

# OFFICE OF DIVERSION AND REENTRY

Quarterly Report July to September 2019



**Health Services**  
LOS ANGELES COUNTY

# ODR MISSION

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- **Develop and implement county-wide criminal justice diversion for persons with mental health and/or substance use disorders and provide reentry support services to vulnerable justice involved populations.**
- **The goals of ODR include reducing the number of inmates with mental health and/or substance use disorders in the Los Angeles County Jails, reducing recidivism, and improving the health outcomes of justice involved populations who have the most serious underlying health needs.**

# ODR APPROACH

- **The Assessment:** ODR carefully and thoroughly assesses each individual patient in custody, both clinically and legally before requesting a court date to have that person removed from custody and placed into ODR's programs.
- **The Hearing:** Whether or not an individual patient is placed into an ODR program is determined by a judge during an adversarial process where prosecution and defense argue their positions.
- **The Conditional Release:** If the judge allows release, the patient is ordered to ODR, and only an ODR program may pick-up the individual from jail.

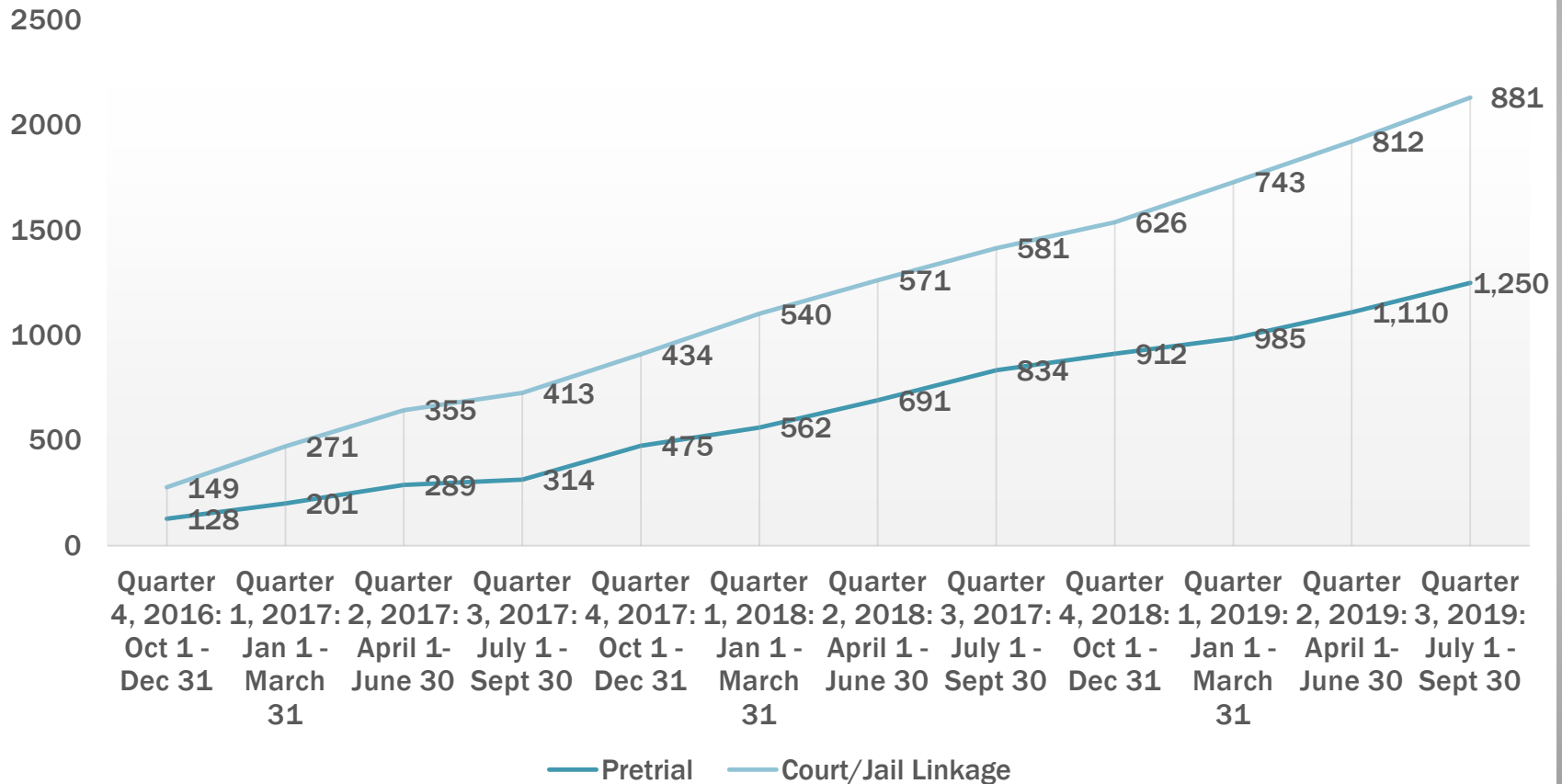
# ODR HOUSING

- A permanent supportive housing and treatment program that serves individuals who are incarcerated in the Los Angeles County Jails, are homeless, and have a serious mental health disorder.
- Clients are connected to interim housing upon release and continue on to permanent supportive housing.
- Since August 2016, ODR has served **2,131** homeless clients.
- CHFFA granted Office of Diversion and Reentry \$6m to renovate Bell Shelter for a 100 bed psychiatric recuperative care serving ODR clients.



# ODR HOUSING CLIENTS SERVED EACH QUARTER

Number of Clients Ever Referred/Assigned/Released to Housing



# MIST-COMMUNITY BASED RESTORATION

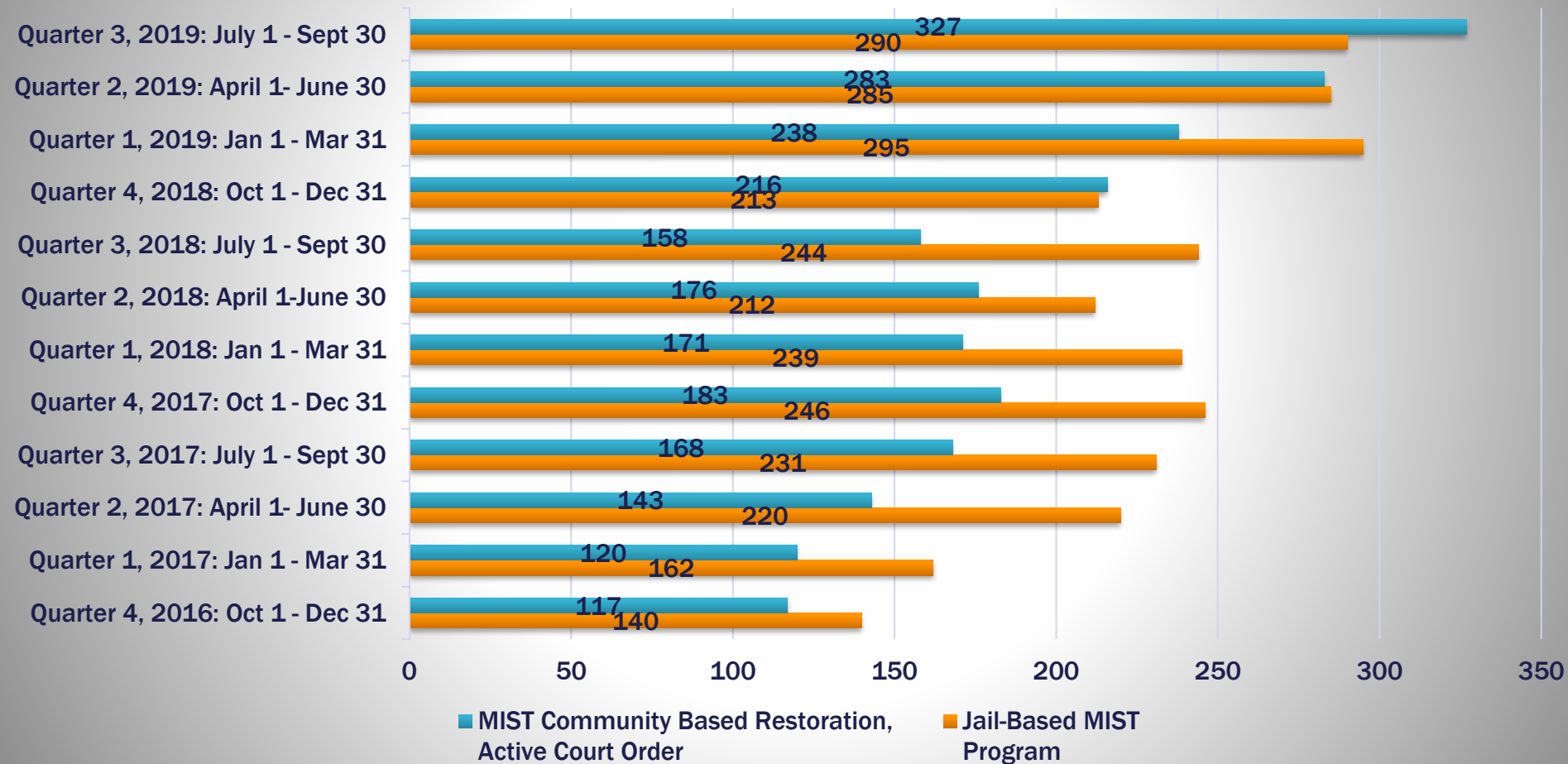
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- **The Misdemeanor Incompetent to Stand Trial-Community Based Restoration (MIST-CBR)** program diverts individuals facing misdemeanor charges who are found incompetent to stand trial into community based settings to be restored to competency.
- Since October of 2016, **1,521** clients have been removed from jail and connected to community based treatment including community outpatient, inpatient, Institutes for Mental Disease (IMD), and supportive housing programs.



