

2026 SURVEY RESPONSES AND ANALYSIS

VOICES OF THE STREET

A COORDINATED, COMMUNITY-DRIVEN EFFORT
FOCUSED ON ENGAGING INDIVIDUALS EXPERIENCING
UNSHELTERED HOMELESSNESS, ASSESSING THEIR
NEEDS, AND IMPLEMENTING TARGETED STRATEGIES
TO MOVE PEOPLE OFF THE STREETS



WHAT IS VOICES OF THE STREET?



"Voices of the Street" is an unsheltered survey conducted to assess the needs of homelessness in a community. This initiative involves volunteers, outreach specialists, community partners and public safety agencies surveying individuals living on the streets, in parks, and other public spaces to gain insights into their circumstances and needs.





RECAP



ON THE GROUND SUPPORT FROM COMMISSIONERS BIEDERMAN, GRUBER & HERNANDEZ

72 VOLUNTEERS + 17 TASKFORCE TEAM MEMBERS + HOLLYWOOD PD & FR PERSONNEL

TRAINING PROVIDED TO ALL VOLUNTEERS BY PROFESSIONALS

PARTNERED WITH THE CARING PLACE, THE LAUNDRY SPOT, AND MANY OTHERS

OVER 100 HYGIENE KITS PREPARED AND HANDED OUT BY NSU STUDENT VOLUNTEERS

PLACED PEOPLE DIRECTLY INTO SHELTERS DURING THE SURVEY



ONE PERSON WAS REUNIFIED WITH FAMILY IMMEDIATELY

COVERED ALL PROPERTY, TERMINALS, GARAGES, STAIRWELLS AND BUS STOPS

BCAD AND TASKFORCE STAFF WORKED TOGETHER

PERFORMED ACTIVITY FROM 5:00AM-10:00PM

SURVEY PARTNERS



- Broward Behavioral Health Coalition
- Broward County Aviation
- Broward County HOSS-D
- Broward County Human Services
- City National Bank
- City of Hollywood
- Hollywood PD / FR
- Miramar PD
- Neighbors 4 Neighbors
- Nova Southeastern University
- The Caring Place
- U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs

231 RESPONSES
COLLECTED ON
MARCH 10, 2026



HOLLYWOOD SURVEYS

95 IN-DEPTH INTERVIEWS
136 SHORT-FORM INTERVIEWS

198 RESPONSES COLLECTED IN HOLLYWOOD
(118 OBSERVATION COUNTS & 80 VERBAL INTERVIEWS)

33 RESPONSES COLLECTED OUT OF HOLLYWOOD
(ON OR NEAR CITY BOUNDARY LINE)

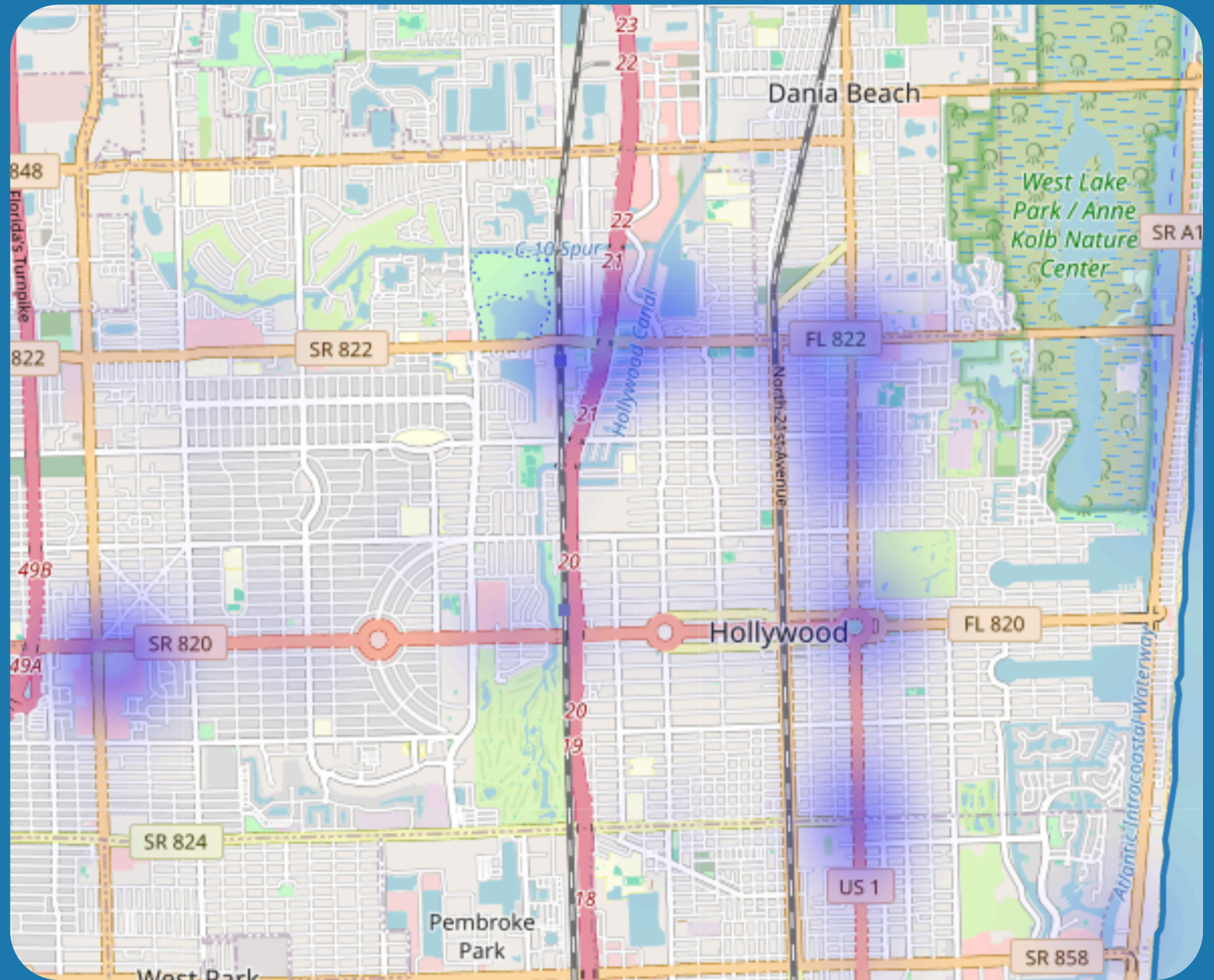
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DANIA BEACH	9
DAVIE	3
WEST PARK	1



