

STANISLAUS COUNTY COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS PARTNERSHIP

Meeting Minutes

Thursday – December 2, 2021

Stanislaus County Probation Department – Microsoft TEAMS

MEMBERS/STAFF PRESENT

MARK FERRIERA, Chief Probation Officer, Chair, Probation Department
LETICIA RUANO, Assistant Chief Probation Officer, Probation Department
JEFF DIRKSE, Sheriff, Sheriff's Office
BIRGIT FLADAGER, District Attorney
BRANDON GILLESPIE, Modesto Police Department
TRISHA BIRCHARD, Modesto Police Department
ARCELI OCHOA MARTINEZ, District Attorney's Office
BRITTANY HARKER, Victim's Advocate, District Attorney's Office
SARA REDD, Workforce Development
RUBEN IMPERIAL, Behavioral Health & Recovery Services
MONICA CORYEA, CEO's Office
ANGELICA RAMOS, CEO's Office
CYNTHIA DUENAS, Center for Human Services
DEPUTY STEVEN ROSALES, Sheriff's Office
SGT. JEREMY PEREA, Sheriff's Office
DANE HELDING, Nirvana
STEVEN GAXIOLA, Learning Quest
TRACIE MARTIN, Realignment Manager, Probation Department
RAUL DOMINGUEZ, CARE Manager, Probation Department
AMBER MYERS, Supervising Probation Officer, Probation Department
FRANCISCO GUMATAOTAO, Supervising Probation Officer, Probation Department
JANICE CREE, Data Manager, Probation Department
MEKO LOCARNINI, State Parole

MEMBERS/STAFF ABSENT

SCOTT KUYKENDALL, Stanislaus County Office of Education
JENNIFER JENNISON, PUBLIC DEFENDER
AMANDA SHARP, DIRECTOR, Community Services Agency
DORIS FOSTER, DIRECTOR, Workforce Development
TERRY WITHROW, BOARD OF SUPERVISOR

1. CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS

The meeting was called to order at 1:32 p.m. by Chief Probation Officer Mark Ferriera. Members of the group introduced themselves.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no members of the public. No public comments were made during the meeting.

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES FROM SEPTEMBER 2, 2021, MEETING

MOTION: Chief Brandon Gillespie. SECOND: Sheriff Jeff Dirkse. The minutes of the September 2, 2021, meeting were approved unanimously.

4. ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION PURSUANT TO ASSEMBLY BILL 361:

CPO Mark Ferriera presented the resolution to the Community Corrections Partnership Executive Committee for adoption and numbering as "Resolution No. Community Corrections Partnership #1."
Ayes: Mark Ferriera, Brittany Harker, Birgit Fladager, Jeff Dirkse, Brandon Gillespie, Ruben Imperial,

Cindy Duenas and Stephanie Kennedy. Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Jennifer Jennison, Doris Foster, Scott Kuykendall, Amanda Sharp, and Terry Withrow. The resolution was passed, adopted, and attached to the minutes.

5. ANALYST UPDATE:

Crime & Intelligence Analyst Trisha Birchard shared a PowerPoint presentation providing an end of the year Day Reporting Center Class review from 2016 to 2021:

(The presentation is attached):

- INDIVIDUALS WHO RECEIVED A REFERRAL
- NUMBER OF REFERRALS RECEIVED
- REFERRAL OUTCOMES
- THREE YEARS OF RECIDIVISM TRACKING
- RECIDIVISM & SUBSEQUENT BOOKINGS
- REFERRALS RESULTING IN NON-ATTENDANCE, TERMINATION, COMPLETIONS

The group discussed how class attendance affects recidivism rates. CPO Ferriera noted that programming is significantly focused on, and the officers constantly remind offenders to attend their classes.

6. PROGRAM UPDATES:

Tracie Martin, Realignment Manager from the Probation Department, reported that the Probation Department and the Ink Doctors, a Medical Corporation (InkOffMe), have signed a contract from January 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023. The partnership was developed to increase offenders' opportunities by removing undesired tattoos. InkOfMe will be servicing offenders on-site at the Day Reporting Center every seven weeks, starting February 8, 2022.

The STOP Program will no longer provide the Probation Department with its services assisting PRCS offenders released early from CDCR due to the halt of state funding. A total of 19 offenders currently in the program will continue until the 6-month program is completed.

Since September, the Probation Department partnered with other local law enforcement agencies participated in 4 Regional Apprehension Team (RAT) operations, resulting in 29 compliance checks and 7 arrests.

CARE:

Raul Dominguez, CARE Manager from the Probation Department, shared a CARE update as well as a PowerPoint Presentation that included a jail booking review by WestEd from August 2015 to July 2021. (The presentation is attached):

The original 143 clients:

- 30 still being engaged
- 19 case managed
- 37 closed due to no contact/receiving services in another county
- 22 are linked to BHRS
- 10 housed
- 18 deceased
- 6 Prison
- 1 VA

New CARE clients:

- 25 referred, 5 from Turlock and 20 from Modesto
- 23 accepted
 - 4 case managed
 - 19 engaged

Raul stated that data associated with the costs of hospitalizations and psychiatric help was not included in the WestEd evaluation. Ruben Imperial shared that BHRS is working on a similar analysis to provide such data.

Jail: Sgt. Perea reported:

- Two new programs, Women of Wisdom and Substance Use Disorder have been launched.
- The Agricultural Vocational Program should be starting at the end of the month.
- HiSET proctoring is now available to in-custody offenders.

District Attorney's Office: Brittany Harker from the District Attorney's Office introduced Arceli Ochoa-Martinez as the new AB109 Victim Advocates' representative. She reported that last quarter they had received a total of 59 requests for victim information and protective orders, and 48 restitution notices had been submitted.

Behavioral Health and Recovery Services (BHRS): Ruben Imperial, Behavioral Health and Recovery Services Director, reported that BHRS is implementing a new strategic plan and continue to have recruitment challenges, which is causing an impact on partnerships they have in place. He stated that a meeting that will include neighboring counties and California State University Stanislaus is scheduled to discuss recruitment options.

Center for Human Services: Cindy Duenas, Director for the Center for Human Services, reported that the Youth Navigation Center Low Barrier Shelter opened in October. The shelter serves young adults between 18 and 24 years of age and is at COVID-19 capacity, with 12 beds. During the first 60 days of opening, 23 youth were seen, of which 13 were victims of domestic violence, 10 had disabilities, and 8 had been foster youth. She noted that COVID-19 rapid testing is being done twice a week, and youth have been quarantined in hotels due to being symptomatic. She stated that they are working off the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) to find youth that qualify for their service.

