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Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion

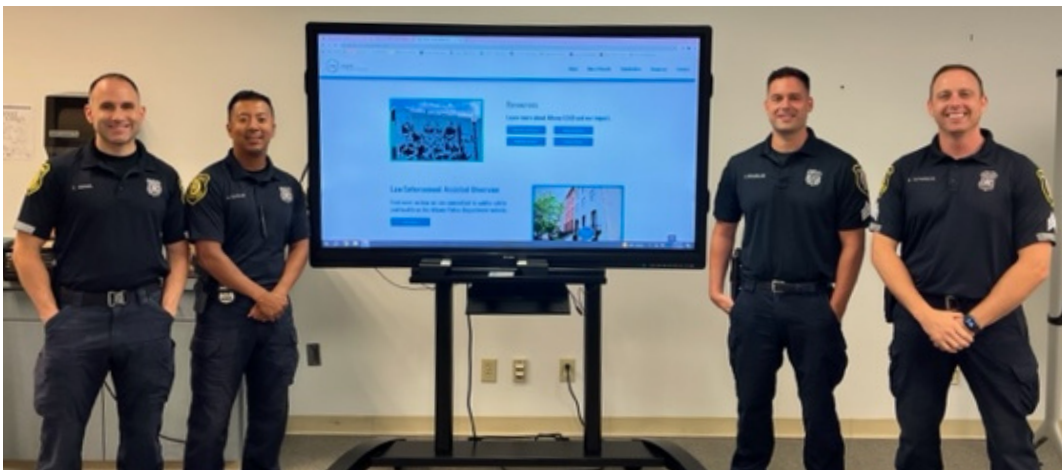
Q2 REPORT 2023

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What is Albany LEAD?

Albany LEAD helps people who may experience mental illness, substance use, poverty, or homelessness avoid citation, arrest, and incarceration related to those issues. It does so by providing case managers who support them in addressing immediate and long-term needs.

LEAD seeks to increase equity and reduce harm within communities by reorienting the systems that shape health and safety. LEAD also seeks to change attitudes, behaviors, and systems—made possible by local stakeholders committed to collaboration and collective response.



Q2 Services

114
PEOPLE
PARTICIPATED
IN SERVICES

During the second quarter of 2023, 114 people participated in services with Catholic Charities' Care Coordination Services on behalf of Albany LEAD. The number of services per client ranged from one to 139 services. The chart below presents the most frequently provided services during the quarter.

FIGURE 1

Top 10 Services

500

400

300

200

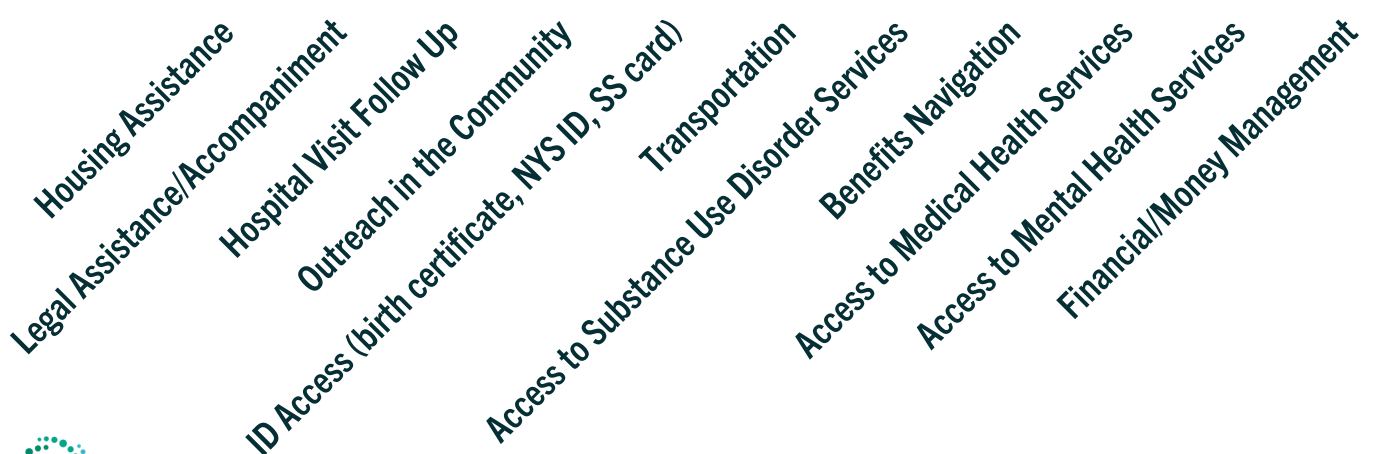
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During the quarter, housing assistance continued to emerge as the most frequently provided service. We also added a new category of services to this chart, ID Access, which shows the number of services case managers provided to help people access birth certificates, NYS identification, and/or Social Security cards, which are needed to participate in many housing options and other services.

