

**Goodhue
County**
MINNESOTA

Infrastructure Fund Grant

Creating a Culture of Improvement with Data

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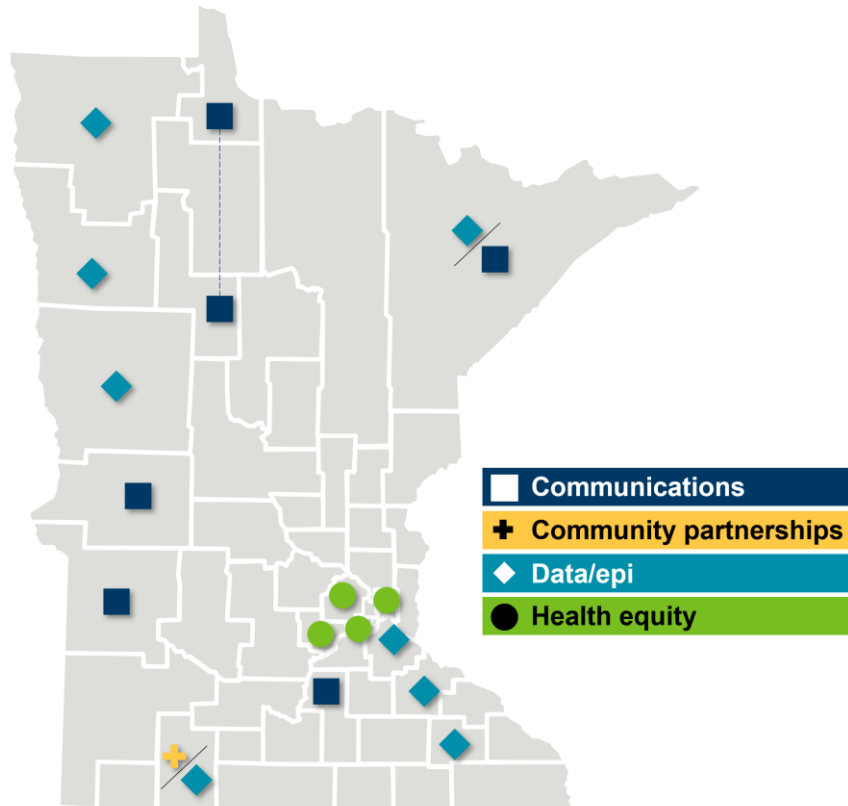


Background

- The Minnesota Legislature created a \$6 million grant program to encourage innovation in local public health infrastructure improvements.
- Innovation projects (IFund projects) had to show new approaches to build capabilities in:
 - Communications
 - Community partnerships
 - Data and epidemiology
 - Health equity

