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**Needs Assessment**

**2020**

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# PART 1

# Executive Summary

Narrative: In the Words of the County

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# **Introduction**

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| Purpose The N.J. Department of Children and Families is partnering with human services organizations in each county to undertake an assessment of local strengths and needs. The goal of this assessment is to collect the information needed to make sure the right mix of services and activities are available in every county in New Jersey to support families. The findings from the needs assessment can be used to support the development of local recommendations to assist with decision making; the identification of high priority human service needs and barriers to service delivery for New Jersey’s communities; the coordination and improvement of services to the Departments' target populations; the planning, funding, coordination and implementation of Department Initiatives.  This statewide approach to county-specific needs assessments aligns with DCF’s existing county based continuous quality improvement review cycle, in which each county is evaluated every two years. The findings from the needs assessment will be embedded into the DCF’s existing ChildStat process and shared with DCF staff and stakeholders during the county’s ChildStat session. ChildStat is a learning, management, and accountability tool used by DCF to support continuous quality improvement, foster a shared sense of accountability and promote system-wide problem solving around critical issues affecting child and family outcomes. A ChildStat session incorporates analysis and interpretation of administrative data to support planning and dialogue between DCF executive management and senior leadership and system partners. |

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| **County Description** **Narrative: In the Words of the County**  Click here to add text, delete the following instructions, and update font color and size *[HSACs will provide a description of their county, incorporating administrative data as well as contextual data. This section should give the reader an idea of what it is like to live in this county and should include information related to demographics, geography and economics.]*  **Needs Assessment Methodology**  Quantitative and qualitative data from various sources and stakeholders related to housing, food, health care, community safety, employment and career services, child care, services for families caring for a child of a relative, behavioral/mental health services for children, behavioral/mental health services for adults, substance use disorder services, domestic violence services, parenting skills services and legal and advocacy services were collected to inform this needs assessment.  **County Data Profile**  DCF provided a county data profile to the county Human Service Advisory Council (HSAC) to support the HSAC in identifying key topics to be explored in more depth. The data profile consists of the most recently available administrative data related to demographic population and selected indicators of poverty, housing, food security, childcare, health care, transportation, employment, community safety, mental health and substance use. The sources for the data included in the profile include a combination of federal databases. The primary purpose of the county data profiles is to support the HSAC needs assessment team in identifying key areas to prioritize during the focus group data collection efforts.  ***Approach for Prioritizing Needs***  Click here to add text, delete the following instructions, and update font color and size *[HSACs will provide a justification for how the four prioritized need areas were selected. The DCF provided profile will include data driven recommendations. HSACs may decide to use the areas that emerged from the profile, select need areas that align with local priorities or any combination of the two approaches.]*  The four need areas selected by the county to be the focus areas and primary topics in the qualitative data (e.g. focus groups and key informant interviews) collection included:  1. Enter need area  2. Enter need area  3. Enter need area  4. Enter need area  **Focus Groups**  In an effort to implement a uniform needs assessment approach across counties to support statewide trend analysis, DCF required HSACs to conduct a series of focus groups. The purpose of the focus groups was to collect qualitative information to better understand the scope, nature and local context related to addressing community needs that influence families.  Focus groups sessions were scheduled for approximately one and half hours with the first thirty minutes being designated for introductions and survey completion and the remaining hour being designated for the focus group dialogue. In each focus group session, participants were asked to complete a standard survey to gather data about the key topic areas outlined in the aforementioned data profiles. The survey was developed to identify areas of strength and areas in need of improvement related to county-based supports and service array. The survey consists of demographic data and approximately 10 questions related to each of the eleven basic and service needs. Six of the questions are based on a five-point Likert scale ranging from Strongly Disagree to Strongly Agree.  Upon completion of the surveys, the focus group participants were asked to transition into the dialogue component of the session. The dialogue requirement was intended to allow participants to highlight their experiences and perceptions as community members and provide opportunity for a deeper discussion and assessment of top barriers in each area of need. Group members discussed two selected basic and service need priority areas. Facilitators use a structured protocol to explain the purpose, goals, confidentiality and informed consent and objectives of the focus group.  ***Recruitment.***  Click here to add text, delete the following instructions, and update font color and size *[HSACs will provide narrative describing recruitment efforts.]*  ***Focus Group Participants****.* A total of Click or tap here to enter text. focus groups were conducted in this county as part of this needs assessment. These focus groups were conducted from Click or tap to enter a date. to Click or tap to enter a date.. There was a total number of Click or tap here to enter text. participants. The number of participants in each focus group ranged from a minimum of Click or tap here to enter text. and a maximum of Click or tap here to enter text. participants. During the focus group sessions, a total of Click or tap here to enter text. surveys were completed.  **Key Informant Interviews**  Key informant interviews were conducted to gather additional feedback from County Human Services Directors and other identified individual selected by the HSACs regarding considerations for addressing the needs and concerns that were highlighted in the data profiles and focus group sessions. Facilitators use a structured protocol to explain the purpose, goals and objectives of the focus group.  ***Recruitment.***  Click here to add text, delete the following instructions, and update font color and size *[HSACs will provide narrative describing recruitment efforts.]*  ***Key Informant Interview Participants.*** A total of Click or tap here to enter text. interviews were conducted in this county as part of this needs assessment. The total number of participants included was Click or tap here to enter text.. These interviews were conducted from Click or tap to enter a date. to Click or tap to enter a date.. There was a total of Click or tap here to enter text. surveys completed during the interview sessions.  **Participant Demographics**  As described in the above sections, both focus group and interview participants completed the needs assessment survey. Below we combine information for all participants to provide an overview of the participant demographics.   |  |  | | --- | --- | | **Role in the Community (not mutually exclusive)** | **Number of Participants** | | County Resident | enter number | | Staff or Volunteer with a Community-Based Organization (e.g., Health and Human Services providers, Planning Board Participants) | enter number | | Staff or Volunteer with a Public Service Organization (e.g., paramedics, fire fighter, police officers, air force, judges) | enter number | | Local Business Owner in the County | enter number | | Community leader and advocate in the county (e.g., hold a volunteer office, clergy, activist) | enter number | | Other | enter number |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | **Age** | **Number of Participants** | | Under 18 | enter number | | 18-24 | enter number | | 25-34 | enter number | | 35-44 | enter number | | 45-54 | enter number | | 55-64 | enter number | | 65 and over | enter number |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | **Gender** | **Number of Participants** | | Female | enter number | | Male | enter number | | Non-binary, third gender/transgender | enter number | | Prefer Not to Say | enter number | | Other | enter number |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | **Race** | **Number of Participants** | | American Indian or Alaska Native | enter number | | Asian | enter number | | Black or African-American | enter number | | Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander | enter number | | White or Caucasian | enter number | | Multi-Race (2 or More of the Previous) | enter number | | Other | enter number |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | **Ethnicity** | **Number of Participants** | | Hispanic, Latino or Spanish Origins | enter number | | No Hispanic Latino or Spanish Origins | enter number |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | **Education Level** | **Number of Participants** | | Grades Preschool-8 | enter number | | Grades 9-12-Non-Graduate | enter number | | High School Graduate or GED | enter number | | High School/GED and Some College/Trade | enter number | | 2 or 4-Year College/Trade School Graduate | enter number | | Graduate or Other Post-Secondary School | enter number |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | **Employment Status** | **Number of Participants** | | Employed: Full-Time | enter number | | Employed: Part-Time | enter number | | Unemployed-Looking for Work | enter number | | Unemployed-Not Looking for Work | enter number | | Retired | enter number | | Student | enter number | | Self Employed | enter number | | Unable to Work | enter number |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | **Years of Community membership** | **Number of Participants** | **Range** | | How many years have you been a member of this community? | enter number | enter range |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | **Services Accessed by a Household Member within the last 2 Years** | **Number of Participants** | | Yes | enter number | | No | enter number |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | **Household Member History of Involvement with NJ Division of Child Protection and Permanency** | **Number of Participants** | | Yes | enter number | | No | enter number |  |  | | --- | | Participants represented the following municipalities |   Click or tap here to enter text.  **Additional Data Collection Methodologies**  Click here to add text, delete the following instructions, and update font color and size *[HSACs who incorporated additional needs assessment activities may describe these activities here.* |

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# **Key Findings Across Needs**

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Basic Need Areas

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**Need Area: Housing** **Status:** Choose an item.

