

# Restorative Community Pathways

2023 Data Summary  
Quarter 4

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

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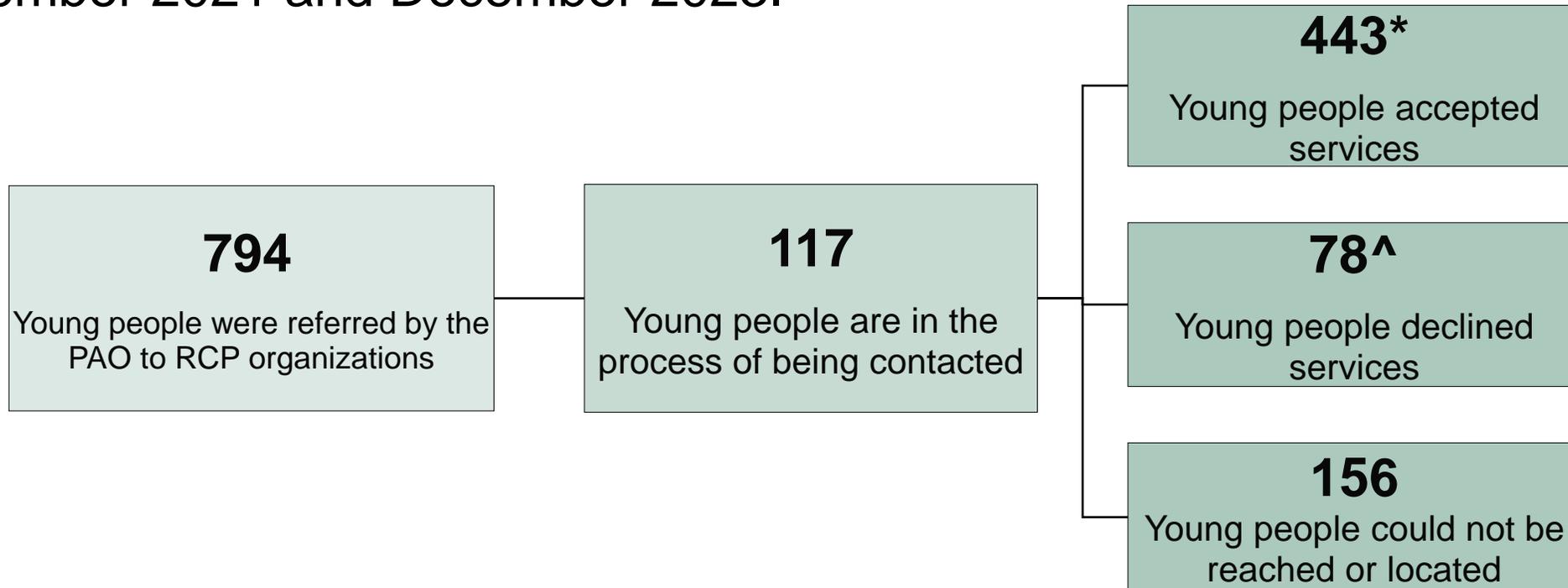
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# Youth Referrals Summary