Cindy shared that the Hutton House has relocated to the Youth Navigation Center. They plan to renovate the old Hutton House location as permanent housing and with the possibility of servicing single moms.

Nirvana: Dane Holding from Nirvana from July 2021 to October 2021 reported:

- The Residential Program received 37 referrals, 13 admits, 5 successful completions, 5 walkaways, and 3 remain current.
- The Sober Living Program received 3 referrals, 1 walkaway, and 2 successful completions
- The STIC Program had 3 successful completions.
- The REACT program curriculum has been submitted for ZOOM programming.

Dane explained that due to the courts' new case management system, he would no longer track recidivism outcomes. According to Stephanie Kennedy of the Superior Court, the existing system demos a case management system that Santa Clara County currently uses. However, a new system that would mimic the previous system is being considered. CPO Ferreira and Brittany Harker offered to assist Mr. Holding in obtaining the information needed for recidivism data.

Learning Quest: Steven Gaxiola reported the following:

- 26 PSU students are receiving HSE services via the packet system.
- 10 New PSU students enrolled to receive HSE services.
- 15 REACT students are attending ZOOM classes.
- REACT approved access into the facility for HiSET exam proctoring; 7 students tested.
- 4 students receive educational services at the DRC; 1 DRC student graduated.
- 6 students are enrolled at the Learning Center; 2 students graduated.

Workforce Development: Sara Redd reported that the Workforce Development is currently servicing in and out of custody youth and has had 9 out of custody youth complete the program, and 3 have gained employment; additionally, they received 12 referrals for youth in custody, and 8 of them received a certificate of completion.

7. COMMENTS:

None.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting date will be set for March 3, 2022.

Meeting adjourned at 2:25 p.m.

RESOLUTION NO. COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS PARTNERSHIP #1

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REMOTE TELECONFERENCE MEETINGS
PURSUANT TO ASSEMBLY BILL 361**

WHEREAS, all meetings of the Community Corrections Partnership are held pursuant to the Ralph M. Brown Act, ensuring that any member of the public may participate in local government meetings; and

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2020, Governor Newsom proclaimed a State of Emergency in California as a result of the threat of COVID-19 and ordered all residents to obey orders and guidance issued by state and local health officials, including but not limited to, the imposition of social distancing measures to control the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 17, 2020, the County of Stanislaus adopted a resolution ratifying the declaration of local health emergency and issued a proclamation of a local emergency related to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 17, 2020, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order N-29-20 suspending certain provisions of the Ralph M. Brown Act in order to allow local legislative bodies to conduct meetings telephonically or by other means; and

WHEREAS, on June 11, 2021, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order N-08-21, which, effective September 30, 2021, ends the provisions of Executive Order N-29-20 that allows local legislative bodies to conduct meetings telephonically or by other means; and

WHEREAS, on September 16, 2021, the Governor signed AB 361 (2021) into law, which allows for local legislative bodies to continue to conduct meetings via teleconferencing under specified conditions and includes a requirement that the legislative bodies make specific findings; and

WHEREAS, the Governor has declared a State of Emergency pursuant to Government Code section 8625 as has the County of Stanislaus; and

WHEREAS, since issuing Executive Order N-08-21, the highly contagious Delta variant of COVID-19 has emerged, causing an increase in COVID-19 cases throughout the State and Stanislaus County; and

WHEREAS, the California Department of Public Health currently recommends that all individuals, regardless of vaccination status, wear a mask while indoors in public spaces; and

WHEREAS, on September 22, 2021, the Stanislaus County Health Officer issued an amended order requiring all individuals, regardless of vaccination status, to wear a mask while indoors in public spaces and to continue to follow the Centers for Disease Control's ("CDC") guidance for vaccinated and unvaccinated people; and

WHEREAS, the Stanislaus County Health Officer has issued a letter dated September 22, 2021, in which she, "recommend[s] that physical/social distancing measures be practiced throughout our Stanislaus County communities to minimize the spread of COVID-19, including implementation of the newly enacted AB 361 to maintain social distancing by legislative bodies of our local agencies"; and

WHEREAS, the CDC continues to recommend physical distancing of at least 6 feet from others outside of the household; and

WHEREAS, California Code of Regulations Title 8, section 3205 "COVID-19 Prevention," subparagraph (c)(5) states: "Training and instruction. The employer shall provide effective training and instruction to employees that includes the following: . . . (D) The fact that particles containing the virus can travel more than six feet, especially indoors, so physical distancing, face coverings, increased ventilation indoors, and respiratory protection decrease the spread of COVID-19, but are most effective when used in combination"; and

WHEREAS, because state or local health officials have imposed or are recommending measures to promote social distancing, the Community Corrections Partnership meetings via desires to continue holding teleconferencing; and

WHEREAS, the Community Corrections Partnership shall ensure that its meetings comply with the provisions required by AB 361 (2021) for holding teleconferenced meetings.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Community Corrections Partnership does resolve as follows:

1. The above recitals are true and correct, and incorporated into this Resolution.

2. In compliance with AB 361 (2021), and in order to continue to conduct teleconference meetings without complying with the requirements of Government Code section 54953(b)(3) of the Brown Act, the Community Corrections Partnership makes the following findings:

- a) The Community Corrections Partnership has considered the circumstances of the state of emergency; and
- b) The state of emergency, as declared by the Governor and County of Stanislaus, continues to exist; and
- c) The state of emergency due to the presence of COVID-19 in the community continues to directly impact the ability of the members of the Community Corrections Partnership to meet safely in person; and

d) State and local officials continue to impose or recommend measures to promote social distancing.

3. The Community Corrections Partnership may continue to meet remotely in compliance with AB 361, in order to better ensure the health and safety of the public.

4. The Community Corrections Partnership will revisit the need to conduct meetings remotely no later than 30 days after teleconferencing for the first time, and every 30 days thereafter.

5. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Community Corrections Partnership of the County of Stanislaus, State of California, this 2nd day of December 2021, by the following vote:

AYES: Mark Ferriera, Stephanie Kennedy, Birgit Fladager, Jeff Dirkse, Brandon Gillespie, Ruben Imperial, Cynthia Duenas, Brittany Harker

NOES: None.

