



*Interagency Council on Homelessness*  
***Emergency Response & Shelter Operations (ERSO)***  
***Committee***



***January 4, 2023***



**Convention for Recording ICH Committee Meetings:**

- ❖ Recording for purposes of complying with the open meeting act requirements
- ❖ Available for anyone who requests a copy at [ich.info@dc.gov](mailto:ich.info@dc.gov).

# Welcome, Intro & Call for Announcements



## ❖ Intros:

- Chat intros for attendees: name, pronouns, org, title/role
- Quick round of hellos from Co-Chairs and ICH staff with formal roles leading or supporting meeting

## ❖ Call for Partner Announcements/Reminders:

- Please “chat” any significant partner announcements, especially those changes/updates that impact the system
- We will make time on the agenda, as appropriate, or include in the notes

# Adopting Notes & Managing the Listserv



## ❖ **Adopting Prior Meeting Notes:**

- Automatically adopted unless meeting attendees flag issues
- Generally, ICH team sends out meeting notes within a week
- Please review as soon as possible and flag any errors/issues
- If we don't hear back within a week, assuming good to adopt

## ❖ **Managing the Listserv:**

- Meeting materials are only distributed to listserv members
- If you are **not** on the listserv, you will **not** receive materials
- To join the listserv, email [ich.info@dc.gov](mailto:ich.info@dc.gov)

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  - b) NYA Shelter Re-Design (25 mins)
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  - b) Office of Migrant Services
  - c) Covid & Monkeypox
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  - a) Operational Updates & Capacity
  - b) Response during Cold Weather Emergency
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# Operational Updates and Capacity



| MEN                                                                             |              |           |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|-----------|
|                                                                                 | Bed Occupied | Vacancies |
| 801 East A Wing<br>(Catholic Charities/<br>Community Connections )              | 192          | 0         |
| Adams Place Shelter<br>(Catholic Charities)                                     | 125          | 0         |
| New York Avenue HAC<br>(Catholic Charities)                                     | 220          | 5         |
| Pat Handy Legacy                                                                | 123          | 7         |
| Blair House                                                                     | 61           | 11        |
| 801 East Day Center                                                             | 32           | 8         |
| CCNV-Drop in Center<br>Federal City<br>(Community for Creative<br>Non-Violence) | 59           | 8         |
| Salvation Army<br>(Catholic Charities)                                          | 34           | 6         |
| Church of Epiphany                                                              | 29           | 1         |
| Trinidad                                                                        | 22           | 38        |
| <b>Total Vacancies a/o<br/>1/2/23</b>                                           |              | <b>84</b> |

| WOMEN                                                              |               |           |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|
|                                                                    | Beds Occupied | Vacancies |
| Harriet Tubman/Building 9<br>(Catholic Charities)                  | 155           | 0         |
| Saint Josephine Bakhita<br>Women's Shelter<br>(Catholic Charities) | 19            | 1         |
| Patricia Handy Shelter<br>(N Street Village)                       | 125           | 15        |
| Aadams Place Day Center                                            | 18            | 12        |
| CCNV-2 South                                                       | 20            | 4         |
| Sherwood Recreation<br>Center                                      | 35            | 25        |
| <b>Total Vacancies a/o<br/>1/2/23</b>                              |               | <b>57</b> |

| LGBTQ                             |               |           |
|-----------------------------------|---------------|-----------|
|                                   | Beds Occupied | Vacancies |
| Living Life Alternative<br>(KBEC) | 40            | 0         |

# Cold Emergencies Highlights



- ❖ Eight warming buses were deployed during the cold weather emergencies.
  - Warming buses touched close to 100 people over the course of three days.
  - Warming buses were able to relocate as needed to areas, that had the most need.
    - Eastern Market
    - McPherson Square Park/15<sup>th</sup> St. NW & K St.
    - 111 K Street :1<sup>st</sup> and H St. NE
    - MLK Library 9<sup>th</sup> St. NW at G St.
    - Minnesota Avenue
    - Virginia Avenue between 21<sup>st</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> NW
    - West Virginia Ave. and Mt. Olive NE
    - 27<sup>th</sup> St. and K St. near Rock Creek Park
- ❖ Day Center Hours were extended on Saturday and Sunday.
- ❖ Hypothermia locations opened early on Saturday, December 24<sup>th</sup>.
- ❖ Preliminary reporting: There were two cold weather-related FD-12s



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  - b) Staff Survey Results
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# Initial Client Survey Results

