

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Department: Social Services

HB Section(s): 11.147

Program Name: Jobs for America's Graduates

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

1a. What strategic priority does this program address?

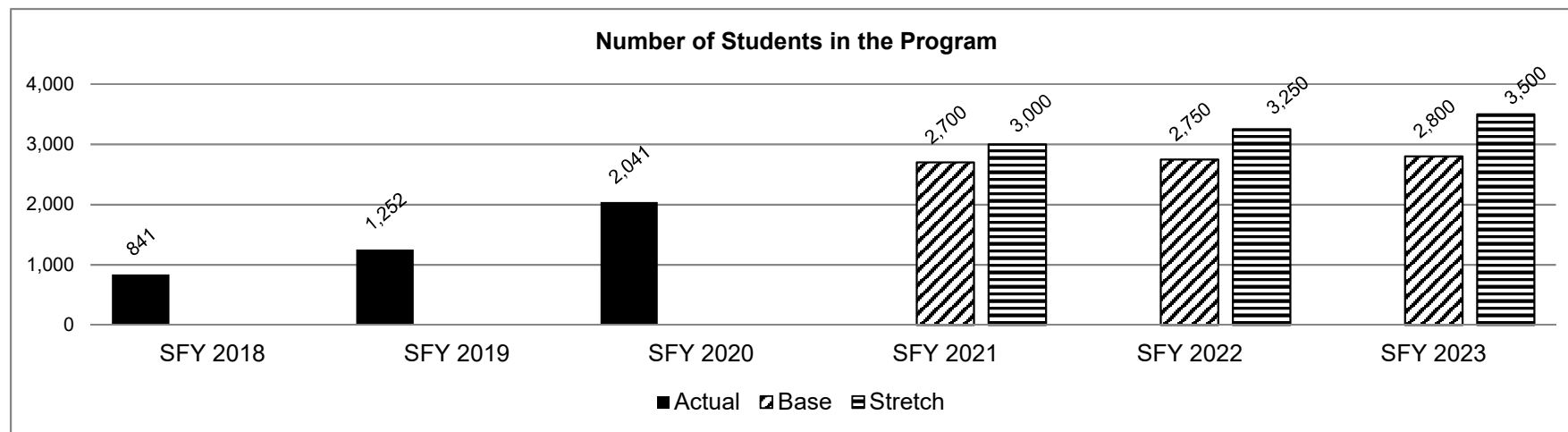
Coordinate and align work programs to support meaningful, sustainable employment

1b. What does this program do?

The Department of Social Services, Family Support Division administers the Jobs for America's Graduates (JAG) program funded through the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) grant. The grant funding is allocated to eighty-two (82) Missouri schools in fifty-nine (59) school districts, to help at-risk middle and high school students by providing classroom and work-based learning experiences. The goal is for students to make a successful transition to post-secondary education and meaningful employment, with self-sustaining wages to decrease the need for government assistance.

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

The JAG program works with the participating schools to enroll at-risk middle and high school students into the program.



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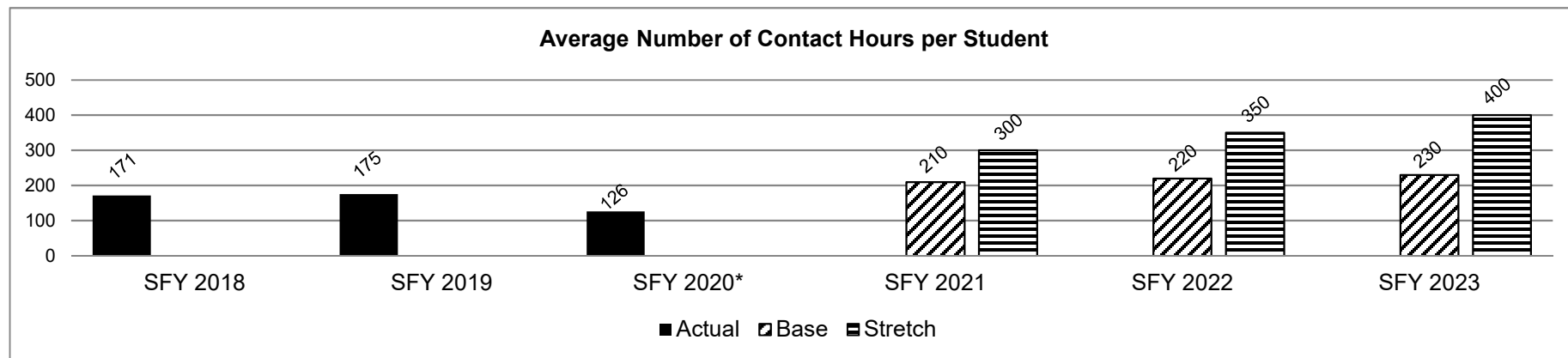
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2b. Provide a measure(s) of the program's quality.