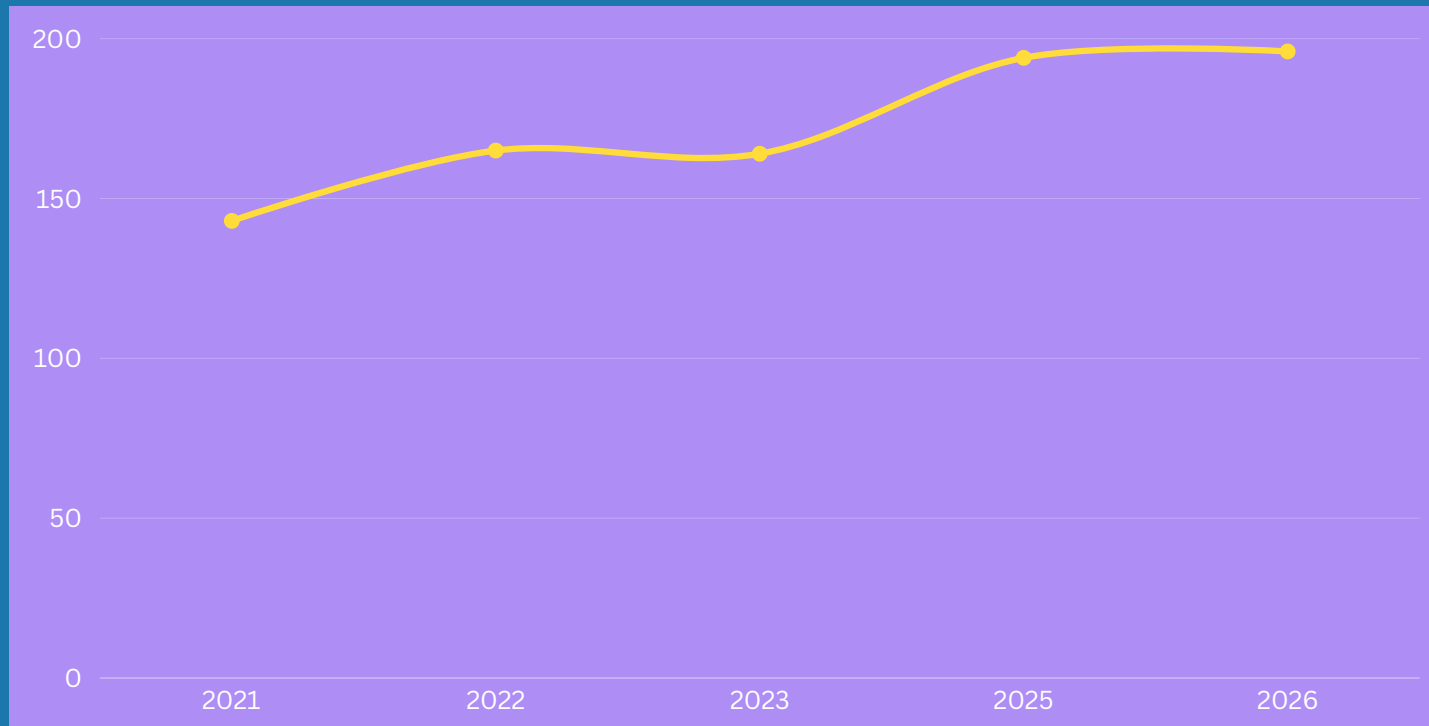
SURVEY RESPONSES



2026 Survey Location Heat Map



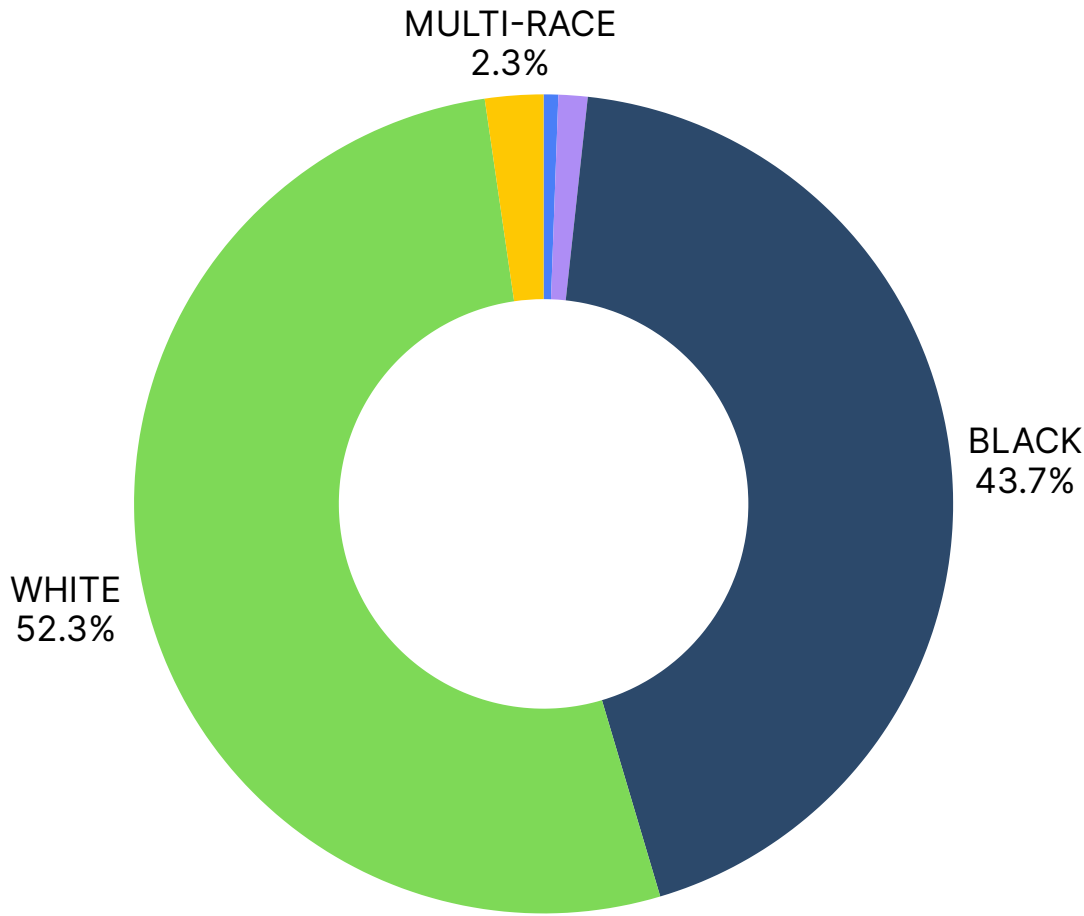
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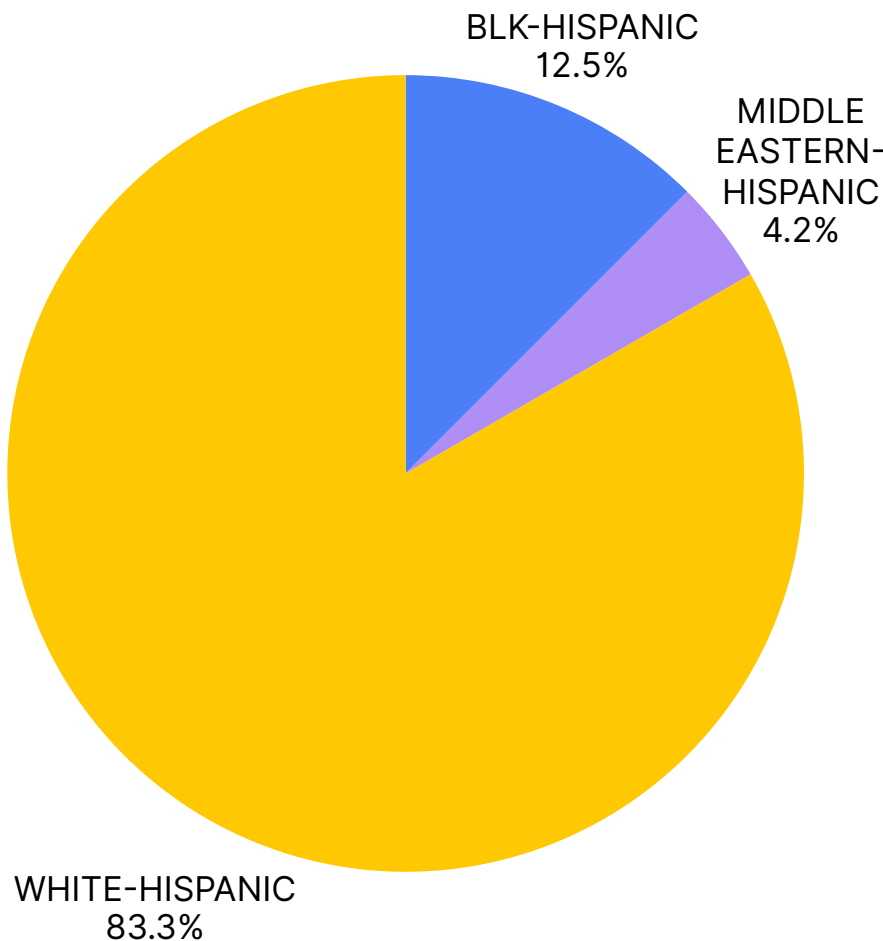
