

City of Alexandria, Virginia

Emergency Services Trends and Opioid Use Trends

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Emergency Services Trends



Service Demands:

- 87% increase in Temporary Detention Orders (TDO) from FY14 to FY16 (from 226 to 423)
- 76% increase in staff service hours from FY14 to FY16 (from 3911 to 6898)
- 43% increase in clients served from FY14 to FY16 (from 685 to 978)

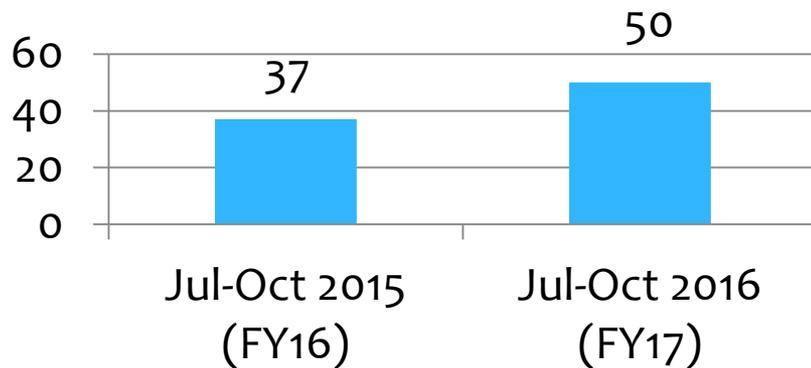
The average number of TDOs per month over the last few years is increasing:

- FY14: average of **18.8** TDOs per month
- FY15: average of **28.5** TDOs per month
- FY16: average of **35.2** TDOs per month
- FY17 (July-October): average of **38.2** TDOs per month
- So far this month, 37 people have been detained. It appears that November will result in the highest number of detentions ever

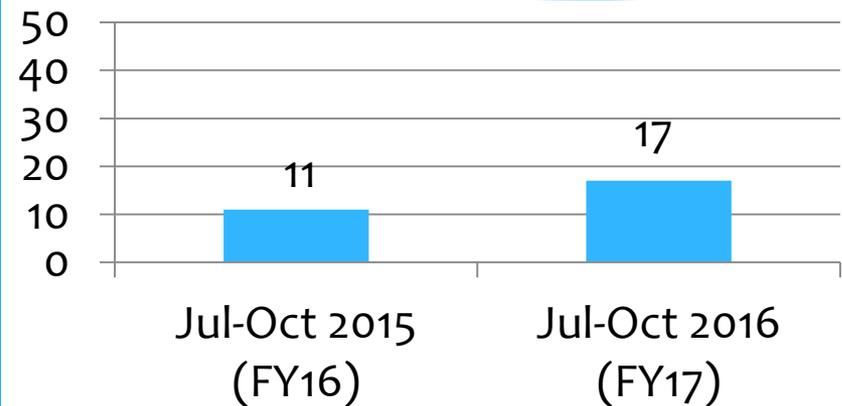
Emergency Services Trends: Youth



35% Increase in Youth ES Evaluations



55% Increase in Youth TDOs



- Total # Youth ES Evals in FY16: 159
- Total # Youth TDOs in FY16: 35
- FY17 on trajectory to exceed current percent increase

Opioid Trends



By the end of 2016, the number of fatal opioid overdoses in Virginia are expected to increase by 77% compared to five years ago.

- ✓ State Health Commissioner has identified Opioid Addiction Crisis as a Public Health Emergency in Virginia
 - ✓ Not a Governor's declaration; no force of law
 - ✓ Naloxone standing order across Virginia
- Opioid Treatment Program (OTP) census increased 44% from FY11 (131 clients) to FY16 (188 clients).
- The largest increase in opiate use among all CSB clients from FY11 to FY16 was with clients aged 25-44
- Racial breakdown has stayed roughly consistent from FY11-FY16. In FY16, clients reporting opiate use were 50% white, 43% black, and 7% other.
- Gender breakdown has also stayed fairly consistent over the years. In FY16, clients reporting opiate use were 54% men and 46% women.

Opioid Work Group



- Group Began Meeting in September 2015
- Members include: DCHS, Fire/EMS, INOVA, Health Department, Police, Recreation, SAPCA, and Sheriff
- Group is sharing data and monitoring trends
- Actions taken: Development of Referral Cards to be shared by those responding to OD calls; increasing the number of medication take back days from 2 to 4; investigations triggered when ODs occur; received ongoing State funding for another RN position and security guard hours during OTP clinic hours
- Group will continue to monitor data and will enter more intensive stage if any red flags occur:
 - increase in overdose numbers/trend
 - any overdose death
 - continued increase in treatment demand