

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Department: Social Services

HB Section(s): 11.360

Program Name: Child Assessment Centers

Program is found in the following core budget(s): Child Assessment Centers

1a. What strategic priority does this program address?

Protecting children from abuse/neglect

1b. What does this program do?

The Children's Division Child Assessment Center program provides victims of child abuse and neglect an avenue to be interviewed by a trained forensic interviewer about their abuse in a child-friendly, neutral, and culturally sensitive environment, and provides medical, mental health, and advocacy services to children and their families.

Forensic interviews are conducted in a culturally competent manner by forensic interviewers trained in a nationally recognized, research-based curriculum that includes child development, linguistics, and child abuse issues. The Children's Division makes grants to the CACs. The funds are used for expenses needed to operate the centers such as salaries, equipment, facility costs, etc. MO Kids First, the organization which represents CACs, develops the funding plan for distribution of these funds, which is then reviewed and implemented by the Department. Current Child Assessment Centers are as follows:

FY 21 Contracted Amount per Child Assessment Center

Child Advocacy Center	Contracted Amt.
Lakes Area CAC	\$32,157
Southeast Missouri CAC	\$169,426
Clay-Platte County CAC	\$123,806
Boone County CAC	\$208,748
Jefferson County CAC	\$248,873
Joplin CAC	\$241,881
Jackson County CAC	\$221,737
Camden County CAC	\$162,125
Pettis County CAC	\$157,676
Greene County CAC	\$297,813
St. Charles County CAC	\$310,291
Buchanan County CAC	\$151,939
Ozark Foothills CAC	\$88,135
North Central MO CAC	\$140,935
St. Louis City CAC	\$80,906
St. Louis County CAC	\$249,562
Total	\$2,886,010

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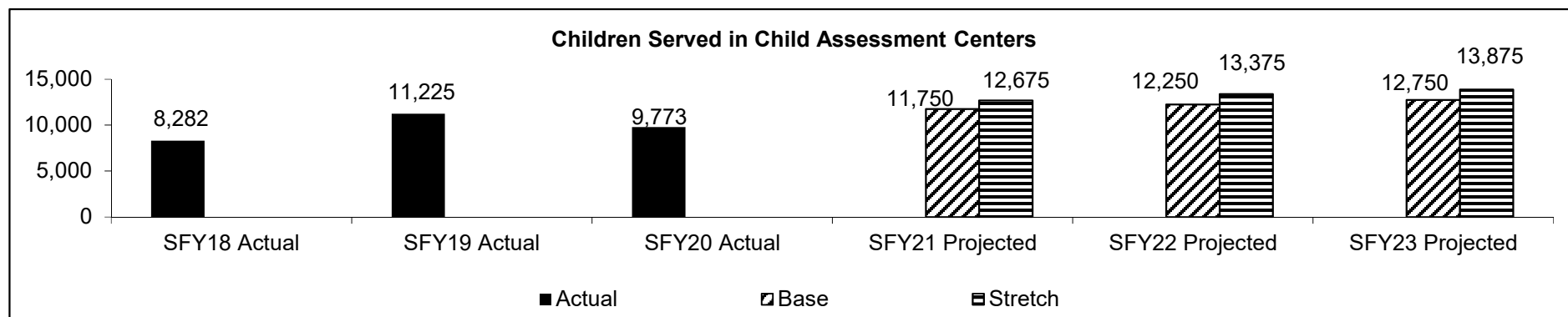
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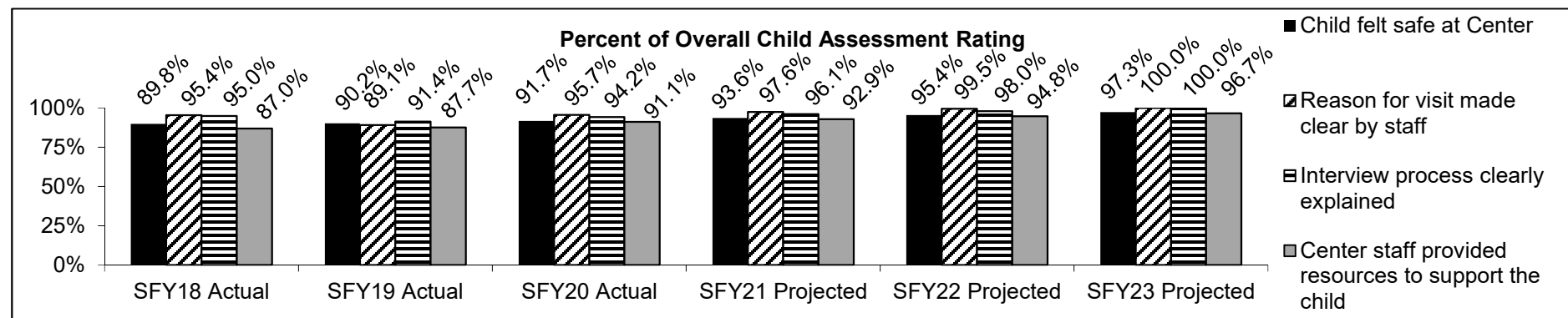
2a. Provide an activity measure(s) for the program.



Eligible:

- Children who have been reported to have been sexually or physically abused, or witness the abuse of another child or violent crime.
- Child Assessment Center Sites: Boone County, Buchanan County, Camden county, Cape Girardeau County, Clay/Platte Counties, Greene County, Grundy County, Jackson County, Jefferson County, Jasper County, Pettis County, Ripley County, St. Charles County, St. Louis City, St. Louis County, and Taney County.

