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Department: Social Services

HB Section(s): 11.150

Program Name: Fathers and Families Program

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

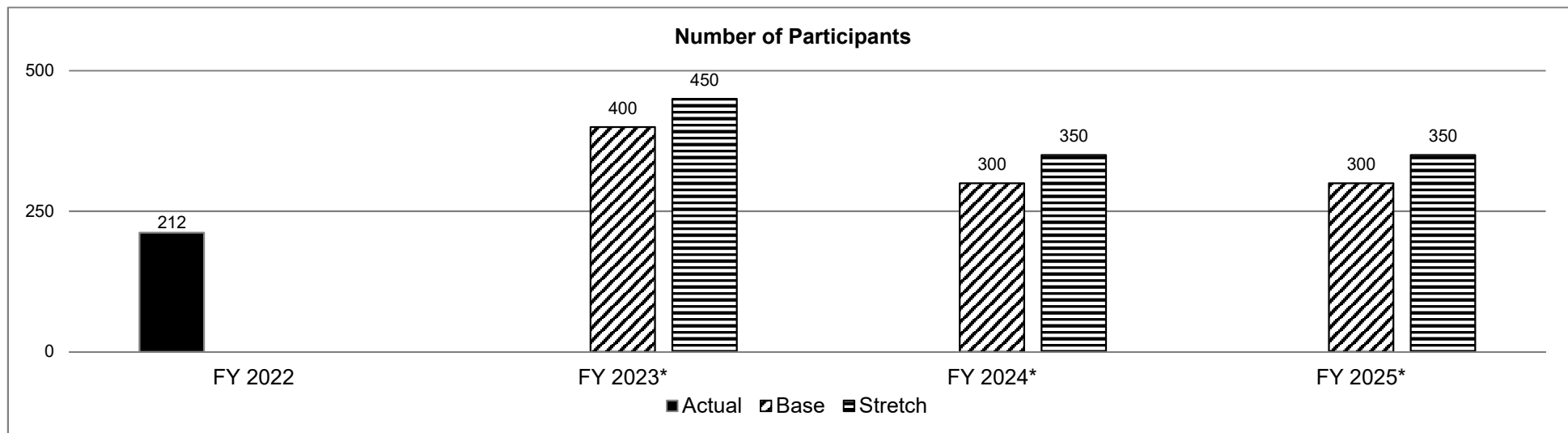
1a. What strategic priority does this program address?

Increasing fathers' participation in their children's lives and moving families to economic sustainability

1b. What does this program do?

The Department of Social Services (DSS), Family Support Division (FSD) administers the Fathers and Families Support Center to foster healthy relationships by strengthening families and reducing the rates of absentee fathers through developing parenting skills, employment placement and employee retention skills. This program provides services to fathers to help support their children emotionally and financially by providing access to programs that deliver responsible parenting, healthy marriage, economic stability, and job training skills. This program seeks to enroll fathers who have a desire to enhance parenting skills and improve co-parenting relationships; to engage fathers in work development and mediation classes; and to incentivize fathers to participate in post-graduation and follow-up services. The program seeks to connect participants to resources that support education, employment/career development, family/child support (CS), health, housing, legal services, mediation/access/visitation, and economic stability. The program also provides incentives for program participation and assistance with transportation for achieving attendance, education and job retention milestones.

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



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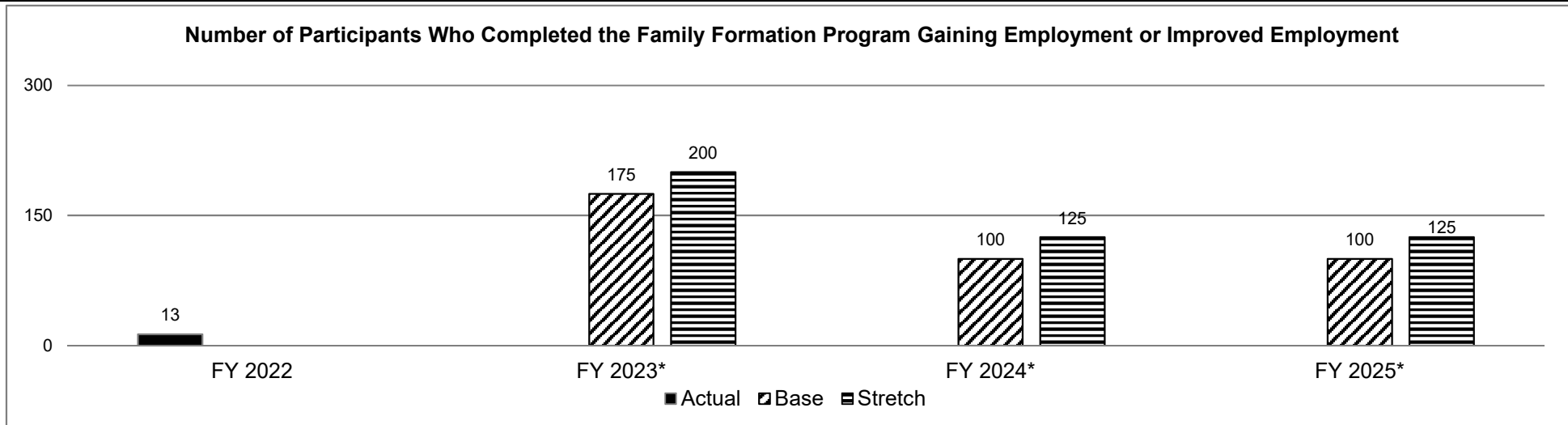
2b. Provide a measure(s) of the program's quality.

