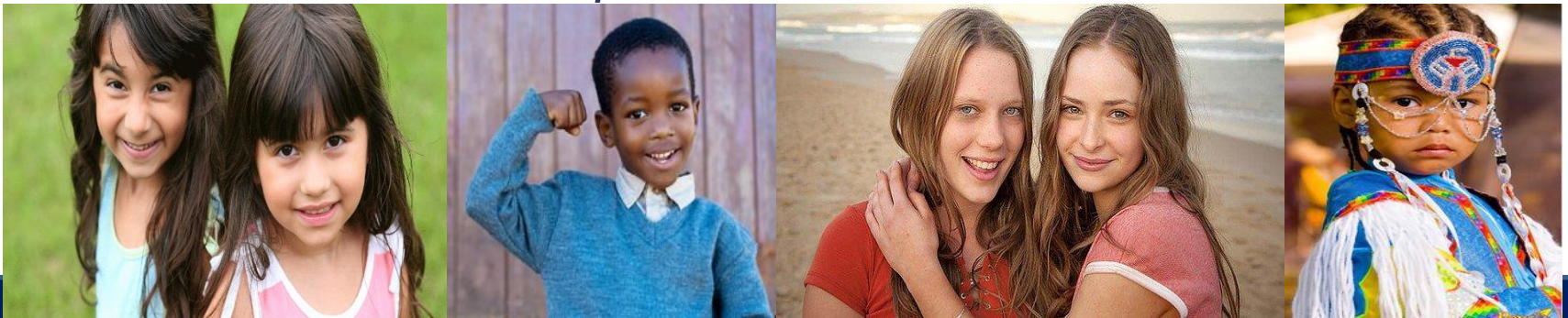


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2017 Joint Ways and Means Subcommittee on Human Services Child Welfare Programs

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Presentation Outline

- Child Welfare Program Mission and Goals
- Who we serve
- Overview of services
- Priorities
- Budget Overview
- Key Performance Measures



Our Mission

Keeping children safely at home whenever possible.
Providing safe and appropriate placements for children
that cannot remain at home.

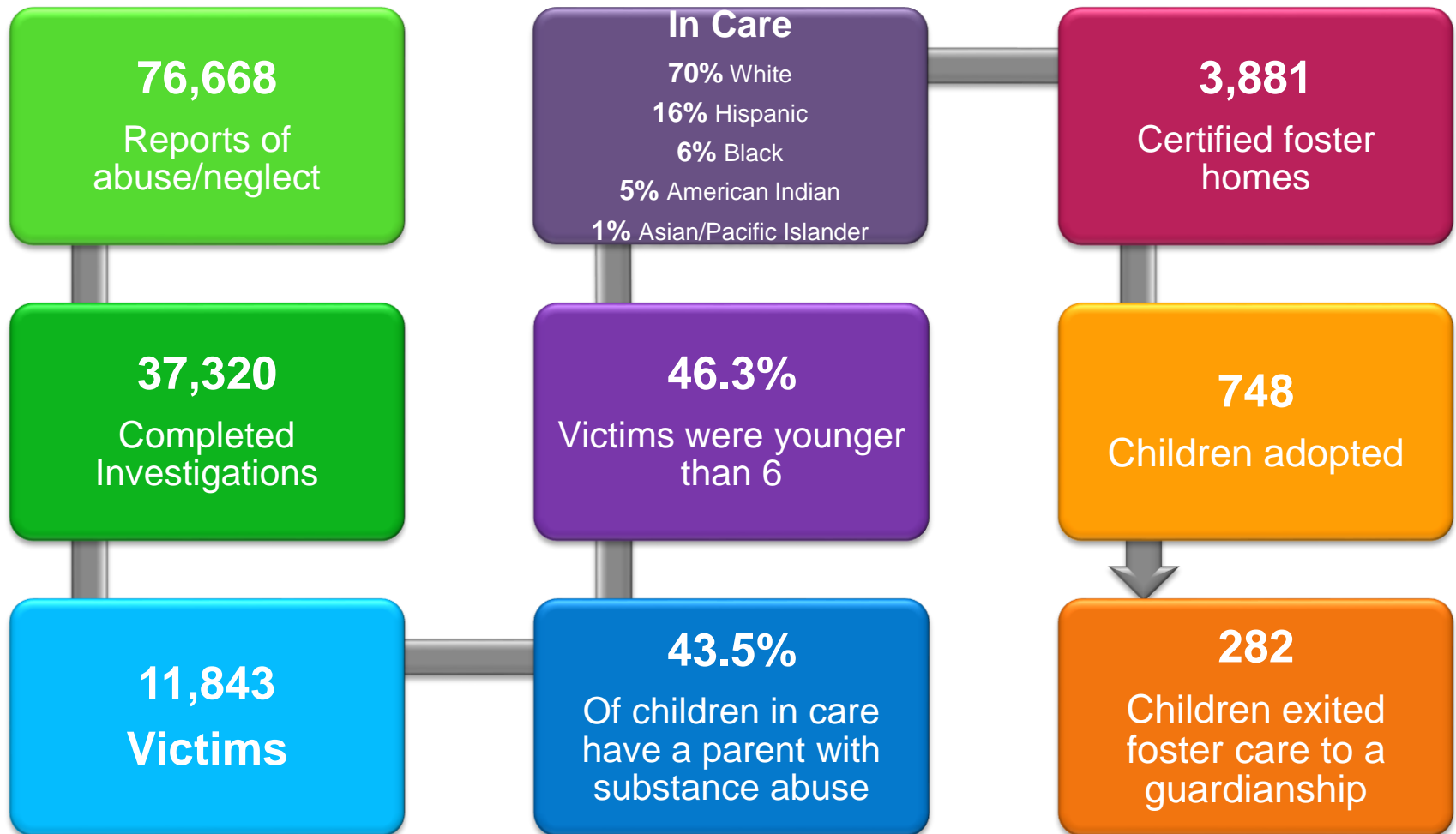


Goals & Operating Principles

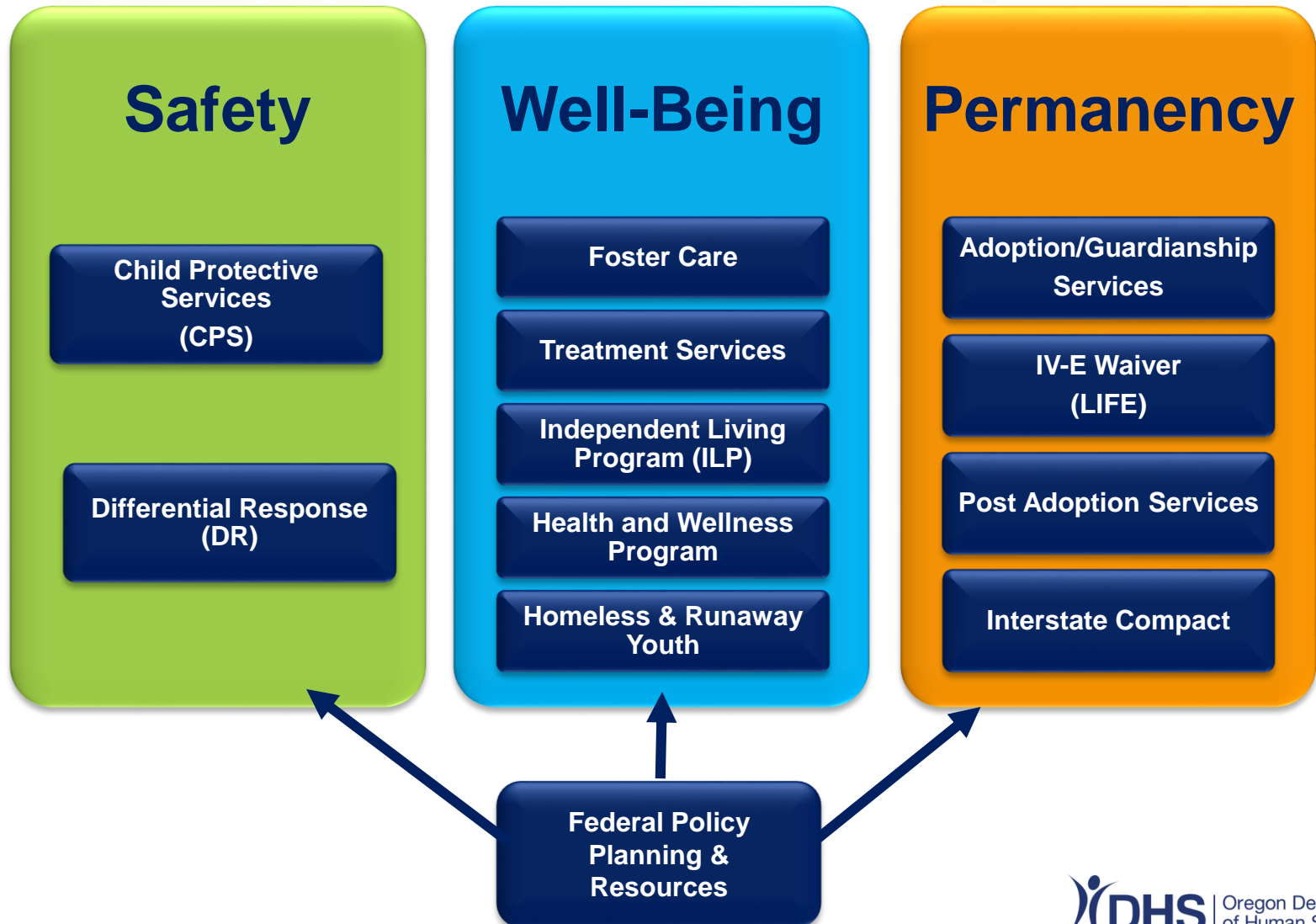
- Safety for all Oregon's children
- Engage communities and partners to better support children and families
- Ensure equity and respect culture
- Recruit and support foster parents and partners