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



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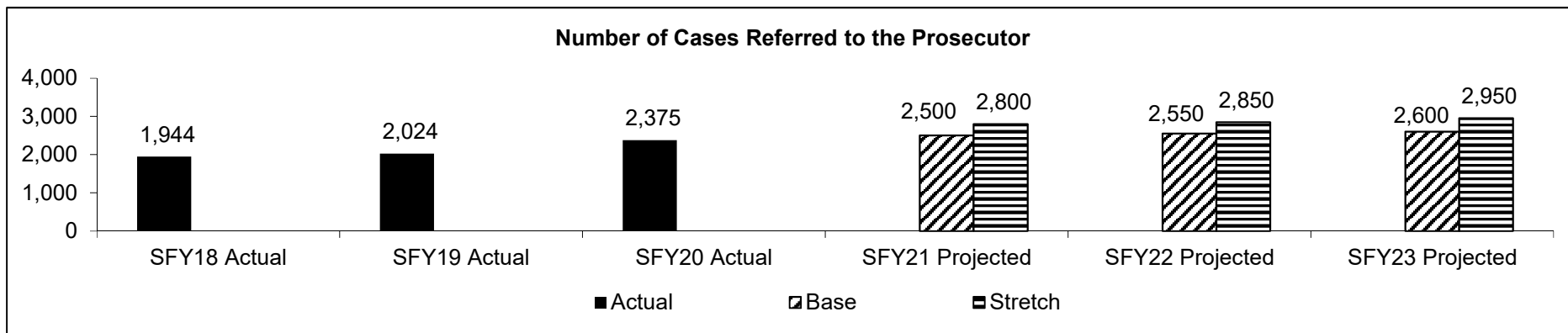
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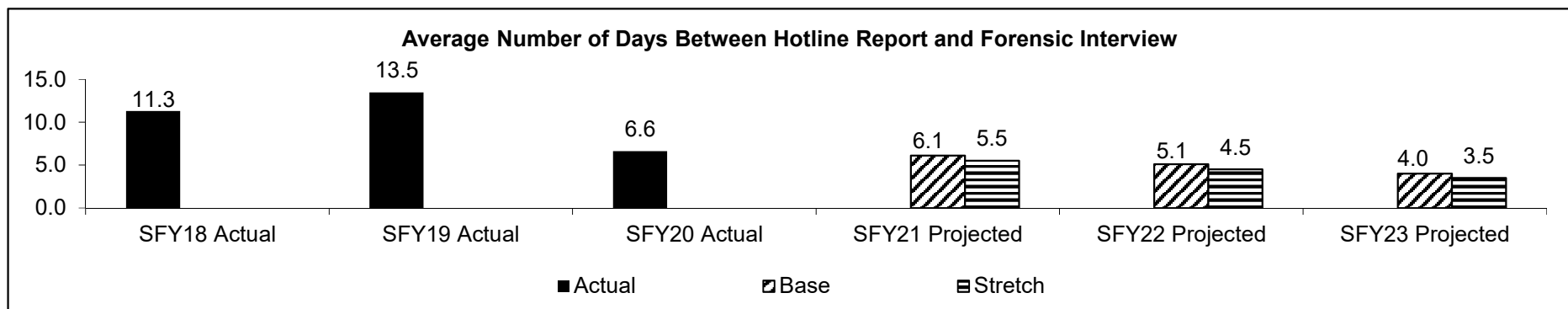
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2c. Provide a measure(s) of the program's impact.



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



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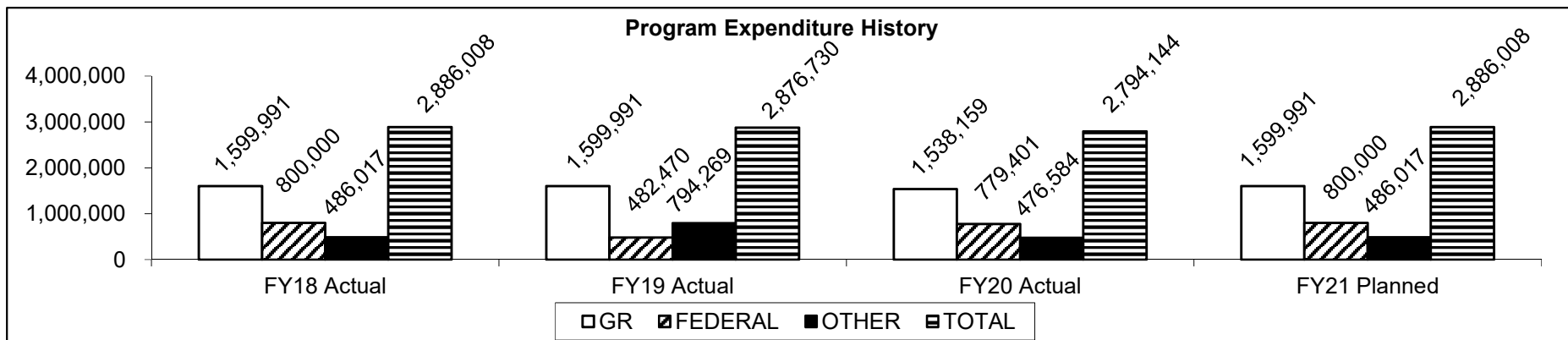
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3. Provide actual expenditures for the prior three fiscal years and planned expenditures for the current fiscal year. (Note: Amounts do not include fringe benefit costs.)



Planned FY 2021 expenditures are net of reverted and reserve.

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

Health Initiatives Fund (0275)

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

State statutes: Section 210.001, RSMo.

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

No.

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

No.