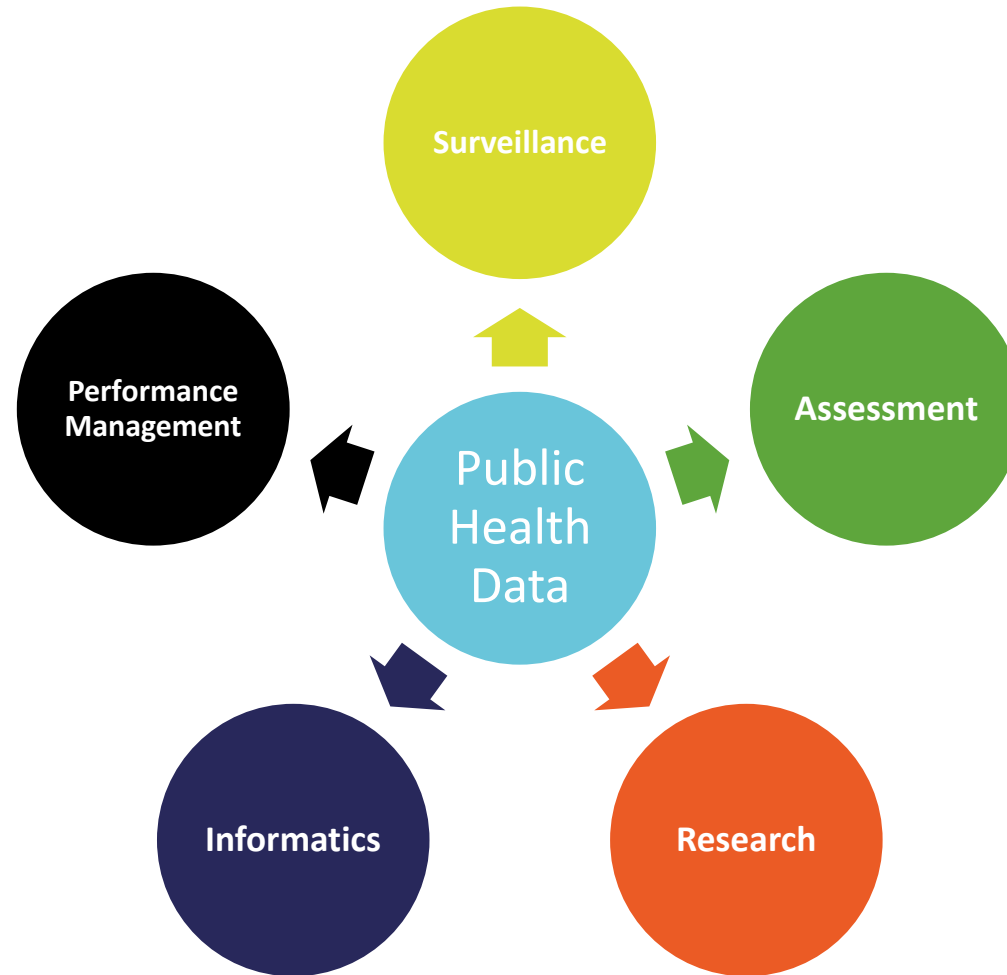
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Infrastructure Fund awarded projects, 2022



MDH awarded funds to 16 health department projects across the state in 2022. Goodhue County Health & Human Services received funds to increase capabilities in **Data/epi**.

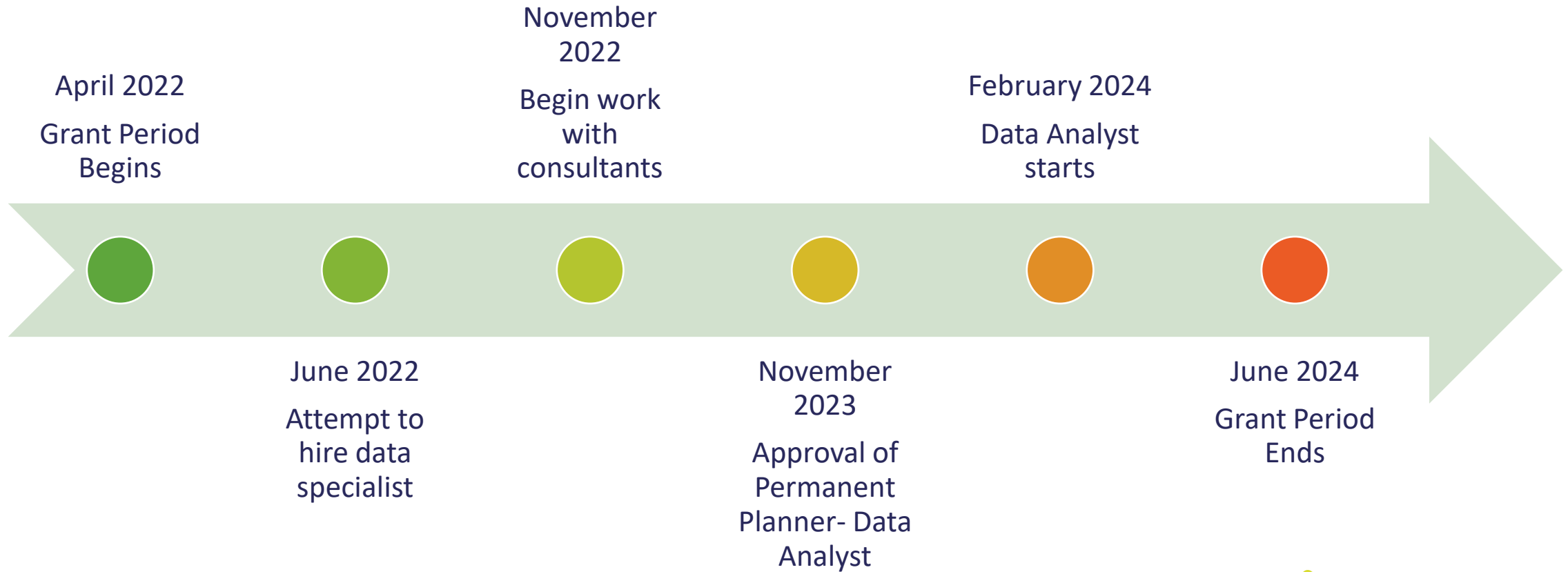
What do we mean by data?



