

# The San Francisco Sentencing Commission

City & County of San Francisco

(Administrative Code 5.250 through 5.250-3)

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## Safety and Justice Challenge Subcommittee

### AGENDA

Tuesday, January 19, 2021, 12:00 pm

**REMOTE MEETING VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE**

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**Public Comment Call-In:** 877 853 5247 US Toll-free

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1. Call to Order; Roll Call.
2. Public Comment.
  - a. General Public Comment.
  - b. Public Comment on All Agenda Items.
3. Monthly Jail Population Report (discussion and possible action).
4. Budget Priorities Presentation by SF Youth Commission (discussion and possible action).
5. Strategy Updates (discussion and possible action).
6. Request for Future Agenda Items (discussion and possible action).
7. Adjournment.

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# SAFETY AND JUSTICE WORKGROUP MEETING

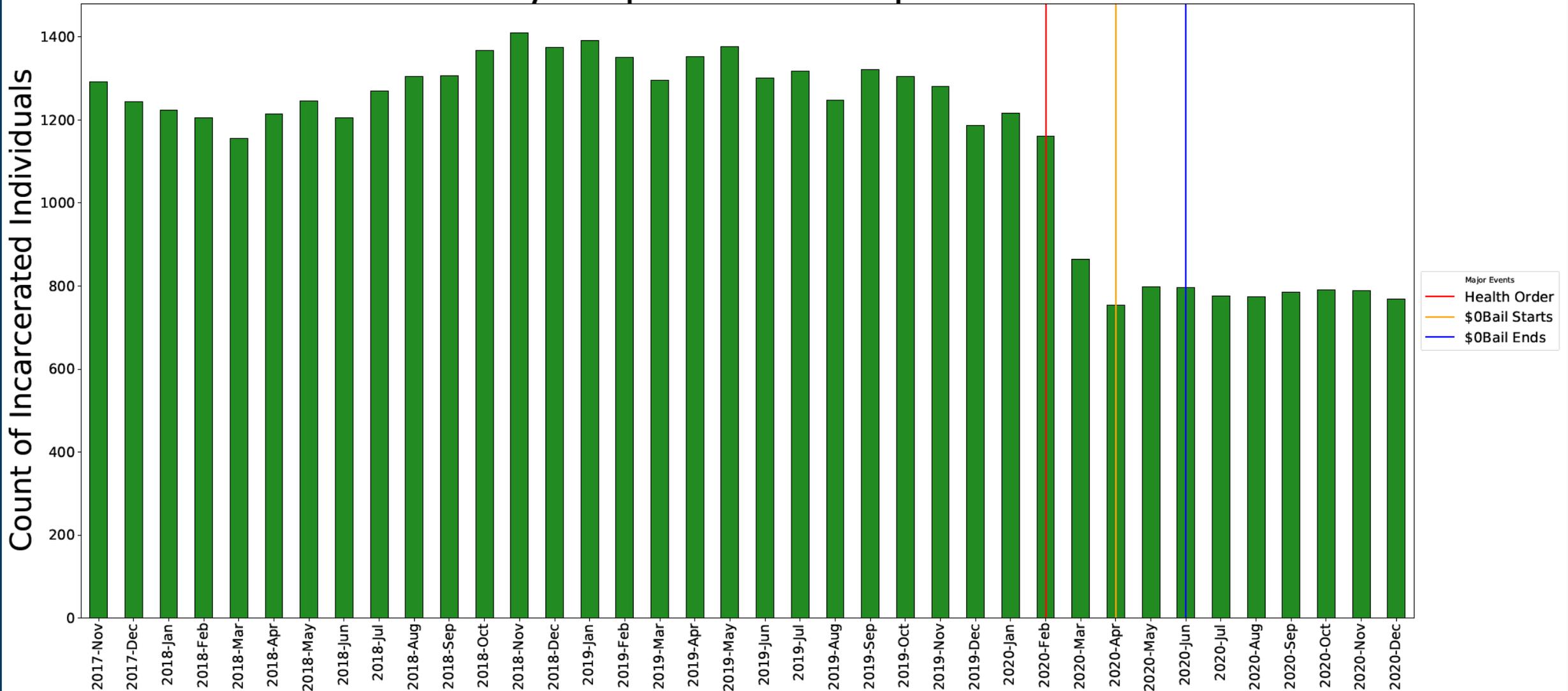
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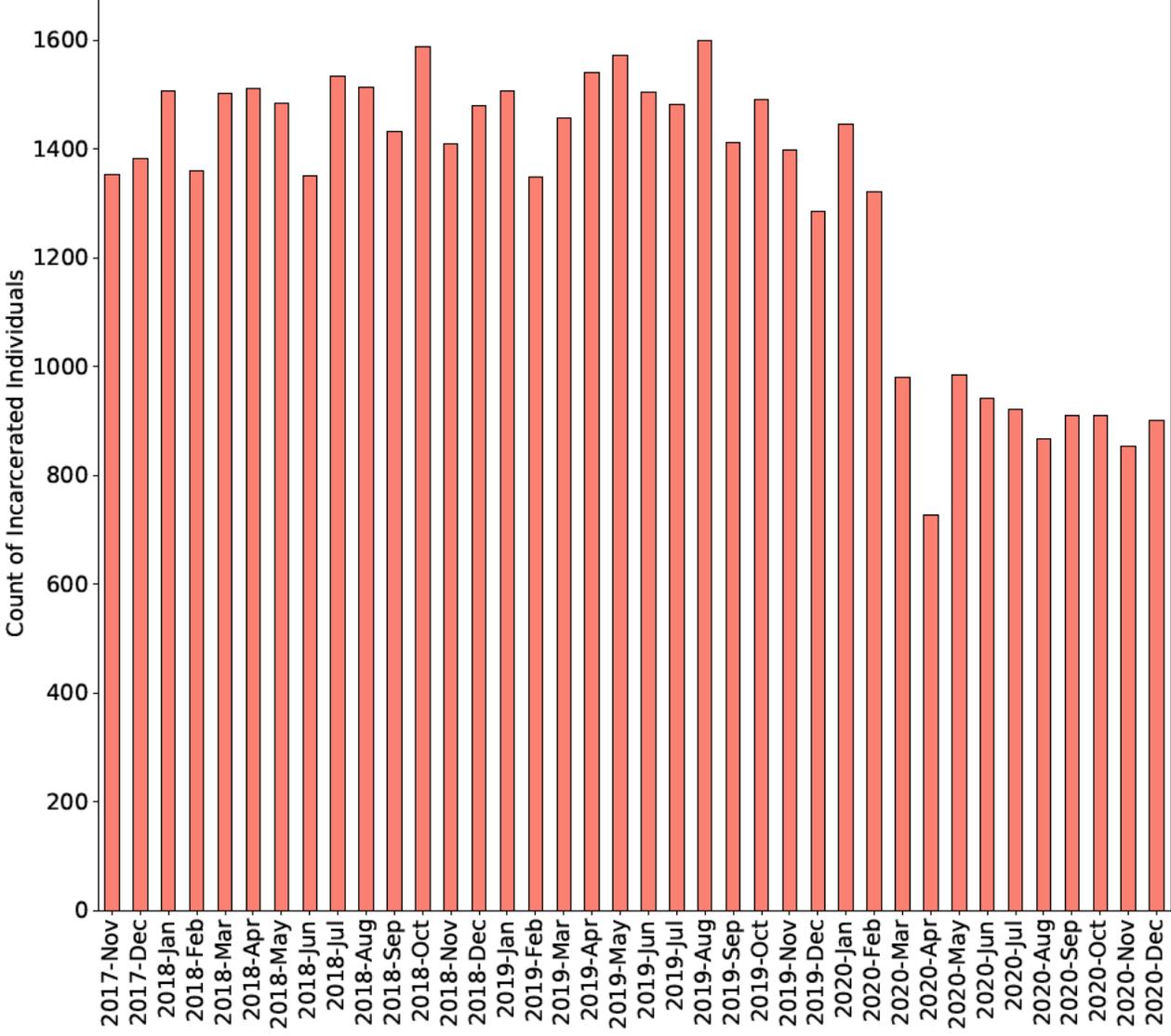
# December Safety and Justice MacArthur Report

## Daily Snapshot of Jail Population

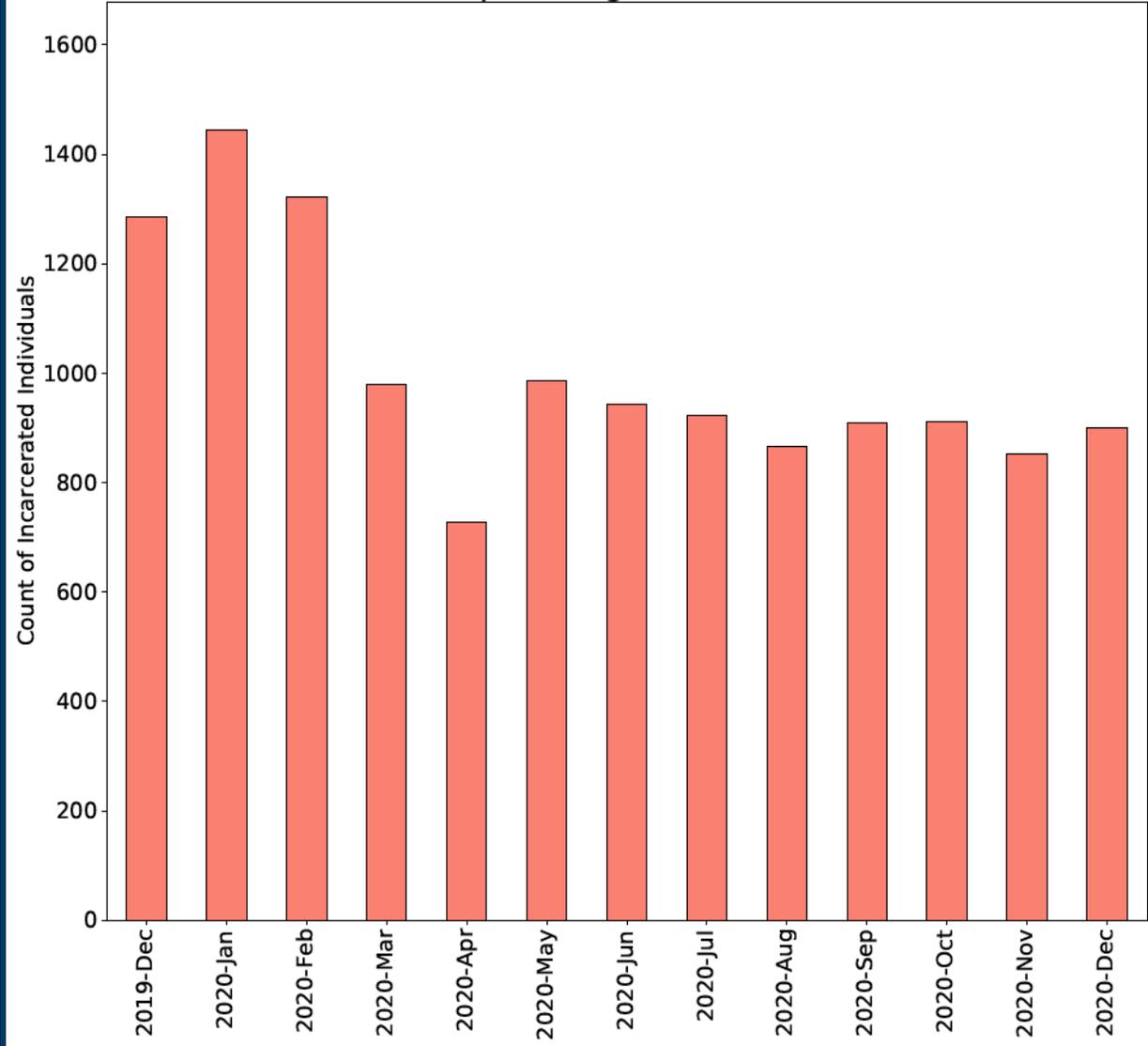


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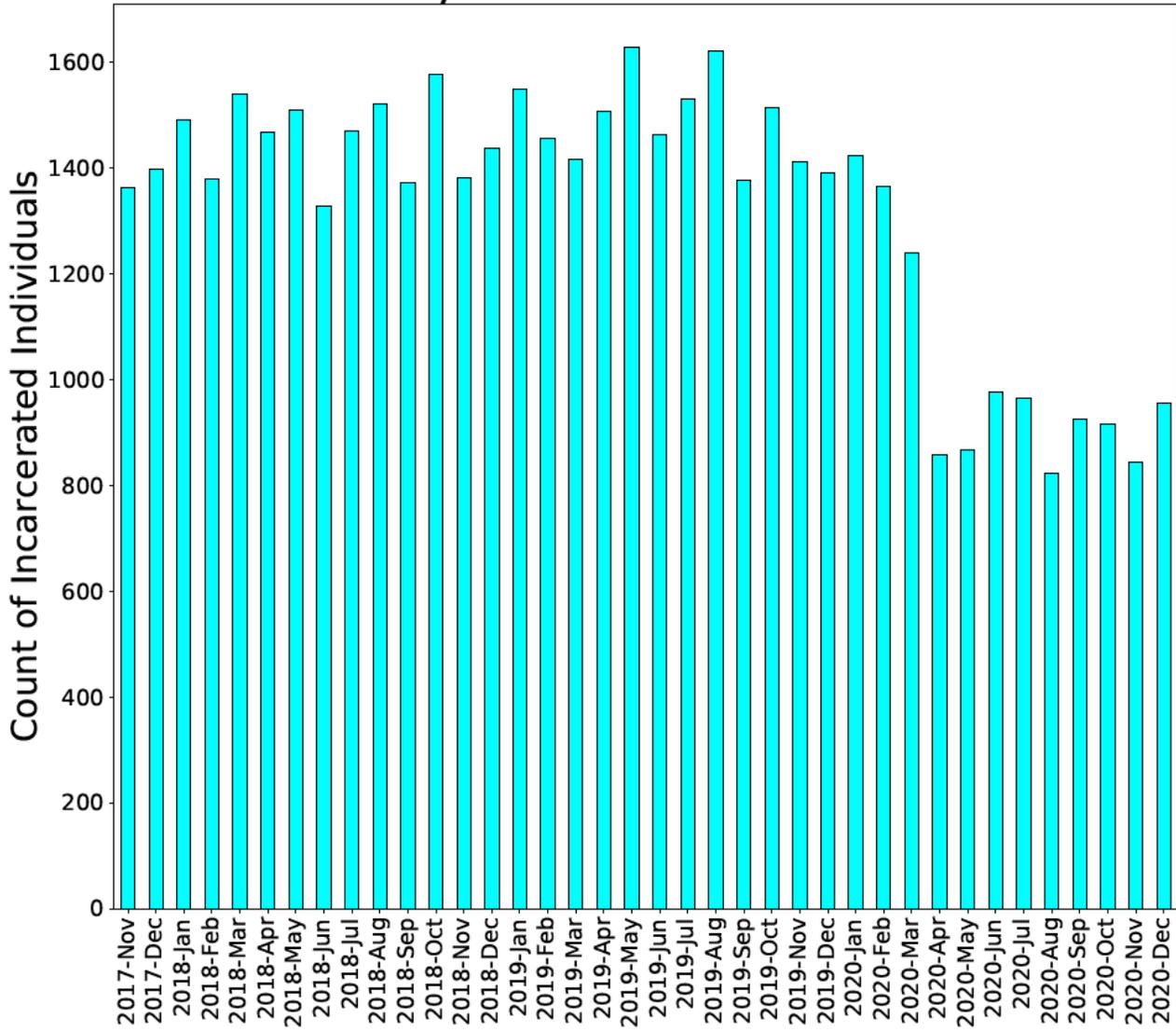