Housing includes the availability of affordable, stable, permanent and acceptable living accommodations. This need area seeks to assess the sufficiency of housing in the county and the degree to which residents are homeless or threatened with eviction, as well as the existence of community supports (e.g., subsidy, vouchers, etc.) and services aimed at ensuring housing for all (e.g., Homelessness Prevention Program, Housing Resource Center, community shelters, County Board of Social Services, Section 8, affordable housing, housing authorities, etc.)

In Choose an item., Choose an item. percent of households experienced severe cost burden (50% of income or more is spent on housing) for housing in Choose an item.. This percentage is Choose an item. the percentage for the state of New Jersey (American Community Survey; *see County Data Profile for Additional Source Information*). In Choose an item. the latest year of data made available in the county profile packet, Choose an item. percent of households experienced at least one of four severe housing problems: 1.) overcrowding determined by high person-per-room, persons-per-bedroom, or unit square footage-per-person; 2) severe cost burden, 3) lack of kitchen facilities, or 4) lack of plumbing facilities (Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy; data compiled by HUD; *see Data Profile for Additional Source Information*).

**Need Assessment Key Findings**

**Summary: Scope of the Need**

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*Information to address scope can be gleaned from the data profile, surveys, focus groups and key informant interviews.]*

**Summary: Nature of the Need**

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**Summary: Local Considerations for Addressing the Need for County Prioritized Need Area**

***\*Required only if focus group need area topic.***

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**If applicable: Additional Notable Focus Group Trends for County Prioritized Need Area**

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**Need Area: Survey Results**

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| **Item** | **Total Number of Respondents** | **Strongly Disagree** | **Disagree** | **Agree** | **Strongly Agree** | **Don’t Know** | **Total** |
| 1. There are enough services available in the county to help those who have this need. | enter number | enter number % | enter number % | enter number % | enter number % | enter number  % | enter number % |
| 2. Anyone in the county is able to access services. | enter number | enter number % | enter number % | enter number % | enter number % | enter number  % | enter number % |
| 3. Services are widely advertised and known by the county. | enter number | enter number % | enter number % | enter number % | enter number % | enter number  % | enter number % |
| 4. Services take race, age, gender, ethnicity and more into account. | enter number | enter number % | enter number % | enter number % | enter number % | enter number  % | enter number % |
| 5. Facilities that provide service to meet this need are of good quality (e.g., clean, well supplied). | enter number | enter number % | enter number % | enter number % | enter number % | enter number  % | enter number % |
| 6. Staff are well-trained, knowledgeable and provide good customer service. | enter number | enter number % | enter number % | enter number % | enter number % | enter number  % | enter number % |

**Key Barriers**

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| **Barrier** | **Total Number of Respondents** | **Number of Times Identified** | **Percentage**  **of Responses** |
| Wait Lists | enter number | enter number | enter number |
| Services do not exist | enter number | enter number | enter number |
| Transportation | enter number | enter number | enter number |
| Cannot contact the service provider | enter number | enter number | enter number |
| Too expensive | enter number | enter number | enter number |
| Lack of awareness of service | enter number | enter number | enter number |
| Cultural Barriers | enter number | enter number | enter number |
| Services provided are one-size fits all, and don’t meet individual needs | enter number | enter number | enter number |
| Stigma Leads to Avoidance | enter number | enter number | enter number |
| Eligibility Requirement (explain below) | enter number | enter number | enter number |
| Other (explain below) | enter number | enter number | enter number |

**Need Area: Food**  **Status:** Choose an item.

Food security is the availability and ability to acquire nutritionally adequate and safe foods. This area of need seeks to assess the level to which residents throughout the county have adequate food and the existence of community services and supports to address unmet food needs (e.g., food banks, soup kitchen, local pantry, community-based organization, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), food stamps, Women, Infants, Children (WIC) Supplemental Nutrition Program, etc.)

