Restorative Community Pathways

2023 Data Summary Quarter 3

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

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Youth Referrals Summary

The following data summarize youth referrals that took place between November 2021 and September 2023. 398*



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*This 398 total includes 44 young people who accepted services during Quarter 3, and 23 young people who accepted services after a case was filed. ^This 72 total includes 6 young people who declined services during Quarter 3, and 13 young people who either declined services or did not appear in court after a case was filed. Data source: Prosecuting Attorney's Office and Restorative Community Pathways internal staff. Questions? Contact DCHSData@kingcounty.gov.

Harmed Party Referrals Summary

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



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*Total includes 24 harmed party cases not displayed in the chart because they are ineligible 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 July and September 2023.*



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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

219 total young people were served. **65** young people enrolled during Quarter 3 2023.



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Program Participation

63 total community members who experienced harm were served.17 community members enrolled during Quarter 3 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 July through September 2023.



Program Changes and Improvements

Providers continue to invest in partnerships, outreach efforts, and program refinements in response to participants' needs.

- Partnerships with other organizations supported youth with tutoring, school transitions, and navigating the college admission process.
- RCP held several outreach events to generate more awareness of the program and build relationships in the community.
- Programs expanded by hiring additional staff, integrating a trauma-informed financial workshop, and launching a youth-led podcast discussing topics like mental health and current events.



Navigating Challenges

Partners shared the following challenges and emerging needs:

• Additional funding would cover operations costs including supplies, mileage reimbursement to help staff reach participants, and help expand programming. As one provider shared:

"Given that each young person has unique requirements, the allocated funds often run out quickly, leaving navigators and referral agencies with partially resolved issues. For example, those in need of specialized services like therapy or self-defense training often cannot afford these on their own. While our program can provide some support, it's typically insufficient to fully meet these specialized needs."

• Families and young people experience **complex barriers to services**, including healthcare access, housing instability, and financial need.



Navigating Challenges

Partners shared the following challenges and emerging needs:

- Lack of transportation impacts participants' ability to engage, which can delay their progress and limit their time in programming. Staff must also account for the cost of gas and condition of their vehicles when planning for outreach visits.
- Building **trust and relationships** with prospective participants remains both challenging and integral to RCP's success. As one provider shared:

"Outreach and connection with potential participants who are unfamiliar with [RCP] and our approach remains difficult. We anticipate this to be an ongoing challenge as we move forward with models of repair and accountability that look and feel different from what the criminal legal system offers."



Program Stories and Outcomes

Partnerships have grown the types of support available for participants, including bringing in more **mental health resources.** As one program shared:

"We are particularly thrilled to highlight our most recent community healing circle for this quarter. What set this session apart was the involvement of a seasoned therapist, who deepened our understanding of peer counseling and mental health support. This enabled us to concentrate more intensively on challenges facing both youth and parents within the home and broader community settings. The high level of engagement from attendees not only enriched the conversation but also fostered a genuine sense of unity and belonging."



Program Stories and Outcomes

One program shared an example of **addressing a young person's barriers at school**, which helped them engage in services:

"We were able to support a young person who had experienced ongoing harm within school. As part of their safety planning sessions with us, they named the desire to transfer to online learning for their safety and emotional well-being. However, their parents were unable to bear the administrative burden of navigating this transition or to afford a laptop necessary for this transition. Alongside the young person and their family, we led the process of supporting them in the transfer to online learning and connecting them with essential resources to acquire a laptop. Furthermore, recognizing the financial strain on the family due to a decrease in their parent's work hours as they tended to their child, we connected them with rental support."



Program Stories and Outcomes

In the last two years of implementation, RCP has built a **unique network that provides holistic support** to youth and families.

"...It is becoming more and more of the norm for us to consider when supporting our participants what community programming and resources can the participant be supported by. For instance, several of our youth in quarter three have benefited from being referred to [two RCP organizations], in which they are able to receive both community programming, and more one-onone emotional support. The ability to approach supporting participants through a cross consortium model allows for more capacity to support the participants' families. The ability to provide basic needs support to youth and families has had tremendous impact as well. To be able to provide access to financial support through the youth and families fund has supported families in staying in their homes, finding safe temporary space in crisis, food and school needs."







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