



# City Council Homeless Initiatives

Street Outreach Grant

A vibrant mural on a wall depicting a blue parrot with its wings spread, surrounded by large yellow and pink flowers. The mural is set against a background of green foliage. A diagonal stripe with blue, white, and red colors runs across the top right corner of the image.

COMMUNITY SERVICES

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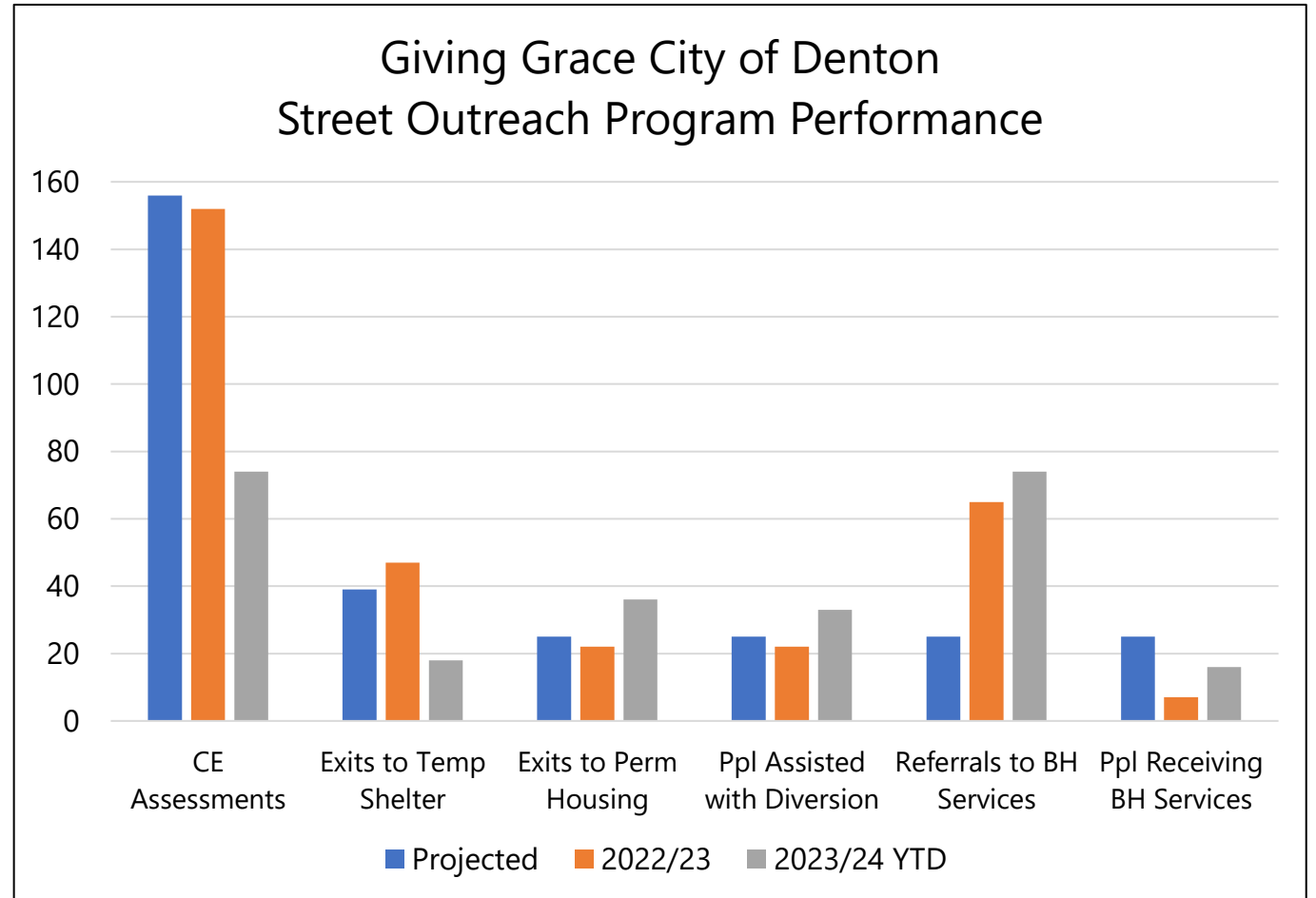
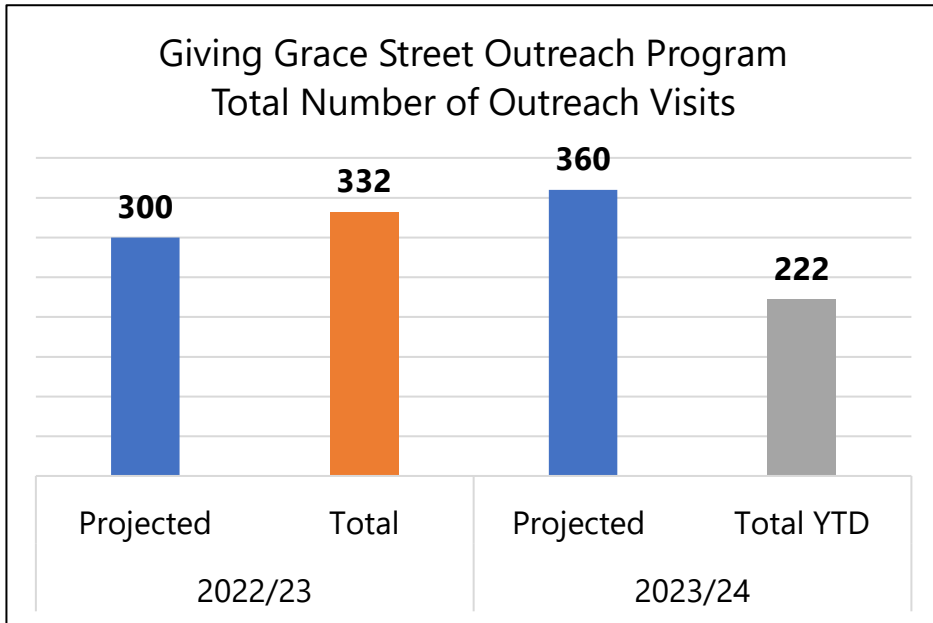
Program	FY23-24 Amount	FY23-24 Recipient	Description
*Street Outreach Grant	\$125,450	Giving Grace	Street Outreach provides services to unhoused people through information and referrals, using diversion problem-solving skills to resolve homelessness quickly when possible, and connecting to the Coordinated Entry assessment for placement in a supportive housing program when openings become available.
Denton County Housing and Homelessness Leadership Team Backbone Support	\$80,000	United Way of Denton County	Partial funding for two staff positions and admin that provide backbone support to the Denton County Housing and Homelessness Leadership Team: Chief Programs Officer and Homelessness Data Management Specialist
Denton County Barriers Fund	\$80,000	United Way of Denton County	The Denton County Homelessness Barriers Fund was created to help families overcome barriers to getting and staying housed. Funds may be requested by any agency providing homelessness prevention or intervention services to assist households with housing barrier costs no otherwise available through existing programs.
HMIS Licenses	\$18,000	United Way of Denton County	Funds Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) Licenses for City of Denton nonprofits serving people experiencing or at-risk of homelessness in furtherance of the coordinated system of homeless assistance programs
Denton Community Shelter	\$400,000	Our Daily Bread	Funds support the operations and management of the low-barrier shelter on Loop 288.
Annual Total	\$703,450		

\*Funding awarded annually through competitive application process.

# Street Outreach Grant Review

- **Purpose:** Street Outreach provides services to unhoused people through information and referrals, using diversion problem-solving skills to resolve homelessness quickly when possible, and connecting to the Coordinated Entry assessment for placement in a supportive housing program when openings become available.
- **CSAC 22-025:** Committee voted to approve reallocating funds to increase Street Outreach grant funding amount and add diversion as an eligible expense
- **Eligible Diversion Costs:** Transportation, Food, Utilities, Housing Costs, 30-day hotel stay, and any other cost that would assist a household with gaining permanent housing.
- **Funding:** Currently awarded on an annual basis

# Street Outreach Performance Outcomes



# Seeking Committee Direction

- Staff recommendation:
  - Extend the term of the Street Outreach Grant term and service agreement to 2 years, pending council approval of annual budget
  - Eligible non-profits must have a current Street Outreach program