Aim Statement

- Provide a higher level of data coaching
- Connect community health data, work plan, and evaluation.
- Answer the questions: What are we doing, How well are we doing it, and is anyone better off?
- Show the cost effectiveness of public health interventions
- Make data (both story and data) accessible and available

Timeline

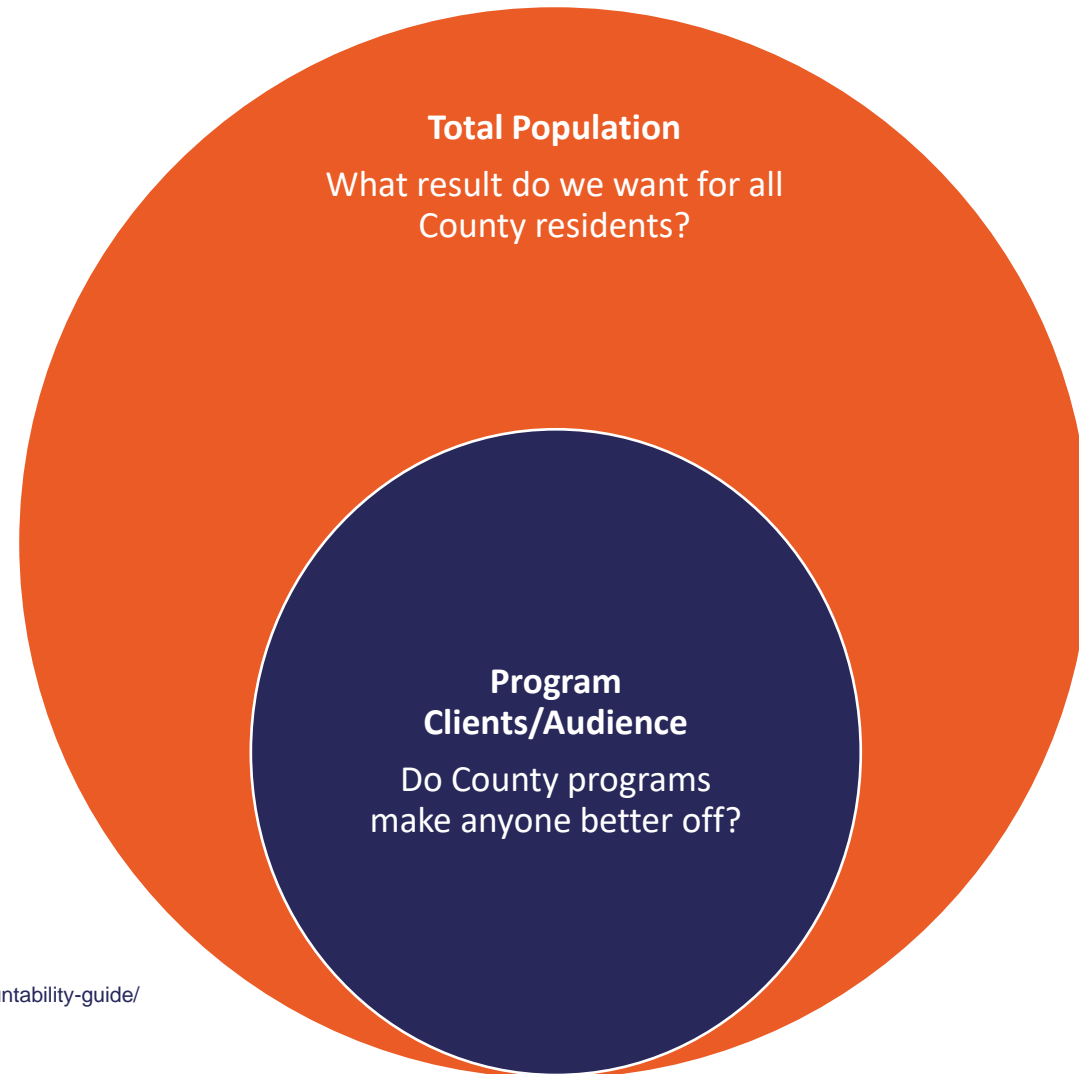


Purpose

- Give an overview of our performance improvement work and the methods we are using
- The results provided are to show examples of the types of data that we are collecting

Results-Based Accountability

Two Levels of Accountability



Source: The Results Based Accountability Guide
<https://clearimpact.com/resources/publications/results-based-accountability-guide/>

Population vs. Performance Accountability

Population Accountability:

For the wellbeing of whole populations

Result: A condition of well-being for children, adults, families or communities.

Indicator: A measure which helps quantify the achievement of a result.