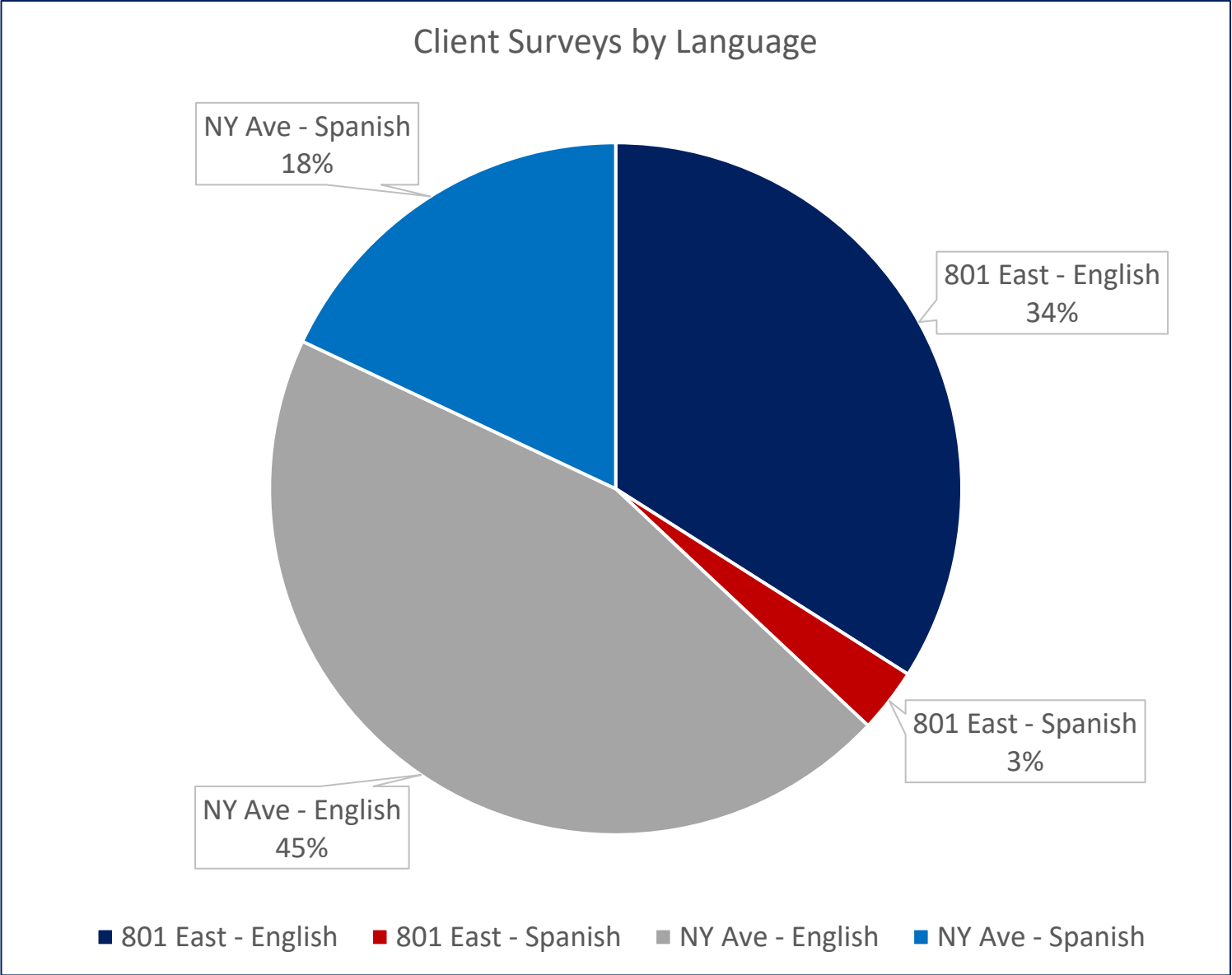


## Total Client Surveys: 100

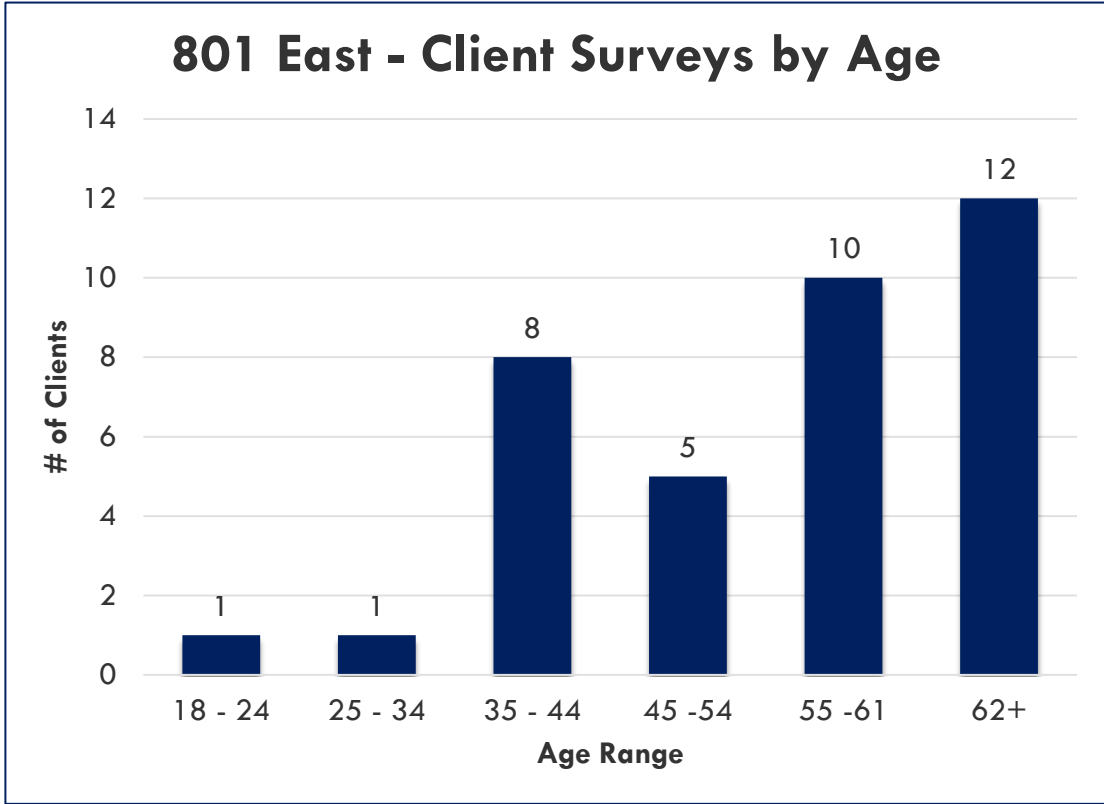
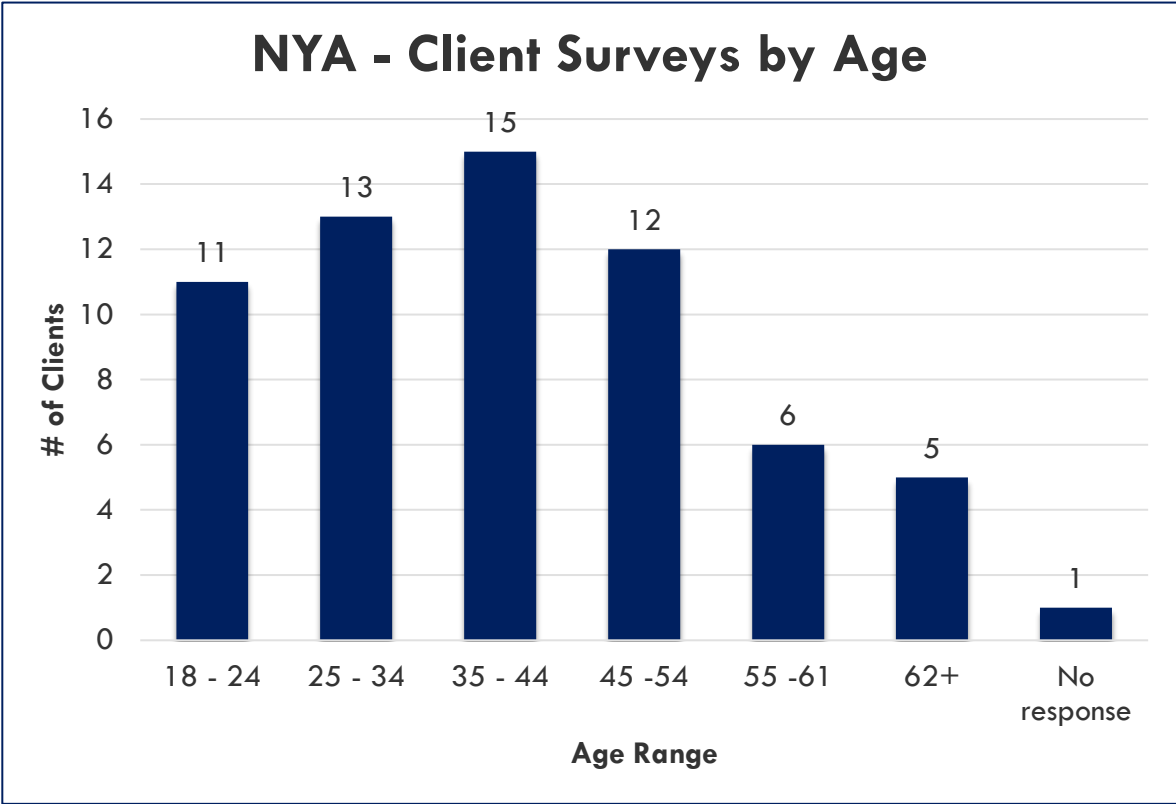
- NYA: 63
- 801 East: 37

