HMIS Forum
Second Quarter 2013

Harris County Department of Education
Thursday, June 27, 2013
2:00 – 4:00 pm

Coalition for the Homeless of Houston/Harris County

The Coalition's mission is to lead in the development and implementation of community strategies to prevent and end homelessness.

▷ We serve those who serve the homeless ◁

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HMIS Support Committee

▸ Committee established in September 2012
▸ Advisory role to the HMIS Lead Agency/CoC
▸ Twelve members + CFTH
▸ Election cycle: July – June
▸ Voluntary membership
▸ Monthly meetings required

Is your agency interested to participate?
Sign up using the provided form

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2013 Supp. Comm. Membership

	2013 Committee Seat	Current Member
1	Emergency shelter/Day shelter	Star of Hope/The Beacon
2	Transitional/Permanent supportive housing	Harmony House/HACS
3	Prevention/Rapid re-housing provider	The Salvation Army
4	Outreach provider	SEARCH
5	Veteran service provider	Career and Recovery Resources
6	Health service provider	MHMRA
7	Youth service provider	*New*
8	Domestic violence provider	HAWC
9	Local government grantee	*New* - City of Houston HCDD
10	Local government grantee	*New* - Harris County CSD
11	Housing authority	Houston Housing Authority
12	Consumer representative	Loretta Ray
	HMIS Lead Agency	Coalition for the Homeless

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News Flash

▸ Houston Joined the **100,000 Homes Campaign**

▸ **Housing Houston Heroes** Initiative Targets Chronically Homeless Veterans

▸ Coordinated Access Kicks Off with the **Housing Prioritization List**

▸ **HMIS Data Standards** Being Updated by HUD

▸ ClientTrack **2013 version** in the Works

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New HMIS Partner Agencies

- Parks Youth Ranch – Joined in March
- Lord of the Streets/COTS – Returned in April
- Light of Faith Ministries/Project LIFT – Joined in April
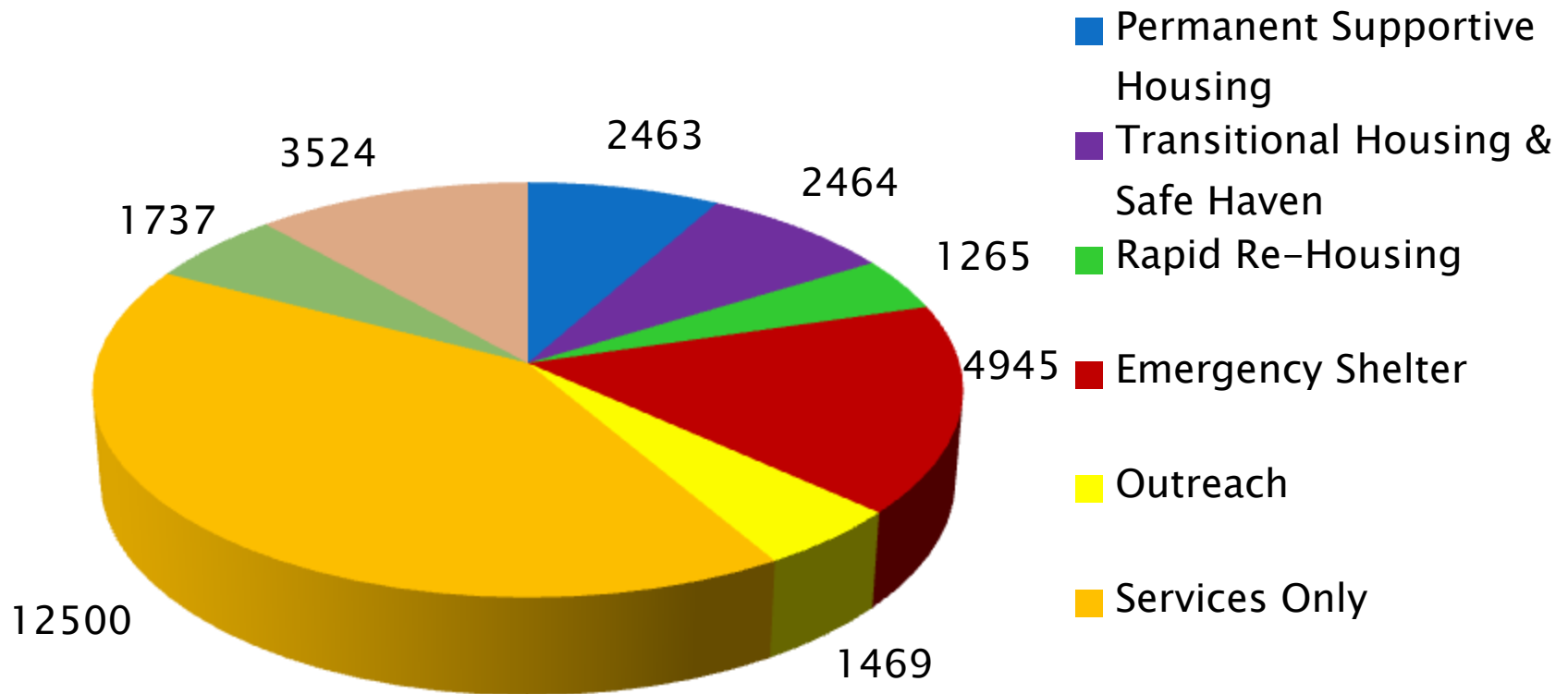- YWCA – Returned in May
- The Men's Center – Joining in June