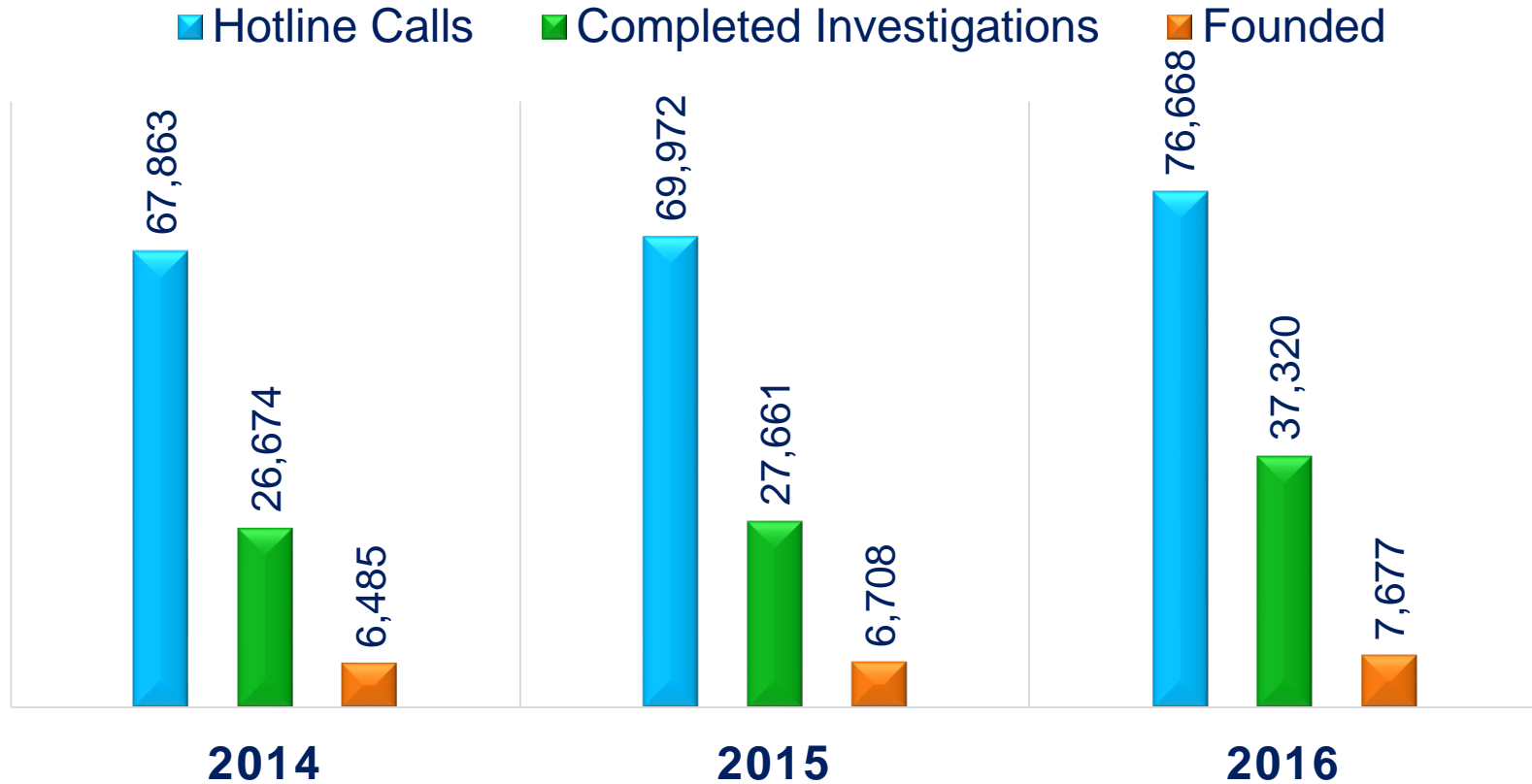
In 2016, a total of 11,191 children spent at least one day in some type of foster care



Child Welfare Services



Child Protective Services



DHS does not investigate every call that comes in only those that rise to the level of abuse and or neglect.

Differential Response

“Safe Children - Strong, Supported Families”

Differential response is a redesign of the child welfare system’s front end that allows more than one path for intervention with families with a screened in report of abuse or neglect.

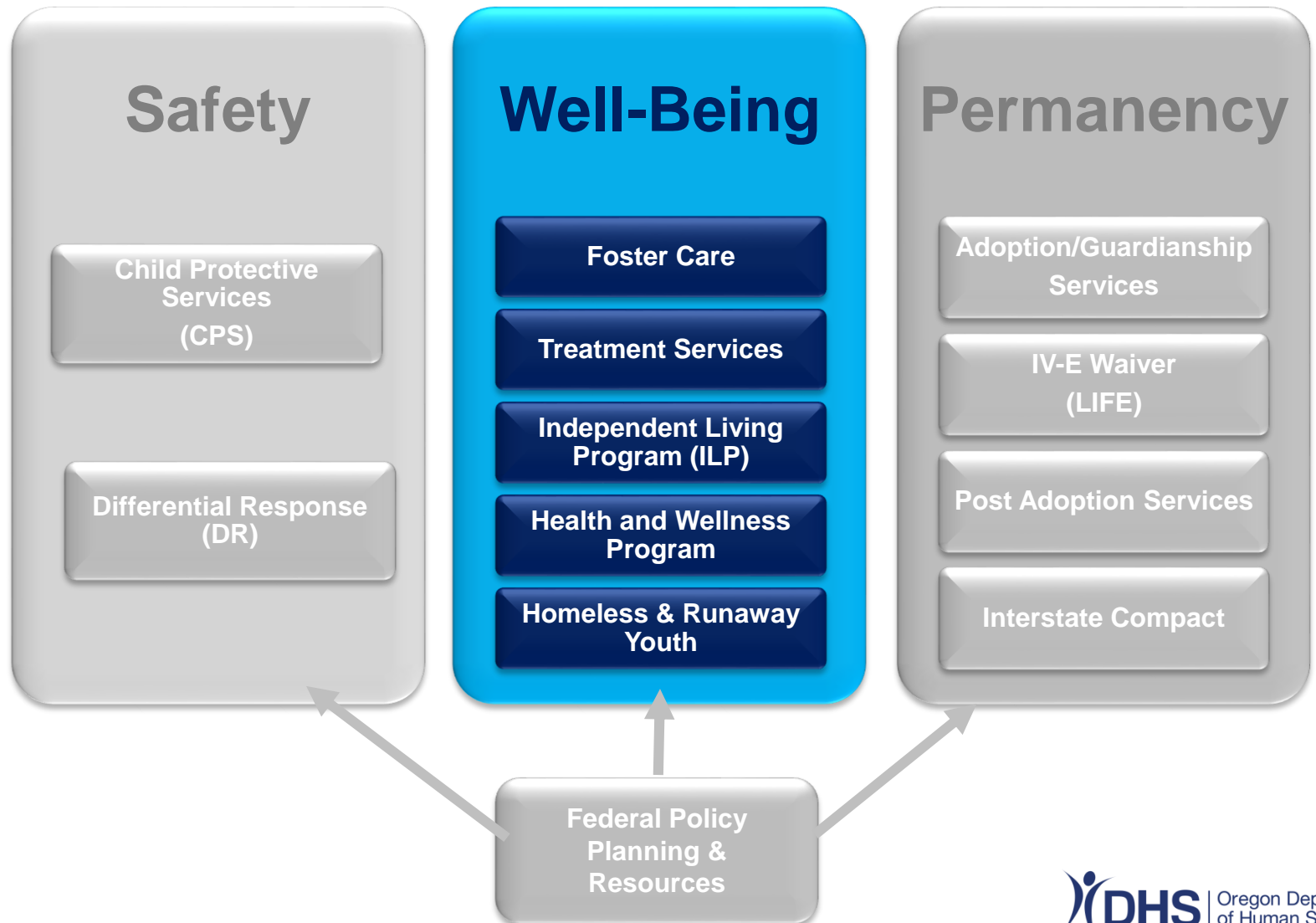


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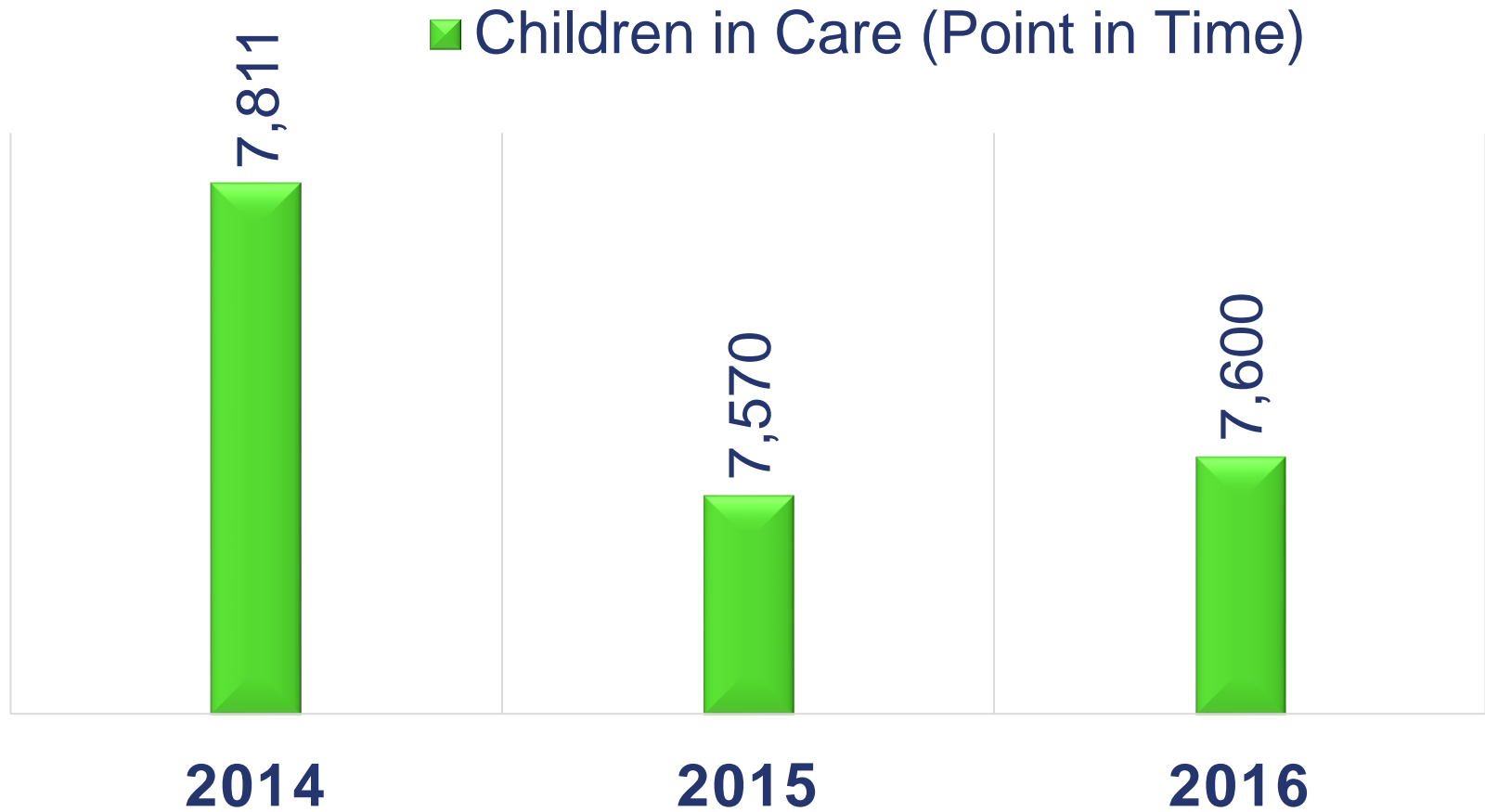
- More children safely at home with parents
- Fewer children in foster care
- Partner with families
- Reduce disproportionality
- Reduce re-reports
- Reduce abuse