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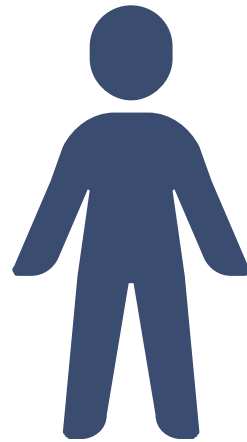
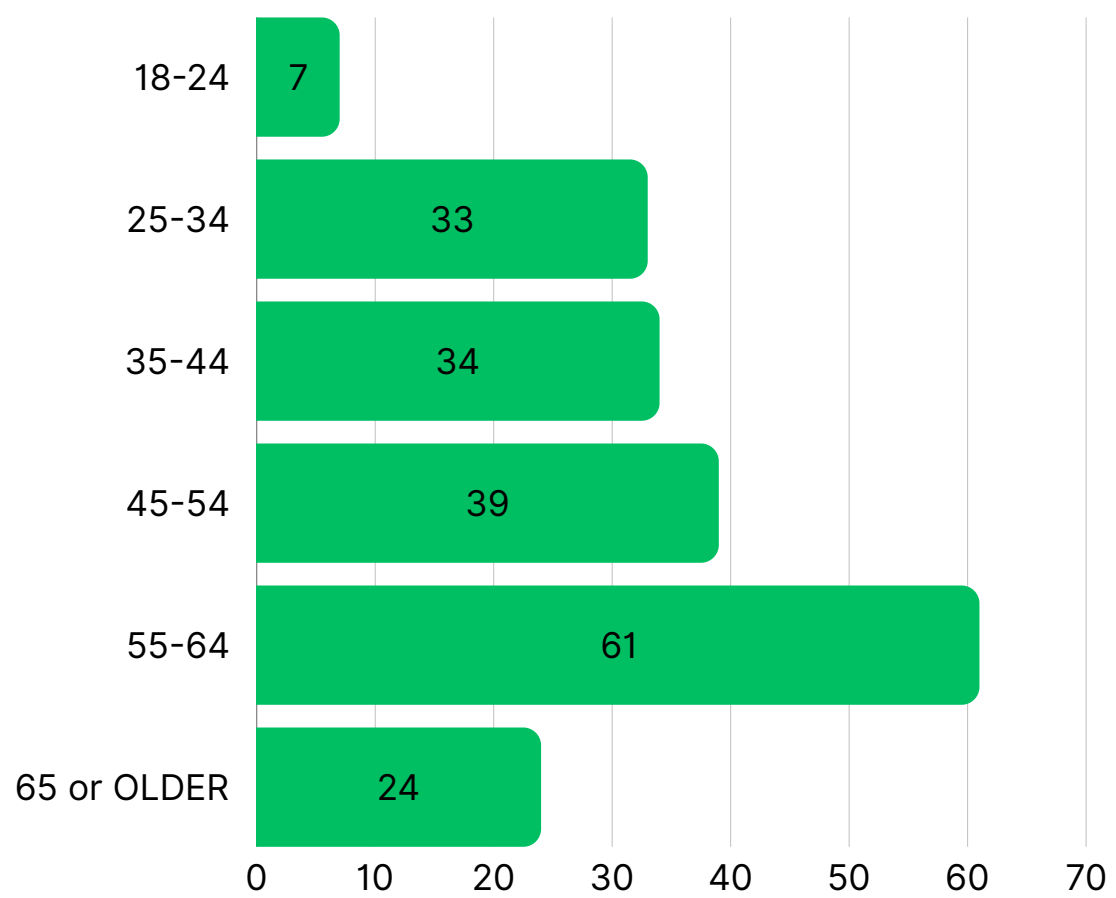
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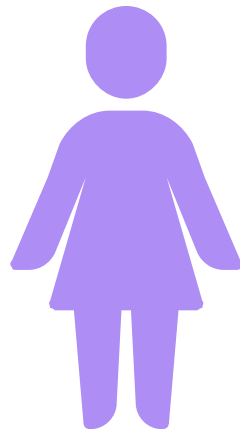
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AGE RANGE



