

2022-2023 WEST VIRGINIA CHILD ADVOCACY NETWORK STATEWIDE DATA REPORT



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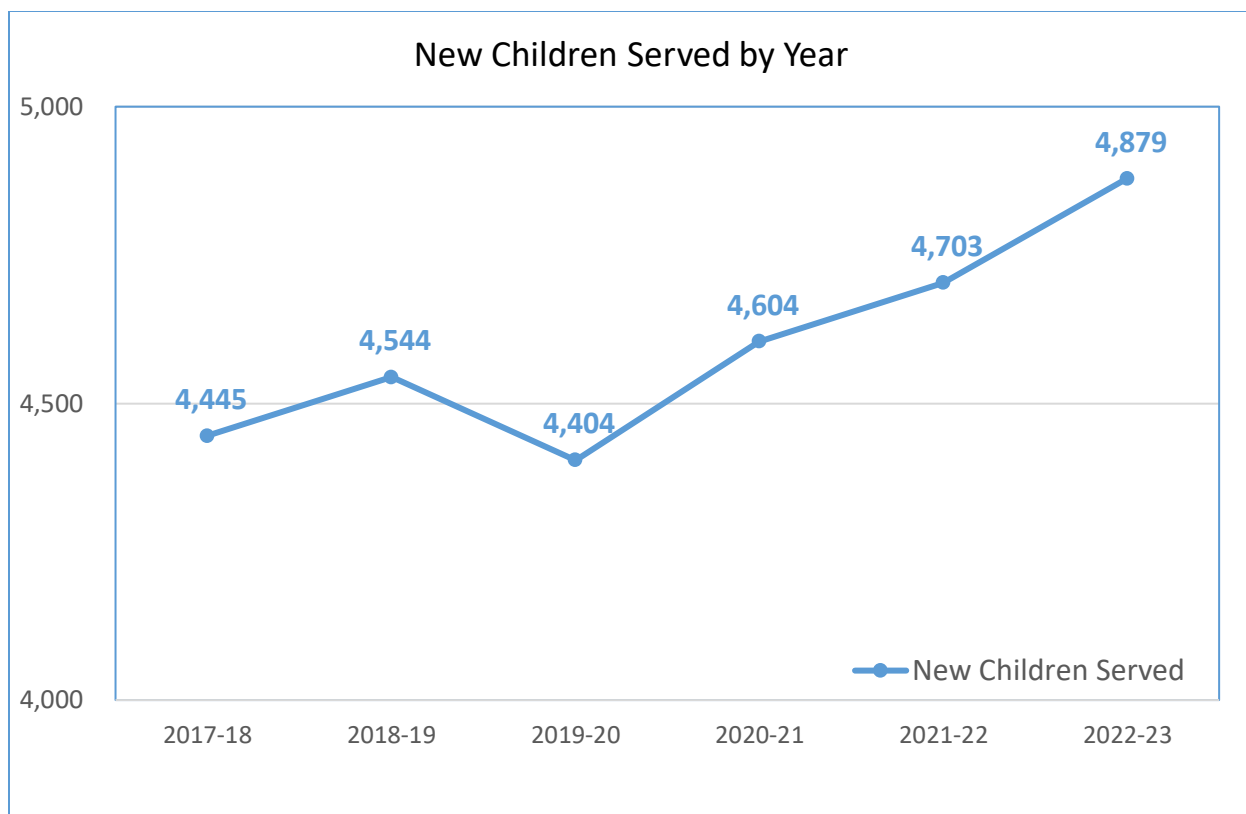
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Children Served

New Children Served = 4,879			
	Number of New Children Served	% New Children Served in WV CACs	% CAC-Served Children Nationally**
Male	2,023	41%	35%
Female	2,830	58%	65%
Other	26	1%	1%
0-6 years	1,233	25%	28%
7-12 years	2,104	43%	37%
13-18+ years	1,542	32%	35%
White	4,286	88%	50%
Black/African American	166	3%	18%
Hispanic/Latino	70	1%	18%
American Indian	9	<1%	2%
Asian/Pacific Islander	5	<1%	1%
Other	343	7%	6%
* This represents <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a 3.74% increase from the number of new children served in FY 2021-2022 a 106.91% increase from when WV's CACs first started collecting this data a 9.76% increase of new children served in the last 5 years (FY 2017-18 to present) 			
** Nationally, <1% of kids did not have a disclosed age. For national race/ethnicity info, "other" and "undisclosed" are combined. WV CACs do not track these separately.			



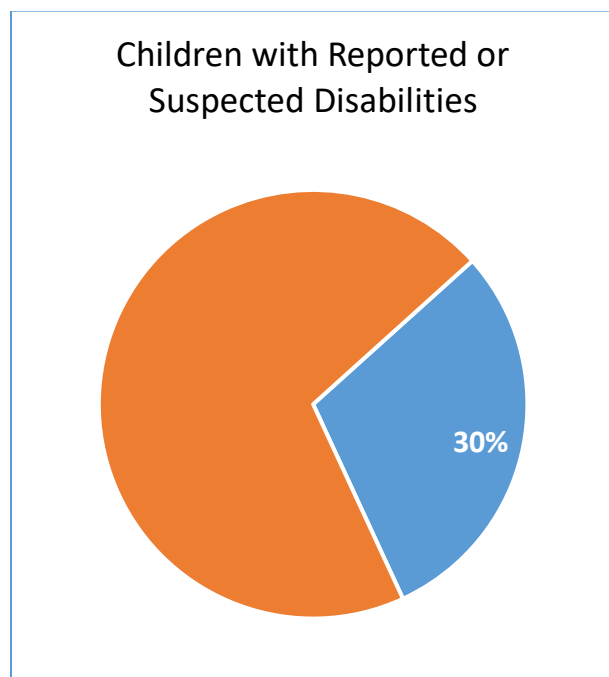
Official Service Area & Children Served

WV CACs officially serve 46 of 55 counties in the state and provide courtesy services to children in the counties not officially served by a CAC. The full array of CAC services are available to 326,851 (or 93%) of the state's children. This leaves 25,139 children without direct access to the services of a CAC.