## Survey topics/questions included:

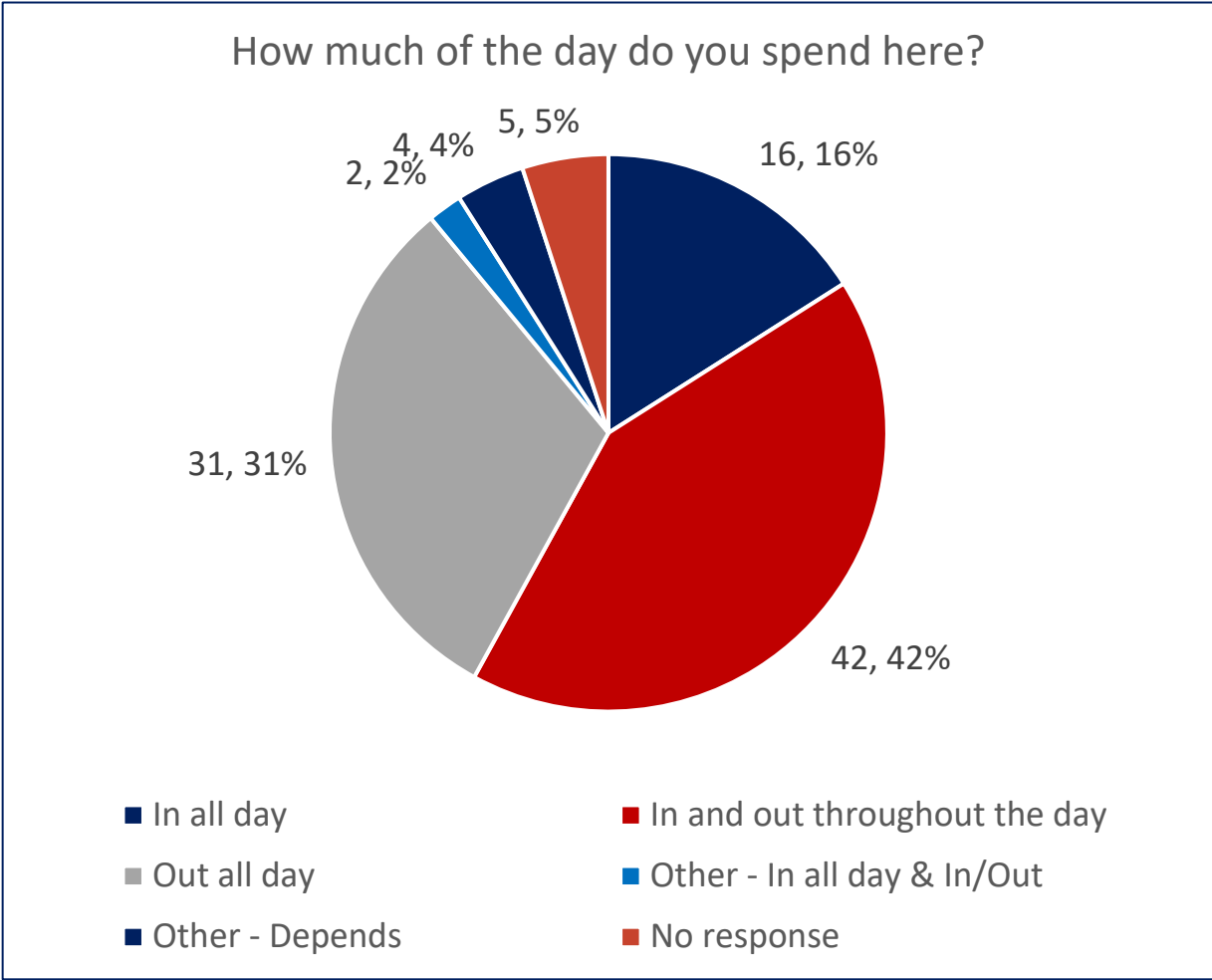
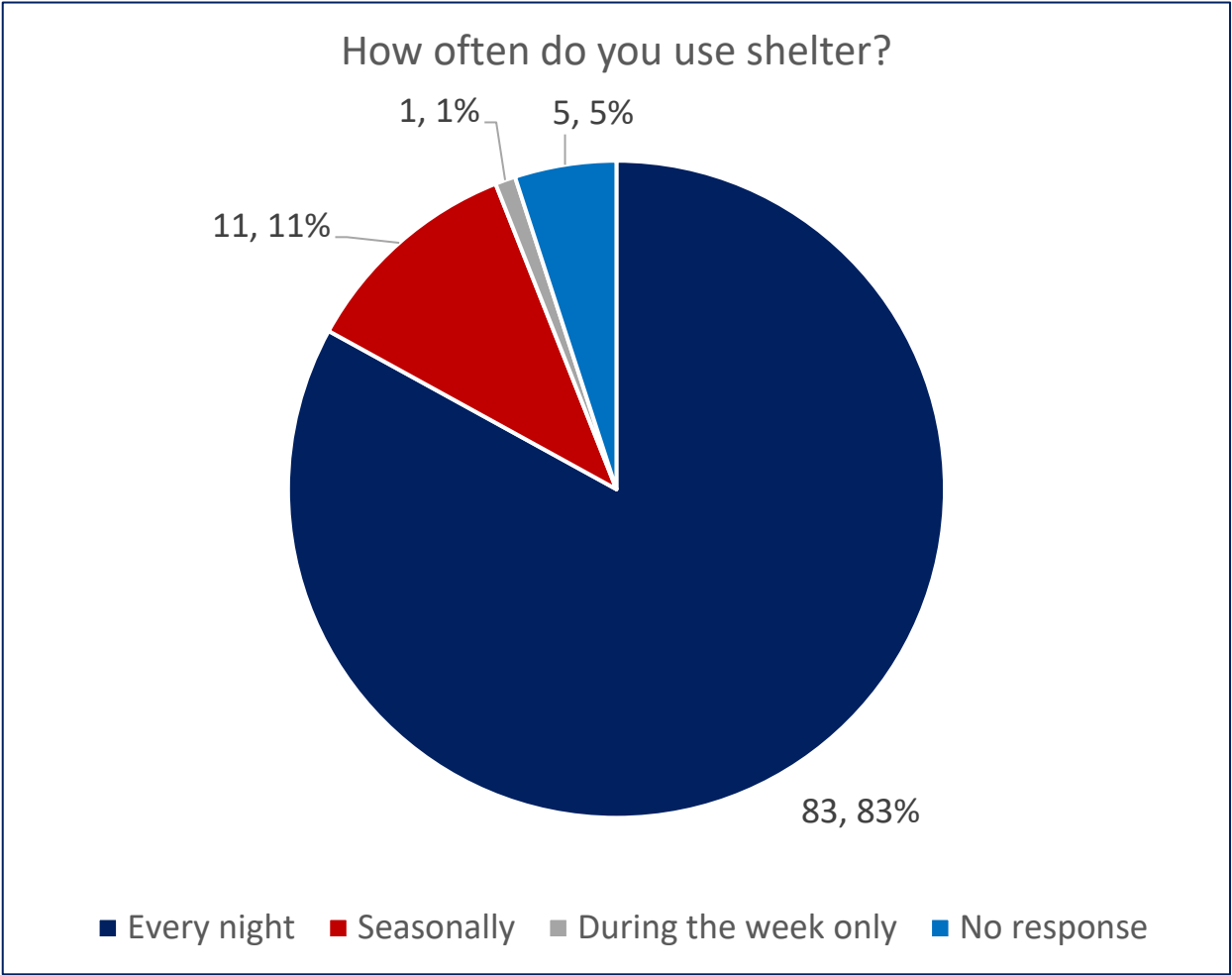
- Demographics and Shelter Usage
- Concerns, Privacy, Meals, Storage, Specialty Beds, Security, Services/Supports