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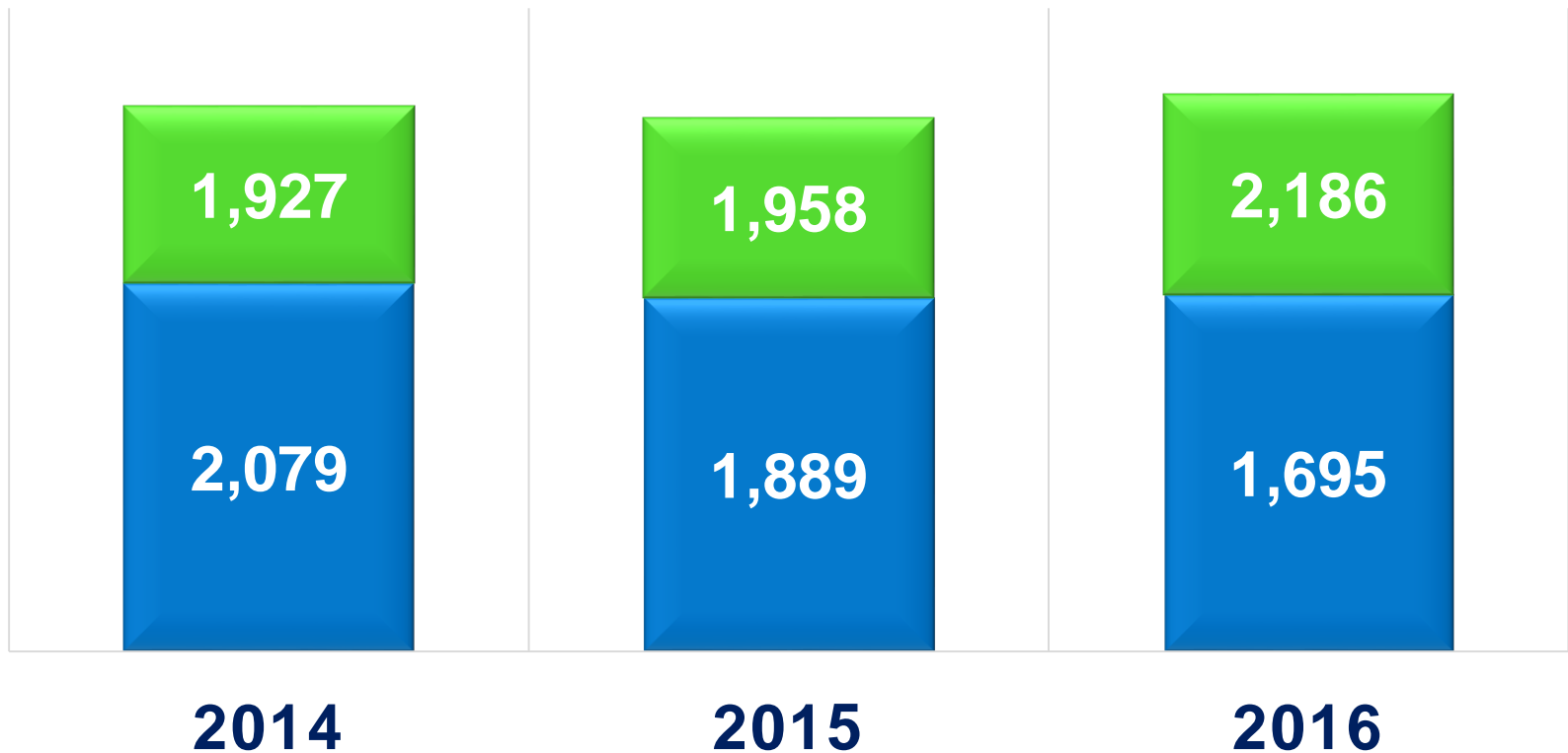


Foster Care Population



Family Foster Homes

■ Regular Certification ■ Relative/Kith Certification



Child Welfare Data Book

Treatment Services

Behavioral Rehabilitation Services

Behavioral Rehabilitation Services (BRS) is a higher level of care that provides the skill development necessary for children with debilitating emotional and behavioral challenges to return home or move to a less intensive level of care and to ultimately achieve permanence.

Challenges

- Safety
- Capacity
- Rates

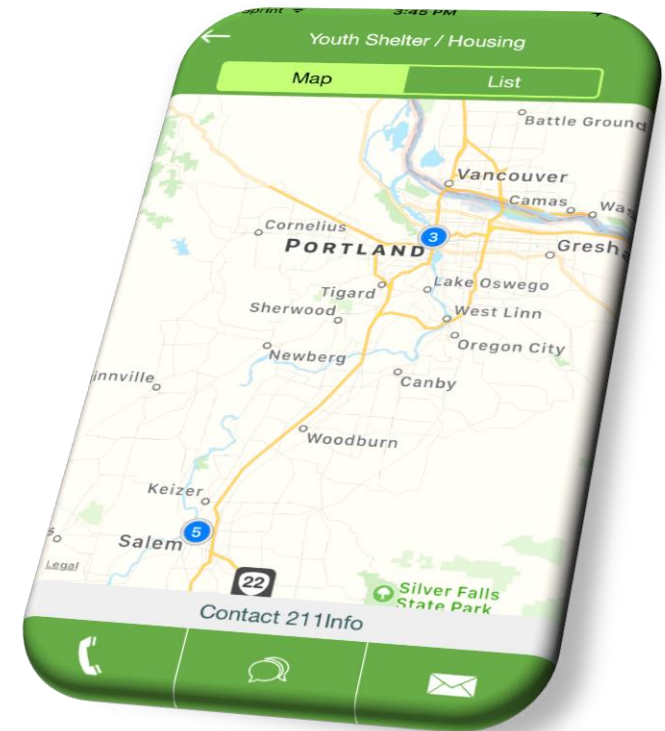


Well-Being

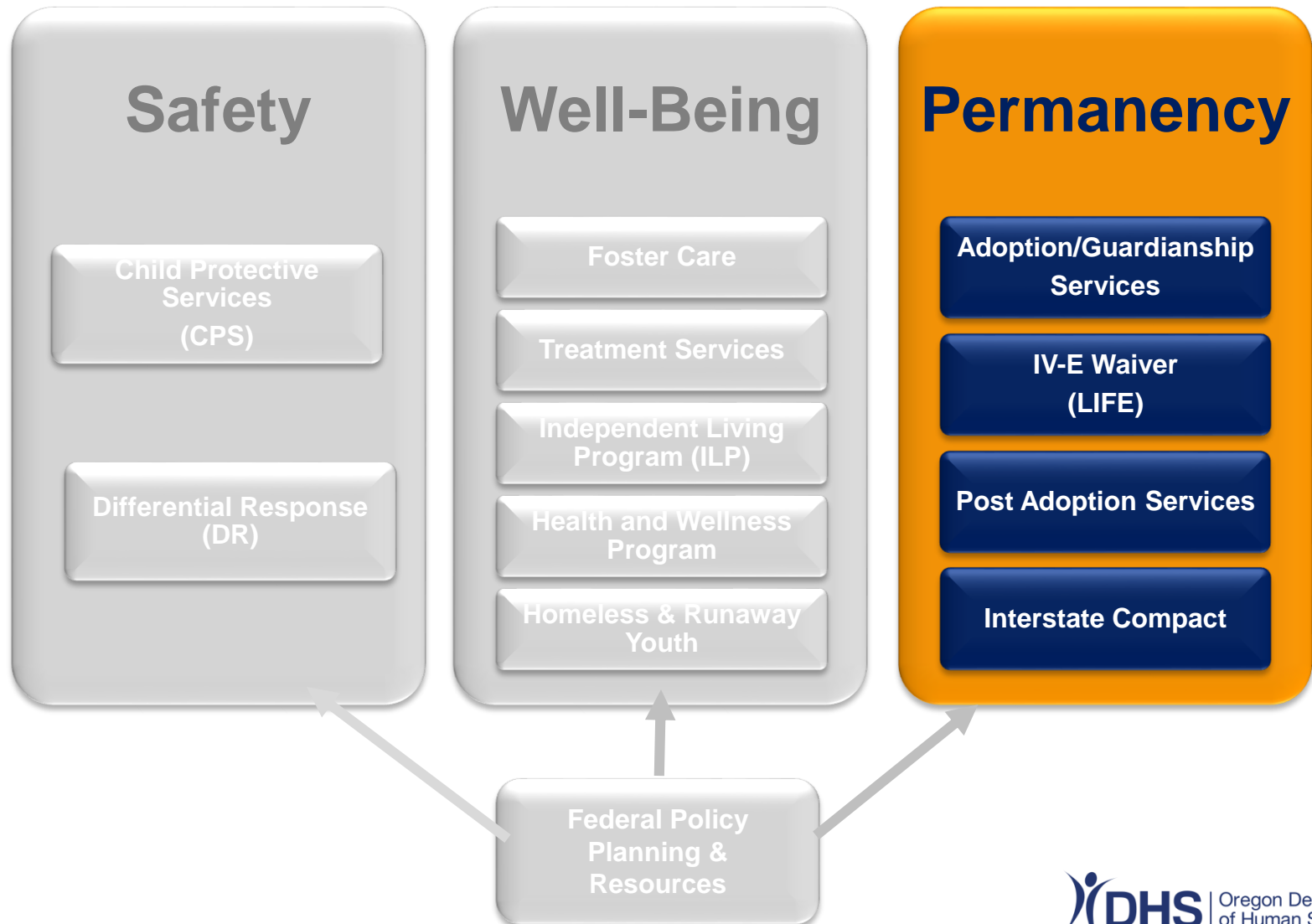
1,359 youth received Independent Living Program **Services** provided by **19** contracted community-based providers.

9,354 Homeless and Runaway Youth app **Downloads** in 2016.

