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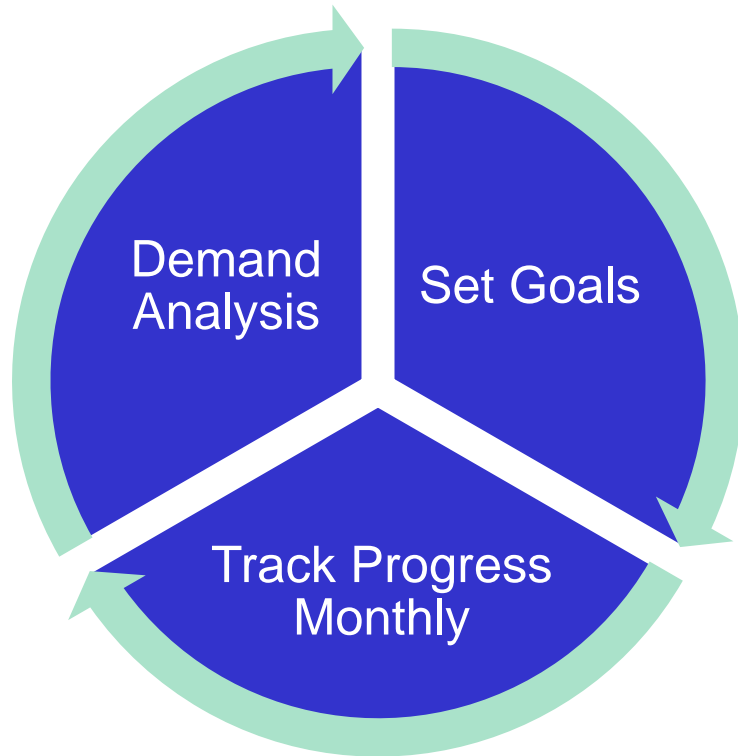
The first objective of the Federal strategy to end homelessness is to

“Provide and promote collaboration at all levels of Government and across all sectors to inspire and energize Americans to commit to preventing and ending homelessness.”



VA's Alphabet Soup

- Veteran Integrated Service Network (VISN)
- Community Based Outpatient Clinic (CBOC)
- Homeless Outreach (HCHV, CRRC)
- National Call Center (NCCHV)
- Prevention (HCRV, VJO, SSVF)
- Rapid Re-Housing (SSVF)
- Transitional Housing (GPD, CWT/TR, HCHV Contract Housing)
- Residential Rehab (RRTP)
- Voc Rehab (CWT)
- Permanent Supportive Housing (HUD-VASH)



To End Homelessness

- What are community needs and available resources.
- What can be done to expedite linkage to appropriate service.
- Who is responsible.
- What is the impact.



- Coordinated Entry and Assessment
- Data driven community plans to efficiently and effectively use resources
- Identify supports needed to sustain housing

