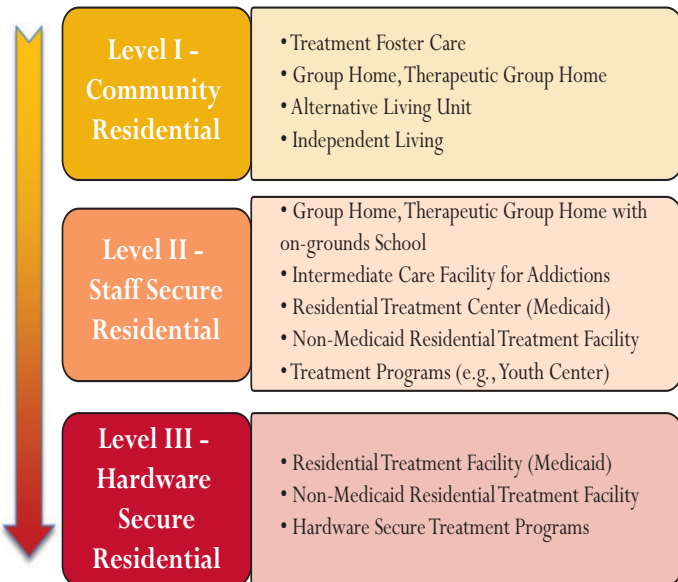
pending court disposition and are at risk of out-of-home placement. The MAST includes a psychologist, social worker, professional counselor or substance use counselor, community case manager, detention facility case manager supervisor, resource specialist, an education representative, and the youth and family. Youth who require more specialized assessments (e.g., a neurological, psychosexual, or medical assessment) are referred for evaluation, and the results are presented during a MAST staffing.

Referral for Services: Each staffing meeting considers all pertinent information including the current offense(s), delinquency history, social history, recommended supervision level and treatment needs based on the DJS MCASP, educational records, any behavioral health and medical assessments, youth and family input and strengths, service access considerations, and the involvement of any other state agency. Staffing meetings culminate with recommendations to the juvenile court for program participation and/or treatment services tailored to the circumstances of each youth. After court disposition, DJS refers each case to the recommended program(s) for consideration. Programs may either accept or reject a youth based on program eligibility criteria or capacity.

The Department has established three levels of residential treatment program placements based largely on the level of program restrictiveness (see the figure). Level I includes all programs where youth reside in a community setting and attend community schools. Level II includes programs where education is provided on-grounds, and youth movement is restricted primarily by staff monitoring and supervision. Level III programs provide the highest level of security by augmenting staff supervision with physical attributes of the facility (i.e., locked areas and fences).

DJS contracts with an array of programs, both in and out of state, to provide treatment services to committed youth. The full range of DJS placement options include: (a) Foster Care Homes (treatment foster care); (b) Group Homes (general service and therapeutic); (c) Independent Living Programs/Alternative Living Units (often used as a step-down from a more restrictive program placement for older youth); (d) Residential Treatment Centers (RTCs) and non-Medicaid Residential Treatment Facilities (out-of-state); (e) DJS-operated and out-of-state staff-secure treatment programs; and (g) hardware-secure treatment programs, both DJS-operated and privately contracted out-of-state.

In 2021, DJS added an additional placement option as a result of the passing of the Family First Prevention Services Act (FFPSA) in 2018. FFPSA defined a new level of child care institution (i.e. group home setting)- Qualified Residential Treatment Program (QRTP). A QRTP is a non-family-based setting that serves children with treatment needs that cannot be met in a home/family setting. The QRTP must meet the following requirements: use a trauma informed treatment model; have a registered or licensed nursing and clinical staff available 24/7; provide discharge planning and family-based aftercare support;





Youth at Backbone Mountain Youth Center working on an epoxy project to send home to loved ones for Valentine's Day.

facilitate outreach to and include the participation of the child and family members; and is state licensed and accredited by the Joint Commission, the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF), or the Council on Accreditation (COA). The State of Maryland has designated six programs as QRTPs to include the DJS licensed program - Morning Star Vision Quest.

Case Reviews: The DJS case management team conducts monthly reviews of all youth under Departmental supervision to ensure that youth are receiving recommended treatment services and appropriate supervision. Beginning in March 2020, DJS implemented a monthly executive-level case review process to further ensure that youth are progressing in programs, receiving all needed services while in a program, and being evaluated for court in a timely manner. This is in addition to the already established Central Review Committee process.

Central Review Committee (CRC): DJS established the CRC in 2012 after legislation was passed granting DJS the authority to transfer youth to a placement with a higher security level without first requesting the court to modify the commitment order. That legislation expired in 2016; however, the CRC continues to conduct weekly case reviews of youth at risk for removal from a treatment program and those who have been removed from a program due to safety issues or a significant change in the behavioral, emotional, and/or medical needs of the youth. The Director of Behavioral Health serves as the Chair of the CRC. The CRC directs changes in the provision of services to youth, recommends placement transfers, and requests modifications to court orders for those cases requiring increased security.

SERVICES PROVIDED IN DJS-OPERATED TREATMENT PROGRAMS

Youth served in a DJS-operated treatment program receive a multitude of services, including behavioral health, case management, somatic

health, and educational services. Upon admission, the treatment team determines the number of treatment hours for each youth. The total number of treatment hours is based upon the youth's assessed overall risk for recidivism as estimated by the MCASP and the youth's identified treatment needs. Substance use services are provided based upon need and in 2021, DJS achieved accreditation through the COA for all state-operated treatment programs.

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AND CASE MANAGEMENT SERVICES

DJS Behavioral Health Services (BHS) provides integrated mental health and substance use treatment in DJS-operated treatment programs. Behavioral Health Services include the following: substance use services; suicide assessment and prevention; crisis intervention and stabilization; medication evaluation and monitoring; and individual, group, and family therapies. All youth participate in the TAMAR-Y (Trauma, Addiction, Mental Health, and Recovery – Youth) curriculum, which combines psychoeducation with cognitive behavioral interventions and expressive art therapy. As of July 2023, all youth participate in individual and group Dialectical Behavioral Therapy (DBT) sessions. DBT is an evidence-based, cognitive behavioral intervention that helps individuals learn how to better manage negative emotions, reduce impulsive and other negative behaviors, improve relationships, and improve the quality of their lives. Case Management staff work with youth in the Forward Thinking interactive journaling program, which uses cognitive behavioral strategies to assist youth in making positive changes in their thoughts, feelings and behaviors. Telepsychiatry services are available to all youth as needed. Trauma-Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (TF-CBT), an evidence-based cognitive behavioral program, is available to all youth who need trauma specific treatment.

Substance Use Services: All DJS treatment programs offer Seven Challenges substance use treatment, which was

STUDENTS SERVED BY JSEP, FY 2023

	FY 2023 (Quarters)			
	1st	2nd	3rd	4th
Backbone Mountain Youth Center	75	36	43	43
Green Ridge Mountain Quest*	0	0	0	0
Green Ridge Youth Center	48	32	36	41
Victor Cullen Center	58	37	38	37

* The Green Ridge Mountain Quest Program closed in November 2022.

implemented in 2009. Seven Challenges utilizes a decision-making model, encouraging youth to make well-informed decisions by weighing the costs (e.g., physical, psychological, and social harm) and benefits of drug use. All programs provide substance use services to youth at the needed American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM) level ranging from early intervention to clinically managed medium intensity residential services.

SOMATIC HEALTH

The Somatic Health Services Unit provides comprehensive, quality health care and nutritional services in an integrated fashion to address the full range of needs of the youth and to ensure a continuum of care in the DJS residential programs. The unit's mission is to protect, promote, and advance the health of all youth in the care of the Department.

The health care system provides medical, dental, optometry, midwifery, pharmacy, and dietetic services in an interdisciplinary fashion that is developmentally appropriate for youth. These services are delivered in accordance with the standards of care set forth by the National Commission on Correctional Health Care, the American Academy of Pediatrics, the Centers for Disease Control, and the Food and Nutrition Board of the National Academy of Sciences.

Youth admitted to DJS residential programs require ongoing, routine preventative health care. In some cases, youth may have unmet or chronic health care needs upon admission or may develop an acute health condition that needs to be addressed. DJS ensures that each program has licensed nurses and clinical practitioners, as well as comprehensive laboratory and pharmacy services to meet the health care needs of the youth. For specialty, surgical, emergency, or in-patient care that may be required, youth are transported to community providers as needed.

Each youth must have a current nursing assessment, history and physical examination, vision screening, and dental screening upon admission or soon thereafter. Youth are also screened or tested for anemia and infectious diseases including tuberculosis, COVID-19, sexually transmitted infections, and HIV. Girls are

provided comprehensive gynecological care either on-site or in the community in order to meet individual need.

DJS makes every effort to request immunization records for all youth and to fully immunize youth who are not up to date on recommended and required vaccinations. DJS participates in the Federal Vaccines for Children Program.

The care and services delivered and the performance of the private health care providers are continually monitored by the director team of Office of Somatic Health Services to ensure compliance and optimal quality of care.

EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

The Juvenile Services Education Program's primary focus is to provide exceptional educational opportunities to students and assist them in accruing credits toward graduation or to receive a diploma by examination (GED). JSEP utilizes a combination of online course providers and blended learning courses facilitated by JSEP teachers to provide credit recovery and original credit opportunities for students. Online course providers afford students the opportunity to retake courses to obtain the mastery needed for credit to use towards graduation requirements. If a student has successfully attained their high school diploma or GED, higher education courses are available through three community college partnerships. (See the JSEP Section on pages 12-15 for more information).

CLASSIFICATION

All DJS-operated treatment programs utilize the Housing Classification Assessment, an objective internal classification tool to assess a youth's potential vulnerability and supervision needs, taking into account history of offending, medical or mental health concerns, and youth age and size (see Appendix C). The classification assessment is implemented for all youth upon admission to the program, and the results guide appropriate housing decisions and room assignments. The tool allows for reclassification in response to circumstances or special needs that may require modification of housing or room assignment.

RE-ENTRY PROCESS

DJS recognizes the importance of effectively transitioning committed youth from a treatment program back to the community. These youth may face challenges re-enrolling in school or accessing needed somatic or behavioral health services. DJS has implemented policies to support this transition as part of a re-entry strategic plan. In addition, the DJS Comprehensive Treatment model provides youth with Behavioral Health services and aftercare support for 60 calendar days when transitioning to the community. Aftercare support includes weekly sessions with the youth to continue generalization of learned DBT Skills, participation in meetings with community case management and youth to ensure linkages to services have occurred; and preparing the youth for transition to community treatment provider.

Aftercare support may be extended for up to 30 calendar days upon recommendation of the youth's Community Case Management Specialist, and Community Case Management Specialist Supervisor, youth and/or family.

supervision efforts. After 30 days, a DJS reentry specialist ensures that the youth has accessed all needed services, has successfully re-enrolled in local public school when appropriate, and has remained in stable and suitable housing.

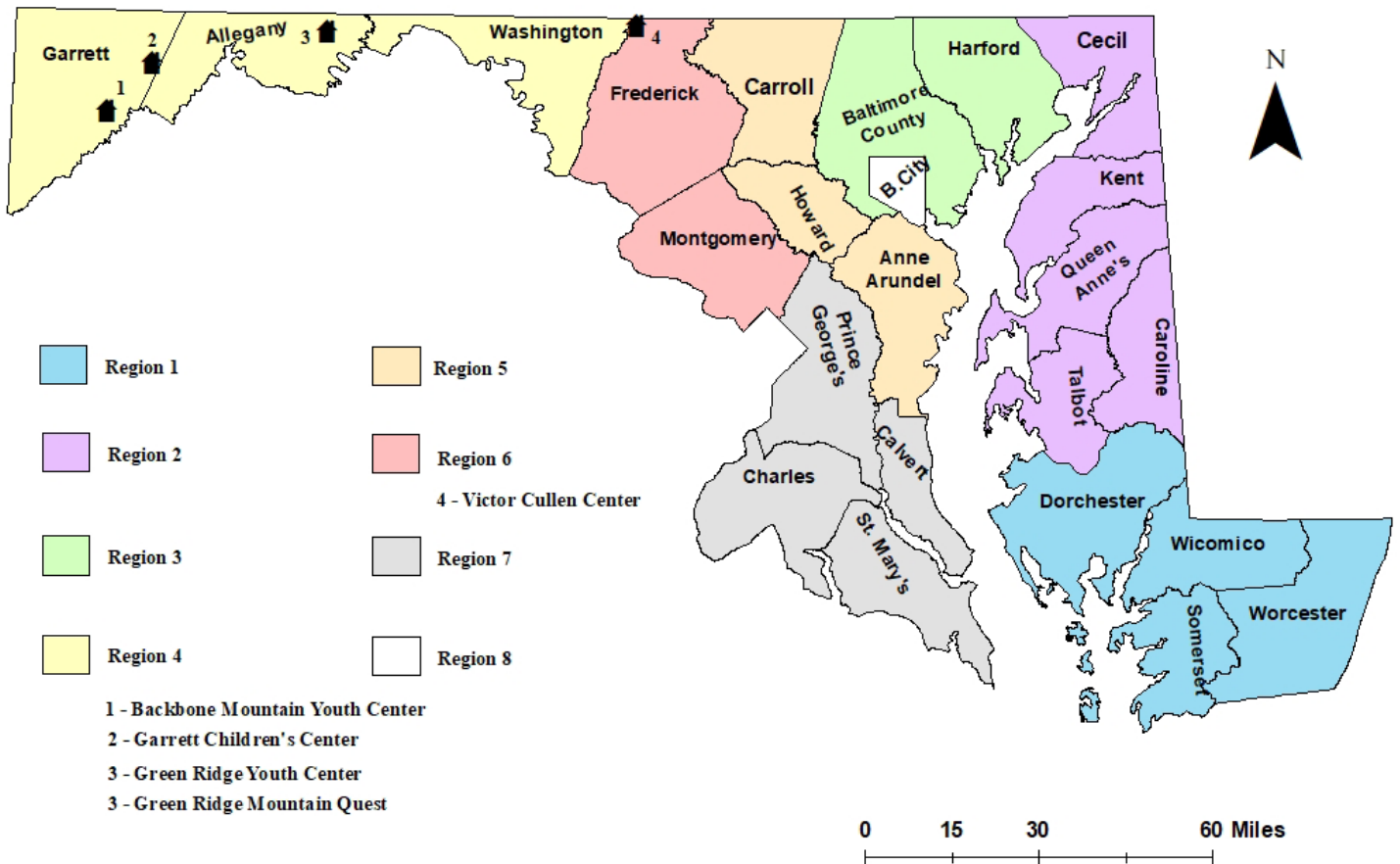
A re-entry staffing meeting is held 45 days prior to release, involving the youth, facility treatment team, community case manager, and the youth's family, who are invited and encouraged to participate. For youth in DJS treatment programs, a meeting is requested once the youth has completed 70% of the treatment hours they were to complete at the program. The care team reviews progress on the youth's individual treatment service plan, housing plan, educational or occupational needs, ongoing behavioral and somatic health service requirements, and family relationships and supports. A re-entry checklist guides and captures the results of this process (See Appendix C for more information). Most youth continue under DJS aftercare supervision, as their treatment plan continues to guide service and

A Note to Readers

Placement versus Admission: A placement is based on a decision made by the Department or a judge to place a youth into a treatment program. An admission occurs when a youth physically enters a program either through direct placement or through transfer. Therefore, during one placement, a youth may have several admissions, and these counts will not match.

Average Length of Stay (ALOS) Data: is based on all releases: successful, unsuccessful, and transfers.

DJS State-Operated Treatment Programs by Region

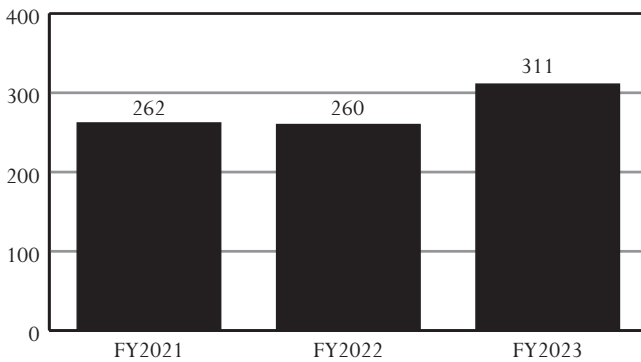


Statewide Total

The juvenile court may commit a youth to the care of DJS, thereby transferring legal custody to the Department. A range of out-of-home program options has been developed for committed youth. Community-based program options include placement in a foster home, group home, or independent living program. Placements in non-community settings include Residential Treatment Centers (RTCs), DJS-operated Youth Centers, and secure confinement programs. In FY 2023, DJS operated four treatment programs, including Garrett Children's Center, which is temporarily closed. DJS also contracts with both in- and out-of-state programs.