1915 children received in home nursing assessments through the **Health and Wellness Program**



Child Welfare Services



Permanency

2,133 (58%) of the children leaving foster care were **Reunited** with their families.

748 children had **Adoptions** finalized.

364 (90%) of the children adopted also had **Siblings** adopted by the same family as one or more siblings.

3,321 (82%) of the siblings groups in care were placed with the **Same** family as one or more siblings



Permanency

600 case planning meetings through Leveraging Intensive Family Engagement (**LIFE**) with **127** parents working with parent mentors

282 children exited foster care to a **Guardianship**.

101 Oregon placements and **142** outgoing; Interstate Compact for the Placement of Children (**ICPC**).

1,688 total contacts through **Post Adoption Services**, training **431** adoptive parents

Service Delivery Structure



Moving in the Right Direction

- New Worker Training Redesign



Implemented Foster Parent Support Line

Apps for runaway youth and foster parents

- Community Partnerships
- Health and Wellness Program
- Licensing and Safety Review Team
- Title IV-E Waiver (LIFE)



Centralized Screening

Screeners housed together with screening managers 24 hours a day 7 days a week will best meet our values and service goals:

- Child Safety
- Effective, efficient services
- Customer confidence
- Standardization
- 24/7 Live Customer Service
- Honoring community relationships



Community Engagement and Partnerships

- Family Support Centers
- Strong relationships with our Child Caring Agencies (CCAs)
- Public/Private Partnerships
- Differential Response



Staff Challenges



Reality for Our Staff

- Life and death decisions
- Trauma for children and families
- Demanding caseloads
- Traumatic stress
- Personal stress
- Lack of resources
- Insufficient time



Turnover is Costly (Oregon 23%)

Cost for each worker leaving an agency is \$54,000

(Courtesy of National Child Welfare Workforce Institute)

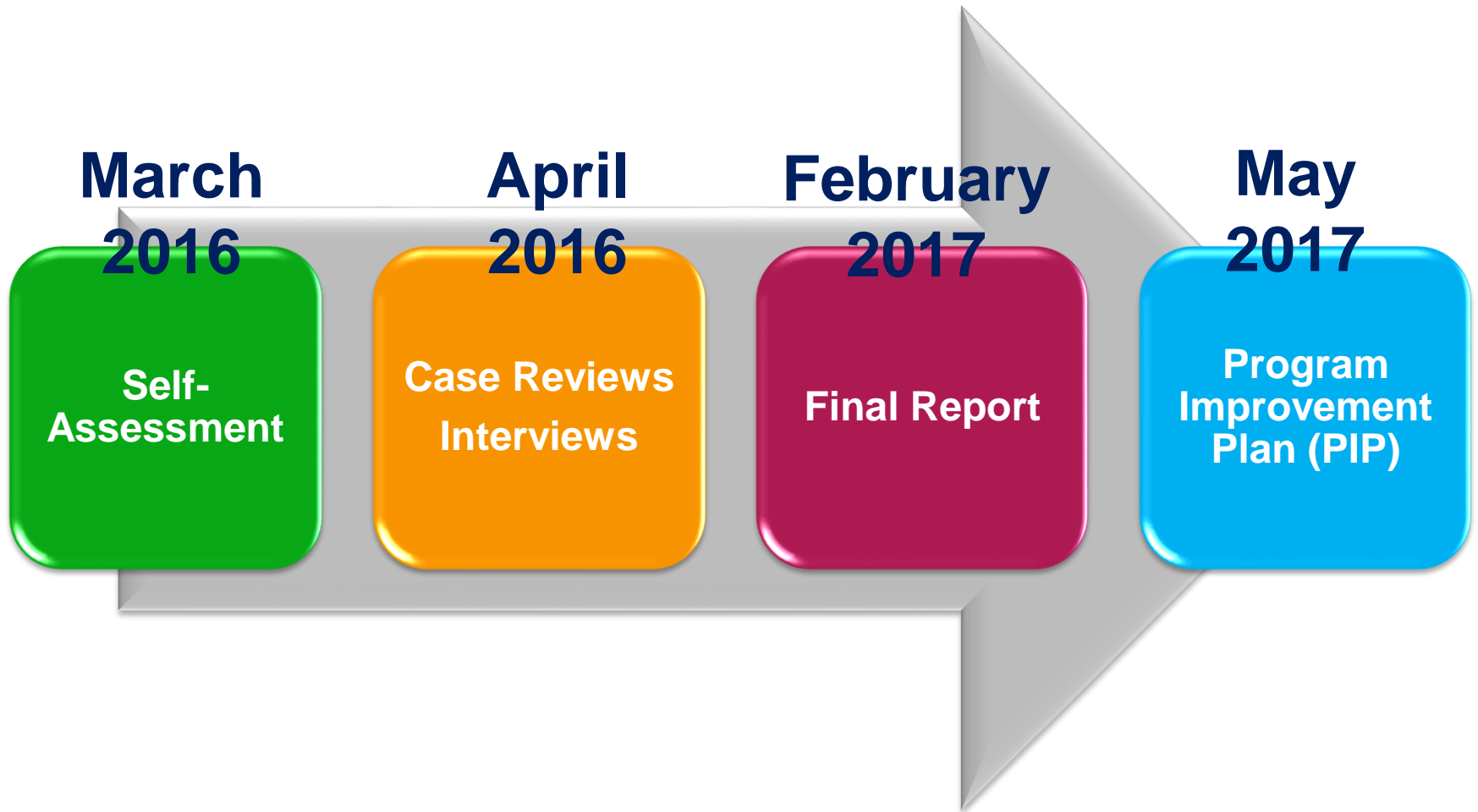
Department of Justice Representation

House Bill 2345 and **Senate Bill 525**

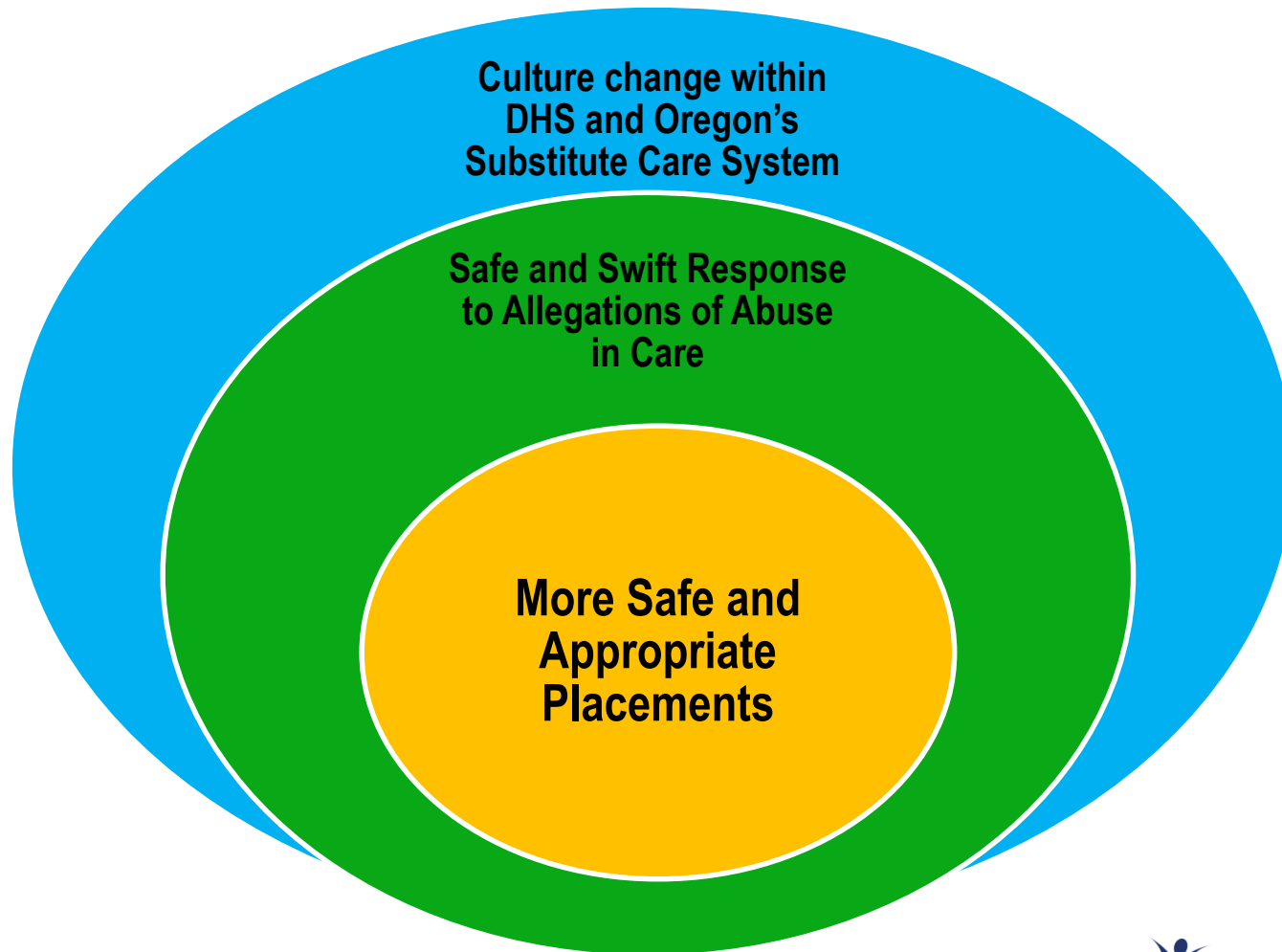
proposes consistent, high quality legal representation for the Oregon's children, parents and the Department of Human Services (DHS).