In Choose an item., the food insecurity rate for households was approximately Click or tap here to enter text. percent in Choose an item., the most recent date of available data (U.S. Census Bureau Current Population Survey and U.S. Department of Agriculture Economic Research Service; *see County Data Profile for Additional Source Information*). This percentage is Choose an item. the percentage rate for New Jersey.

**Need Assessment Key Findings**

**Summary: Scope of the Need**

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**Summary: Local Considerations for Addressing the Need for County Prioritized Need Area**

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**If applicable: Additional Notable Focus Group Trends for County Prioritized Need Area**

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**Need Area: Survey Results**

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| **Item** | **Total Number of Respondents** | **Strongly Disagree** | **Disagree** | **Agree** | **Strongly Agree** | **Don’t Know** | **Total** |
| 1. There are enough services available in the county to help those who have this need. | enter number | enter number % | enter number % | enter number % | enter number % | enter number  % | enter number % |
| 2. Anyone in the county is able to access services. | enter number | enter number % | enter number % | enter number % | enter number % | enter number  % | enter number % |
| 3. Services are widely advertised and known by the county. | enter number | enter number % | enter number % | enter number % | enter number % | enter number  % | enter number % |
| 4. Services take race, age, gender, ethnicity and more into account. | enter number | enter number % | enter number % | enter number % | enter number % | enter number  % | enter number % |
| 5. Facilities that provide service to meet this need are of good quality (e.g., clean, well supplied). | enter number | enter number % | enter number % | enter number % | enter number % | enter number  % | enter number % |
| 6. Staff are well-trained, knowledgeable and provide good customer service. | enter number | enter number % | enter number % | enter number % | enter number % | enter number  % | enter number % |

**Key Barriers**

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| **Barrier** | **Total Number of Respondents** | **Number of Times Identified** | **Percentage**  **of Responses** |
| Wait Lists | enter number | enter number | enter number |
| Services do not exist | enter number | enter number | enter number |
| Transportation | enter number | enter number | enter number |
| Cannot contact the service provider | enter number | enter number | enter number |
| Too expensive | enter number | enter number | enter number |
| Lack of awareness of service | enter number | enter number | enter number |
| Cultural Barriers | enter number | enter number | enter number |
| Services provided are one-size fits all, and don’t meet individual needs | enter number | enter number | enter number |
| Stigma Leads to Avoidance | enter number | enter number | enter number |
| Eligibility Requirement (explain below) | enter number | enter number | enter number |
| Other (explain below) | enter number | enter number | enter number |

**Need Area: Health Care** **Status:** Choose an item.

Health care service providers deliver medical care, including health promotion, disease prevention and diagnosis and treatment services, to children and adults. This need area seeks to determine the level of residents in the county with health care needs, the availability of insurance coverage, and the existence of community services and supports that address health and wellness (e.g., doctors and clinics, hospitals, Medicaid Services, Home Visiting Programs, Family Success Centers, etc.)

In Choose an item., the estimated proportion of children under 18 years old (minors) with no health insurance coverage was Click or tap here to enter text. percent in Choose an item.. This percentage is Choose an item. the estimated percentage of minors with no health insurance for New Jersey in the same year (ACS; see Data Profile for Additional Source Information).

In Choose an item. in Choose an item., there were Click or tap here to enter text. reports of lack of or no prenatal care. This was Choose an item. of Click or tap here to enter text. reports from the previous year (Center for Disease Control and Prevention; see *Data Profile for Additional Source Information*).

