

**PROGRAM DESCRIPTION**

**Department: Social Services**

**HB Section(s): 11.160**

**Program Name: Alternatives to Abortion**

**Program is found in the following core budget(s): Alternatives to Abortion**

**1a. What strategic priority does this program address?**

Ensure Missourians secure and sustain healthy, safe, and productive lives.

**1b. What does this program do?**

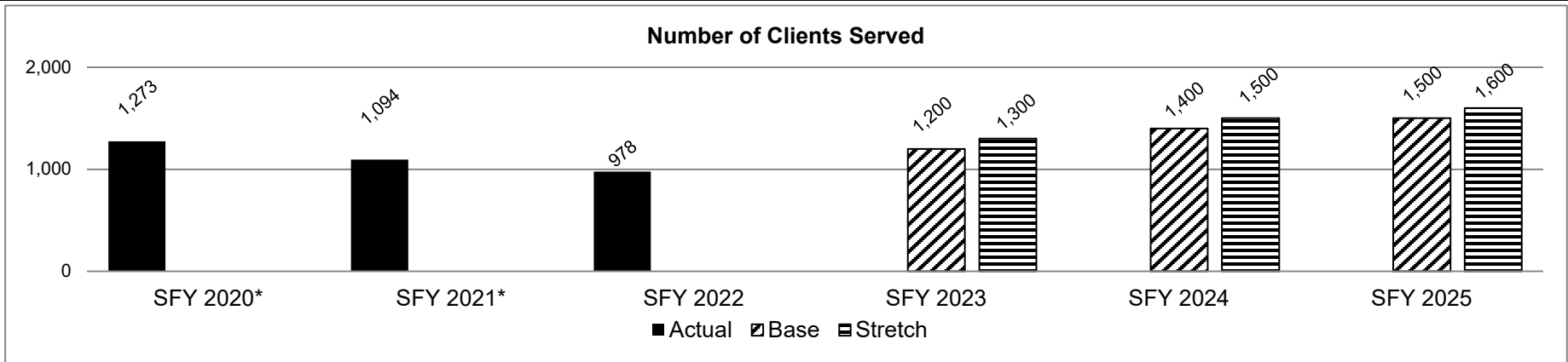
The Department of Social Services (DSS) contracts with non-profit agencies to administer Alternatives to Abortion (A2A). The goals of A2A are to: 1) Reduce abortions and improve pregnancy outcomes by helping women practice healthy behaviors; including discontinuing the use of tobacco, alcohol, and illegal drugs, and improving their nutrition; 2) Improve child health and development by helping parents provide more responsible and competent care for their child(ren); and 3) Improve families' economic self-sufficiency by helping parents develop a vision for their own future, continue their education, and find a job.

Services include: prenatal care referrals; medical and mental health care referrals; parenting skills and education; drug and alcohol testing and treatment referrals; newborn and infant care; child care; housing assistance; utilities; educational services; food, clothing and supplies (including diapers) related to pregnancy, newborn care and parenting; adoption assistance; job training and placement; establishing and promoting responsible parenting; ultrasound service referrals; case management services; domestic abuse protection; and transportation.

The purpose of A2A Public Awareness Program is to help pregnant women who are at risk for having abortions become aware of the alternatives to abortion services available to them in their local communities. The awarded entity will run a statewide outreach campaign using various platforms.

Alternatives to Abortion funds shall not be expended to perform or induce, assist in the performing or inducing of, or referring for abortions.