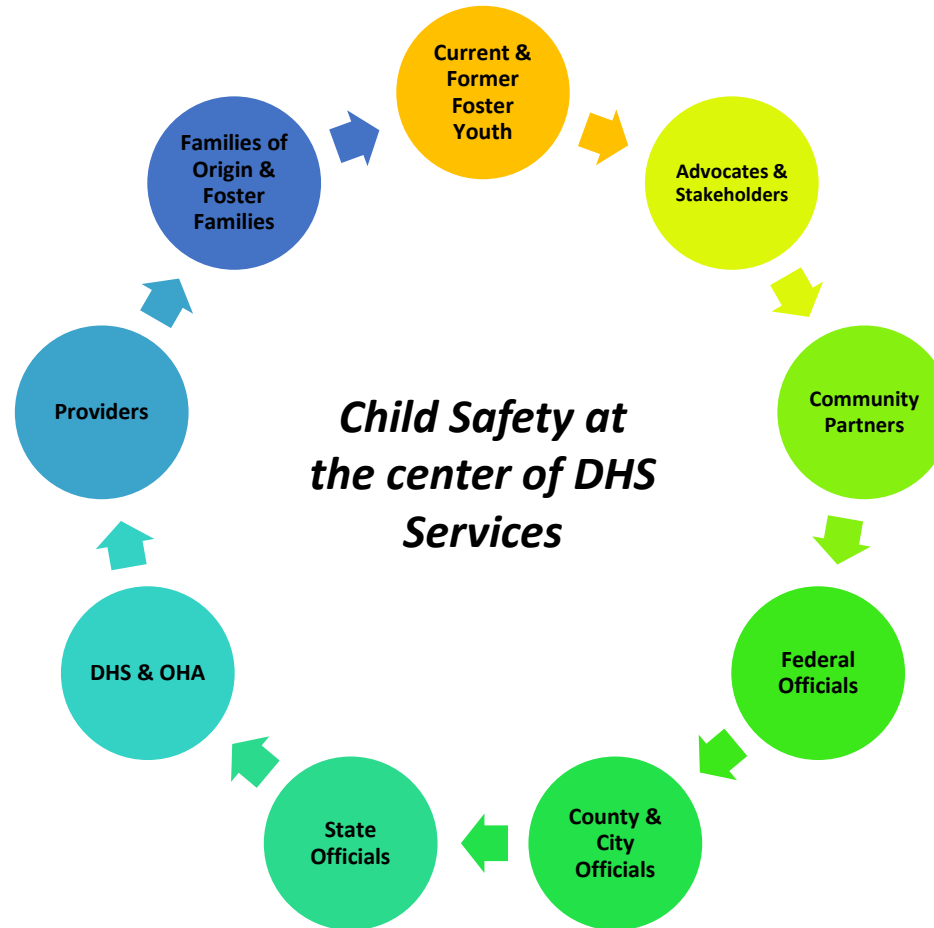
Child and Family Services Review



Child Safety in Substitute Care Independent Review



Unified Child and Youth Safety Implementation Plan



How Oregon Child Welfare Ranks?

Key Indicators	National	Oregon
In Care <i>*rate of children under age 18 in care per 1,000 children under the age of 18 in the general population</i>	Rate 5.4	8.9
Kinship Care	Average 30%	32%
Permanency within 12 Months of Entering Care	Standard 40.5%	40%
Recurrence of Maltreatment in 12 Months	Standard 9.1%	11%

Comparison data provided by Casey Family Programs using National AFCARS and NCANDS data provided by NDACAN

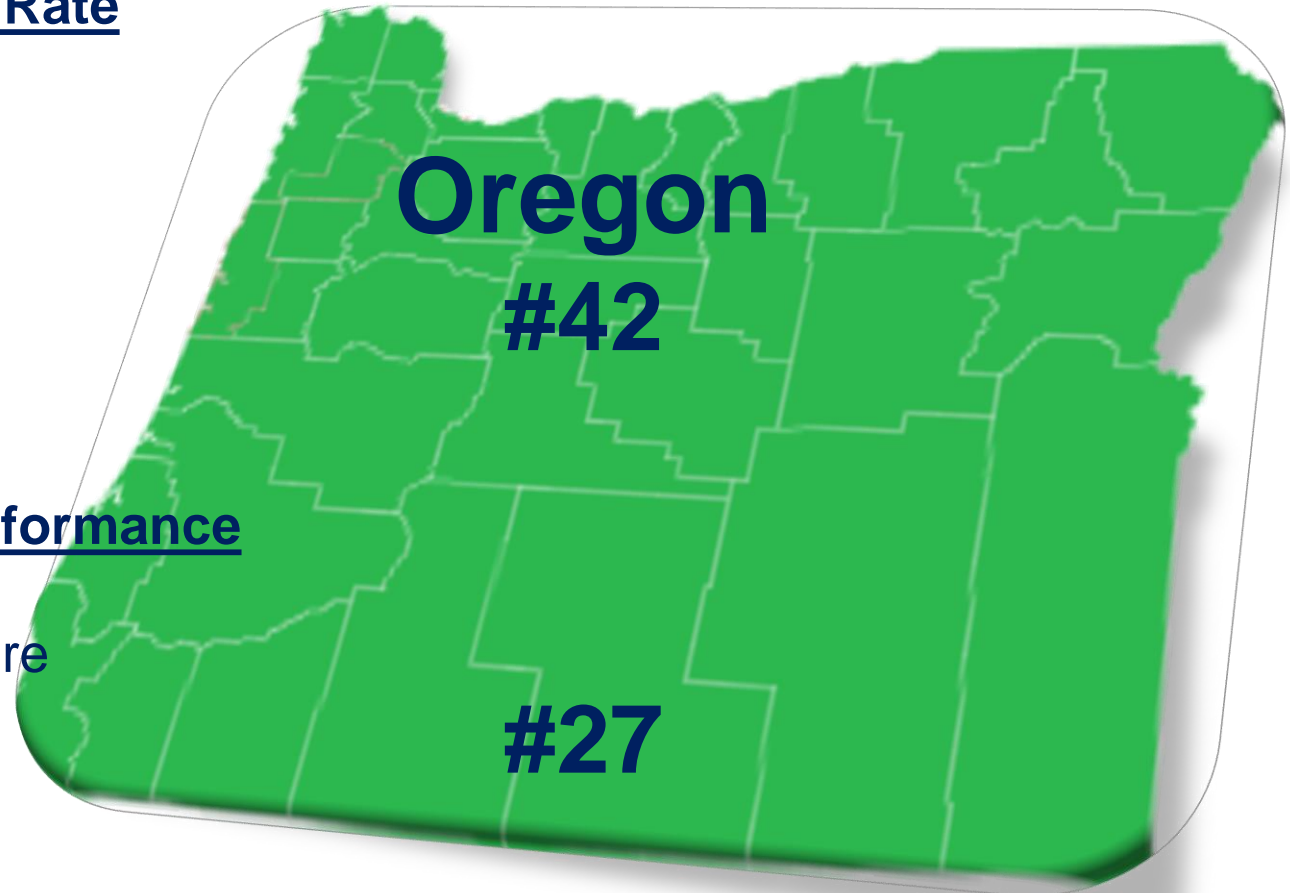
Child Welfare Nationally

Lowest in Care Rate

1. Virginia
2. Maryland
3. Utah
4. Idaho
5. Delaware

Best Safety Performance

1. Alabama
2. New Hampshire
3. Wyoming
4. North Dakota
5. West Virginia



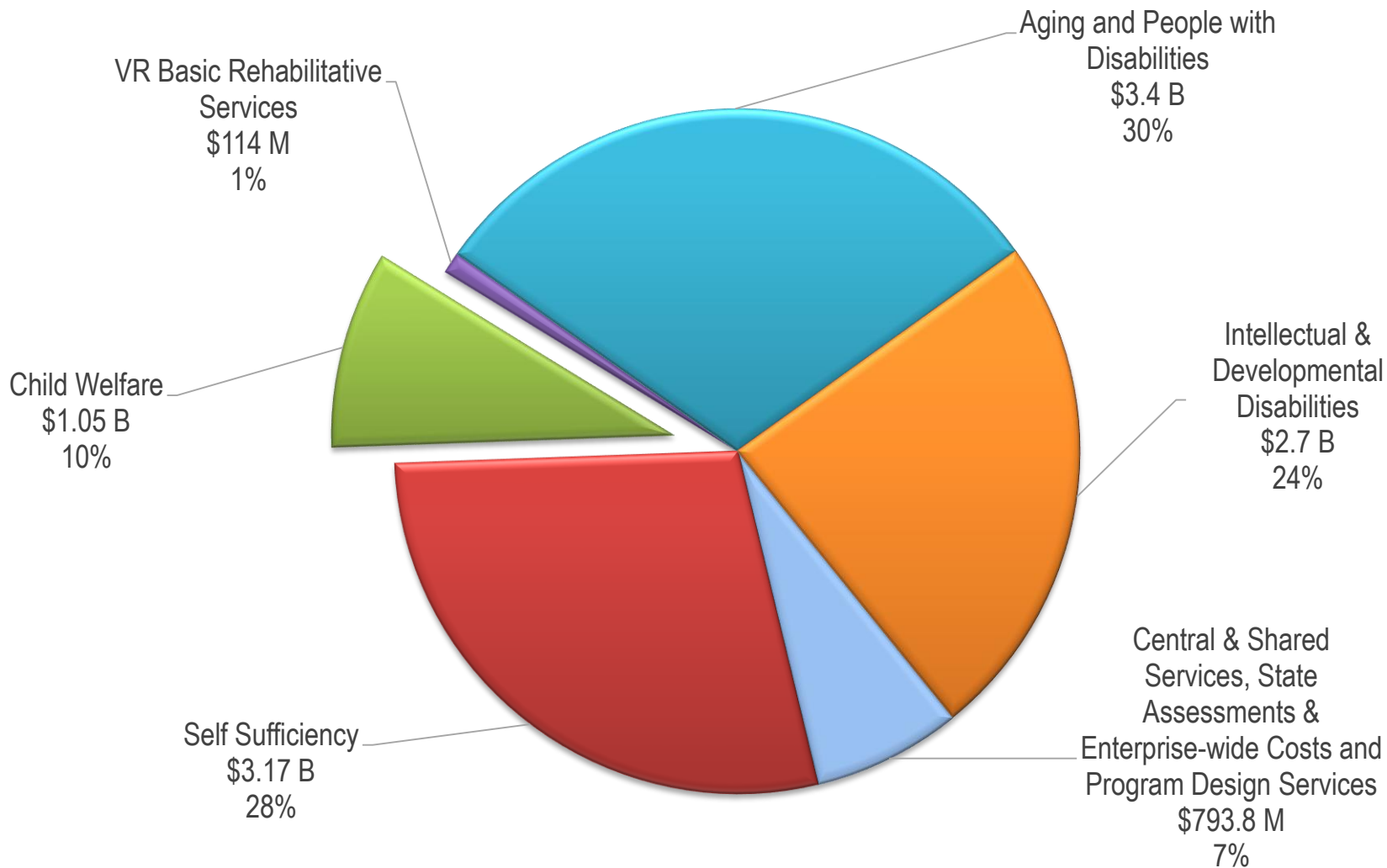
Data provided by AFCARS - Number of children under 18 in care per 1000 in the population

Priorities

- Safe and swift response to abuse in care
- Partner with community to ensure safe and appropriate levels of care for children
- Safe and equitable reduction in the number of children in foster care
- Recruit, retain and support staff
- Continuing to invest in technology