133
MALE

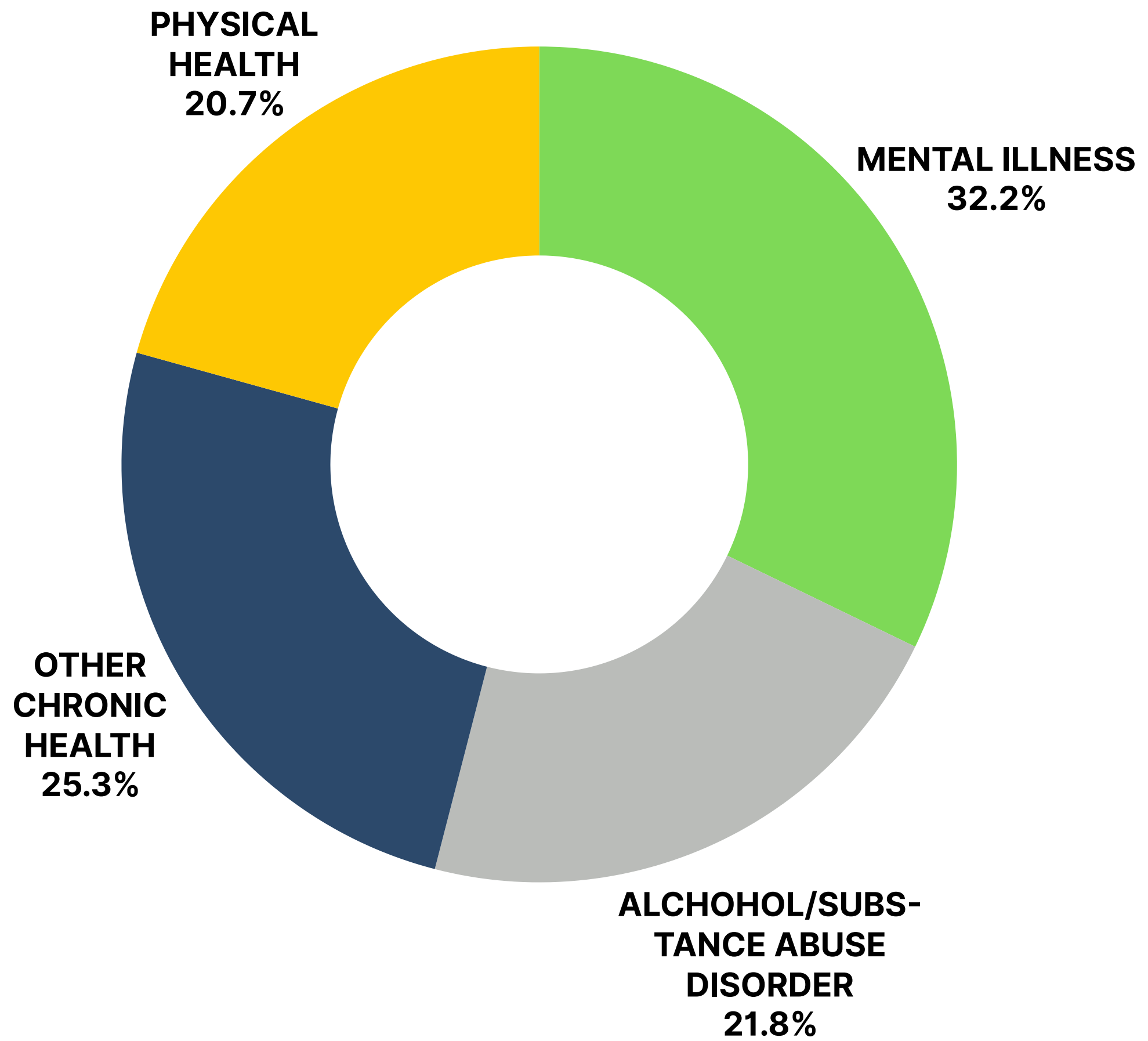


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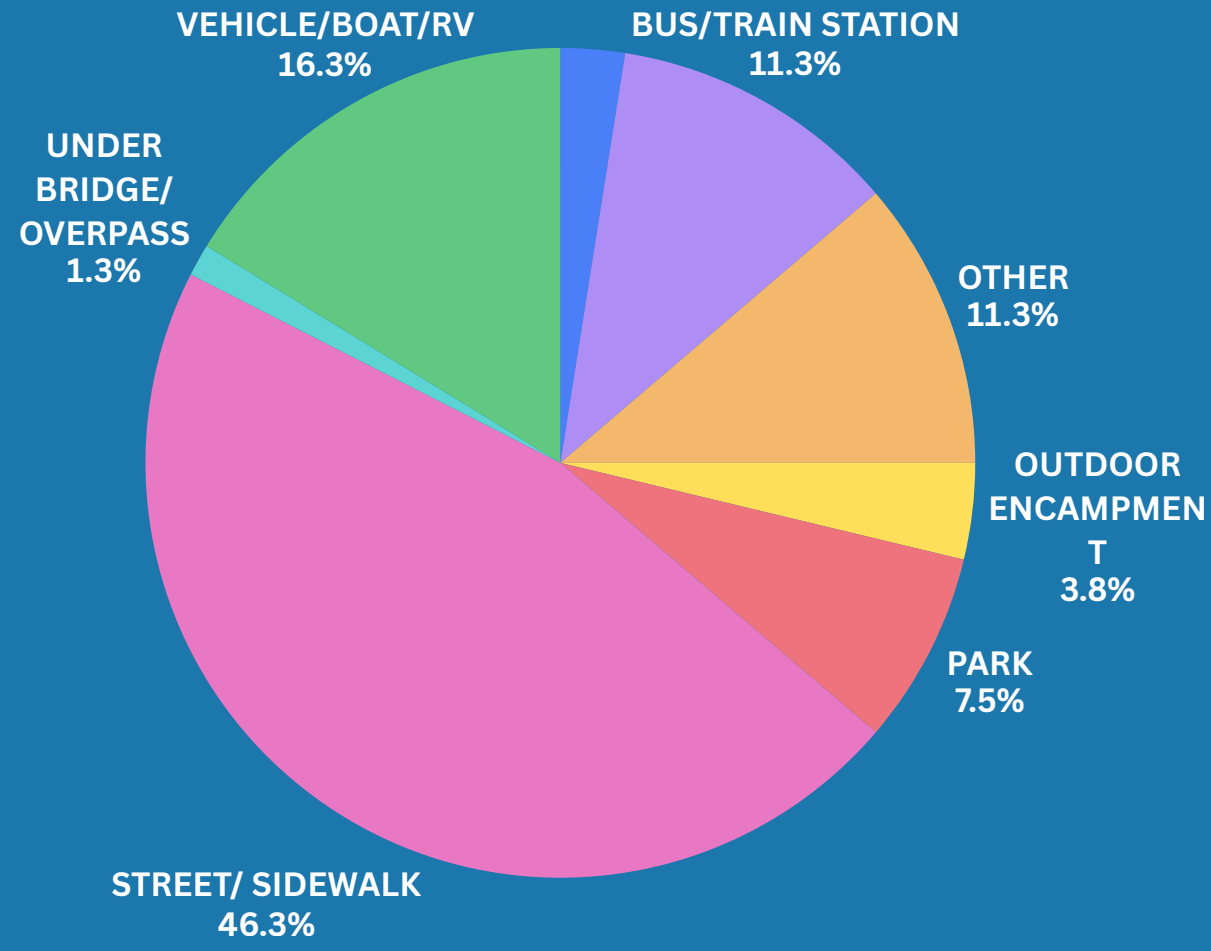