Note: Community-Based Family Therapy Programs are presented within this section (pages 178-180) because one of their primary goals is to divert youth from out-of-home committed placement. These data are not included on the statewide tables, which only include youth in committed out-of-home placements.

COMMITTED PLACEMENTS, FY 2021-2023



There were no committed placements for youth under age 13 during FY 2021 - FY 2023. Therefore, the pages typically presented for the under age 13 population have been removed from the *Data Resource Guide*.

COMMITTED PLACEMENTS BY DEMOGRAPHICS, FY 2021-2023

Demographics	FY2021	FY2022	FY2023
Race/Ethnicity			
Black	63.4%	73.5%	78.5%
White	25.2%	15.4%	12.9%
Hispanic/Other	11.5%	11.2%	8.7%
Sex			
Male	85.1%	93.8%	94.2%
Female	14.9%	6.2%	5.8%
Age			
11 and under	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
12	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
13	2.3%	1.5%	2.6%
14	8.8%	9.6%	6.4%
15	22.9%	20.4%	14.5%
16	23.3%	23.1%	22.8%
17	29.4%	29.6%	30.5%
18-20	13.4%	15.8%	23.2%
Total Placements	262	260	311

- **Trends for Committed Placements:**
 - Committed placements increased 18.7% between FY 2021 and FY 2023 and increased 19.6% between FY 2022 and FY 2023.
- **First-Time Placements (FY 2023):**
 - Of the 311 committed placements, 63.0% were first-time placements. (Due to a methodology change, data may not be comparable to *Data Resource Guides* prior to FY 2018).
- **Residence (FY 2023):**
 - 97.7% of placements were Maryland residents. Of those from out of state, 6 were from Washington, D.C.; and 1 was from Virginia.
- **MCASP Risk Level (FY 2023):**
 - For the 99.7% of placements with a post-validation MCASP, 22.6% were Very High Risk, 30.6% were High Risk, 30.3% were Moderate Risk, and 16.5% were Low Risk.
- **Offense Category (FY 2022-2023):**
 - The percentage of Crimes of Violence increased from 40.0% to 59.5%.
 - The percentage of Felonies decreased from 15.0% to 13.5%.
 - The percentage of Misdemeanors decreased from 44.6% to 27.0%.
 - See the Terms and Concepts pages in Appendix O for an explanation of Crime of Violence, Felony, and Misdemeanor, as the definitions are helpful when examining offense severity.
- **Average Daily Population (ADP) for all committed placements (FY 2022-2023):**
 - ADP increased 4.6% from 132.7 to 138.7.
- **Average Length of Stay (ALOS) for FY 2022-2023:**
 - ALOS for all committed placements decreased 17.4% from 202.5 to 167.3.

COMMITTED PLACEMENTS BY REGION OF RESIDENCE, FY 2021-2023

Region	FY2021	FY2022	FY2023
Region 1	8.0%	12.7%	9.3%
Region 2	3.1%	1.5%	3.5%
Region 3	16.0%	16.5%	12.2%
Region 4	9.2%	8.5%	3.9%
Region 5	15.6%	11.5%	10.3%
Region 6	11.5%	8.1%	14.1%
Region 7	9.5%	13.1%	16.1%
Region 8	22.1%	23.1%	28.3%
Out-of-State	5.0%	5.0%	2.3%
Total Placements	262	260	311

PLACEMENTS BY OFFENSE⁺, FY 2022-2023

Most Serious Offense	FY2022	FY2023
Offense Type		
Arson	0.8%	0.6%
Auto Theft/Unauth. Use	3.5%	2.3%
Burglary/Break. & Enter	6.2%	5.8%
Carjacking	8.5%	13.8%
Cons. to Commit Offense	2.7%	2.6%
Deadly Weapon	0.8%	0.6%
Disturbing the Peace	0.8%	0.6%
First Degree Assault	10.8%	15.4%
Handgun Violation	8.1%	11.3%
Malicious Destruction	1.5%	0.3%
Manslaughter	0.4%	1.0%
Motor Vehicle/Traffic	0.0%	0.0%
Murder	3.1%	5.5%
Narcotics Distribution	2.3%	2.9%
Narcotics Possession	1.2%	0.6%
Other ¹ /Missing	5.0%	1.3%
Resisting Arrest	1.2%	0.0%
Robbery	10.4%	16.4%
Second Degree Assault	15.0%	8.7%
Sex Offense	6.2%	5.8%
Theft Felony	1.9%	1.6%
Theft Misdemeanor	7.7%	1.6%
Trespassing	0.4%	0.3%
Unspec. Misdemeanor	1.9%	1.0%
Offense Category ²		
Crime of Violence	40.0%	59.5%
Felony	15.0%	13.5%
- Person-to-Person	3.1%	3.9%
- Property	5.8%	3.9%
- Drugs	2.3%	2.9%
- Unspecified	3.8%	2.9%
Misdemeanor	44.6%	27.0%
- Person-to-Person	29.2%	21.9%
- Property	11.9%	3.2%
- Drugs	1.2%	0.6%
- Unspecified	2.3%	1.3%
Ordinance Offenses	0.4%	0.0%
Citations	0.0%	0.0%
CINS	0.0%	0.0%
Total Placements	260	311

⁺ Percentages of offense type and offense category may not be compared to *Data Resource Guides* prior to FY 2019 due to new offense ranking methodology.

¹ Includes: Affray, Assault Weapon, BB Gun/Pellet Gun, Reckless Endangerment, Telephone Misuse, and Unspecified Felony.

² See Appendices G and K for COV and other offense classifications.

COMMITTED PLACEMENT LOCATIONS⁺ FOR FY 2021-2023, ADP AND ALOS¹, FY 2023

	Placements [*]			FY2023	
	FY2021	FY2022	FY2023	ADP	ALOS
Foster Care	4	2	0	1.5	469.2
Group Home **	82	79	49	25.7	199.1
Indep. Living	7	1	0	0.4	513.1
RTC	74	53	54	32.5	188.3
State Operated	104	125	195	67.1	123.6
<i>Staff Secure</i>	78	93	133	45.3	118.8
<i>Hardware Sec.</i>	30	34	64	21.9	128.7
Out-of-State	15	16	24	11.5	191.1
<i>RTC</i>	9	12	6	4.3	160.2
<i>Staff Secure</i>	5	4	8	2.4	110.2
<i>Hardware Sec.</i>	3	3	10	4.8	305.7
Total	262	260	311	138.7	167.3

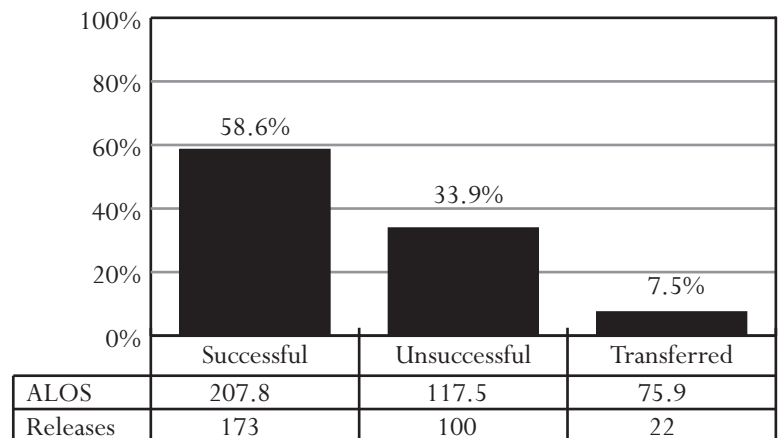
⁺ Totals presented in the table include each type of placement reported in that broad category; for example, "Independent Living" includes Independent Living as well as Alternative Living Units.

¹ ALOS is based on all releases: successful, unsuccessful, and transfer.

* All data exclude transfers within and between programs/program types and therefore may not add up to the totals presented. Placement data may not be comparable to DRGs prior to FY 2019.

** Data for Group Homes can not be compared to DRGs prior to FY 2021. Data for Silver Oak Academy and Intermediate Care Facilities for Addictions (ICFA) were reported separately in those DRGs. They were merged under Group Homes due to program certification and closures.

RELEASES BY COMPLETION STATUS^{*}, FY 2023

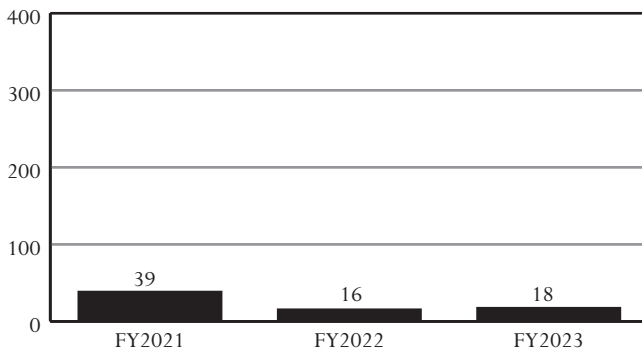


* Release completion status is based on case worker determination. Youth released home or to a step-down program are included as successful, and youth transferred to another program are included as transferred.

Statewide Females Only

Female youth represented approximately 6% of the population of youth committed to the care and custody of the Department during FY 2023. Community-based programming included the same continuum of options as the males have in: foster care, group homes, independent living programs, and Residential Treatment Centers (RTCs). Mountain View operated a staff-secure female-only program on the grounds of Backbone Mountain Youth Center through December 22, 2021, and Victor Cullen Center's hardware-secure program became available as an option for females as of October 11, 2022. Out-of-state contracted programs were also available for female youth.

COMMITTED PLACEMENTS, FY 2021-2023



COMMITTED PLACEMENTS BY DEMOGRAPHICS, FY 2021-2023

Demographics	FY2021	FY2022	FY2023
Race/Ethnicity			
Black	51.3%	68.8%	72.2%
White	33.3%	31.2%	27.8%
Hispanic/Other	15.4%	0.0%	0.0%
Sex			
Male	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Female	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Age			
11 and under	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
12	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
13	2.6%	12.5%	5.6%
14	10.3%	12.5%	11.1%
15	30.8%	25.0%	38.9%
16	12.8%	12.5%	11.1%
17	35.9%	31.2%	11.1%
18-20	7.7%	6.2%	22.2%
Total Placements	39	16	18

• Trends for Committed Placements:

- Committed placements decreased 53.8% between FY 2021 and FY 2023 and increased 12.5% between FY 2022 and FY 2023.

• First-Time Placements (FY 2023):

- Of the 18 committed placements, 66.7% were first-time placements. (Due to a methodology change, data may not be comparable to *Data Resource Guides* prior to FY 2018).

• Residence (FY 2023):

- 100% of placements were Maryland residents. There were no youth from out of state.

• MCASP Risk Level (FY 2023):

- For the 100.0% of placements with a post-validation MCASP, 16.7% were Very High Risk, 33.3% were High Risk, 27.8% were Moderate Risk, and 22.2% were Low Risk.

• Offense Category (FY 2022-2023):

- The percentage of Crimes of Violence increased from 18.8% to 44.4%.
- The percentage of Felonies increased from 18.8% to 22.2%.
- The percentage of Misdemeanors decreased from 62.5% to 33.3%.
- See the Terms and Concepts pages in Appendix O for an explanation of Crime of Violence, Felony, and Misdemeanor, as the definitions are helpful when examining offense severity.

• Average Daily Population (ADP) for all committed placements (FY 2022-2023):

- ADP decreased 13.7% from 11.8 to 10.2.

• Average Length of Stay (ALOS) for FY 2022-2023:

- ALOS for all committed placements increased 3.5% from 219.6 to 227.3.

COMMITTED PLACEMENTS BY REGION OF RESIDENCE, FY 2021-2023

Region	FY2021	FY2022	FY2023
Region 1	5.1%	37.5%	22.2%
Region 2	10.3%	0.0%	5.6%
Region 3	7.7%	0.0%	0.0%
Region 4	23.1%	18.8%	0.0%
Region 5	20.5%	0.0%	16.7%
Region 6	15.4%	12.5%	5.6%
Region 7	7.7%	18.8%	27.8%
Region 8	7.7%	12.5%	22.2%
Out-of-State	2.6%	0.0%	0.0%
Total Placements	39	16	18

PLACEMENTS BY OFFENSE⁺, FY 2022-2023

Most Serious Offense	FY2022	FY2023
Offense Type		
Arson	0.0%	0.0%
Auto Theft/Unauth. Use	0.0%	5.6%
Burglary/Break. & Enter	0.0%	0.0%
Carjacking	0.0%	5.6%
Cons. to Commit Offense	0.0%	0.0%
Deadly Weapon	0.0%	0.0%
Disturbing the Peace	0.0%	11.1%
First Degree Assault	12.5%	11.1%
Handgun Violation	6.2%	5.6%
Malicious Destruction	0.0%	0.0%
Manslaughter	0.0%	5.6%
Motor Vehicle/Traffic	0.0%	0.0%
Murder	6.2%	16.7%
Narcotics Distribution	0.0%	0.0%
Narcotics Possession	0.0%	0.0%
Other ¹ /Missing	12.5%	0.0%
Resisting Arrest	0.0%	0.0%
Robbery	0.0%	11.1%
Second Degree Assault	37.5%	16.7%
Sex Offense	6.2%	5.6%
Theft Felony	12.5%	5.6%
Theft Misdemeanor	6.2%	0.0%
Trespassing	0.0%	0.0%
Unspec. Misdemeanor	0.0%	0.0%
Offense Category ²		
Crime of Violence	18.8%	44.4%
Felony	18.8%	22.2%
- Person-to-Person	6.2%	11.1%
- Property	12.5%	11.1%
- Drugs	0.0%	0.0%
- Unspecified	0.0%	0.0%
Misdemeanor	62.5%	33.3%
- Person-to-Person	56.2%	33.3%
- Property	6.2%	0.0%
- Drugs	0.0%	0.0%
- Unspecified	0.0%	0.0%
Ordinance Offenses	0.0%	0.0%
Citations	0.0%	0.0%
CINS	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Total Placements</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>18</i>

⁺ Percentages of offense type and offense category may not be compared to *Data Resource Guides* prior to FY 2019 due to new offense ranking methodology.

¹ Includes: Affray, Assault Weapon, BB Gun/Pellet Gun, Reckless Endangerment, Telephone Misuse, and Unspecified Felony.

² See Appendices G and K for COV and other offense classifications.

FEMALE COMMITTED PLACEMENT LOCATIONS⁺ FOR FY 2021-2023, ADP AND ALOS¹, FY 2023

	Placements [*]			FY2023	
	FY2021	FY2022	FY2023	ADP	ALOS
Foster Care	1	2	0	1.5	469.2
Group Home ^{**}	7	5	4	2.0	156.5
Indep. Living	2	0	0	0.0	0.0
RTC	11	4	1	0.8	186.6
State Operated	13	2	11	3.3	117.5
<i>Staff Secure</i>	<i>13</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0.0</i>	<i>0.0</i>
<i>Hardware Sec.</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>3.3</i>	<i>117.5</i>
Out-of-State	8	6	2	2.6	176.9
<i>RTC</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>2.0</i>	<i>172.3</i>
<i>Staff Secure</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>0.5</i>	<i>199.6</i>
<i>Hardware Sec.</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0.0</i>	<i>0.0</i>
Total	39	16	18	10.2	227.3

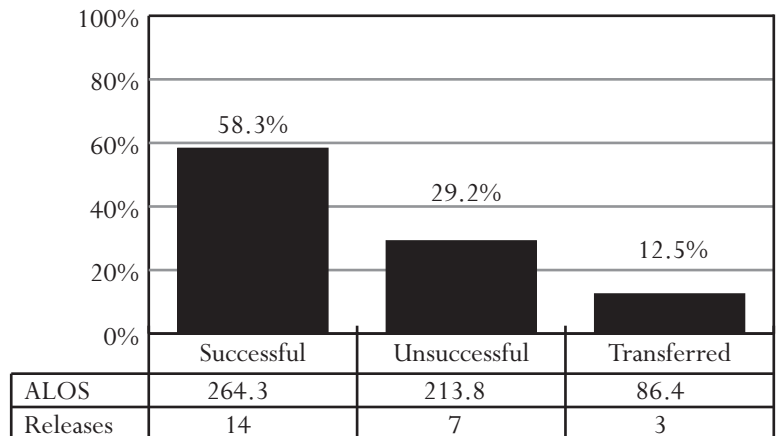
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¹ ALOS is based on all releases: successful, unsuccessful, and transfer.

^{*} All data exclude transfers within and between programs/program types and therefore may not add up to the totals presented. Placement data may not be comparable to DRGs prior to FY 2019.

^{**} Data for Group Homes can not be compared to DRGs prior to FY 2021. Data for Silver Oak Academy and Intermediate Care Facilities for Addictions (ICFA) were reported separately in those DRGs. They were merged under Group Homes due to program certification and closures.

