

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Department: Social Services

HB Section(s): 11.150

Program Name: Community Work Support

Program is found in the following core budget(s): Missouri Work Programs

1a. What strategic priority does this program address?

Coordinate and align work programs to support meaningful, sustainable employment.

1b. What does this program do?

The grant funding is awarded through a bid process and is currently allocated to Better Family Life (BFL), City of Springfield, Family and Workforce Centers of America (FWCA), Local Investment Commission (LINC), MERS Goodwill, and Equus. These funds allow Temporary Assistance (TA) recipients the opportunity to receive job readiness, employability skills, short-term training, and wrap-around services to reduce the need for government benefits through family supporting employment. The MWA providers also serve SkillUP and Older Youth recipients.

The SkillUP program helps unemployed and underemployed Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) recipients by providing employment and training opportunities for recipients who are 16-24 years old, or 25 years and older with a child(ren). SkillUP rapidly connects SNAP recipients to employment or better employment with increased wages through short-term training programs and skill building. All SkillUP activity measures are reflected in the SkillUP section.

The Older Youth Program assists Foster Care youth in planning for their future. Beginning January 2022, MWA provides youth ages 16-23 with life skills, education, and employment services. The youth receive an array of services such as career exploration and planning, training, employability skills, and on-the-job training. The program is to help guide and assist older youth in gaining the necessary knowledge, skills, and abilities.

TANF funds also support Department of Corrections (DOC) Reentry Efforts as the agencies share many recipients who have historically been provided benefits. The current projects include purchasing non-drivers licenses and birth certificates, HVAC training, and manufacturing training.

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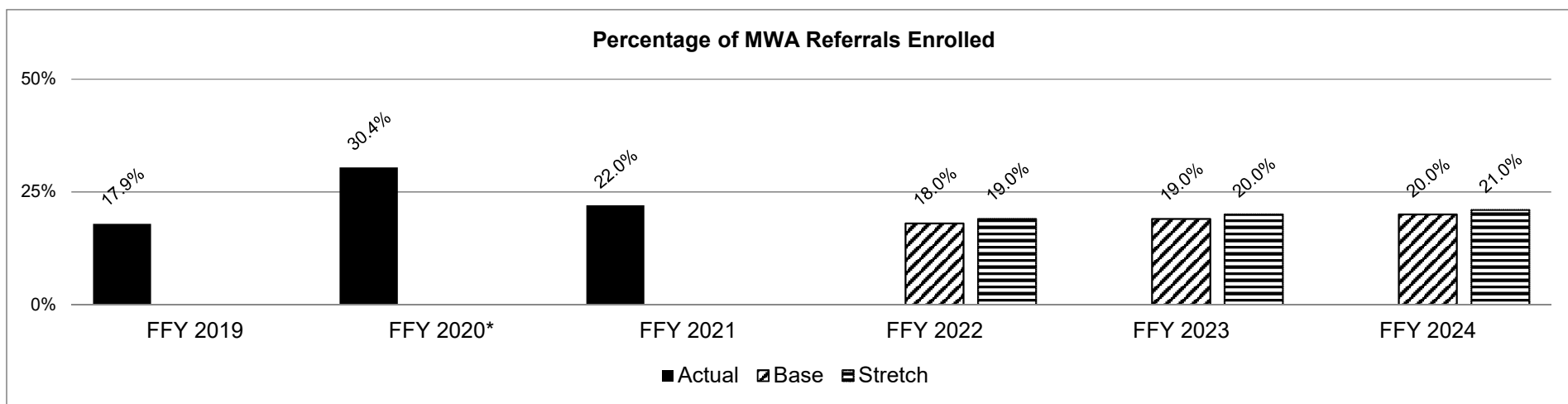
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2a. Provide an activity measure(s) for the program.

TANF recipients who are mandatory and voluntary participants are electronically referred to MWA contractors to provide employment and training services. The participant is assessed by addressing participant's goals, strengths, and barriers. Participants must engage in work activities for a required number of hours depending on the household composition, which lead to employment or will no longer receive TANF.

If a mandatory participant chooses not to participate in the MWA program for the required hours, there is a 16 week process in which TANF benefits are reduced by 50% and then the case is closed for non-cooperation.

Note: The ACF requires states to meet a Work Participation Rate (WPR); however, Missouri's required rate is nominal as the caseload continues to decrease. Missouri does not currently focus on the WPR, and instead focuses on the participant's best interest and outcomes. ACF is considering legislative changes to measure outcomes.



Note: The graph was changed from SFY to FFY, prior years changed accordingly.

*The increase in FFY 2020 enrollments is due to economic, educational, policy and other impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic.

