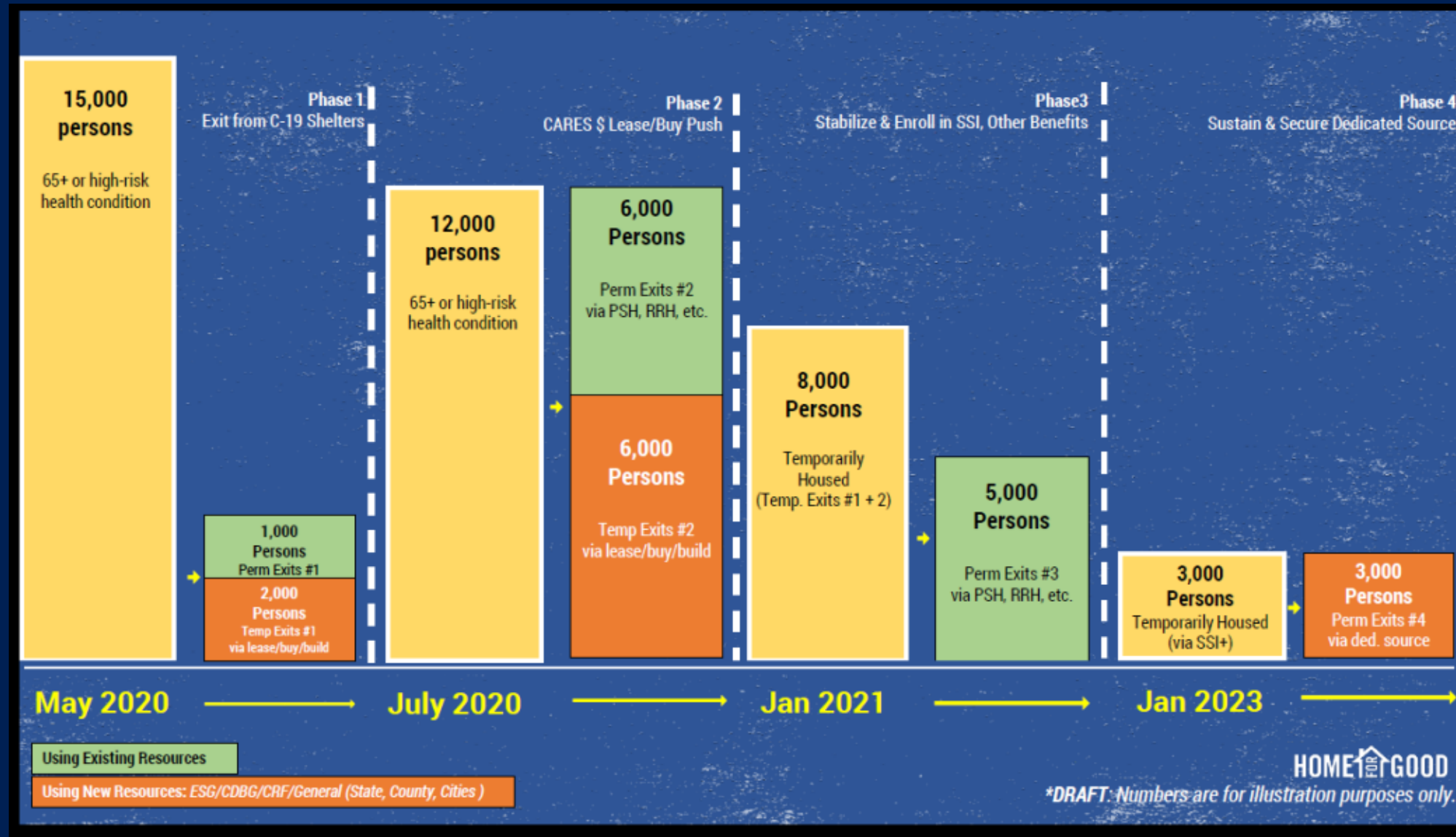


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