# MIST-CBR CLIENTS SERVED EACH QUARTER

## Number of Clients Ever Released to Housing



# FIST-COMMUNITY BASED RESTORATION

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- In July 2018, ODR launched the **Felony Incompetent to Stand Trial-Community Based Restoration (FIST-CBR)** program to divert individuals facing felony charges who are found incompetent to stand trial into community based settings to be restored to competency.
- Since July 2018 a total of **205** clients (**31** between July to Sept. 2019) have been removed from jail and connected to community based treatment including through PC 1370 (a)(1)(G) which allows those on the list who have become competent to be adjudicated and diverted to housing and care in the community.



## **DEPARTMENT OF STATE HOSPITALS DIVERSION**

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- **In 2018 California passed legislation creating a new way for courts to authorize pre-trial diversion for individuals with serious mental disorders who are charged with certain felony or misdemeanor crimes.**
- **Since the launch of the program on March 1st to Sept 30th, the Department of State Hospital Mental Health Diversion (DSH Diversion) program diverted 51 clients (20 between July to Sept. 2019).**
- **As part of the legislation, funding was set aside for LA County to divert clients who are likely to become FIST. ODR was awarded a contract by the Department of State Hospitals to serve 200 individuals over three years.**

# ODR HOUSING MATERNAL HEALTH DIVERSION PROGRAM

- Under the directive of the LA County Board of Supervisors, ODR has prioritized diverting pregnant women from the jails to the community with supportive services and housing provided by ODR. ODR Housing Maternal Health Diversion Program launched in April 2018.
- A majority of these pregnant women reside in specialized interim housing settings that allow women to remain with their children until they can move into permanent supportive housing.
- As of December 2018, **107** pregnant women were diverted from LA County Jails with **87** currently active. Between July-Sept. 2019, **11** new pregnant women entered the program and **26** women are currently in permanent supportive housing.
  - On Friday, Sept. 13, 2019 ODR diverted our **100th** maternal health client into community based services.

# OLIVE VIEW MEDICAL CENTER INPATIENT PSYCHIATRIC UNIT

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- 18-bed ODR Psychiatric Unit at Olive View-UCLA ("6C") opened July 16, 2018 and serves the most acute psychiatric patients in custody.
- Patients come primarily from the jail's Forensic Inpatient Unit (FIP) watch list.
  - Patients are selected based on acuity and ability to divert charges.
  - 6C addresses the acute psychiatric bed crisis in the jail and helps LAC meet its obligations under the DOJ settlement agreement.
- Beginning July 16, 2018 to Sept 30, 2019, we have admitted **180** (30 between July to Sept 2019) patients with a combination of clients from ODR's FIST, MIST and ODR Housing programs.
  - **160** graduated (stepped down to a lower level of care)
  - Average length of stay of graduates: **44.2** days

# LAW ENFORCEMENT ASSISTED DIVERSION (LEAD)

- Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion (LEAD) is a community diversion program that aims to reduce recidivism and increase public safety.
- Provides individuals at high risk of recidivism for substance use and/or prostitution offenses with harm reduction based case management, housing, mental health and substance use treatment, and supportive services.