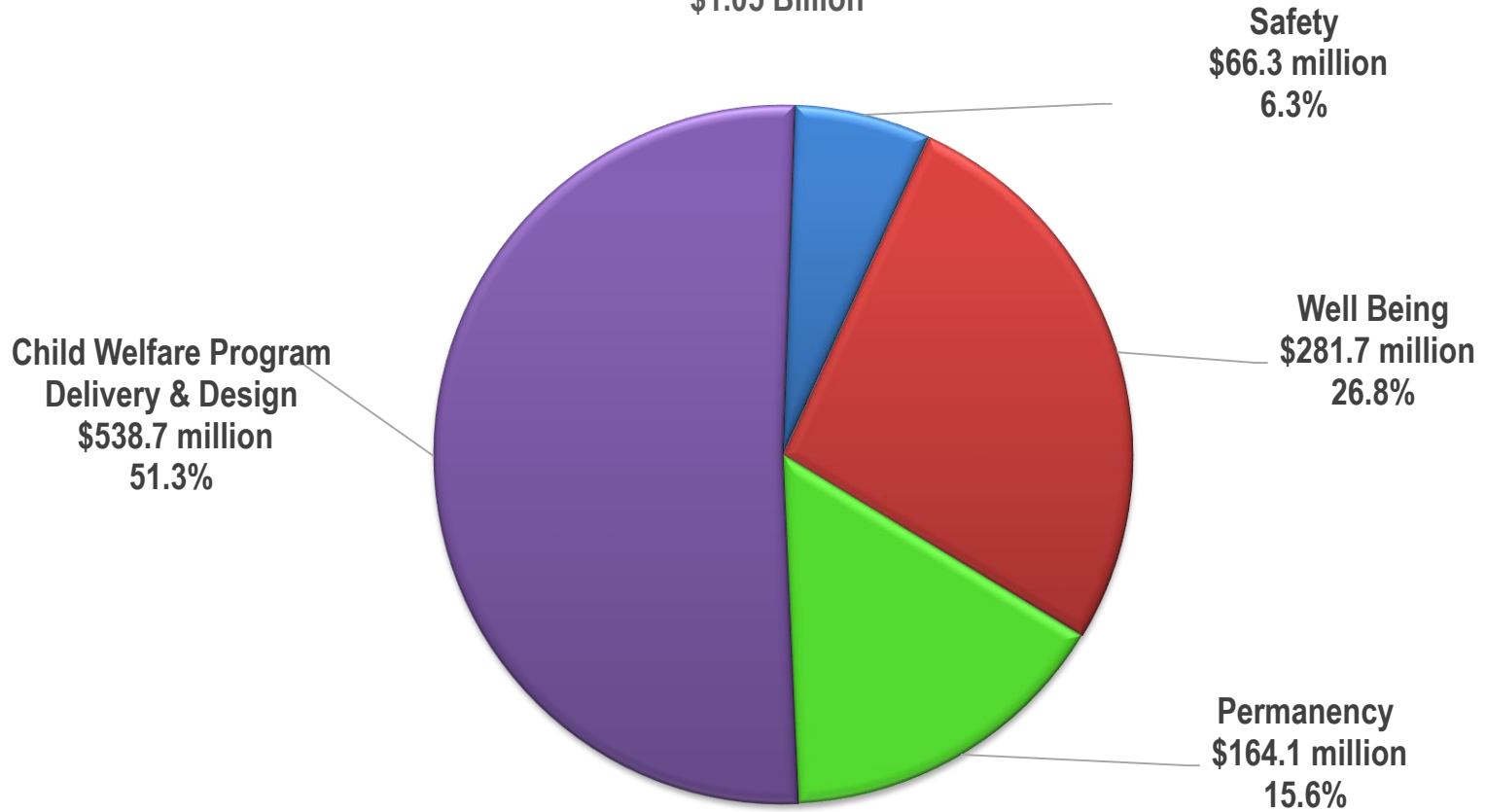


**Department of Human Services
2017-19 Governor's Budget
Total Fund by Program Area
\$11.26 Billion**

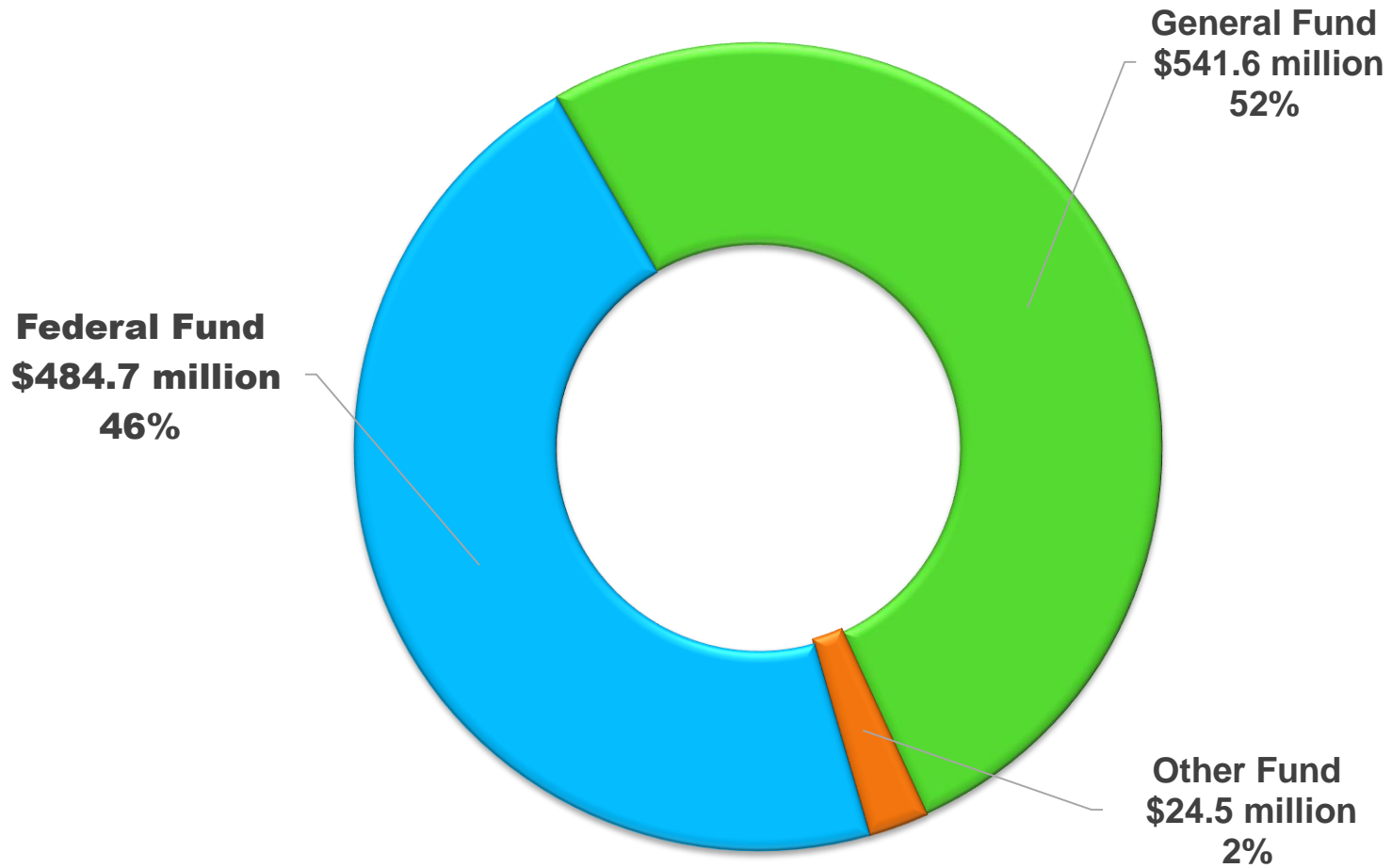


Budget Overview

Child Welfare
Total by Program
\$1.05 Billion

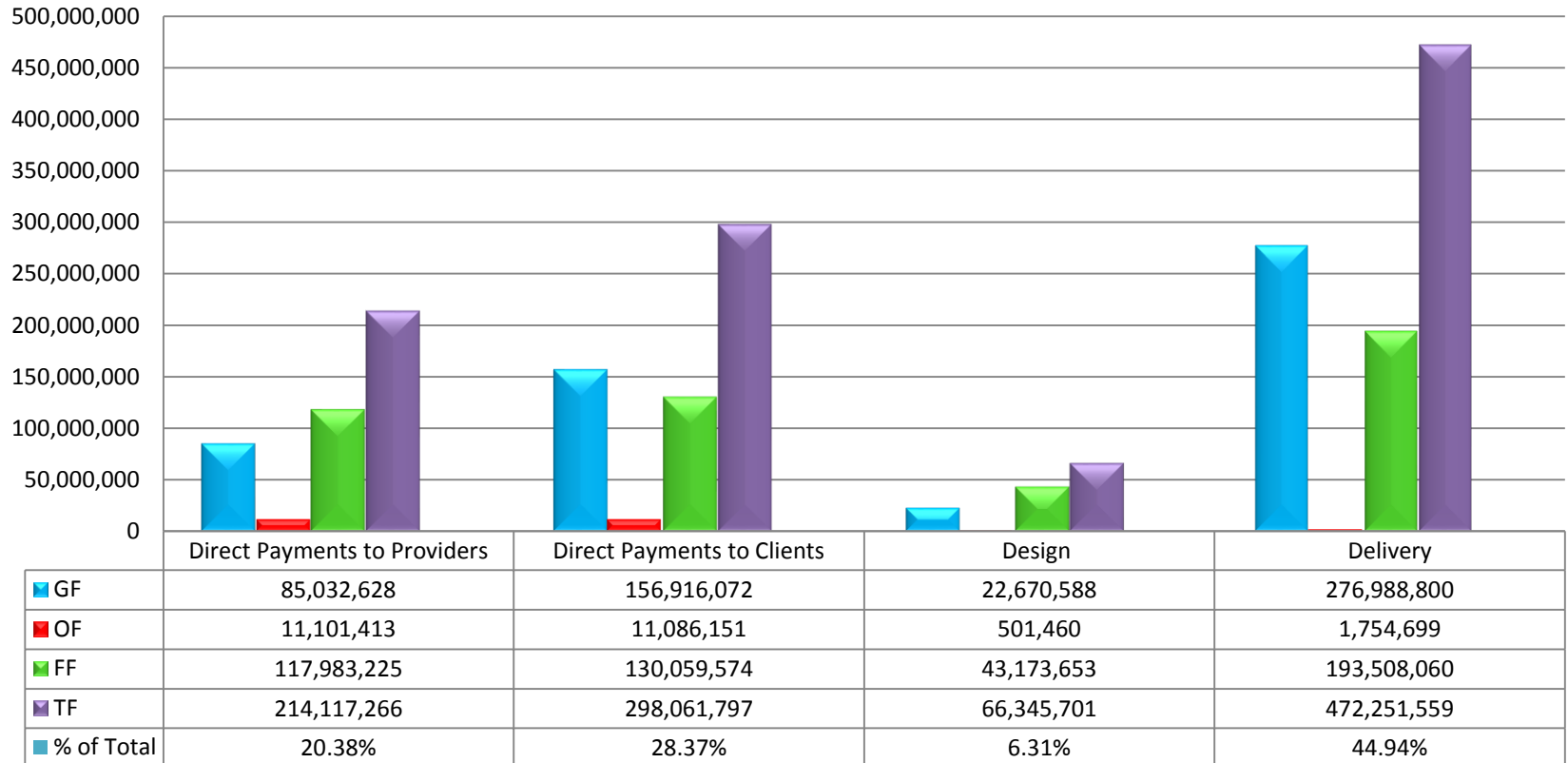


**Child Welfare
Total by Fund Type
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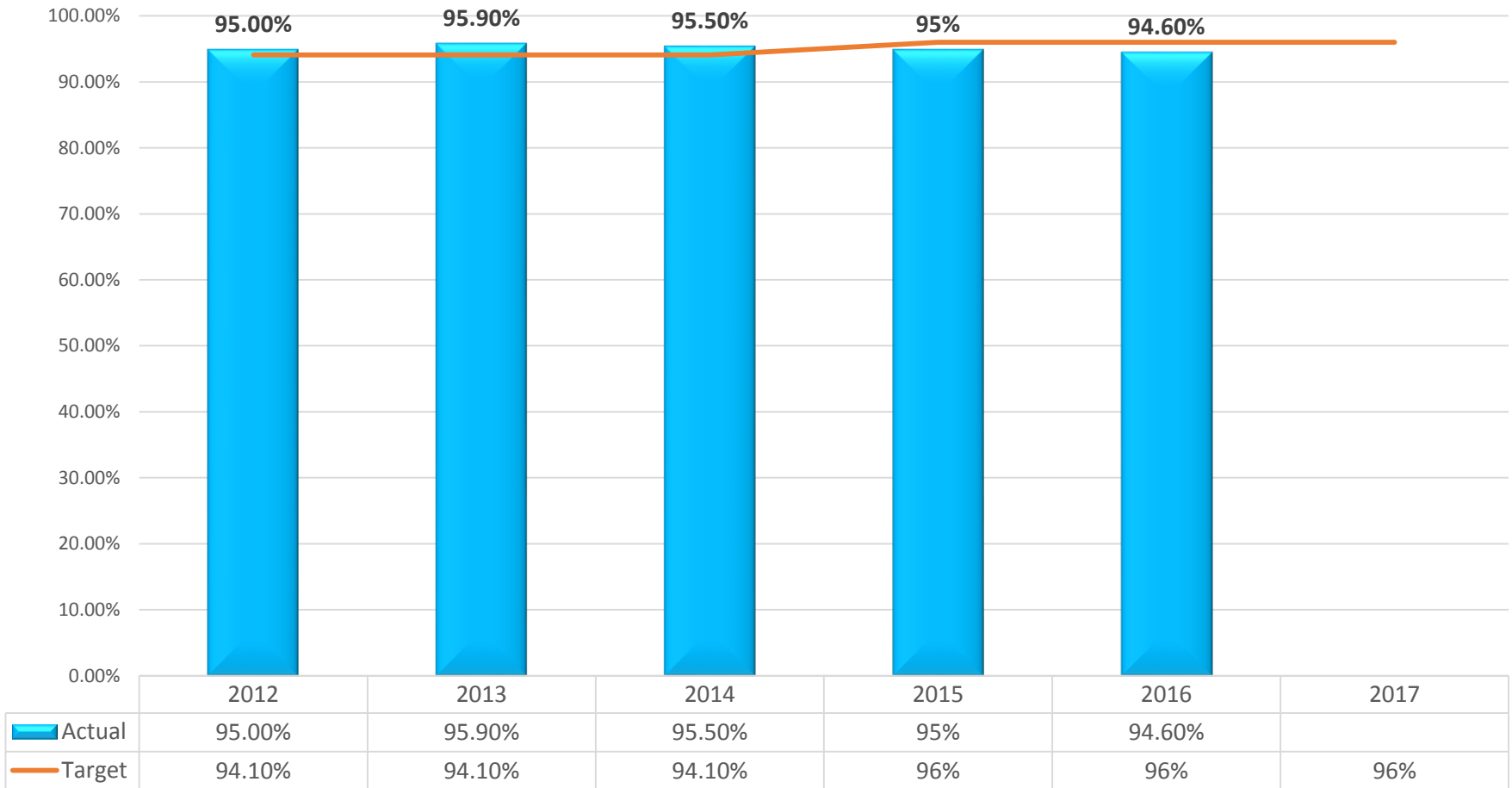
Note: 93.69% of budget is direct services or direct payments to clients or providers

Key Performance Measures

- Absence of Repeat Maltreatment