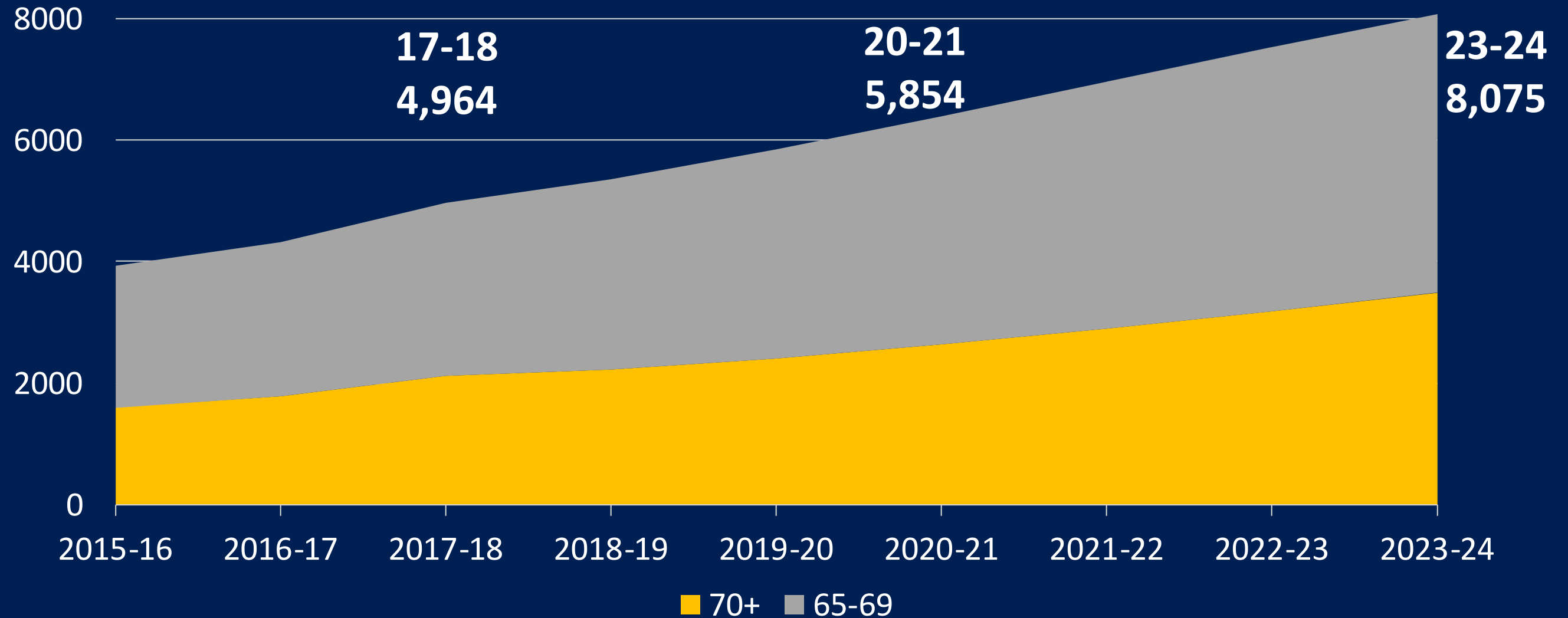