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



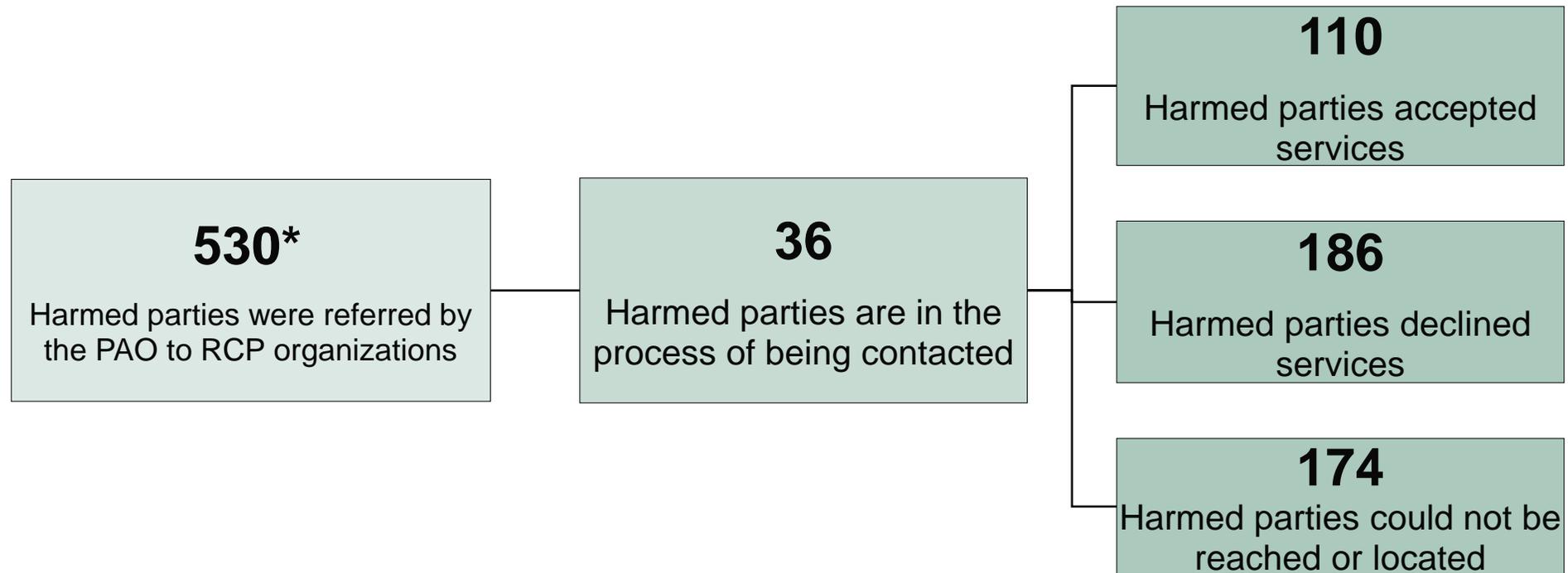
\*This 443 total includes 56 young people who accepted services during Quarter 4, and 24 young people who accepted services after a case was filed.

^This 78 total includes 8 young people who did not give consent during Quarter 4, 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](mailto:DCHSData@kingcounty.gov).

# Harmed Party Referrals Summary

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



\*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.

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# Support Funds Summary

The following is a summary of the Youth and Family Fund and Restitution Fund between October and December 2023.\*

**\$68,731.34**

Youth and family funds  
distributed to **75**  
individuals

**\$31,685.09**

Restitution funds  
distributed to **18**  
individuals

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

Data source: Restorative Community Pathways internal staff.