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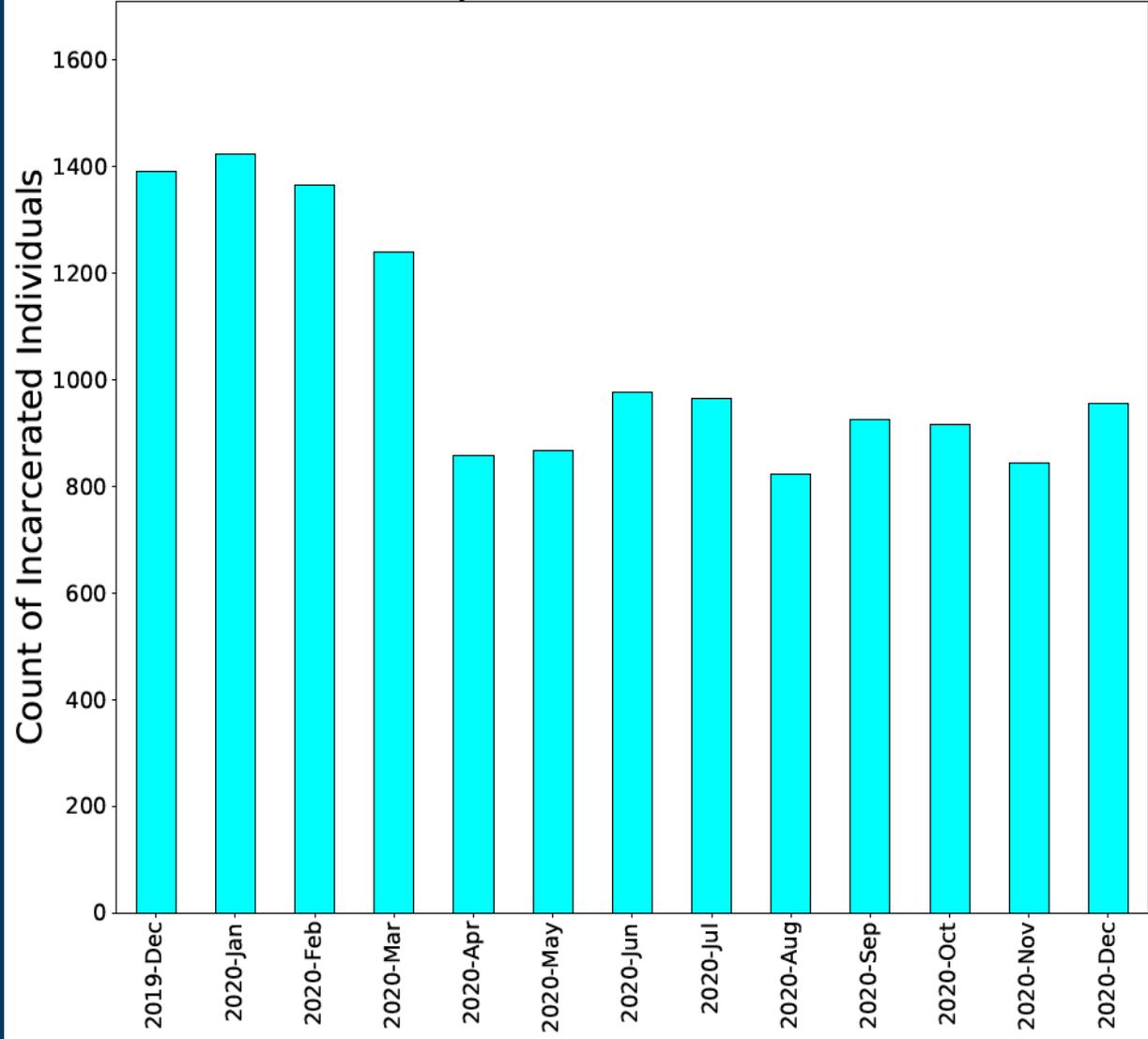


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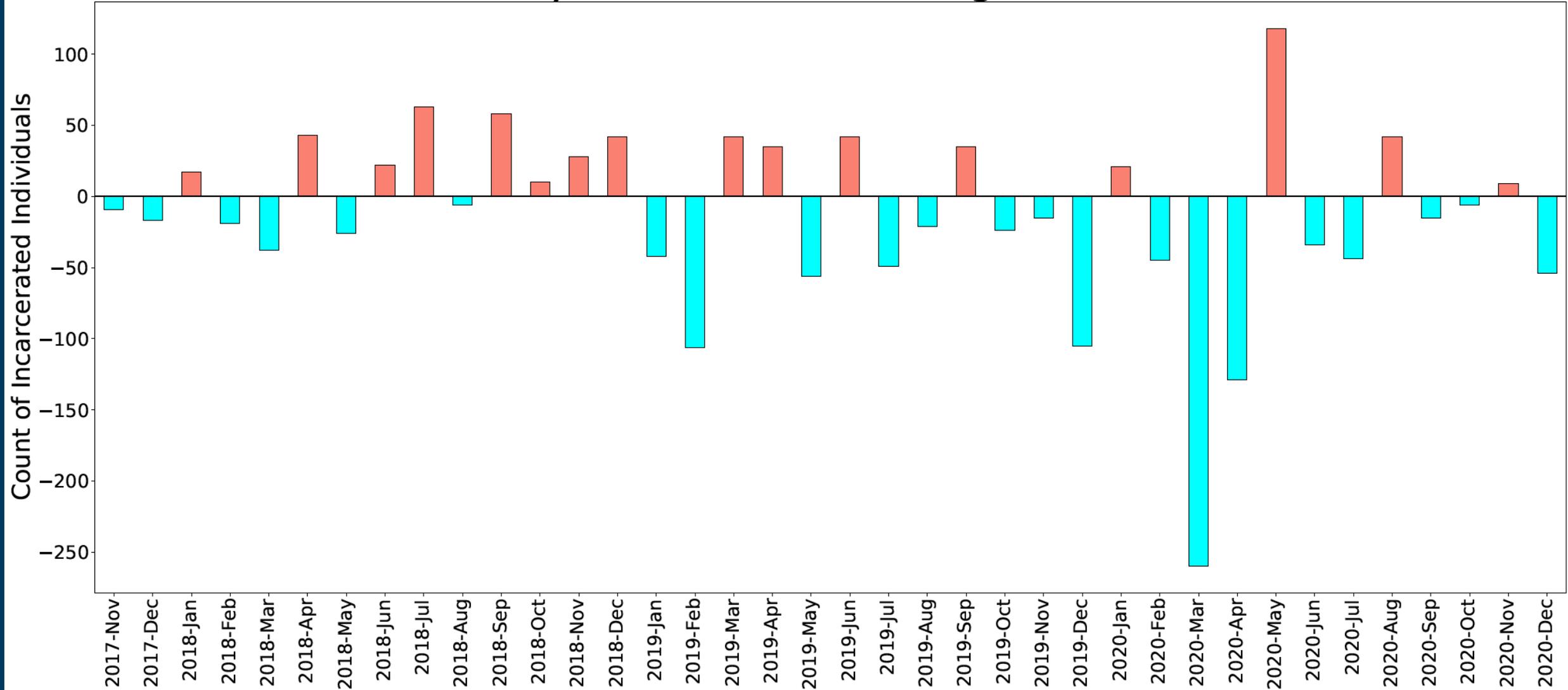


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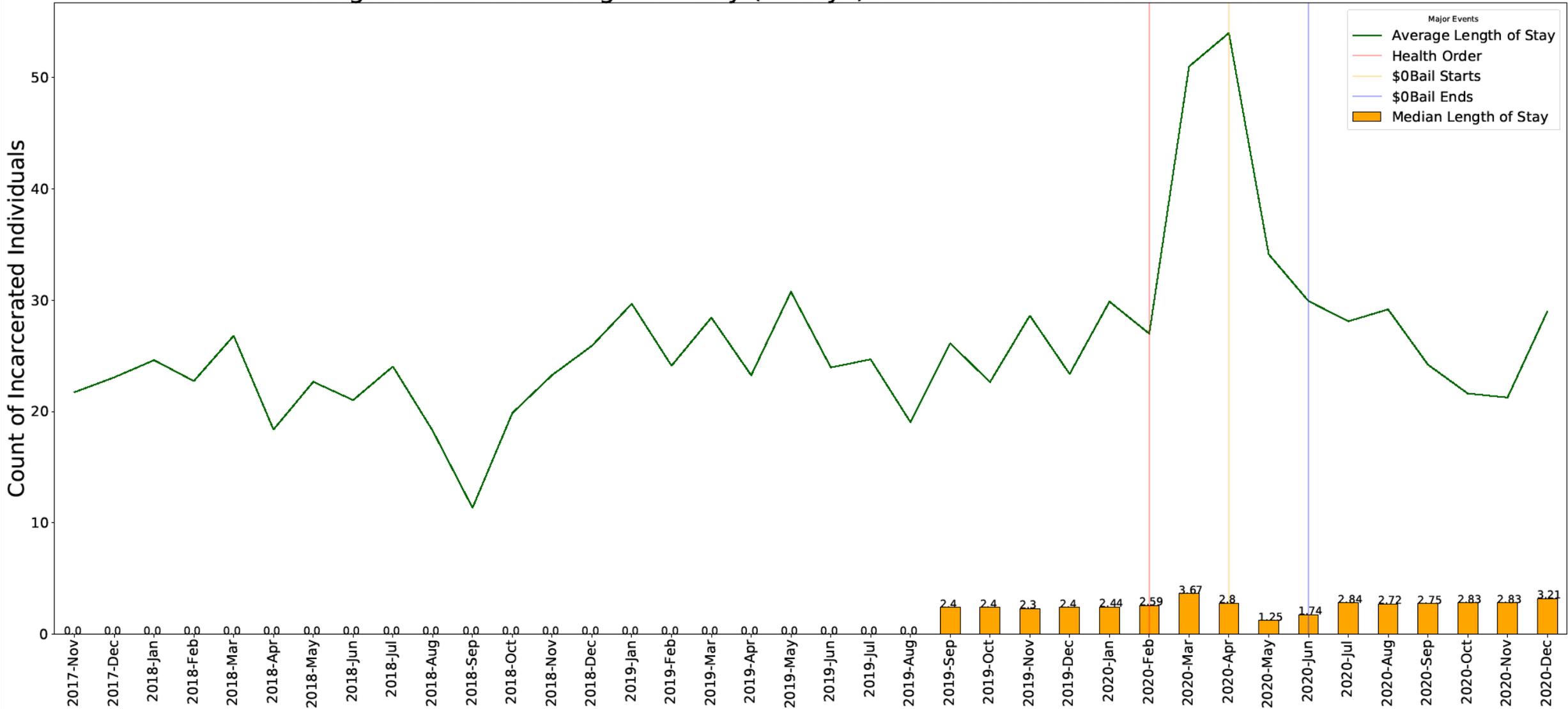
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## Monthly Differences in Bookings vs Releases



