THE OTHER NINE

2015 Tarrant County Community Needs Assessment

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The numbers show that only **1 OUT OF 10** people who need help with substance use disorders

FIND THE HELP THEY NEED.

What happens to the other nine?

Just as there is no one way people become addicted to drugs or alcohol, there is no single answer for helping them find a long-term solution to managing their substance use disorder (SUD).

The Community Needs Assessment illuminates the human and financial toll of untreated SUD in Tarrant County.

ONE THING IS CERTAIN.

Finding better ways to help THE OTHER NINE is a mission that belongs to all of us.

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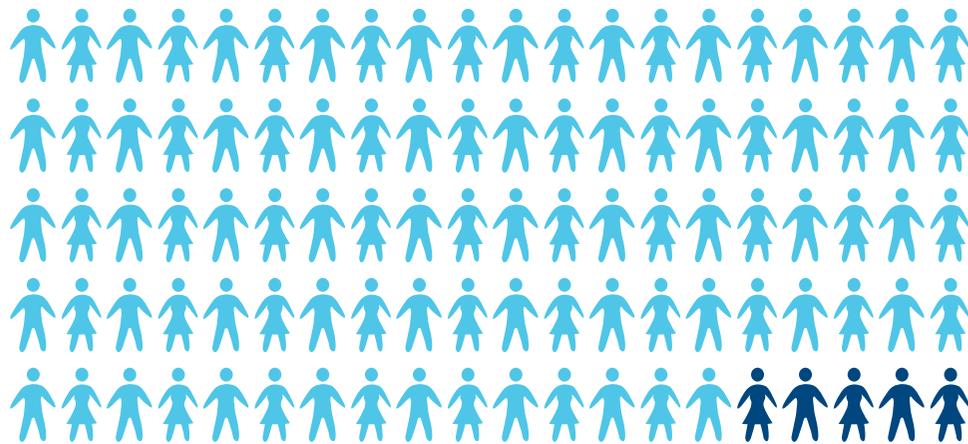
In Tarrant County, Texas

134,000

an estimated 134,000 individuals are in need of behavioral health care services for SUD.

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13,400 of them will receive the care they need.

Out of 100 people who are dealing with a substance use disorder,

95% of individuals did not perceive a need for care,

while only **5%** of individuals reported a perceived need.

THE ONE VS. NINE

Of the 1,897 individuals placed on waiting lists for SUD behavioral health care, **52%** received care, while **48%** never made it into recommended care.

48% 52%

WAITLIST OUTCOMES

61%	could not be reached for services
5%	no showed
5%	started at a service level below their recommended level
15%	withdrew request for services
21%	had other reasons for not entering
2%	had their screening expire and did not present for an updated screening
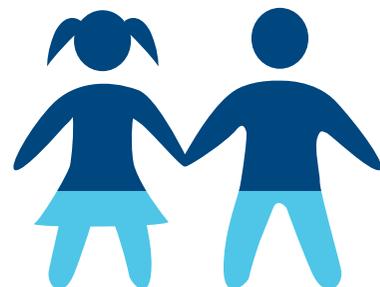
In 766 child welfare cases in which children were removed from their home, **65%** of the parents had an SUD compared to **35%** of removals where a SUD was not present.

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Accidental Deaths Due to SUD

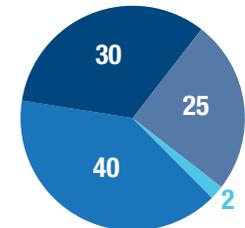77 23
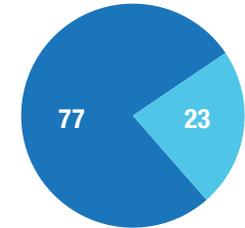
77% SUD not involved
23% caused by SUD

SUD patients are seen more frequently in the hospital emergency room, at a rate of 2.97 visits to the 1.35 visits for patients without SUDs

8,410 adults and 954 juveniles were arrested in Tarrant County in 2013 for drug related offenses.

Tarrant County Criminal DA

30,204 SUD related cases reached disposition.*

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Of the 40,102 Tarrant County jail inmates booked in 2014, it is estimated that 26,000 may have SUD. The Forensic Mental Health program served 8,315 individuals in the Tarrant County Jail.

■ Alcohol Related
■ Marijuana Related
■ Controlled Substance Related
■ Dangerous Drug Related

* Offenses disposed of January 1, 2013 through April 15, 2014.

Adult Probation with Alcohol/Drug Factors

Felony Probation
54%
46%

Misdemeanor Probation
38%
62%

■ Non AOD ■ AOD Related
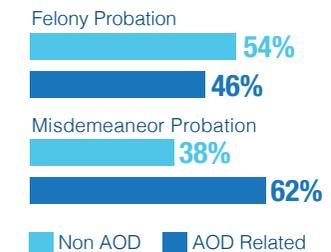
Juvenile Probation Alcohol/Drug Results

Self-Reporting
60%
40%

Tested for Metabolites
22%
78%

■ Using / + ■ Not Using / −
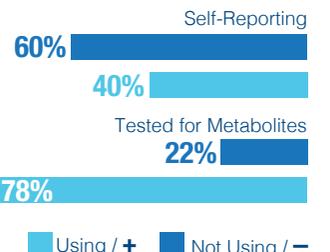
Of the 2,927 youth referred to Tarrant County Juveniles Services in 2014, 40% (1,158) reported currently using alcohol/drugs. Of the 685 youth detained or on supervision who received a drug test, 78% tested positive for drug metabolites.

"TOGETHER, WE ARE THE AGENTS OF CHANGE."

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