Two Missions

Rapidly re-house homeless Veterans and their families

**Prevention –
keep those imminently at-risk, housed**

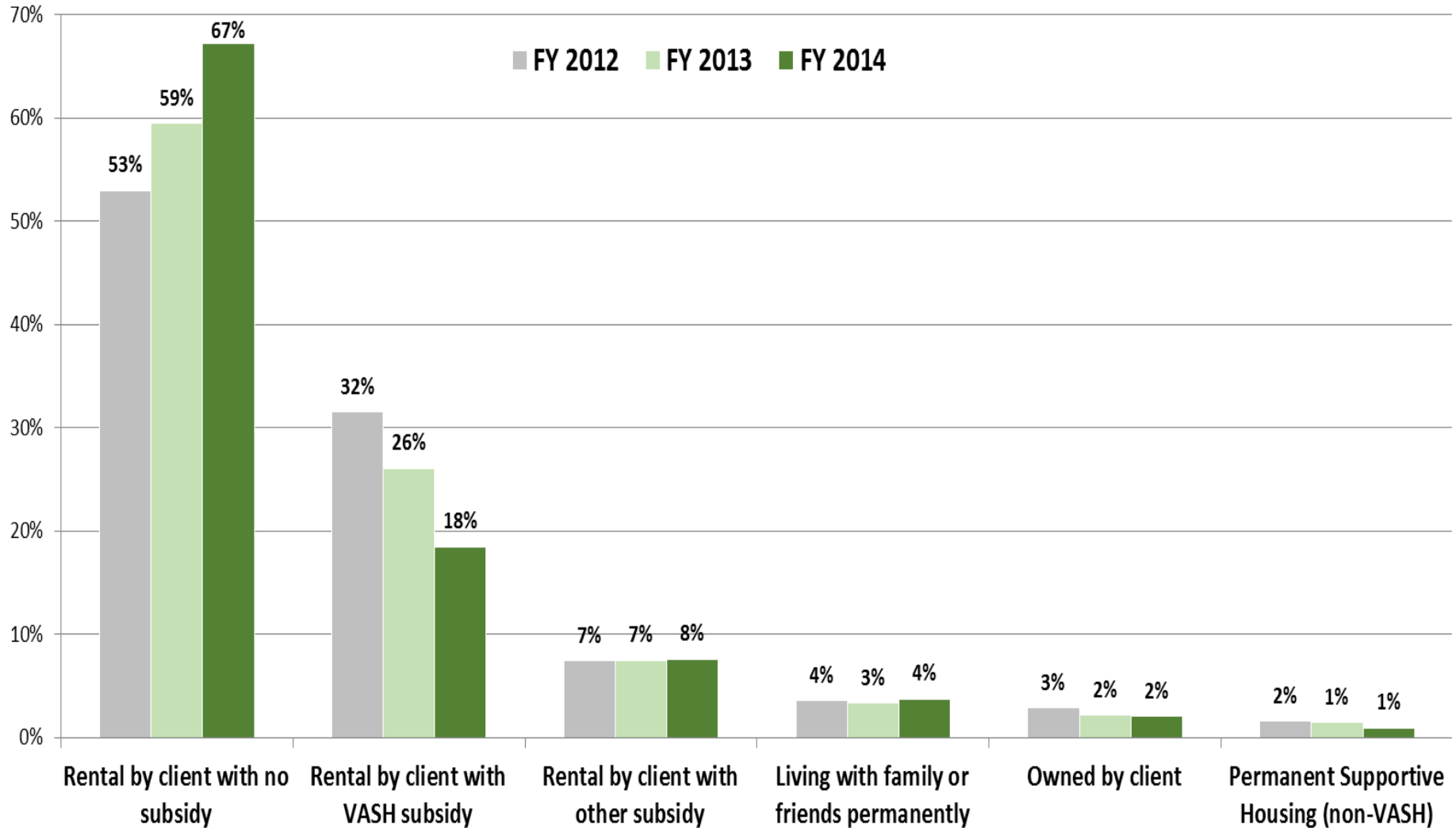




- Be able to serve those with the greatest barriers to housing stability.
- Commit to Housing First as the approach most likely to end homelessness.
- Provide greater flexibility to shape services to meet local needs and available resources.
- Prioritize literally homeless. Use prevention for diversion, doubled up, “couch surfers”.
- Identify and emphasize services critical to successful intervention.

