

Peer Support Acute Care Diversion

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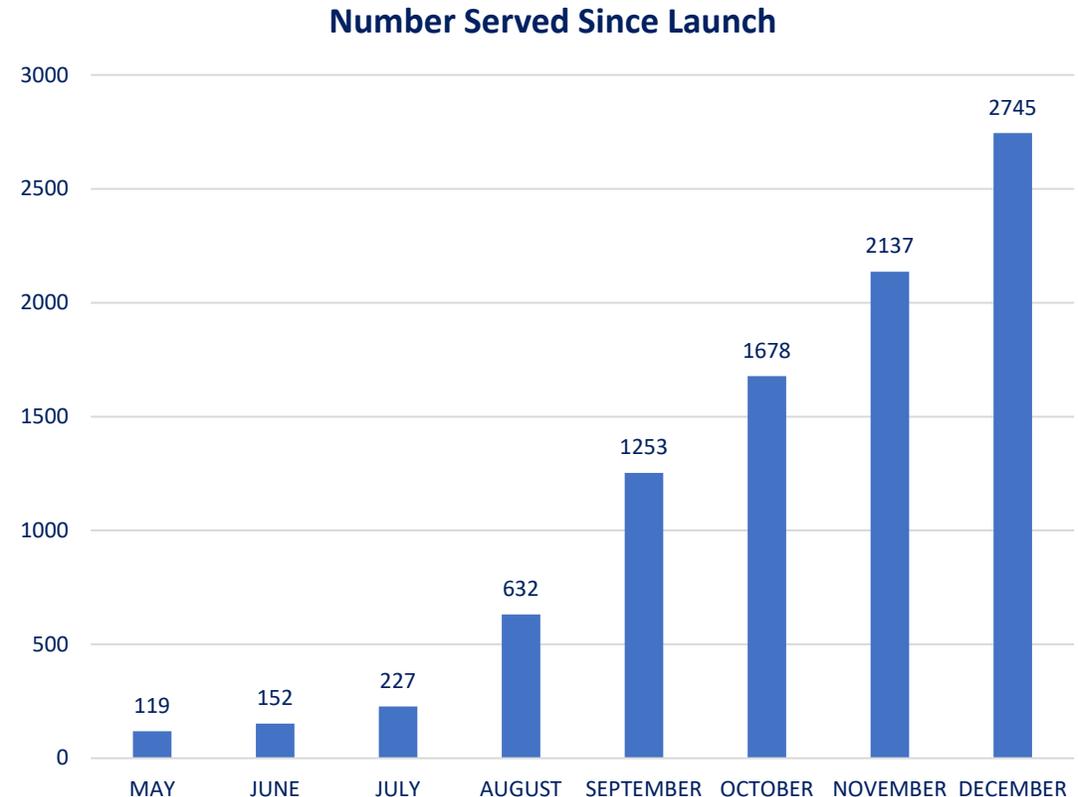
- **Purpose:**
 - Reduce repeat Psychiatric Emergency Services (PES)/emergency department visits and psychiatric hospitalizations.
- **General Implementation:**
 - Staffing includes direct care Certified Peer Specialists and Peer Coordinators.
 - Collaboration with PES center staff, emergency department teams, and community resources.
- **Target Population:**
 - Individuals frequently utilizing psychiatric screening services.
- **Support Process:**
 - Referrals from psychiatric screening center staff.
 - Peers assist with follow-up services, referrals, appointment support, and resource navigation to decrease emergency room visits.