Upcoming:
- COMPASS – Scheduled for July
- VAMC – Client Dashboard read-only access
- HOT – Coordinated Access VI Assessment
- Harris Health – Client Dashboard read-only access
- HOPWA Providers – By December

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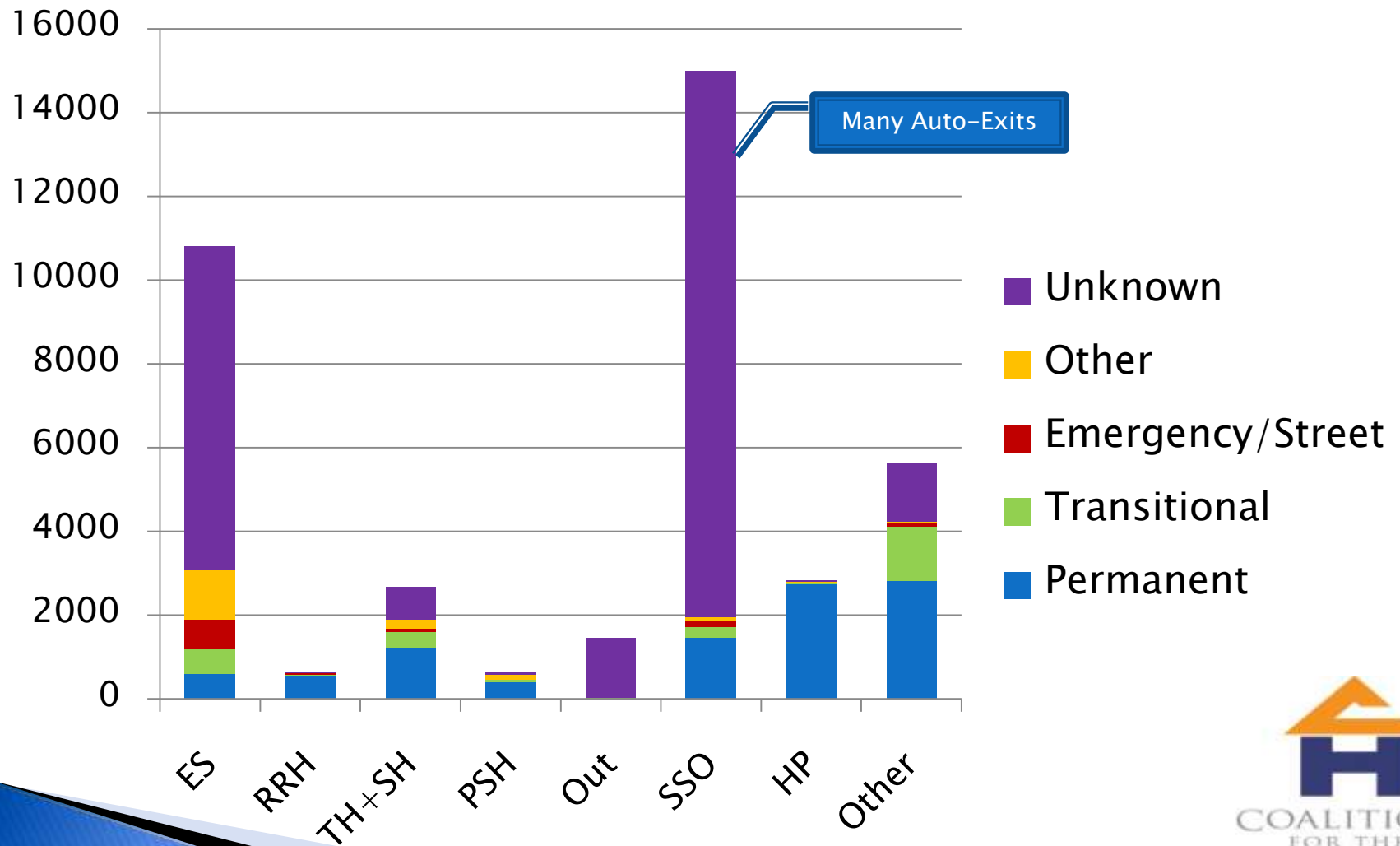
HMIS Snapshot – June 2013