## LEAD South Los Angeles/North Long Beach

- Launched November 2017
- 304 clients referred; 158 enrolled (Goal: 300 referred; 160 enrolled)
- 84% were homeless at time of referral; currently 96 clients in permanent housing and 18 clients in interim housing.



## LEAD Hollywood

- Launched May 2019
- 41 clients referred; 40 enrolled (Goal: 100 referred; 60 enrolled)
- 98% were homeless at time of referral

## OVERDOSE EDUCATION + NALOXONE DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM (OEND)

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- ODR has launch the DHS Overdose Education and Naloxone Distribution Program (OEND). Naloxone is a medication used to reverse opioid overdose.
- **Populations:** OEND aims to reach individuals who have recently been released from incarceration and the broader reentry population, and also high-risk individuals who encounter DHS programs and who are likely to be present at the scene of an overdose.
- **Program Participation:** To date, 29 programs (either DHS or DHS-contracted) have registered to participate in the OEND program.

## OVERDOSE EDUCATION + NALOXONE DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM (OEND)

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- **Training:** In jails (with naloxone provided on release) community outreach, housing and service settings including the Community Reentry Center.
- **Videos:** In June 2019, filming was completed for a series of overdose education videos intended for use in: LA County jails, the Probation Department, street outreach, housing sites, and substance use treatment centers.
  - Partnership with LASD to play videos in secure jail release areas.
  - Videos will be made available online, for free.
- **Naloxone Distribution:** Vending machines were installed in the secure release areas of IRC and CRDF to provide free naloxone to all individuals being released from LAC jails.



# LA FREE THE VOTE- CAMPAIGN TO REGISTRAR JUSTICE INVOLVED VOTERS

## Forward Motion between July-Sept 2019

- Taskforce met and created individual organization goals for registering justice-involved individual before January 2020
- On National Voter Registration Day (Sept. 24) multiple taskforce partners participated in a push to educate clients about eligibility and register them.
- 36 new justice involved individuals were registered between April and October 15, 2019.
- New LA Free the Vote Website launched:  
[lavote.net/lafreethevote](http://lavote.net/lafreethevote)



National Voter Day  
Registration Day  
action at Central  
Juvenile Court Hall

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**LA Free the Vote**  
Confidential Voter Registration  
Assisted Registration  
Deputy Registrar Training

### LA Free the Vote

**Have you done time? You're likely eligible to vote**

In California, people with misdemeanor convictions and those who have felony convictions but are on probation or done with parole can also vote.

**Register Now**

Yes, you can:

# PROPOSITION 47 ROUND 1 UPDATE

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- ODR Proposition 47 funds are being allocated to the following programs:
  - **Reentry Intensive Case Management Services (RICMS):** a case management and systems navigation program serving the justice involved population. Services are delivered by Community Health Workers who have lived experience of reentry and incarceration. (see slide 17).
  - **Reentry Interim Housing:** supportive residential settings for homeless clients to meet the needs primarily of RICMS clients.
  - **Camp Gonzales:** a former juvenile camp is being reimaged into a vocational and rehabilitative center slated to open in 2019. ODR's Proposition 47 funds will be used towards bridge housing beds for justice-involved clients and will include vocational programming.

# **PROPOSITION 47 GRANT ROUND 2 AWARD**

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- **BSCC awarded ODR a second round of Proposition 47 grant funds totaling \$18,616,627 for 2019 through 2023. The new funds will be used to:**
  - **ODR is planning for new programming to be implemented in Early 2020.**
  - **Continue to provide RICMS and reentry interim housing services.**
  - **Create workforce development programming that will connect individuals to transitional employment and skills training opportunities in high-growth sectors such as hospitality, construction, technology, and advanced manufacturing.**
  - **Link individuals to opportunities for civic engagement through voter registration and education on voter eligibility.**

## REENTRY INTENSIVE CASE MANAGEMENT SERVICES (RICMS)

- Wraparound care coordination and service navigation for justice involved individuals to improve health outcomes and reduce recidivism. Services are provided by Community Health Workers with lived experience in the justice system.
- Program has developed a relationship with California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR) to pilot parole referrals into RICMS. It will expand the pilot in September to serve additional SPAs.
- Program is piloting a co-location of community health workers at probation area offices to strengthen probation referrals.
- Program has grown to 25 providers and 67+ Community Health Workers.
- Program launched in April 2018 and has served **6,490** justice involved individuals. The program has **1723** active clients as of Sept 2019. Referrals come from probation, CDCR, county jails, and community based organizations.