RELEASES BY COMPLETION STATUS^{*}, FY 2023

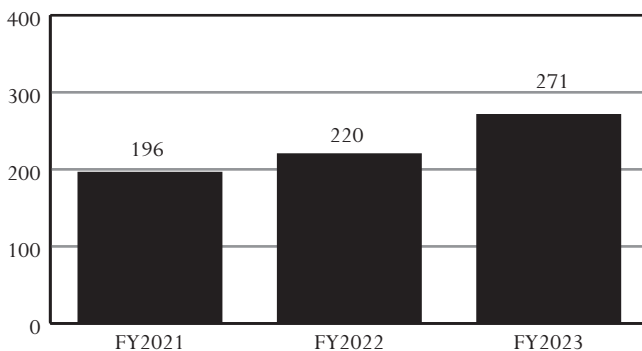


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Statewide Youth of Color Only

The data shown in this section provide additional detail for youth of color (non-white youth). Although each summary page in the *Data Resource Guide* treatment program section provides an overall race/ethnicity breakdown for treatment programs in the Demographics table, the tables in this section provide more detailed information on programs and ADP by type and region, offense type and severity, and length of stay for youth of color as a whole.

COMMITTED PLACEMENTS, FY 2021-2023



COMMITTED PLACEMENTS BY DEMOGRAPHICS, FY 2021-2023

Demographics	FY2021	FY2022	FY2023
Race/Ethnicity			
Black	84.7%	86.8%	90.0%
White	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Hispanic/Other	15.3%	13.2%	10.0%
Sex			
Male	86.7%	95.0%	95.2%
Female	13.3%	5.0%	4.8%
Age			
11 and under	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
12	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
13	3.1%	1.4%	1.8%
14	7.7%	8.6%	6.3%
15	21.9%	20.9%	14.8%
16	26.0%	23.6%	24.4%
17	25.5%	30.0%	29.5%
18-20	15.8%	15.5%	23.2%
Total Placements	196	220	271

- *Trends for Committed Placements:*
 - Committed placements increased 38.3% between FY 2021 and FY 2023 and increased 23.2% between FY 2022 and FY 2023.
- *First-Time Placements (FY 2023):*
 - Of the 271 committed placements, 62.4% were first-time placements. (Due to a methodology change, data may not be comparable to *Data Resource Guides* prior to FY 2018).
- *Residence (FY 2023):*
 - 97.4% of placements were Maryland residents. The 6 youth from out of state were from Washington, D.C.; and 1 was from Virginia.
- *MCASP Risk Level (FY 2023):*
 - For the 99.6% of placements with a post-validation MCASP, 22.6% were Very High Risk, 30.4% were High Risk, 30.7% were Moderate Risk, and 16.3% were Low Risk.
- *Offense Category (FY 2022-2023):*
 - The percentage of Crimes of Violence increased from 45.9% to 58.7%.
 - The percentage of Felonies increased from 13.2% to 14.0%.
 - The percentage of Misdemeanors decreased from 40.5% to 27.3%.
 - See the Terms and Concepts pages in Appendix O for an explanation of Crime of Violence, Felony, and Misdemeanor, as the definitions are helpful when examining offense severity.
- *Average Daily Population (ADP) for all committed placements (FY 2022-2023):*
 - ADP increased 9.9% from 103.1 to 113.3.
- *Average Length of Stay (ALOS) for FY 2022-2023:*
 - ALOS for all committed placements decreased 16.5% from 189.8 to 158.5.

COMMITTED PLACEMENTS BY REGION OF RESIDENCE, FY 2021-2023

Region	FY2021	FY2022	FY2023
Region 1	6.1%	10.5%	8.5%
Region 2	3.1%	1.4%	2.2%
Region 3	13.8%	15.9%	10.7%
Region 4	5.6%	6.4%	4.4%
Region 5	16.8%	11.8%	9.6%
Region 6	10.7%	9.1%	14.4%
Region 7	9.2%	12.7%	16.2%
Region 8	29.1%	26.8%	31.4%
Out-of-State	5.6%	5.5%	2.6%
Total Placements	196	220	271

PLACEMENTS BY OFFENSE⁺, FY 2022-2023

Most Serious Offense	FY2022	FY2023
Offense Type		
Arson	0.0%	0.4%
Auto Theft/Unauth. Use	2.7%	2.6%
Burglary/Break. & Enter	6.8%	4.1%
Carjacking	10.0%	15.1%
Cons. to Commit Offense	2.7%	3.0%
Deadly Weapon	0.9%	0.7%
Disturbing the Peace	0.5%	0.7%
First Degree Assault	12.7%	14.8%
Handgun Violation	9.5%	12.5%
Malicious Destruction	1.4%	0.4%
Manslaughter	0.5%	0.7%
Motor Vehicle/Traffic	0.0%	0.0%
Murder	3.6%	5.5%
Narcotics Distribution	1.8%	3.3%
Narcotics Possession	0.9%	0.4%
Other ¹ /Missing	5.5%	1.1%
Resisting Arrest	0.5%	0.0%
Robbery	11.8%	17.0%
Second Degree Assault	12.3%	7.7%
Sex Offense	4.1%	4.8%
Theft Felony	2.3%	1.8%
Theft Misdemeanor	7.7%	1.8%
Trespassing	0.5%	0.4%
Unspec. Misdemeanor	1.4%	1.1%
Offense Category ²		
Crime of Violence	45.9%	58.7%
Felony	13.2%	14.0%
- Person-to-Person	2.3%	3.3%
- Property	5.0%	4.4%
- Drugs	1.8%	3.3%
- Unspecified	4.1%	3.0%
Misdemeanor	40.5%	27.3%
- Person-to-Person	26.8%	22.5%
- Property	11.4%	3.0%
- Drugs	0.9%	0.4%
- Unspecified	1.4%	1.5%
Ordinance Offenses	0.5%	0.0%
Citations	0.0%	0.0%
CINS	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Total Placements</i>	<i>220</i>	<i>271</i>

⁺ Percentages of offense type and offense category may not be compared to *Data Resource Guides* prior to FY 2019 due to new offense ranking methodology.

¹ Includes: Affray, Assault Weapon, BB Gun/Pellet Gun, Reckless Endangerment, Telephone Misuse, and Unspecified Felony.

² See Appendices G and K for COV and other offense classifications.

YOUTH OF COLOR COMMITTED PLACEMENT LOCATIONS⁺ FOR FY 2021-2023, ADP AND ALOS¹, FY 2023

	Placements [*]			FY2023	
	FY2021	FY2022	FY2023	ADP	ALOS
Foster Care	3	2	0	1.5	469.2
Group Home ^{**}	62	63	39	19.4	172.5
Indep. Living	6	1	0	0.4	513.1
RTC	48	39	40	21.7	165.5
State Operated	79	120	177	61.2	121.9
<i>Staff Secure</i>	<i>57</i>	<i>89</i>	<i>122</i>	<i>41.2</i>	<i>116.0</i>
<i>Hardware Sec.</i>	<i>24</i>	<i>32</i>	<i>57</i>	<i>20.0</i>	<i>129.2</i>
Out-of-State	12	9	22	9.1	173.7
<i>RTC</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>3.5</i>	<i>169.3</i>
<i>Staff Secure</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>1.9</i>	<i>92.0</i>
<i>Hardware Sec.</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>9</i>	<i>3.8</i>	<i>274.8</i>
Total	196	220	271	113.3	158.5

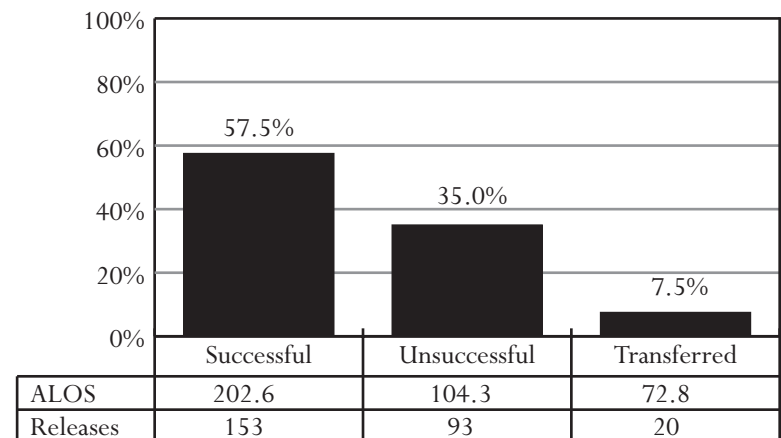
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** Data for Group Homes can not be compared to DRGs prior to FY 2021. Data for Silver Oak Academy and Intermediate Care Facilities for Addictions (ICFA) were reported separately in those DRGs. They were merged under Group Homes due to program certification and closures.

RELEASES BY COMPLETION STATUS^{*}, FY 2023



* Release completion status is based on case worker determination. Youth released home or to a step-down program are included as successful, and youth transferred to another program are included as transferred.

ASSIST is a live database; therefore, updates made subsequent to these data being run will not be included. Percentages may not add to 100% due to rounding. Data may not be comparable to previous *Data Resource Guides* due to methodology changes. VOPs are categorized by the original offense.

Foster Care

Foster Care serves youth who need placement, primarily because it may not be appropriate for youth to return home. Treatment Foster Care (TFC) is continuous 24-hour care with intensive support services operated by a licensed child placement agency or local Department of Social Services (DSS). TFCs provide a family setting for children with serious emotional, behavioral, medical, and/or psychological conditions. The behaviors of the youth served are not so severe that removal from the community is necessary.

ADMISSIONS, ADP, AND ALOS BY PROGRAM[^], FY 2023

Treatment Foster Care	County	Adm.	ADP	ALOS [*]
Arrow Child & Family Ministries of MD	Balt. Co.	0	0.0	0.0
Board of Child Care	Balt. Co./Caroline	0	0.0	0.0
Children's Choice ⁺	Balti. City, Balt Co., Pr. George's, Wicomico	0	0.1	176.8
Children's Choice-Teen Mother ¹	Balt. City	0	0.0	0.0
Hearts & Homes for Youth - Damamli Teen ¹	Balt. Co.	0	0.0	0.0
Hearts & Homes for Youth - Family Ties ⁺	Mont.	0	0.7	733.9
Mentor MD - Baltimore Children's Services	Balt. Co.	0	0.0	0.0
Mentor MD - Baltimore Teens in Transition ⁺	Balt. Co.	0	0.7	496.8
Pressley Ridge	Balt. Co./Allegany	0	0.0	0.0
Pressley Ridge - Teen Mother ¹	Balt. Co.	0	0.0	0.0
PSI Family Services, Inc.	Pr. George's	0	0.0	0.0
Total Admissions	All	0	1.5	469.2

[^]The table reflects all programs with which DJS had active contracts for service during FY 2023. All programs served both females and males in FY 2023 unless otherwise noted.

^{*}An ALOS of 0.0 indicates that no youth were released during the FY.

⁺Although there were no admissions to this program in FY 2023, ADP reflects continuing placements from prior FYs.

¹Served females only.

- *Trends for Program Placements:*
 - Between FY 2021 and FY 2023, overall placements to Foster Care decreased 100.0%.
- *Program Admissions (FY 2023):*
 - There were no admissions to Treatment Foster Care during FY 2023.
- *Residence (FY 2023):*
 - There were no placements to Treatment Foster Care during FY 2023.
- *MCASP Risk Level (FY 2023):*
 - There were no placements with a post-validation MCASP.
- *Offense Category (FY 2022-2023):*
 - The percentage of Crimes of Violence decreased from 50.0% to 0.0%.
 - The percentage of Felonies did not change.
 - The percentage of Misdemeanors decreased from 50.0% to 0.0%.
 - See the Terms and Concepts pages in Appendix O for an explanation of Crime of Violence, Felony, and Misdemeanor, as the definitions are helpful when examining offense severity.
- *Average Daily Population (ADP):*
 - ADP decreased 65.6% between FY 2021 and FY 2023 and decreased 41.9% between FY 2022 and FY 2023.
- *Average Length of Stay (ALOS):*
 - ALOS increased 28.9% between FY 2021 and FY 2023 and decreased 60.4% between FY 2022 and FY 2023.

PLACEMENTS BY REGION OF RESIDENCE, FY 2021-2023

Region	FY2021	FY2022	FY2023
Region 1	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Region 2	0.0%	50.0%	0.0%
Region 3	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Region 4	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Region 5	25.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Region 6	25.0%	50.0%	0.0%
Region 7	25.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Region 8	25.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Out-of-State	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Total Placements	4	2	0

PLACEMENTS BY OFFENSE⁺, FY 2022-2023

Most Serious Offense	FY2022	FY2023
Offense Type		
Arson	0.0%	0.0%
Auto Theft/Unauth. Use	0.0%	0.0%
Burglary/Break. & Enter	0.0%	0.0%
Carjacking	0.0%	0.0%
Cons. to Commit Offense	0.0%	0.0%
Deadly Weapon	0.0%	0.0%
Disturbing the Peace	0.0%	0.0%
First Degree Assault	50.0%	0.0%
Handgun Violation	0.0%	0.0%
Malicious Destruction	0.0%	0.0%
Manslaughter	0.0%	0.0%
Motor Vehicle/Traffic	0.0%	0.0%
Murder	0.0%	0.0%
Narcotics Distribution	0.0%	0.0%
Narcotics Possession	0.0%	0.0%
Other ¹ /Missing	0.0%	0.0%
Resisting Arrest	0.0%	0.0%
Robbery	0.0%	0.0%
Second Degree Assault	50.0%	0.0%
Sex Offense	0.0%	0.0%
Theft Felony	0.0%	0.0%
Theft Misdemeanor	0.0%	0.0%
Trespassing	0.0%	0.0%
Unspec. Misdemeanor	0.0%	0.0%
Offense Category ²		
Crime of Violence	50.0%	0.0%
Felony	0.0%	0.0%
- Person-to-Person	0.0%	0.0%
- Property	0.0%	0.0%
- Drugs	0.0%	0.0%
- Unspecified	0.0%	0.0%
Misdemeanor	50.0%	0.0%
- Person-to-Person	50.0%	0.0%
- Property	0.0%	0.0%
- Drugs	0.0%	0.0%
- Unspecified	0.0%	0.0%
Ordinance Offenses	0.0%	0.0%
Citations	0.0%	0.0%
CINS	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Total Placements</i>	2	0

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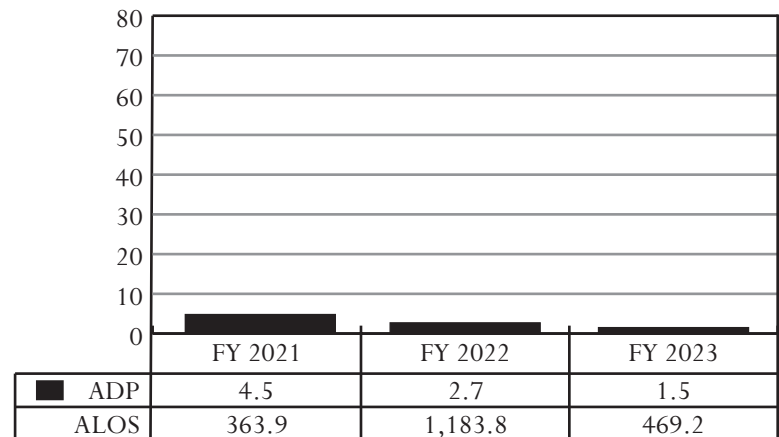
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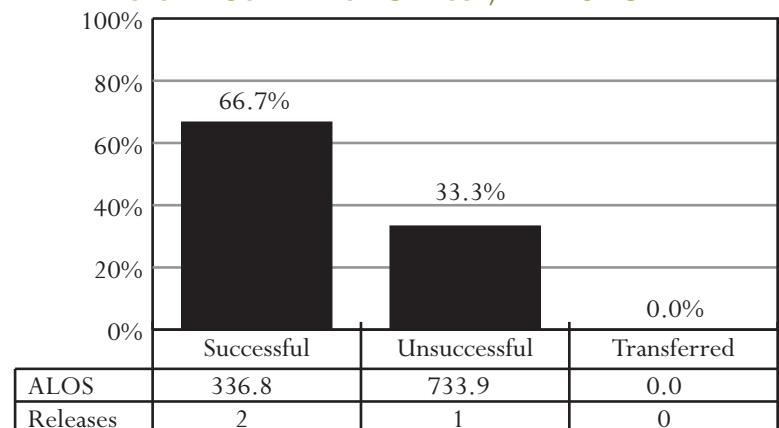
PLACEMENTS BY DEMOGRAPHICS, FY 2021-2023

Demographics	FY2021	FY2022	FY2023
Race/Ethnicity			
Black	50.0%	100.0%	0.0%
White	25.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Hispanic/Other	25.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Sex			
Male	75.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Female	25.0%	100.0%	0.0%
Age			
11 and under	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
12	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
13	25.0%	0.0%	0.0%
14	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
15	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
16	25.0%	0.0%	0.0%
17	0.0%	50.0%	0.0%
18-20	50.0%	50.0%	0.0%
<i>Total Placements</i>	4	2	0

AVERAGE DAILY POPULATION AND AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY, FY 2021-2023



RELEASES BY COMPLETION STATUS*, FY 2023



* Release completion status is based on case worker determination. Youth released home or to a step-down program are included as successful, and youth transferred to another program are included as transferred.