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VETERANS

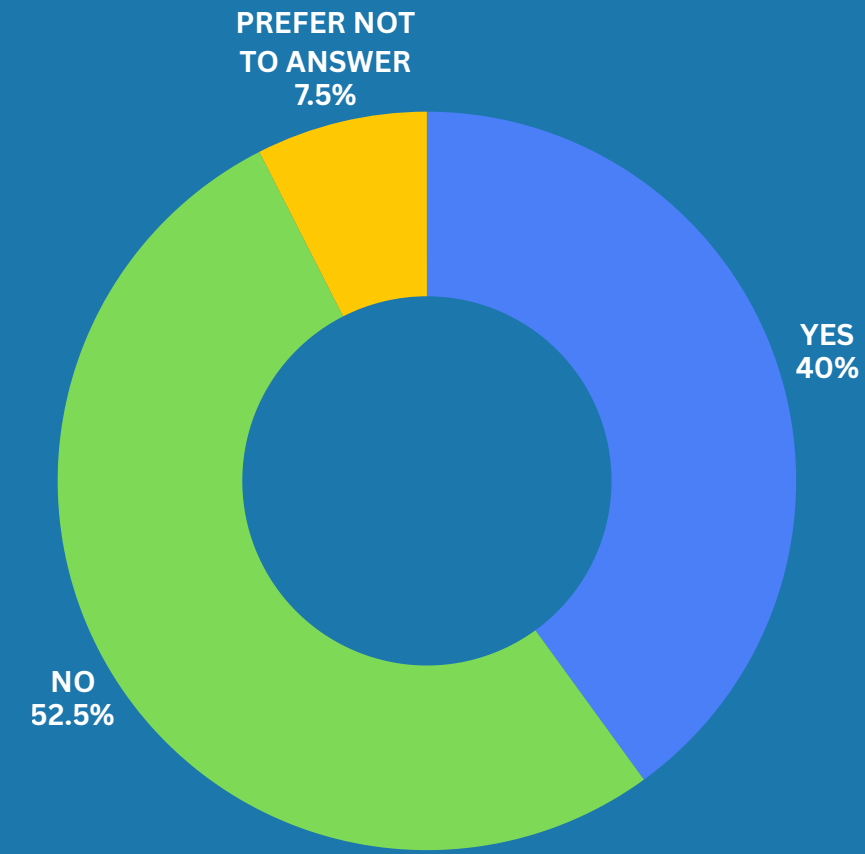
DISABILITIES



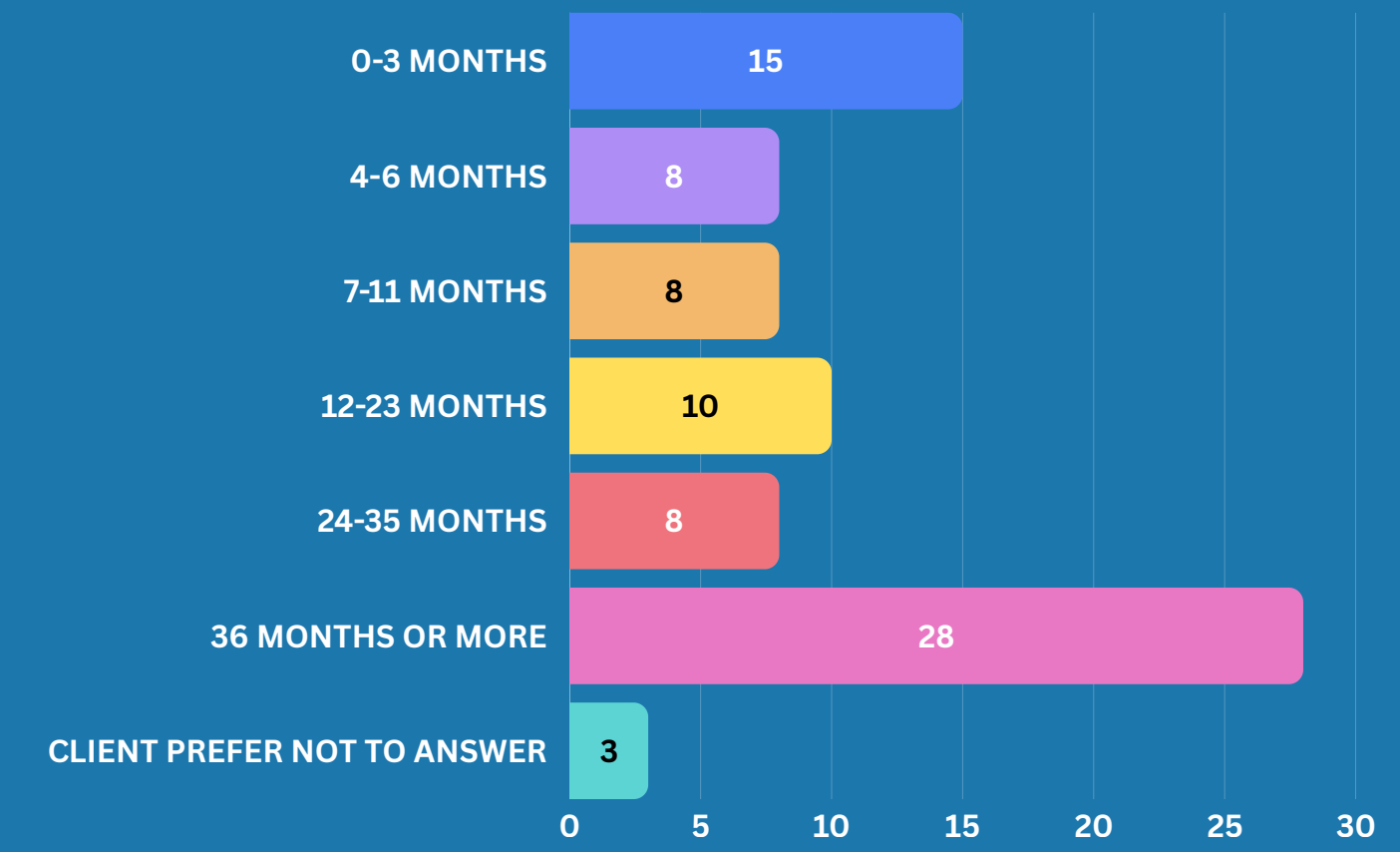
WHERE ARE YOU SLEEPING ON THE NIGHT OF THE SURVEY?



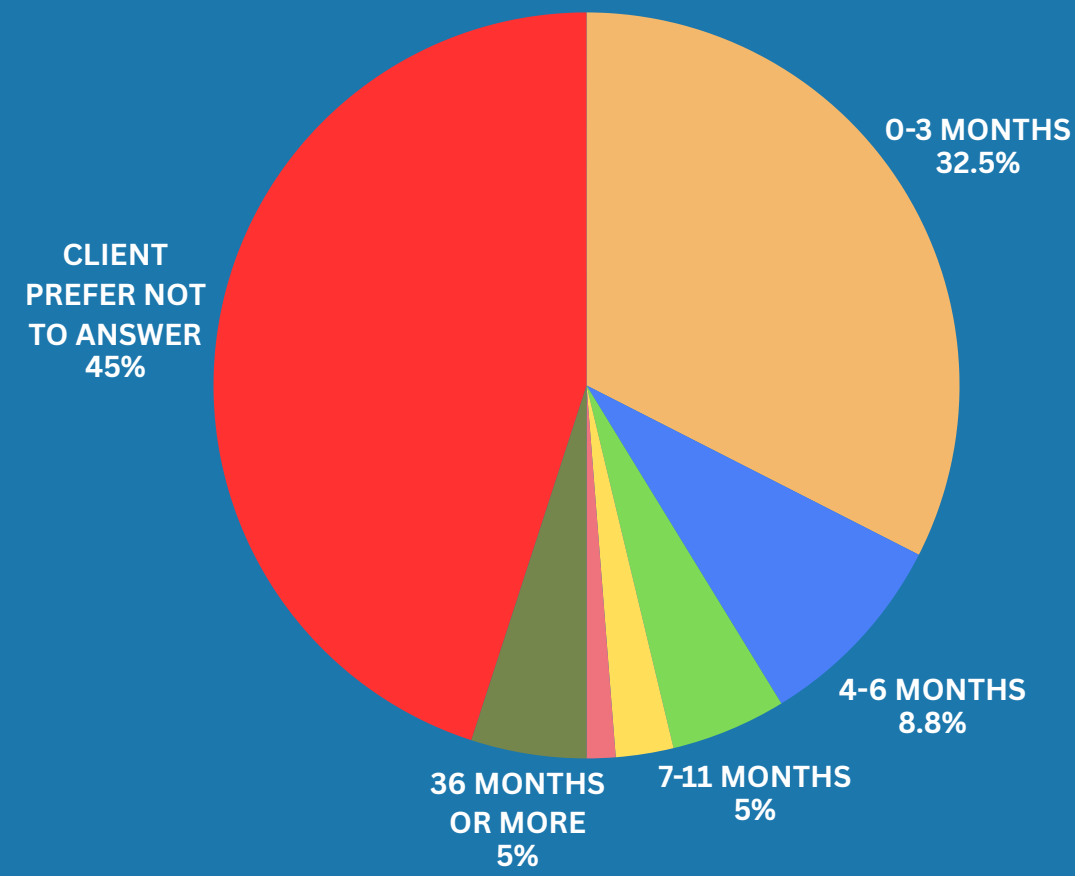
IS THIS THE FIRST TIME YOU'VE BEEN HOMELESS?