ABSENT: Terrance Withrow, Scott Kuykendall, Amanda Sharp, Jennifer Jennison, Doris Foster

ABSTAIN: None



Mark Ferriera, Chief Probation Officer

ATTEST:

BY: 

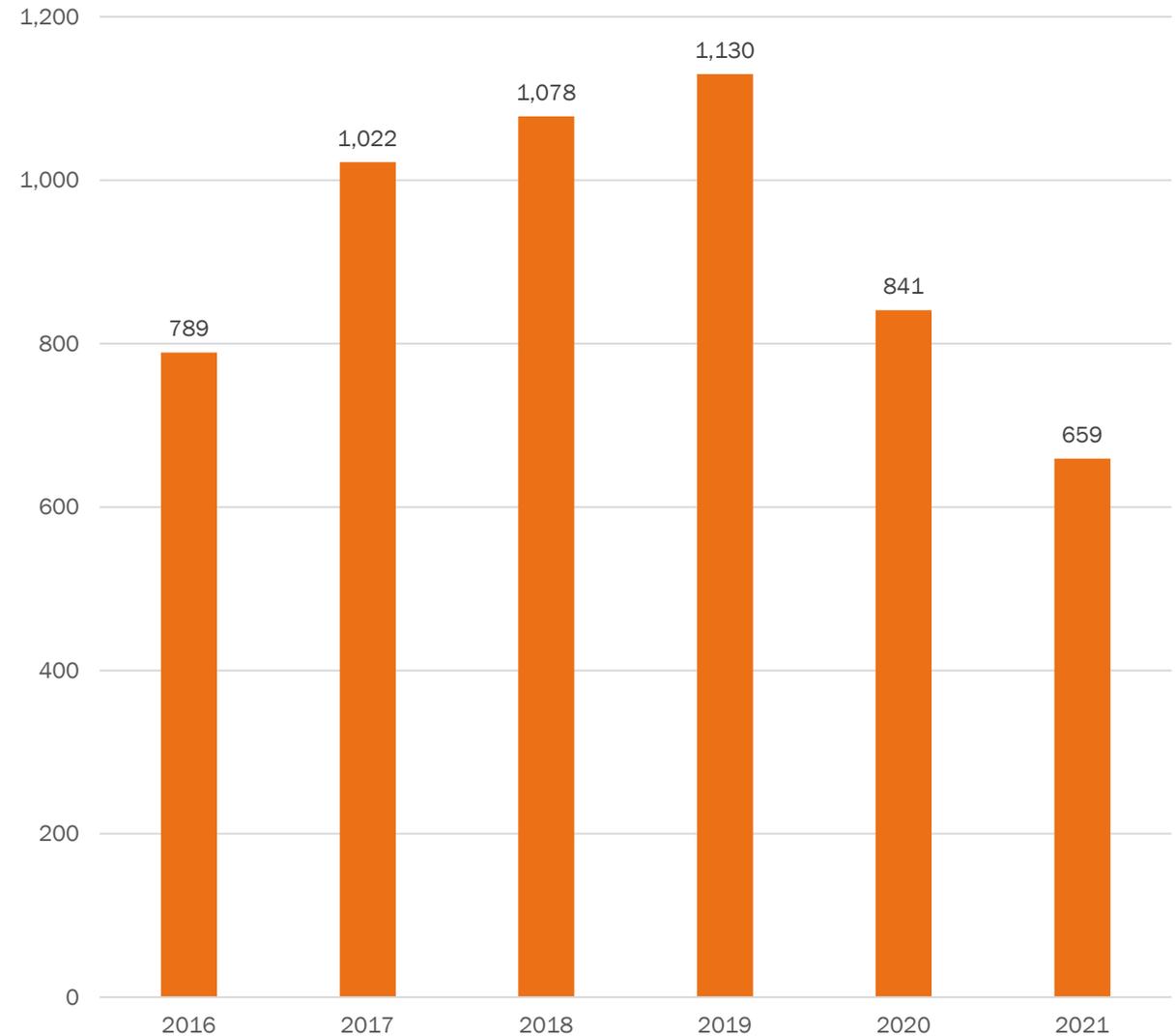
Eva Carrasco, Executive Assistant



Class Review

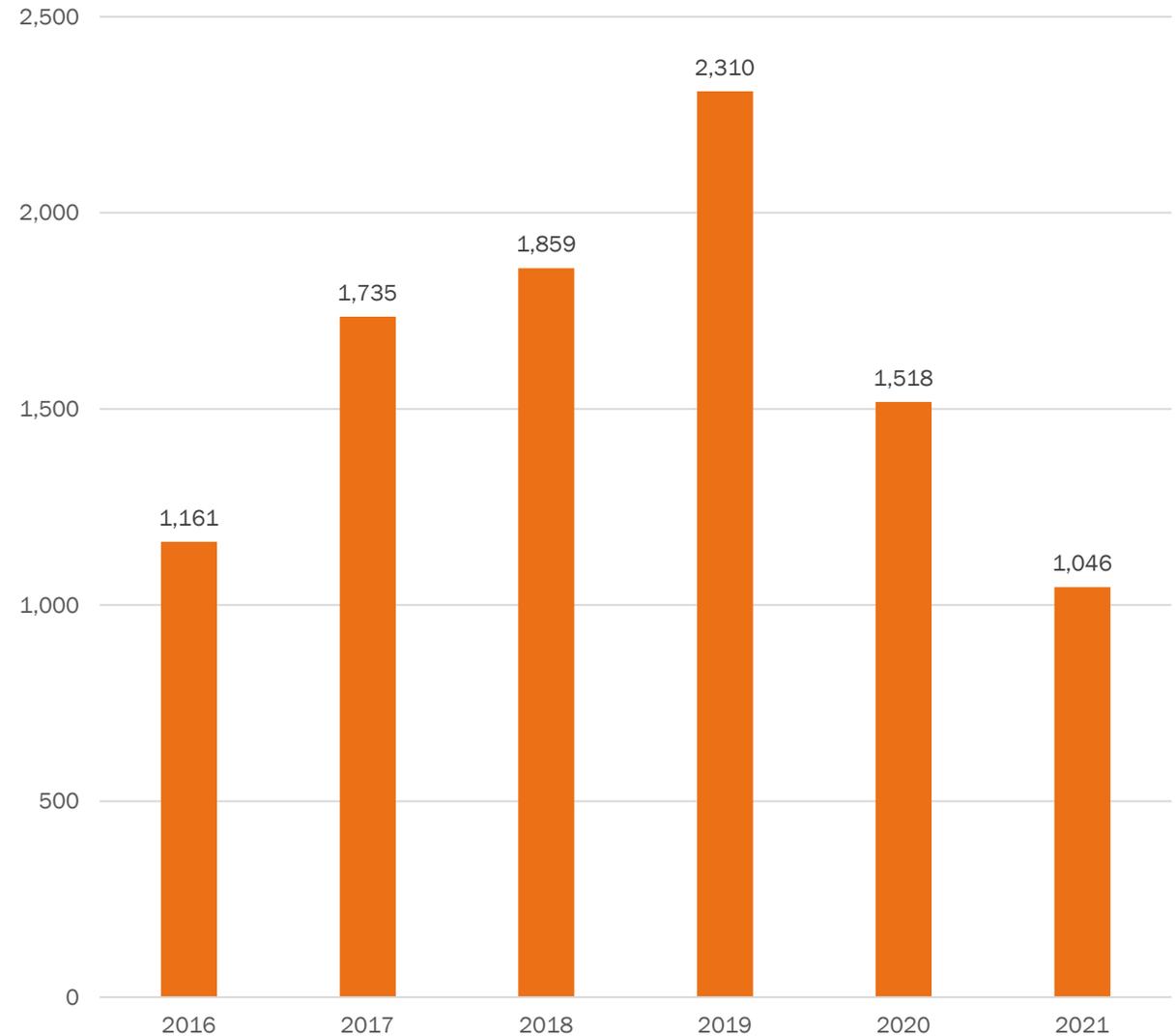
Individuals Who Received a Referral

- An individual can receive more than one referral.
- The count is determined by the number of unique IDs referred each year.
