

Beneficiary Projects Initiative (BPI) Grants

Background

- Supports peer-led programs for beneficiaries with mental illness, developmental disabilities, and related conditions.
- Founded on peer-based recovery and mutual aid principles since the early 2000s.

Purpose

- Empower beneficiaries to lead recovery and wellness services.
- Build a strong peer workforce and prevent costly hospitalizations/incarcerations.
- Serve those with complex needs outside traditional services.

Scope

- Funds grassroots, peer-driven recovery supports and skill-building programs.
- Provides capacity building, training, and service delivery statewide.



Data Methods

Data Sources

- Grantee-reported data were extracted from annual performance reports submitted to the Trust for each BPI grant.

Framework

- All data were reviewed and aligned with the Results-Based Accountability (RBA) framework, focusing on:
 - How Much Did We Do?
 - How Well Did We Do It?
 - Is Anyone Better Off?

Limitations:

- Data collection and reporting were disrupted during the COVID-19 pandemic, which may have affected completeness and consistency for some years.
- BPI grant programs vary widely in scope, population, and services; direct comparisons between BPI grants and other Trust grant programs may not be appropriate.





Key Takeaways

- **Steady Growth and Reach**
 - Total unduplicated individuals served increased significantly across grantees, with some programs more than doubling participation since FY20.
- **High Client Satisfaction**
 - Satisfaction remains consistently high across years and programs: on average, 90-100%.
- **Positive Impact on Participant Outcomes**
 - Across programs, clients reported improvements in:
 - Quality of life (up to 98%)
 - Mental health and functioning (75%-95%)
 - Sobriety (up to 87%)
 - Housing and employment access (up to 86% and 71%, respectively)

Despite differences, location, size, and program focus, each grantee demonstrated strong, outcome-driven performance aligned with the purpose and scope of the BPI grants.