FFY 2022 data will be available May 2023.

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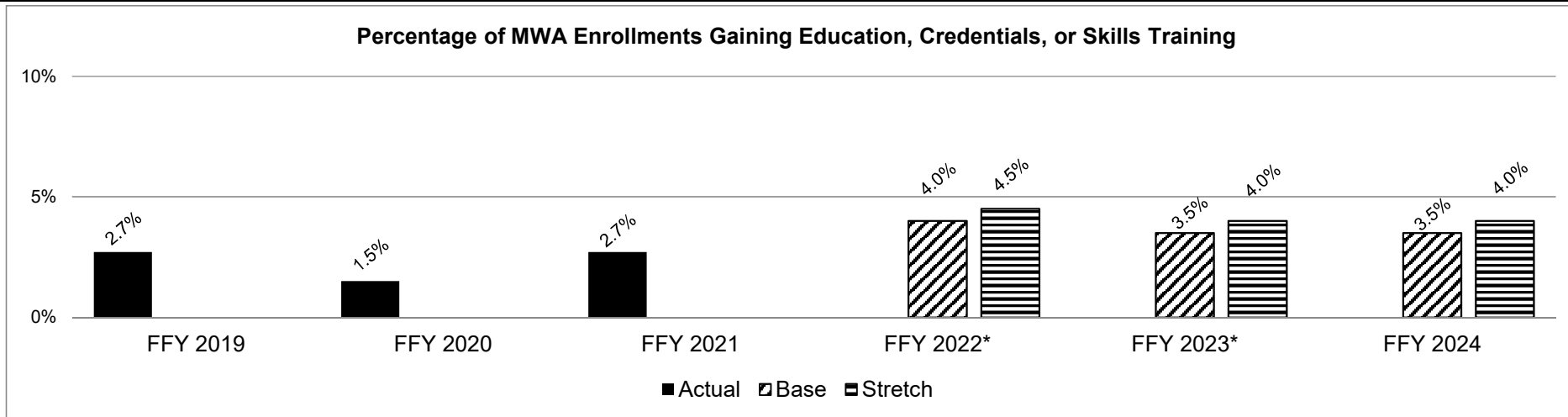
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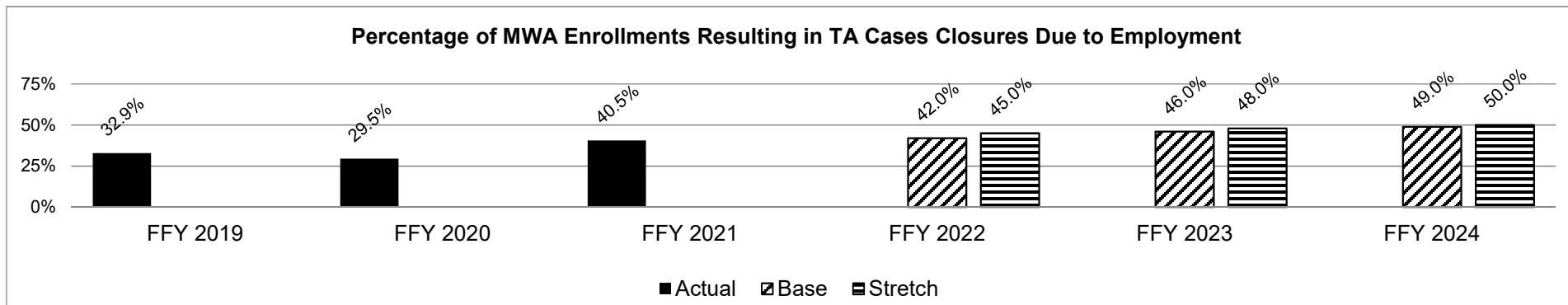
2b. Provide a measure(s) of the program's quality.



*FFY 2022 and FFY 2023 projections have been reduced as a result of the core reduction that occurred in SFY 2023 which will impact funding for education.