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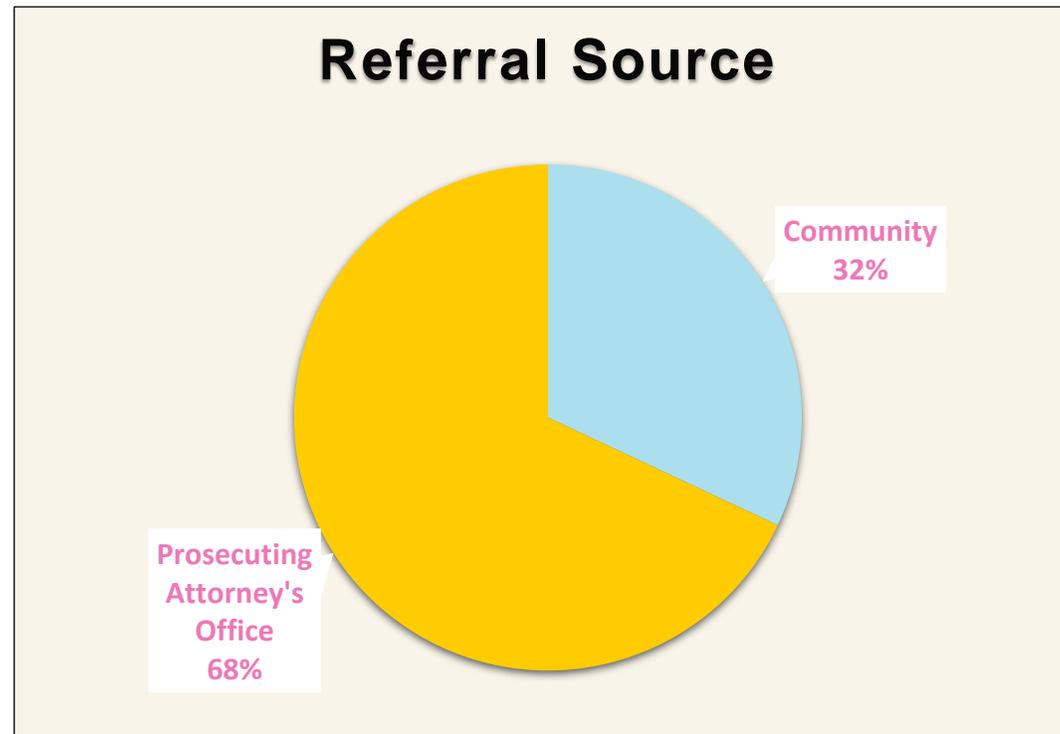
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# Program Participation

**225** total young people were served. **61** young people enrolled during Quarter 4 2023.

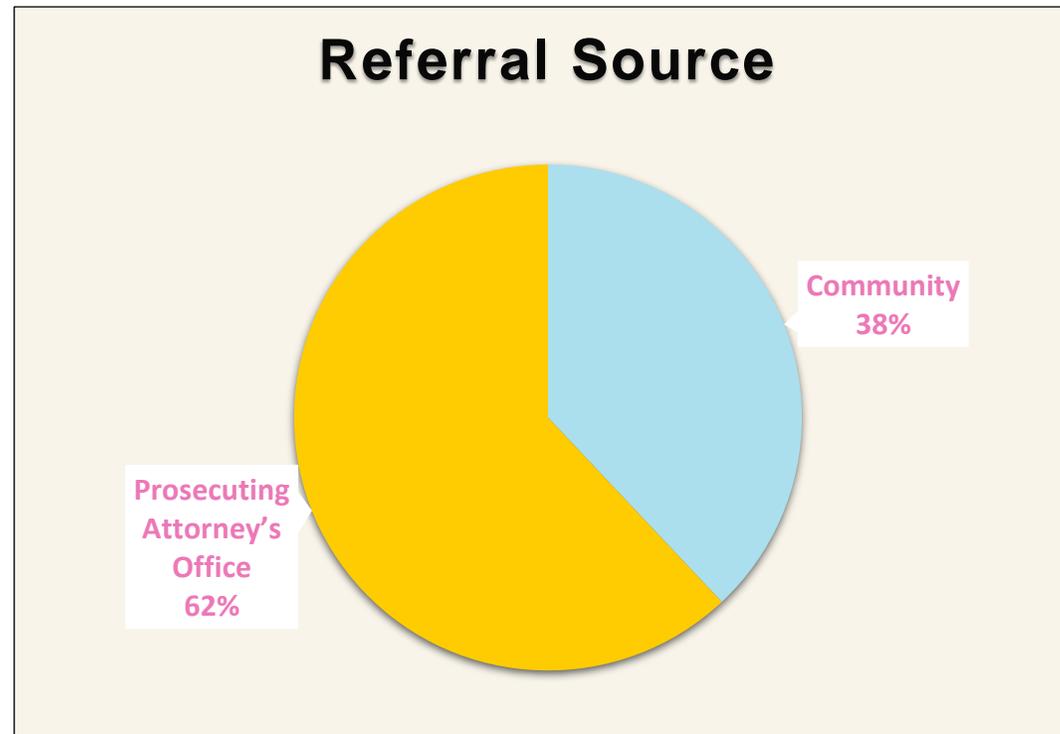


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# Program Participation

**55** total community members who experienced harm were served.  
**14** community members enrolled during Quarter 4 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 October through December 2023.