Service Rate Comparison Per 1,000 Children in Official Service Area				
	Counties Officially Served	Child Population in Official Service Area	# New Children seen by CAC in 2022-2023	Rate of New Children Served by Child Population*
STATE TOTAL	46	326,851	4,879	14.93
* Populations based on estimates for individuals under age 18 per county from US Census Data for all counties officially served by a particular CAC. Rates per 1,000 children in population of official service area.				

Forensic Interview Rate Comparison Per 1,000 Children in Official Service Area				
	Counties Officially Served	Child Population in Official Service Area	# Forensic Interviews in 2022-2023	Rate of Forensic Interviews by Child Population*
STATE TOTAL	46	326,851	4,596	14.06
* Populations based on estimates of individuals under age 18 per county from US Census Data for all counties officially served by a particular CAC. Rates per 1,000 children in population of official service area.				

Children with Disabilities



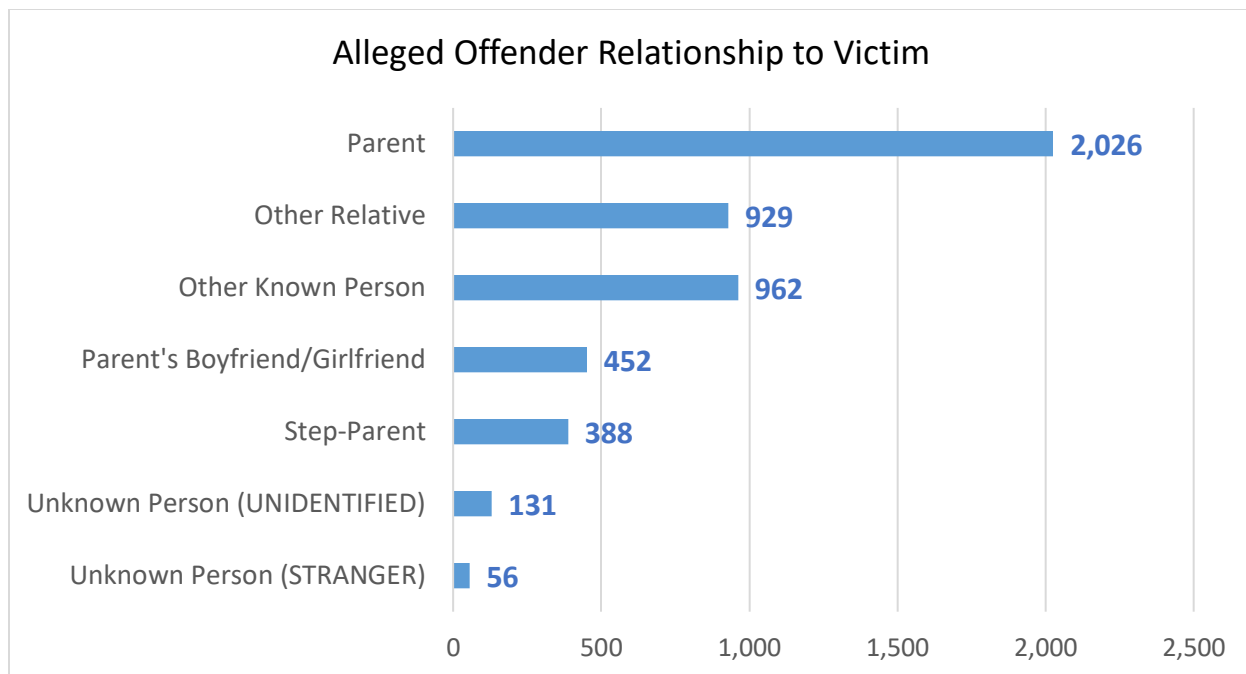
In the 2022-2023 fiscal year, approximately 30% of children served by WV's CACs had at least one reported or suspected disability. From available data on WV's public schools, it is estimated that 19% of children enrolled in public schools have some form of disability (ideadata.org). Due to differences in how CACs and the Department of Education collect/report these numbers, this is only a rough comparison.