- **62 organizations** (with active users)
  - No changes since March

- **163 programs** (with client enrollments)
  - Up by 12 since March

- **452 active users** (logged in during the past 45 days)
  - Up by 36 since March

- **171,940 unique client records** (since 2004)
  - Up by 5,026 since March

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2013 HMIS Enrollments (by June 26)

Total unduplicated clients: 23,693

Legend:
- Permanent Supportive Housing
- Transitional Housing & Safe Haven
- Rapid Re-Housing
- Emergency Shelter
- Outreach
- Services Only
- Homelessness Prevention
- Other

Values shown: 2463, 2464, 3524, 1737, 1265, 4945, 1469, 12500

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2013 Exit Destinations (by June 26)

No major trends in the Destinations data

No changes

Increase

Slight increase

Slight decrease

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Decrease

Non-CoC

Legend:
- Unknown
- Other
- Emergency/Street
- Transitional
- Permanent

X-axis categories: ES, RRH, TH+SH, PSH, Out, SSO, HP, Other

Y-axis: 0, 2000, 4000, 6000, 8000

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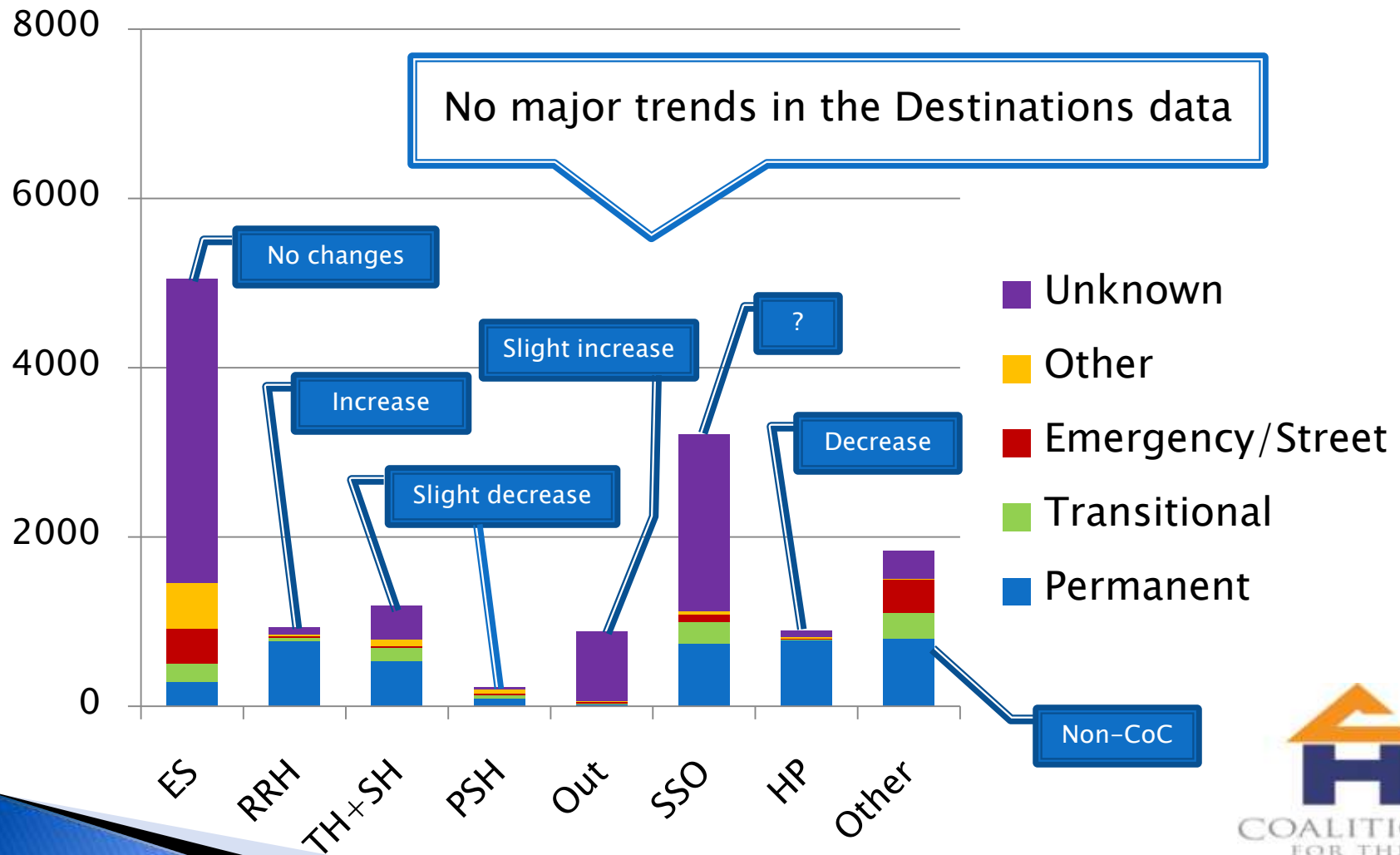
Proposed HMIS Data Standards

▸ Houston/Harris County CoC comments submitted to HUD on May 31

▸ Data elements addressed:
  ◦ Date of Birth
  ◦ Veteran Status
  ◦ Disabling Condition
  ◦ Residence Prior to Program Entry
  ◦ Destination
  ◦ Length of Time Homeless
  ◦ Zip Code of Last Permanent Address
  ◦ Housing Status
  ◦ Applicability of new data elements

Coordinated Access Activities

- 100,000 Homes Campaign Registry Week
  - Over 160 volunteers administered surveys May 6-8
  - 847 homeless persons surveyed for vulnerability
  - 59% were chronically homeless