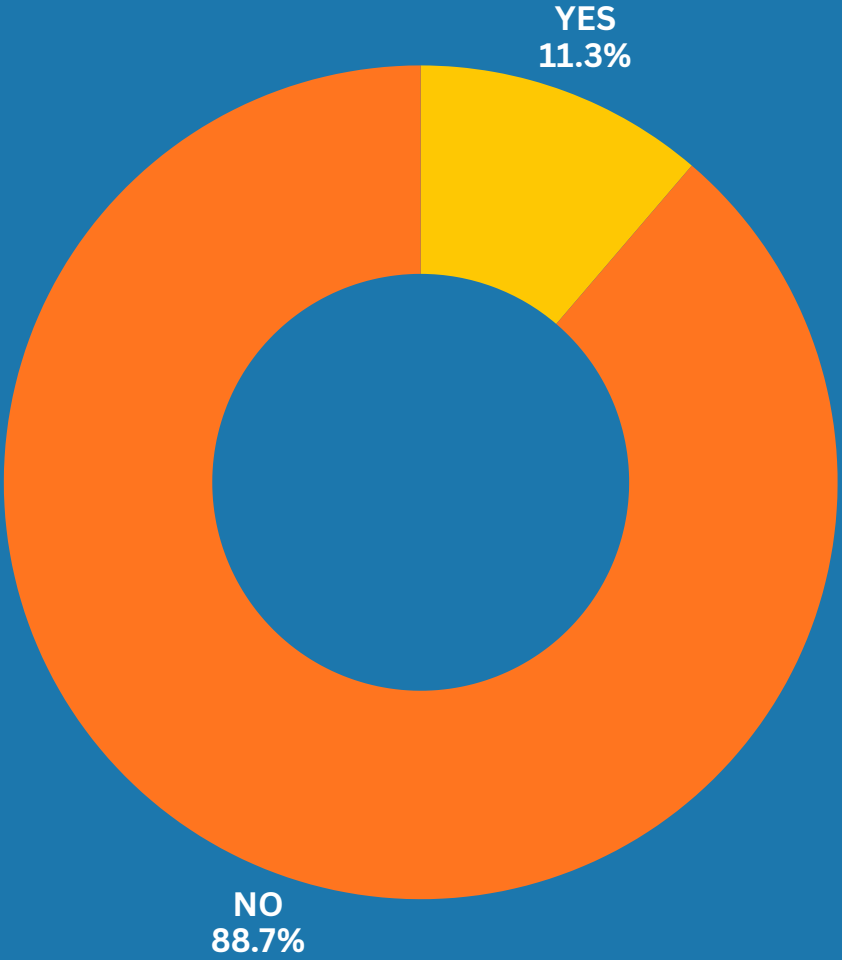
HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN HOMELESS THIS TIME?



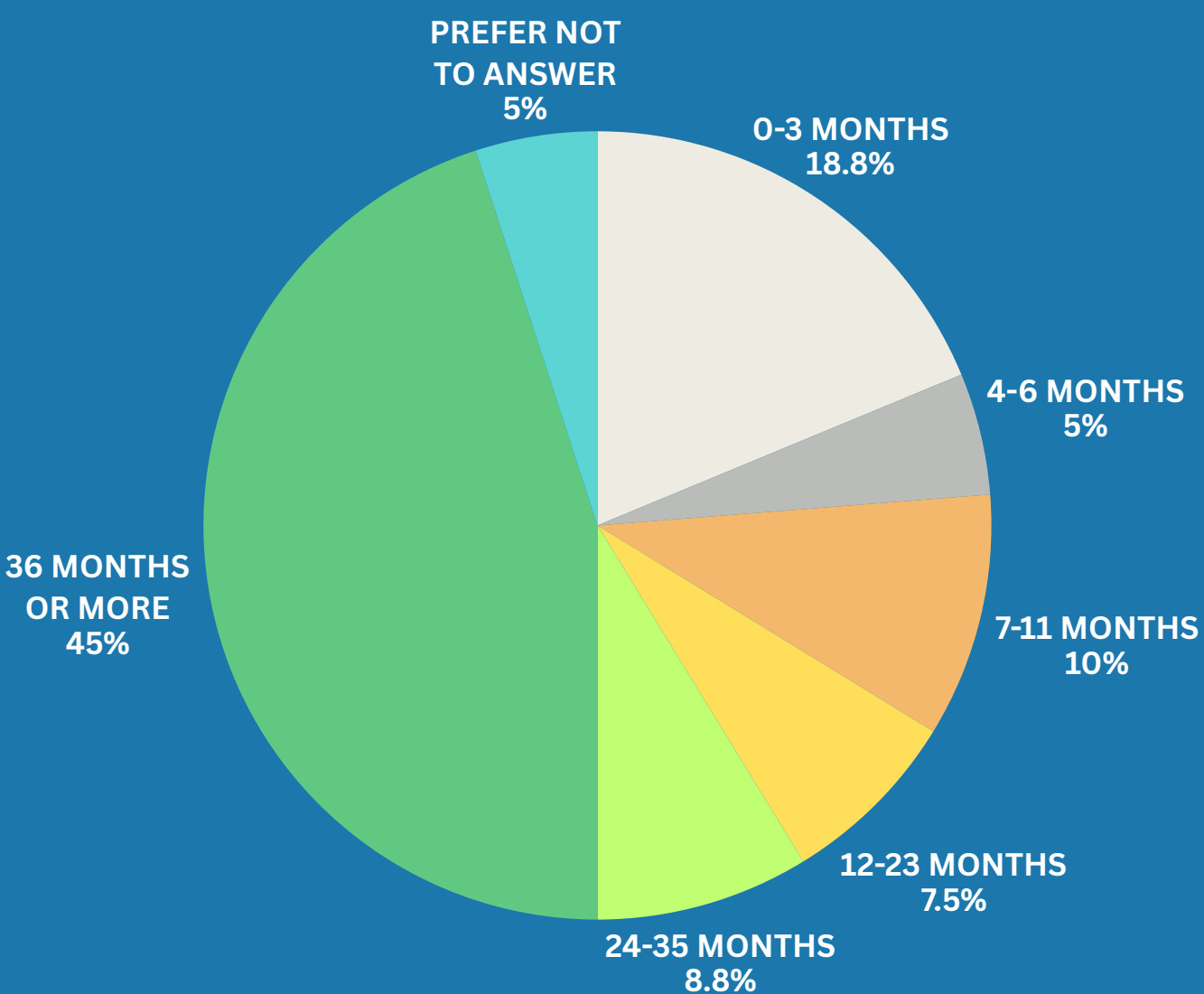
HOW MANY MONTHS DID YOU STAY IN SHELTER OR ON THE STREETS OVER THE PAST 3 YEARS?