# Client Surveys Continued: Age



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# Initial Staff Survey Results

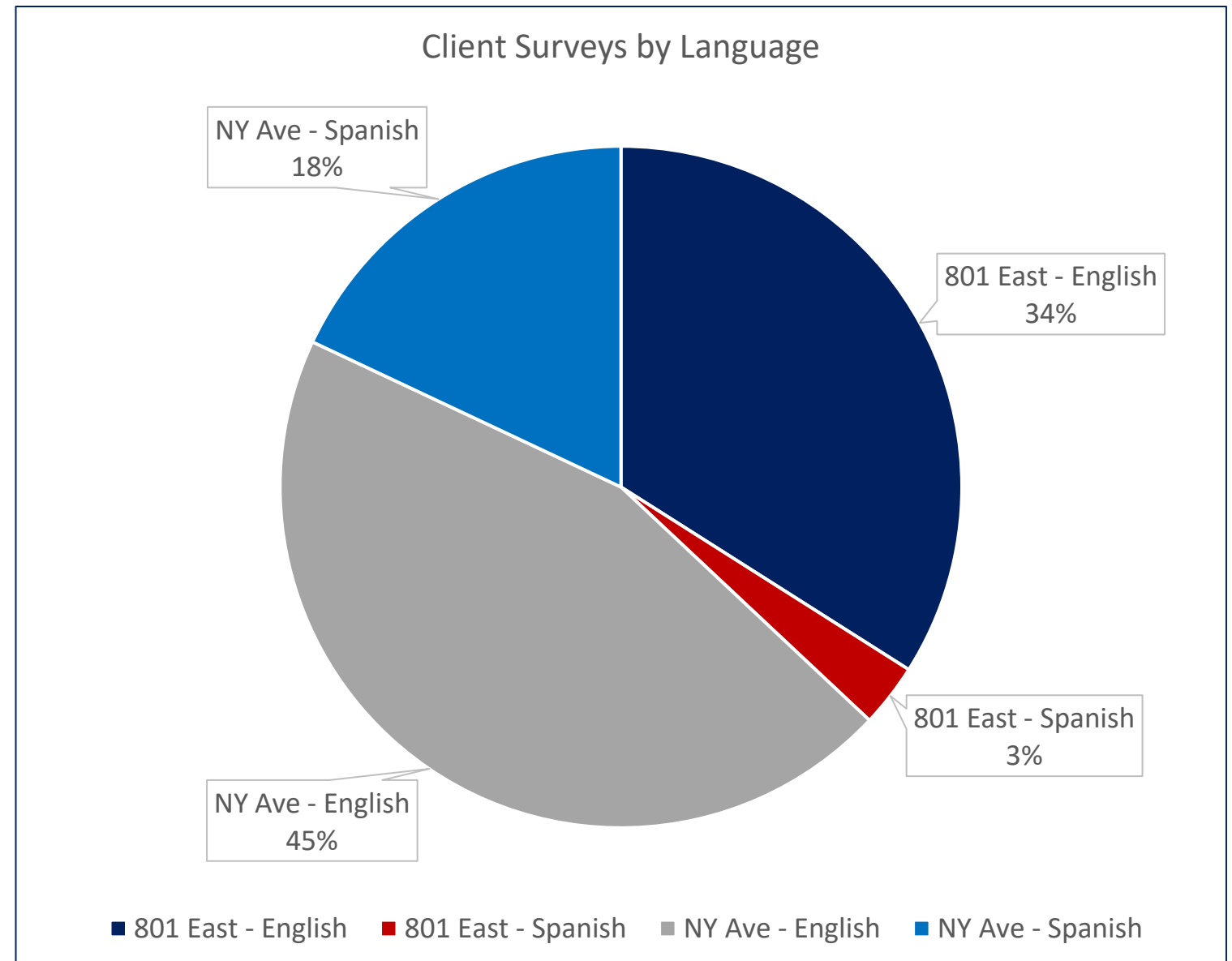