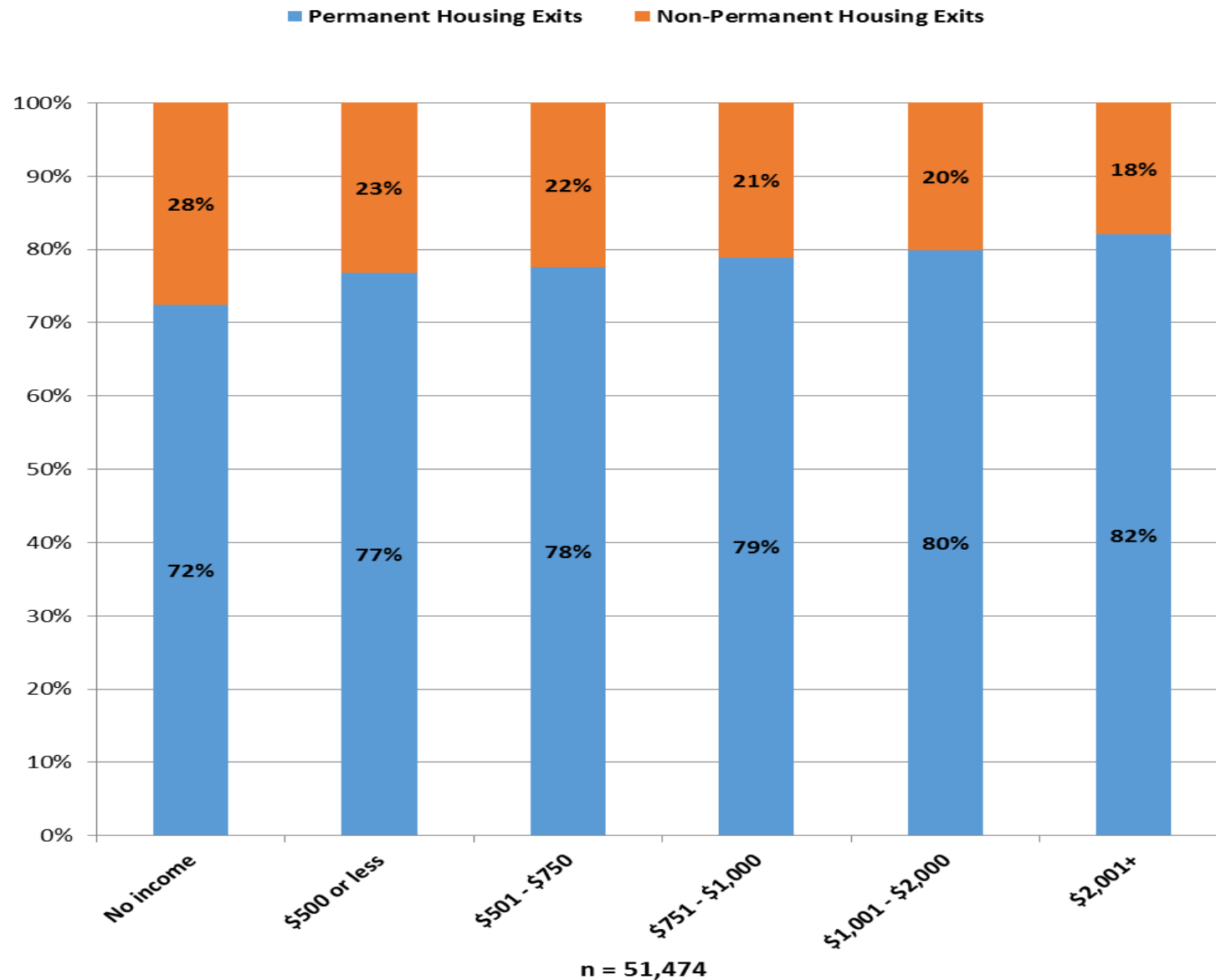


Housing Destinations



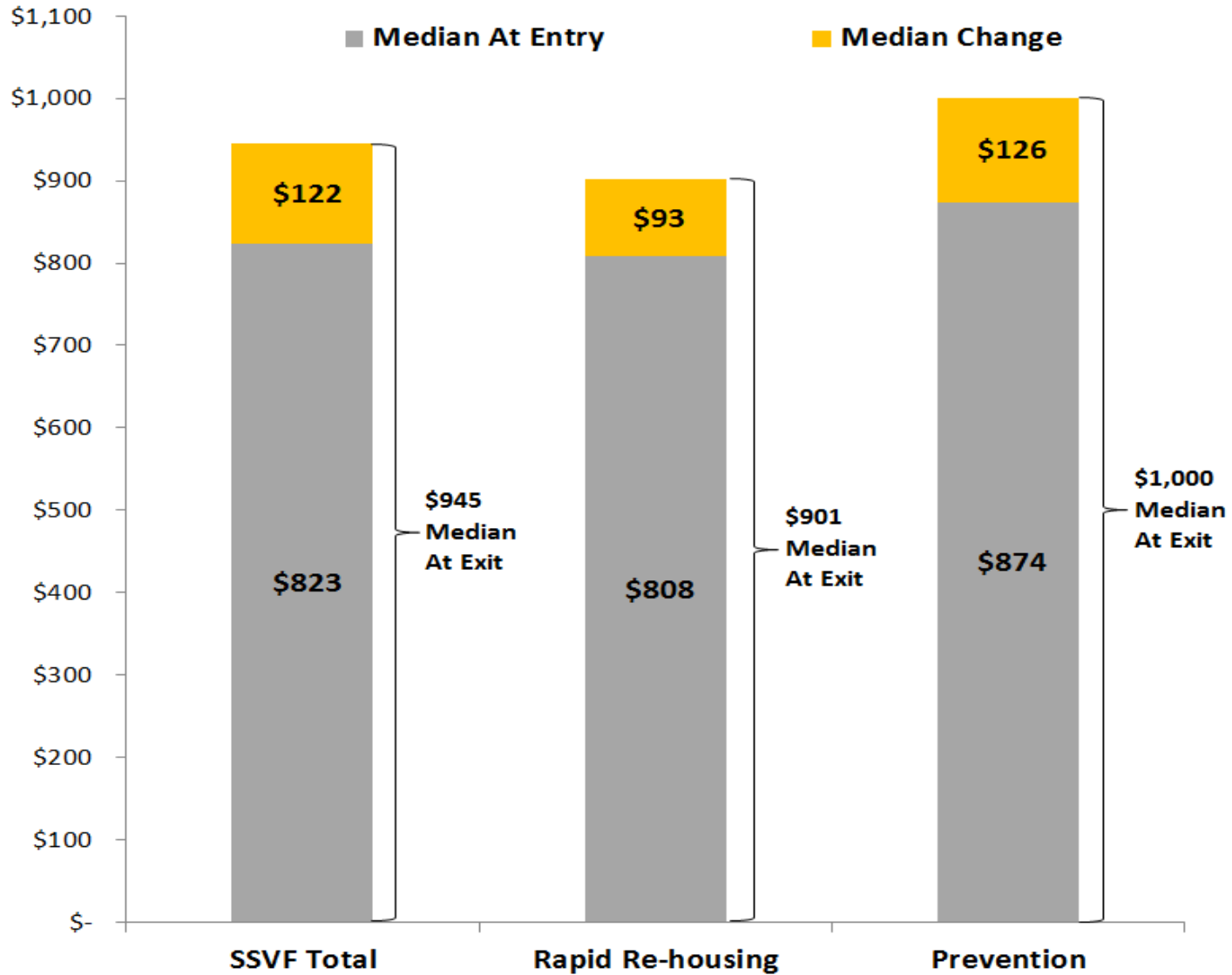


Success Rates by Monthly Income





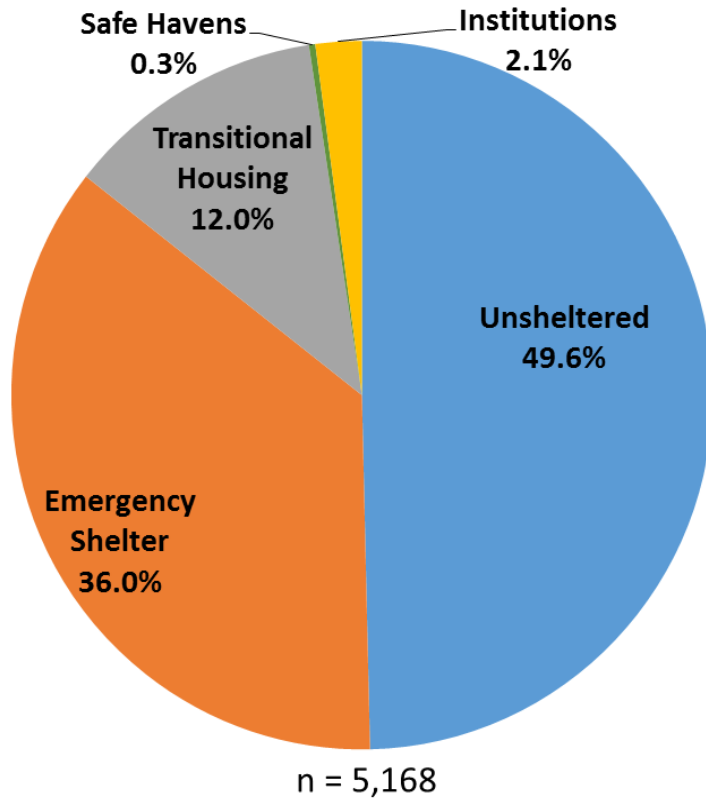
Changes In Median Income



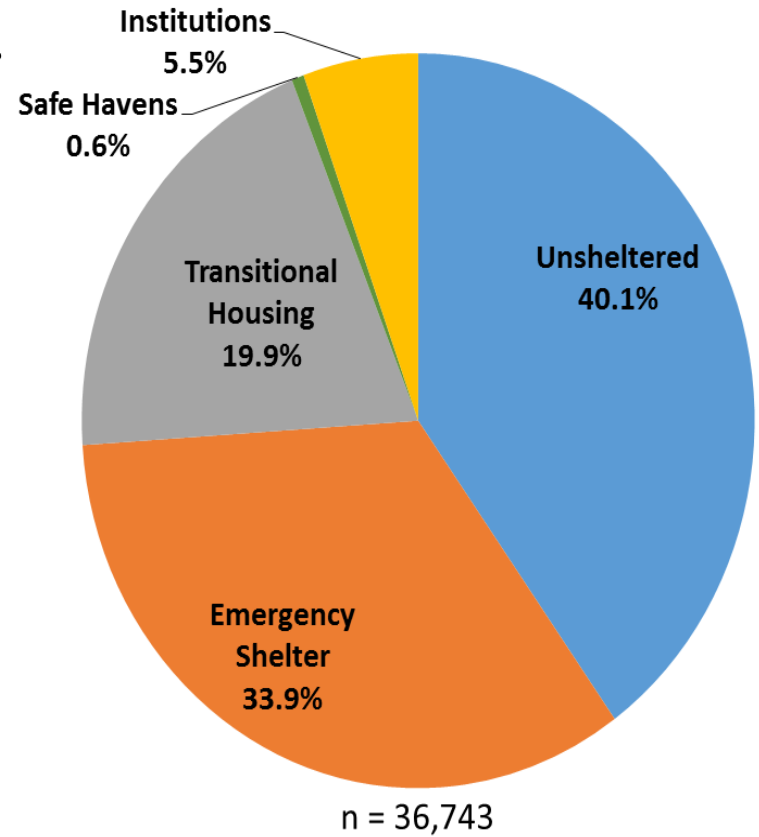


Prior Living Situations of Those Getting Rapid Re-Housing

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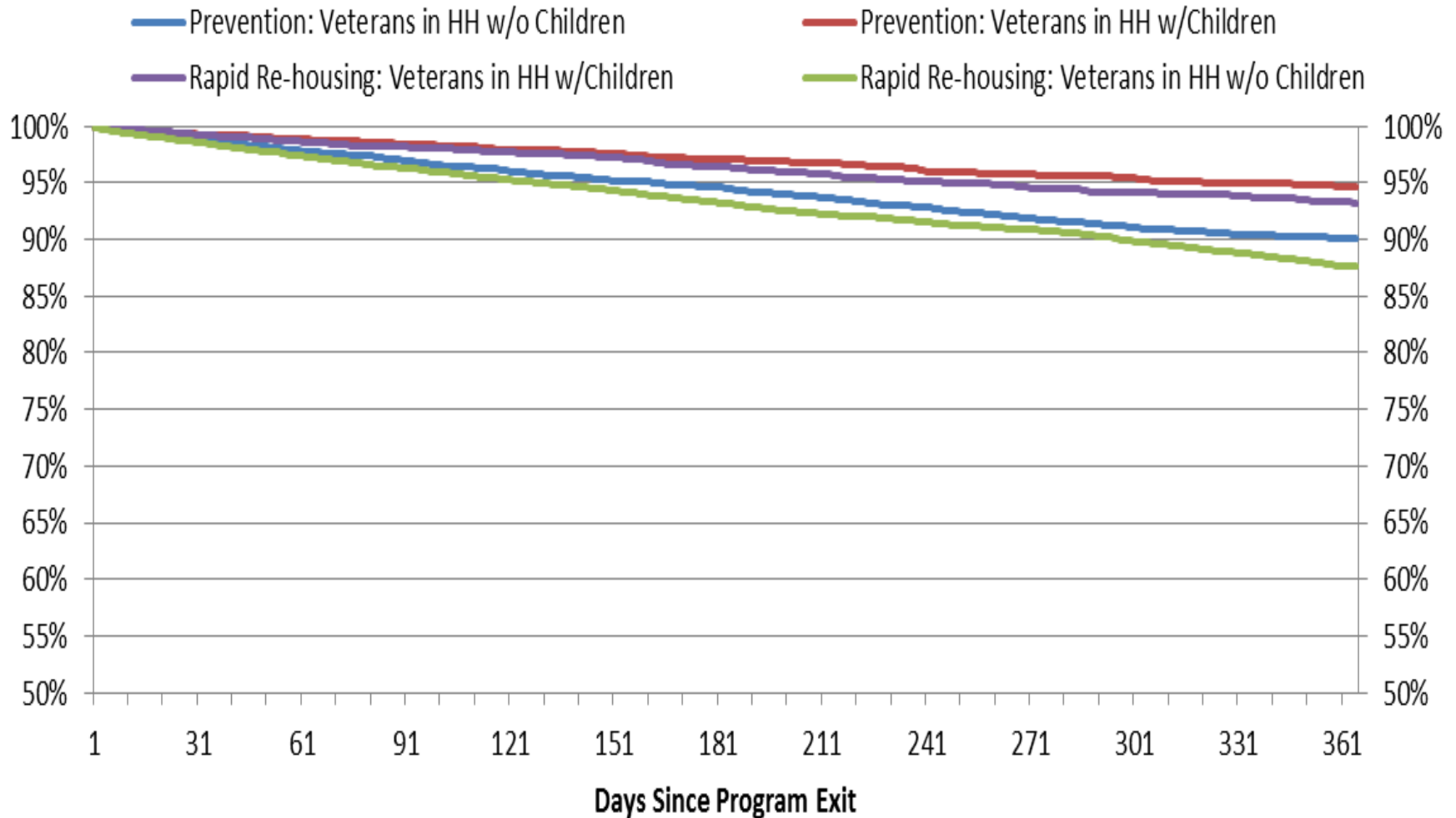


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Avoiding Re-Entry into VA Homeless Programs





Temporary Financial Assistance (TFA) Overview

TFA Type	Time/Amount Limitation
Rental Assistance	Max. of 10 months in a 2-year period; no more than 6 months in any 12-month period. For ELI: Max. 12 months in 2-year period; 9 months in any 12-month period
Utility-Fee Payment Assistance	Max. of 10 months in a 2-year period; no more than 6 months in any 12-month period. For ELI: Max. 12 months in 2-year period; 9 months in any 12-month period
Security Deposits or Utility Deposits	Max. of 1 time in a 2-year period for security deposit; Max. of 1 time in a 2-year period for utility deposit
Moving Costs	Max. of 1 time in a 2-year period
Gen Housing Stability	Max. \$1500 during a 2-year period (includes \$500 emergency supplies)
Child Care	Max. of 10 months in a 2-year period; no more than 6 months in any 12-month period. For ELI: Max. 12 months in 2-year period; 9 months in any 12-month period
Transportation	Tokens, vouchers, etc. – no time limit. Car repairs/maintenance – max. of \$1,200 during 2-year period