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Group Homes

General group homes are non-profit residential programs for youth in placements licensed by DHS, DJS, or the Office of Health Care Quality (OHCQ), which is part of the Maryland Department of Health (MDH). They provide out-of-home care for four or more youth who are moderate to high risk and need more structure and supervision than a relative, foster parent, or treatment foster care program could offer. General group homes also provide a formal program of basic care, social work, and healthcare services. Therapeutic group homes (TGH) are residential programs for youth in out-of-home care licensed by OHCQ and must be non-profit organizations. TGHs provide access to a range of diagnostic and therapeutic mental health services to youth who are moderate to high risk and have an emotional or developmental disability. Those TGHs that provide educational programs on their grounds are considered staff-secure programs.

ADMISSIONS, ADP, AND ALOS BY PROGRAM[^], FY 2023

Group Homes	County	Adm.	ADP	ALOS [*]
Board of Child Care ⁺	Balt. Co., Mont., Wash	0	0.4	389.9
Cedar Ridge ²	Washington	3	1.9	290.9
Charity Hearts Healthcare Inc ²	Balt. Co.	2	1.0	0.0
Children's Home (GH & Tran)	Balt. Co.	2	1.1	147.4
Hearts and Homes ¹	Mont/ Pr. George's	1	0.6	211.0
Kemp Mill ²	Mont.	0	0.0	0.0
Making a Great Individual Contribution ¹	Balt. City	0	0.0	0.0
Morning Star Youth Academy ²	Dorchester	20	10.4	169.8
One Love ²	Balt. City	7	1.2	96.4
St. Ann's Infant & Maternity ¹	Pr. George's	1	0.6	0.0
Therapeutic Group Homes				
Arc of Washington County	Washington	0	0.0	0.0
Arrow Child & Fam Ministries ⁺¹	Balt. Co.	0	0.3	156.0
Avis Birely ²	Mont.	2	0.3	101.0
Board of Child Care	Balt. Co./Car	1	0.4	160.8
Cedar Ridge ²	Washington	6	4.2	446.2
Children's Home, Inc.	Balt. Co.	0	0.0	0.0
Hearts & Homes - Helen Smith ¹	Mont.	0	0.0	0.0
Mary's Mount Manor ¹	An. Arund	2	0.2	78.2
Mountain Manor ¹	Balt. City	0	0.0	0.0
Our House ²	Mont.	3	3.1	286.6
Total Admissions	All	50	25.7	199.1

[^] The table reflects all programs with which DJS had active contracts for service during FY 2023. All programs served both females and males in FY 2023 unless otherwise noted.

⁺ An ALOS of 0.0 indicates that no youth were released during the FY.

⁺ Although there were no admissions to this program in FY 2023, ADP reflects continuing placements from prior FYs.

¹ Served females only during FY 2023.

² Served males only during FY 2023.

- *Trends for Program Placements:*
 - Between FY 2021 and FY 2023, overall placements to Group Homes decreased 40.2%.
- *Program Admissions (FY 2023):*
 - Morning Star Youth Academy had the highest number of admissions.
- *Residence (FY 2023):*
 - 95.9% of placements were Maryland residents. Of those from out of state, 1 was from Pennsylvania; and 1 was from Virginia.
- *MCASP Risk Level (FY 2023):*
 - For the 98.0% of placements with a post-validation MCASP, 12.5% were Very High Risk, 43.8% were High Risk, 25.0% were Moderate Risk, and 18.8% were Low Risk.
- *Offense Category (FY 2022-2023):*
 - The percentage of Crimes of Violence increased from 38.0% to 51.0%.
 - The percentage of Felonies increased from 12.7% to 16.3%.
 - The percentage of Misdemeanors decreased from 48.1% to 32.7%.
 - See the Terms and Concepts pages in Appendix O for an explanation of Crime of Violence, Felony, and Misdemeanor, as the definitions are helpful when examining offense severity.
- *Average Daily Population (ADP):*
 - ADP decreased 38.1% between FY 2021 and FY 2023 and decreased 36.7% between FY 2022 and FY 2023.
- *Average Length of Stay (ALOS):*
 - ALOS increased 11.3% between FY 2021 and FY 2023 and increased 0.8% between FY 2022 and FY 2023.

PLACEMENTS BY REGION OF RESIDENCE, FY 2021-2023

Region	FY2021	FY2022	FY2023
Region 1	8.5%	13.9%	10.2%
Region 2	3.7%	2.5%	0.0%
Region 3	12.2%	26.6%	8.2%
Region 4	12.2%	6.3%	2.0%
Region 5	15.9%	11.4%	14.3%
Region 6	14.6%	8.9%	12.2%
Region 7	3.7%	11.4%	26.5%
Region 8	28.0%	13.9%	22.4%
Out-of-State	1.2%	5.1%	4.1%
Total Placements	82	79	49

PLACEMENTS BY OFFENSE⁺, FY 2022-2023

Most Serious Offense	FY2022	FY2023
Offense Type		
Arson	0.0%	0.0%
Auto Theft/Unauth. Use	1.3%	2.0%
Burglary/Break. & Enter	10.1%	4.1%
Carjacking	6.3%	10.2%
Cons. to Commit Offense	1.3%	2.0%
Deadly Weapon	1.3%	0.0%
Disturbing the Peace	0.0%	4.1%
First Degree Assault	10.1%	12.2%
Handgun Violation	5.1%	12.2%
Malicious Destruction	0.0%	0.0%
Manslaughter	0.0%	2.0%
Motor Vehicle/Traffic	0.0%	0.0%
Murder	2.5%	6.1%
Narcotics Distribution	3.8%	4.1%
Narcotics Possession	1.3%	2.0%
Other ¹ /Missing	3.8%	0.0%
Resisting Arrest	3.8%	0.0%
Robbery	10.1%	14.3%
Second Degree Assault	12.7%	8.2%
Sex Offense	10.1%	10.2%
Theft Felony	3.8%	2.0%
Theft Misdemeanor	8.9%	0.0%
Trespassing	1.3%	0.0%
Unspec. Misdemeanor	2.5%	4.1%
Offense Category ²		
Crime of Violence	38.0%	51.0%
Felony	12.7%	16.3%
- Person-to-Person	2.5%	6.1%
- Property	5.1%	4.1%
- Drugs	3.8%	4.1%
- Unspecified	1.3%	2.0%
Misdemeanor	48.1%	32.7%
- Person-to-Person	32.9%	26.5%
- Property	11.4%	0.0%
- Drugs	1.3%	2.0%
- Unspecified	2.5%	4.1%
Ordinance Offenses	1.3%	0.0%
Citations	0.0%	0.0%
CINS	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Total Placements</i>	79	49

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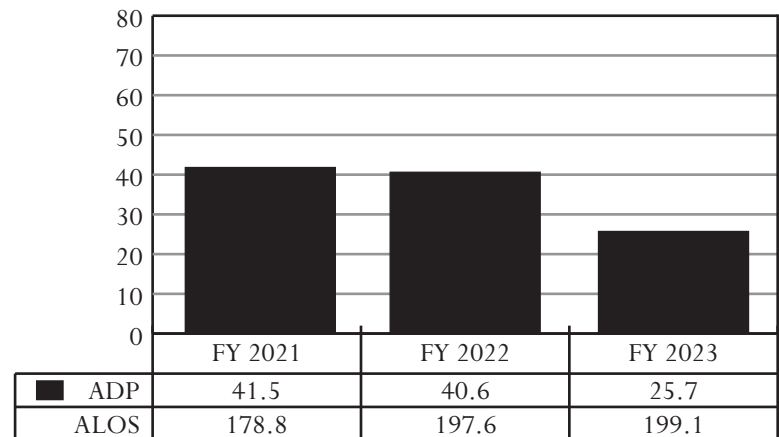
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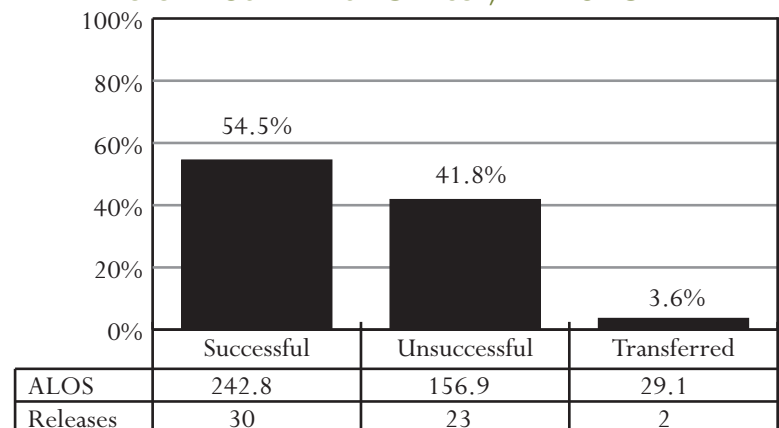
PLACEMENTS BY DEMOGRAPHICS, FY 2021-2023

Demographics	FY2021	FY2022	FY2023
Race/Ethnicity			
Black	61.0%	67.1%	67.3%
White	24.4%	20.3%	20.4%
Hispanic/Other	14.6%	12.7%	12.2%
Sex			
Male	91.5%	93.7%	91.8%
Female	8.5%	6.3%	8.2%
Age			
11 and under	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
12	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
13	1.2%	0.0%	4.1%
14	7.3%	12.7%	4.1%
15	23.2%	15.2%	12.2%
16	26.8%	16.5%	18.4%
17	29.3%	31.6%	34.7%
18-20	12.2%	24.1%	26.5%
<i>Total Placements</i>	82	79	49

AVERAGE DAILY POPULATION AND AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY, FY 2021-2023



RELEASES BY COMPLETION STATUS*, FY 2023



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Independent Living Programs (Including Alternative Living Units)

Independent Living Programs are operated by DHS-licensed child placement agencies for youth 15 to 21 years of age who need to become self-sufficient and learn responsible living skills, as they are unlikely to return home. Youth reside in supervised apartment units and must be enrolled in high school, college, vocational training, or be gainfully employed. During the program, youth learn interpersonal skills, financial literacy, career readiness, conflict management, use of positive leisure time, and communication skills. Alternative Living Units are residences owned, leased, or operated by a licensee that: (a) provides residential services for children who, because of a developmental disability, require specialized living arrangements; (b) admits no more than three children; and (c) provides 24-hour care.

ADMISSIONS, ADP, AND ALOS BY PROGRAM[^], FY 2023

Independent Living	County	Adm.	ADP	ALOS [*]
ARC of Wash. Co.- Foundations Children's ¹	Washington	0	0.0	0.0
Arrow Child & Family Ministries - Crossroads Community ¹	Harford	0	0.0	0.0
Hearts & Homes - Damamli Teen Mother ¹	Balt. Co.	0	0.0	0.0
National Center for Children & Families -Future Bound	Mont.	0	0.0	0.0
Pressley Ridge - Independence Plus	Balt. Co.	0	0.0	0.0
Pressley Ridge - Second Generations Program	Balt. Co.	0	0.0	0.0
Mentor Maryland - Baltimore ⁺	Balt. Co.	0	0.4	513.1
Total Admissions⁺	All	0	0.4	513.1

[^]The table reflects all programs with which DJS had active contracts for service during FY 2023. All programs served both females and males in FY 2023 unless otherwise noted.

^{*}An ALOS of 0.0 indicates that no youth were released during the FY.

⁺ Although there were no admissions in FY 2023, ADP reflects continuing placements from prior FYs.

¹ Served females only during FY 2023.

- *Trends for Program Placements:*
 - Between FY 2021 and FY 2023, overall placements to Independent Living decreased 100.0%.
- *Program Admissions (FY 2023):*
 - There were no admissions to Independent Living programs during FY 2023.
- *Residence (FY 2023):*
 - There were no placements to Independent Living Programs during FY 2023.
- *MCASP Risk Level (FY 2023):*
 - There were no admissions with post validation MCASP.
- *Offense Category (FY 2022-2023):*
 - The percentage of Crimes of Violence decreased from 100.0% to 0.0%.
 - The percentage of Felonies did not change.
 - The percentage of Misdemeanors did not change.
 - See the Terms and Concepts pages in Appendix O for an explanation of Crime of Violence, Felony, and Misdemeanor, as the definitions are helpful when examining offense severity.
- *Average Daily Population (ADP):*
 - ADP decreased 90.7% between FY 2021 and FY 2023 and decreased 81.1% between FY 2022 and FY 2023.
- *Average Length of Stay (ALOS):*
 - ALOS increased 70.5% between FY 2021 and FY 2023 and increased 129.1% between FY 2022 and FY 2023.

PLACEMENTS BY REGION OF RESIDENCE, FY 2021-2023

Region	FY2021	FY2022	FY2023
Region 1	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Region 2	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Region 3	28.6%	0.0%	0.0%
Region 4	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Region 5	14.3%	0.0%	0.0%
Region 6	57.1%	0.0%	0.0%
Region 7	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Region 8	0.0%	100.0%	0.0%
Out-of-State	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Total Placements	7	1	0

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PLACEMENTS BY OFFENSE⁺, FY 2022-2023

Most Serious Offense	FY2022	FY2023
Offense Type		
Arson	0.0%	0.0%
Auto Theft/Unauth. Use	0.0%	0.0%
Burglary/Break. & Enter	0.0%	0.0%
Carjacking	0.0%	0.0%
Cons. to Commit Offense	0.0%	0.0%
Deadly Weapon	0.0%	0.0%
Disturbing the Peace	0.0%	0.0%
First Degree Assault	0.0%	0.0%
Handgun Violation	0.0%	0.0%
Malicious Destruction	0.0%	0.0%
Manslaughter	0.0%	0.0%
Motor Vehicle/Traffic	0.0%	0.0%
Murder	0.0%	0.0%
Narcotics Distribution	0.0%	0.0%
Narcotics Possession	0.0%	0.0%
Other ¹ /Missing	0.0%	0.0%
Resisting Arrest	0.0%	0.0%
Robbery	100.0%	0.0%
Second Degree Assault	0.0%	0.0%
Sex Offense	0.0%	0.0%
Theft Felony	0.0%	0.0%
Theft Misdemeanor	0.0%	0.0%
Trespassing	0.0%	0.0%
Unspec. Misdemeanor	0.0%	0.0%
Offense Category ²		
Crime of Violence	100.0%	0.0%
Felony	0.0%	0.0%
- Person-to-Person	0.0%	0.0%
- Property	0.0%	0.0%
- Drugs	0.0%	0.0%
- Unspecified	0.0%	0.0%
Misdemeanor	0.0%	0.0%
- Person-to-Person	0.0%	0.0%
- Property	0.0%	0.0%
- Drugs	0.0%	0.0%
- Unspecified	0.0%	0.0%
Ordinance Offenses	0.0%	0.0%
Citations	0.0%	0.0%
CINS	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Total Placements</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>0</i>

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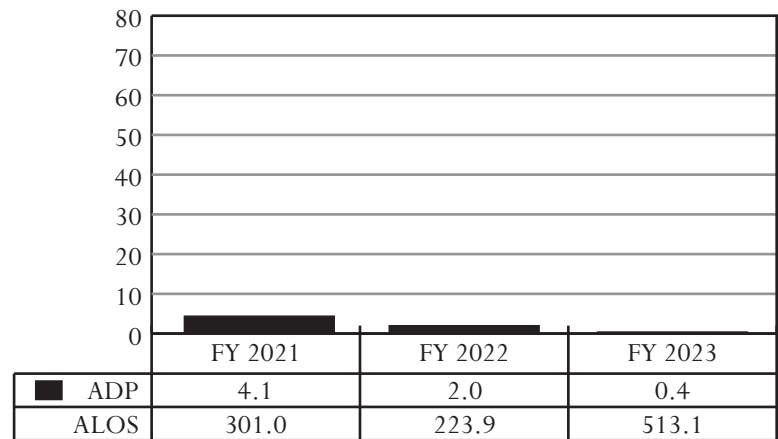
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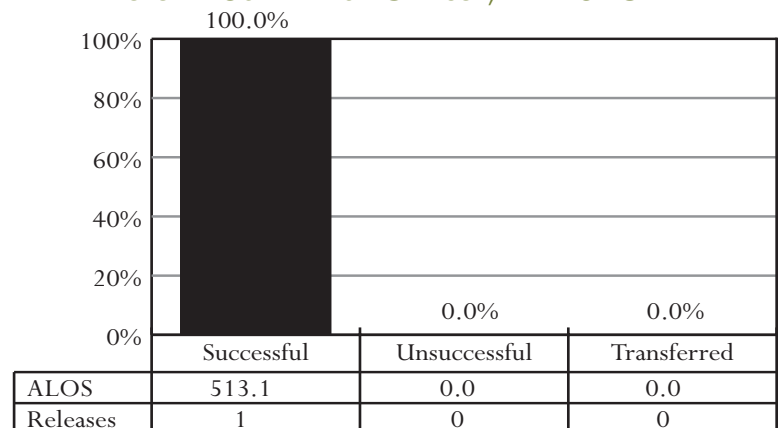
PLACEMENTS BY DEMOGRAPHICS, FY 2021-2023