## Total Staff Surveys: 39

- NYA: 27
- 801 East: 12

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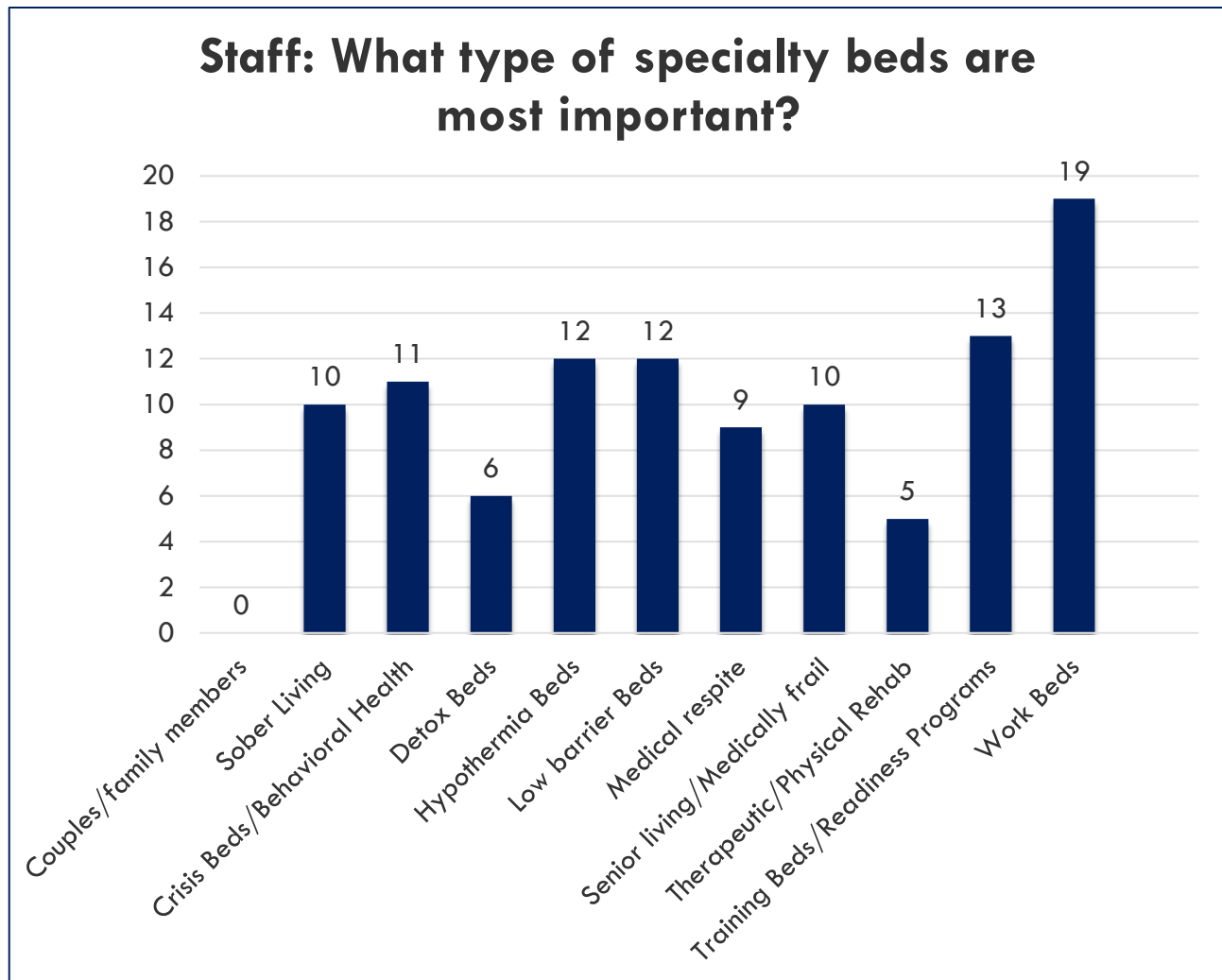
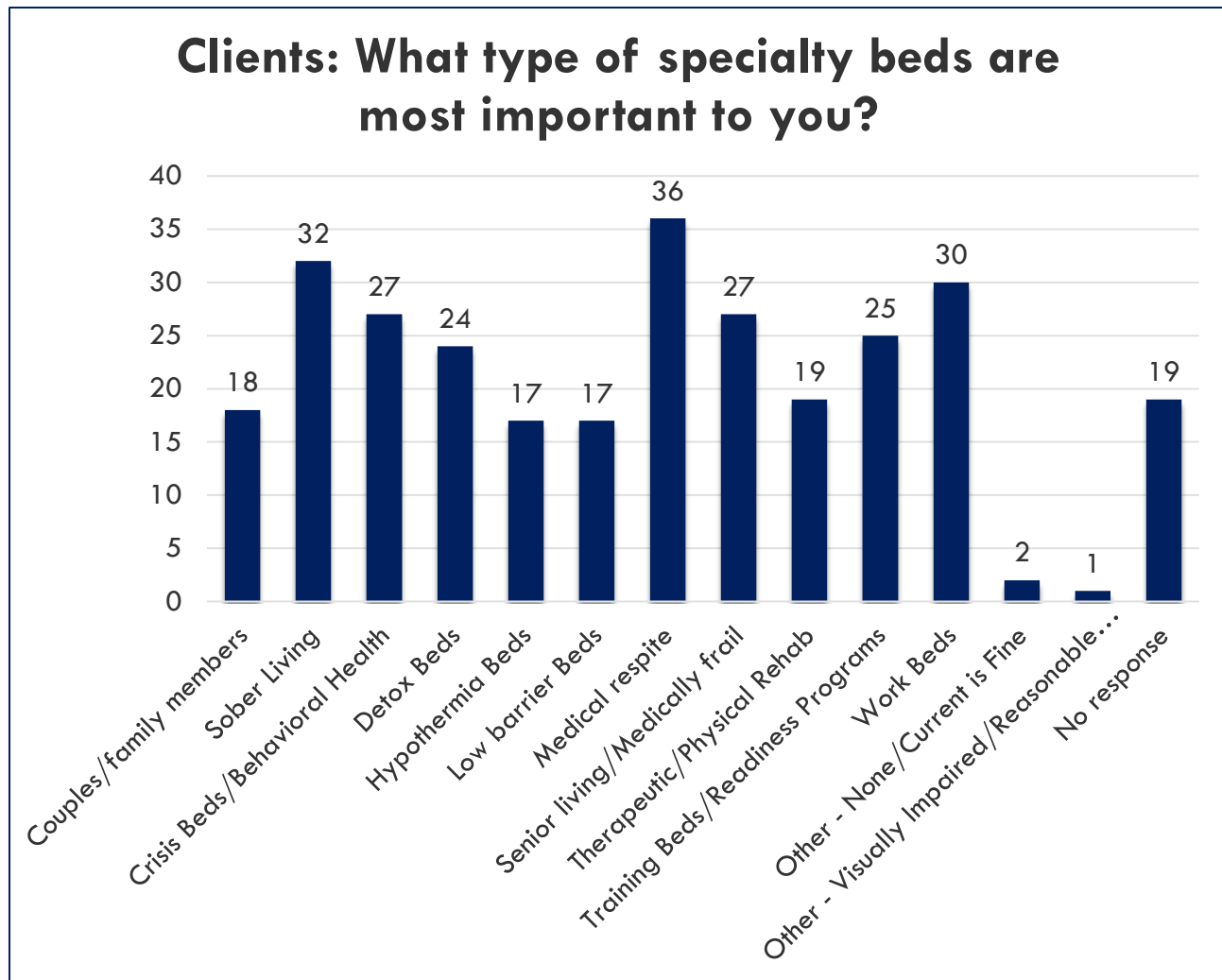