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



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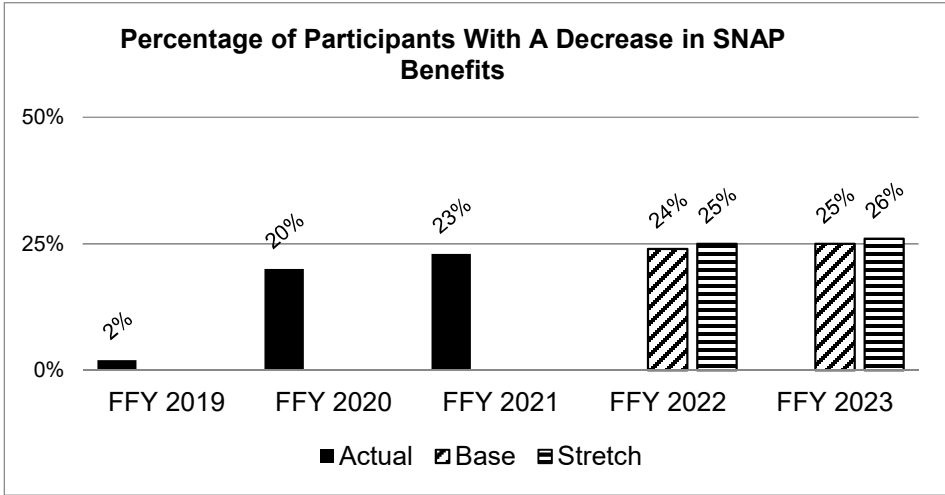
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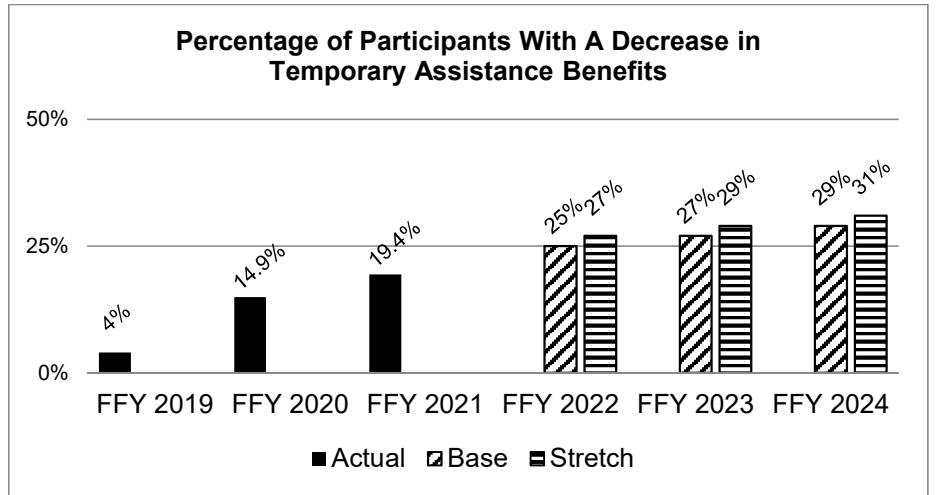
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2d. Provide a measure(s) of the program's efficiency.



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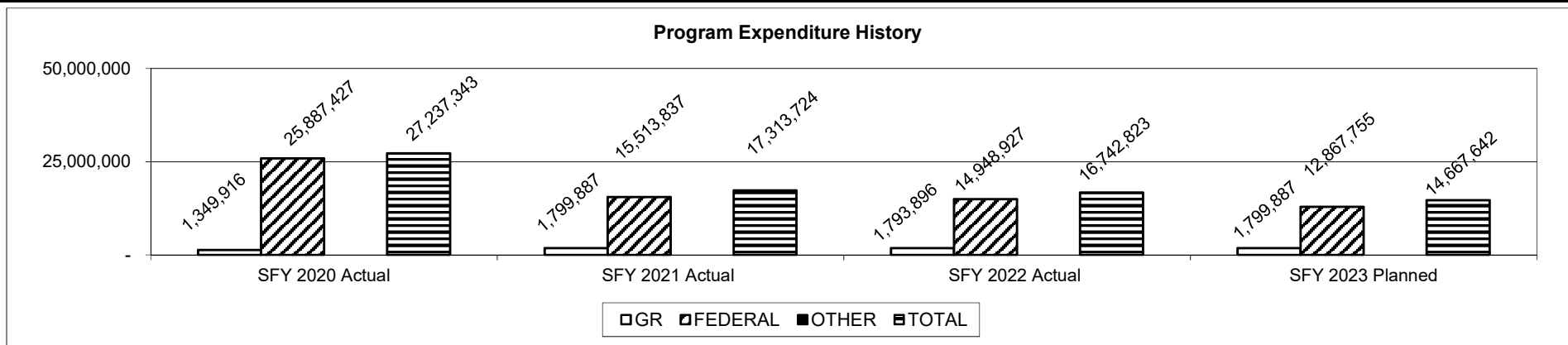
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3. Provide actual expenditures for the prior three fiscal years and planned expenditures for the current fiscal year. (Note: Amounts do not include fringe benefit costs.)



SFY 2023 Planned is 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.)

State statute: Section 208.040, RSMo. Federal law: PL 104-193 and PRWORA of 1996.

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.

Yes. PL 104-193 and PRWORA of 1996.