

EVICTION PREVENTION PILOT PROGRAM

AT A GLANCE

Eviction rates have been climbing rapidly over the past two decades. In 2016, 2.3 million evictions were filed in the United States- a rate of four evictions per minute, according to sociologist Matthew Desmond.

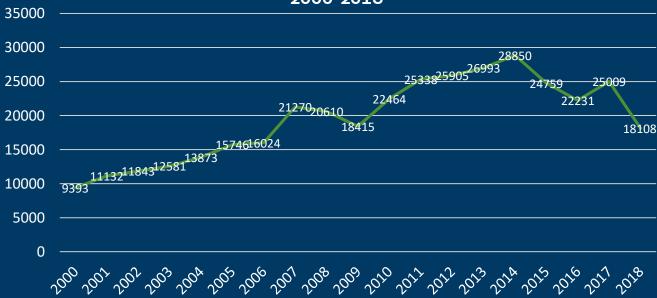
The consequences of eviction are dire. Families are at risk of losing their income, their belongings, their ability to obtain affordable housing, access to quality education for their children, and the opportunity to live in safe neighborhoods. Further, the stress of an eviction can negatively impact an individual's physical and mental health.

EVICTION DATA

THERE WERE OVER
48,000 EVICTION
JUDGEMENTS IN 2018

42% OR 18,000 OF THOSE PROCEEDED TO HAVE A WRIT OF RESTITUITON FILED





BACKGROUND

In early 2109, the Arizona Department of Housing (ADOH), launched the Eviction Prevention Pilot Program through 6 separate agencies. The purpose of this program is to reduce the number of evictions occurring in Arizona by targeting vulnerable populations in select zip codes and providing them with financial assistance, education, and case management services in order to improve economic stability.

THE PROCESS

3 4 **OUTREACH INTAKE ASSESSMENT CASE MANAGEMENT Property Managers** 90-day program 24hr voicemail line Eligibility Flyers Continued follow-Immediate needs Calls returned within 48hrs ups Other CAPs Crisis **Energy and** determination Pre-screening Community financial education resources

OUTREACH

- Improving awareness of the program in our targeted communities through flyers and word-of-mouth
- Consistent contact with landlords and property managers to ensure that potential families are aware of the program
- Coordination with other CAP offices to develop consistent best practices and to improve outcomes for families
- Communication with outside community agencies, such as St Vincent De Paul and Salvation Army, to increase awareness

INTAKE

- Dedicated 24hr phone line where applicants can leave a message for case managers
- 48hr response time to ensure quick delivery of services
- Pre-screening to ensure applicants meet criteria before assessment
- Resource delivery, such as phone numbers for other agencies, food banks, and shelters, for those applicants who do not meet program eligibility

ASSESSMENT

- Information collection is offered either in-person by appointment or by email and fax, as a convenience to our applicants who may not have access to reliable and/or affordable transportation
- Determining eligibility by way of reviewing current household income and 90-day sustainability
- Discussing what precipitated the eviction notice to assess for crisis situations
- Completing the Family Self-Sufficiency matrix to gain a holistic understanding of the family's current needs (food security, transportation, medical coverage, employment, etc).
- Assessing for tenant-landlord conflict and the potential need for legal assistance

CASE MANAGEMENT

Case management provides a 90-day support system for eligible applicants by assisting each individual or family with referrals, resources, and education. The purpose of the case management component is to further ensure economic stability for participants and to assess for and administer further aid as needed.

WRAP-AROUND APPROACH



COMMUNITY

The Eviction Prevention Program operates alongside neighboring community service departments and encourages participants to explore those that can assist them in achieving sustainability.

- HeadStart
- Arizona@Work
 - CAPs



CONNECTION

Case managers connect participants with information, referrals, and outside resources.

- Energy savings programs
- Local food & clothing banks
 - Tenant's rights
- Community Legal Services



EMPOWERMENT

Case managers advocate for and educate participants, providing them with tools to improve financial stability.

- 1-on-1 sessions
- Follow up every 30 days
 - Financial literacy
 - Energy education
- Consumer feedback survey

TIMELINE

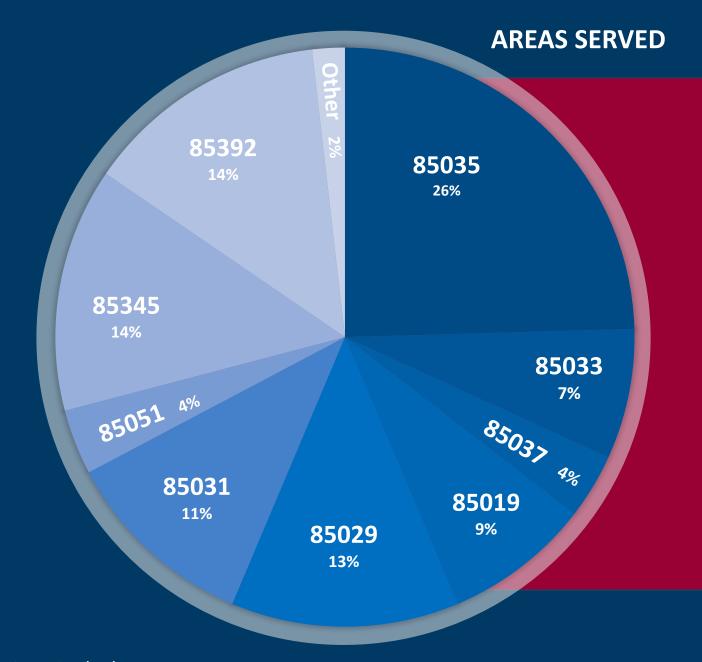
INITIAL INTAKE	30 DAY FOLLOW UP	60 DAY FOLLOW UP	90 DAY FOLLOW UP
 Complete assessment Provide information Address critical needs Refer 	 Complete assessment Provide education Address unmet needs Refer 	 Complete assessment Review education Address unmet needs Refer 	 ✓ Complete assessment ✓ Review progress ✓ Complete interview ✓ Close case

CURRENT DATA

TOTAL FAMILIES AND INDIVIDUALS ASSISTED

\$167,910

IN ASSISTANCE PROVIDED



15% 85% **EVICTIONS PREVENTED**

CURRENT DATA

93 HOUSEHOLDS POLLED
47% RESPONSE RATE

85% SUCCESS RATE

OF RECORDED RESPONSES

FOR THE FUTURE

WHAT WE'RE TRACKING NOW



- Areas most served
- Participant sustainability
- Referral sources
- Consumer feedback
- Reasons for ineligibility
- Causes of eviction following assistance



GOALS FOR SUCCESS

- Additional financial training for case managers
- Streamlining document retrieval
- Improving outreach in target areas



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