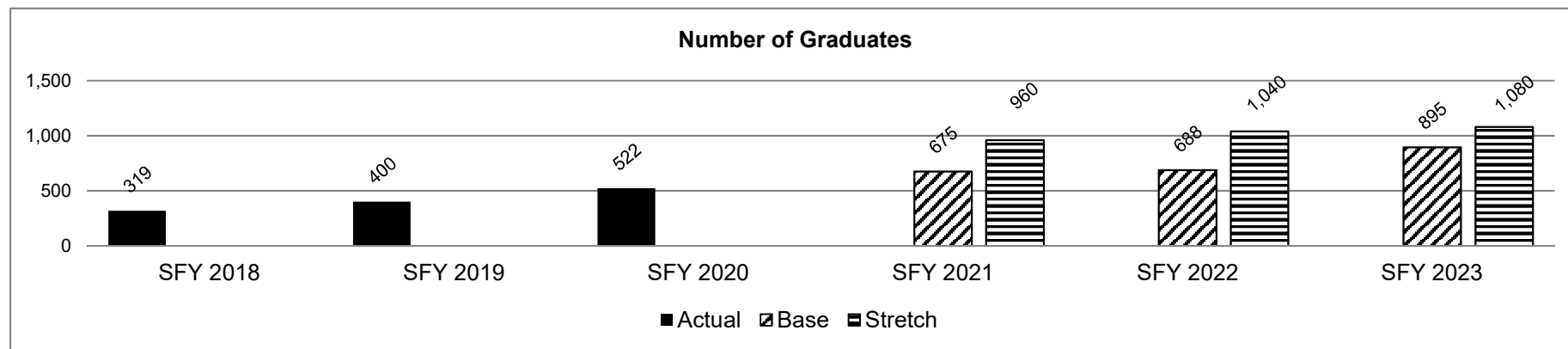
The JAG program measures the average number of contact hours with the students. The goal is to increase these hours both in school and through extracurricular activities.



*In SFY 2020, the contact hours decreased due to students not attending on-site classes due to COVID-19.

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

The JAG program measures the number of high school graduates. The goal is to increase the number of graduates each year.



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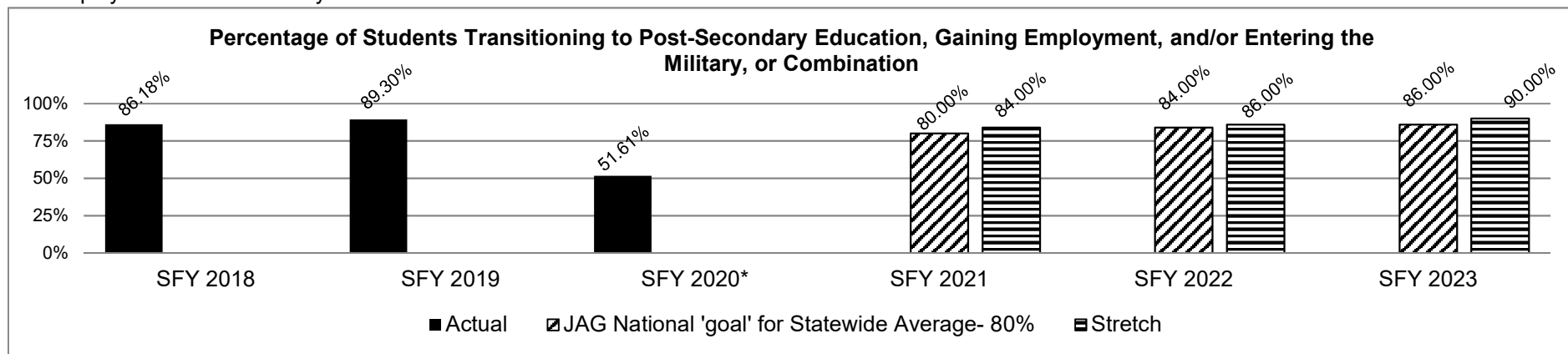
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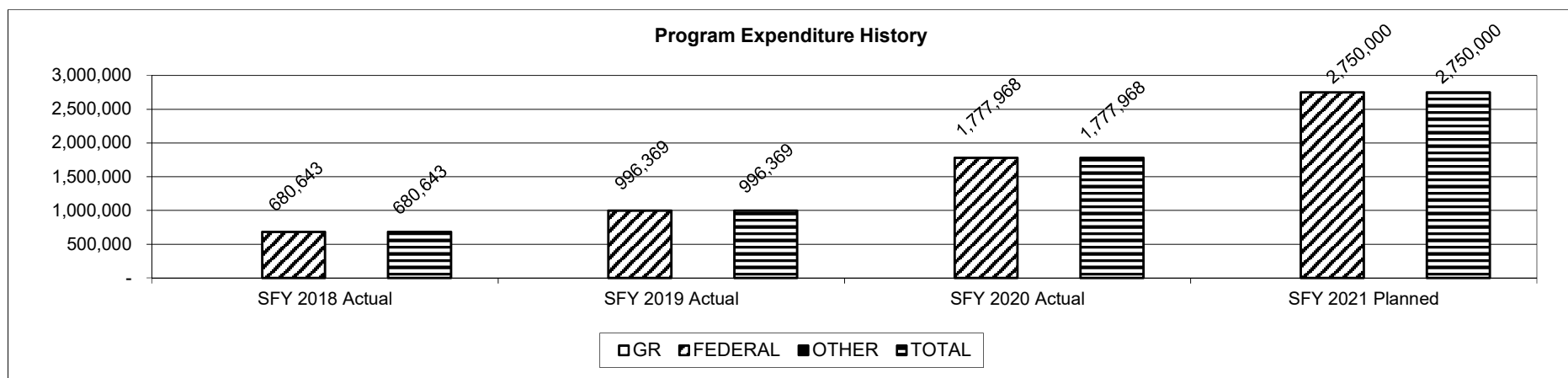
2d. Provide a measure(s) of the program's efficiency.

The JAG program measures students who are leaving high school. The goal is to continue to increase those transitioning into education, employment and the military.



*The decrease in SFY 2020 can be attributed to COVID-19.

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.)



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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.