Alleged Offenders

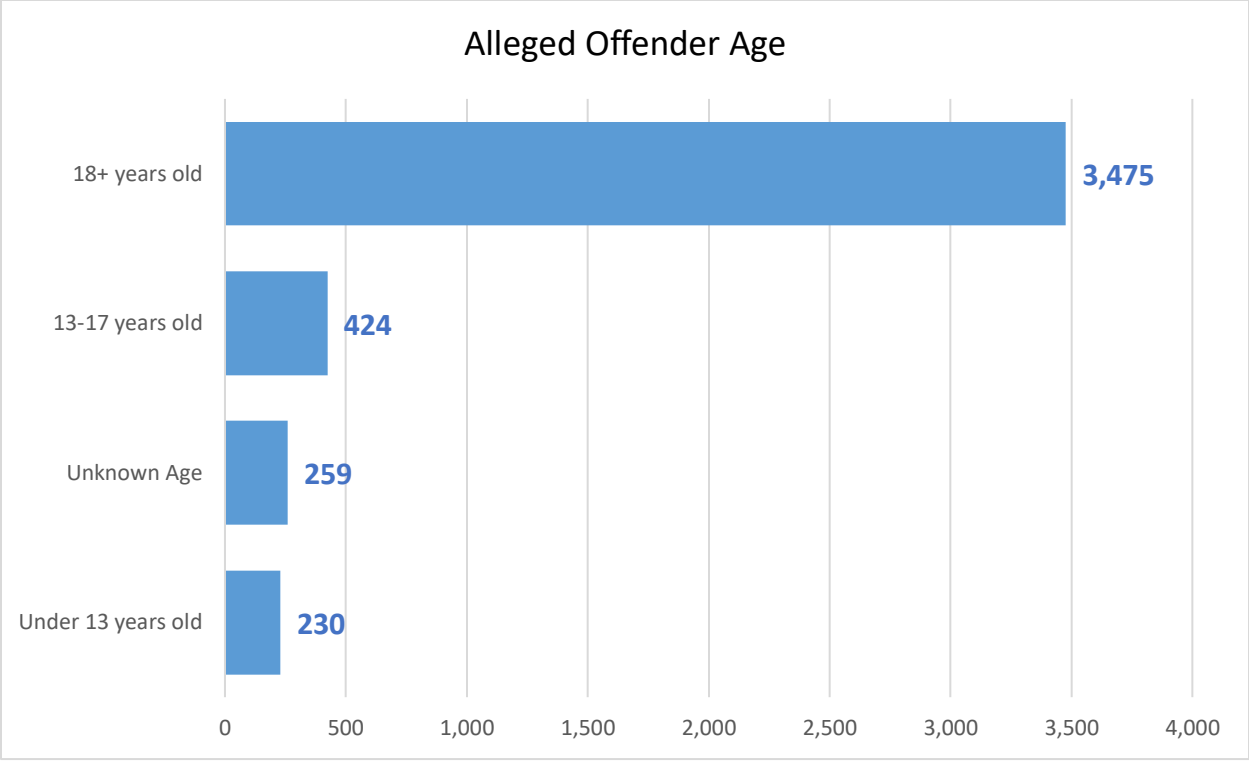
Alleged Offender Relationships			
	Individuals	% of Total Alleged Offenders in WV CACs*	% of Total Alleged Offenders in CACs Nationally*
Total	4,388	-	-
Parent	2,026	46%	34%
Step-Parent	388	9%	6%
Other Relative	929	21%	20%
Parent's Boyfriend/Girlfriend	452	10%	6%
Other Known Person	962	22%	24%
Unknown Person (UNIDENTIFIED)	131	3%	12%
Unknown Person (STRANGER)	56	1%	

* Alleged offenders may have multiple victims, and therefore different relationship to more than one child. This creates a slight discrepancy in the number of alleged offenders and the number of relationships reported.

** Nationally, unknown/unidentified and unknown/stranger are not separated.



Age of Alleged Offenders			
	Individuals	% of Total Alleged Offenders in WV CACs	% of Total Alleged Offenders in CACs Nationally
Under 13	230	5%	6%
13 to 17	424	10%	11%
18+	3,475	79%	65%
Unknown	259	6%	21%



2022-2023 Reported Abuse

Alleged and Disclosed ¹ Abuse by Type					
	ALLEGED (Reported) Abuse			DISCLOSED Abuse ²	
	Number of New Children Served	% New Children Served in WV CACs ³	% CAC-Served Children Nationally	Number of New Children Served	% New Children Served in WV CACs ³
Sexual Abuse	2,418	50%	65%	1,434	29%
Physical Abuse	1,226	25%	21%	1,073	22%
Drug Endangerment	659	14%	3%	620	13%
Neglect	757	16%	8%	545	11%
Witness to Violence	902	18%	7%	1,072	22%
Commercial Sexual Exploitation ⁴	26	1%	-	20	<1%
Exposure to Pornography ⁴	122	3%	-	156	3%
Depiction in Pornography ⁴	84	2%	-	95	2%
Other	519	11%	8%	349	7%

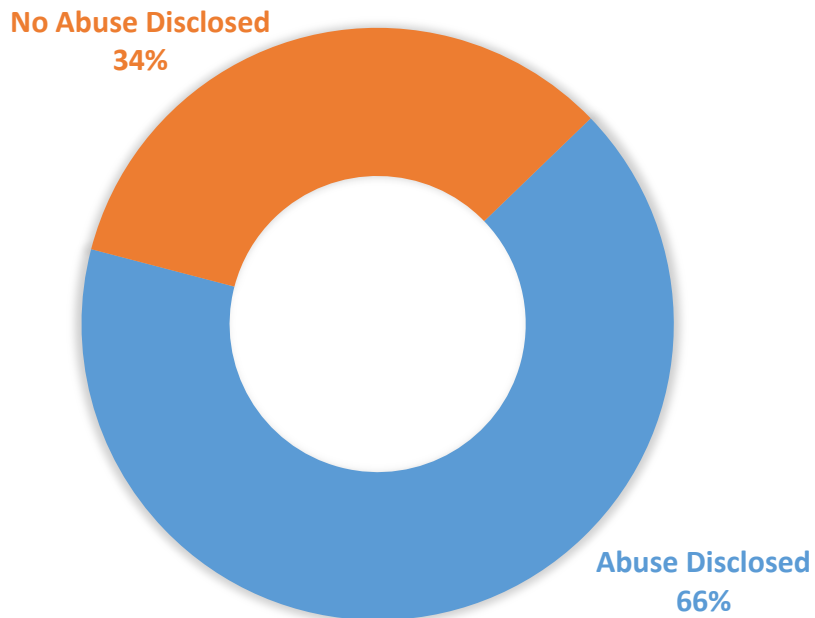
¹ Alleged abuse refers to the concerns/reports that brought a child to the CAC in the first place. Disclosed abuse refers to what the child disclosed during the forensic interview but does not include what may have been uncovered by the MDIT investigation. Regardless of the severity, number of events, etc. an individual child is only counted once in each broad category. Disclosed abuse is not tracked nationally.

² Both columns under disclosed abuse only include data from 21 WV CACs.

³ A child may have experienced more than one type of abuse, so this column is not meant to add up to 100%. For example, 70% of kids served by WV's CACs last year were there due to allegations of sexual abuse, but they may also be included in the percentages of children served due to reports of neglect.

⁴ These are not tracked separately from sexual abuse on the national level.