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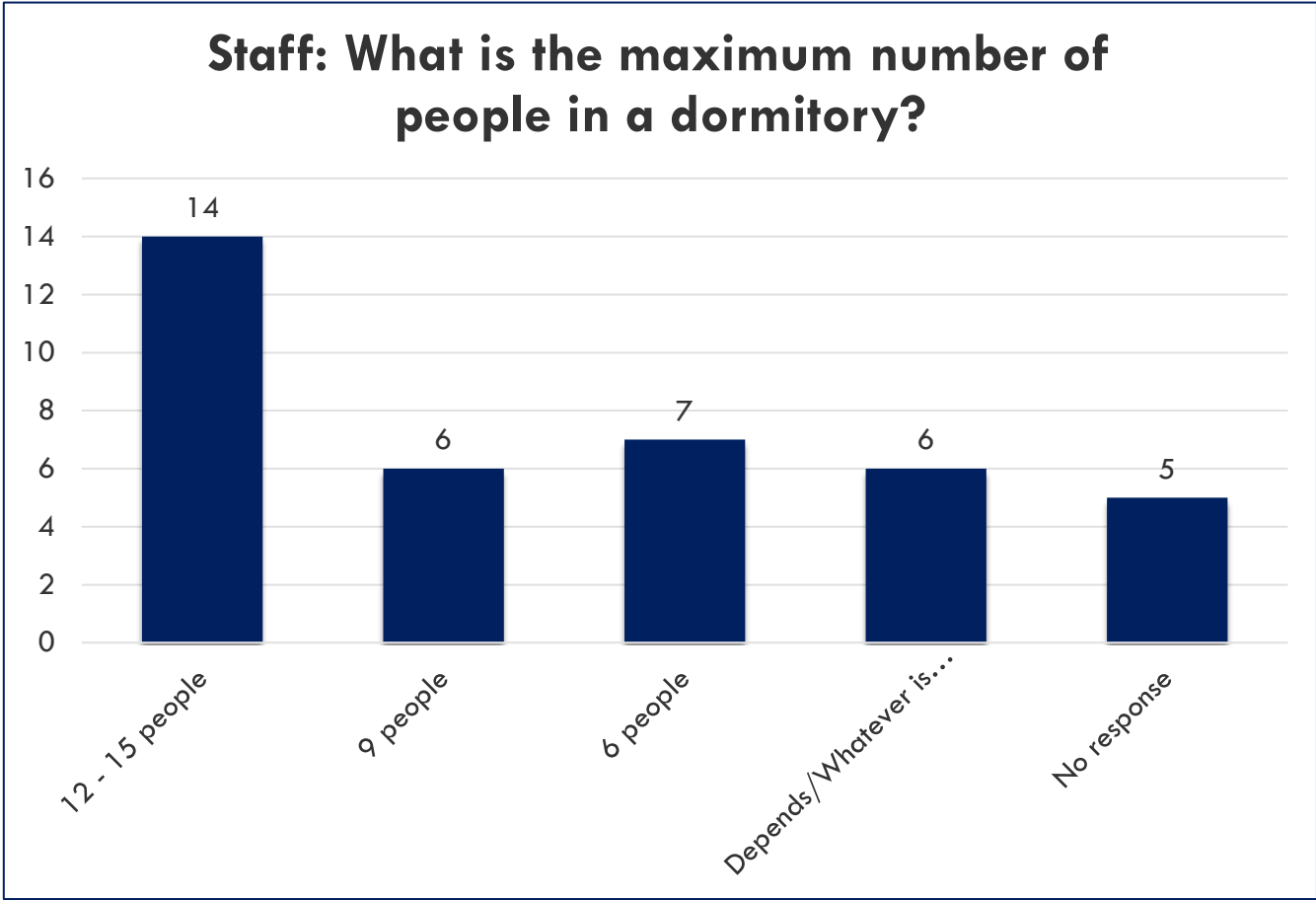
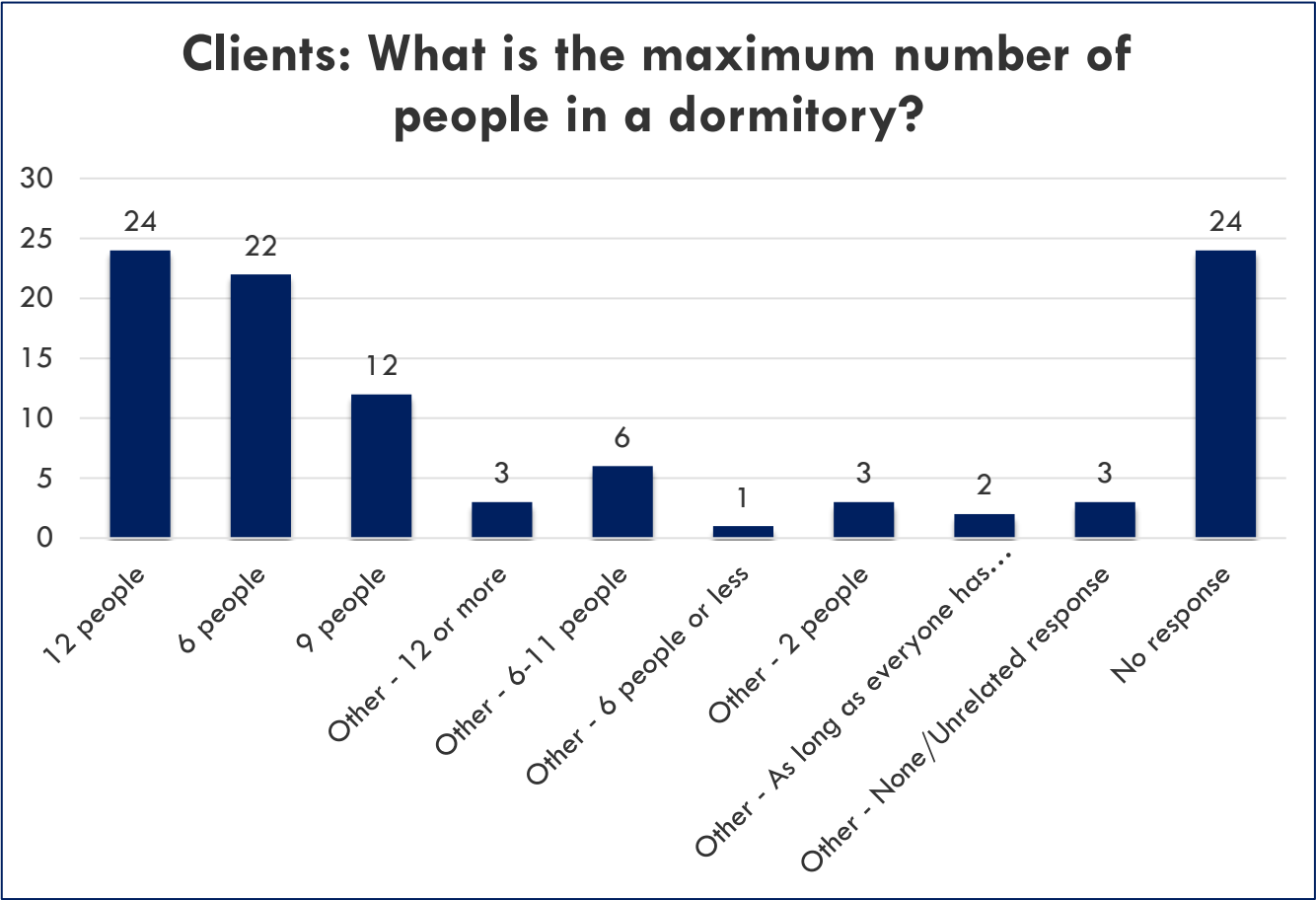
# Comparing Client & Staff Surveys: Specialty Beds