Performance Accountability:

For the desired impact of a program on or for its customers

Program: A program, strategy, agency, or service system.

Performance Measure: A measure of how well a program agency or service system is working

Performance Measures



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Choosing the Right Measures



Communication Power

- Does the measure communicate to a broad range of audiences?



Importance/Proxy Power:

- Does the measure say something of central importance about the program?



Data Power

- Is quality data available is a timely, consistent basis?

Using Data to Make Decisions



Piloting Performance Management

Safe Routes to School

Population
Accountability

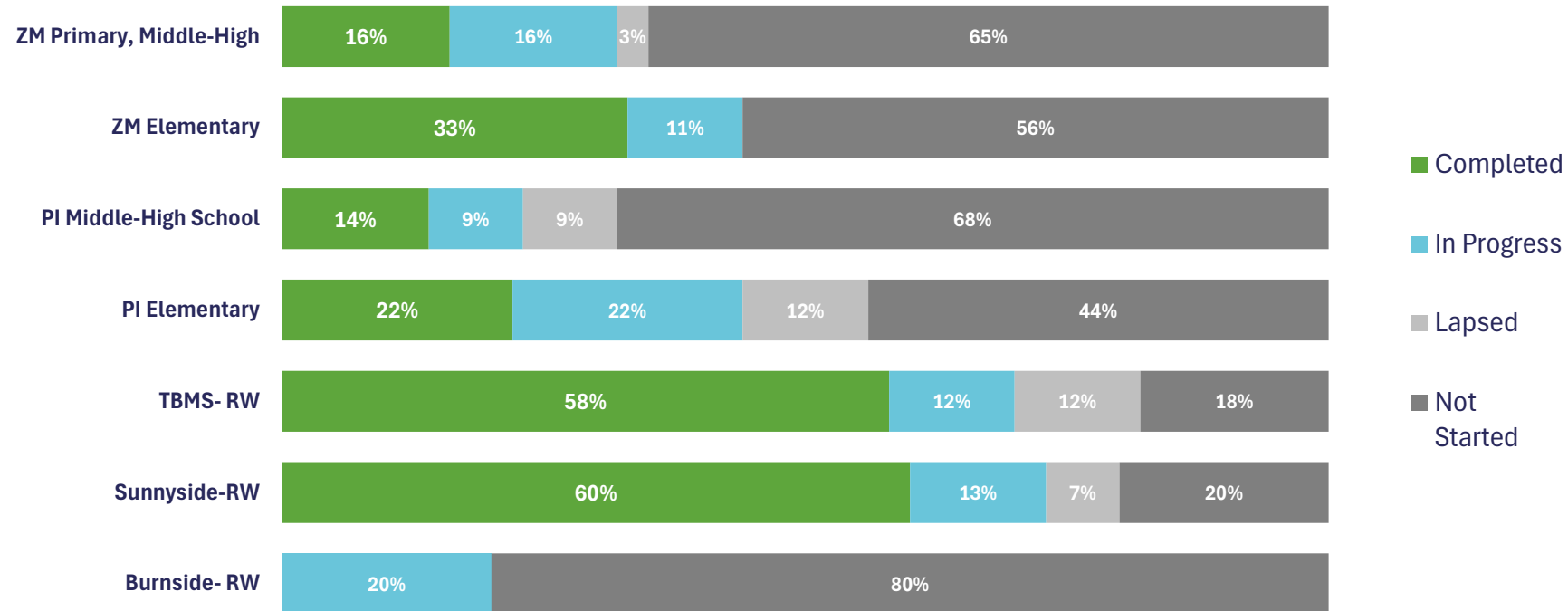
Result	All Goodhue County children will have safe, convenient, and fun ways to bicycle and walk to school.
Indicator	# of pedestrian injuries in Goodhue County % of Goodhue County 5 th grade students who report walking or biking to school