Disclosure During Forensic Interview

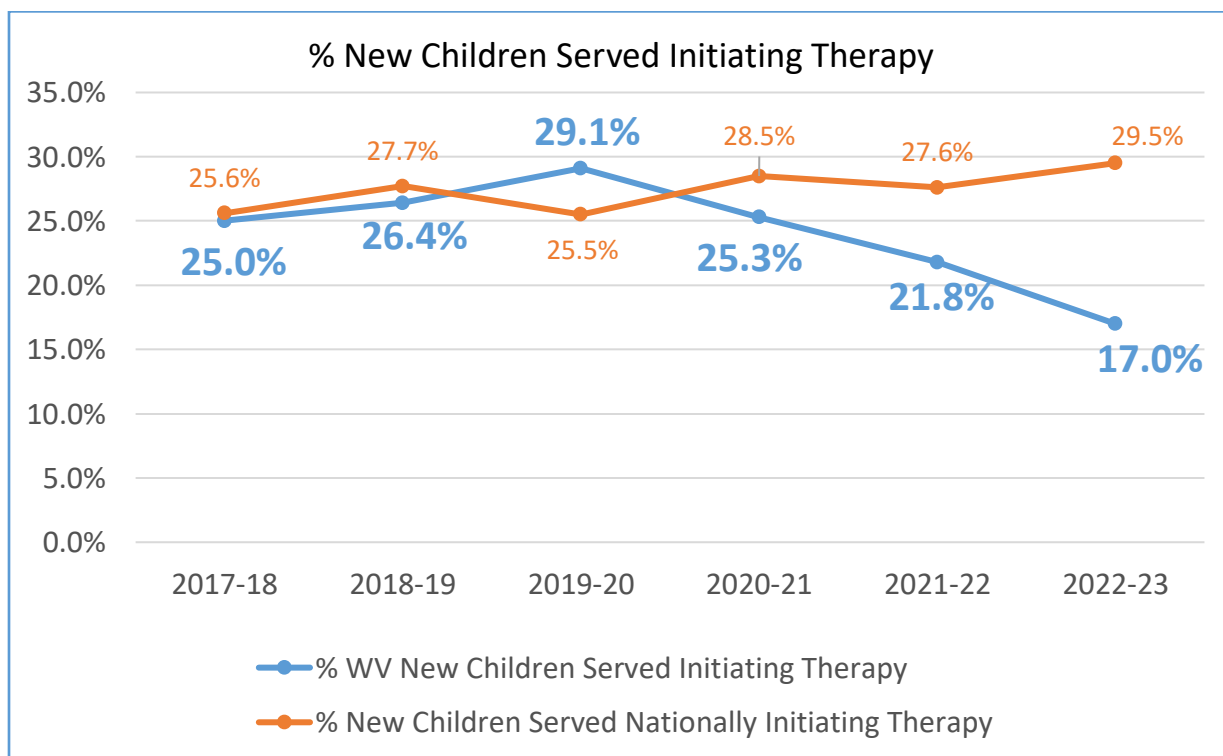
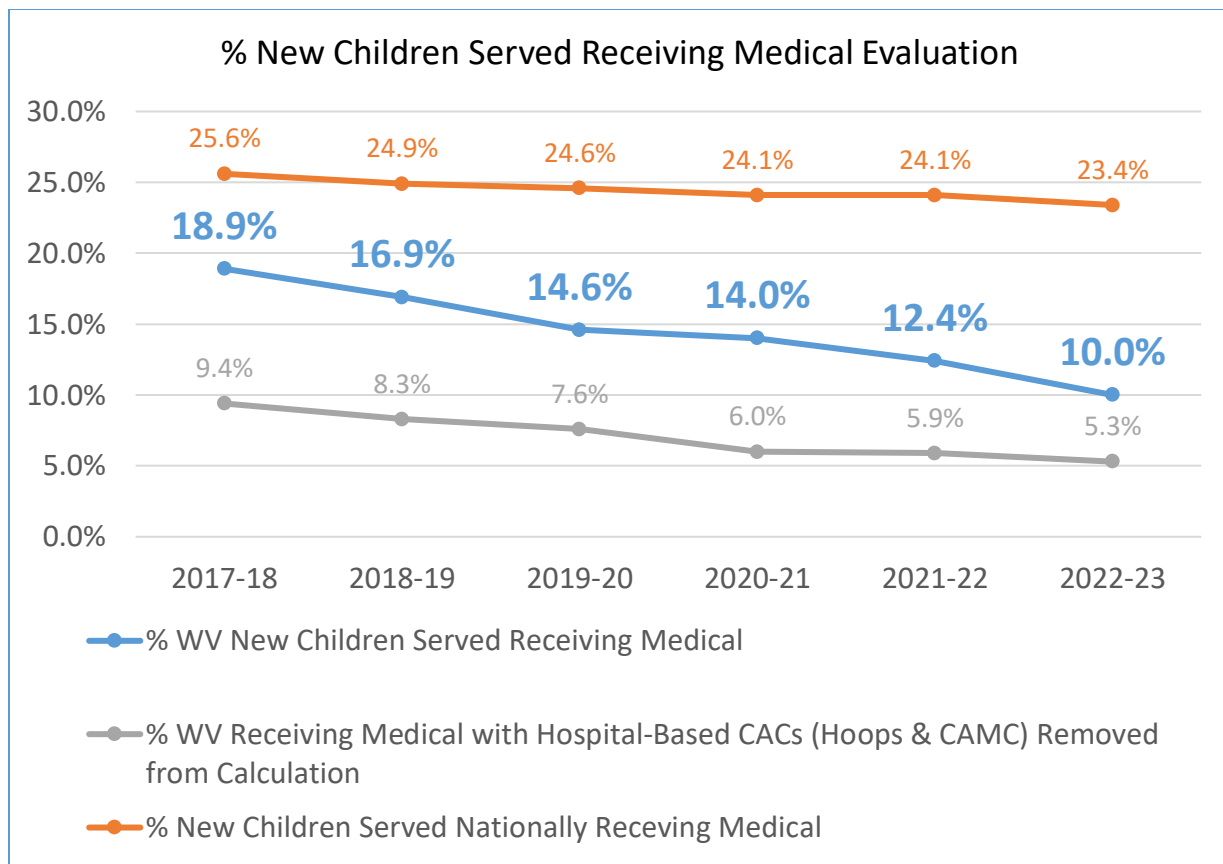


In the 2022-2023 fiscal year, 66% of children who received a forensic interview at a CAC disclosed abuse. 34% of children interviewed made no disclosure of abuse during the forensic interview. Even when a child does not disclose, the MDIT may still have good cause to investigate the reports that prompted the child's services at the CAC. This breakdown is consistent with last fiscal year.