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Impact through Service Delivery

- **Total Individuals Served: 2,745+ since May 2023**





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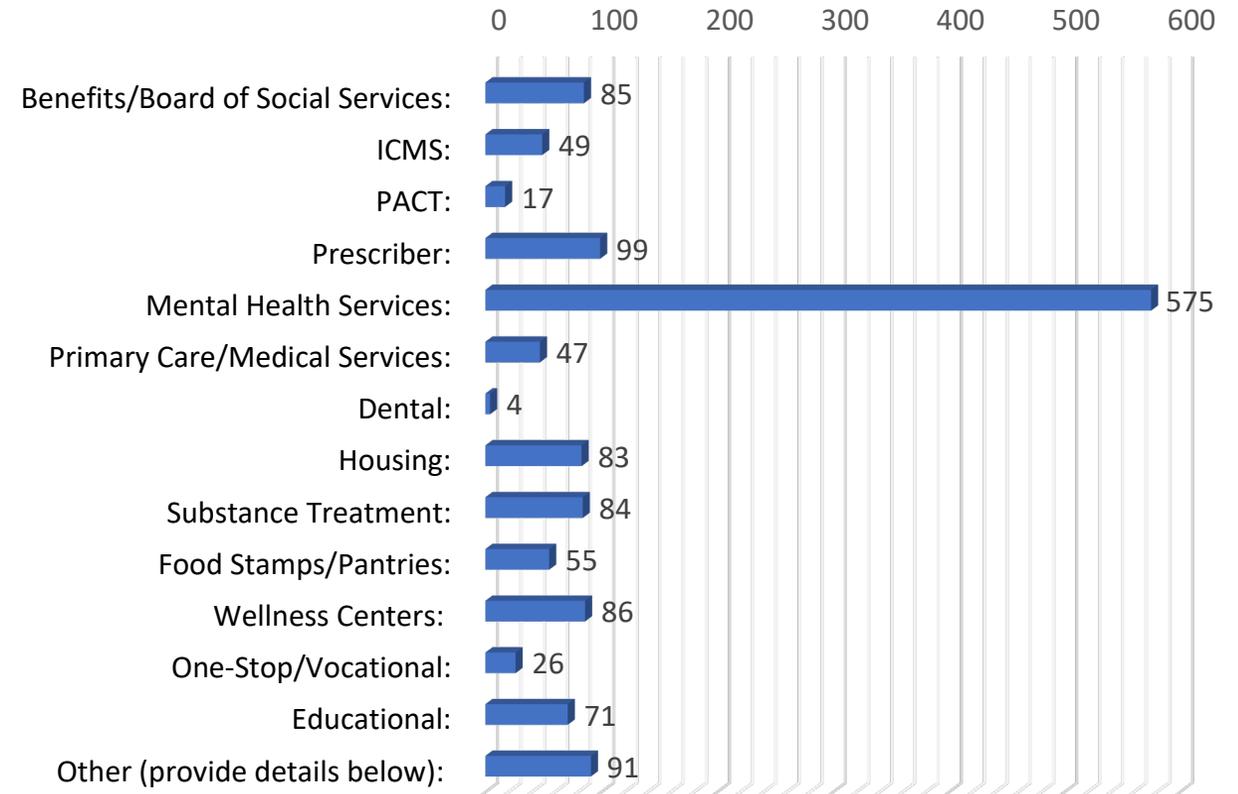
Service Provided	Total
Number of hours of Community Outreach	1860
Number of Case Management hours	2312
Number of consumers who received medication payment assistance	26
Number of WRAP developed	90
Number of Psychiatric Advanced Directives developed	21



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Building a Supportive Network

- **Mental Health Services:** 575 total linkages, ensuring accessible and continuous mental health care.
- **Housing Support:** 83 total linkages, facilitating stable living conditions for our community members.
- **Substance Treatment:** 84 total linkages, offering targeted support for substance use recovery.
- **Benefits and Social Services:** 85 linkages with Benefits/Board of Social Services, securing vital resources for those in need.
- **Medical and Dental Services:** Combining primary care, dental services, and prescriber linkages to address comprehensive health needs.
- **Employment and Education:** Linkages with One-Stop/Vocational and Educational services to support personal growth and economic stability.





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Program Metrics & Outcomes

- **Total Served:** 2,745
- **PES/ED Visits:** 266 active consumers
- **Hospitalizations:** 136 active consumers