**Need Assessment Key Findings**

**Summary: Scope of the Need**

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**Summary: Local Considerations for Addressing the Need for County Prioritized Need Area**

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**Need Area: Survey Results**

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| **Item** | **Total Number of Respondents** | **Strongly Disagree** | **Disagree** | **Agree** | **Strongly Agree** | **Don’t Know** | **Total** |
| 1. There are enough services available in the county to help those who have this need. | enter number | enter number % | enter number % | enter number % | enter number % | enter number % | enter number % |
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| Other (explain below) | enter number | enter number | enter number |

**Need Area: Community Safety** **Status:** Choose an item.

Community safety is the ability to be and feel safe from crime or violence in one’s community and public spaces. This need area seeks to assess the level to which residents throughout the county are safe from crime or violence and the existence of community services and supports to assist residents with being and feeling safe in their community (e.g., local police, DCF’s Child Protection and Permanency, Family Success Centers, security companies, neighborhood watch, safe havens, hospitals, etc.)

In Choose an item. there was a total of Click or tap here to enter text. violent crimes in Choose an item. and the *violent crime* rate per 1,000 was Click or tap here to enter text. percent (NJ Department of Law and Public Safety, Division of NJ State Police, Uniform Crime Reports, Updated 8/15/19; see Data Profile for Additional Source Information). Of the *non-violent* crimes committed there was a total of Click or tap here to enter text. arson, Click or tap here to enter text. motor vehicle theft, Click or tap here to enter text. larceny and Click or tap here to enter text. burglary in Choose an item. (NJ Department of Law and Public Safety, Division of NJ State Police, Uniform Crime Report, Updated 8/15/19; *see Data Profile for Additional Source Information*).

**Need Assessment Key Findings**

**Summary: Scope of the Need**

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**Summary: Local Considerations for Addressing the Need for County Prioritized Need Area**

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**Need Area: Survey Results**

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| **Item** | **Total Number of Respondents** | **Strongly Disagree** | **Disagree** | **Agree** | **Strongly Agree** | **Don’t Know** | **Total** |
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| 5. Facilities that provide service to meet this need are of good quality (e.g., clean, well supplied). | enter number | enter number % | enter number % | enter number % | enter number % | enter number % | enter number % |
| 6. Staff are well-trained, knowledgeable and provide good customer service. | enter number | enter number % | enter number % | enter number % | enter number % | enter number % | enter number % |

**Key Barriers**

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| **Barrier** | **Total Number of Respondents** | **Number of Times Identified** | **Percentage**  **of Responses** |
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| Services do not exist | enter number | enter number | enter number |
| Transportation | enter number | enter number | enter number |
| Cannot contact the service provider | enter number | enter number | enter number |
| Too expensive | enter number | enter number | enter number |
| Lack of awareness of service | enter number | enter number | enter number |
| Cultural Barriers | enter number | enter number | enter number |
| Services provided are one-size fits all, and don’t meet individual needs | enter number | enter number | enter number |
| Stigma Leads to Avoidance | enter number | enter number | enter number |
| Eligibility Requirement (explain below) | enter number | enter number | enter number |
| Other (explain below) | enter number | enter number | enter number |

**Need Area: Employment and Career Services** **Status:** Choose an item.

Employment is the condition of having paid work or an alternate ability to earn a living. This need area seeks to determine the employment status (e.g., full or part-time, permanent or temporary) of county residents and the employment opportunities within a county, as well as the existence of community services and supports to assist in ensuring employment (e.g., unemployment services, career development, County One-Stop Centers, Family Success Centers, County Board of Social Services, etc.)

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[Guidance: HSACs should provide a narrative describing the unemployment data related to this need area. Considerations for outlining this section is to identify the range for the period provided (e.g. In #### County, the unadjusted unemployment rate ranged from a high of ## percent to a low of ## percent from

(month) to (month) in 20##.) HSACs can also compare this range to the range for NJ and similarities

and differences in the trend lines for your county. Provide the data source for your information.]

