

## SARATOGA SPRINGS COMMUNITY OUTREACH COURT



Program Impact Report

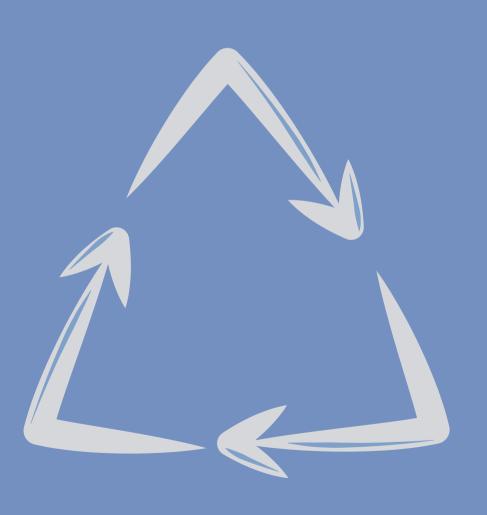


## WHO WE ARE

RISE Healthy Housing and Support Services is a human service agency that has been serving people in Saratoga and the surrounding counties since 1978.

RISE programs provide safe, healthy housing and support services to people with mental health concerns, substance use, and other life challenges.

# THE PROBLEM



City Court officials report a concerning pattern of individuals experiencing street-homelessness frequently failing to appear in Court when directed, and re-offending shortly after being convicted.

Police echo the Court's concerns of recidivism among this specific population.

This cyclical pattern predictably results in a backlog of warrants, as well as a significant amount of law enforcement time and resources spent policing individuals experiencing street-homelessness for minor (yet disruptive) offenses.

### SOLUTION: COMMUNITY OUTREACH COURT

Our Coordinators/Outreach Staff provide...



## A single, and familiar point of contact

Providing an opportunity to develop a trusting relationship



## Connection to services

Assisting participants in successful community reintegration and achievement of self-sufficiency



## Appointment and court date reminders

Assisting with facilitating attendance when necessary



## PROGRAM BENEFITS

Assists principals with the <u>underlying issues</u> (such as mental health and substance abuse) that often drive recidivism.

- Focused on self-sufficiency and the successful reintegration of participants into the community.
- Resolution of outstanding warrants reduces barriers to success for participants, and also eases court caseprocessing backlogs and related costs.
- Reduces the likelihood of recidivism, easing time and cost burdens to local law enforcement.