2022-2023 CAC Services Performed

Services Provided			
	Number of New Children Served	% New Children Served in WV CACs	% CAC-Served Children Nationally
Forensic Interviews (Total)	4,596	94%	90%
Forensic Interviews On-site	4,514	93%	87%
Forensic Interviews Off-site	14	<1%	2%
Extended Forensic Interviews	68	1%	-
Medical Referrals	260	5%	-
Medical Evaluation/Treatment Received	489	10%	30%
Referral to Therapy/Counseling	1,718	35%	38%
Therapy/Counseling Initiated	827	17%	30%

Service Comparison by Year							
	22-23	21-22	20-21	19-20	18-19	17-18	16-17
Forensic Interviews	4,596	4,374	4,444	4,128	4,156	4,067	3,550
Medical Evaluation/Treatment	489	584	631	644	769	838	687
Therapy/Counseling Initiated	827	1,027	1,163	1,281	1,200	1,109	937



Service Caseloads

Victim Advocacy

CACs report the number of alleged child victim clients and non-offending caregivers who received direct victim advocacy at the CAC during each 6-month reporting period. However, advocacy services can have tremendous impact on more than just the individuals received (such as the siblings of a child receiving direct services). Individuals are only counted once per reporting period, regardless of the number, type, or duration of advocacy services received.

On average, WV CACs provide advocacy to 287 individuals in a 6-month timeframe. Across the network, this 6-month average caseload ranges from 36 to 1,081 people receiving advocacy services from a CAC. The variation in advocacy caseloads between CACs is impacted by the number of counties officially served by that CAC, child population in the region, the number of CAC advocates on-staff to meet the needs of the children and families they serve, and the availability of and partnership with other local victim-serving agencies.

Case Coordination Caseload

Every 6 months, CACs report the number of all non-duplicated cases for which the center provided case coordination. This includes only cases in which the CAC's MDIT has conducted a case review where there has been a team discussion and information sharing about the case regarding the investigation, case status, and services needed by the child and family with recommendations communicated to appropriate parties for implementation; or, the CAC's representative has taken an active role in coordinating and/or managing the team's recommendations for implementation.

On average, WV CACs and their partner MDITs are actively working on 205 children's cases in a 6-month timeframe. Across the network, this 6-month average caseload ranges from 27 to 522 children's cases receiving active services and case coordination from the MDITs an individual CAC partners with. The variation in MDIT caseloads between CACs is impacted by the number of counties officially served by that CAC, child population in the region, and local CAC/MDIT referral protocols and practices.

2022-2023 Criminal Justice Response

Cases Closed & Criminal Justice Response					
	22-23	21-22	20-21	19-20	18-19
Cases Closed for Investigation*					
Number of Cases Investigated, Concluded, & Closed	1,623	1,693	1,579	2,222	2,113
Unsubstantiated by Team Investigation	790	884	872	1,470	1,161
Unprosecutable	365	293	306	373	431
Accused Died	29	24	7	14	14
Mentally Incompetent to Stand Trial	13	5	4	9	16
Prosecution Refuses to Extradite	11	16	7	0	2
Victim Unwilling to Proceed	32	31	22	29	28
Other	383	440	361	327	443
Criminal Justice Outcomes					
Cases with Charges Filed	566	678	622	645	549
Cases Indicted	323	336	294	231	179
Convicted by Trial	54	49	41	30	42
Convicted by Plea	209	221	161	149	224
Acquitted	11	10	8	7	6
Dismissed	74	94	130	89	100
Juvenile Offender Petitions Filed	77	77	51	59	41
Juveniles Adjudicated	28	26	32	23	36
Other	92	19	20	28	43
* For FY 2018-19, represents 20/21 CACs.					

Criminal Convictions Rate Comparison Per 1,000 Children in Official Service Area Population*				
	Child Population in Official Service Area	# Forensic Interviews in 2022-23	# Cases Convicted in 2022-23	* Conviction Rate per 1,000 in Child Population
STATE TOTAL	326,851	4,596	263	.80
* Populations based on estimates of individuals under age 18 per county from US Census Data for all counties officially served by a particular CAC. Rates per 1,000 children in population of official service area.				

2022-2023 Outcome Measurement System (OMS)

# Surveys Collected					
	# New Children Served	# Forensic Interviews	Initial Caregiver Surveys	Caregiver Follow-up Surveys	MDT Surveys
TOTAL	4,879	4,596	981	87	185

NOTES:

- All tables presented with the exclusion of those who answered “Not Applicable” for Caregiver surveys. This represents a more accurate breakdown of client satisfaction for those who receive a particular service.
- All percentages rounded to the nearest whole point.
- Comments are not edited for grammar, spelling or clarity. The only edits to survey comments are to redact the names of children.

Initial Caregiver Survey

The Initial Caregiver Survey measures child/family satisfaction with CAC services after their first visit, usually for the forensic interview, but before the child and/or family begins receiving services. From July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023, participants have collected 981 of these surveys.