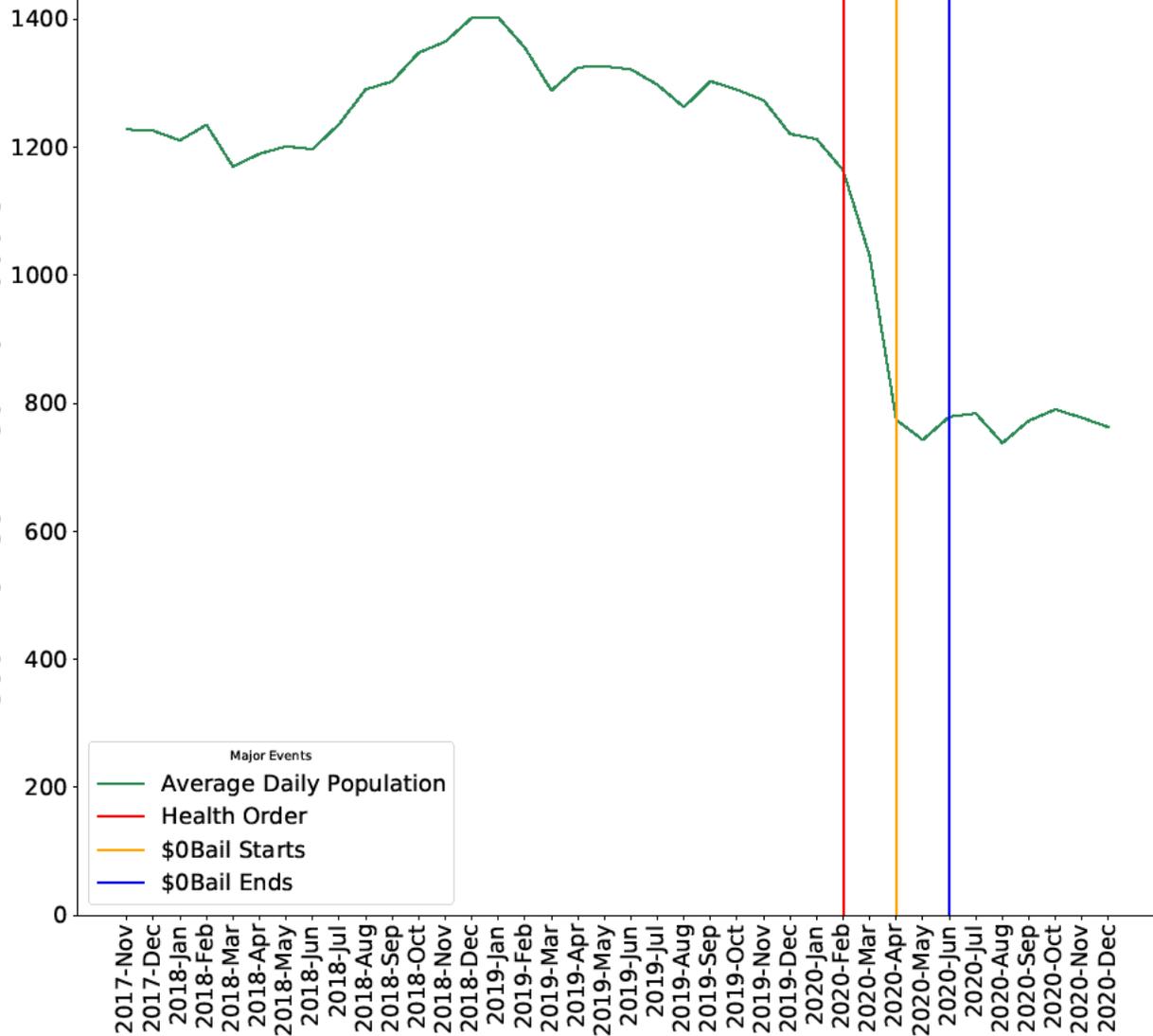
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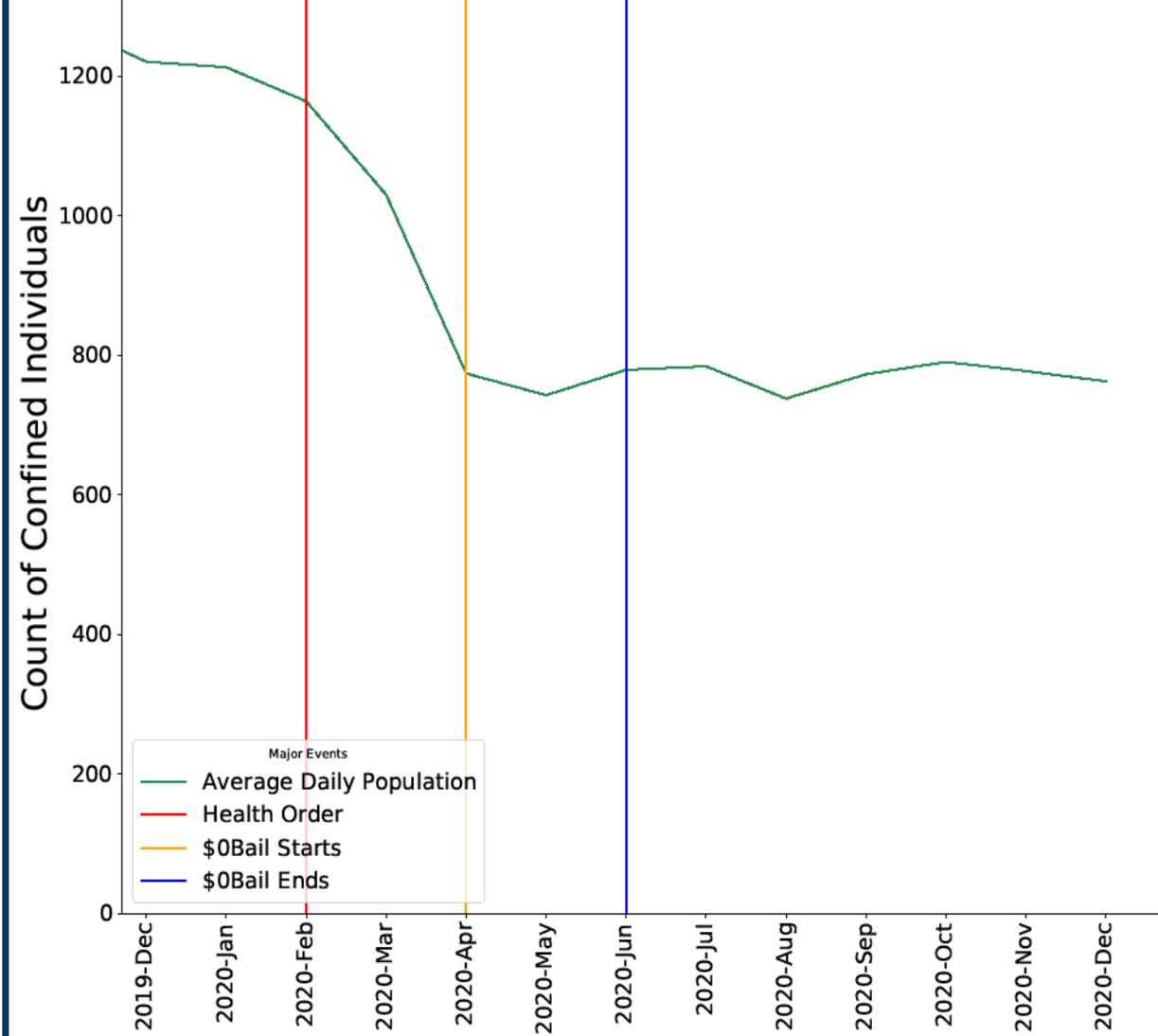


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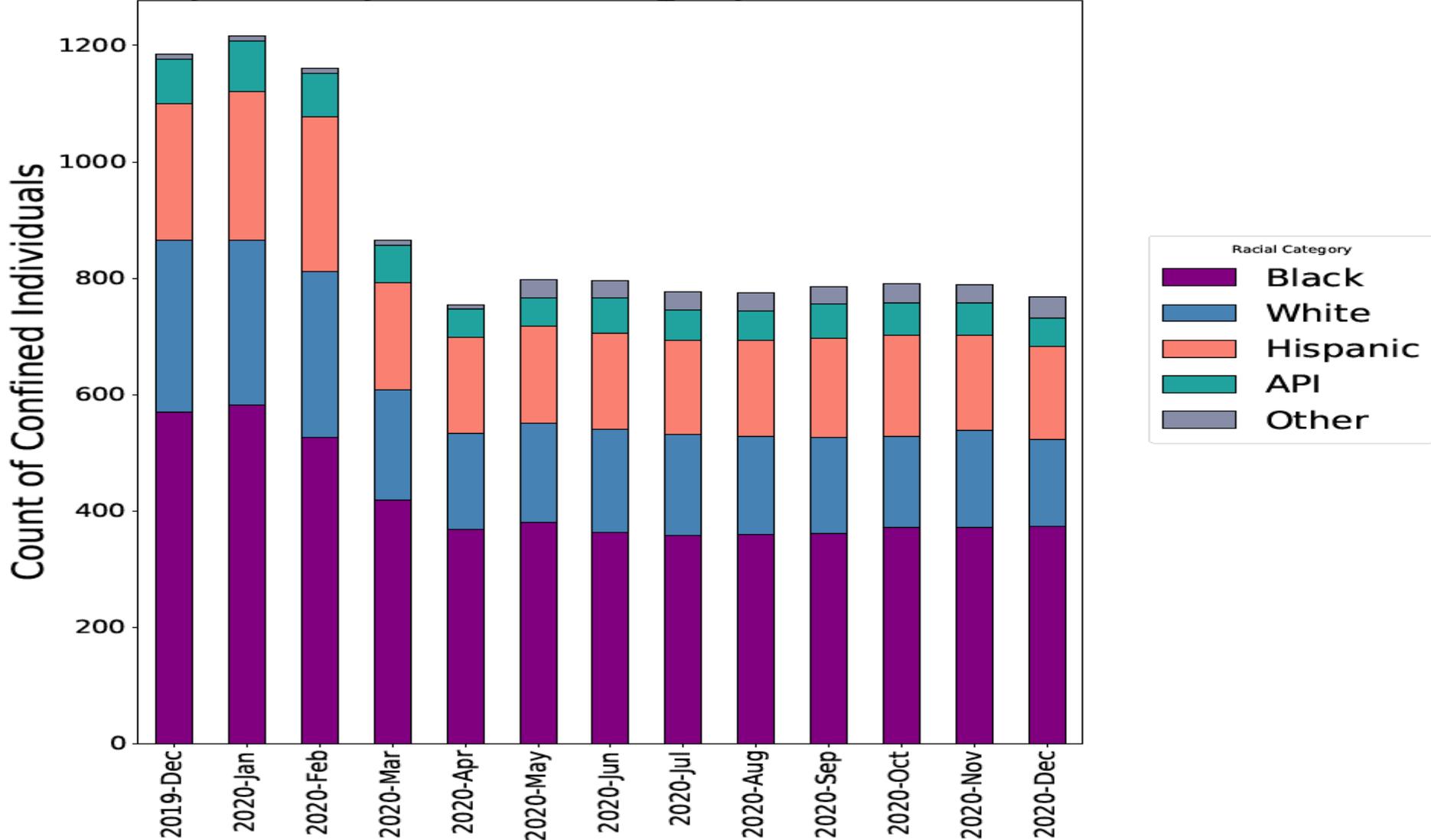