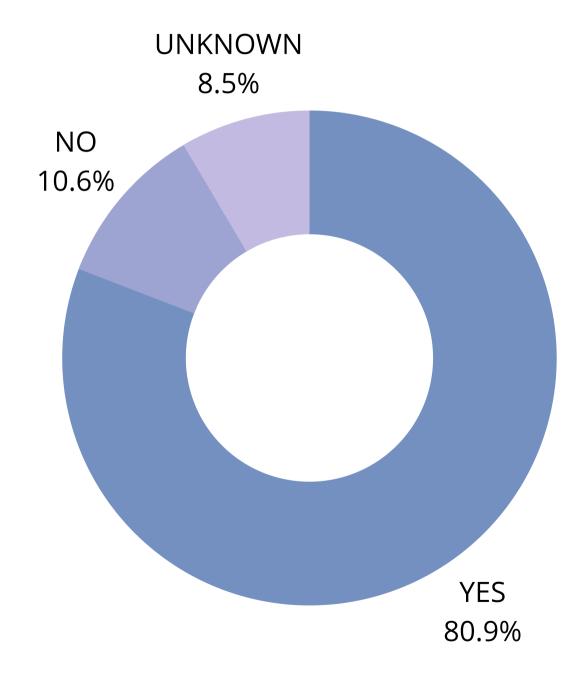


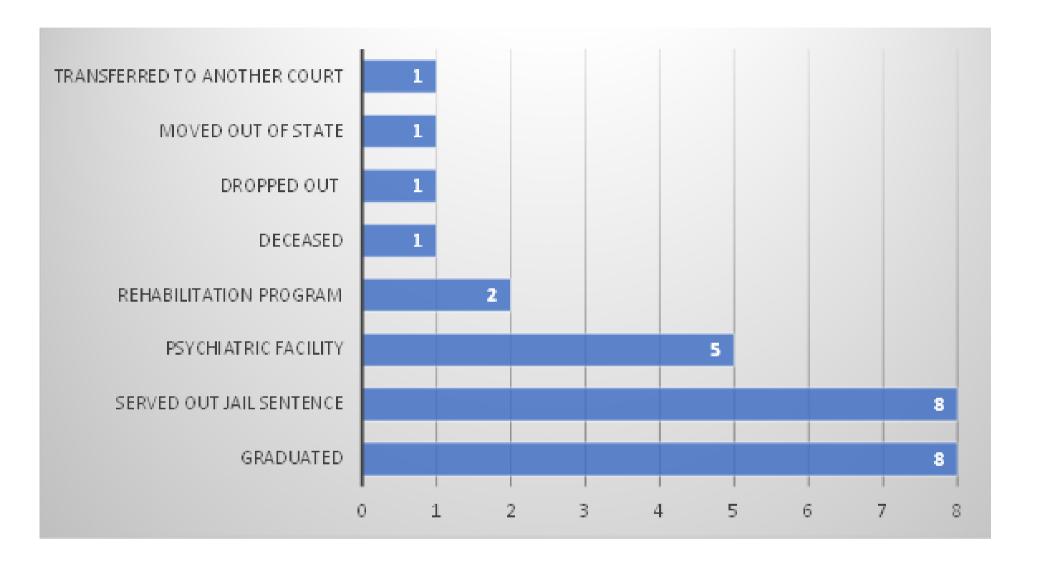
# PROGRAM IMPACT

## Since October 2020 inception

- RISE Outreach Court
   Team has been present at every Court session
- 46 Individuals have participated

#### APPEARED AT ALL COURT DATES





## INDIVIDUALS DISCHARGED

8 - Graduated

COMPLETED ACOD BY REMAINING ARREST FREE FOR 6 MONTHS

- 8 Served out their jail sentence
- 5 Hospitalized
  IN A PSYCHIATRIC FACILITY
- 2 Entered into a rehabilitation program

## Housing Status



Housing Referrals	Count
Coordinated Entry List	18
RISE Housing Programs	3
Saratoga Springs Housing Authority	2
Glens Falls Housing Authority	1
Section 8 Rental Assistance	7
Department of Social Services Emergency Housing	1
Shelters of Saratoga	3
Veterans & Community Housing Coalition	1

#### **Housing Referrals** Oct 2020 - Jan 2022

LIVING ARRANGEMENTS/HOUSING	Count	%
Literally homeless	10	50%
Living with Family	1	5%
Unknown or Transient	4	20%
Referred to local emergency housing services.	3	15%
Substances Use Treatment Facility	1	5%
Unable to Contact	1	5%
Total	20	

#### LIVING ARRANGEMENTS/HOUSING Count Capital District Psychiatric Center 7% 2 Imminent risk of homelessness Incarcerated 5 19% Literally homeless 30% Living with Family 4% 1 Motel Self-Pay 1 4% Referred to local emergency housing services 4% 1 Stable (Renting/homeowner) 19% 4% **Substances Use Treatment Facility** 1 **Unable to Contact** 4% 4% Unknown 27 Total