**Top 5 for Clients:** Medical respite, Sober Living, Work Beds, Crisis Beds/Senior Living

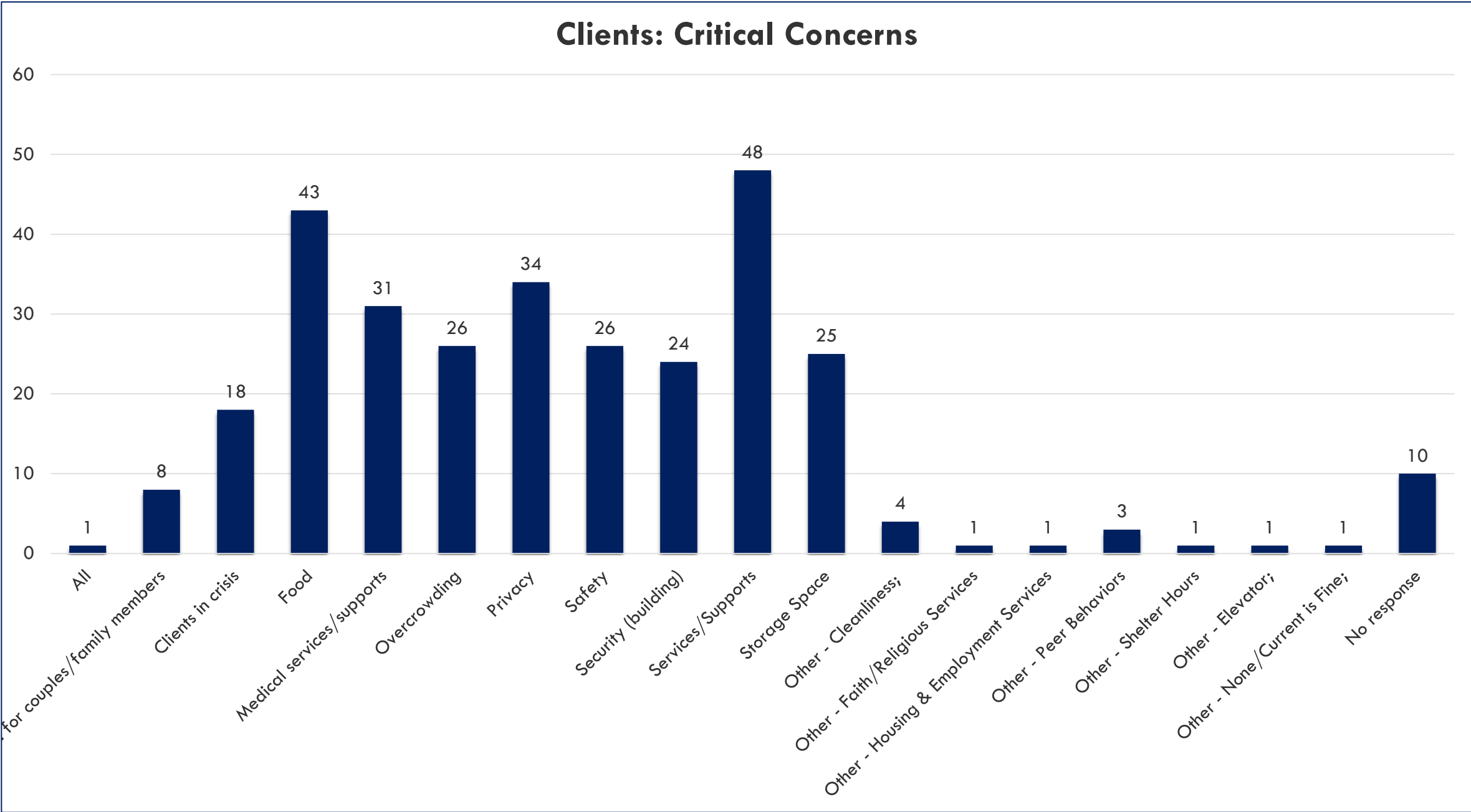
**Top 5 for Staff:** Work Beds, Training Beds, Hypo/LBS, Crisis Beds



# Comparing Client & Staff Surveys: Dormitory Space



# Client Surveys: Top 5 Concerns





# Questions/Discussion



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# Office of Migrant Services - Update

- Status of hiring a program manager & staff
  - DHS is currently interviewing candidates
- What services are being provided?
  - The District is providing temporary accommodations to migrant families who need additional time to identify a more stable, longer-term plan.
  - They receive food and safe shelter, case management services, access to medical care including vaccines, and school-age children are being enrolled in DCPS, and other services as needed and appropriate.
- What is IEM and how are they involved?
  - IEM (more info [HERE](#)) is a staff augmentation firm with expertise in a variety of emergency response environments. Their team was brought on to rapidly staff the temporary lodging hotels.

# Office of Migrant Services – Update (ctd)

- What the messaging for clients who need services? Where can we direct clients and what can they expect in terms of process?
  - The District is setting up various types of services to help migrants arriving in the District receive the support they need to achieve stability.
  - In early 2023, we will be establishing a site where migrants can access information to help plan immediate next steps.
  - For any general inquiries about migrant services policies and services, please email [Migrant.Services@dc.gov](mailto:Migrant.Services@dc.gov)

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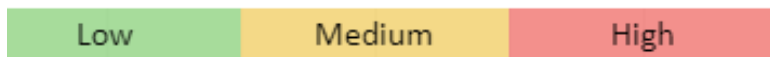
# COVID-19 Update – Case Count in the District