  - 34% were vulnerable according to the VI score
  - Volunteers entered surveys & uploaded photos in HMIS

- Housing Houston Heroes
  - The goal is to house 300 veterans in 100 days
  - Joint effort by the two Housing Authorities, the VA, homeless service providers, and CFTH
  - Targeted veterans flagged in HMIS

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Coordinated Access, cont.

- Vulnerability Index Assessment
  - VI Assessment for street-homeless generates:
    - VI score (1-8 indicates vulnerability)
    - Chronic Homelessness status
  - Family VI assessment to be developed
  - Outreach teams continue to create new assessments
  - HMIS users have access to individual clients' scores

- Prioritization List and Housing Placements
  - VI scores used to populate the list
  - Upcoming Housing Eligibility Module in ClientTrack will be used for direct housing referrals/placements

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Forum Votes!

- If there are multiple candidates for any one HMIS Support Committee seat, we'll ask you to tell us which candidate you prefer
- Vote for only one candidate per seat
- Raise your hand and keep it up while we count
- The HMIS team will announce the elected members after the voting is done

THANK YOU!

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Recognitions!

Rising Star

The Most Improved Agency or Program

Super Star

The Best Agency or Program in Data Quality

Trailblazer

The Most Valuable Player (Individual User)

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Your HMIS Team

Erol Fetahagic – System Administrator
Ryan R. Clay – Reporting Project Manager
Kelita Beechum – Technical Support & Monitor

www.homelesshouston.org/HMIS/user-support

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