Performance
Accountability

Program	Working with Goodhue County schools and communities to develop and implement plans that make it safer and easier for students to walk, bike, and roll to school.
Performance Measures	% of schools in Goodhue County with SRTS plans (<i>how well</i>) % of SRTS plan recommendations implemented (<i>better off</i>) % of students at schools with plans that walk, bike or roll to school (<i>better off</i>)

Safe Routes to School

Most schools with STRS plans have less than 50% of recommendations **completed** or **in progress**



Truancy Workgroup

Population Accountability

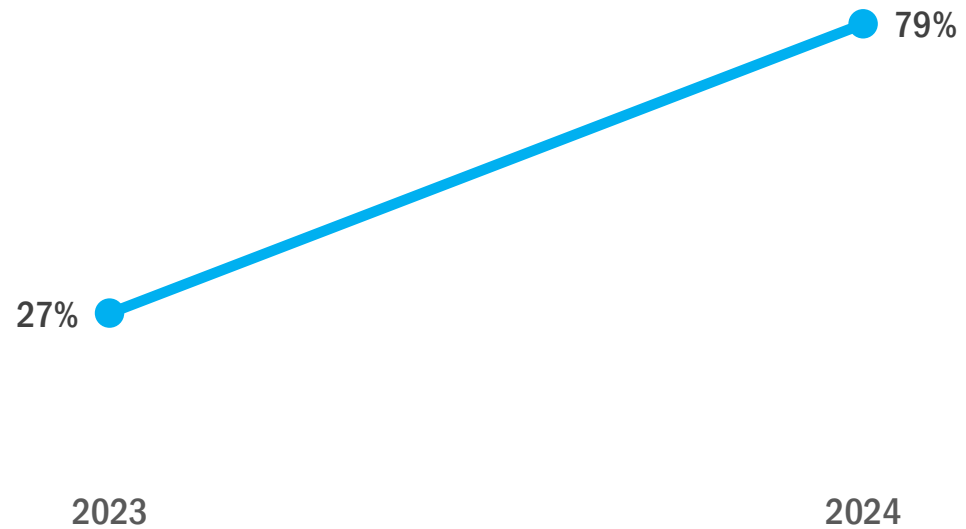
Result	All Goodhue County students will attend school regularly
Indicator	% of Goodhue County students attending 90% or more of school days

Performance Accountability

Program	Convening school, court, and social services partners to improve relationships and make improvements in the truancy system.
Performance Measures	% of participants who report good working relationships with partners (better off) % of participants who report better understanding of truancy process (how well) % of participants who feel the workgroup is making meaningful changes in the truancy process (better off)

Truancy Workgroup

Workgroup members that reported having effective working relationships **increased significantly** from last year



