Restorative Community Pathways

2023 Data Summary Quarter 2

The following summary is intended to support transparency and ongoing learning for Restorative Community Pathways. It includes narrative and quantitative data from April through June 2023.

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Youth Referrals Summary

The following data summarize youth referrals that took place between November 2021 and June 2023.



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*This 342 total includes 24 young people who accepted services during Quarter 2, and 23 young people who accepted services after a case was filed. ^This 63 total includes 3 young people who declined services during Quarter 2, and 14 young people who either declined services or did not appear in court after a case was filed. Data source: Prosecuting Attorney's Office. Questions? Contact DCHSData@kingcounty.gov.

Harmed Party Referrals Summary

The following data summarize harmed party referrals that took place between November 2021 and June 2023.



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*Total includes 24 harmed party cases not eligible for services, including schools, businesses, and police officers. Outreach is conducted when individuals are identified in an incident. Data source: Restorative Community Pathways internal staff. Questions? Contact <u>DCHSData@kingcounty.gov</u>.

Support Funds Summary

The following is a summary of the Youth and Family Fund and Restitution Fund between April and June 2023.*

\$13,674.57

Youth and family funds distributed to **40** individuals

\$11,516.69

Restitution funds distributed to **9** individuals

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*Totals include payments distributed through the RCP Consortium to individuals.

Data source: Restorative Community Pathways internal staff.

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Program Participation

223 total young people were served. **37** young people enrolled during Quarter 2 2023.



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Program Participation

47 total community members who experienced harm were served.19 community members enrolled during Quarter 2 2023.



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Emerging Themes

Restorative Community Pathways organizations submit quarterly narratives that help tell the story behind the numbers. Questions ask about successes, challenges, and program changes. The following slides include themes and quotes to summarize RCP programming from April through June 2023.



Building Systems and Capacity

- During the past quarter, the RCP operations team **focused on cultivating relationships** across members of the cohort.
 - This included **procurement of a new physical space** for the RCP staff and community members to meet, work together, and spend time building community.
 - Additionally, the Youth Steering Committee (YSC) organized monthly events to celebrate direct support staff and solicit feedback regarding their needs.
 RCP operations staff shared:

"These events have heightened our relationships and understanding of our colleagues and their needs, which allows us to better care for the young people and families we serve in ways that we would not have otherwise been able to."



Program Changes and Improvements

Providers made changes aimed at improving access to programming, time for relationship building, and administrative operations.

- Changes related to improving program access included securing new community gathering spaces as well as making programming available during the summertime.
- Providers also made changes to enhance or preserve time for one-on-one interaction and relationship building with participants. Examples included new summertime drop-in sessions for youth to stay connected and more intentional outreach processes for new clients.
- Changes in administrative practices included **improvements to fiscal processes and data management, finance, and operations systems.**



Navigating Challenges

- Most providers mentioned challenges resulting from a lack of funding. Funding challenges have taken a toll on the depth of resources providers are able to offer participants and lead to increased strains on workload for agency staff.
 - In response to these challenges, many providers mentioned having to look for "creative" ways to supplement operations and programming.
- Other providers mentioned **challenges with engagement**, including:
 - Lack of consistent communication from participants,
 - \circ Attrition after youth turn 18, and
 - Hesitancy to engage in activities between the youth who experienced harm and youth responsible for harm.



Program Stories and Outcomes

RCP **program staff noted substantial positive feedback** and signs of increased engagement from families. A few examples are included below:

"When guardians hear what I do they get excited and ask for the information of our location and what we offer because they need and have been looking for something like this." –Community Navigator "...our families are following up with us after they have graduated not just for resources but celebrations as well. We have been invited to more graduations for youth that have already graduated out of our program this year." –RCP Program Staff

"Multiple parents have expressed extreme gratitude for the program and its impact on their children. They commented on the participants' growth and healing within their families as a result of their participation." –RCP Program Staff



Program Stories and Outcomes

Multiple RCP programs **celebrated** their youth's and teams' **accomplishments** throughout the schoolyear. An example from one provider is below:

"At the end of June, young people and our staff celebrated the culmination of many projects that have been in the works for months. First, youth, staff and community gathered at our spring Community Action Project to share the art and music the young folks in [the program] have been working on during the spring session and to kick off the summer together...

[Program youth also] launched their very own youth developed wellness brand. After months of research and development, learning the process of product development, discussing best practices for vending, etc. the [program] youth will be at various local events, art walks, and markets throughout the summer with their goods."



Program Stories and Outcomes

Partnerships with schools have led to increased buy-in **spanning across participants**, **families**, and **institutional partners**:

"...students expressed their enthusiasm to continue learning [transformative justice practices] alongside us through the summer and even after graduation. They also expressed a desire for more practice in holding circles and building the necessary skills to respond to harm in alignment with their values during times of crisis. Moreover, the success of this partnership led to the school reaching out to us about harm that occurred within their community. The school found solace in practicing a different way of moving through harm with our support, and the students felt well supported throughout the process. Likewise, another high school reached out to us to facilitate conversations and circle around harm that occurred... The young people communicated to their teachers that the circles were the highlight of their school year. This positive outcome has opened doors for further collaboration with Seattle Public Schools, with plans in motion for ongoing training, workshops, and circles in the upcoming fall."







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