

# System Transformation Initiative (STI)

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# Report Parameters

All data contained in this report were extracted from the DC Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) on June 18, 2013, and include all families served in the STI program since its inception in 2007.



# What is STI?

- ❖ STI is a Transitional Housing program designed to help families exit shelter;
- ❖ Families are required to participate in case management;
- ❖ The program's goal is to either:
  - ❖ Stabilize families and help them get to a point where they can pay rent independently; or
  - ❖ Serve as a bridge to a Permanent Supportive Program, Rapid Rehousing, or other permanent housing program.



# Population Served – Families Served

Families Served	Count
Families Served 2007 to 2013	432
Number of Families Exiting 2007 to 2013	232
Number of Families in STI on 06/18/2013	200

Household Makeup	Count
Average Number of Children per Family	2.5
Two Parent Families	78 (18 Percent of Families Served Since 2007)
Single Parent Families	354 (82 Percent of Families Served Since 2007)



## Population Served – Primary Reason for Homelessness

*Economic Factors* were the most commonly reported primary reasons for families' homelessness. Economic Factors include

- ❖ *Loss of Income;*
- ❖ *Benefits or Employment;*
- ❖ *Eviction; and*
- ❖ *A Lack of Affordable Housing*

Homelessness Caused by Economic Factors	%
All Families Served 2007 to 2013 (432)	72.4
Families Exiting 2007 to 2013 (232)	61.8
Families in STI on 06/18/2013 (200)	78.6



# Population Served – Disabilities

All Families Served Since 2007 to 2013 (432)	%
Households with a Head of Household Who is Disabled	32.2
Households with Members other than the Head of Household Who are Disabled	20.4

Families Exiting 2007 to 2013 (232)	%
Households with a Head of Household Who is Disabled	32.2
Households with Members other than the Head of Household Who are Disabled	16.4

Families in STI on 06/18/2013 (200)	%
Households with a Head of Household Who is Disabled	54.3
Households with Members other than the Head of Household Who are Disabled	25.0



# STI Program Outcomes – Destinations

Number of  
Families  
Exiting  
Since 2007

232

Destination Types	%
Permanent Destinations	61.6 (143)
Transitional Destinations	13.8 (32)
Shelter Destinations	1.7 (4)
Other Temporary Destinations	3.4 (8)
Institutional Destinations	1.3 (3)
Refused to Disclose	16.0 (37)
Other	2.2 (5)





## **STI Program Outcomes – Recidivism Among Families Exiting STI to Permanent Destinations**

Only 7 of the 143 families that exited STI to Permanent Destinations returned to the CoC to seek additional services.



# STI Program Outcomes – Length of Service

All Families Served 2007 to 2013 (432)	LOS in Months
Average LOS	34.1
Median LOS	30.5

Families Exiting 2007 to 2013 (232)	LOS in Months
Average LOS	20.9
Median LOS	18.9

Families in STI on 06/18/2013 (200)	LOS in Months
Average LOS	49.5
Median LOS	46.6



# Families Exiting to Permanent Destinations vs. Families Exiting to Non-Permanent Destinations

Families Exiting to Permanent Destinations	Families Exiting to Non-Permanent Destinations
<b>Household Makeup</b>	<b>Household Makeup</b>
84.0 Percent of Families Headed by a Single Parent	84.0 Percent of Families Headed by a Single Parent
On Average Each Family Included 2.3 Children	On Average Each Family Included 2.5 Children
<b>Disabilities</b>	<b>Disabilities</b>
24.0 Percent of Heads of Households were Disabled	36.0 Percent of Heads of Household were Disabled
21.0 Percent of Families Included other Household Members that were Disabled	17.7 Percent of Families Included other Household Members that were Disabled
<b>Income From Employment</b>	<b>Income From Employment</b>
34.2 Percent of families Included One or More Persons that were Employed	24.8 Percent of families Included One or More Persons that were Employed
<b>Length of Service in Mos.</b>	<b>Length of Service in Mos.</b>
Average LOS: 21.1	Average LOS: 22.1



## Families Exiting to Permanent Destinations vs. Families Not Exiting STI

Families Exiting to Permanent Destinations	Families Not Exiting STI
<b>Household Makeup</b>	<b>Household Makeup</b>
84.0 Percent of Families are Headed by a Single Parent	79.5 Percent of Families are Headed by a Single Parent
On Average Each Family Included 2.3 Children	On Average Each Family Included 2.5 Children
<b>Disabilities</b>	<b>Disabilities</b>
24.0 Percent of Heads of Households were Disabled	54.3 Percent of Heads of Households were Disabled
21.0 Percent of Families Included other Household Members that were Disabled	25.0 Percent of Families Included other Household Members that were Disabled
<b>Income From Employment</b>	<b>Income From Employment</b>
34.2 Percent of families Included One or More Persons that were Employed	33.5 Percent of families Included One or More Persons that were Employed
<b>Length of Service in Mos.</b>	<b>Length of Service in Mos.</b>
Average LOS: 21.1	Average LOS: 49.5



# Findings

- ❖ For families exiting to permanent destinations, STI served them as intended meaning:
  - ❖ They were placed in a unit and received case management and other supportive services;
  - ❖ They were able to transition to paying the full rent on their unit or were connected to an ongoing subsidy within 2 years; and
  - ❖ By in large they have not returned to the CoC to seek additional services.

This pattern mirrors usage of the District's Rapid Rehousing Programs.

- ❖ The key differences between families that exited to permanent destinations and families that exited to non-permanent destinations are:
  - ❖ Families exiting to non-permanent destinations were more likely to be headed by a person who is disabled; and
  - ❖ Families exiting to non-permanent destinations were less likely to include at least one person who is employed.

These Families also exited STI within 2 years.

- ❖ Families that have not exited STI seem to have the most barriers; meaning:
  - ❖ More than half of families that have not exited STI are headed by someone who is disabled; and
  - ❖ A quarter of families that have not exited STI include members other than the head of household who are disabled.

These families have been in STI for an average of 4+ years.



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