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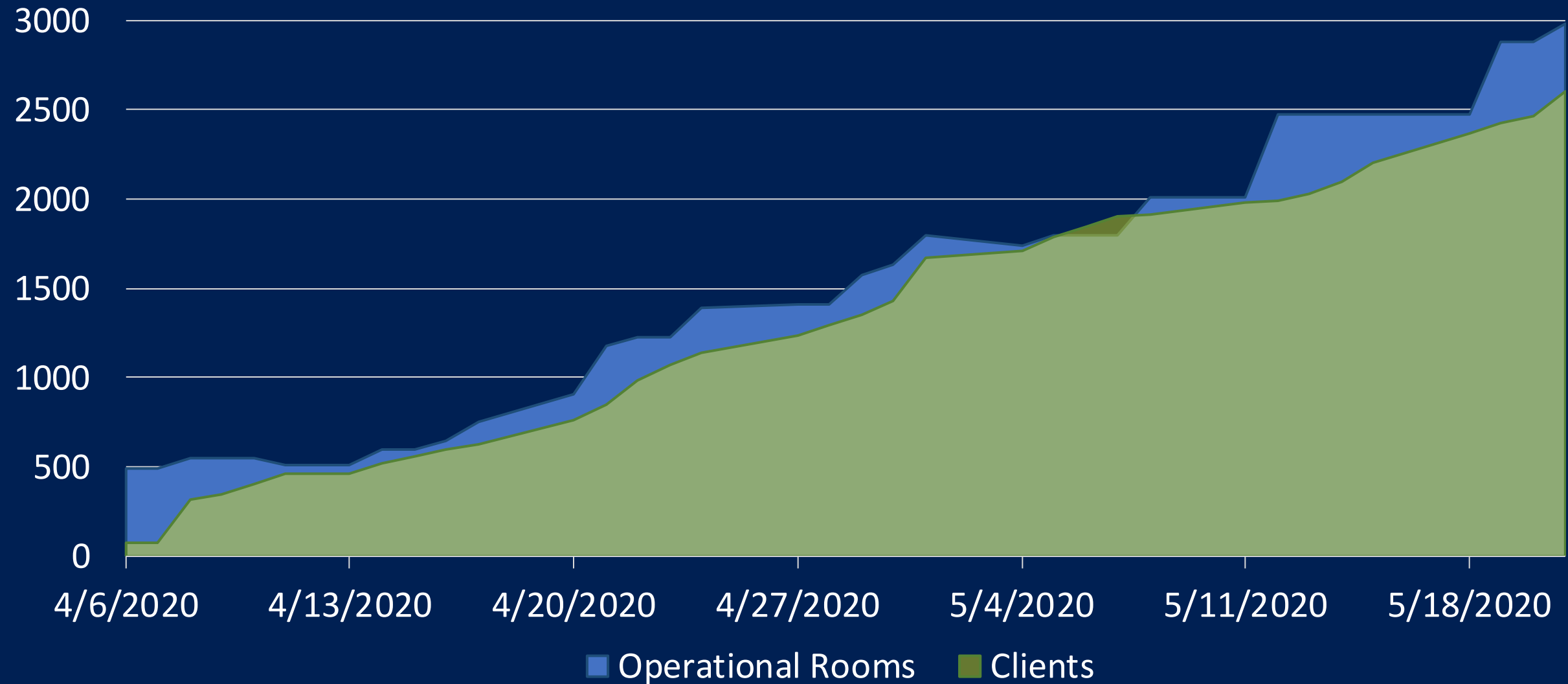