 - An individual can receive multiple referrals in a year, but will only be counted once.
 - An individual can receive referrals in multiple years and would be counted in each year.



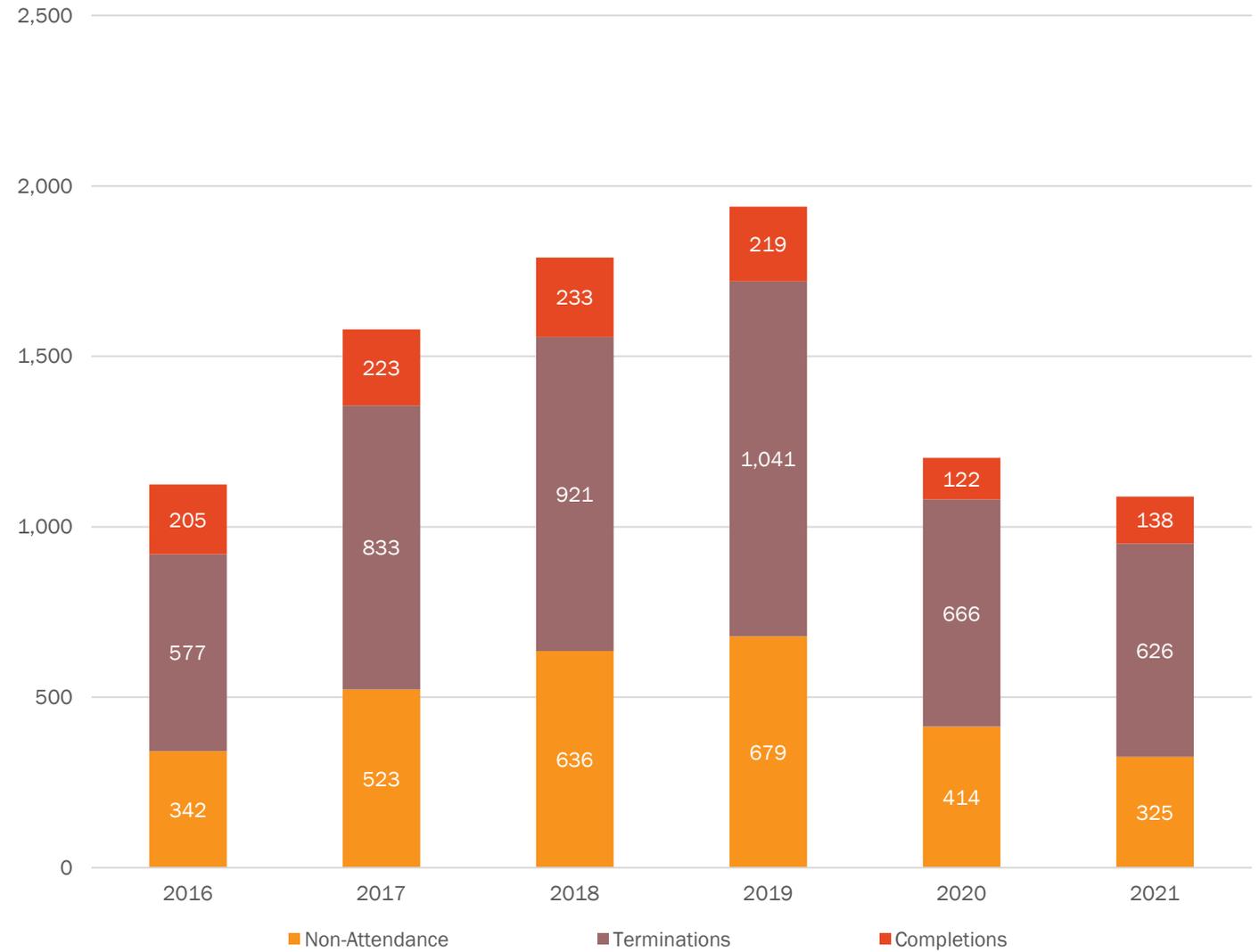
Referrals Issued

- Counts the number of unique referrals issued to individuals.
- Includes both first time referrals to a class and re-referrals to the same class.