**Need Assessment Key Findings**

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**Need Area: Survey Results**

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| **Item** | **Total Number of Respondents** | **Strongly Disagree** | **Disagree** | **Agree** | **Strongly Agree** | **Don’t Know** | **Total** |
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| 4. Services take race, age, gender, ethnicity and more into account. | enter number | enter number % | enter number % | enter number % | enter number % | enter number % | enter number  % |
| 5. Facilities that provide service to meet this need are of good quality (e.g., clean, well supplied). | enter number | enter number % | enter number % | enter number % | enter number % | enter number % | enter number  % |
| 6. Staff are well-trained, knowledgeable and provide good customer service. | enter number | enter number % | enter number % | enter number % | enter number % | enter number % | enter number  % |

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| Services do not exist | enter number | enter number | enter number |
| Transportation | enter number | enter number | enter number |
| Cannot contact the service provider | enter number | enter number | enter number |
| Too expensive | enter number | enter number | enter number |
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| Cultural Barriers | enter number | enter number | enter number |
| Services provided are one-size fits all, and don’t meet individual needs | enter number | enter number | enter number |
| Stigma Leads to Avoidance | enter number | enter number | enter number |
| Eligibility Requirement (explain below) | enter number | enter number | enter number |
| Other (explain below) | enter number | enter number | enter number |

**Need Area: CHILD CARE** **Status:** Choose an item.

Child care services include agencies that provide care and supervision to children; as well as, before- and after- school care programs. This need area seeks to assess the level to which residents throughout the county need child care and before and after school care and the existence of community services and supports that address the need for child care (e.g., licensed daycares providers, subsidized and unsubsidized childcare, Child Care Resource and Referral Agencies, Boys & Girls Clubs, YMCAs, Family Success Centers, County Board of Social Services, etc.)

In Choose an item. in Choose an item. the median monthly center-based child care cost for an infant was Choose an item. the median monthly cost for NJ. The median monthly center-based child care cost for a toddler was Choose an item. the median monthly cost for NJ. Median monthly center-based child care cost child care cost for Pre-K in Choose an item. was Choose an item. the median monthly cost for NJ.

**Need Assessment Key Findings**

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**Need Area: Survey Results**

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| **Item** | **Total Number of Respondents** | **Strongly Disagree** | **Disagree** | **Agree** | **Strongly Agree** | **Don’t Know** | **Total** |
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| Services do not exist | enter number | enter number | enter number |
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| Too expensive | enter number | enter number | enter number |
| Lack of awareness of service | enter number | enter number | enter number |
| Cultural Barriers | enter number | enter number | enter number |
| Services provided are one-size fits all, and don’t meet individual needs | enter number | enter number | enter number |
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# **PART** **3**

**Results: Specialized Service Needs**

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**Need Area: Services for Families Caring for a Child of a Relative**

**Status:** Choose an item.

Kinship services are supports for caregivers who have taken on the responsibility of caring for kin, including financial assistance, support groups, navigation of government benefits and assistance, and more. This need area seeks to assess the level to which residents require kinship services and the existence of community services and supports to support caregivers’ ability to care for their kin (e.g., Kinship Navigator Program, DCF’s Division of Child Protection and Permanency, Family Success Centers, County Board of Social Services, etc.)

**Need Assessment Key Findings**

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**Need Area: Survey Results**

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| Other (explain below) | enter number | enter number | enter number |

**Need Area: Behavioral/Mental Health Services for Children**

**Status:** Choose an item.

Child behavioral/mental health services are services designed to assess, address and support the emotional, psychological and social well-being of children. This need area seeks to assess the level to which children throughout the county have behavioral/mental health disorders, their ability to cope and function, and the existence of community services and supports to address children’s behavioral/mental health needs (e.g., hospitals, in/out-patient therapy, individualized counseling, medication management, PerformCare, DCF’s Children’s System of Care, Family Support Organizations, etc.)

**Need Assessment Key Findings**

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**Need Area: Behavioral/Mental Health Services for Adults**

**Status:** Choose an item.

Adult behavioral/mental health services include services designed to assess, address and support the emotional, psychological and social well-being of adults. This need area seeks to assess the level to which adult residents throughout the county have behavioral/mental health disorders, their ability to function and the existence of community services and supports to address adult behavioral/mental health needs (e.g., hospitals, in/out-patient therapy, individualized counseling, medication management, Statewide Parent Advocacy Network, Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services, PerformCare, etc.)