Initial Visit Caregiver Survey		
Question	WV	National
I believe my child felt safe at the Center.	99%	97%
The Center staff made sure I understood the reason for our visit to the Center.	100%	99%
When I came to the Center, my child and I were greeted and received attention in a timely manner.	100%	100%
I was given information about the services and programs provided by the Center.	99%	99%
My questions were answered to my satisfaction.	99%	98%
The process for the interview of my child at the Center was clearly explained to me.	99%	99%
I was given information about possible behaviors I might expect from my child in the days and weeks ahead.	93%	91%
The staff members at the Center were friendly and pleasant.	100%	100%
After our visit at the Center, I feel I know what to expect with the situation facing my child and me.	94%	94%
The Center staff provided me with resources to support my child and responded to his or her needs in the days and weeks ahead.	97%	98%

Caregiver Follow-up Survey

The Caregiver Follow-up Survey measures child/family satisfaction with CAC services after the child has been receiving CAC services related to their MDT-identified needs. This is distributed to caregivers approximately 30-90 days after the forensic interview. From July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023, participating CACs have collected 87 of these surveys.

Caregiver Follow-up Survey		
Question	WV	National
The staff members at the Center have been friendly and pleasant.	100%	99%
As a result of our contact with the Center, we knew what to expect in the days and weeks that followed.	93%	93%
Since my first contact with the Center, Center staff has been available to answer any questions I had.	98%	95%
Overall, the services I have received from the Center thus far have been helpful to me and my child.	98%	95%
I feel I have received information that has helped me understand how I can best keep my child safe in the future.	95%	95%
I feel that the Center has done everything it can to assist my child and me.	98%	95%
If I knew anyone else who was dealing with a situation like the one my family faced, I would tell that person about the Center.	96%	96%

MDIT Survey

From July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023, participants have collected 185 of these surveys.

MDIT Survey		
Question	WV	National
Team members willingly share information relevant to our cases.	95%	97%
I can provide input during the forensic interview process.	79%	83%
Members of the multidisciplinary team demonstrate respect for the perspectives and informational needs of other team members.	93%	95%
The CAC model fosters collaboration on the multidisciplinary team.	96%	97%
Team meetings are a productive use of my time.	88%	95%
Case review team meetings help me with my work on cases.	85%	84%
Other team members understand my role on the team.	95%	92%
I believe the clients served through the Center benefit from the collaborative approach of our multidisciplinary team.	96%	97%
My supervisor/agency is supportive of the CAC concept and the work of the multidisciplinary team.	98%	97%
All members of the multidisciplinary team are actively involved in cases relevant to their role.	90%	91%
Resources provided by the Center help improve work on our team's cases.	98%	96%
The Center provides an environment where I feel safe expressing my concerns or making suggestions about the functioning of the multidisciplinary team.	94%	93%
I can get the information I need to fulfill my areas of responsibility on cases.	94%	95%
Other team members turn to my agency for information, expertise and direction.	95%	93%

CAC Budgets

CAC Operating Budgets for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 ranged from \$146,481 to \$954,410.

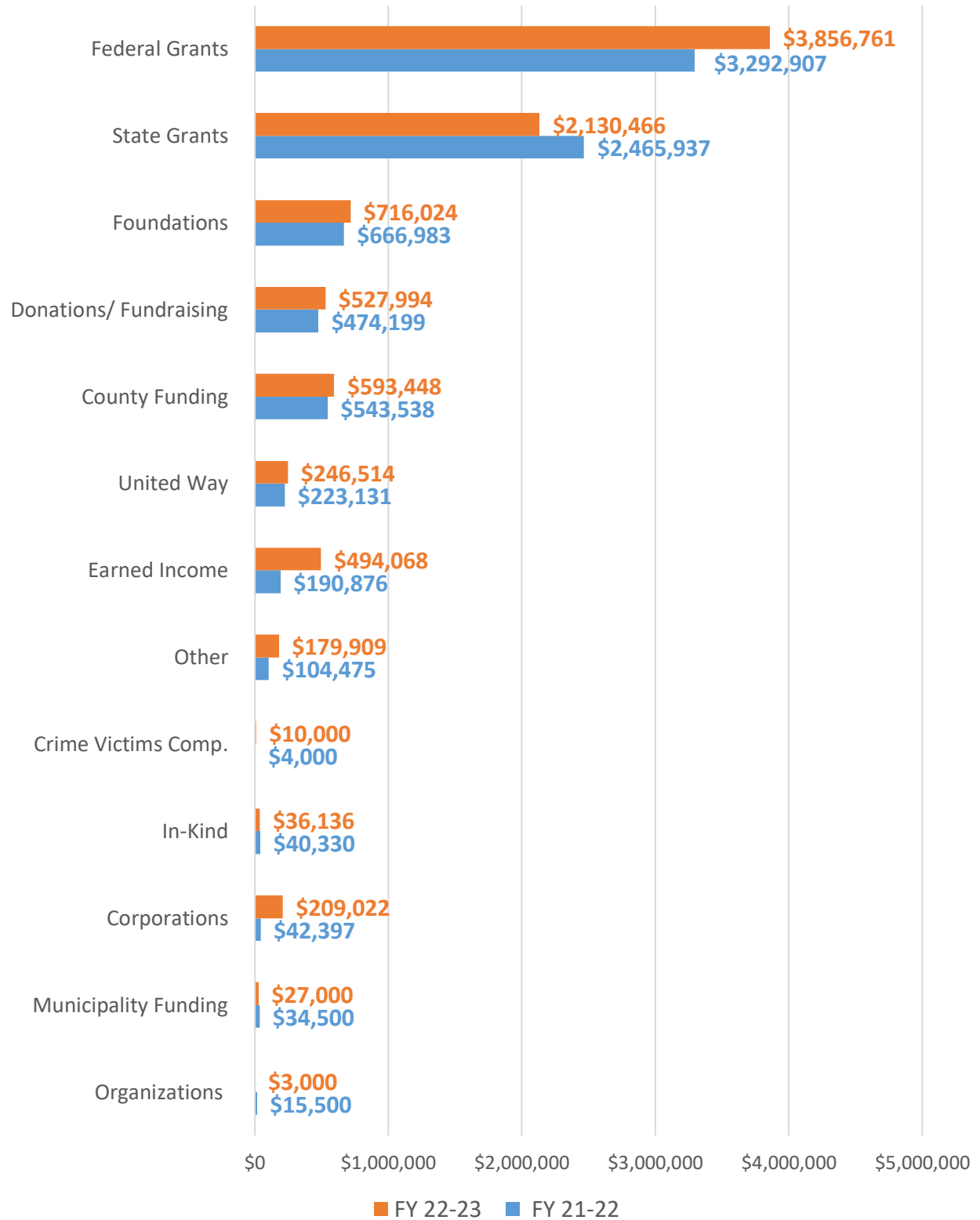
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Incomes