# INVEST PROGRAM

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- INVEST launched in January 2018. This collaboration between Probation, Workforce Development Aging and Community Services (WDACS), and ODR provides adult felony probationers a path to living wage employment through individualized employment support services and training.
- The INVEST program offers career development planning, training, and support to clients from two co-located Probation Officers and two INVEST-dedicated AJCC staff in WDACS American Job Centers of California (AJCC).
- Currently, **649** individuals are enrolled. Once at capacity, the program anticipates serving **600** clients per year.

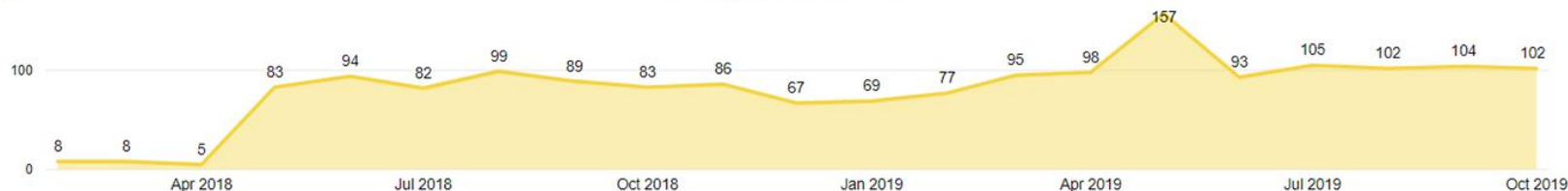


# INVEST BY THE NUMBERS

## Monthly High-Level Summary

Referrals Submitted	Referrals in Progress	Enrolled in INVEST*	Co-Enrolled in WIOA	Participants Trained	Unsubsidized Employment Rate	Participants in Transitional Employment
1,718	505	649	49	131	45.97%	99

### Referrals Submitted



### Enrollments in INVEST





# YOUTH DIVERSION AND DEVELOPMENT (YDD)

- YDD continues is launching the work of 8 community-based providers in 10 program sites for the first cohort of diversion providers, with 5 of 10 sites actively diverting youth at this time.
- YDD continues to convene the YDD services provider learning community on a monthly basis, to strengthen a community of practice and discuss implementation efforts.
- YDD is working with the Children's Defense Fund, Public Counsel, and Youth Justice Coalition to develop a plan to support youth under the state's new minimum age of court jurisdiction.
- YDD is working with the Vera Institute to support YDD diversion services providers in increasing capacity to support foster youth who are diverted for services.
- Diversion services launched in Spring 2019 and with **88** youth diverted for services between July to Sept. 2019. Diversion referrals come directly from law enforcement agency partners, in lieu of arrest.



# YDD FUNDING UPDATE

- YDD was awarded a **\$2,997,953** Youth Reinvestment Grant by the Board of State and Community Corrections for the period of July 2019-February 2023.
  - Grant funds will support expansion of youth diversion services in the cities of Compton and Los Angeles; along with two additional, yet to be determined, areas in the County.
- YDD is supporting with **\$575,000** in County funding to California Community Foundation, meeting match requirements for LA County's Obama Foundation My Brother's Keeper (MBK) grant.
  - YDD's facilitation of County funding will support expansion of CCF's Bloom school-based mentorship initiative for the 19-20 and 20-21 academic years.

# COMMUNITY REENTRY CENTER

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- The Community Reentry Center (CRC) at DOORS provides an array of comprehensive supportive services to address the barriers of individuals on adult felony supervision, their families and the community. Such services include but are not limited to housing, employment, legal aid, educational support, mental health assessment and linkage, substance use counseling and health and healing through the arts. The services are provided in a welcoming environment by county partners and community-based organizations that are considered leaders in the reentry work and experienced professionals with high risk communities.

**Our Vision:** An inclusive community where everyone impacted by the justice system can thrive and fully participate in society.

**Goal:** To provide targeted services to justice impacted individuals and their families, who are reentering community settings, to reduce recidivism and to enhance the overall social health and wellbeing of individuals while improving their community connectedness.

# THE CENTER, THE COMMUNITY, THE SERVICE

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## Community Development

**Goal:** To create a safe space for community members to experience a positive connection with community based organizations and county partners while accessing services and engaging with other community members.

