

# Services for Survivors of Torture Program Data in 2018

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# **BACKGROUND**

Through its Services for Survivors of Torture (SOT) program, the Office of Refugee Resettlement (ORR) funded 34 grantees from fiscal year (FY) 2016 through FY 2018.

In FY 2018, ORR asked SOT grantees to submit demographic and program output data, plus outcome indicators measuring changes in clients' level of need.

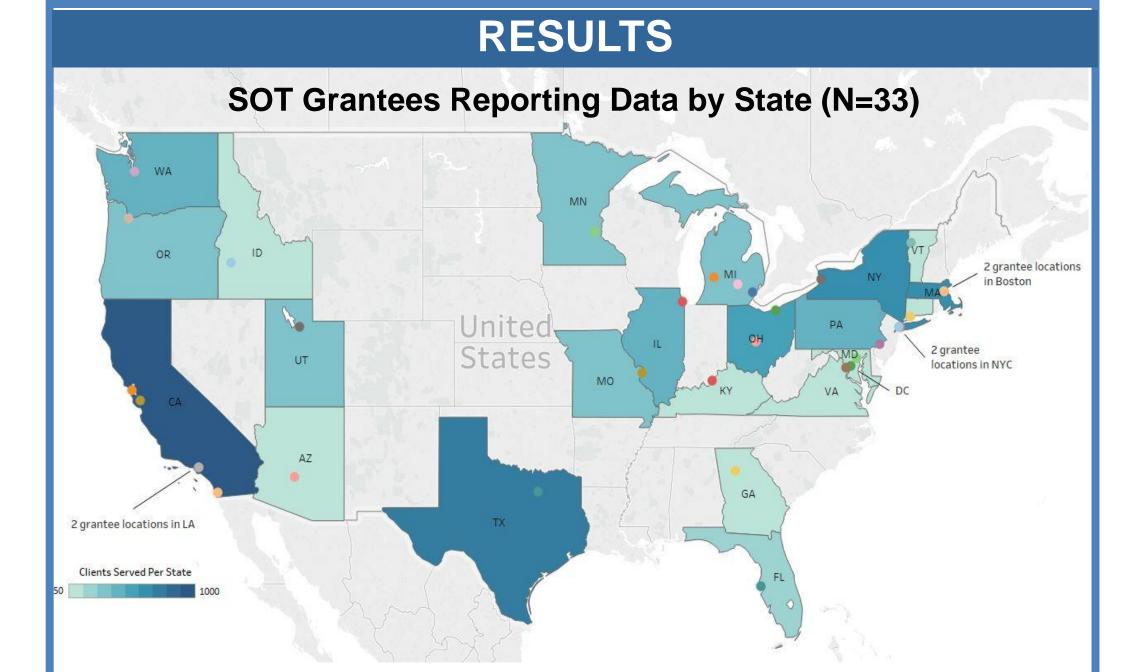
#### **OBJECTIVES**

ORR analyzed program outcome data to:

- Learn about populations being served
- Track the services utilized by clients
- Measure the impact of services

# **METHODS**

- Thirty-three SOT grantees submitted full or partial program data points at the aggregate level on 7,093 clients served during FY 2018.
- All 33 grantees reported on client demographics and program outputs.
- Only 13 grantees provided useable outcome data on 1,173 clients.
  - o Based on their level of need at intake, clients were classified as *in crisis*, *vulnerable*, *stable*, or *safe* across six indicators covering legal, health, and social domains.
  - At the end of FY18, grantees reassessed clients' level of need, measuring change in outcomes across domains from "start" (at intake) to "end" (after receiving services).
- We entered data in Microsoft Access and used Tableau software to generate summary statistics.