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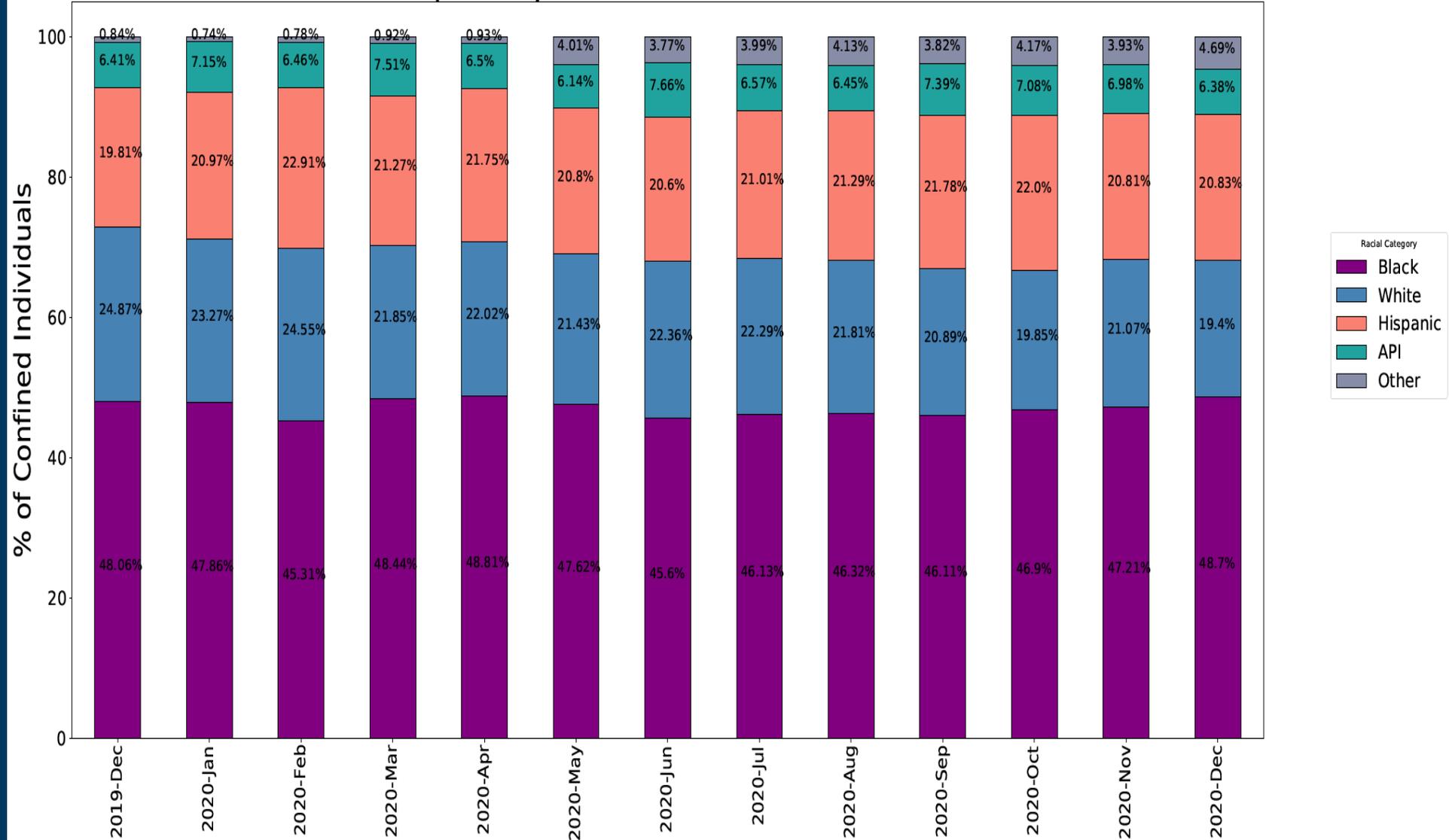
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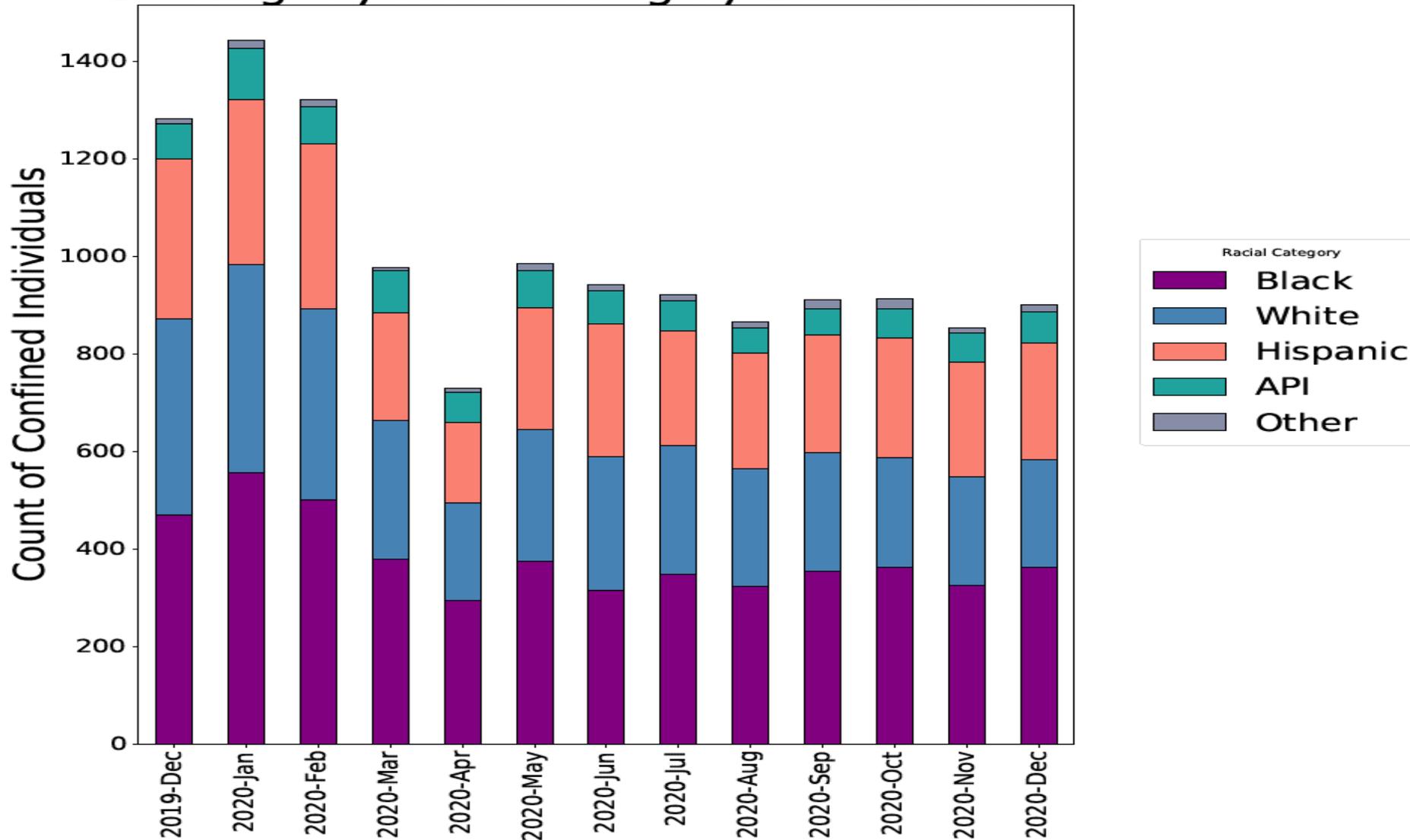
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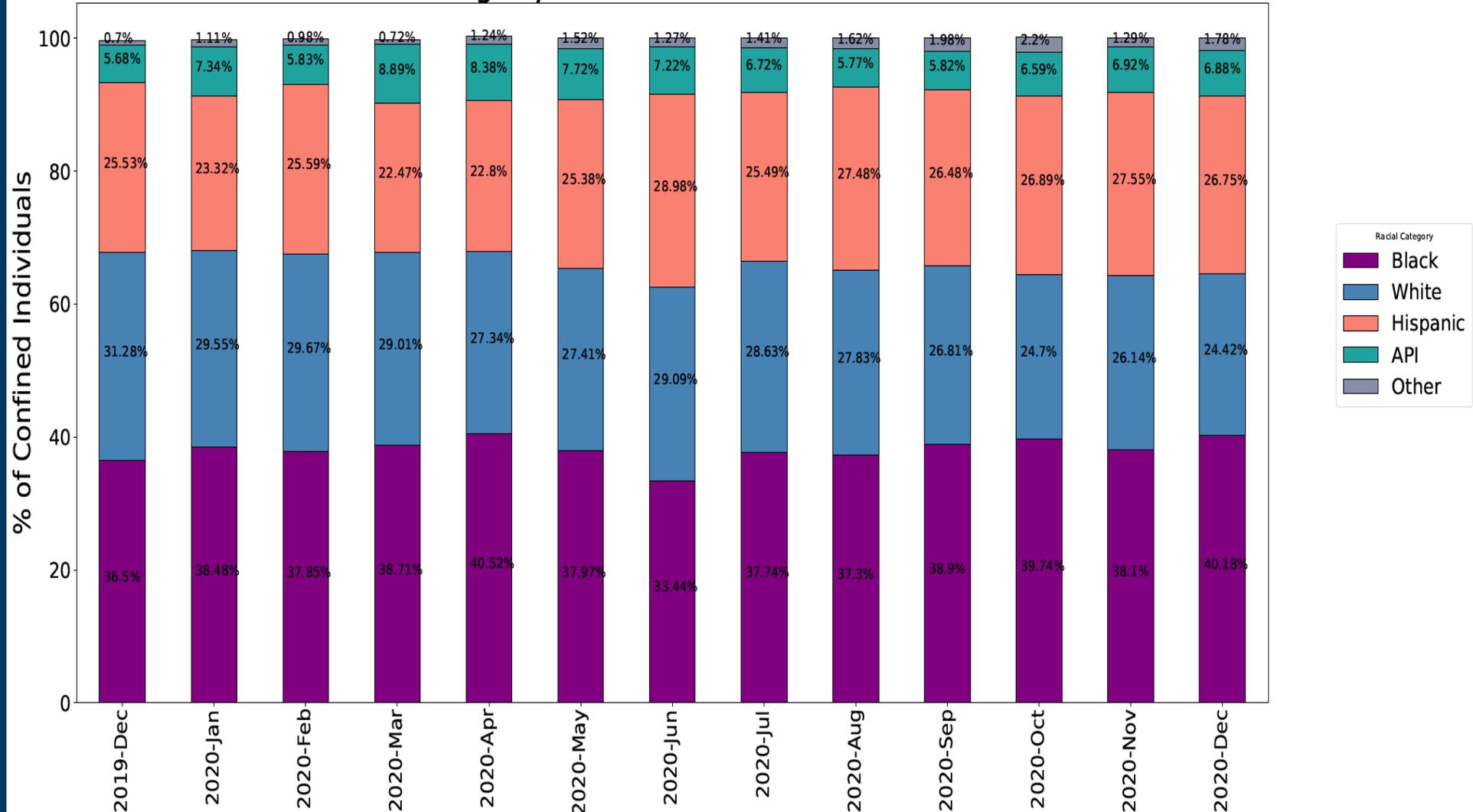
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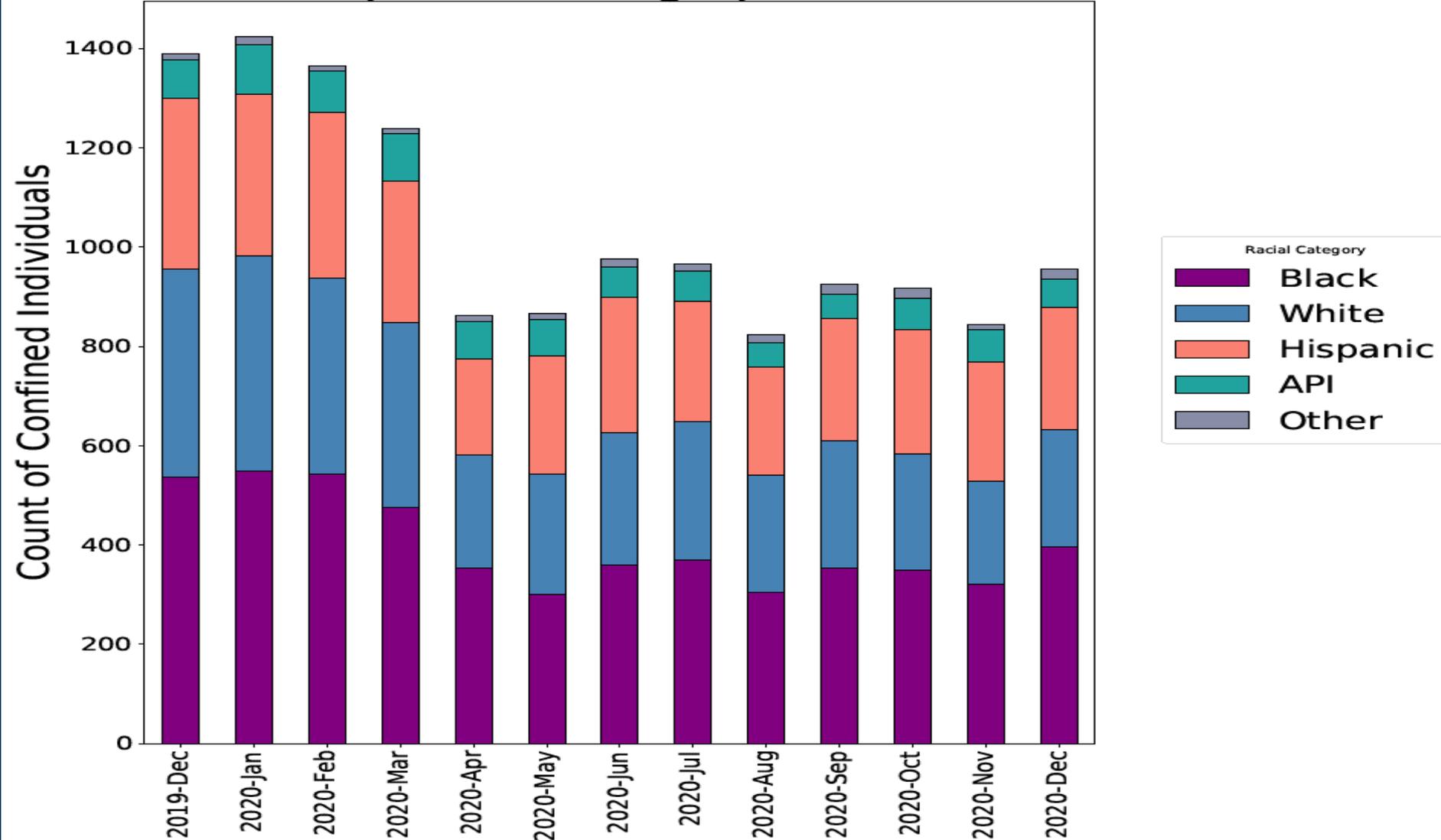
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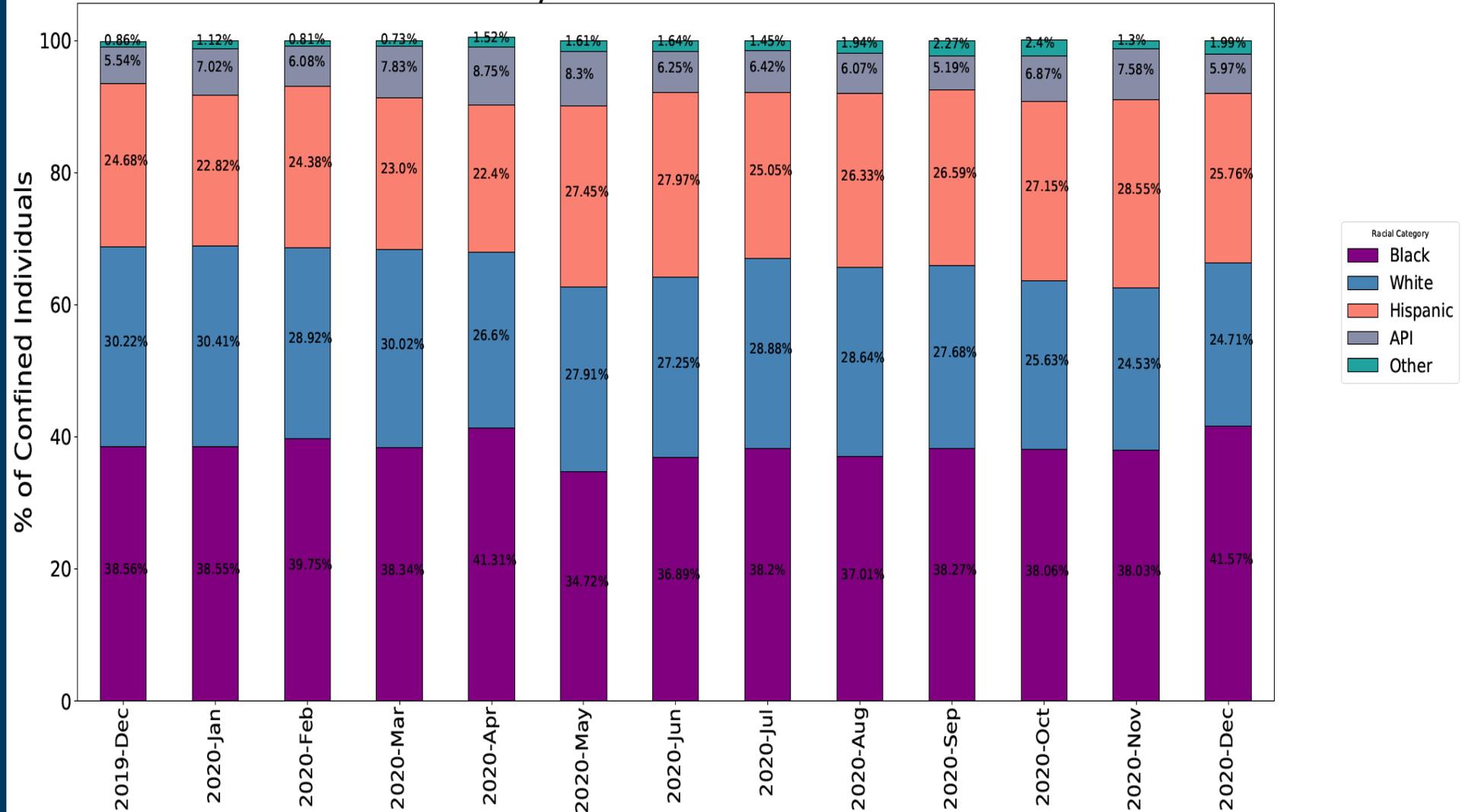
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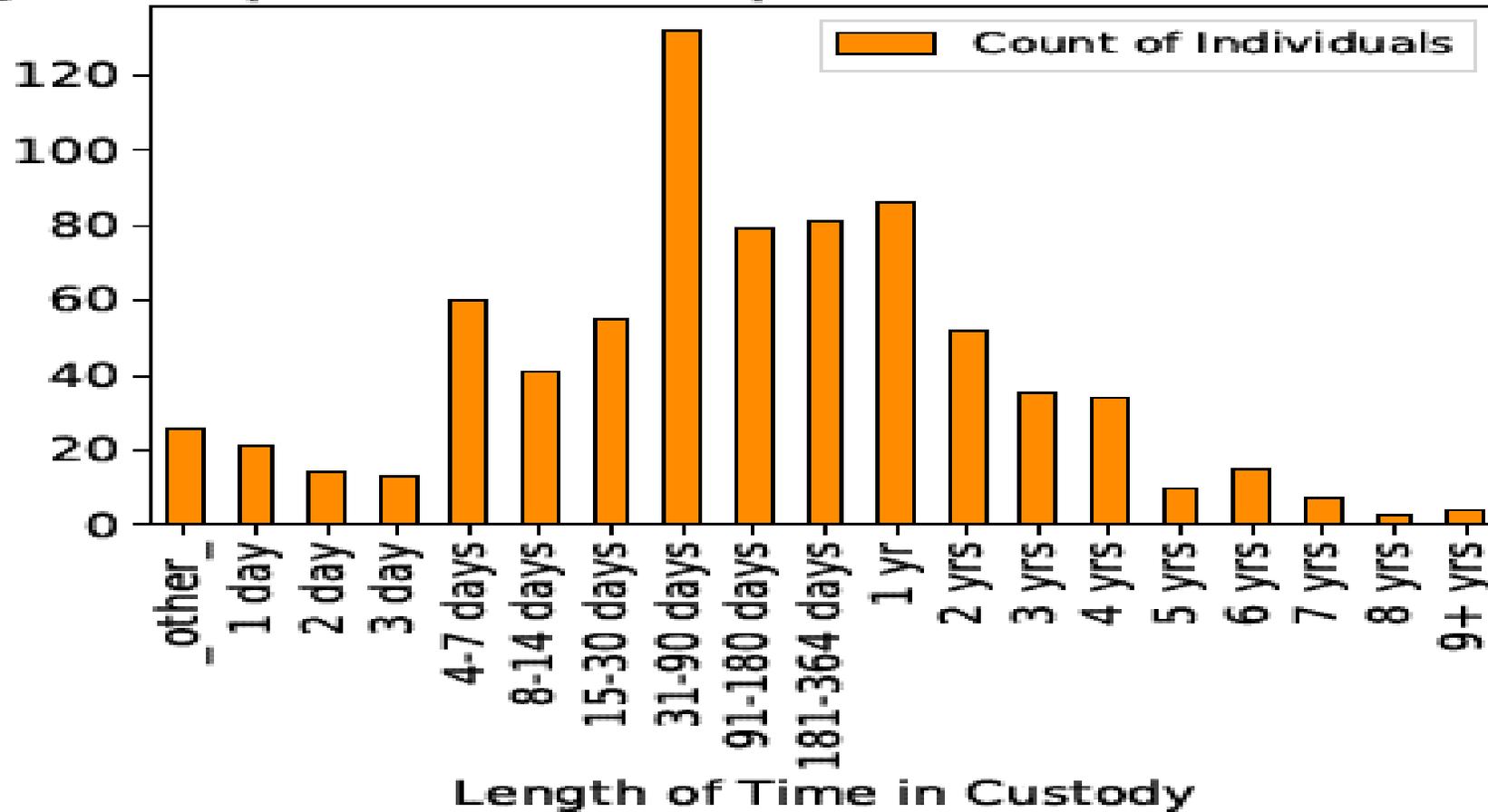
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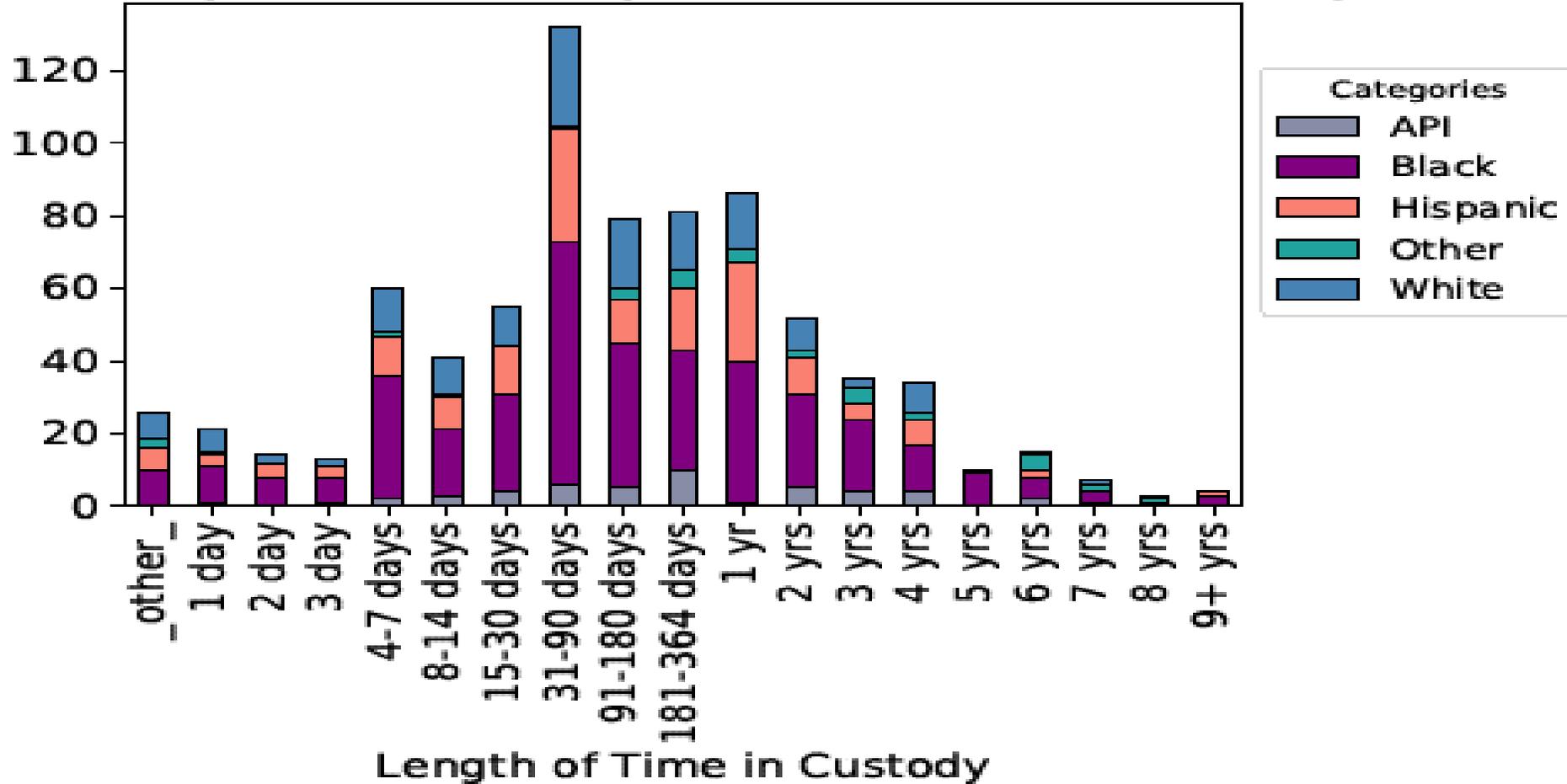
### Jail Population Snapshot Time in Custody



