

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Department: Social Services

HB Section(s): 11.147

Program Name: Foster Care Jobs Program

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

1a. What strategic priority does this program address?

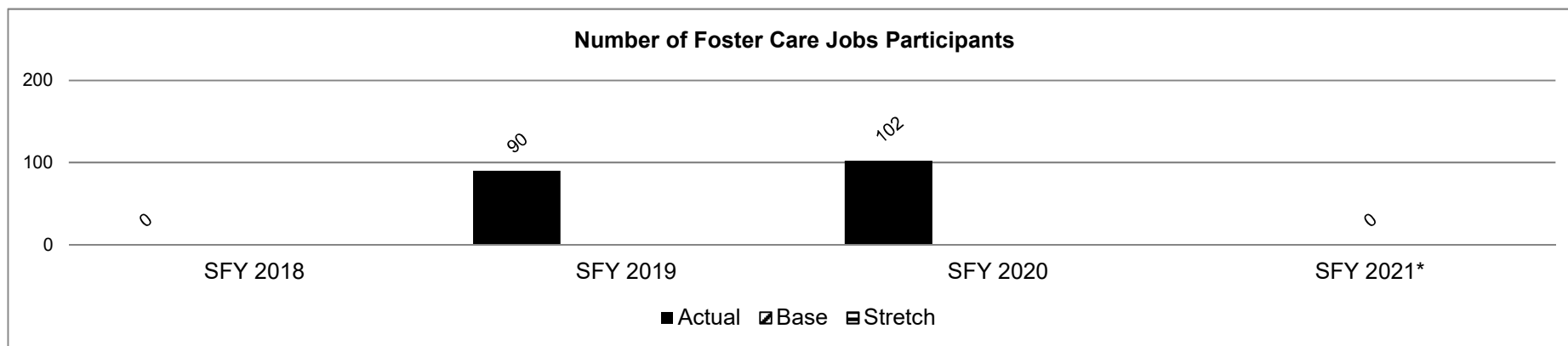
Move families to economic independence

1b. What does this program do?

The Missouri Foster Care Jobs program (formerly Missouri Customer Service Partnership Employment Program and currently Life Strengths Youth Development program) provides supportive services for twelve months, to youth ages 16-25, who are or were in foster care and youth who are or were in the custody of Children's Division or Division of Youth Services. The department partners with Community Partnership of the Ozarks to provide supportive services that aid in building a foundation of skills that serve to increase employability and positively impact any career choice. Through this evidenced based program, youth are prepared and empowered to live independent, healthy, and dignified lives.

In the FY 2021 budget, funding for this program was placed in restriction. As a result, contracts were not renewed for the fiscal year. The program has been consolidated with MWA and SkillUP.

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



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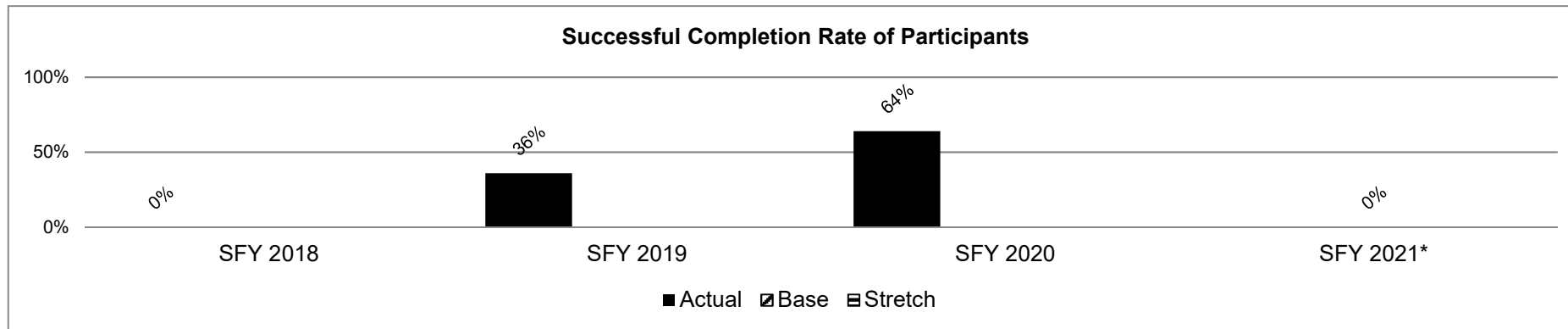
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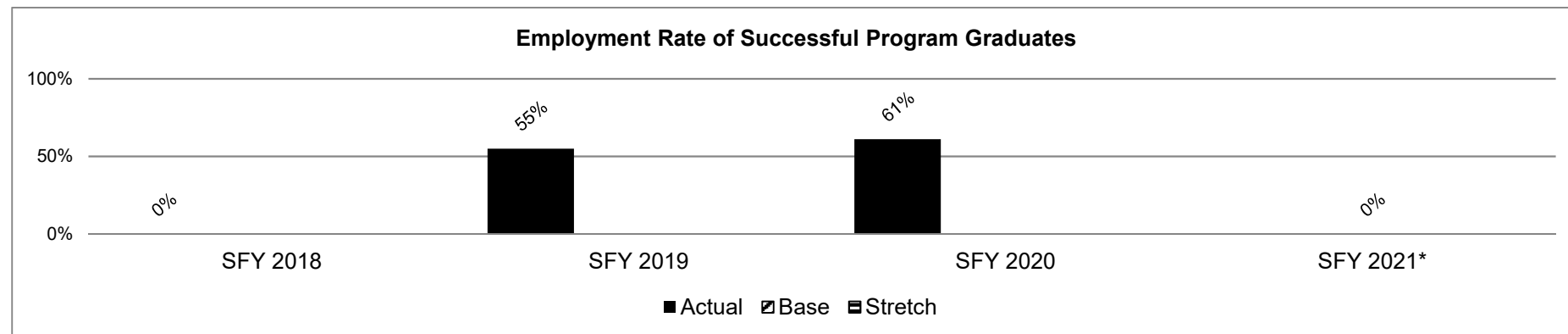
2b. Provide a measure(s) of the program's quality.