Incredible Years

Population Accountability

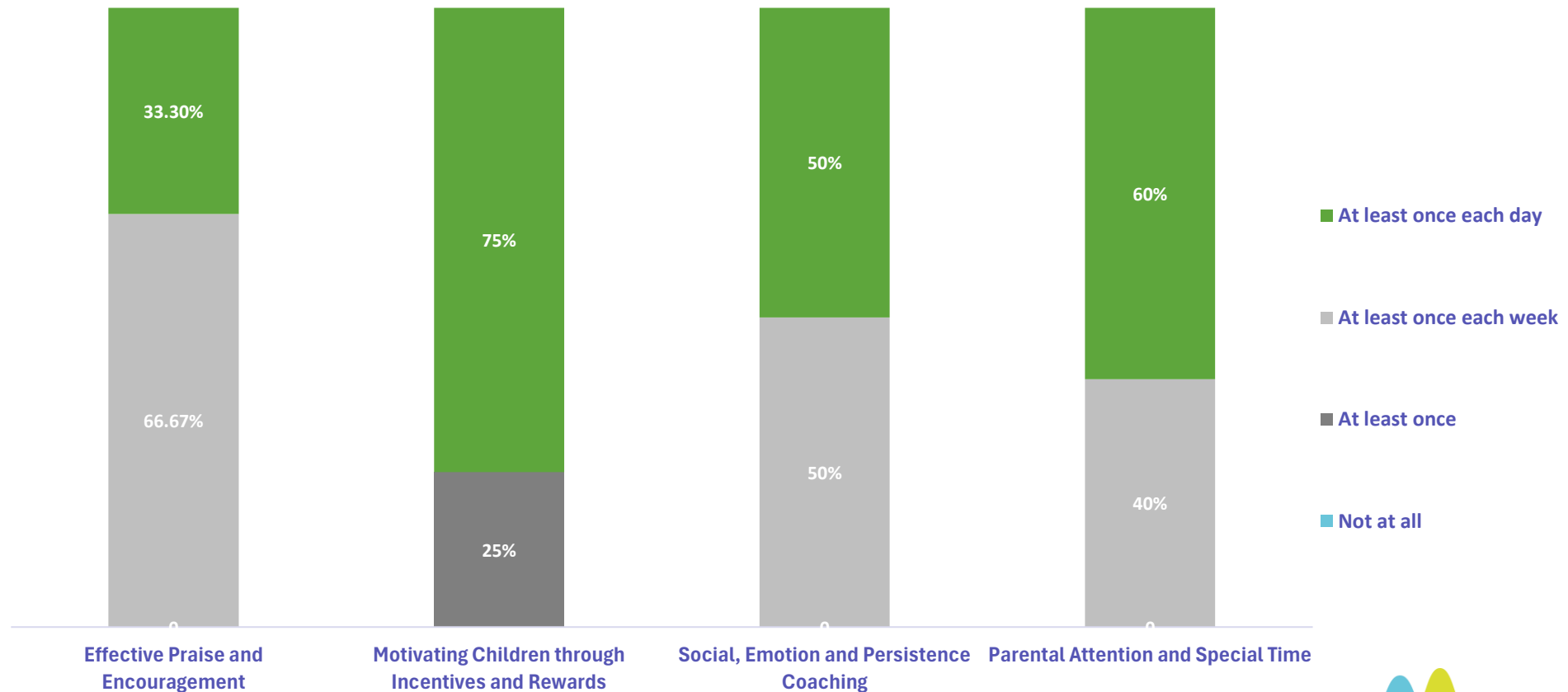
Result	All Goodhue County children have safe, healthy, and happy childhoods
Indicator	# of child maltreatment reports overall in Goodhue County

Performance Accountability

Program	Parent education to enhance parenting skills and confidence while encouraging parental engagement in their children's school lives
Performance Measures	% of services delivered with fidelity (how well) % of participants in the program who gained parenting skills as rated by case managers (better off) % of participants applying the skills they learn in their daily life (better off)

Incredible Years

At least 50% of participants are applying most skills in **their daily life**.