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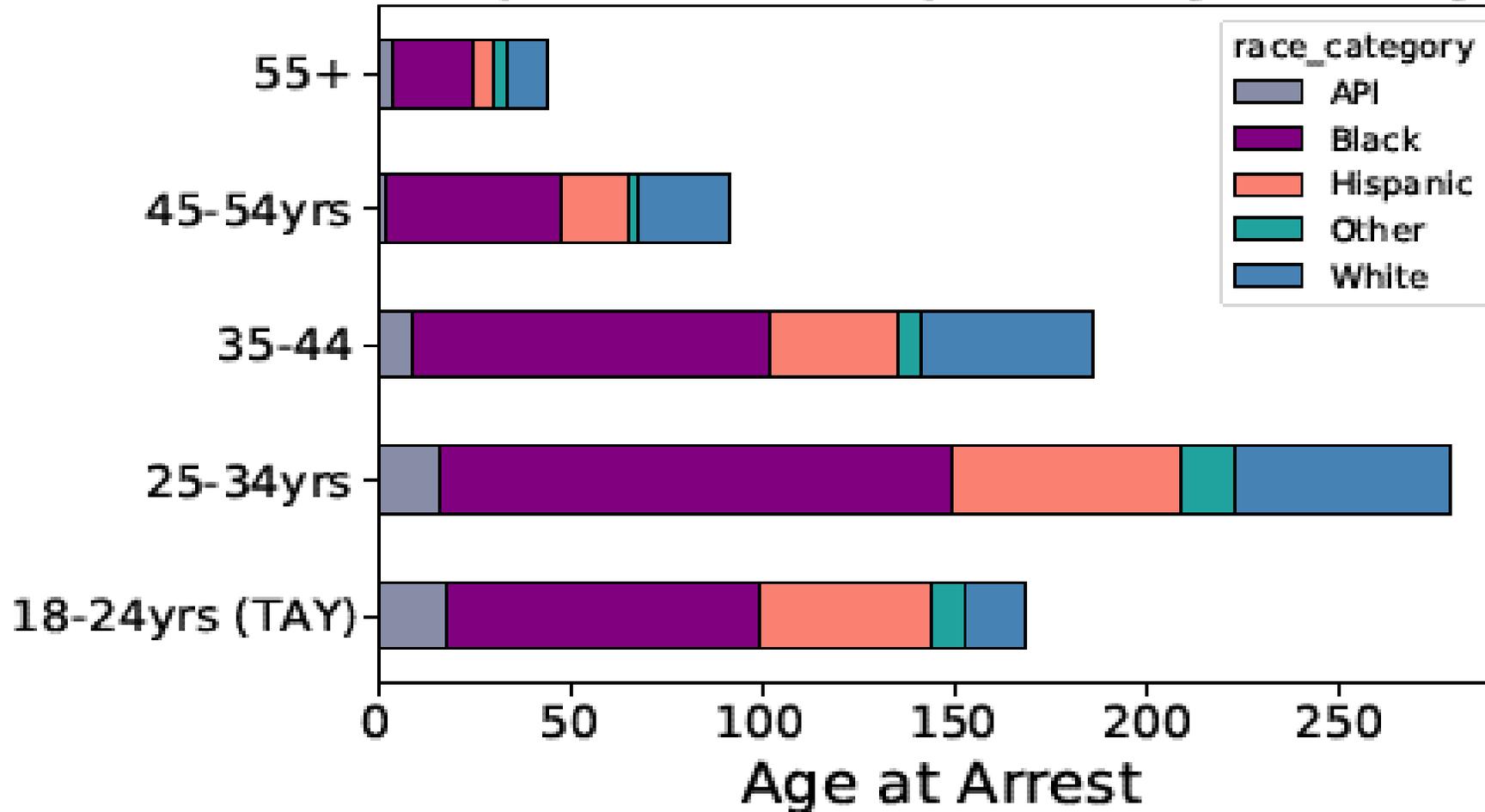
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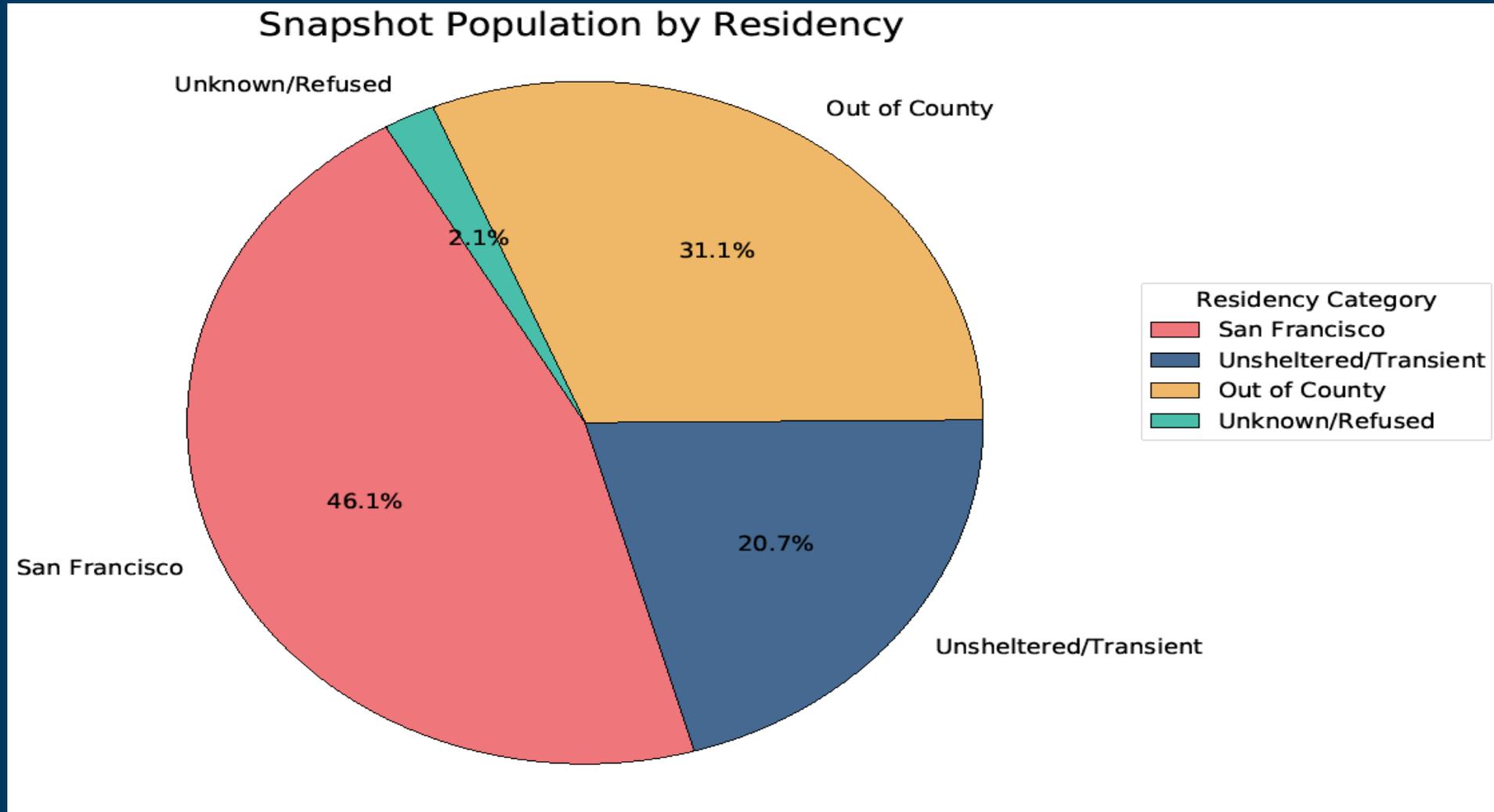
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## Jail Population Snapshot Age Category