2411

TOTAL SERVICES PROVIDED



Q2 Arrests, Diversions & Referrals

This table tracks people who were arrested during the quarter (each person is only counted once even if they were arrested multiple times during the quarter), as well as arrests on LEAD-eligible charges and social contact referrals.

Most arrests are not eligible for LEAD diversion, which is limited to certain lower-level charges. In some cases, diversion was not allowed due to past convictions on certain higher-level charges, a victim's refusal to agree to diversion or for other policy reasons; in other cases, officer discretion may have resulted in arrest rather than diversion.

FIGURE 2

Individuals Arrested and Diverted/Referred to LEAD Second Quarter (April - June 2023)

Race/ Ethnicity	Arrests	Arrests on LEAD- Eligible Charges	Diversions	% of All Arrests Diverted	% of Arrests on LEAD- Eligible Charges Diverted	Referrals
Black	234	20	1	0.4%	4.8%	4
White	99	18	2	2.0%	10.0%	10
Hispanic	15	1	0	0%	0%	1
Other	14	0	0	0%	0%	2
Total	362	39	3	0.8%	7.1%	17



FIGURE 3

Locations of Diversions/Referrals

Note: Location of diversion/referral may differ from the location where someone lives or stays.

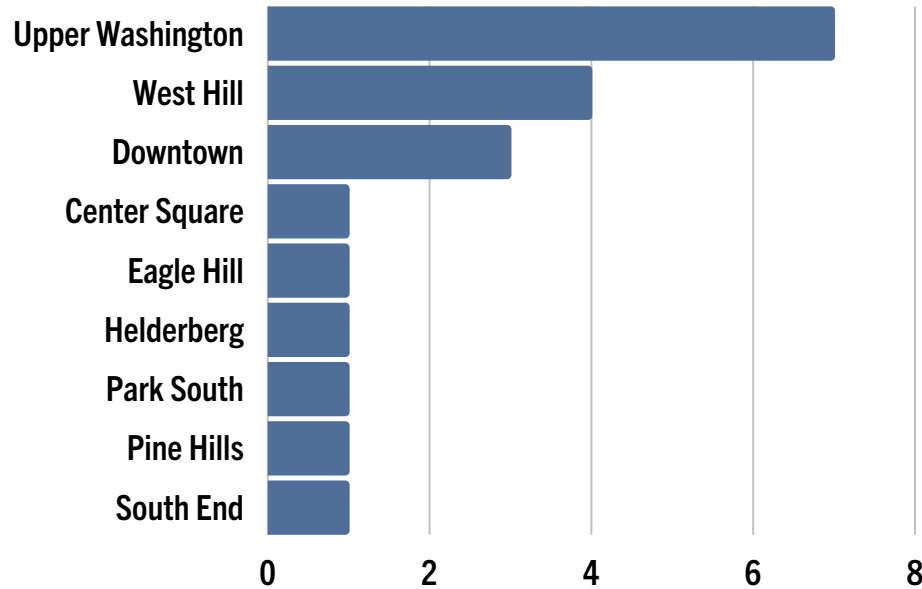
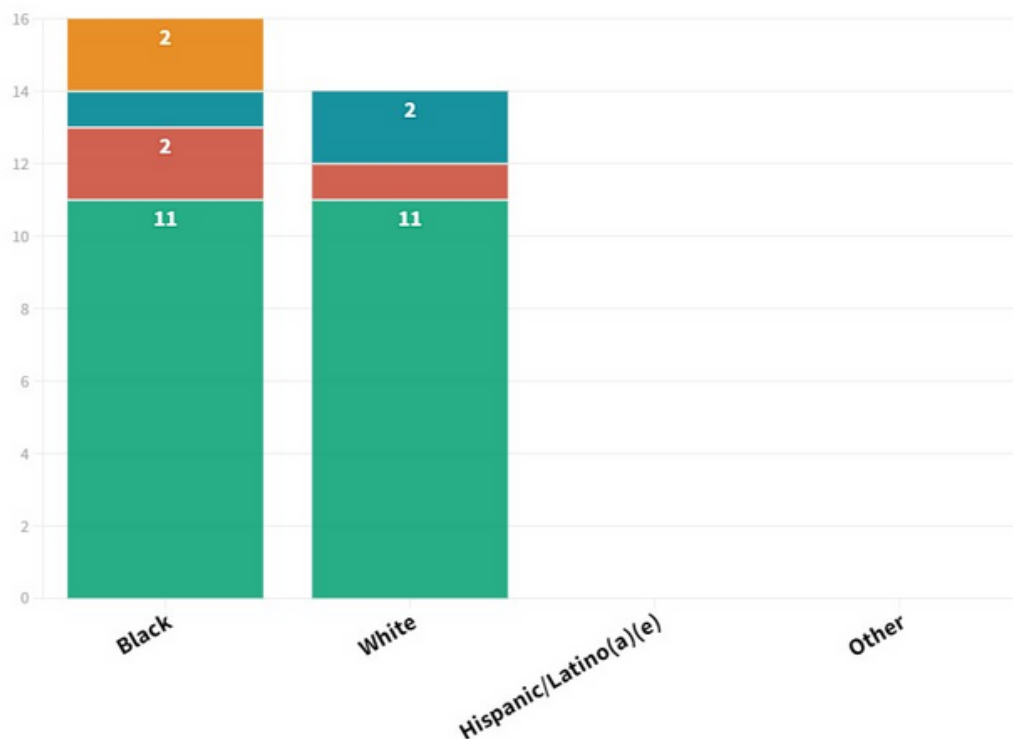


FIGURE 4

Top LEAD-Eligible Charges on Which People Were Arrested

Note: this reflects information of the top eligible charges--not all eligible charges are reflected. Though a charge may be eligible for LEAD, a person's criminal history, lack of agreement from an alleged victim, and other factors could make the case overall ineligible for diversion.



Racial and Gender Breakdowns

Under a pilot begun in Q3 of 2022, social contact referrals to Albany LEAD may now be made outside of a potential arrest situation for people with a history of arrest due to substance use, mental illness, homelessness or poverty.