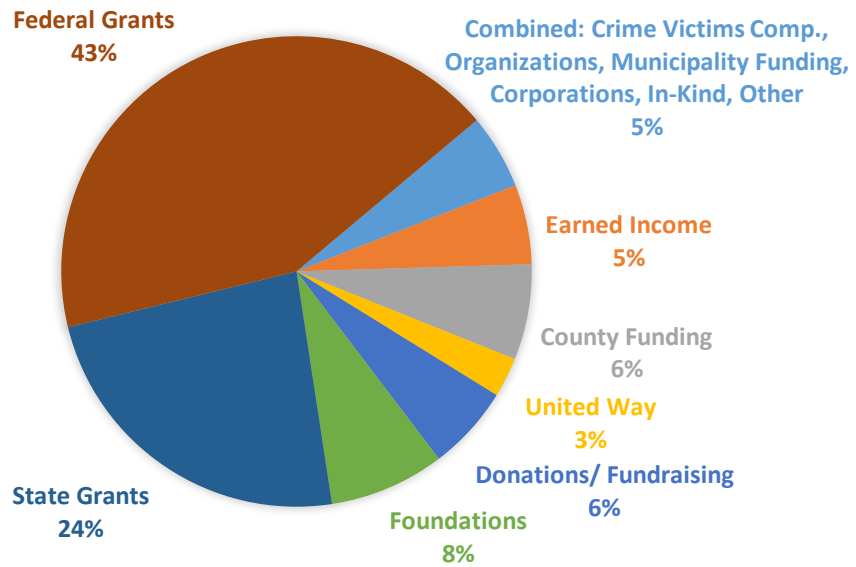
CAC Income Amounts by Category and Fiscal Year			
	FY 22-23	% Increase/Decrease from previous FY	FY 21-22
Organizations	\$3,000	-81%	\$15,500
Municipality Funding	\$27,000	-22%	\$34,500
Crime Victims Comp.	\$10,000	+150%	\$4,000
Corporations	\$209,022	+393%	\$42,397
Earned Income	\$494,068	+158%	\$190,876
Other	\$179,909	+72%	\$104,475
County Funding	\$593,448	+9%	\$543,538
In-Kind	\$36,136	-10%	\$40,330
United Way	\$246,514	+10%	\$223,131
Donations/ Fundraising	\$527,994	+11%	\$474,199
Foundations	\$716,024	+7%	\$666,983
State Grants	\$2,130,466	-14%	\$2,465,937
Federal Grants	\$3,856,761	+17%	\$3,292,907
TOTALS	\$9,030,342	+12%	\$8,098,773

Number of CACs with Income Source		
	# of CACs in FY 22-23	# of CACs in FY 21-22
State Grants	21	21
Federal Grants (VOCA, JJDP, NCA, etc.)	20	20
County Funding	8	9
Municipal Funding	2	3
Foundations	17	15
Crime Victims Compensation	1	1
Corporations	4	3
Donations/Fundraising	13	12
United Way	9	9
Organizations (Junior League, Rotary, etc.)	2	1
In-Kind	4	5
Earned Income	3	5
Other (example: training income)	7	5

CAC Income Totals (2-Year Comparison)