Demographics	FY2021	FY2022	FY2023
Race/Ethnicity			
Black	42.9%	100.0%	0.0%
White	14.3%	0.0%	0.0%
Hispanic/Other	42.9%	0.0%	0.0%
Sex			
Male	71.4%	100.0%	0.0%
Female	28.6%	0.0%	0.0%
Age			
11 and under	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
12	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
13	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
14	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
15	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
16	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
17	14.3%	0.0%	0.0%
18-20	85.7%	100.0%	0.0%
<i>Total Placements</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>0</i>

AVERAGE DAILY POPULATION AND AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY, FY 2021-2023



RELEASES BY COMPLETION STATUS*, FY 2023



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Residential Treatment Centers (Includes Psychiatric Hospitals)

Residential Treatment Centers (RTCs) provide intensive psychiatric and psychological treatment services. These centers are required to have psychiatrists, psychologists, and psychiatric nurses on staff to lead treatment. Maryland RTCs are approved for operation through the State Certificate of Need (CON) process and are licensed through the Office of Health Care Quality (OHCQ). Some RTCs concentrate on specific youth populations. For example, some staff-secure and hardware-secure RTCs focus on youth with behavioral problems and/or considered to be potentially harmful to themselves or others. The RTCs are intended to stabilize the youth's emotional condition, provide services that increase the youth's ability to manage mental illness as a potentially lifelong challenge, assist the youth in developing skills for coping with daily and/or difficult situations and interpersonal relationships, and transition the youth to a less restrictive environment or home.

ADMISSIONS, ADP, AND ALOS BY PROGRAM[^], FY 2023

Residential Treatment Center	County	Adm.	ADP	ALOS [*]
New Directions Chesapeake Treatment Center ²	Balt. Co.	11	10.5	280.3
Nexus Woodbourne Family Healing ²	Balt. City	21	12.9	174.4
RICA - Baltimore	Balt. City	1	1.1	240.5
RICA - Rockville	Mont.	1	0.2	84.2
Right Moves Chesapeake Treatment Center ²	Balt. Co.	10	5.4	190.2
Sheppard Pratt Towson MANN	Balt. Co.	3	1.5	190.2
St. Vincent's Villa	Balt. Co.	0	0.0	0.0
Diagnostic Units^{**}				
Children's Home, Inc. - Girls' Diagnostic Program ¹	Balt. Co.	0	0.0	0.0
St. Vincent's Villa Diagnostic	Balt. Co.	0	0.0	0.0
Psychiatric Hospitals^{**}				
Clinton T. Perkins Hospital Center ⁺	Howard	0	0.1	312.0
Spring Grove Hospital Center	Balt. Co.	7	0.7	35.5
Total Admissions	<i>All</i>	54	32.5	188.3

^{*}The table reflects all programs with which DJS had active contracts for service during FY 2023. All programs served both females and males in FY 2023 unless otherwise noted.

[^]An ALOS of 0.0 indicates that no youth were released during the FY.

^{**} Diagnostic Units and Psychiatric Hospitals are included in the RTC table because similar services are provided at these facilities.

⁺ Although there were no admissions in FY 2023, ADP reflects continuing placements from prior FYs.

¹ Served females only during FY 2023.

² Served males only during FY 2023.



RICA - Baltimore

- *Trends for Program Placements:*
 - Between FY 2021 and FY 2023, overall placements to Residential Treatment Centers (RTCs) decreased 27.0%.
- *Program Admissions (FY 2023):*
 - Nexus Woodbourne Family Healing had the highest number of admissions.
- *Residence (FY 2023):*
 - 100.0% of placements were Maryland residents. There were no youth from out of state.
- *MCASP Risk Level (FY 2023):*
 - For the 98.1% of placements with a post-validation MCASP, 30.2% were Very High Risk, 30.2% were High Risk, 28.3% were Moderate Risk, and 11.3% were Low Risk.
- *Offense Category (FY 2022-2023):*
 - The percentage of Crimes of Violence increased from 37.7% to 59.3%.
 - The percentage of Felonies increased from 13.2% to 22.2%.
 - The percentage of Misdemeanors decreased from 49.1% to 18.5%.
 - See the Terms and Concepts pages in Appendix O for an explanation of Crime of Violence, Felony, and Misdemeanor, as the definitions are helpful when examining offense severity.
- *Average Daily Population (ADP):*
 - ADP decreased 29.4% between FY 2021 and FY 2023 and decreased 4.4% between FY 2022 and FY 2023.
- *Average Length of Stay (ALOS):*
 - ALOS decreased 14.4% between FY 2021 and FY 2023 and decreased 12.9% between FY 2022 and FY 2023.

PLACEMENTS BY REGION OF RESIDENCE, FY 2021-2023

Region	FY2021	FY2022	FY2023
Region 1	13.5%	17.0%	7.4%
Region 2	6.8%	3.8%	11.1%
Region 3	5.4%	9.4%	16.7%
Region 4	13.5%	9.4%	7.4%
Region 5	21.6%	17.0%	7.4%
Region 6	10.8%	5.7%	20.4%
Region 7	12.2%	15.1%	9.3%
Region 8	10.8%	18.9%	20.4%
Out-of-State	5.4%	3.8%	0.0%
Total Placements	74	53	54

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PLACEMENTS BY OFFENSE⁺, FY 2022-2023

Most Serious Offense	FY2022	FY2023
Offense Type		
Arson	1.9%	1.9%
Auto Theft/Unauth. Use	1.9%	3.7%
Burglary/Break. & Enter	5.7%	9.3%
Carjacking	7.5%	9.3%
Cons. to Commit Offense	1.9%	3.7%
Deadly Weapon	0.0%	0.0%
Disturbing the Peace	1.9%	0.0%
First Degree Assault	11.3%	16.7%
Handgun Violation	7.5%	1.9%
Malicious Destruction	0.0%	1.9%
Manslaughter	0.0%	1.9%
Motor Vehicle/Traffic	0.0%	0.0%
Murder	1.9%	0.0%
Narcotics Distribution	0.0%	3.7%
Narcotics Possession	0.0%	1.9%
Other ¹ /Missing	3.8%	0.0%
Resisting Arrest	0.0%	0.0%
Robbery	7.5%	11.1%
Second Degree Assault	24.5%	7.4%
Sex Offense	18.9%	24.1%
Theft Felony	0.0%	0.0%
Theft Misdemeanor	3.8%	1.9%
Trespassing	0.0%	0.0%
Unspec. Misdemeanor	0.0%	0.0%
Offense Category ²		
Crime of Violence	37.7%	59.3%
Felony	13.2%	22.2%
- Person-to-Person	9.4%	11.1%
- Property	3.8%	3.7%
- Drugs	0.0%	3.7%
- Unspecified	0.0%	3.7%
Misdemeanor	49.1%	18.5%
- Person-to-Person	37.7%	9.3%
- Property	9.4%	7.4%
- Drugs	0.0%	1.9%
- Unspecified	1.9%	0.0%
Ordinance Offenses	0.0%	0.0%
Citations	0.0%	0.0%
CINS	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Total Placements</i>	<i>53</i>	<i>54</i>

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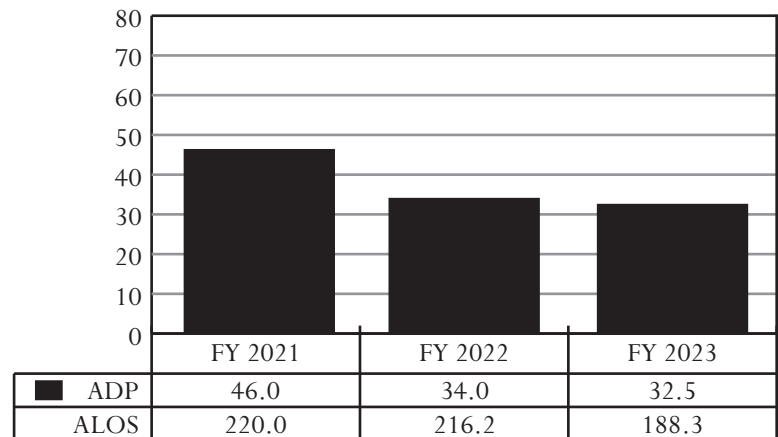
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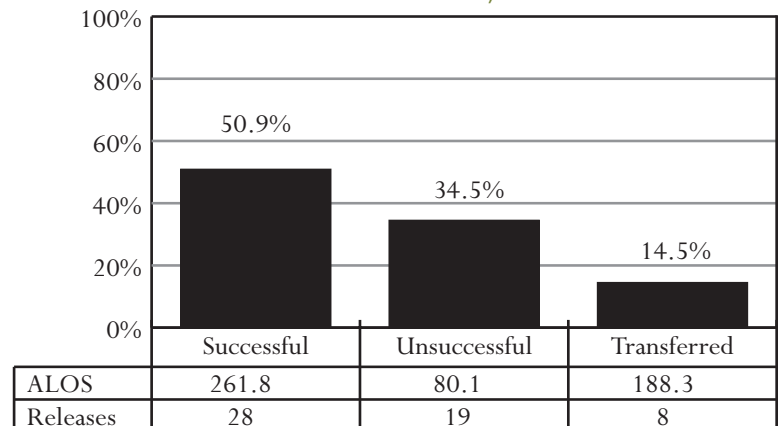
PLACEMENTS BY DEMOGRAPHICS, FY 2021-2023

Demographics	FY2021	FY2022	FY2023
Race/Ethnicity			
Black	56.8%	62.3%	66.7%
White	35.1%	26.4%	25.9%
Hispanic/Other	8.1%	11.3%	7.4%
Sex			
Male	85.1%	92.5%	98.1%
Female	14.9%	7.5%	1.9%
Age			
11 and under	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
12	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
13	2.7%	3.8%	3.7%
14	8.1%	9.4%	9.3%
15	23.0%	28.3%	20.4%
16	24.3%	18.9%	20.4%
17	32.4%	26.4%	25.9%
18-20	9.5%	13.2%	20.4%
<i>Total Placements</i>	<i>74</i>	<i>53</i>	<i>54</i>

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Out-of-State (OOS) Programs

Maryland law prohibits an out-of-state placement for youth unless a court finds the youth's individualized needs cannot be met through in-state resources. Additionally, DJS policy states that youth may not be placed out of state without the approval of the Secretary or designee. The Department adheres to Interstate Compact requirements and agreements with other states regarding requests for permission and notification when youth are placed in another state. Youth placed in out-of-state programs are visited by DJS staff at least quarterly, and parent(s)/guardian(s) are given the opportunity to visit youth at least once per quarter. OOS programs are licensed by local authorities and not by Maryland agencies. DJS contracts with vendors to provide services in two broad categories: (1) RTC-level specialized mental health services and (2) staff- and hardware-secure programming.

ADMISSIONS, ADP, AND ALOS BY PROGRAM[^], FY 2023

Hardware Secure RTC	State	Adm.	ADP	ALOS [*]
George Junior Republic ²	PA	4	1.2	121.8
UHS of Delaware - Coastal Harbor	GA	0	0.0	0.0
UHS of Delaware - Gulf Coast	FL	0	0.0	0.0
UHS of Delaware - Harbor Point Behavioral Health ⁺	VA	0	1.0	160.3
UHS of Delaware - Laurel Oaks Behavioral Health	AL	1	0.5	175.7
UHS of Delaware - Sandy Pines Treatment Center	FL	1	1.6	221.5
Staff Secure				
Abraxas Youth & Family Services-Intensive Open Residential ²	PA	0	0.0	0.0
Drug & Rehab Services, Inc - Manos House ²	PA	3	0.4	67.1
UHS of Delaware - Foundations for Living	PA	0	0.0	0.0
George Jr. Republic (Diag, Drug & Alcohol Rehab, General, Special Needs) ²	PA	0	0.0	0.0
Natchez Trace Youth Academy ²	TN	2	1.2	157.2
New Outlook Academy ¹	PA	1	0.5	199.6
Rite of Passage Inc. - Canyon State ²	AZ	0	0.0	0.0
Stevens Treatment Program ²	MA	1	0.2	0.0
Summit Academy ²	PA	1	0.0	9.4
Summit Academy Drug & Alcohol ¹	PA	0	0.0	0.0
Hardware Secure				
Abraxas Youth & Family - Firesetter's Program ²	PA	0	0.0	0.0
Abraxas Youth & Family - Sex Offender & Habitual Offender ²	PA	0	0.0	0.0
Cornell Abraxas ²	PA	5	3.5	332.2
Rockdale Youth Academy ²	TX	4	1.1	146.4
Rockdale Youth Academy - Sex Offender Tract ²	TX	1	0.1	0.0
Total Admissions	All	24	11.5	191.1

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- *Trends for Program Placements:*
 - Between FY 2021 and FY 2023, overall placements to Out-of-State (OOS) Programs increased 60.0%.
- *Program Admissions (FY 2023):*
 - Cornell Abraxas Hardware Secure had the highest number of admissions.
- *Residence (FY 2023):*
 - 95.8% of placements were Maryland residents. The one out-of-state placement was from Washington, D.C.
- *MCASP Risk Level (FY 2023):*
 - For the 100.0% of placements with a post-validation MCASP, 33.3% were Very High Risk, 16.7% were High Risk, 29.2% were Moderate Risk, and 20.8% were Low Risk.
- *Offense Category (FY 2022-2023):*
 - The percentage of Crimes of Violence increased from 50.0% to 66.7%.
 - The percentage of Felonies decreased from 18.8% to 16.7%.
 - The percentage of Misdemeanors decreased from 31.2% to 16.7%.
 - See the Terms and Concepts pages in Appendix O for an explanation of Crime of Violence, Felony, and Misdemeanor, as the definitions are helpful when examining offense severity.
- *Average Daily Population (ADP):*
 - ADP decreased 5.6% between FY 2021 and FY 2023 and increased 49.1% between FY 2022 and FY 2023.
- *Average Length of Stay (ALOS):*
 - ALOS decreased 38.3% between FY 2021 and FY 2023 and increased 8.1% between FY 2022 and FY 2023.