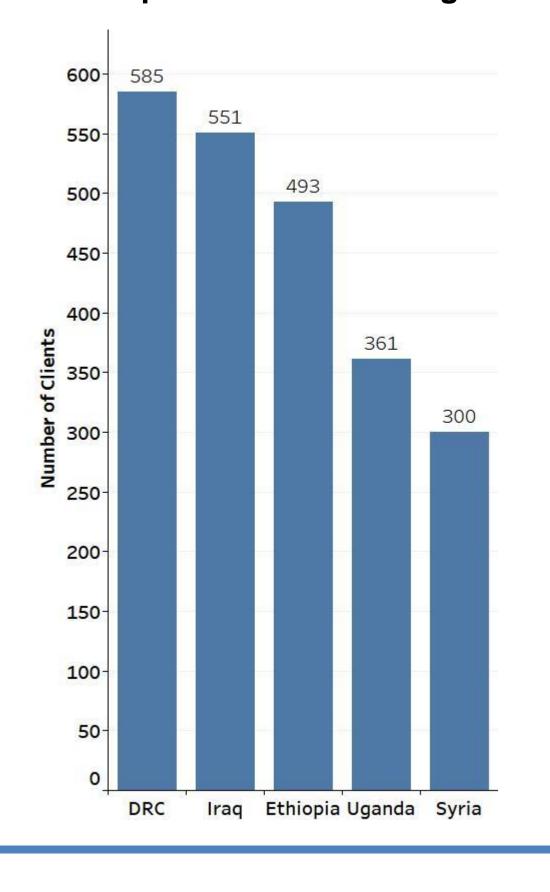


Map indicates primary location and does not include all service locations of SOT grantees.

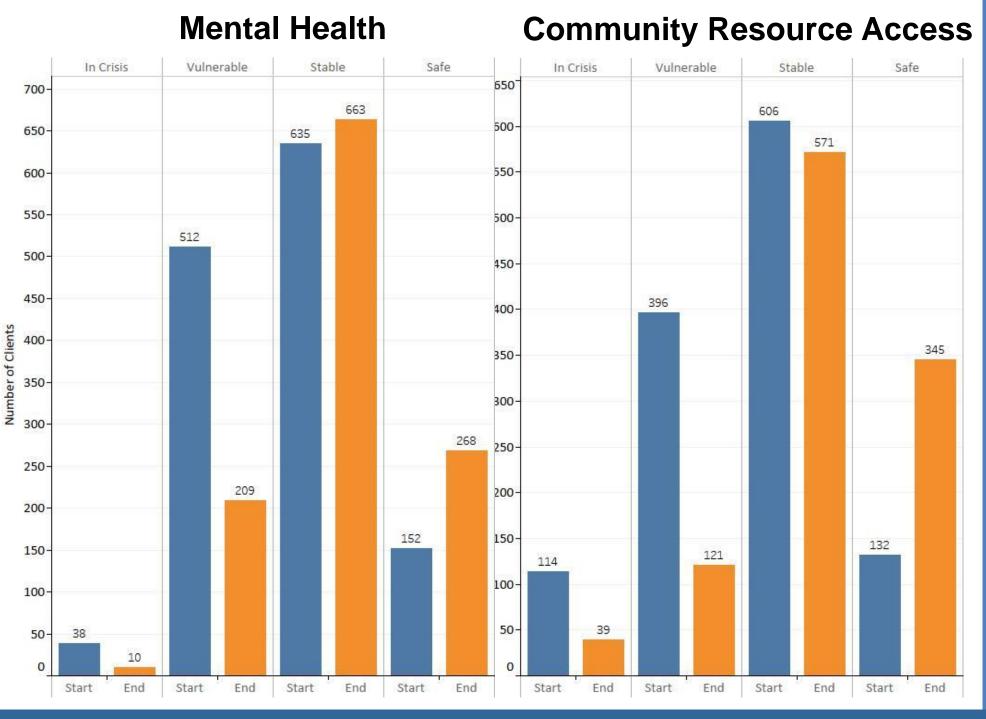
### **Client Demographics**

		N=7,093	%
100	Age at Intake		
3 and percentages do not total	< 5 years	153	2
	6–17 years	484	7
	18–44 years	4,005	56
	45–64 years	1,558	22
	> 65 years	306	4
	Sex		
	Male	3,304	46
	Female	3,146	44
	Other	101	2
7,09	Religion		
Unknown data excluded; numbers do not total 7,093 and percentages do not total 100	Buddhist	413	6
	Hindu	230	3
	Christian	2,876	41
	Muslim	1,969	28
	Others	378	5
	Immigration Status		
	Asylum Seeker	2,896	41
	Asylee	273	4
	Refugee	1,910	27
	Permanent Resident	632	9
	U. S Citizen	301	4
	Other	314	4
	Time in US at Intake		
Ur	< 1 year	2,726	39
	1–5 years	2,324	33
	> 5 years	1.153	16

## **Top 5 Countries of Origin**



Outcome data from 13 grantees showed an upward trend in clients' functional status across all six indicators; fewer clients were *in crisis* or *vulnerable* and more clients were *stable* or *safe* at the "end" than at the "start." Two outcome indicators are highlighted below:



# LIMITATIONS

While 97% of SOT grantees submitted data, some grantees could not report complete client demographics or program outputs and only a minority submitted outcome indicators.

# CONCLUSIONS

- Outcome data from a sub-set of SOT grantees suggest the positive impact of the SOT Program on survivors' lives.
- Complete reporting on program outcomes will allow us to better evaluate the SOT Program.

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