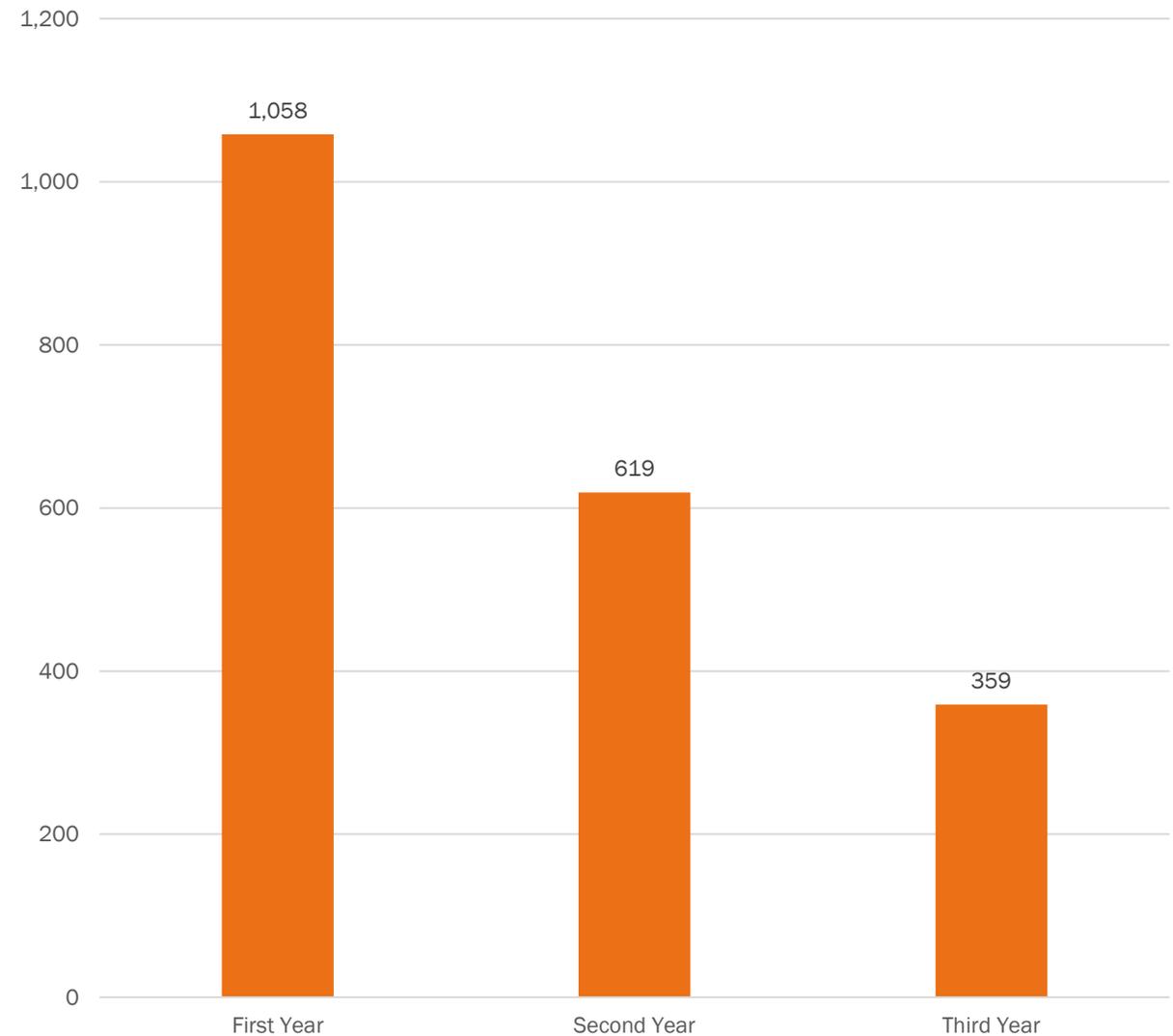
Referral Outcomes

- Outcome Types:
 - Non-Attendance
 - Termination
 - Completion
- The results can occur in a different year than the year the referral was issued.
- 126 referrals are still active.



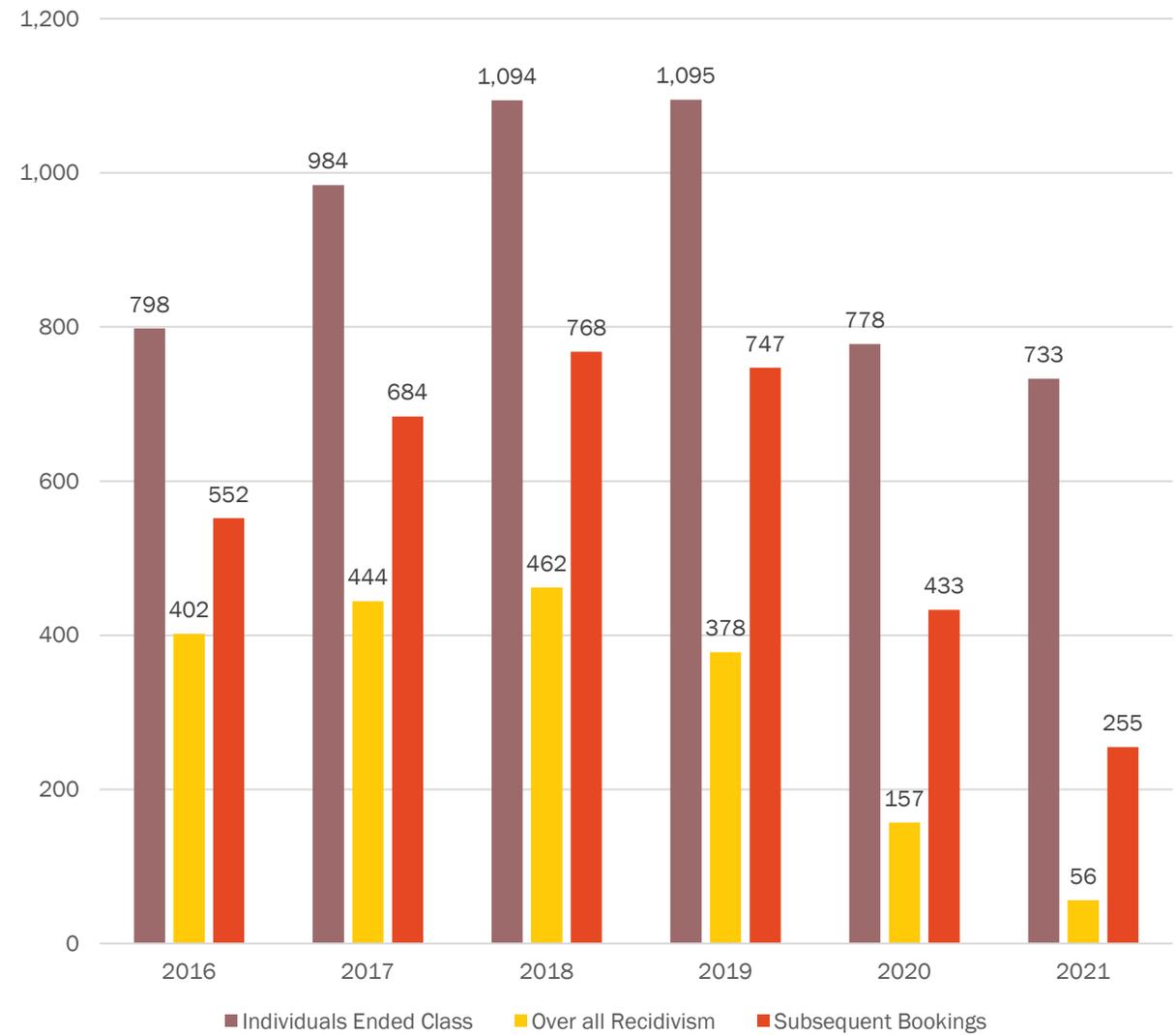
Recidivism – Three Years of Tracking

- Recidivism is a conviction of a new crime committed within three years of ending class
- 41.5% decrease in recidivism incidents between first and second year of tracking
- Between second and third year of tracking recidivism incidents decreased 42.0%