PLACEMENTS BY REGION OF RESIDENCE, FY 2021-2023

Region	FY2021	FY2022	FY2023
Region 1	0.0%	12.5%	12.5%
Region 2	6.7%	0.0%	4.2%
Region 3	13.3%	6.2%	8.3%
Region 4	0.0%	6.2%	0.0%
Region 5	26.7%	25.0%	8.3%
Region 6	13.3%	6.2%	25.0%
Region 7	13.3%	18.8%	4.2%
Region 8	6.7%	18.8%	33.3%
Out-of-State	20.0%	6.2%	4.2%
Total Placements	15	16	24

PLACEMENTS BY OFFENSE⁺, FY 2022-2023

Most Serious Offense	FY2022	FY2023
Offense Type		
Arson	6.2%	4.2%
Auto Theft/Unauth. Use	6.2%	4.2%
Burglary/Break. & Enter	0.0%	8.3%
Carjacking	12.5%	12.5%
Cons. to Commit Offense	0.0%	0.0%
Deadly Weapon	0.0%	0.0%
Disturbing the Peace	0.0%	0.0%
First Degree Assault	6.2%	20.8%
Handgun Violation	6.2%	8.3%
Malicious Destruction	0.0%	0.0%
Manslaughter	0.0%	0.0%
Motor Vehicle/Traffic	0.0%	0.0%
Murder	12.5%	20.8%
Narcotics Distribution	0.0%	0.0%
Narcotics Possession	0.0%	0.0%
Other ¹ /Missing	0.0%	0.0%
Resisting Arrest	0.0%	0.0%
Robbery	12.5%	8.3%
Second Degree Assault	12.5%	4.2%
Sex Offense	12.5%	8.3%
Theft Felony	6.2%	0.0%
Theft Misdemeanor	0.0%	0.0%
Trespassing	0.0%	0.0%
Unspec. Misdemeanor	6.2%	0.0%
Offense Category ²		
Crime of Violence	50.0%	66.7%
Felony	18.8%	16.7%
- Person-to-Person	6.2%	12.5%
- Property	12.5%	4.2%
- Drugs	0.0%	0.0%
- Unspecified	0.0%	0.0%
Misdemeanor	31.2%	16.7%
- Person-to-Person	18.8%	12.5%
- Property	6.2%	4.2%
- Drugs	0.0%	0.0%
- Unspecified	6.2%	0.0%
Ordinance Offenses	0.0%	0.0%
Citations	0.0%	0.0%
CINS	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Total Placements</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>24</i>

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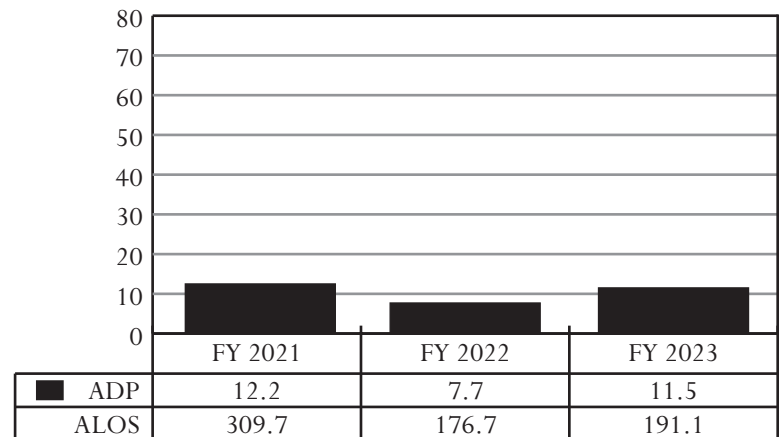
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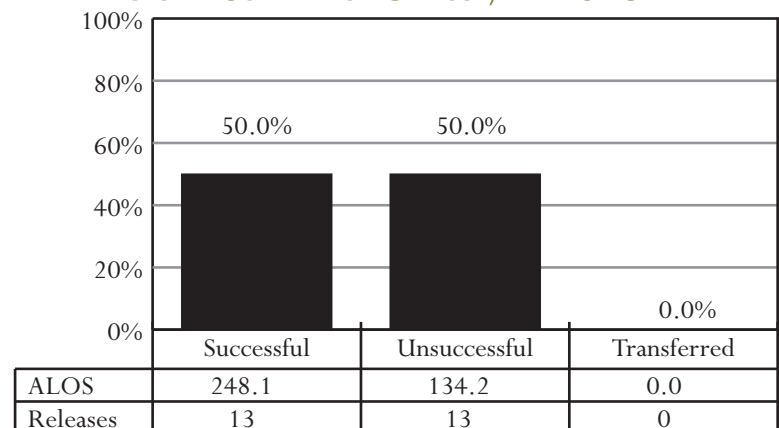
PLACEMENTS BY DEMOGRAPHICS, FY 2021-2023

Demographics	FY2021	FY2022	FY2023
Race/Ethnicity			
Black	60.0%	56.2%	66.7%
White	20.0%	43.8%	8.3%
Hispanic/Other	20.0%	0.0%	25.0%
Sex			
Male	46.7%	62.5%	91.7%
Female	53.3%	37.5%	8.3%
Age			
11 and under	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
12	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
13	0.0%	12.5%	0.0%
14	0.0%	12.5%	8.3%
15	13.3%	12.5%	12.5%
16	20.0%	12.5%	33.3%
17	46.7%	37.5%	29.2%
18-20	20.0%	12.5%	16.7%
<i>Total Placements</i>	<i>15</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>24</i>

AVERAGE DAILY POPULATION AND AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY, FY 2021-2023



RELEASES BY COMPLETION STATUS*, FY 2023



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Backbone Mountain Youth Center (State-Operated)

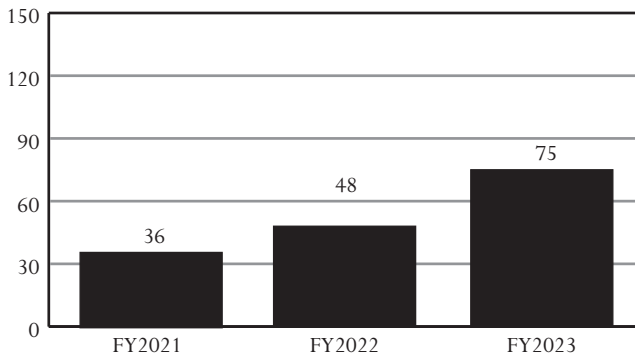
Superintendent: Todd Foote
Capacity: 28 Males

Staff Secure - Region 6

124 Camp 4 Road
Swanton, MD 21561
301-359-9190

This treatment program is located on Backbone Mountain in Garrett County. Programming includes STARR, the DJS behavioral motivation program, and a complete array of evidence-based and -informed treatment services. Case Management and Behavioral Health staff provide treatment programming as detailed in the Behavioral Health & Case Management Services section (see pages 151-152). Services are delivered via various modalities, including individual, group, and family sessions. Family engagement in treatment planning is paramount, as regular family interaction is encouraged through family visits, phone calls, special family day activities at the facility, and home visits to help youth successfully transition back to the community. Recreational programming includes camping and intramural sports competitions. See the JSEP section on pages 12-15 for information pertaining to educational services.

PLACEMENTS, FY 2021-2023



PLACEMENTS BY DEMOGRAPHICS, FY 2021-2023

Demographics	FY2021	FY2022	FY2023
Race/Ethnicity			
Black	72.2%	81.2%	86.7%
White	25.0%	4.2%	9.3%
Hispanic/Other	2.8%	14.6%	4.0%
Sex			
Male	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Female	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Age			
11 and under	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
12	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
13	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
14	2.8%	2.1%	2.7%
15	5.6%	12.5%	5.3%
16	30.6%	16.7%	18.7%
17	41.7%	41.7%	37.3%
18-20	19.4%	27.1%	36.0%
Total Placements	36	48	75

- **Placement Trends:**
 - Placements increased 108.3% between FY 2021 and FY 2023 and increased 56.3% between FY 2022 and FY 2023.
- **Residence (FY 2023):**
 - 94.7% of placements were Maryland residents. Of those from out of state, 4 were from Washington, D.C.
- **MCASP Risk Level (FY 2023):**
 - For the 100.0% of placements with a post-validation MCASP, 18.7% were Very High Risk, 21.3% were High Risk, 30.7% were Moderate Risk, and 29.3% were Low Risk.
- **Offense Category (FY 2022-2023):**
 - The percentage of Crimes of Violence increased from 45.8% to 64.0%.
 - The percentage of Felonies decreased from 18.8% to 8.0%.
 - The percentage of Misdemeanors decreased from 35.4% to 28.0%.
 - See the Terms and Concepts pages in Appendix O for an explanation of Crime of Violence, Felony, and Misdemeanor, as the definitions are helpful when examining offense severity.
- **Average Daily Population (ADP):**
 - ADP increased 95.7% between FY 2021 and FY 2023 and increased 49.8% between FY 2022 and FY 2023.
- **Average Length of Stay (ALOS):**
 - ALOS decreased 27.5% between FY 2021 and FY 2023 and decreased 14.7% between FY 2022 and FY 2023.
- **Utilization Rate (FY 2022-FY 2023):**
 - Backbone Mountain Youth Center's utilization rate decreased from 87.4% in FY 2022 to 84.2% in FY 2023.

PLACEMENTS BY OFFENSE⁺, FY 2022-2023

Most Serious Offense	FY2022	FY2023
Offense Type		
Arson	0.0%	0.0%
Auto Theft/Unauth. Use	4.2%	0.0%
Burglary/Break. & Enter	4.2%	8.0%
Carjacking	8.3%	20.0%
Cons. to Commit Offense	4.2%	2.7%
Deadly Weapon	0.0%	2.7%
Disturbing the Peace	2.1%	0.0%
First Degree Assault	12.5%	10.7%
Handgun Violation	16.7%	16.0%
Malicious Destruction	0.0%	0.0%
Manslaughter	0.0%	1.3%
Motor Vehicle/Traffic	0.0%	0.0%
Murder	2.1%	2.7%
Narcotics Distribution	2.1%	2.7%
Narcotics Possession	0.0%	0.0%
Other ¹ /Missing	8.3%	0.0%
Resisting Arrest	0.0%	0.0%
Robbery	14.6%	21.3%
Second Degree Assault	10.4%	8.0%
Sex Offense	0.0%	0.0%
Theft Felony	4.2%	1.3%
Theft Misdemeanor	4.2%	1.3%
Trespassing	0.0%	0.0%
Unspec. Misdemeanor	2.1%	1.3%
Offense Category ²		
Crime of Violence	45.8%	64.0%
Felony	18.8%	8.0%
- Person-to-Person	0.0%	1.3%
- Property	8.3%	1.3%
- Drugs	2.1%	2.7%
- Unspecified	8.3%	2.7%
Misdemeanor	35.4%	28.0%
- Person-to-Person	29.2%	25.3%
- Property	4.2%	1.3%
- Drugs	0.0%	0.0%
- Unspecified	2.1%	1.3%
Ordinance Offenses	0.0%	0.0%
Citations	0.0%	0.0%
CINS	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Total Placements</i>	<i>48</i>	<i>75</i>

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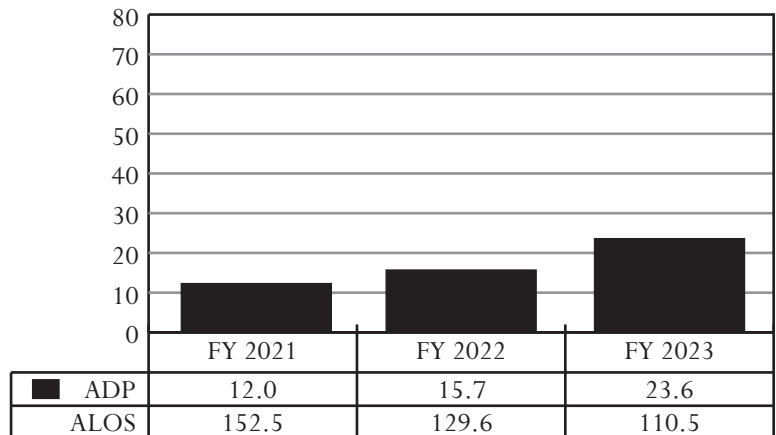
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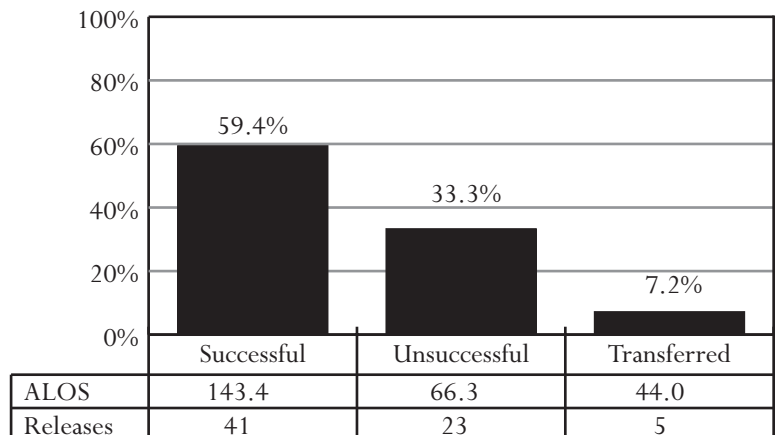
PLACEMENTS BY REGION OF RESIDENCE, FY 2021-2023

Region	FY2021	FY2022	FY2023
Region 1	8.3%	6.2%	4.0%
Region 2	0.0%	0.0%	2.7%
Region 3	33.3%	14.6%	17.3%
Region 4	5.6%	6.2%	4.0%
Region 5	13.9%	6.2%	13.3%
Region 6	16.7%	8.3%	6.7%
Region 7	2.8%	14.6%	18.7%
Region 8	13.9%	37.5%	28.0%
Out-of-State	5.6%	6.2%	5.3%
<i>Total Placements</i>	<i>36</i>	<i>48</i>	<i>75</i>

AVERAGE DAILY POPULATION AND AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY, FY 2021-2023



RELEASES BY COMPLETION STATUS*, FY 2023



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Green Ridge Mountain Quest (State-Operated)

Superintendent: John Hare

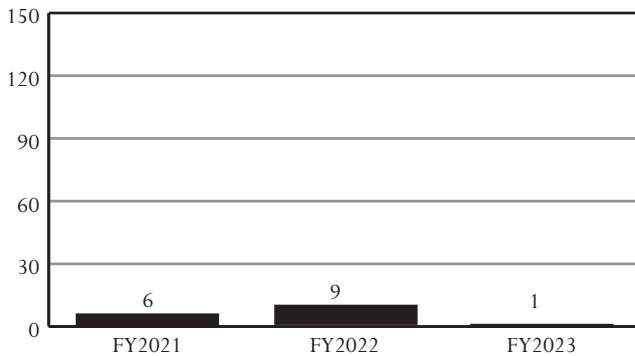
Staff Secure - Region 4

Capacity: 6 Males

Mountain Quest is a 90-day treatment program for males ages 13-18 located at Green Ridge Youth Center. Mountain Quest is a first-time commitment program that provides youth time away from their families and communities, giving them the opportunity to change their behavior while learning to take responsibility for their actions. The Mountain Quest program gives youth the opportunity to work on thought patterns and behaviors that will help them be more successful when they return to the community. Family work and interventions are critical at this time to better assess needs and provide an open line of communication.

*Note: Data on these pages reflect the youth housed at Green Ridge Mountain Quest through November 2022 when the program closed.

PLACEMENTS, FY 2021-2023



PLACEMENTS BY DEMOGRAPHICS, FY 2021-2023

Demographics	FY2021	FY2022	FY2023
Race/Ethnicity			
Black	66.7%	100.0%	100.0%
White	33.3%	0.0%	0.0%
Hispanic/Other	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Sex			
Male	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Female	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Age			
11 and under	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
12	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
13	16.7%	0.0%	0.0%
14	33.3%	22.2%	100.0%
15	50.0%	22.2%	0.0%
16	0.0%	55.6%	0.0%
17	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
18-20	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Total Placements	6	9	1

• Placement Trends:

- Placements decreased 83.3% between FY 2021 and FY 2023 and decreased 88.9% between FY 2022 and FY 2023.

• Residence (FY 2023):

- 100% of placements were Maryland residents. There were no youth from out of state.

• MCASP Risk Level (FY 2023):

- For the 100% of placements with a post-validation MCASP, 0.0% were Very High Risk, 100.0% were High Risk, 0.0% were Moderate Risk, and 0.0% were Low Risk.

• Offense Category (FY 2022-2023):

- The percentage of Crimes of Violence decreased from 33.3% to 0.0% .
- The percentage of Felonies decreased from 11.1% to 0.0%.
- The percentage of Misdemeanors increased from 55.6% to 100.0%.
- See the Terms and Concepts pages in Appendix O for an explanation of Crime of Violence, Felony, and Misdemeanor, as the definitions are helpful when examining offense severity.

• Average Daily Population (ADP):

- ADP decreased 72.1% between FY 2021 and FY 2023 and decreased 88.0% between FY 2022 and FY 2023.

• Average Length of Stay (ALOS):

- ALOS increased 5.4% between FY 2021 and FY 2023 and increased 23.5% between FY 2022 and FY 2023.

• Utilization Rate (FY 2022-FY 2023):

- Green Ridge Mountain Quest Youth Center's utilization rate decreased from 41.3% in FY 2022 to 5.0% in FY 2023.

This program closed in November 2022. Data for FY 2023 represent only the time when the program was opened.