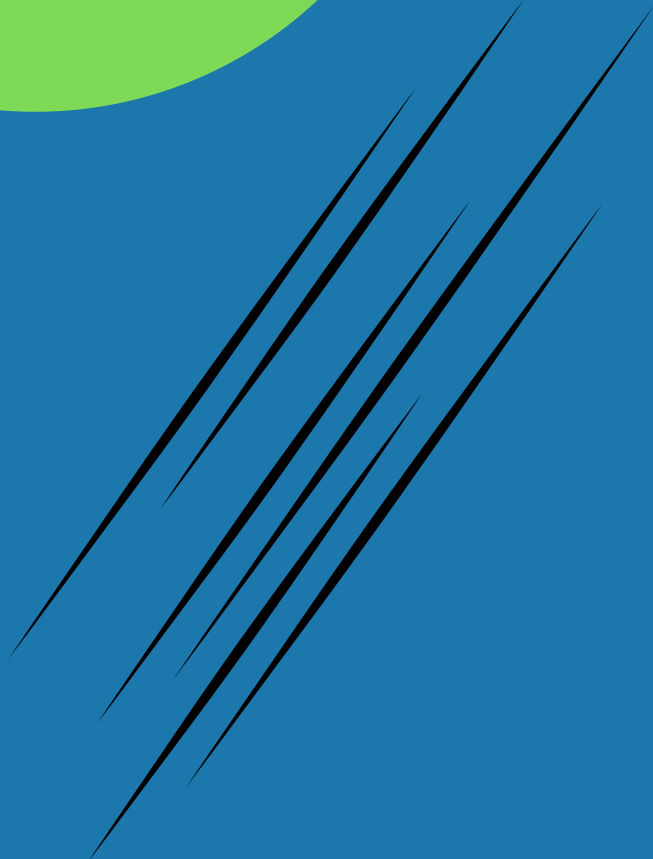
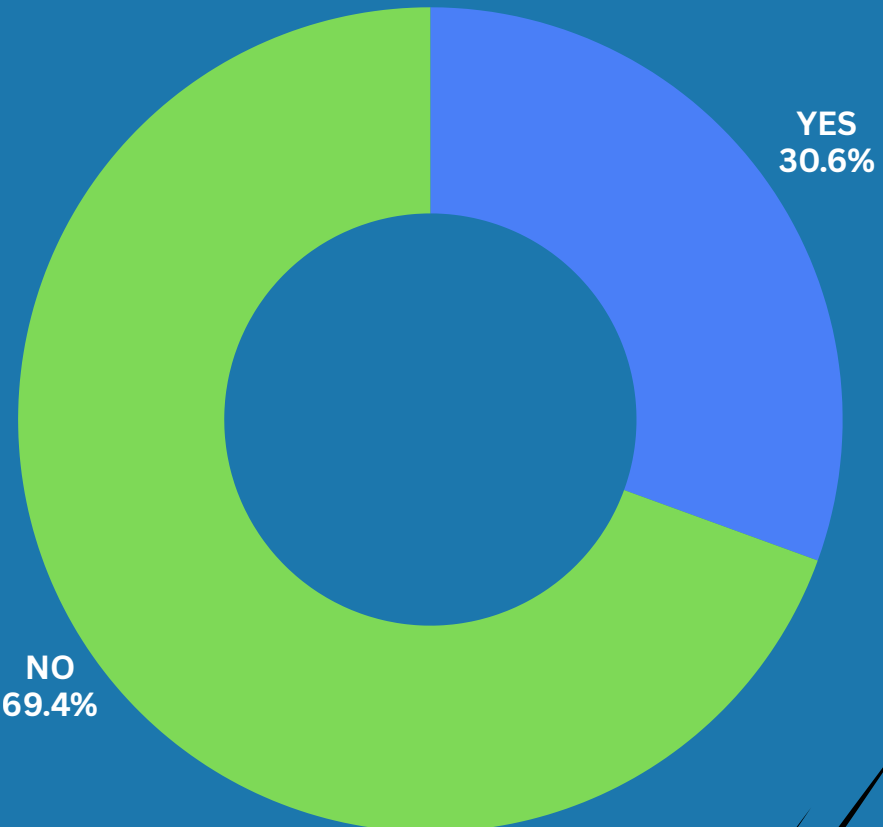
ARE YOU CURRENTLY EMPLOYED?



HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN IN HOLLYWOOD?



ARE YOU RECEIVING DISABILITY BENEFITS?



WHAT WE ARE SEEING

Homelessness is **Visible** and **Immediate**:

46.3% living on streets and sidewalks



Public-facing issue impacting community safety and quality of life

There is a **Front-End** Crisis:

40% first-time homelessness;
18% within 0–3 months



Economic instability and housing costs are driving new inflow

Needs are **Complex**:

79% report mental health, substance use, or chronic conditions



Requires treatment + housing interventions, not one or the other

WHAT MUST HAPPEN NEXT



Act Early to Prevent Homelessness

- Take intentional steps to prevent chronic homelessness
- Continue prioritizing homelessness and affordable & workforce housing in Community Development Programs

Balance Immediate Response with Long-Term Stability

- Short-term: shelter access, public safety, treatment and recovery
- Long-term: housing stability and economic self-sufficiency

Keep Outreach Strong and Visible

- Continue strong street outreach presence
- Explore co-response services (*i.e. TaskForce Davie PD model*)
- Reinforce swift encampment resolutions

Scale Clinical Services in the Field

- TaskForce will surge licensed behavioral health clinicians in Hollywood and promote treatment access
- Expand medical partnerships



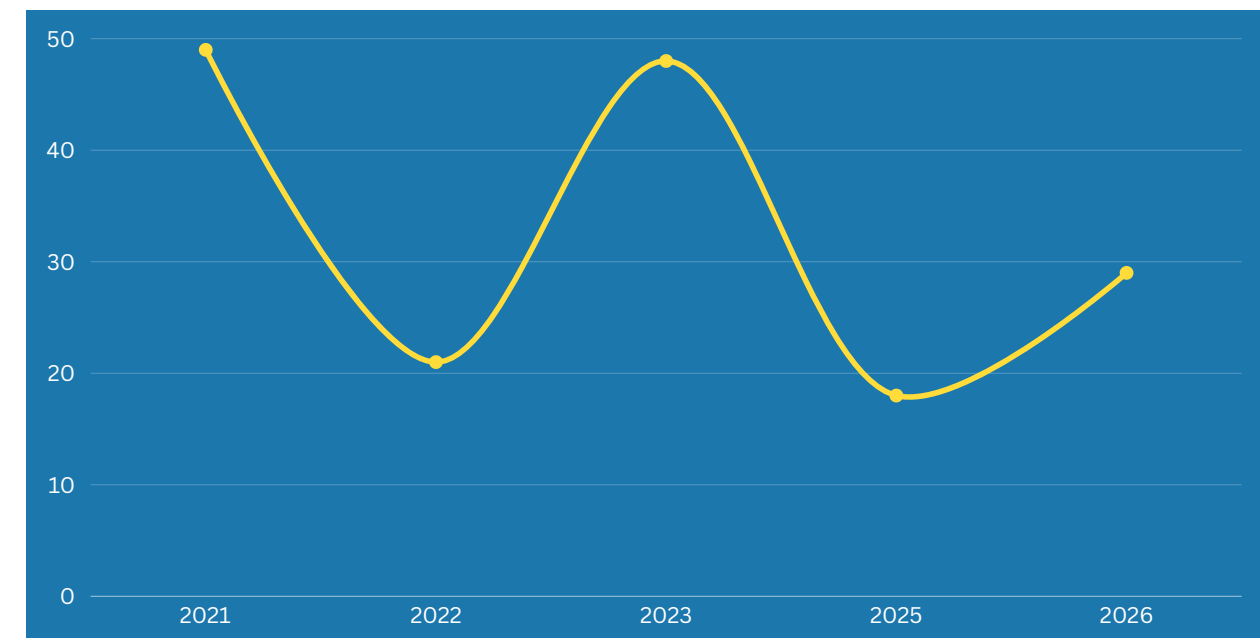
FLL AIRPORT SURVEYS

29 RESPONSES
COLLECTED ON
MARCH 9, 2026



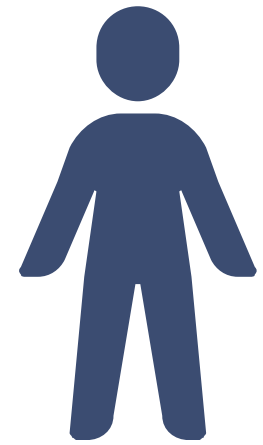
2 IN DEPTH INTERVIEWS
27 SHORT FORM INTERVIEWS

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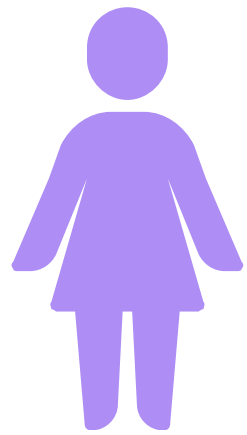