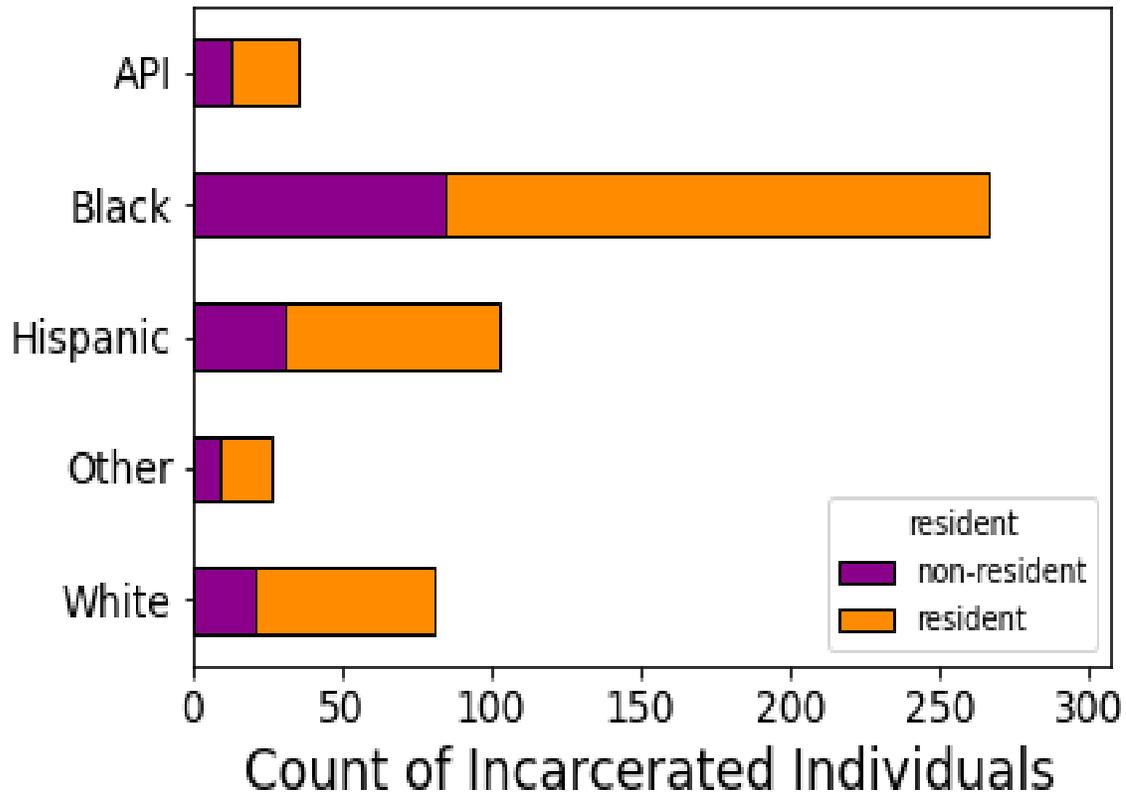
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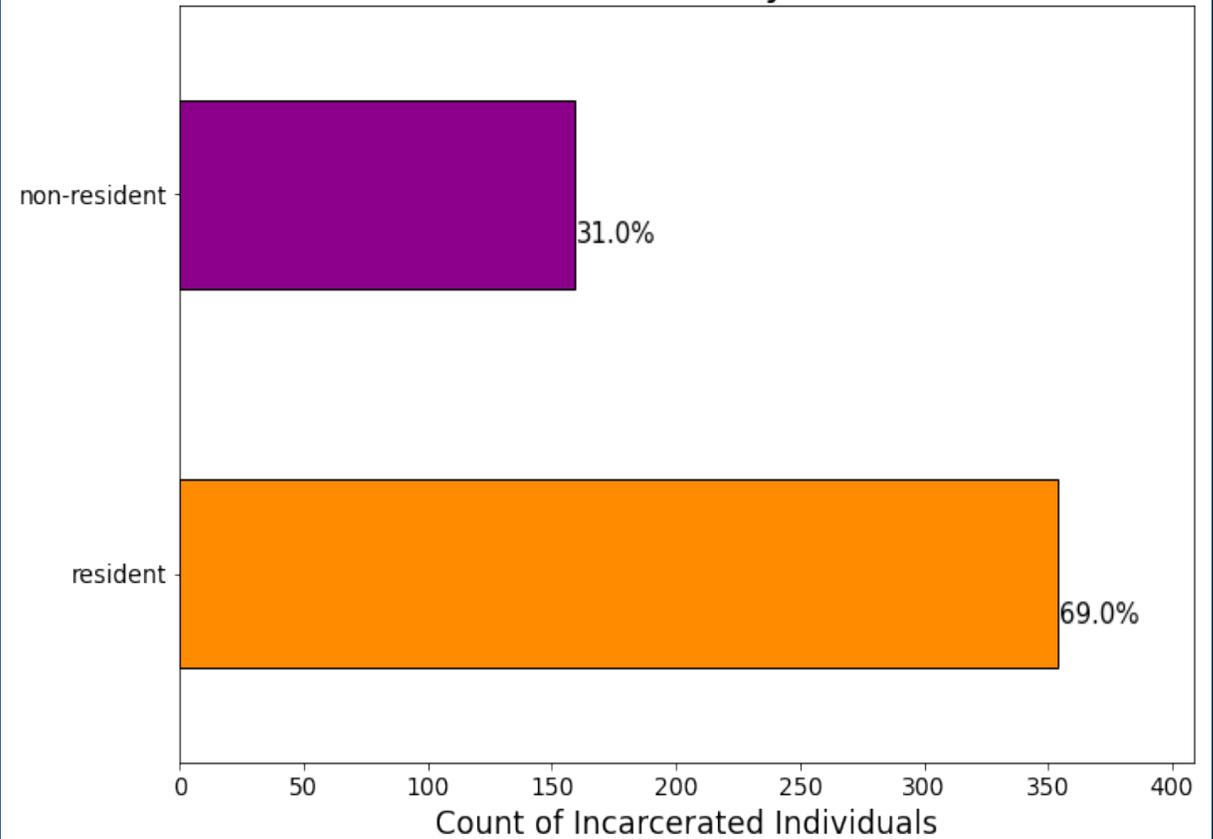
\*San Francisco residency category does include individuals that reported an address in a San Francisco shelter

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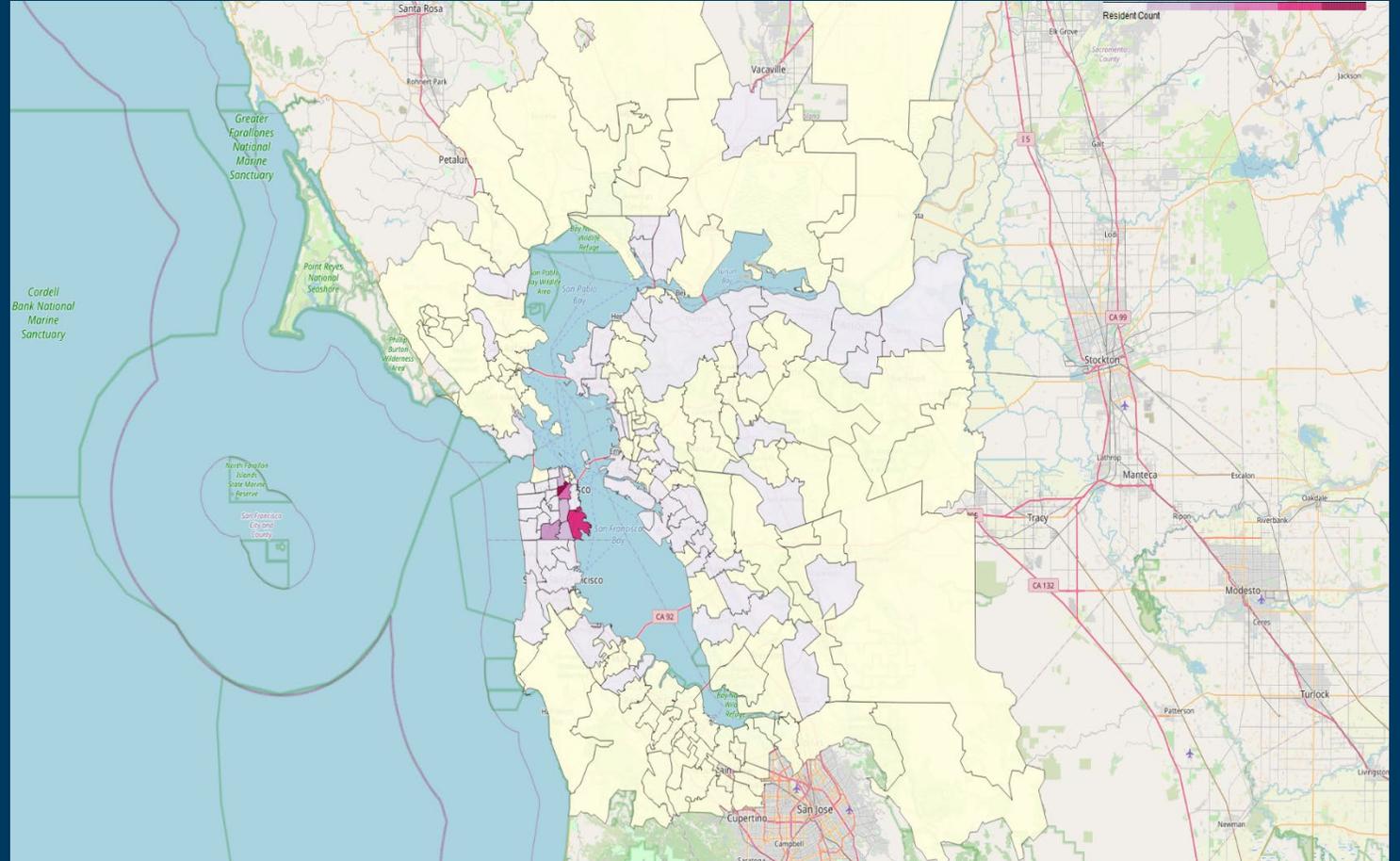
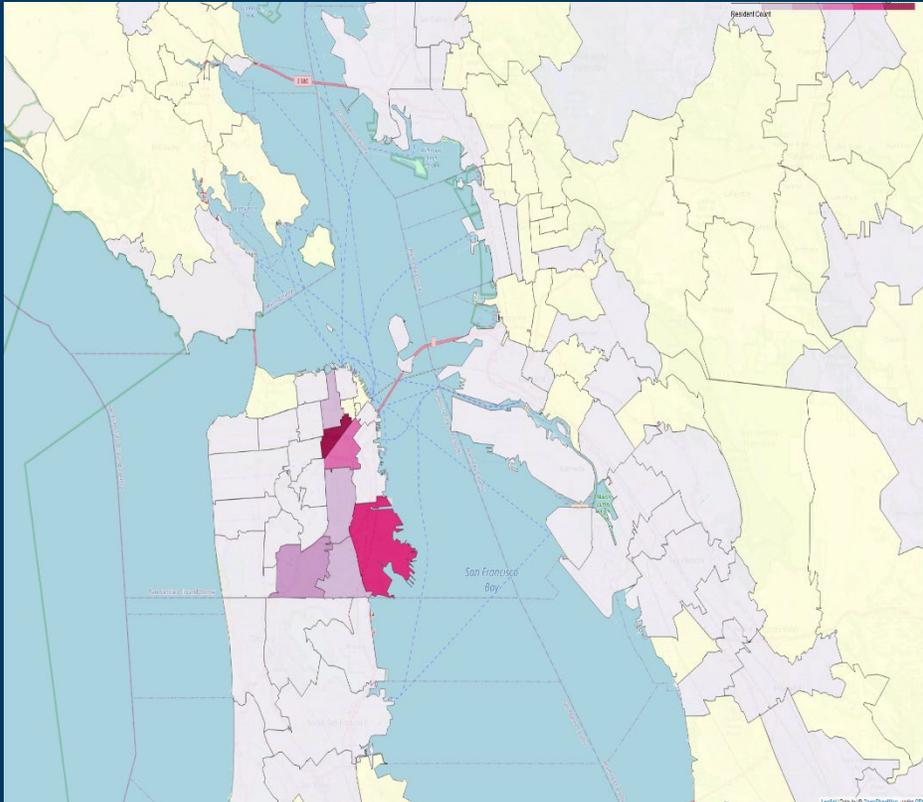
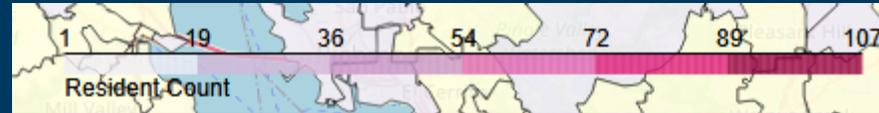