## **Living Arrangements**

**Current Participants** 

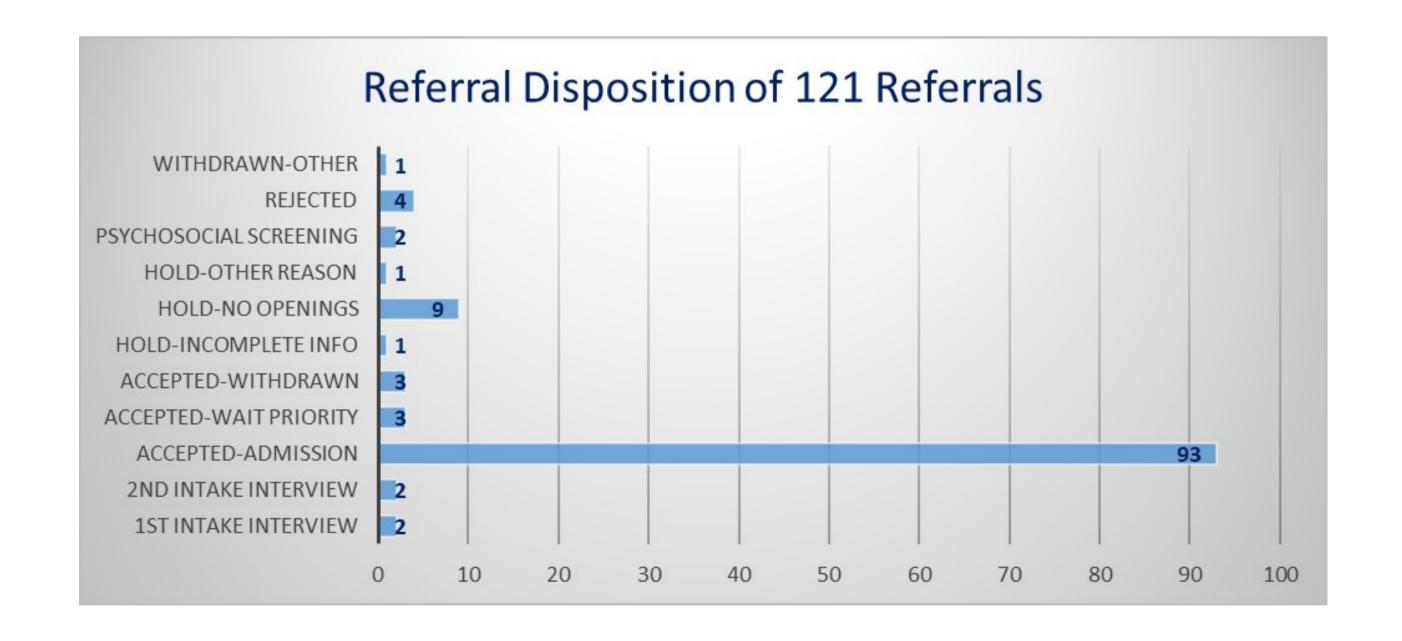
#### **Living Arrangements**

Past Participants at Discharge



## SERVICE REFERRALS

121 Service Referrals for Services were made77% of the individuals were accepted/admitted to the referral agencies

















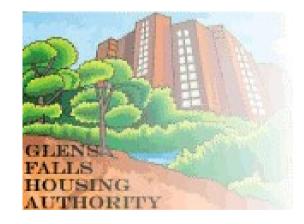






Community Outreach Court
Coordinators connected
participants with these
partner agencies















# MEDICAL, MENTAL HEALTH, AND RECOVERY PROVIDER APPOINTMENTS

Coordinators assisted individuals in managing and attending provider appointments

#### **PROVIDER AGENCIES**

Capital Care Family Practice - Ballston Spa

Ellis Primary Care - Clifton Park

**Empire Visionworks** 

Fort Hudson Health System

Glens Falls Hospital Behavioral Health

OrthoNY - Mechanicville

**RISE Housing and Support Services** 

Saratoga Community Health Center

Saratoga County Addiction Services

Saratoga County Mental Health Clinic

Saratoga Hospital Medical Group - Primary Care Wilton

Saratoga Hospital Medical Offices - Wesley

Saratoga Hospital Mental Health Unit

Saratoga Urology

Shelters of Saratoga

Southern Adirondack Independent Living (SAIL)

St. Peter's Addiction Recovery Center - Guilderland

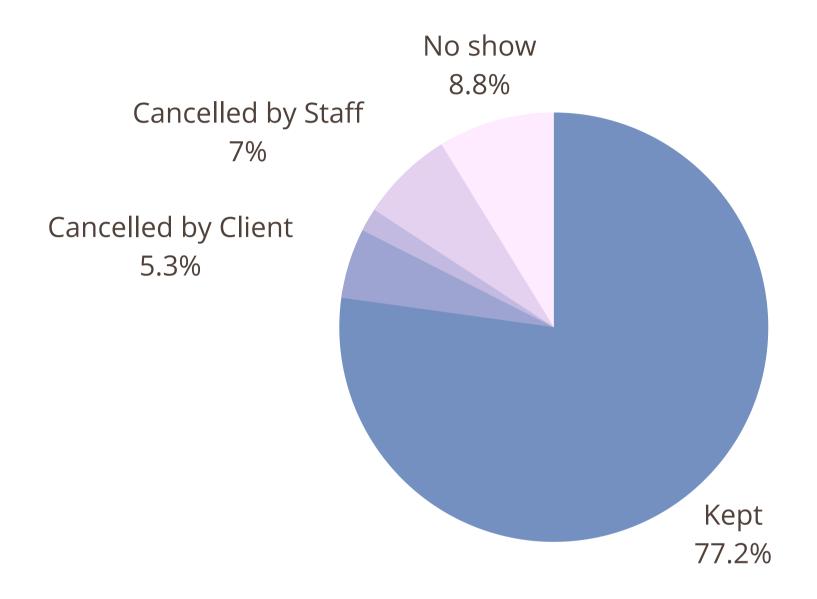
St. Peter's Health Partners - Albany

St. Peter's Primary Care Saratoga Springs

Well Now Urgent Care

Wellspring

White Deer Run of Allenwood



# PROVIDER APPOINTMENT DISPOSITIONS

77% OF THE INDIVIDUALS KEPT THEIR SCHEDULED PROVIDER APPOINTMENTS



#### **ACOD**

42% of the individuals are or were on ACOD

#### Compliance

72% of the individuals complied with their Court Orders

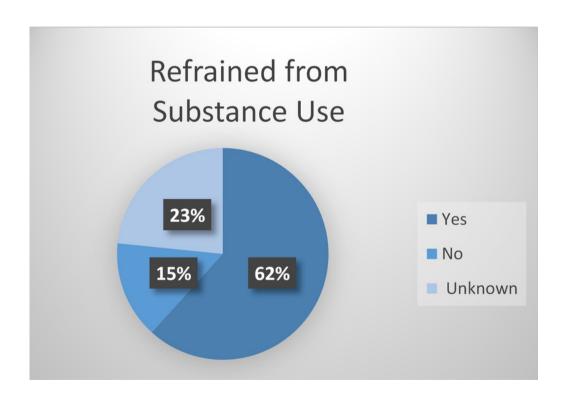
#### RISE

75% of the individuals maintained contact with the RISE Court Coordinators

85% of the individuals have avoided the Woodlawn Parking Garage







#### OVERALL IMPACTS

The Community Court has had demonstrable impacts on participant wellbeing and public safety

## Discussion

Let's talk about how we can improve upon the current impact successes!