- Timely Reunification
- Timeliness of Adoption Legally Free
- Disparity in foster youth achieving permanency within 2 years by race/ethnicity
- Children Served by Child Welfare Residing in Parental Home

KPM 7 ABSENCE OF REPEAT MALTREATMENT

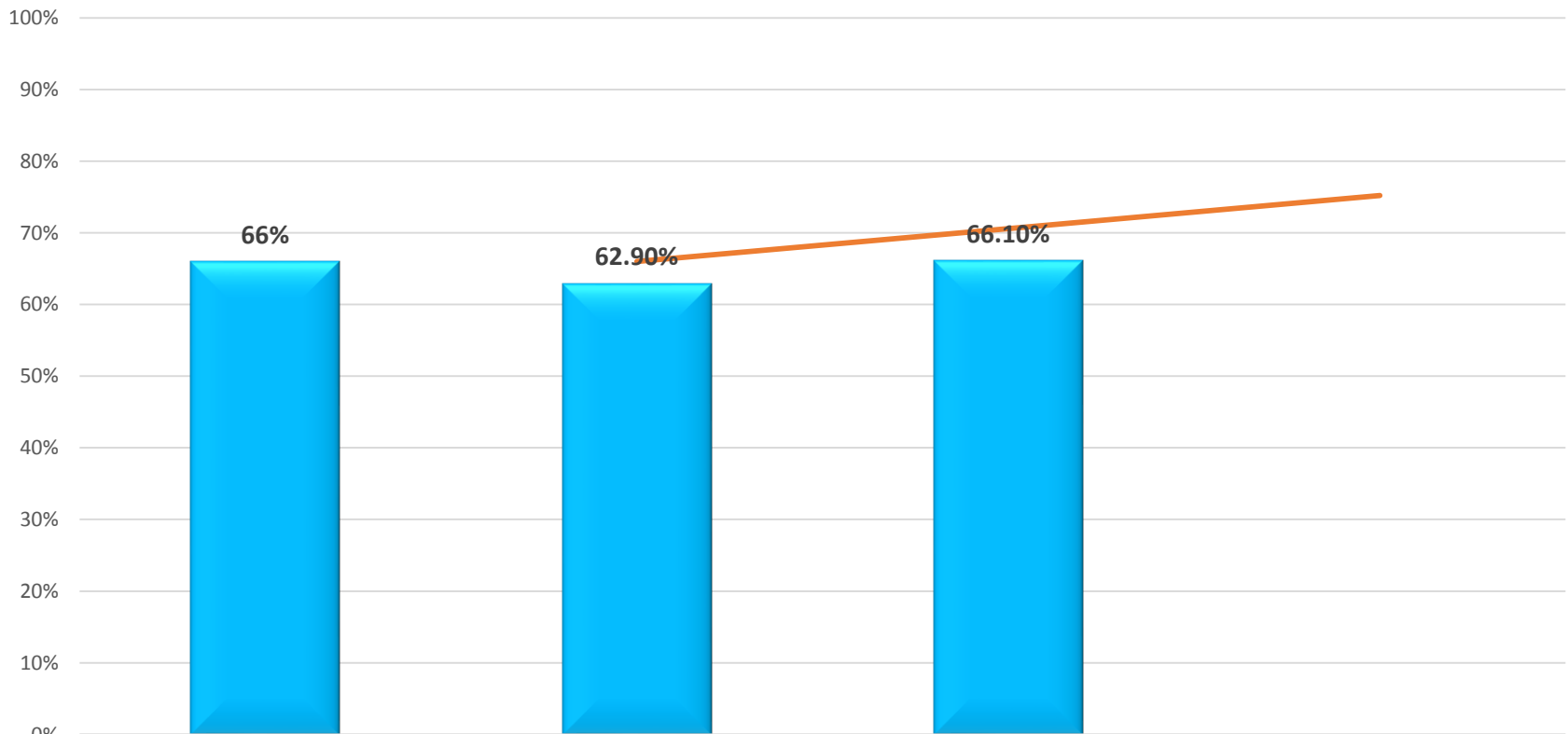
The % of abused/neglected children who were not subsequently victimized within 6 months of prior victimization.
Time Period: Oct-Sept



KPM #8 TIMELY REUNIFICATION

The % of foster children exiting to reunification within 12 months of foster care entry.