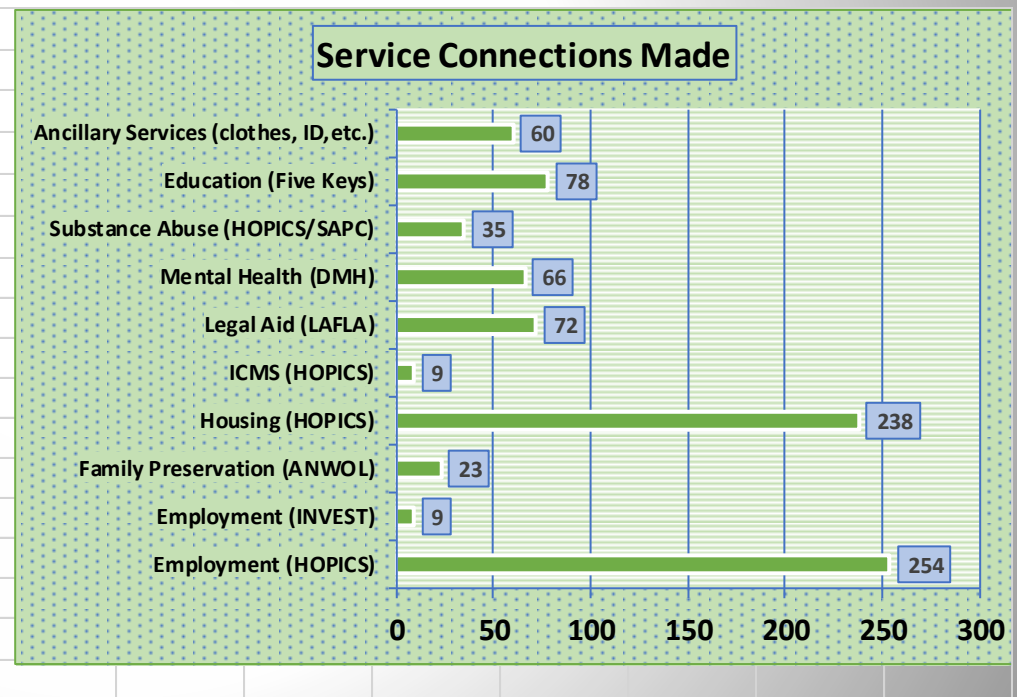
The overall goal is to increase economic opportunities and ensure equality and justice for all community stakeholders.

# D.O.O.R.S. LINKAGE

## July – September 2019 Update:

Referrals	# of Individuals
By Probation	417
By Community	116
Total individuals Linked	533

Services Linked	# of Individuals
Employment (HOPICS)	254
Employment (INVEST)	9
Family Preservation (ANWOL)	23
Housing (HOPICS)	238
ICMS (HOPICS)	9
Legal Aid (LAFLA)	72
Mental Health (DMH)	66
Substance Abuse (HOPICS/SAPC)	35
Education (Five Keys)	78
Ancillary Services (clothes, ID, etc.)	60
Avg. no. of services per individual	1.6