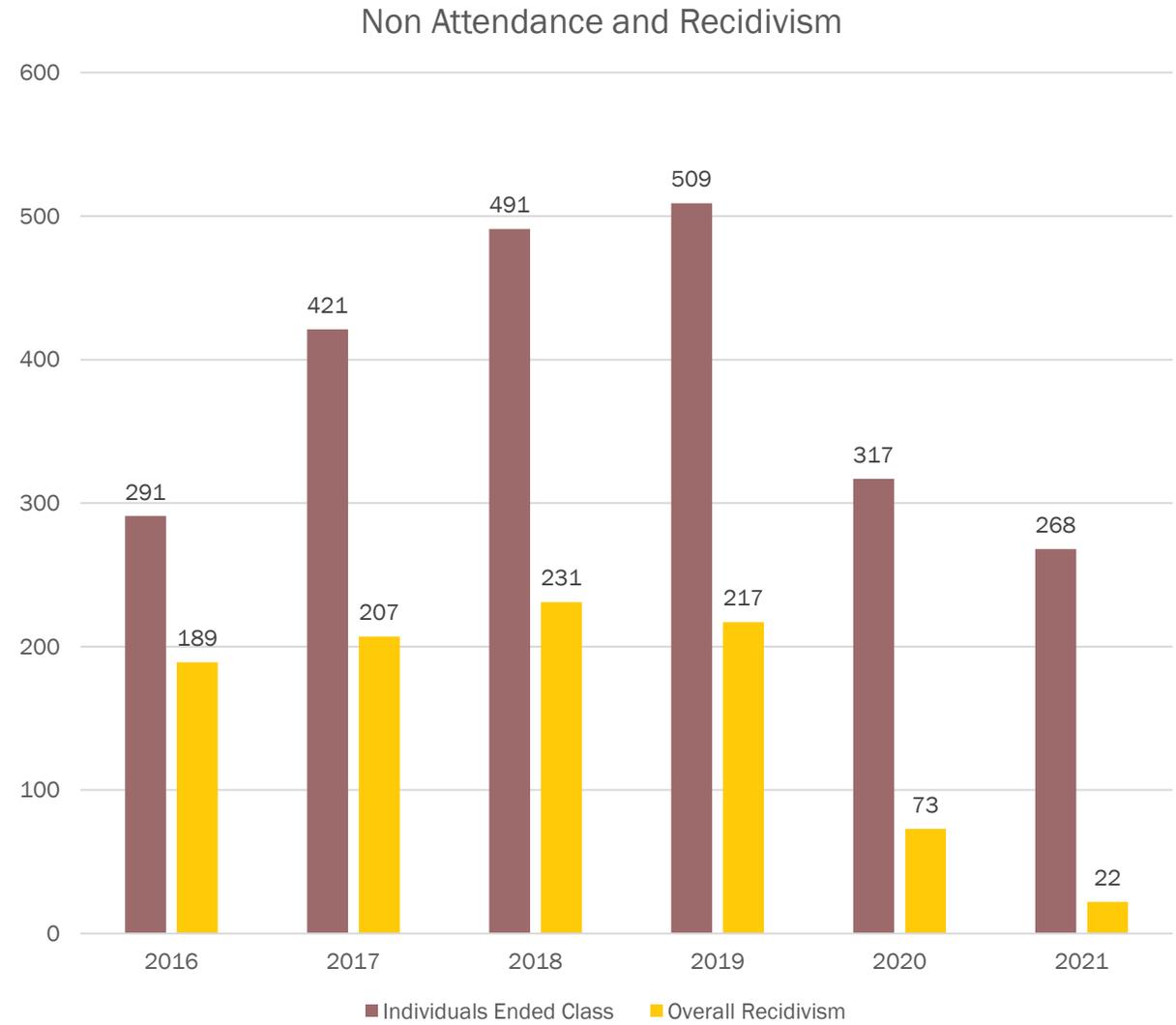
Recidivism & Subsequent Bookings

- Recidivism is a conviction of a new crime committed within three years of ending class.
- Subsequent bookings show potential recidivism pending adjudication.