# Program Changes and Improvements

- **RCP organizations grew their teams**, including a Community Navigator, a director to help participants with career development, and a fellow to support with home visits and connecting to families.
  - Home visits have become an important part of RCP because they *“provide a unique opportunity to understand the needs and dynamics within each family.”*
- **Partnerships** with other organizations focused on emergency financial assistance, school support, and leveraging shared resources for young people.
- **End-of-year events** brought families and community members together to celebrate the year’s successes and share food, art, and music. Programs also provided basic needs assistance to make sure families could enjoy the holidays.
- One program added **health and wellness services**, and others advocated for **additional funding sources** to offer housing and behavioral health supports.

# Navigating Challenges

- **Program retention** is an ongoing priority, especially for participants lacking stable housing and transportation. **Seasonal factors** also played a part this quarter, including the lack of daylight, harsher weather, and scheduling conflicts around the holidays.
- **Outreach to families** remains a challenge due to unreliable contact information and mistrust in the program, which adds a layer of difficulty in building connections. Programs are finding ways to reduce this skepticism:

“Direct contact with the youth, as opposed to solely communicating with their guardians, has proven effective. While parents initially may be skeptical about the program's necessity, persistent interaction and allowing the youth to express their needs often leads to a better understanding of the program's benefits. This approach not only aids in maintaining a clear record for the youth but also empowers them to advocate for their own needs, a success largely attributable to the navigator's refusal to accept initial rejections.”

# Navigating Challenges

- **King County policy and budget decisions**, in conjunction with media coverage, required RCP staff to pivot and respond to last minute requests. Funding is at the center of many of these efforts:

“We have struggled with the underallocation of funds to the RCP consortium as a whole. Throughout the year, we worked creatively to continue to support our participants, as well as continue to advocate for funding to address this underspend. This took tremendous energy and time. With the recent budget allocation from the King County Council, we are hopeful that this funding will support the amazing work we are doing, as well as create the conditions for the continued professional development and structuring of RCP to continue to better support our youth and community members.”

# Program Stories and Outcomes

Young people continue to **make progress toward milestones** with the support of RCP staff. One program shared:

"[One young person] successfully secured a job and enrolled in a school for an electrician apprenticeship, marking a transformative journey towards personal and professional growth. In addition to these accomplishments, he completed [electronic home monitoring]. To commemorate these achievements and to celebrate the newfound freedom and independence, we shared a meaningful meal together. During the celebration, we also provided funds to support the young person in securing his own apartment. He's since moved out of his mom's and into their own place, symbolizing not only personal success but also the realization of newfound autonomy."

# Program Stories and Outcomes

RCP continues to find ways of **centering joy and relationship-building.**

"This past October, we were able to hold an art and music workshop for RCP youth participants and their siblings. The day was full of laughter and creativity, with the youth being able to paint masks and canvases, eat together, and learn to dance. Staff from different consortium organizations and community members provided waffles for breakfast and pizza for lunch. While the workshop seemed like a small success, the ability for us to provide a space for youth to make friends, have two warm meals, and be creative together spoke to the consortium model's ability to create spaces of joy with our communities."

# Program Stories and Outcomes

Some impacts cannot be reflected in the data, including what happens **after young people exit the program**. One program shared:

“Participants often work with our staff for a specific length of time, typically in crisis. Often, staff do not see the long-term impact on our participants, as they lose contact. In November, one of our staff members attended a local community event led by young people. They later ran into the previous participant who was one of the organizers of the event. This was an example of how the work of RCP also works to create a network of support for young people and how young people are better able to strengthen community capacity to support each other.”



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