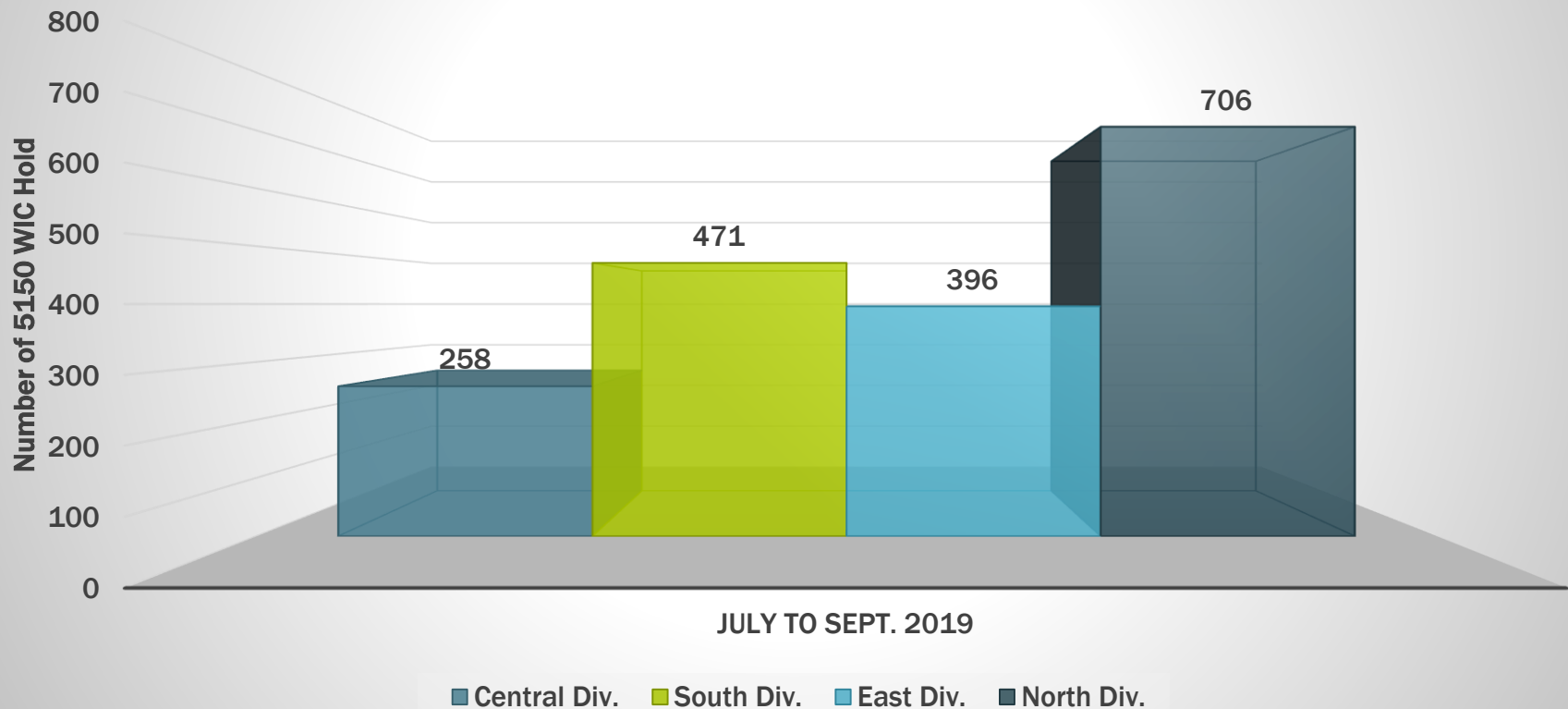
# ODR SUPPORTS CIT AND MET

- **Critical Intervention Training (CIT)**
  - ODR provides funding to support the Sheriff Department's CIT program, which plans to provide a 32-hour training to approximately **2,620** patrol personnel over the next six years.
  - The goals of CIT include reducing use of force in the field, improving the linkage of persons with mental illness and SUDs to services rather than booking and incarceration, and reducing recidivism.
  - From July - Sept 2019, **30** personnel were trained (**1,272** personnel have been trained since December 2016)
- **Mental Evaluation Teams (MET)**
  - ODR provides funding to DMH and the Sheriff's Department to support the Mental Evaluation Teams, specially-trained field units that respond to community members who have a mental disorder and are in crisis (e.g., barricaded suspects, suicide threats, other self-inflicted injuries).



# MENTAL EVALUATION TEAM (MET)

## Mental Health Crises Resulting in 5150 WIC “Hold” in LASD Patrol Divisions July to Sept. 2019



# ODR MATERNAL HEALTH CLIENT SUCCESS STORY

- Julie\* has been a client of Project 180 since August 2018. She has made great strides to complete her Probation period and develop professional goals. She also attended parenting groups and established relationships at housing.
- Client is now independently housed in Pomona, where she lives with her girlfriend and 1-year old baby. A few months ago, she was hired by Christ Centered Ministries (CCM) as a case manager and has managed a consistent work schedule despite her long commute.
- \*Client's name has been changed



# INTERIM HOUSING AGENCY SPOTLIGHT

- In July 2019, ODR welcomed one of newest interim housing providers to the ODR family – Building Lives.
- Building Lives' first site, Anna Mae's House, is a 22 bed interim housing site located in Los Angeles providing a welcoming, safe, and supportive environment for homeless women exiting custody and awaiting permanent supportive housing.
- On-site interim housing services includes:
  - 24-hour staffing with nursing and medication support
  - Mental health case management services
  - Care coordination with case managers, mental health providers and health care personnel
  - Community based social and therapeutic activities