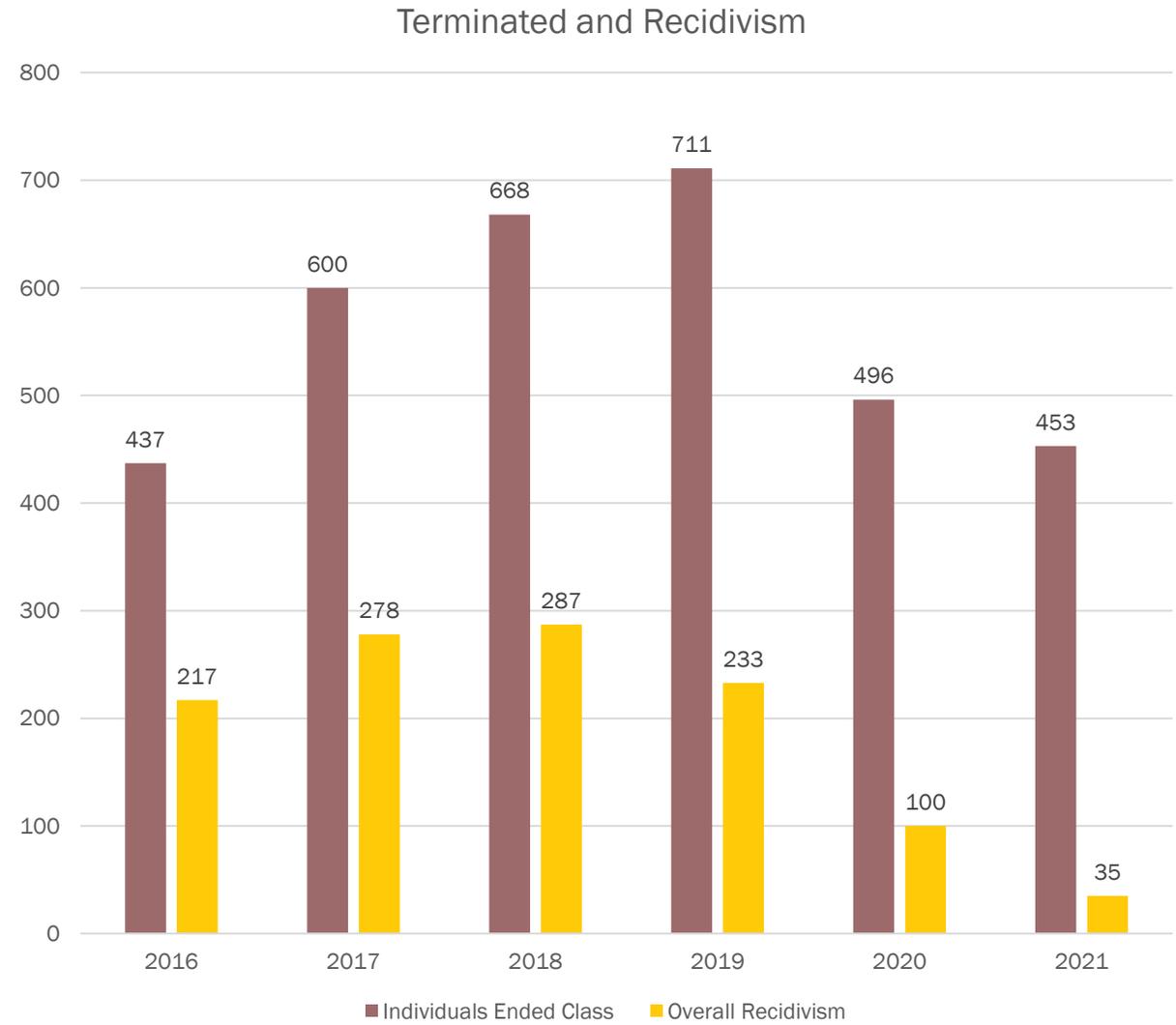
Referrals Resulting in Non-Attendance

- An average of 39.3% of individuals who did not attend the class they were referred to between 2016 and 2020, recidivated.



Referrals Resulting in Termination

- An average of 33.5% of individuals who were terminated from class between 2016 and 2020, recidivated.



Referrals Resulting in Completion

- An average of 20.2% of individuals who completed class between 2016 and 2020, recidivated.

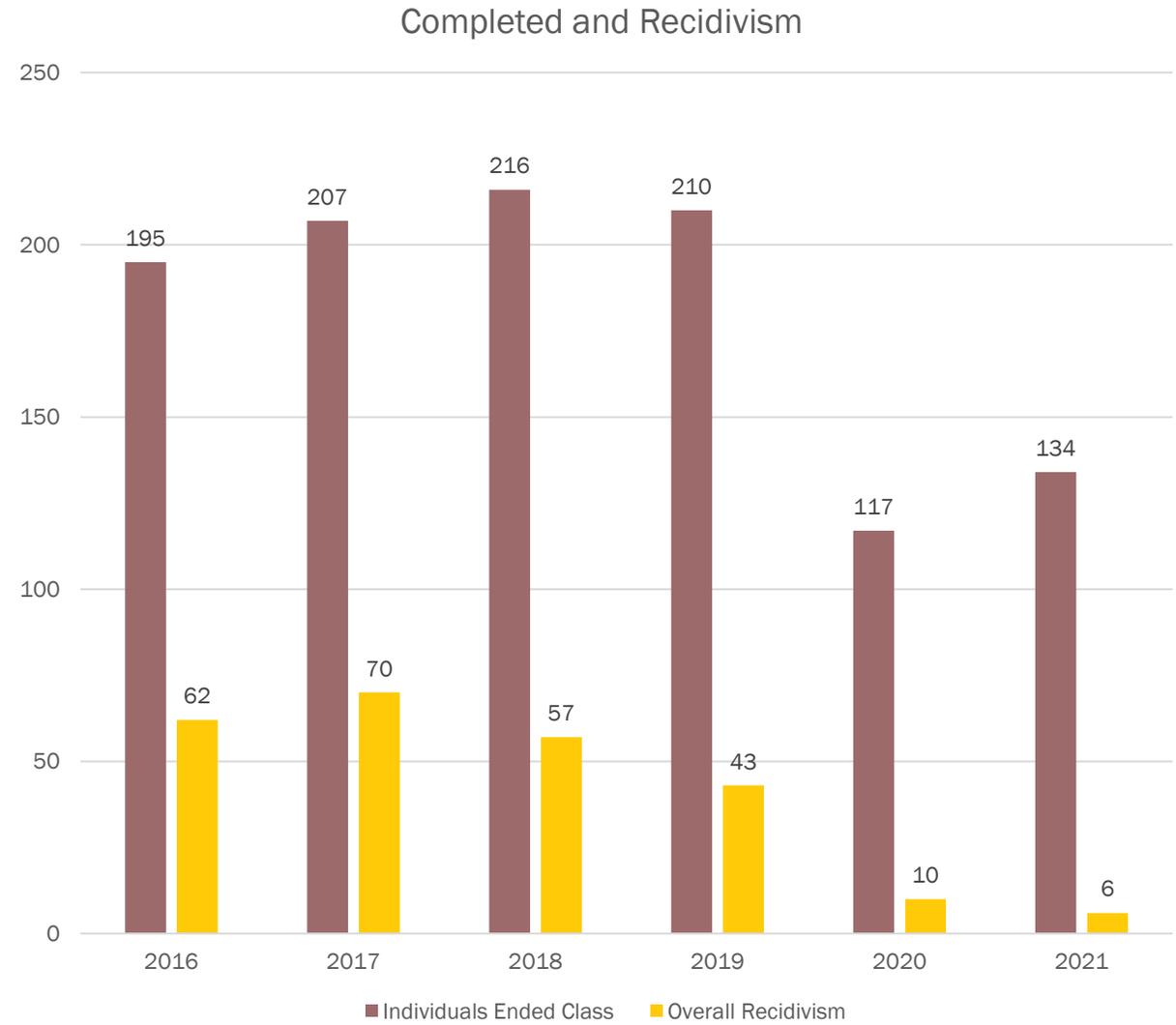
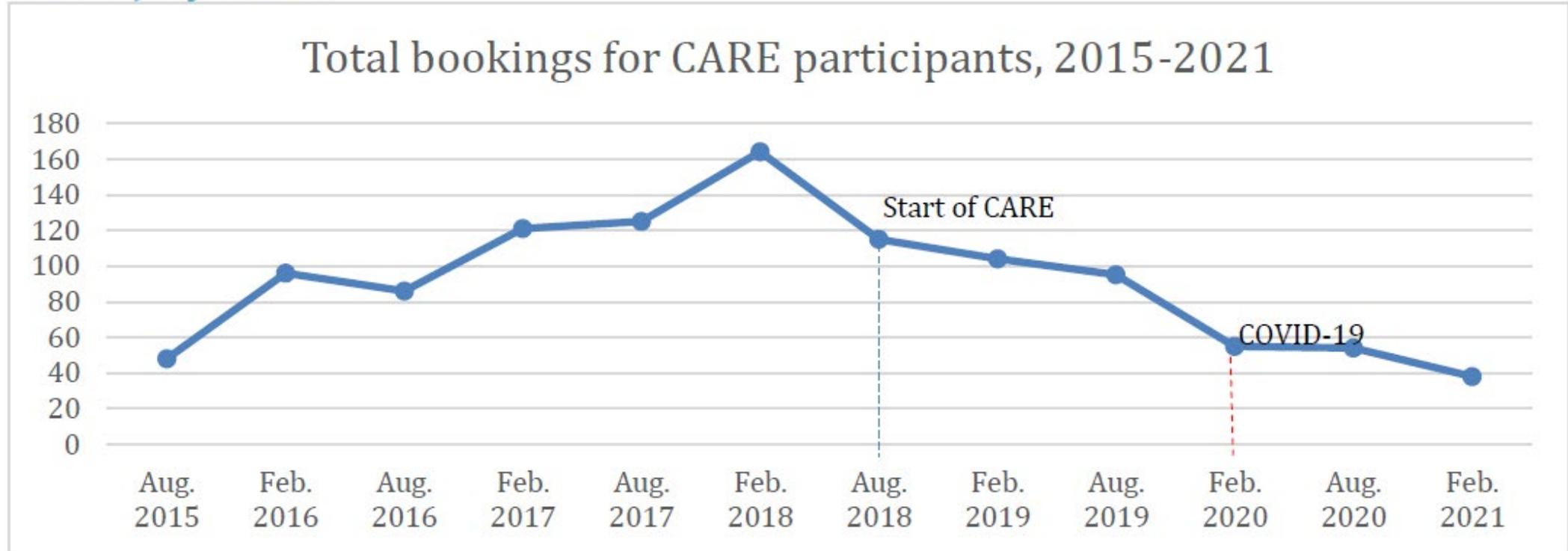