**2a. Provide an activity measure(s) for the program.**



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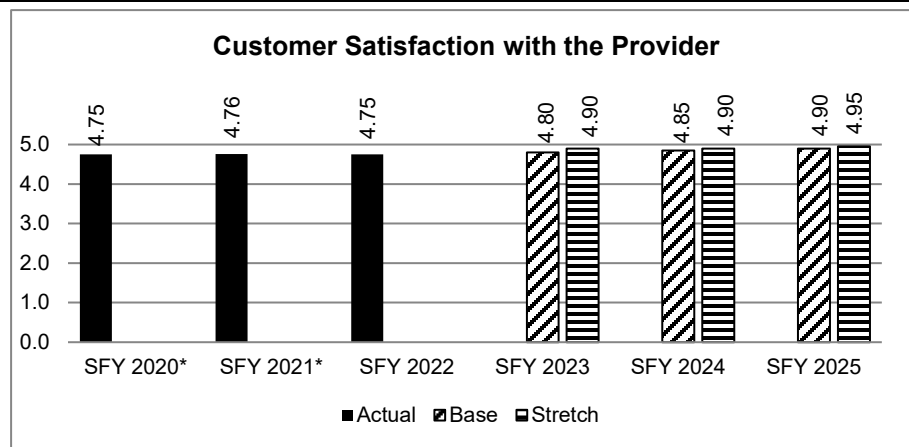
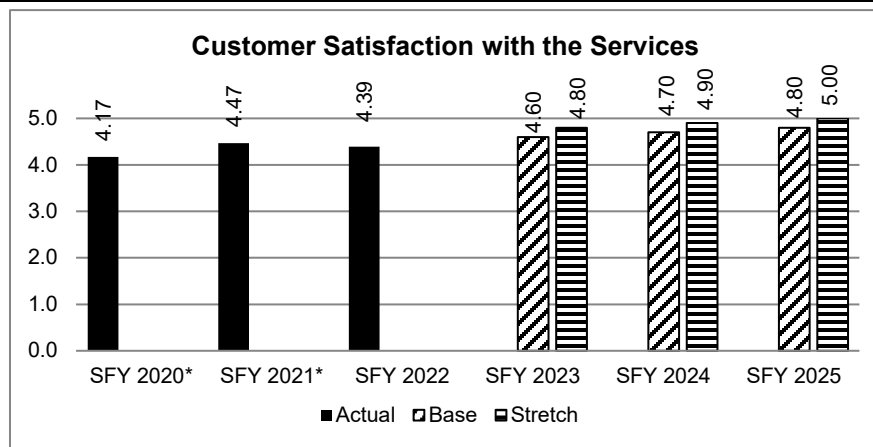
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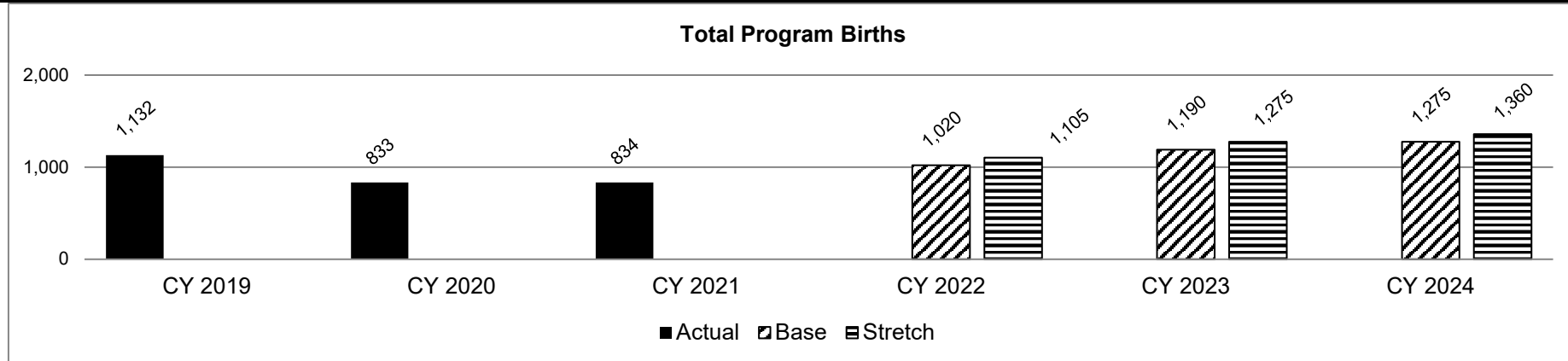
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**2b. Provide a measure(s) of the program's quality.**



Satisfaction is measured using a survey given to individuals receiving Alternatives to Abortion Services. The chart above shows recipient responses, with 5 being very satisfied and 1 being very dissatisfied.