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



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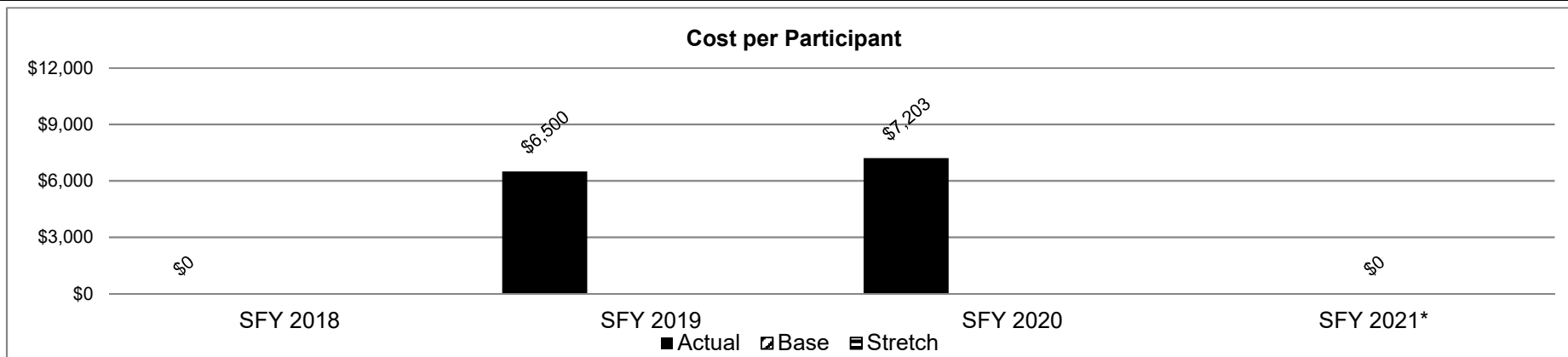
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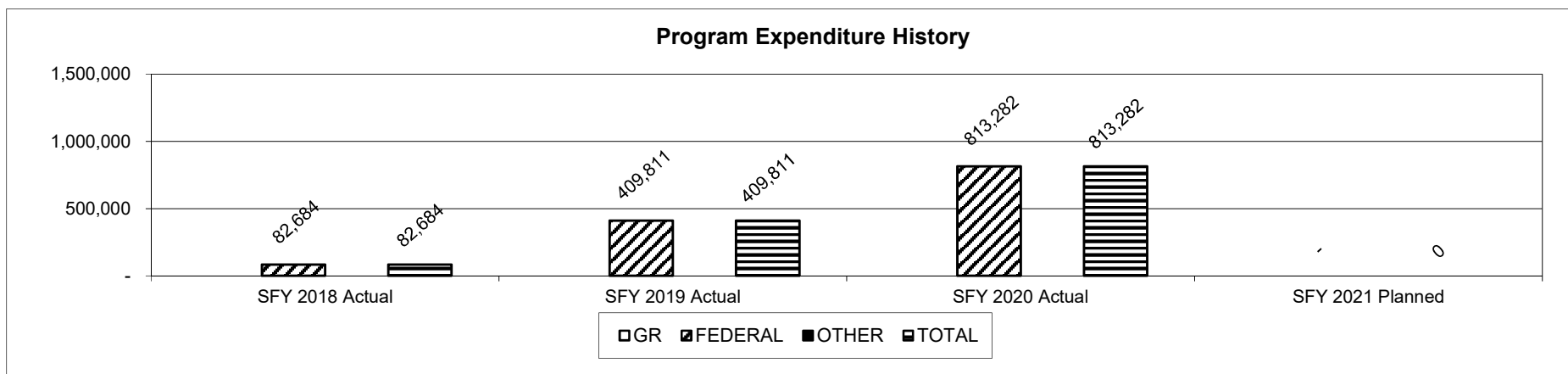
2d. Provide a measure(s) of the program's efficiency.



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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.)



In SFY 2019, the contract was restructured. In SFY 2021, funding for this program was placed in restriction and contracts were not renewed.

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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.

There is a state maintenance of effort required to earn the TANF block grant. Expenditures from other programs also provide state maintenance of effort required to earn the TANF block grant.

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

No.