## Residency



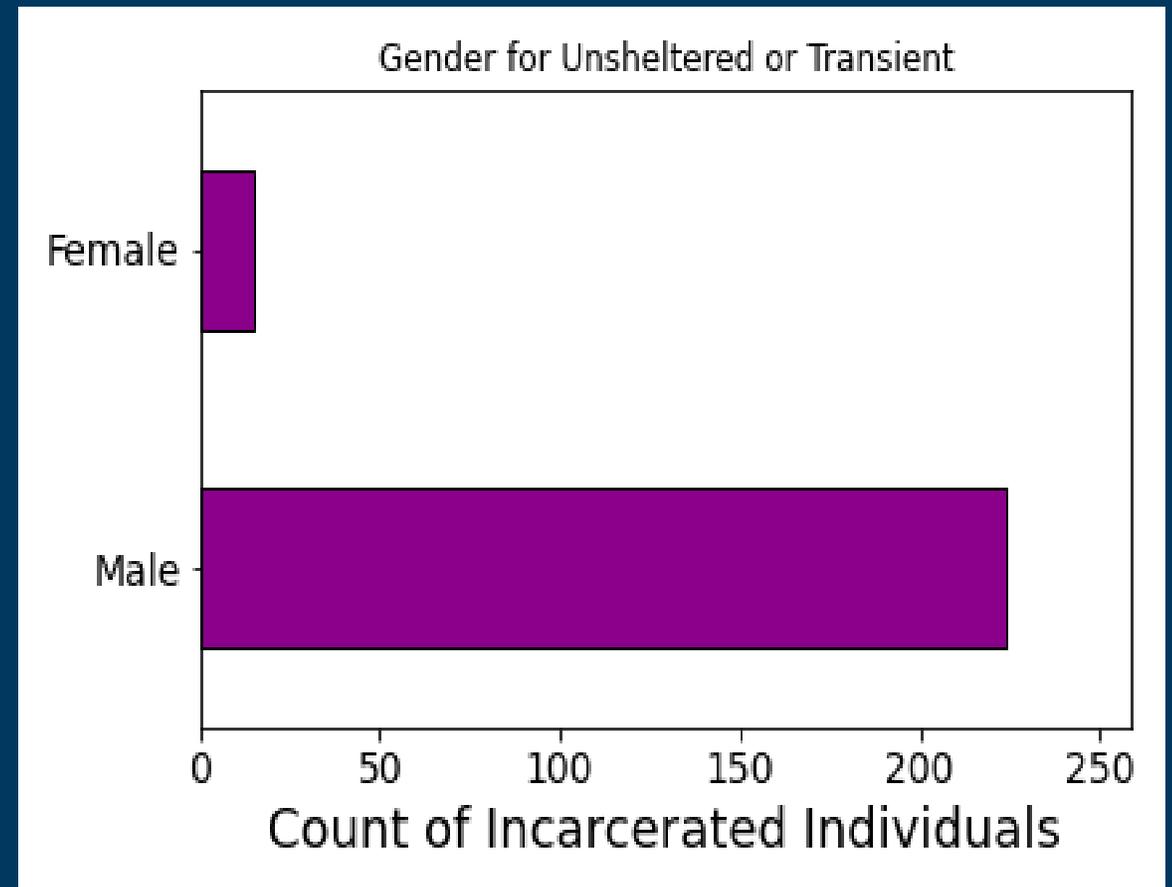
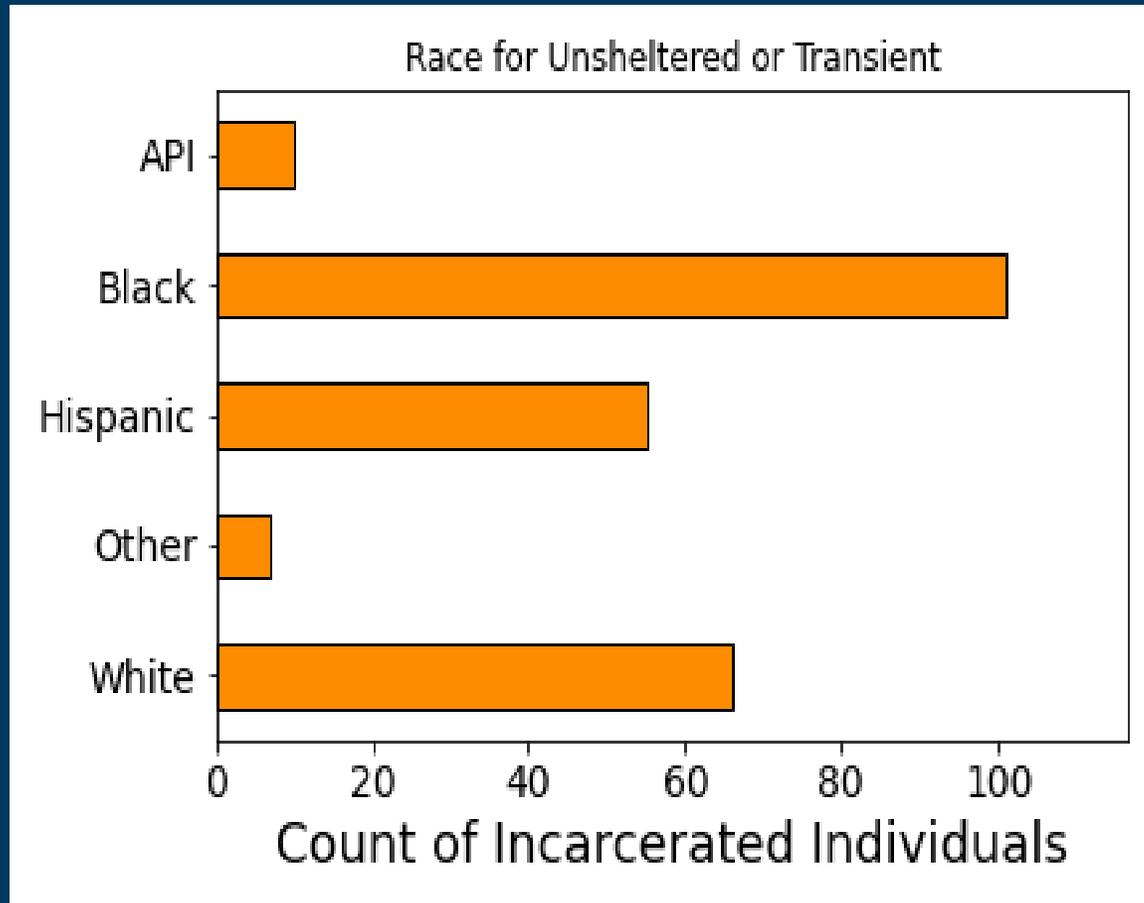
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## Residency or Provided Address of Incarcerated



Incarcerated individuals address by zip codes. Individuals who refused or were unable to provide zip codes are not represented. Homeless and transient that did provide a zip code are represented.

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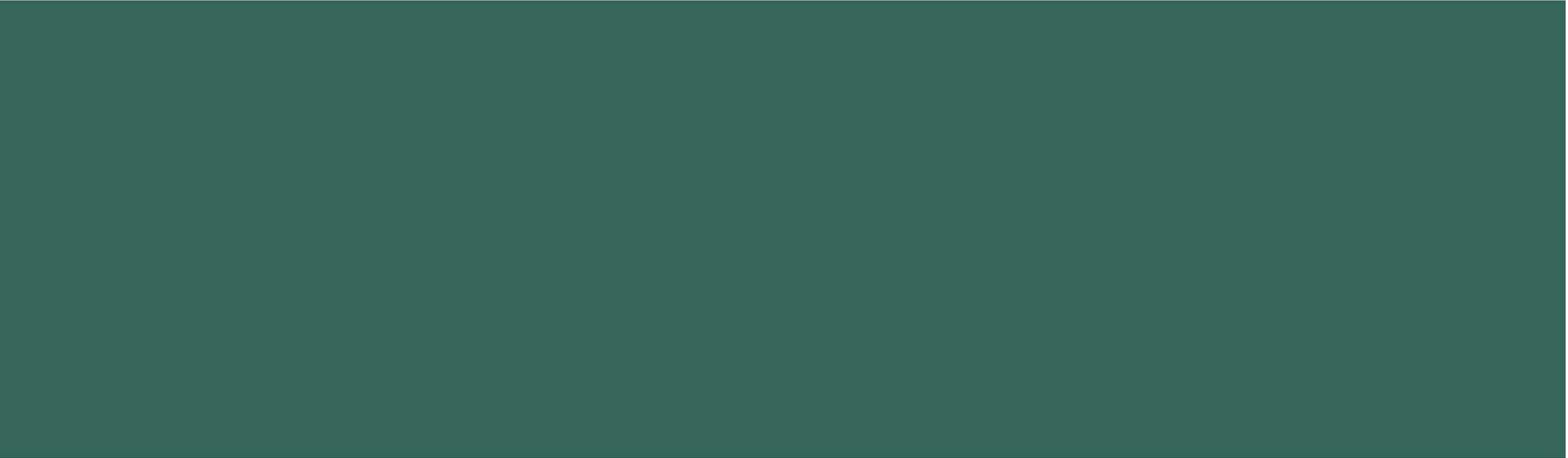


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# SAN FRANCISCO YOUTH COMMISSION BUDGET PRIORITIES

Presenter: Rome Jones, D10 Commissioner, Chair of Transformative Justice Committee  
Gracie Veiga, D8 Commissioner, Vice Chair of Transformative Justice Committee  
Calvin Quick, Legislative Affairs Officer, D5 Youth Commissioner





# What is the San Francisco Youth Commission?



## BACKGROUND

- The Youth Commission (YC) is charged by Charter Sec 4.124 to “report to the Board of Supervisors the activities, goals, and accomplishments of the Commission by July 1 of each calendar year [...]”
- Charter Sec 4.124 also explicitly states “The purpose of the Commission is to collect all information relevant to advising the Board of Supervisors and Mayor on the effects of legislative policies, needs, assessments, priorities, programs, and budgets concerning the children and youth of San Francisco.”

# OBJECTIVES

- Therefore, on January 4, 2021, the YC unanimously passed an Omnibus Preliminary Budget Priorities Resolution (OPBP Resolution) to tackle these issues head-on:
  - It allowed for youth advocacy organizations to influence the budget process through the YC in a meaningful way right from the beginning.
  - It enables the YC to advocate early on in the budget process for specific programs.
  - It permits the YC to give the BOS an early sense of its focus and priorities going into the Board budget season.

# COMMITTEES

- The Omnibus Resolution was debated in the YC's three policy committees, which provided input on budget-related priorities that were then incorporated into the Resolution:

| Committee                        | Priority Area   |
|----------------------------------|---|
| Civic Engagement Committee       | Youth engagement in democratic processes                                  |
| Transformative Justice Committee | Alternatives to Incarceration, Community Oriented Solutions               |
| Housing and Land Use Committee   | Permanent supportive housing for TAY, TAY Navigation Center, FreeMuni4All |



## Transformative Justice Committee Mission

The Transformative Justice Committee of the San Francisco Youth Commission is a determined and imaginative group of young people that are striving to build cooperative and compassionate relationships with the community to eliminate youth incarceration.

We acknowledge that the current systems in place do not serve all of us and we hope to shift the conversations and dynamics to how people can live and thrive. It is part of our radical values that we can and should center humanity in the City's budget and policy priorities.