Eviction Prevention (CLI Grant)

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Accountability

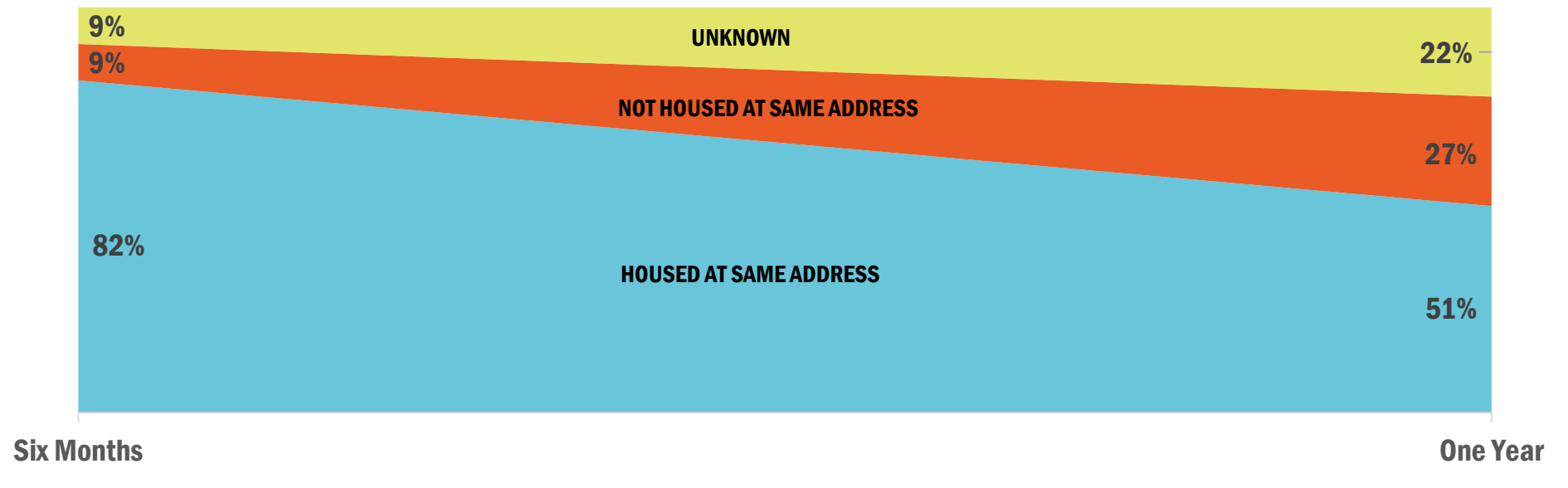
Result	All Goodhue County residents will have a safe, stable and affordable place to live.
Indicator	# of eviction filings in Goodhue County # of people on the Coordinated Entry List # of child maltreatment reports overall in Goodhue County

Performance
Accountability

Program	Providing financial assistance to cover security deposits, back rent, utilities, and basic furnishings.
Performance Measures	% of recipients still housed at the same address after 6 months (better off) % of recipients still housed at the same address after 1 year (better off)

Eviction Prevention (CLI grant)

82% of Goodhue County HHS CLI recipients were **still housed at the same address** after **six months**, that number declined to **51% after one year**



Economic Analysis

Decisions and Considerations



Cautions and Limitations

1. Use economic analysis to complement performance measures; it "should not be central to the discussion."
2. Compare alternatives with the same objectives.
3. Focus on whether benefits outweigh costs.
4. Reliable data on public health programs may be limited.
5. Use logic models to represent effects that cannot be included in return-on-investment calculations.

References

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Successes & Challenges

Successes

Increased
knowledge &
understanding

Expertise of
consultants

Increased staff
buy-in

Lessons learned
about data
collection &
systems

Challenges

Hiring

Capacity and
availability of
consultants

Relying on
outside partners
for data

New ways of
thinking

Next Steps

Continue What We Started

- Continue to work with programs in the pilot
- Slowly add in additional programs
 - OERAC Youth Prevention Team project
 - Toward Zero Deaths (TZD) Program

Expand Staff Training

- Train more staff in Results-Based Accountability and Performance Management
 - QI/PM & Strategic Planning Committees
 - Social Services Staff
 - Leadership & Leads

Designing a Performance Management System

- Use the data for improvement
- Use the data to show value
- Decide on software/system
- What is the scope?
- Update Trend Report

Questions?