**2c. Provide a measure(s) of the program's impact.**



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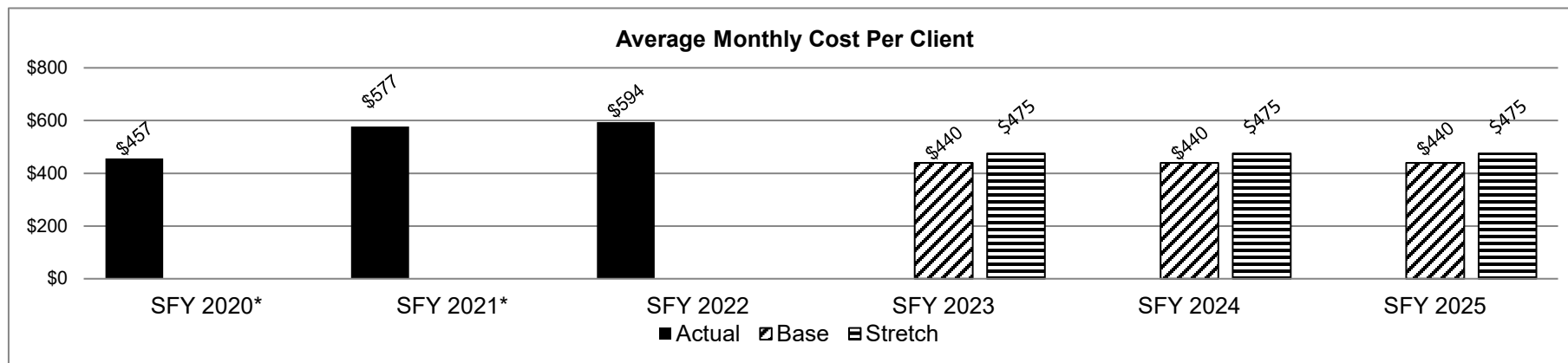
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2d. Provide a measure(s) of the program's efficiency.



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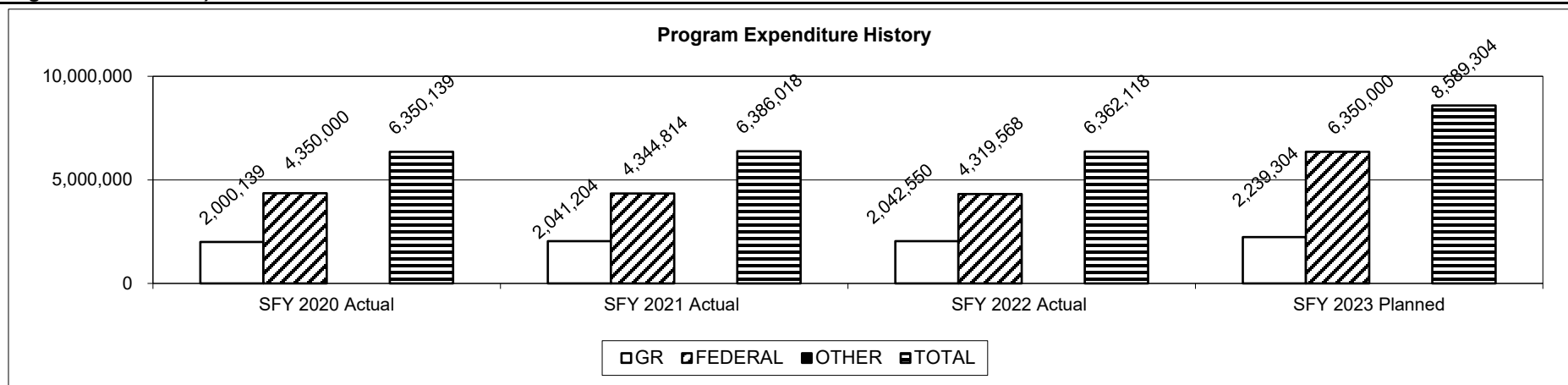
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**3. Provide actual expenditures for the prior three fiscal years and planned expenditures for the current fiscal year. (Note: Amounts do not include fringe benefit costs.)**



SFY 2023 Planned expenditures are net of reverted.

**4. What are the sources of the "Other " funds?**

N/A

**5. What is the authorization for this program, i.e., federal or state statute, etc.? (Include the federal program number, if applicable.)**

Alternatives to Abortion is authorized by Sections 188.325 and 188.335, RSMo. The administration of the program was moved to the Office of Administration through House Bill 5 in FY 2011, and was then transferred to the Department of Social Services in FY 2018.

**6. Are there federal matching requirements? If yes, please explain.**

Expenditures for the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) are claimed based on program requirements. Expenditures of the TANF block grant are reimbursed at 100% FF, not to exceed the block grant amount. State Maintenance of Effort (MOE) is required to earn the full TANF block grant. Expenditures that meet MOE requirements are used to satisfy the amount required to earn the TANF block grant.

**7. Is this a federally mandated program? If yes, please explain.**

N/A