**Need Assessment Key Findings**

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**Need Area: Substance Use Disorder and Prevention Services (Adults and Adolescents)**

**Status:** Choose an item.

Substance use treatment services includes services that provide a range of assessment and supportive treatment for substance use disorders. This need area seeks to gauge the substance use needs and the existence of community services and supports to address substance use disorder needs throughout the county (e.g., detoxification, short- and long-term inpatient treatment services, outpatient treatment services, medication management, Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services, NJ 2-1-1, etc.)

**Need Assessment Key Findings**

**Summary: Scope of the Need**

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**Need Area: Survey Results**

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| 5. Facilities that provide service to meet this need are of good quality (e.g., clean, well supplied). | enter number | enter number % | enter number % | enter number % | enter number % | enter number % | enter number % |
| 6. Staff are well-trained, knowledgeable and provide good customer service. | enter number | enter number % | enter number % | enter number % | enter number  % | enter number % | enter number % |

**Key Barriers**

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| **Barrier** | **Total Number of Respondents** | **Number of Times Identified** | **Percentage**  **of Responses** |
| Wait Lists | enter number | enter number | enter number |
| Services do not exist | enter number | enter number | enter number |
| Transportation | enter number | enter number | enter number |
| Cannot contact the service provider | enter number | enter number | enter number |
| Too expensive | enter number | enter number | enter number |
| Lack of awareness of service | enter number | enter number | enter number |
| Cultural Barriers | enter number | enter number | enter number |
| Services provided are one-size fits all, and don’t meet individual needs | enter number | enter number | enter number |
| Stigma Leads to Avoidance | enter number | enter number | enter number |
| Eligibility Requirement (explain below) | enter number | enter number | enter number |
| Availability of Substance Use Disorder Services | enter number | enter number | enter number |
| Availability of Substance Abuse Prevention Programs | enter number | enter number | enter number |
| Other (explain below) | enter number | enter number | enter number |



**Need Area: Domestic Violence Services**

**Status:** Choose an item.

Domestic violence is violence or other forms of abuse by one person against another in a domestic setting, e.g., husband and wife, child and parent, sibling and sibling, etc. This need area seeks to assess the level to which domestic violence impact residents throughout the county and the existence of community services and supports that will keep families safe from physical, sexual, financial, digital, mental and emotional forms of domestic violence (e.g., shelter services, victim services, batterers intervention services, DCF’s Office of Domestic Violence Services, domestic violence liaisons, domestic violence hotline, Family Success Centers, etc.)

**Need Assessment Key Findings**

**Summary: Scope of the Need**

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**Need Area: Survey Results**

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| Services provided are one-size fits all, and don’t meet individual needs | enter number | enter number | enter number |
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| Eligibility Requirement (explain below) | enter number | enter number | enter number |
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**Need Area: Parenting Skills Services**

**Status:** Choose an item.

Parenting skills services are programs that aim to enhance parental capacity and skills, improve parenting practices and behaviors, and teach age appropriate child development skills and milestones. This need area seeks to assess the level to which residents require parenting skills services and the existence of community services and supports which address parenting skills (e.g., Home Visiting Program, Nurse-Family Partnership, Family Preservation, Family Success Centers, Family Service Organizations, Parents Anonymous, Parent Mentors, SPAN, etc.).

**Need Assessment Key Findings**

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**Need Area: Legal and Advocacy Services** **Status:** Choose an item.

Legal and advisory services include legal assistance, advocacy and support in various types of legal matters, including child support, child custody, paternity, immigration, domestic violence, housing and eviction, criminal, etc. This need area seeks to assess if the level to which residents throughout the county have unresolved legal issues for which they need assistance and the existence of legal and advisory services to meet those needs (e.g., Legal Aid, pro-bono attorneys and clinics, court system, ombudsman, etc.)

**Need Assessment Key Findings**

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