Time Period: Oct - Sept

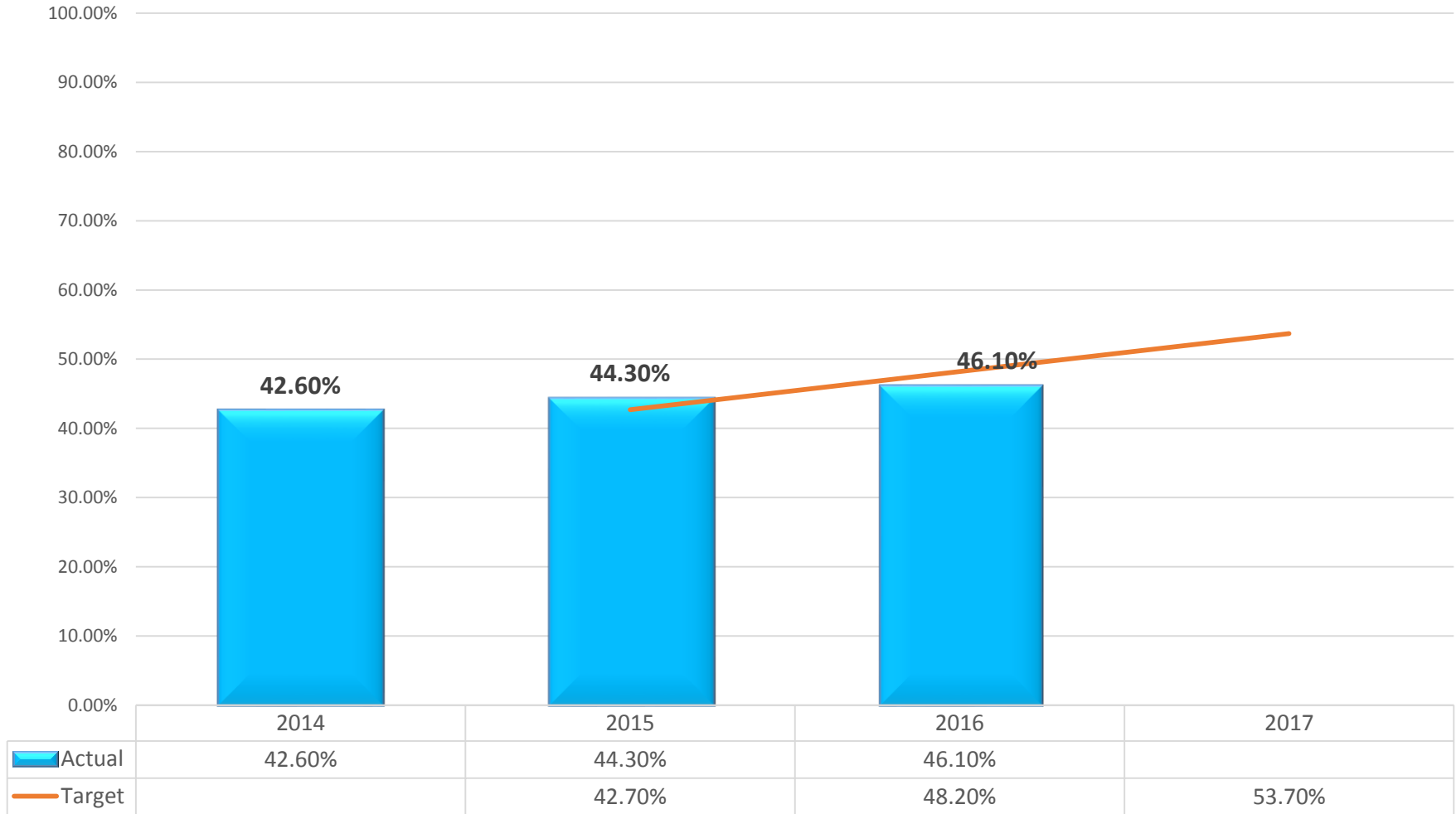


	2014	2015	2016	2017
Actual	66%	62.90%	66.10%	
Target	66%	66%	70.60%	75.20%

KPM #9 TIMELINESS OF ADOPTION ONCE LEGALLY FREE

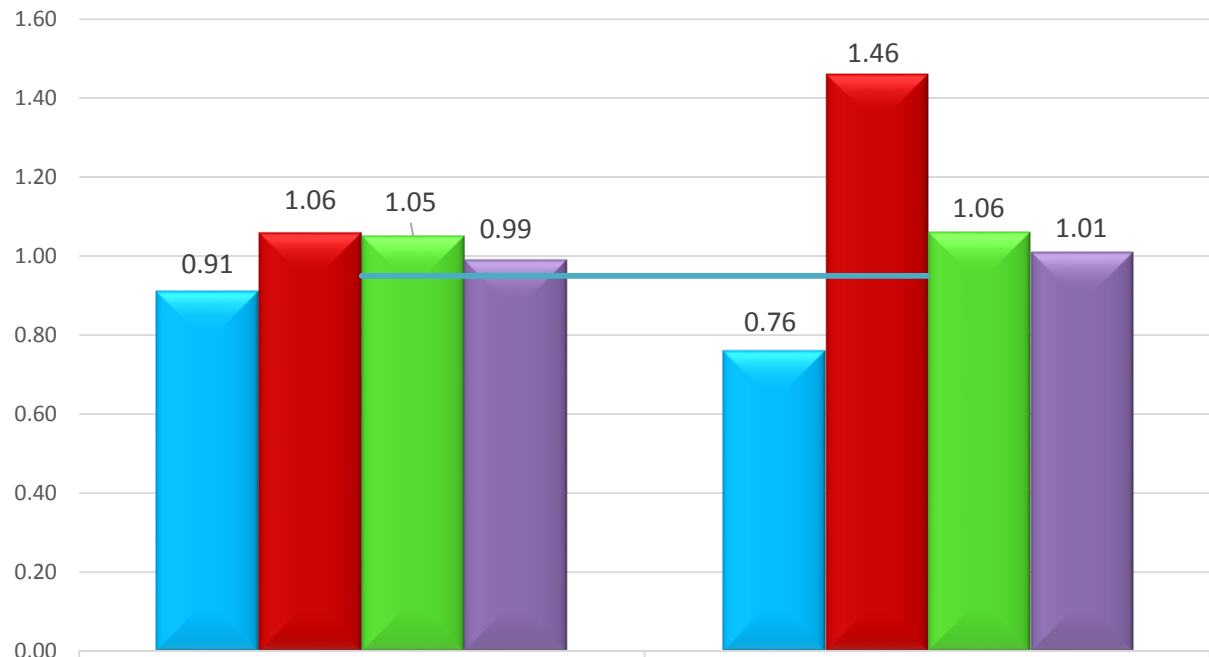
% of Legally free children adopted in less than 12 months

Time Period: Oct - Sept



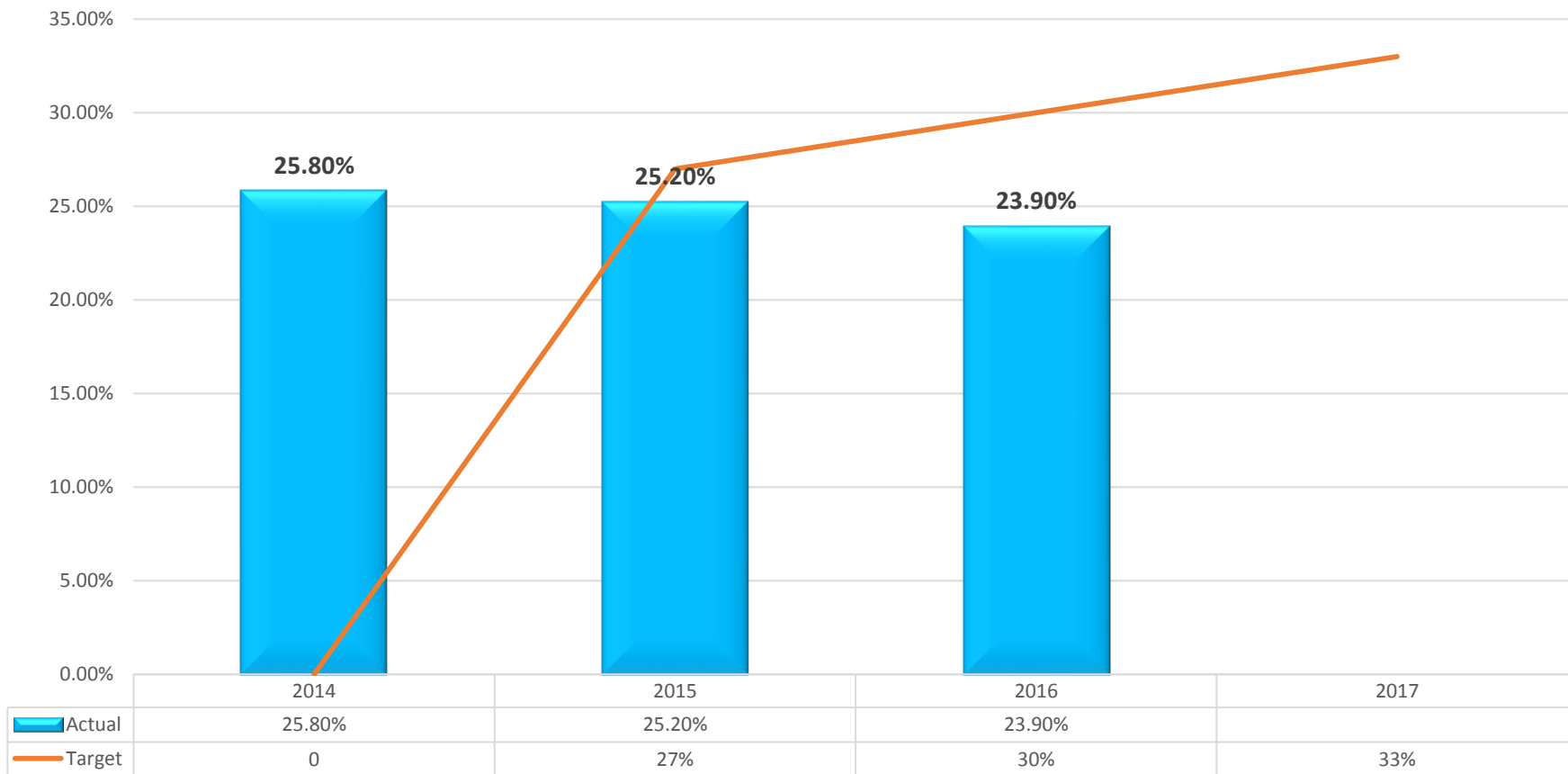
Proposed: KPM #18

Disparity in foster youth achieving permanency within 2 years by race/ethnicity



	2015		2016	
Non-Hispanic African American	0.91	87 Children	0.76	108 Children
Non-Hispanic Asian/ Pac Islander	1.06	15 Children	1.46	3 Children
Hispanic (all races)	1.05	237 Children	1.06	197 Children
Non-Hispanic Native American/Alaskan Native	0.99	76 Children	1.01	84 Children
Suggested Target	0.95		0.95	

**KPM #19 CHILDREN SERVED BY CHILD WELFARE RESIDING IN PARENTAL HOME - The percent of children served in Child Welfare on an average daily basis (In Home and Foster Care) who were served while residing in their parent's home.
Time Period: Oct-Sept**



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<https://www.oregon.gov/DHS/CHILDREN/CHILD-ABUSE/Pages/Data-Publications.aspx>

Oregon Child Welfare Data Set

https://rom.socwel.ku.edu/Oregon_Public/MyHome.aspx