FIGURE 5

Percentage of Arrests, Diversions, and Referrals by Race in Q2 2023

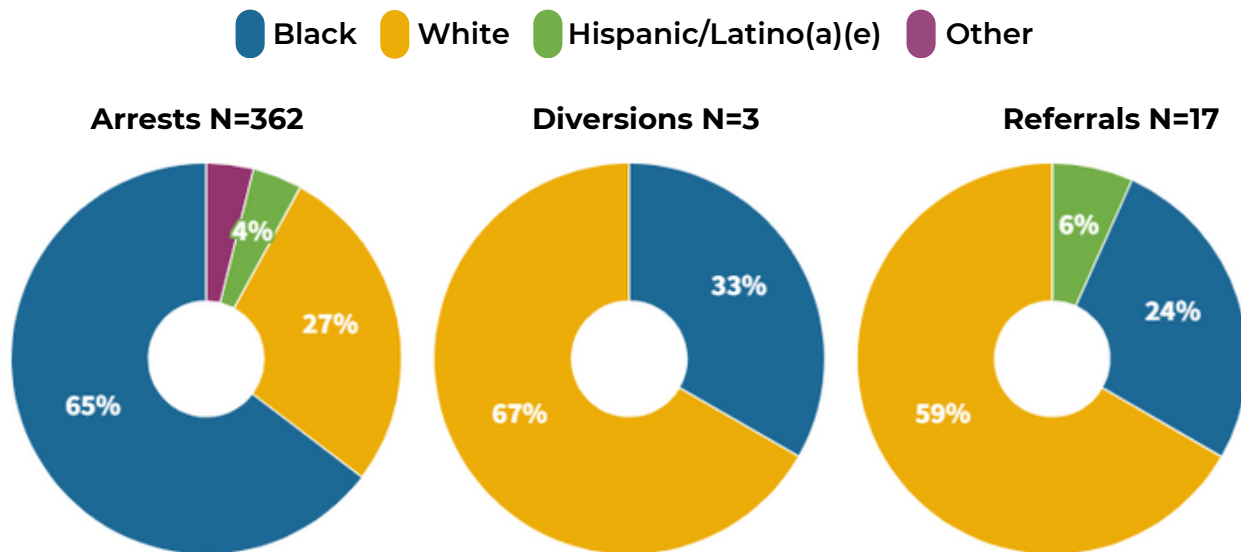


FIGURE 6

Percentage of Arrests, Diversions, and Referrals by Gender in Q2 2023

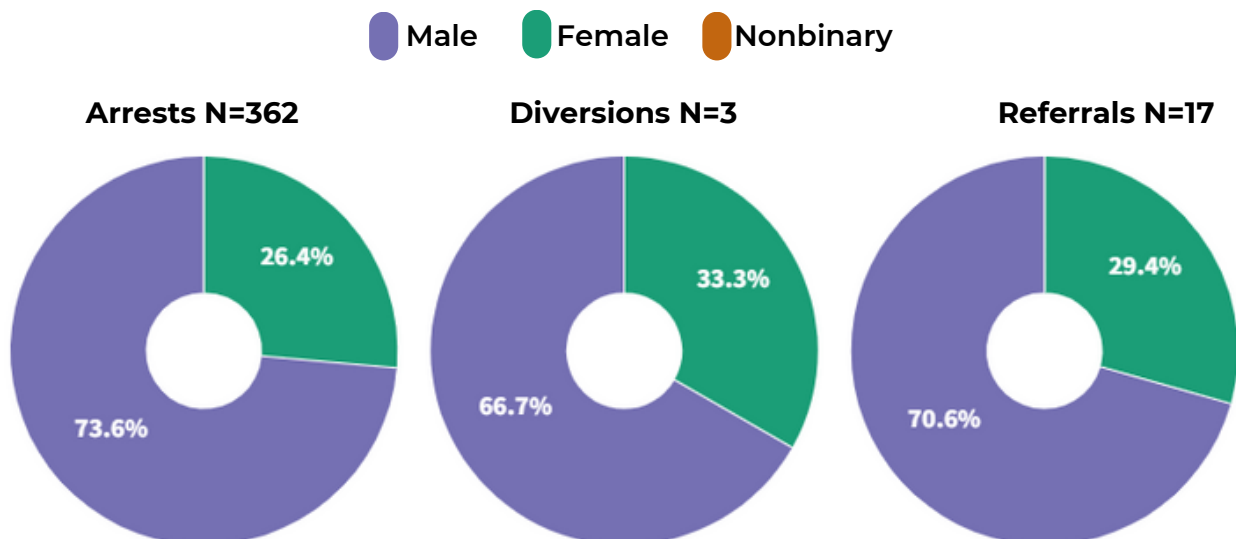


FIGURE 7

LEAD Diversions/Referrals Over Time

April 1, 2016 – June 30, 2023

Race/ Ethnicity	Diversions	% of Diversions	Social Contact Referrals	% of Social Contact Referrals
Black	117	36.7%	19	39.6%
White	178	55.8%	22	45.8%
Hispanic/ Latino(a)(e)	19	6.0%	5	10.4%
Other	5	1.6%	2	4.2%
Total	319	100%	48	100%