PLACEMENTS BY OFFENSE⁺, FY 2022-2023

Most Serious Offense	FY2022	FY2023
Offense Type		
Arson	0.0%	0.0%
Auto Theft/Unauth. Use	0.0%	0.0%
Burglary/Break. & Enter	0.0%	0.0%
Carjacking	22.2%	0.0%
Cons. to Commit Offense	11.1%	0.0%
Deadly Weapon	11.1%	0.0%
Disturbing the Peace	0.0%	0.0%
First Degree Assault	11.1%	0.0%
Handgun Violation	11.1%	100.0%
Malicious Destruction	0.0%	0.0%
Manslaughter	0.0%	0.0%
Motor Vehicle/Traffic	0.0%	0.0%
Murder	0.0%	0.0%
Narcotics Distribution	0.0%	0.0%
Narcotics Possession	11.1%	0.0%
Other ¹ /Missing	0.0%	0.0%
Resisting Arrest	0.0%	0.0%
Robbery	0.0%	0.0%
Second Degree Assault	11.1%	0.0%
Sex Offense	0.0%	0.0%
Theft Felony	0.0%	0.0%
Theft Misdemeanor	11.1%	0.0%
Trespassing	0.0%	0.0%
Unspec. Misdemeanor	0.0%	0.0%
Offense Category ²		
Crime of Violence	33.3%	0.0%
Felony	11.1%	0.0%
- Person-to-Person	0.0%	0.0%
- Property	0.0%	0.0%
- Drugs	0.0%	0.0%
- Unspecified	11.1%	0.0%
Misdemeanor	55.6%	100.0%
- Person-to-Person	33.3%	100.0%
- Property	11.1%	0.0%
- Drugs	11.1%	0.0%
- Unspecified	0.0%	0.0%
Ordinance Offenses	0.0%	0.0%
Citations	0.0%	0.0%
CINS	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Total Placements</i>	<i>9</i>	<i>1</i>

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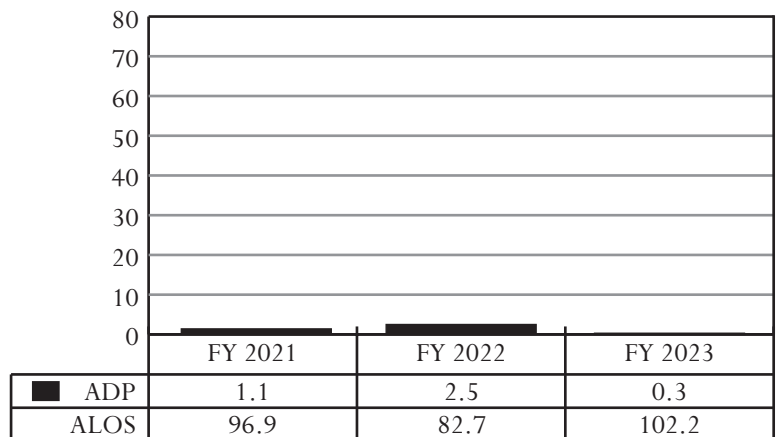
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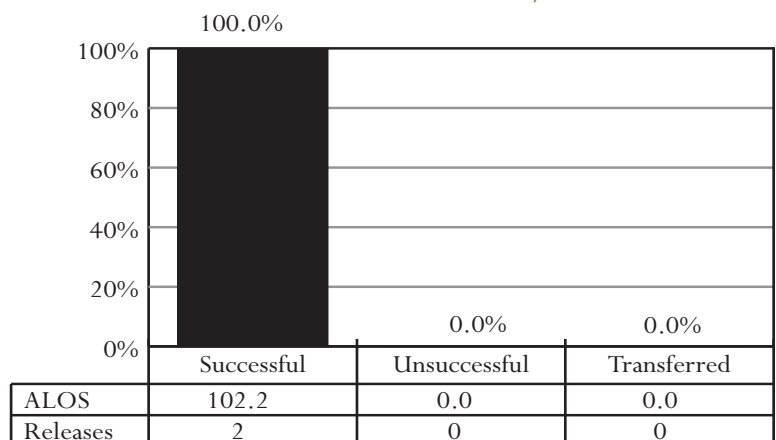
PLACEMENTS BY REGION OF RESIDENCE, FY 2021-2023

Region	FY2021	FY2022	FY2023
Region 1	0.0%	11.1%	0.0%
Region 2	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Region 3	66.7%	11.1%	100.0%
Region 4	0.0%	22.2%	0.0%
Region 5	0.0%	11.1%	0.0%
Region 6	0.0%	11.1%	0.0%
Region 7	33.3%	22.2%	0.0%
Region 8	0.0%	11.1%	0.0%
Out-of-State	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Total Placements</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>9</i>	<i>1</i>

AVERAGE DAILY POPULATION AND AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY, FY 2021-2023



RELEASES BY COMPLETION STATUS*, FY 2023



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Green Ridge Youth Center (State-Operated)

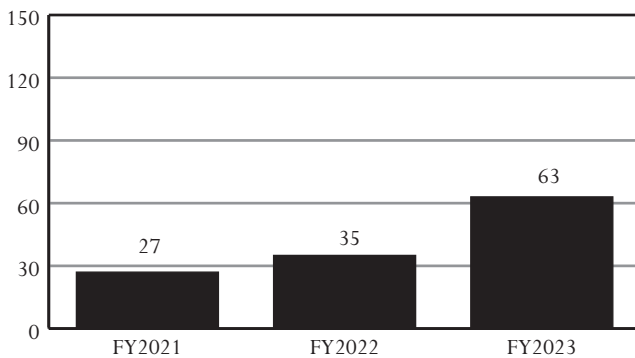
Superintendent: John Hare
Capacity: 30 Males

Staff Secure - Region 4

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Flintstone, MD 21530
301-478-2930

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PLACEMENTS, FY 2021-2023



PLACEMENTS BY DEMOGRAPHICS, FY 2021-2023

Demographics	FY2021	FY2022	FY2023
Race/Ethnicity			
Black	66.7%	85.7%	81.0%
White	25.9%	5.7%	7.9%
Hispanic/Other	7.4%	8.6%	11.1%
Sex			
Male	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Female	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Age			
11 and under	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
12	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
13	3.7%	0.0%	4.8%
14	18.5%	14.3%	9.5%
15	44.4%	31.4%	28.6%
16	18.5%	42.9%	31.7%
17	7.4%	11.4%	22.2%
18-20	7.4%	0.0%	3.2%
Total Placements	27	35	63

• Placement Trends:

- Placements increased 133.3% between FY 2021 and FY 2023 and increased 80.0% between FY 2022 and FY 2023.

• Residence (FY 2023):

- 98.4% of placements were Maryland residents. The 1 from out of state was from Washington, D.C.

• MCASP Risk Level (FY 2023):

- For the 100.0% of placements with a post-validation MCASP, 27.0% were Very High Risk, 39.7% were High Risk, 25.4% were Moderate Risk, and 7.9% were Low Risk.

• Offense Category (FY 2022-2023):

- The percentage of Crimes of Violence increased from 20.0% to 54.0%.
- The percentage of Felonies decreased from 20.0% to 9.5%.
- The percentage of Misdemeanors decreased from 60.0% to 36.5%.
- See the Terms and Concepts pages in Appendix O for an explanation of Crime of Violence, Felony, and Misdemeanor, as the definitions are helpful when examining offense severity.

• Average Daily Population (ADP):

- ADP increased 131.9% between FY 2021 and FY 2023 and increased 62.6% between FY 2022 and FY 2023.

• Average Length of Stay (ALOS):

- ALOS decreased 13.8% between FY 2021 and FY 2023 and decreased 14.2% between FY 2022 and FY 2023.

• Utilization Rate (FY 2022-FY 2023):

- Green Ridge Youth Center's utilization rate decreased from 73.2% in FY 2022 to 71.4% in FY 2023.

PLACEMENTS BY OFFENSE⁺, FY 2022-2023

Most Serious Offense	FY2022	FY2023
Offense Type		
Arson	0.0%	0.0%
Auto Theft/Unauth. Use	5.7%	1.6%
Burglary/Break. & Enter	2.9%	6.3%
Carjacking	8.6%	15.9%
Cons. to Commit Offense	0.0%	4.8%
Deadly Weapon	0.0%	0.0%
Disturbing the Peace	0.0%	0.0%
First Degree Assault	8.6%	12.7%
Handgun Violation	5.7%	14.3%
Malicious Destruction	14.3%	0.0%
Manslaughter	2.9%	0.0%
Motor Vehicle/Traffic	0.0%	0.0%
Murder	0.0%	3.2%
Narcotics Distribution	5.7%	1.6%
Narcotics Possession	2.9%	0.0%
Other ¹ /Missing	5.7%	4.8%
Resisting Arrest	0.0%	0.0%
Robbery	2.9%	15.9%
Second Degree Assault	14.3%	11.1%
Sex Offense	0.0%	1.6%
Theft Felony	0.0%	1.6%
Theft Misdemeanor	20.0%	3.2%
Trespassing	0.0%	1.6%
Unspec. Misdemeanor	0.0%	0.0%
Offense Category ²		
Crime of Violence	20.0%	54.0%
Felony	20.0%	9.5%
- Person-to-Person	5.7%	0.0%
- Property	5.7%	3.2%
- Drugs	5.7%	1.6%
- Unspecified	2.9%	4.8%
Misdemeanor	60.0%	36.5%
- Person-to-Person	22.9%	30.2%
- Property	34.3%	4.8%
- Drugs	2.9%	0.0%
- Unspecified	0.0%	1.6%
Ordinance Offenses	0.0%	0.0%
Citations	0.0%	0.0%
CINS	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Total Placements</i>	<i>35</i>	<i>63</i>

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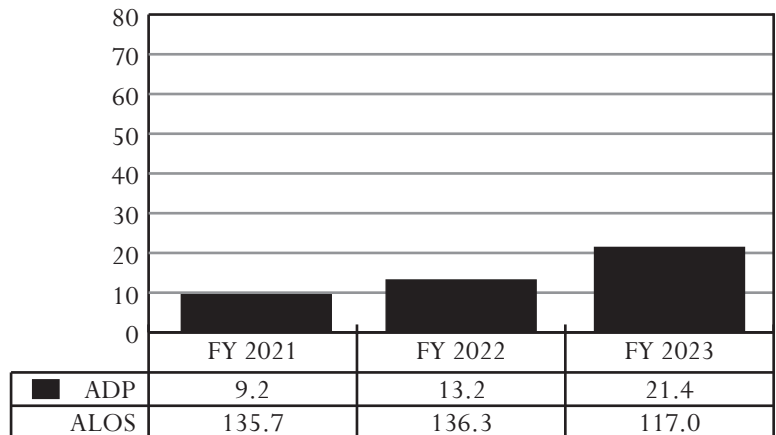
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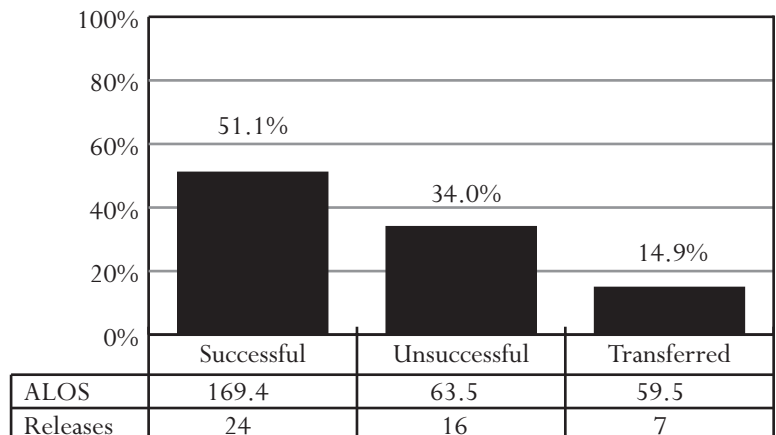
PLACEMENTS BY REGION OF RESIDENCE, FY 2021-2023

Region	FY2021	FY2022	FY2023
Region 1	7.4%	22.9%	11.1%
Region 2	0.0%	0.0%	1.6%
Region 3	14.8%	14.3%	7.9%
Region 4	7.4%	17.1%	6.3%
Region 5	3.7%	8.6%	12.7%
Region 6	7.4%	5.7%	19.0%
Region 7	7.4%	8.6%	14.3%
Region 8	51.9%	20.0%	25.4%
Out-of-State	0.0%	2.9%	1.6%
<i>Total Placements</i>	<i>27</i>	<i>35</i>	<i>63</i>

AVERAGE DAILY POPULATION AND AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY, FY 2021-2023



RELEASES BY COMPLETION STATUS*, FY 2023



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Victor Cullen Center (State-Operated)

Superintendents:

Victor Maldonado (males)

Barbara Spaid (females)

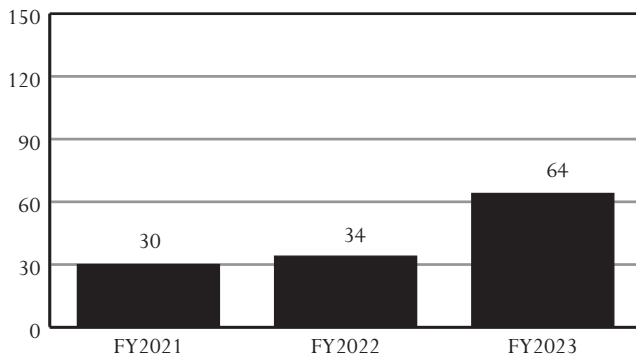
Capacity: 20 Males and 6 Females

Hardware Secure - Region 6

6000 Cullen Drive
Sabillasville, MD 21780
301-739-8122

The Victor Cullen Center (VCC) is a hardware-secure treatment program for both males and females (as of October 11, 2022), primarily serving youth ages 15-21 in a six-to nine-month treatment program for mental health and/or substance abuse issues. Programming includes STARR, the DJS behavioral motivation program, and a complete array of evidence-based and -informed treatment services. Case Management and Behavioral Health staff provide treatment programming as detailed in the Behavioral Health & Case Management Services section (see pages 151-152). Services are delivered via various modalities, including individual, group, and family sessions. Family engagement in treatment planning is of paramount importance. Regular family interaction is encouraged through family visits, phone calls, special family day activities at the facility, and home visits to help youth successfully transition back to the community. Recreational programming includes camping and intramural sports. Specialized programs include Yoga and Mindfulness Training and arts-based programs. See the JSEP section on pages 12-15 for information pertaining to educational services.

PLACEMENTS, FY 2021-2023



PLACEMENTS BY DEMOGRAPHICS, FY 2021-2023

Demographics	FY2021	FY2022	FY2023
Race/Ethnicity			
Black	66.7%	82.4%	84.4%
White	20.0%	5.9%	10.9%
Hispanic/Other	13.3%	11.8%	4.7%
Sex			
Male	100.0%	100.0%	82.8%
Female	0.0%	0.0%	17.2%
Age			
11 and under	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
12	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
13	0.0%	0.0%	1.6%
14	6.7%	2.9%	4.7%
15	16.7%	11.8%	7.8%
16	16.7%	29.4%	23.4%
17	40.0%	38.2%	31.2%
18-20	20.0%	17.6%	31.2%
Total Placements	30	34	64

• Placement Trends:

- Placements increased 113.3% between FY 2021 and FY 2023 and increased 88.2% between FY 2022 and FY 2023.

• Residence (FY 2023):

- 100% of placements were Maryland residents. There were no youth from out of state.

• MCASP Risk Level (FY 2023):

- For the 100.0% of placements with a post-validation MCASP, 20.3% were Very High Risk, 31.3% were High Risk, 37.5% were Moderate Risk, and 10.9% were Low Risk.

• Offense Category (FY 2022-2023):

- The percentage of Crimes of Violence increased from 61.8% to 62.5%.
- The percentage of Felonies decreased from 17.6% to 17.2%.
- The percentage of Misdemeanors decreased from 20.6% to 20.3%.
- See the Terms and Concepts pages in Appendix O for an explanation of Crime of Violence, Felony, and Misdemeanor, as the definitions are helpful when examining offense severity.

• Average Daily Population (ADP):

- ADP increased 119.7% between FY 2021 and FY 2023 and increased 77.4% between FY 2022 and FY 2023.

• Average Length of Stay (ALOS):

- ALOS increased 7.1% between FY 2021 and FY 2023 and decreased 11.1% between FY 2022 and FY 2023.

• Utilization Rate (FY 2022-FY 2023):

- Victor Cullen Center's utilization rate increased from 68.5% in FY 2022 to 84.1% in FY 2023.