Over-65 Homelessness is rising rapidly

LAHSA HMIS, Actual data through 2017-18, PIT-adjusted, then forecast

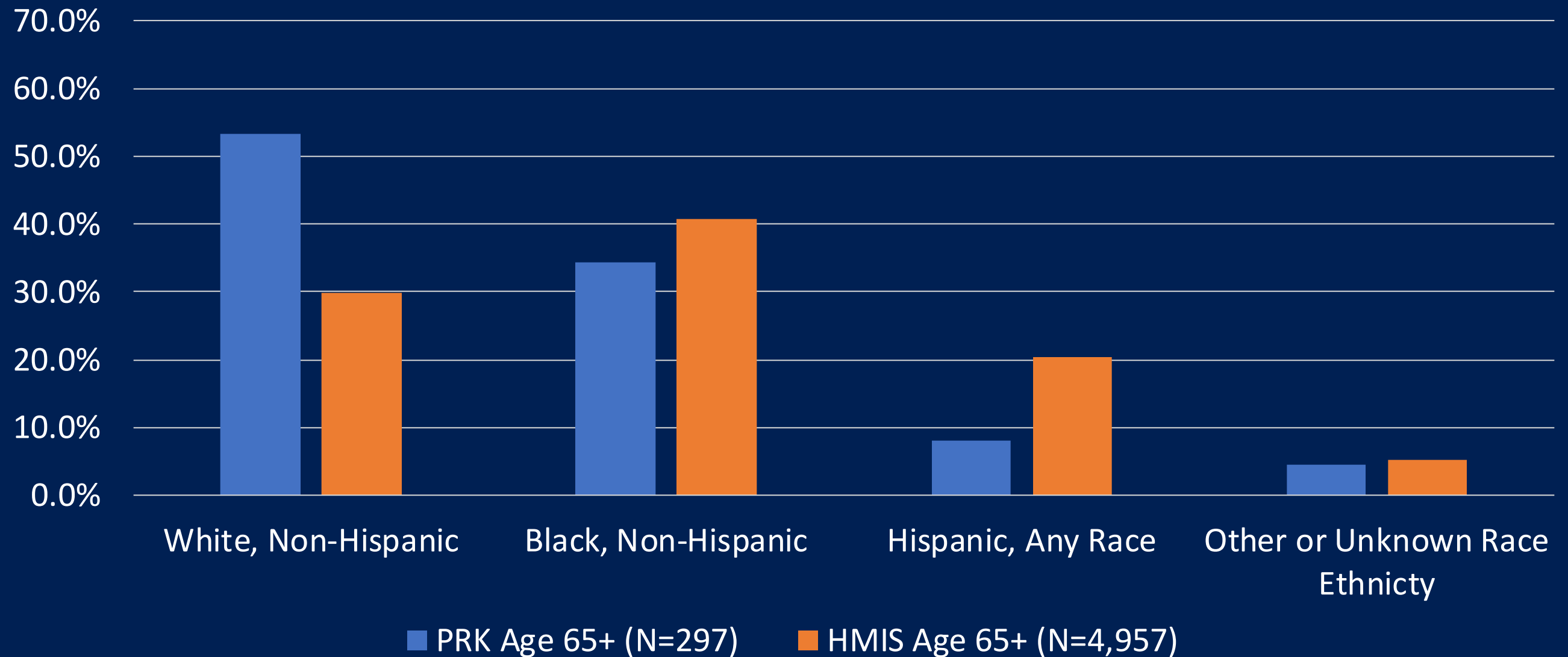


Project Roomkey Progress to date



Race-ethnicity, older PRK vs. older HMIS

Based on FY2018-19 data shown in 30-day report to LAC



Key pillars of success

- Exit hotels into permanent housing, or path to housing
- Draw on a mix of existing resources, including
 - Rapid Rehousing and shallow subsidies for most
 - Permanent supportive housing for some
 - Nursing home care for some
- Housing stabilization case management must include mainstream benefits enrollment, services, tracking

Proposed USC/UCLA survey project

- During pandemic: monthly panel survey of 100+ clients from sheltered, unsheltered, Roomkey, PSH
 - Housing, COVID protection, symptoms, isolation, Quality of life
- Representative panel survey of LA PEH, starting with 2021 PIT
- Linkage to HMIS, PIT will facilitate validation of measures
- Potential backbone for integrated service delivery app

- **Need to bridge the digital divide for PEH!!!**

Other major challenges

- Roomkey capacity must rise, especially in SPA 6
- Identify, address other equity considerations in PRK
- Anticipating / addressing potential rise in homeless inflow
- Reconciling post-PRK housing system to existing CES system
- Building a CES triage tool that accounts for social/environmental/political risk, not just individual factors

Who is at risk of COVID-19 hospitalization, fatality?

In general and among PEH

COVID-19

By Kristen M. J. Azar, Zijun Shen, Robert J. Romanelli, Stephen H. Lockhart, Kelly Smits, Sarah Robinson, Stephanie Brown, and Alice R. Pressman

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