## Current COVID-19 Community Level District of Columbia

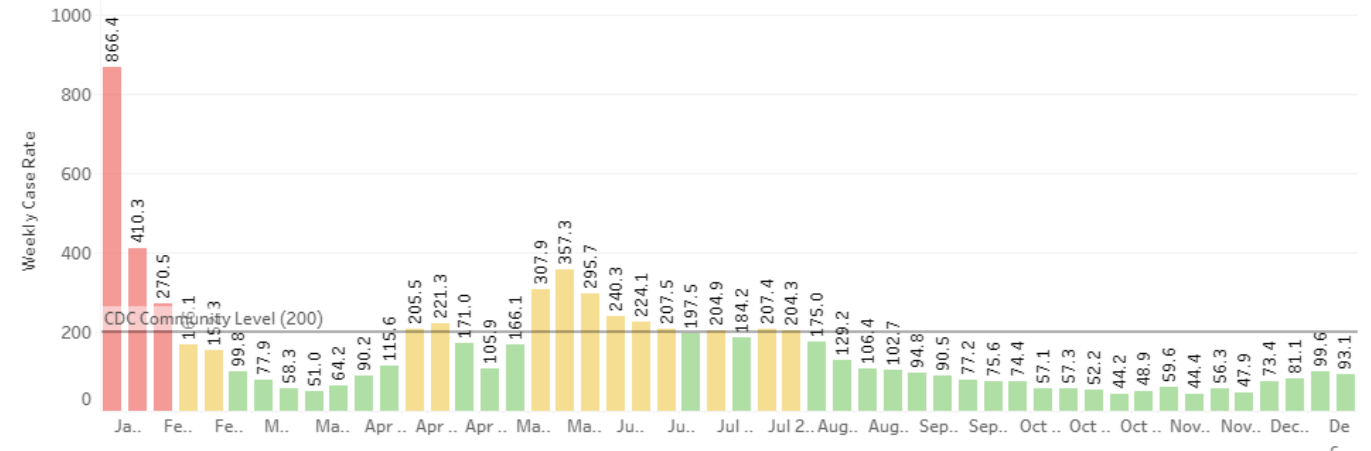


Limited impact on the healthcare system  
Low levels of disease severity

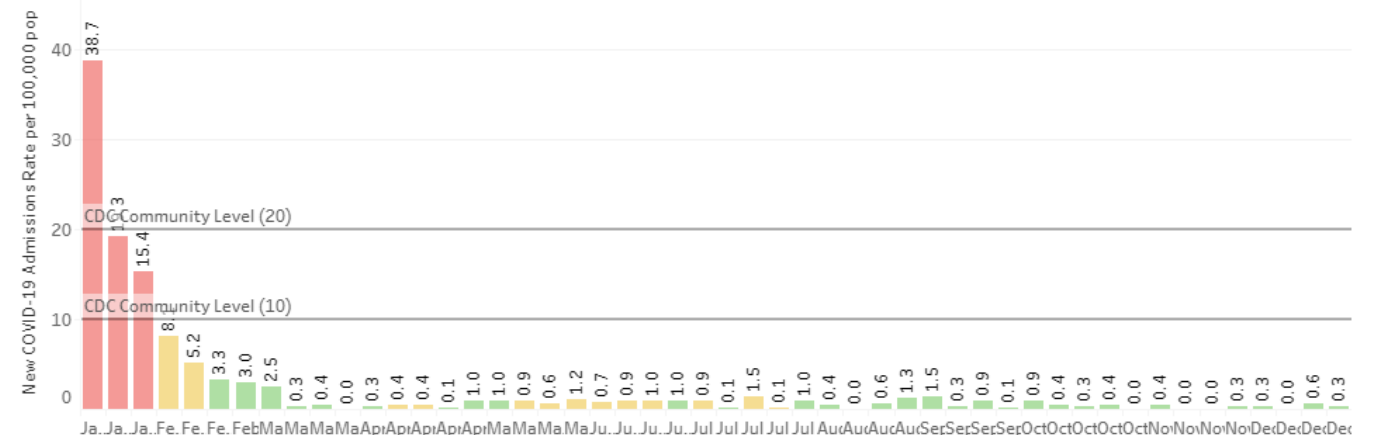
### Legend



District of Columbia COVID-19 Weekly Case Rate  
DC residents, per 100,000 population



New Weekly Hospital Admissions due to COVID-19  
DC Residents, per 100,000 population



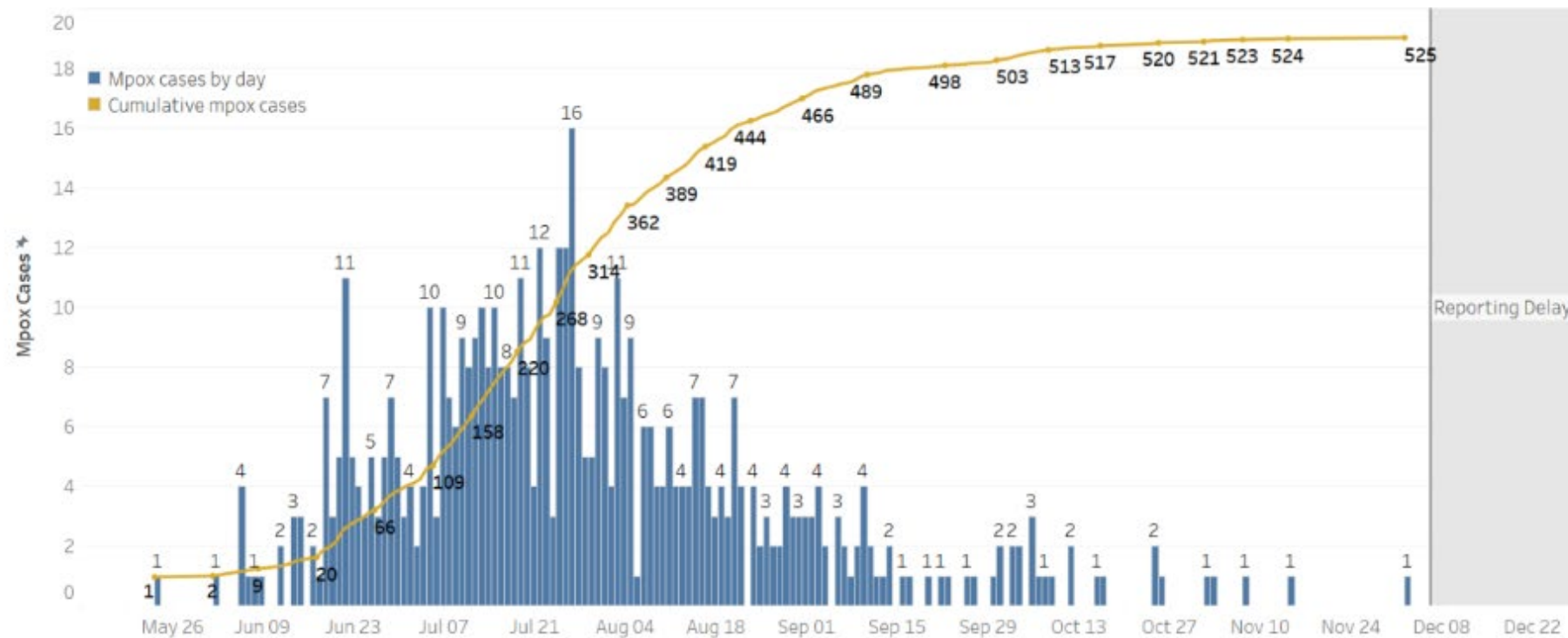
# COVID-19 Update – Guidance

- No changes to the mask mandate – the mask mandate is still in place for congregate settings
- Isolation & Quarantine (ISAQ) is still available for shelter residents who test positive for COVID-19. Call: 202-671-3076
- FOR AWARENESS ONLY: The ISAQ location is changing to a different hotel. Transfers began on 12/26.
- Unity is still offering COVID Vaccinations/Boosters & Testing at Low Barrier Shelters. \$20 gift cards are offered for vaccinations/boosters.
- Any sites needing additional PPE or test kits can request supplies [HERE](#).



# MPX Updates – Case Count in the District

Mpox Cases Among DC Residents by Day



Data Source: DC Health (as of 12/27/2022)  
 Cases are included by date of symptom onset if known, or date of estimated symptom onset (6 days prior to specimen collection date)  
 \* Infections that began during this time period may not yet be reported  
 Data are subject to change

Case counts remain **very low**. In November there were only 3 cases in the District.

ISAQ is available for any client with a suspected case of MPX.

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