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SURVEY RESPONSES



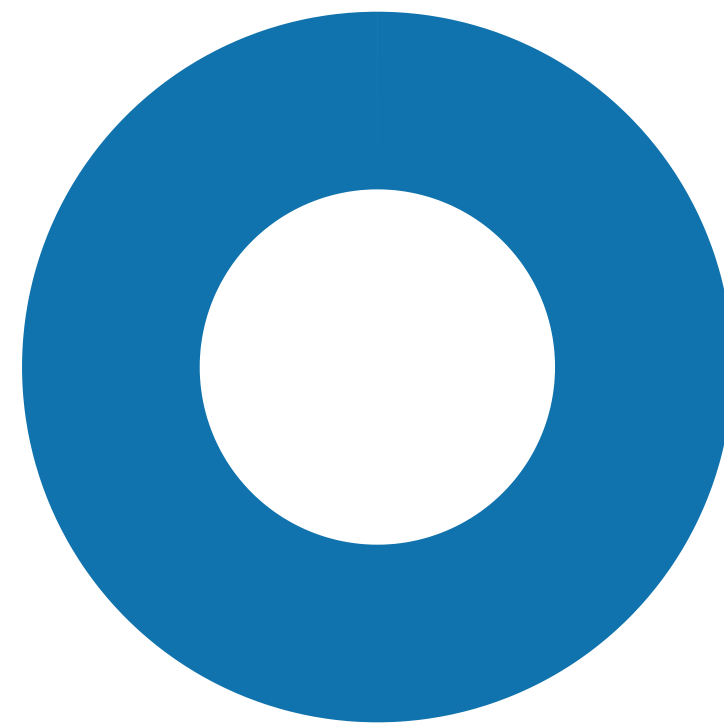
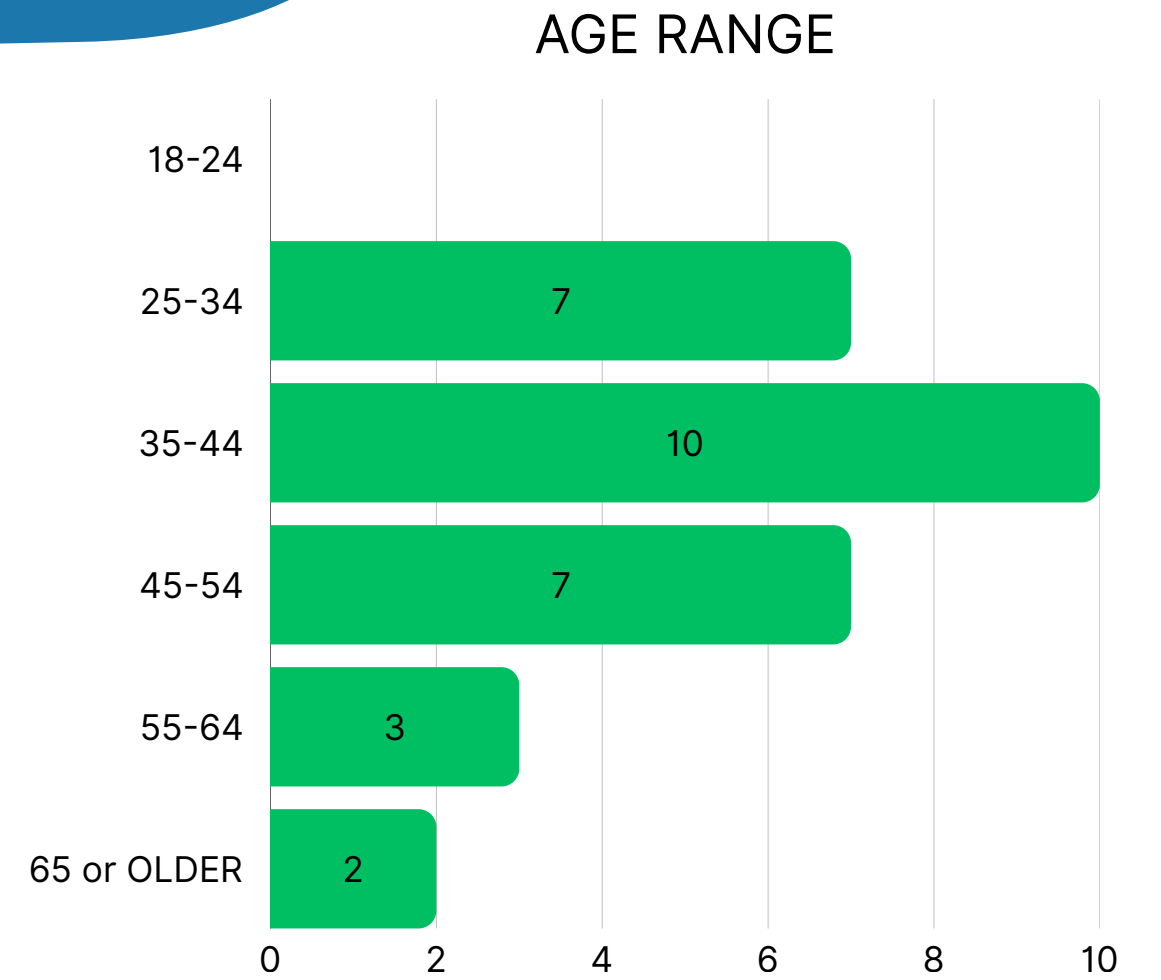
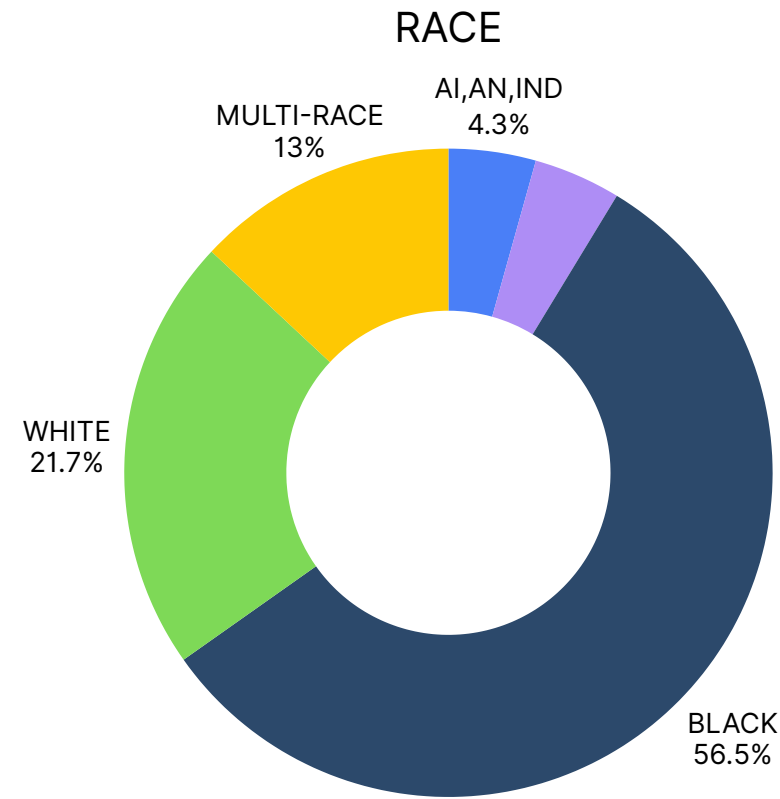
21
MALE



7
FEMALE



0
VETERANS



MENTAL ILLNESS
100%



DISABILITIES

WHAT WE ARE SEEING

There is a **Front-End** Crisis:

A subset of respondents reported first-time homelessness that started within 0–3 months and lack employment



Economic instability and housing costs are driving new inflow

Needs are **Complex**:

Mental health conditions were consistent among respondents



Approaches require treatment + housing interventions, not one or the other

WHAT MUST HAPPEN NEXT

Act Early to Prevent Escalation

Scale Clinical Services in the Field

Keep Outreach Strong and Visible

Balance Immediate vs. Long-Term Interventions

Thank you!