PLACEMENTS BY OFFENSE⁺, FY 2022-2023

Most Serious Offense	FY2022	FY2023
Offense Type		
Arson	0.0%	0.0%
Auto Theft/Unauth. Use	5.9%	4.7%
Burglary/Break. & Enter	5.9%	1.6%
Carjacking	8.8%	7.8%
Cons. to Commit Offense	5.9%	1.6%
Deadly Weapon	0.0%	0.0%
Disturbing the Peace	0.0%	0.0%
First Degree Assault	17.6%	23.4%
Handgun Violation	2.9%	7.8%
Malicious Destruction	0.0%	0.0%
Manslaughter	0.0%	0.0%
Motor Vehicle/Traffic	0.0%	0.0%
Murder	11.8%	14.1%
Narcotics Distribution	0.0%	3.1%
Narcotics Possession	0.0%	0.0%
Other ¹ /Missing	5.9%	1.6%
Resisting Arrest	0.0%	0.0%
Robbery	17.6%	15.6%
Second Degree Assault	8.8%	10.9%
Sex Offense	2.9%	0.0%
Theft Felony	0.0%	6.2%
Theft Misdemeanor	2.9%	1.6%
Trespassing	0.0%	0.0%
Unspec. Misdemeanor	2.9%	0.0%
Offense Category ²		
Crime of Violence	61.8%	62.5%
Felony	17.6%	17.2%
- Person-to-Person	0.0%	0.0%
- Property	5.9%	10.9%
- Drugs	0.0%	3.1%
- Unspecified	11.8%	3.1%
Misdemeanor	20.6%	20.3%
- Person-to-Person	11.8%	18.8%
- Property	5.9%	1.6%
- Drugs	0.0%	0.0%
- Unspecified	2.9%	0.0%
Ordinance Offenses	0.0%	0.0%
Citations	0.0%	0.0%
CINS	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Total Placements</i>	<i>34</i>	<i>64</i>

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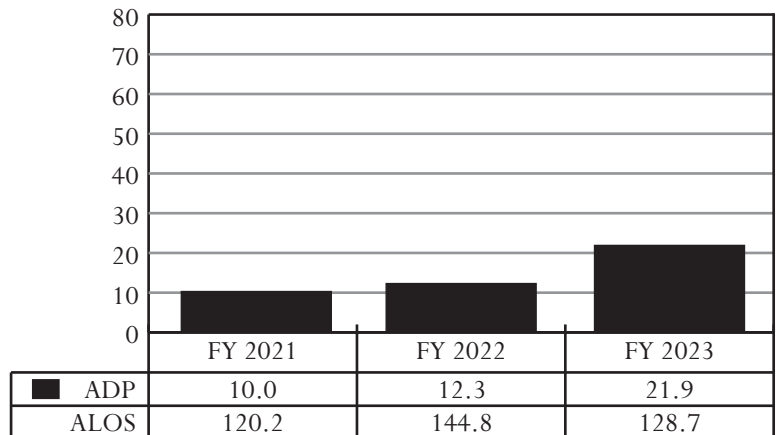
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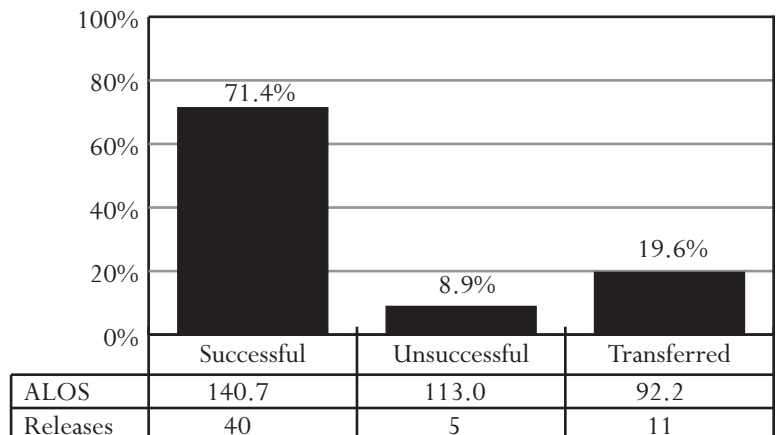
PLACEMENTS BY REGION OF RESIDENCE, FY 2021-2023

Region	FY2021	FY2022	FY2023
Region 1	3.3%	8.8%	12.5%
Region 2	0.0%	0.0%	3.1%
Region 3	20.0%	11.8%	9.4%
Region 4	3.3%	2.9%	1.6%
Region 5	10.0%	5.9%	7.8%
Region 6	10.0%	5.9%	7.8%
Region 7	13.3%	17.6%	17.2%
Region 8	30.0%	38.2%	40.6%
Out-of-State	10.0%	8.8%	0.0%
<i>Total Placements</i>	<i>30</i>	<i>34</i>	<i>64</i>

AVERAGE DAILY POPULATION AND AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY, FY 2021-2023



RELEASES BY COMPLETION STATUS*, FY 2023



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Community-Based Family Therapy Programs

DJS uses research-supported, community-based family therapy programs to address youth needs, and reduce further system involvement and out-of-home placements. Evidence-Based Services (EBS) constitute those designated as “model” programs by Blueprints for Healthy Youth Development (Center for the Study and Prevention of Violence at the University of Colorado Boulder) and currently include Functional Family Therapy (FFT) and Multisystemic Therapy (MST). These services are family-based therapeutic models shown to be effective with juvenile justice-involved youth. In addition, Family Centered Treatment (FCT), provided by Mentor Maryland, is a family preservation model of in-home treatment. Considered a promising practice by the California Evidence-Based Clearinghouse for Child Welfare, FCT helps families learn and adopt positive behavioral patterns. *Note: DJS also funded EBS services through community collaboratives (i.e., Truancy Court, Local Care Team), for youth that may have been diverted from any DJS involvement.*

PLACEMENTS AND ADP BY PROGRAM, FY 2023

EBS Providers		County/Region	Place.	ADP
FFT	Center for Children, Inc.	Anne Arundel	28	8.2
		Calvert	5	1.7
		Charles	4	0.6
		St. Mary's	19	7.5
	VisionQuest National	Baltimore County	19	5.8
		Carroll	9	4.0
		Frederick	6	2.4
		Harford	0	0.0
		Howard	18	6.2
		Eastern Shore*	38	10.2
		Montgomery	25	8.4
		Prince George's	35	11.6
	MST	Community Counseling and Mentoring Service, Inc.	Charles	4
Montgomery			20	6.0
Prince George's			21	5.0
Sheppard Pratt		Carroll	0	0.0
		Frederick	12	2.9
FCT	Mentor Maryland	Washington	8	2.3
		Allegany	10	4.4
		Anne Arundel	13	5.2
		Baltimore City	54	22.4
		Baltimore County	14	6.1
		Calvert	10	2.9
		Caroline	0	0.5
		Carroll	9	5.3
		Charles	10	3.5
		Dorchester	4	1.0
		Frederick	16	5.8
		Garrett	1	0.4
		Harford	3	1.3
		Howard	4	1.5
		Kent	2	0.4
		Montgomery	22	5.7
		Prince George's	42	16.4
		Queen Anne's	0	0.4
		Somerset	1	0.3
		St. Mary's	14	7.6
Talbot	1	0.4		
Washington	24	8.4		
Wicomico	8	2.5		
Worcester	8	3.6		
Total Placements		All Shown	541	189.3

* Includes Caroline, Cecil, Dorchester, Kent, Queen Anne's, Somerset, Talbot, Wicomico, and Worcester Counties

- *Community-Based Family Therapy Program Placements (FY 2023):*
 - 38.1% of placements were to FFT.
 - 12.0% of placements were to MST.
 - 49.9% of placements were to FCT.
- *Youth Placed (FY 2023):*
 - At the time of placement to a community-based family therapy program, 41.0% of youth were under probation, 13.1% were on aftercare supervision, 25.5% were under pre-court supervision, and 20.3% were funded by DJS without a formal supervision status.
- *Most Common Offense Type (FY 2023):*
 - FFT was Second Degree Assault (24.8%).
 - MST was Second Degree Assault (30.8%).
 - FCT was Second Degree Assault (19.3%).
- *Average Length of Stay (FY 2023):*
 - ALOS was highest for FCT and was lowest for MST.
- *Average Daily Population (FY 2023):*
 - ADP was highest for FCT and lowest for MST.
- *Completion Status According to Program Specific Criteria (FY 2023):*
 - 60.4% of youth discharged from FFT* completed the program.
 - 75.0% of youth discharged from MST* completed the program.
 - 62.0% of youth discharged from FCT* completed the program.

*Note that these percentages reflect cases discharged within therapist control. This excludes youth who moved prior to completing the program, those referred to/placed in another program, or those discharged for other administrative reasons.

PLACEMENTS BY REGION OF RESIDENCE, FY 2023

	FFT	MST	FCT	ADP
Region 1	7.8%	0.0%	7.8%	12.5
Region 2	10.7%	0.0%	1.1%	6.8
Region 3	9.2%	0.0%	6.3%	13.2
Region 4	0.0%	12.3%	13.0%	15.5
Region 5	26.7%	0.0%	9.6%	30.4
Region 6	15.0%	49.2%	14.1%	31.1
Region 7	30.6%	38.5%	28.1%	57.3
Region 8	0.0%	0.0%	20.0%	22.4
Total Placements	206	65	270	189.3

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PLACEMENTS BY ADJUDICATED OFFENSE⁺, FY 2023

Most Serious Offense	FFT	MST	FCT
Offense Type			
Arson	0.5%	0.0%	1.1%
Auto Theft/Unauth. Use	3.9%	4.6%	3.3%
Burglary/Break & Ent.	5.8%	4.6%	7.0%
Carjacking	2.9%	4.6%	7.8%
Cons. to Commit Offense	3.4%	1.5%	1.9%
Deadly Weapon	1.5%	0.0%	2.6%
Disturbing the Peace	1.0%	1.5%	1.1%
First Degree Assault-Felony	5.8%	1.5%	5.9%
Handgun Violation	6.3%	1.5%	7.0%
Malicious Destruction	4.4%	3.1%	3.7%
Manslaughter	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Motor Vehicle/Traffic	1.5%	0.0%	2.2%
Murder	0.0%	1.5%	0.7%
Narcotics Distribution	1.5%	0.0%	1.5%
Narcotics Possession	1.0%	0.0%	1.5%
Other ¹ /Missing	11.2%	30.8%	10.4%
Resisting Arrest	1.9%	0.0%	0.4%
Robbery	6.8%	7.7%	6.3%
Second Degree Assault-Misd.	24.8%	30.8%	19.3%
Sex Offense	3.4%	1.5%	2.6%
Theft Felony	1.0%	3.1%	2.6%
Theft Misdemeanor	8.3%	1.5%	8.9%
Trespassing	1.9%	0.0%	0.7%
Unspec. Misdemeanor	1.5%	0.0%	1.5%
Offense Category			
Crime of Violence²	19.4%	20.0%	26.7%
Felony	12.1%	12.3%	13.0%
- Person-to-Person	2.9%	3.1%	3.0%
- Property	4.9%	7.7%	6.3%
- Drugs	1.5%	0.0%	1.5%
- Unspecified	2.9%	1.5%	2.2%
Misdemeanor	59.2%	44.6%	53.0%
- Person-to-Person	38.3%	36.9%	33.3%
- Property	18.4%	6.2%	16.7%
- Drugs	0.5%	0.0%	1.5%
- Unspecified	1.9%	1.5%	1.5%
Ordinance Offenses	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Citations	1.0%	0.0%	0.4%
CINS	4.4%	13.8%	3.7%
Interstate Compact /Missing*	3.9%	9.2%	3.3%
Total Placements	206	65	270

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¹ Includes: Affray, Alcoholic Bev. Violation, False Alarm, Harassment, Judicial Process, Kidnapping, Reckless Endangerment, Runaway, Motor Vehicle Tampering, Threat of Mass Violence, Truant, Ungovernable, and Unspecified Felony.

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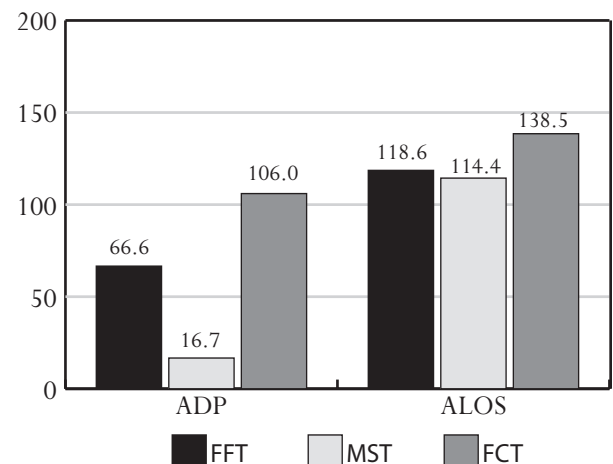
* Includes Interstate Compact, non-DJS referrals, and missing offenses.

Note: FFT and MST data come from the Institute for Innovation and Implementation's EBS Database, except for offense data, which comes from ASSIST. The source for all FCT data is ASSIST.

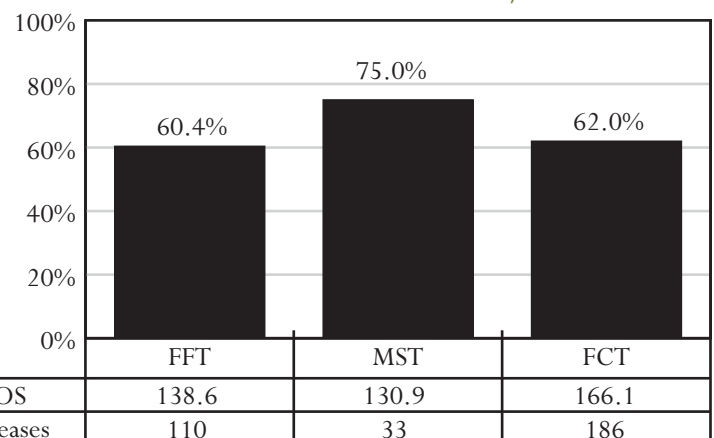
PLACEMENTS BY DEMOGRAPHICS, FY 2023

Demographics	FFT	MST	FCT
Race/Ethnicity			
Black	57.3%	63.1%	62.6%
White	31.1%	12.3%	26.3%
Hispanic/Other	11.7%	24.6%	11.1%
Sex			
Female	21.8%	35.4%	22.2%
Male	78.2%	64.6%	77.8%
Age			
11 and under	0.0%	0.0%	0.7%
12	1.0%	6.2%	0.7%
13	7.8%	10.8%	5.6%
14	15.0%	23.1%	11.9%
15	18.9%	27.7%	18.5%
16	28.6%	18.5%	25.6%
17	22.8%	12.3%	26.3%
18-20	5.8%	1.5%	10.7%
Total Placements	206	65	270

AVERAGE DAILY POPULATION AND AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY, FY 2023



SUCCESSFUL COMPLETIONS AT DISCHARGE*, FY 2023



	FFT	MST	FCT
ALOS	138.6	130.9	166.1
Releases	110	33	186

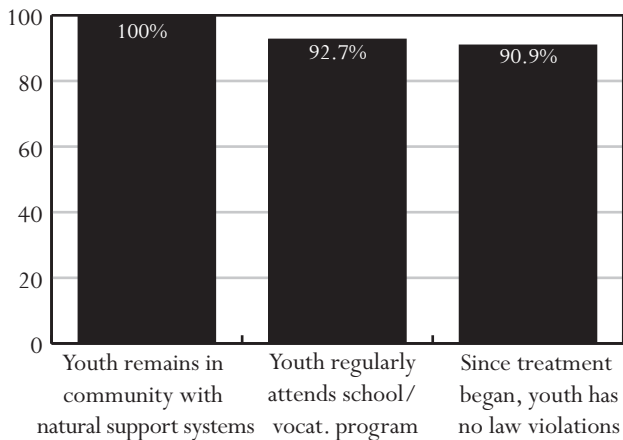
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Community-Based Family Therapy Programs (cont.)

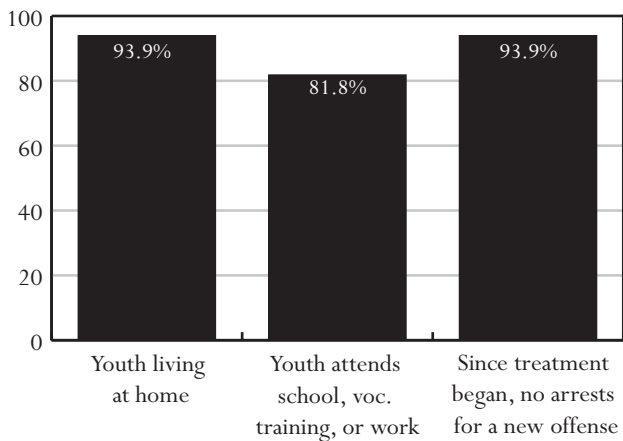
With an extensive research base, FFT and MST have consistently demonstrated positive outcomes with juvenile offenders from diverse ethnic and cultural backgrounds. These programs use different approaches, but both focus on individual, family, and extra-familial risk and protective factors that influence youth behavior and risk for offending. To ensure their programs have achieved the desired results, EBS providers collect measures throughout treatment to assess youth and family progress and outcomes. In particular, both FFT and MST collect information related to three key indicators of success for youth involved with the justice system: (1) keeping youth in their homes/communities; (2) ensuring youth are engaged with school, vocational training, and/or employment; and (3) reducing delinquent behavior. Similar data are not yet available for FCT.

OUTCOMES AMONG FFT COMPLETERS, FY 2023*



* Outcomes at discharge for cases in which treatment was completed

OUTCOMES AMONG MST COMPLETERS, FY 2023*



* Outcomes at discharge for cases in which treatment was completed