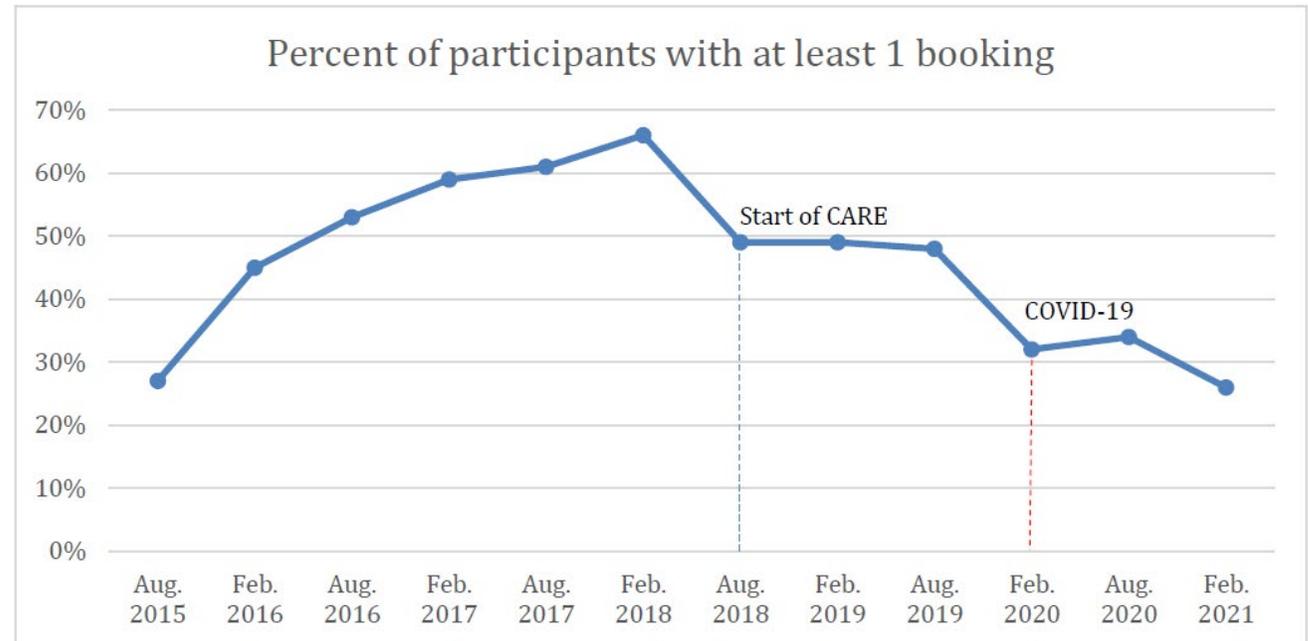
Exhibit 1. Total Bookings for CARE Participants by Six-Month Periods, August 2015–July 2021



- High of 164 bookings immediately prior to start of CARE
- Decreasing trend after CARE implementation
- Decreased to 95 bookings immediately prior to COVID
- Continued downward trend with lowest of 38 bookings from February to July 2021

- Increasing trend during Pre-CARE period
- Increased to 66% of participants prior to start of CARE
- Decreased to 48% after CARE implementation
- Continued downward trend during Post-CARE period with lowest of 26%

Exhibit 2. Percent of CARE Participants with at Least One Booking by Six-Month Periods, August 2015–July 2021



- Total number of jail days per six-month period multiplied by daily rate for one night in jail (\$161.71)
- Average six-month cost in the three years prior to CARE was \$270,890.
- Post-CARE, average six-month jail cost decreased to \$182,732.
- Costs may be underrepresented in this analysis due to decreased costs during COVID-19 period

Exhibit 5. Total Costs for CARE Participants' Overnight Jail Stays by Six-Month Periods, August 2015–July 2021