Quality within the program is measured by a customer satisfaction survey. The questions are designed to determine:

- Overall satisfaction with the services provided
- The degree to which the participant has received the services requested/needed
- Whether such services have made a difference in their ability to interact with their children
- Whether the services provided helped to overcome obstacles in their ability to interact with their children
- Whether they see themselves as better parents

Data to be reported in the FY 2025 Budget Request.

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



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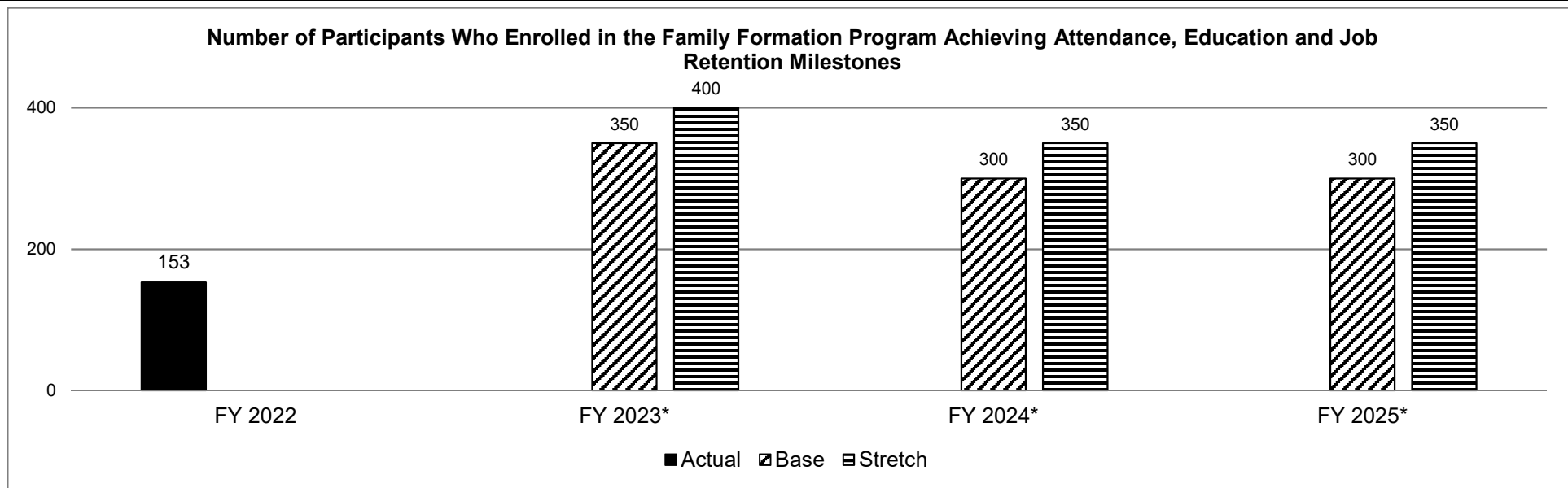
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2d. Provide a measure(s) of the program's efficiency.



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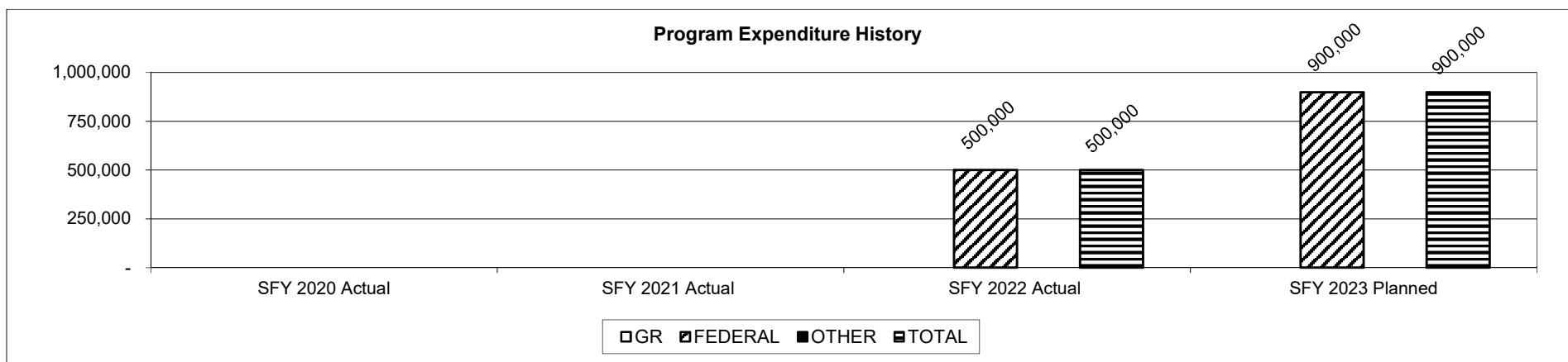
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3. Provide actual expenditures for the prior three fiscal years and planned expenditures for the current fiscal year. (Note: Amounts do not include fringe benefit costs.)



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.

No.