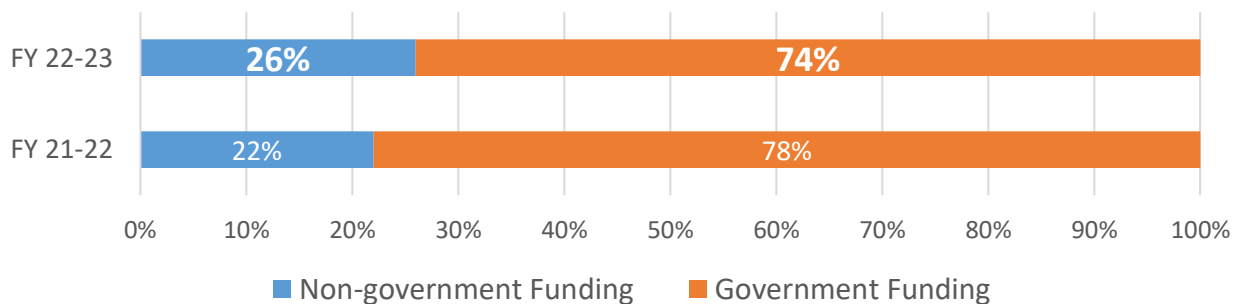


FY 22-23 CAC INCOME PROPORTIONS



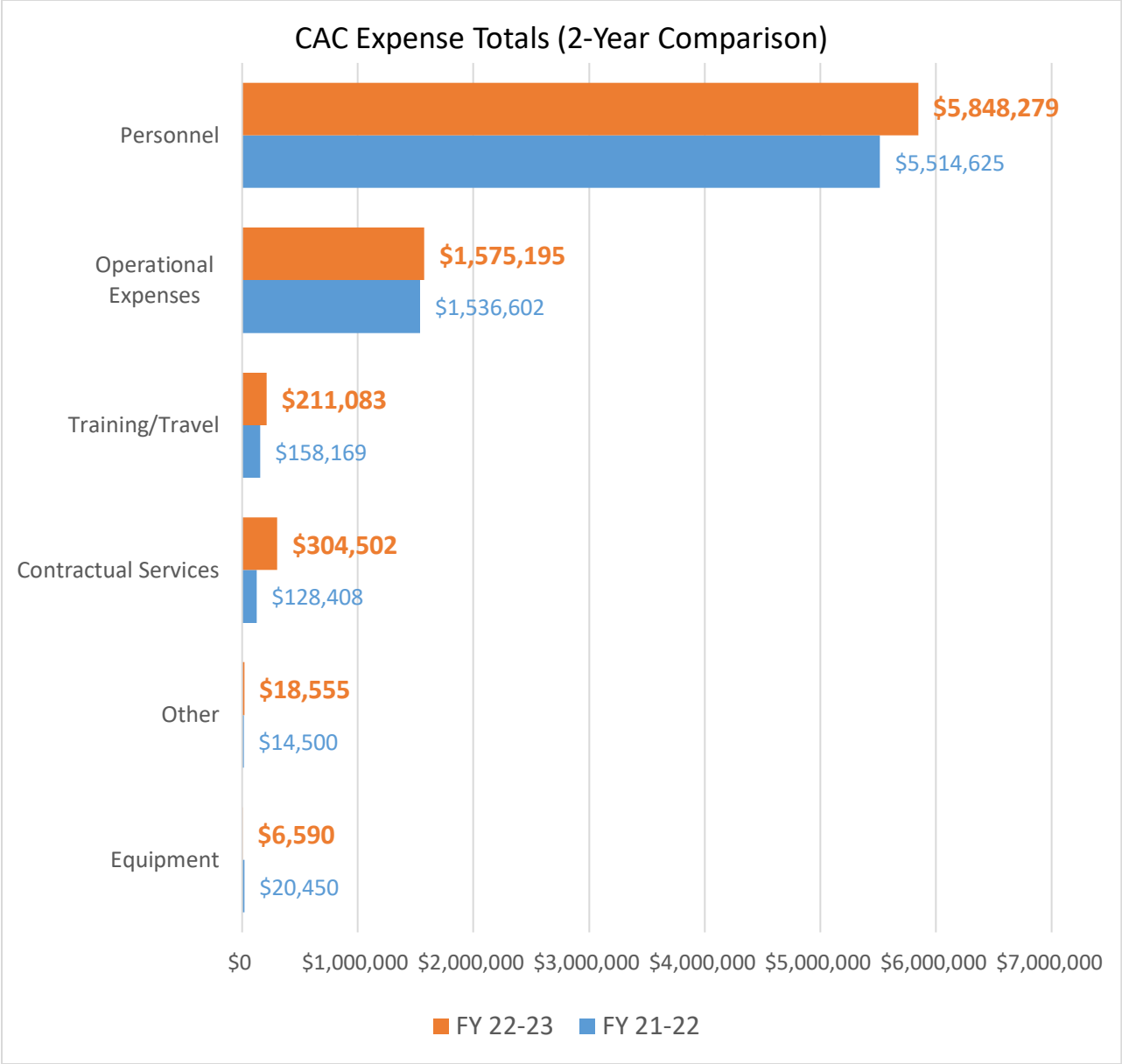
Number of CACs with Income Source		
	% CAC Budgets FY 22--23	% CACs Budgets FY 21-22
State Grants	24%	30%
Federal Grants (VOCA, JJDP, NCA, etc.)	43%	41%
County Funding	7%	7%
Municipal Funding	<1%	<1%
Foundations	8%	8%
Crime Victims Compensation	<1%	<1%
Corporations	2%	1%
Donations/Fundraising	6%	6%
United Way	3%	3%
Organizations (Junior League, Rotary, etc.)	<1%	<1%
In-Kind	<1%	<1%
Earned Income	5%	2%
Other (example: training income)	2%	1%

Non-Government Funding vs. Government Funding

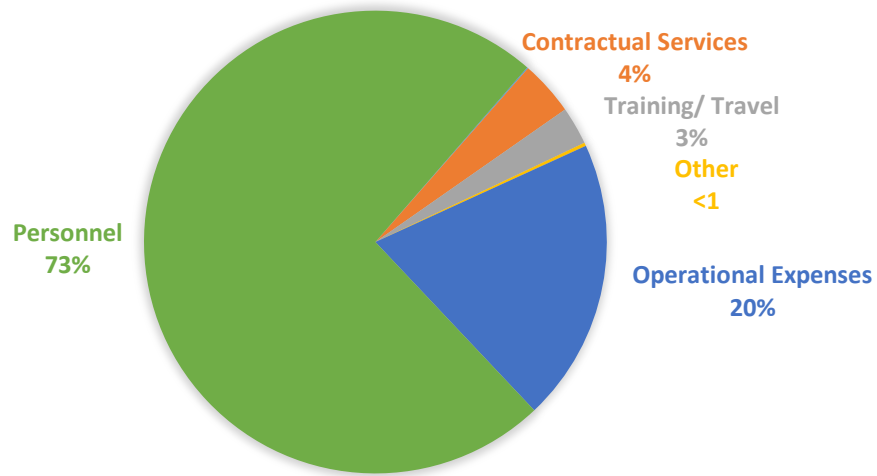


Expenses

CAC Income Amounts by Category and Fiscal Year			
	<i>FY 22-23</i>	<i>% Increase/Decrease from previous FY</i>	<i>FY 21-22</i>
Equipment	\$6,590	-68%	\$20,450
Contractual Services	\$304,502	+137%	\$128,408
Training/ Travel	\$211,083	+33%	\$158,169
Other	\$18,555	+28%	\$14,500
Operational Expenses (rent, supplies, utilities, organizational insurance, etc.)	\$1,575,195	+3%	\$1,536,602
Personnel (including taxes & benefits)	\$5,848,279	+6%	\$5,514,625
TOTALS	\$7,964,204	+8%	\$7,372,754



FY 22-23 CAC EXPENSE PROPORTIONS



Expense Category Proportions - 2 Year Comparison