# What have we been doing about it? / Legislative History

FILE NO. RESOLUTION NO. 1920-AL-13

1 [Urging the Defunding of San Francisco Police Department and Investment in Community  
2 Health and Safety]  
3 **Resolution urging the defunding of San Francisco Police Department and investment in  
4 community health and safety.**

5  
6 WHEREAS, America has a long and horrendous history of using the police and all law  
7 enforcement as a force to inflict personal, psychological, communal and physical violence on  
8 all marginalized communities but in particular on the Black, Indigenous and LGBTQIA+  
9 community; and

10 WHEREAS, The origins of American policing can be traced back to the preservation of  
11 the slavery system such as the creation of slave patrols—forces created to identify escaped  
12 slaves and return them to chains and preventing slave revolts; and

13 WHEREAS, From slavery in the south to factories in the north, the foundation of police  
14 forces has always been to preserve the power and protect the property of the white ruling  
15 class; and

16 WHEREAS, Gentrification does not work without criminalization of Black and Brown  
17 people by the police as phone calls are not to report a crime but to report a Black and Brown  
18 person; and

19 WHEREAS, According to a New York Times article covering "How Do the Police  
20 Actually Spend Their Time?", roughly 99% of police calls for service are not in response to  
21 violence, but property crime and non-criminal matters; and

22 WHEREAS, San Francisco has approximately 8,000 people experiencing  
23 homelessness on a given night and of the 8,000, 1,200 are Transitional Age Youth ages 18 to  
24 24; and

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(Kevin N. Hume/S.F. Examiner)

## Letter: Setting the record straight on the renegotiated police union contract

COMMUNITY CONTRIBUTOR / Nov. 25, 2020 3:00 p.m. / NEWSLETTER / OPINION



1 [Urging the San Francisco Unified School District to end its affiliation with the San Francisco  
2 Police Department by disbanding the SFPD/SFUSD Memorandum of Understanding]

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3 **Resolution urging the San Francisco Unified School District to end its affiliation with  
4 the San Francisco Police Department by disbanding the SFPD/SFUSD Memorandum of  
5 Understanding**

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7 WHEREAS, We hold the humanity and precious life of George Floyd, Breonna Taylor,  
8 Tony McDade, Alex Nieto, Mario Woods, Amilcar Lopez Perez, O'Shaine Evans, and all those  
9 victims of racist violence; and

10 WHEREAS, The system of policing in America, and its systemic targeting of and use of  
11 deadly and brutal force against people of color, particularly black people, stems from the long  
12 legacy of slavery, lynching, Jim Crow laws, and the War On Drugs in the United States and  
13 has been perpetuated by violent and harmful law enforcement practices; and

14 WHEREAS, A system that enforces white supremacy, police brutality and the use of  
15 excessive force have inflicted intergenerational harm and trauma to families, and are  
16 intensifying our nation's mental and spiritual health crisis; and

17 WHEREAS, Our city of San Francisco has a track record of police brutality,  
18 environmental racism, and gentrification, among many other injustices towards queer, trans,  
19 black, indigenous, people of color; and

20 WHEREAS, LGBTQIA+ community members of color experience not only racism, but  
21 also homophobia and/or transphobia from SFPD officers; and

22 WHEREAS, The 2018 National Crime Victimization Survey shows that 58% of trans  
23 and gender nonconforming people reported mistreatment from the police including verbal  
24 harassment, physical or sexual assault, consistent misgendering or being forced to perform  
25 sexual acts in exchange for not being arrested; and

# BUDGET CUTS

- [Preliminary data from SF Chronicle](#): \$411 million deficit in 2021-2022 - \$242 million in 2022-2023. Deficit high with respect to the size of the budget in past years.
- \$654 million deficit over 2 years=assumes no relief from federal funding.  
Struggling with revenues.
- Mayor's priorities: Racial equity, Housing, small business relief
- YC is concerned that vulnerable youth and TAY, who are already underserved, will be even more disadvantaged if youth- and TAY-specific programs are scaled down or cut.
- YC strongly urges therefore that **youth- and TAY-specific not be scaled back or cut.**



Youth Police Roundtable March 2019



Youth Situation Town Hall November 2019

## Youth Led and Informed Budget and Policy Priorities

## Transformative Justice Committee Priorities

- Developmentally and culturally comprehensive training for youth and justice system agents (police, SROS, probation officers) in regards to rights of Youth and TAY
- Community advisory workgroup designing curriculum
- Developing community - oriented solutions (community partners, not just organizations)
- Youth Budget TownHall
- Expanding and Assessing Culturally competent and trauma-informed learning curriculum, mental health services, art programs, and restorative justice programs, to help young people heal and grow.

# Departments we address in our Budget Priorities

- **Adult Probation Department**
- **Board of Supervisors**
- **City College of San Francisco**
- **Department of Children, Youth and their Families**
- **Department of Police Accountability**
- **Department of Elections**
- **Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing**
- **District Attorney's Office**
- **Juvenile Probation Department**
- **San Francisco Police Department**
- **Department of Police Accountability**
- **Department of Public Health**
- **Public Defender's Office**
- **Office of Economic and Workforce Development**
- **San Francisco Municipal Transport Agency (SFMTA)**
- **San Francisco County Transportation Authority**
- **San Francisco Unified School District**

# TRANSFORMATIVE JUSTICE COMMITTEE

- **APD to increase funding for re-entry programs and services that support youths' basic physical, mental, social-emotional, and educational needs, such as the Interrupt, Predict, and Organize program for young adults, with a focus on employment resources, daycare, mental health and counseling support, housing navigation services, and educational resources;**
- **APD to propose funding to maintain and expand the Young Adult Court and compensate the TAY seat on the Re-entry Council;**
- **DPA to increase funding for programs to increase community visibility and outreach on Know Your Rights trainings for youth and youth service providers;**

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- **DCYF** to create social services, health and mental health care, substance use support, or other wrap-around particularly targeting **children, women, caregivers, and families who have had contact with the justice system**
  - Programs also to include justice programs that support leadership skill-building and workforce development
- **DCYF** to propose funding for socially distanced food and PPE distribution, programming and educational services for COVID-19 community pods, health and mental health care, substance use support, and other wrap-around services, particularly targeting youth, caregivers, and families who have had contact with the justice system;
- **DCYF** to increase funding for justice programs that support leadership skill- building and workforce development, particularly targeting children, women, caregivers, and families who have had contact with the justice system;

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- **DPH** to propose funding for COVID-19 pandemic relief and programming for food insecurity and PPE distribution particularly targeting youth, caregivers, and families who have had contact with the justice system and frontline essential and agricultural workers;
- **DPH** to eliminate all funding for the Sheriff's Department and reallocate all funds that are saved by such cuts to expanded nurse staffing, trauma-informed security, Behavioral Emergency Response Team expansion, patient advocates, DPH CLB projects, community-based de-escalation and trauma-informed care training, additional discharge needs, and CLB salaries, as specified in the DPH Must Divest Coalition's Alternatives to Sheriffs Proposal, along with funding for language access in respect to patient care and navigation of services;
- **DPH** to include funding to add a compensated seat for youth and TAY patients on the CLB and ensure that undocumented patients receiving care are included and compensated on the CLB;
- **HSH** to propose funding sufficient to create and maintain a minimum of 100 units of permanent supportive housing for girl shelters to avoid out of county placements after contact with the juvenile justice system;
- **HSH** to propose funding for permanent supportive housing options and wrap-around services for unhoused community members and youth with experiences in the criminal and juvenile justice system;

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- ❑ **JPD** to collaborate with other agencies and community-based organizations to propose funding for COVID-19 testing and screening measures, gender-specific programming, employment resources, rehabilitative and educational programs, mental health and counseling, after-detention rehabilitation and healing support and services, and community-based programs for youth and families;
- ❑ **JPD** to collaborate with other agencies and community-based organizations to propose funding for alternatives to incarceration and the release of young people to local jurisdictions and/or community support hubs due to current COVID-19 conditions, given that California's state youth correctional system, the Division of Juvenile Justice, has failed to respond sufficiently to the COVID-19 pandemic and its effects on youths' safety;
- ❑ **OEWD** to collaborate with other agencies and community-based organizations to propose funding for business entrepreneurship investment funds and mentorship resources for youth previously involved in the criminal and juvenile justice system;
- ❑ **District Attorney's Office** to propose funds for alternatives to incarceration that center community health and safety, such as language capacity advocates, advanced legal support for undocumented individuals and TAY, victims' rights advocates, wrap-around services including but not limited to safety planning, relocation assistance, and restorative justice support, and decarceration and early release initiatives, especially in light of COVID-19;

# TRANSFORMATIVE JUSTICE COMMITTEE

- ❑ **DPA** to increase funding for programs to increase community visibility and outreach on Know Your Rights trainings for youth and youth service providers;
- ❑ **SFPD** oversight for more **consistent and timely** implementation and responses with community-oriented action plans.
- ❑ **SFPD** to propose funds for mandatory in-depth youth and TAY rights training that incorporates youth brain development through an equity and trauma-informed lens;
- ❑ **SFPD** to propose funds for Know Your Rights trainings and community advisory workgroups to have in-depth community engagement and feedback, in the interest of fostering more positive and fair interactions between law enforcement and youth, in which both parties are aware of their rights and responsibilities;
- ❑ **SFPD** to propose funds for redistribution to youth who have experienced harm from contact with the justice system, and for community advisory workgroups to have in- depth community engagement and feedback on the reinvestment of funds;

# TRANSFORMATIVE JUSTICE COMMITTEE

- Mayor and BOS to **cut the SFPD budget by a minimum of 50%** relative to the SFPD budget for FY 2020-2021 and reallocate funds to programs outside of the SFPD that provide public safety in a non-carceral, care-centered manner, including, but not limited to additional mental health first responders and unarmed de-escalation specialists;
- Mayor and BOS to **allocate 50% of all funds cut from the SFPD budget to a “Community and People’s Budget”** in which a percentage is set aside for social and community-centered services such as mental health services, community and City programs for youth employment including undocumented and previously incarcerated youth, and housing for the communities most impacted by violence and incarceration;
- Mayor and BOS to **allocate 20% of all funds cut from the SFPD budget to hire social workers and trauma-informed counselors to aid victims of sexual misconduct;** and
- Mayor and BOS to **allocate 30% of all funds cut from the SFPD budget to SFUSD schools and Wellness Centers** to hire mental health professionals, with an equitable focus for schools with a high percentage of Black and Latinx youth in order to ensure they are equipped with the physical, mental, emotional and communal tools to thrive beyond their education.

# Community Alternatives

Now

## DEFUND THE SFPD

**36**

line-item cuts

**\$295.2M**

in funds saved

We have identified specific areas that SFPD can cut immediately to reduce its budget to free up funds for community services and reparations to our Black residents. These cuts are not all we're asking for, but they're a place to start.

Eliminating Police in Schools and Housing (\$12.0M)

Eliminating Units That Target BIPOC (\$29.7M)

Eliminating Specialized Units (\$25.3M)

Eliminating Community Engagement Units (\$4.5M)

Eliminating Traffic and Airport Units (\$56.4M)

Eliminating/Reducing Patrol and Investigation (\$74.2M)

Eliminating Personnel, Training, and Capital Increases (\$84.7M)

Making Police Oversight Independent of SFPD (\$8.4M)

# THANK YOU!

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Questions?





## Memorandum

**TO:** Nora Hylton, Chair (SFYC)  
**cc:** Youth Commission Staff

**FROM:** Calvin Quick, LAO  
(SFYC)

**RE:** Summary of Preliminary Budget  
Recommendations (2021 Season)

**DATE:** January 4, 2021

IMMEDIATE RESPONSE NEEDED     PLEASE REVIEW     FYI

Dear Chair and Staff,

Please find attached an updated and finalized summary detailing all preliminary budget-related recommendations adopted by the Youth Commission in YC File No. 2021-AL-02 [Omnibus Youth Commission Preliminary Budget Priorities - Priority Programs] at the full Youth Commission meeting of January 4, 2021. This summary reflects all the information contained in the resolution itself, as recommended by the Youth Commission's policy committees and by myself, with emphasis added for clarity.

This summary does not include costings for recommendations, although Youth Commission committees and staff continue to work on preparing those where we are able, and will include them in future communications as available.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions.

I remain respectfully yours.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Calvin Quick", written over a horizontal line.

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*Note: all recommendations relate to Fiscal Years 2021-2022 and 2022-2023.*

### **Recommendations of the Civic Engagement Committee (1-3)**

The Civic Engagement Committee recommends the following amendments to the Omnibus Resolution, reflecting that the Youth Commission:

1. urges the Department of Elections to continue to include funding for **youth voter outreach and voter pre-registration of 16- and 17-year-olds**;
2. urges the BOS to support a potential Charter Amendment to **expand the voting population to citizen and/or non-citizen 16- and 17-year-olds** in San Francisco Board of Education and/or municipal elections while ensuring confidentiality and their safety; and
3. urges DCYF to including funding to implement **fee waivers for California ID and Driver’s License applications** at the California Department of Motor Vehicles.

### **Recommendations of the Transformative Justice Committee (4-24)**

The Transformative Justice Committee recommends the following amendments to the Omnibus Resolution, reflecting that the Youth Commission:

4. urges APD to increase funding for **re-entry programs and services** that support youths’ basic physical, mental, social-emotional, and educational needs, such as the Interrupt, Predict, and Organize program for young adults, with a focus on employment resources, daycare, mental health and counseling support, housing navigation services, and educational resources;
5. urges APD to propose funding to **maintain and expand the Young Adult Court and compensate the TAY seat on the Re-entry Council**;
6. urges DCYF to propose funding for **socially distanced food and PPE distribution, programming and educational services** for COVID-19 community pods, **health and mental health care, substance use support**, and other wrap-around services, particularly targeting youth, caregivers, and families who have had contact with the justice system;
7. urges DCYF to increase funding for justice programs that support **leadership skill-building and workforce development**, particularly targeting children, women, caregivers, and families who have had contact with the justice system;

8. urges DPA to increase funding for programs to increase **community visibility and outreach on Know Your Rights trainings** for youth and youth service providers;
9. urges DPH to propose funding for **COVID-19 pandemic relief and programming for food insecurity and PPE distribution** particularly targeting youth, caregivers, and families who have had contact with the justice system and frontline essential and agricultural workers;
10. urges **DPH to eliminate all funding for the Sheriff's Department** and reallocate all funds that are saved by such cuts to expanded nurse staffing, trauma-informed security, Behavioral Emergency Response Team expansion, patient advocates, DPH CLB projects, community-based de-escalation and trauma-informed care training, additional discharge needs, and CLB salaries, as specified in the DPH Must Divest Coalition's Alternatives to Sheriffs Proposal, along with funding for language access in respect to patient care and navigation of services;
11. urges DPH to include funding to add a **compensated seat for youth and TAY patients on the CLB** and ensure that undocumented patients receiving care are included and compensated on the CLB;
12. urges HSH to propose funding sufficient to create and maintain a **minimum of 100 units of permanent supportive housing for girl shelters** to avoid out of county placements after contact with the juvenile justice system;
13. urges HSH to propose funding for **permanent supportive housing options and wrap-around services** for unhoused community members and youth with experiences in the criminal and juvenile justice system;
14. urges JPD to collaborate with other agencies and community-based organizations to propose funding for COVID-19 testing and screening measures, gender-specific programming, employment resources, rehabilitative and educational programs, mental health and counseling, after-detention rehabilitation and healing support and services, and community-based programs for youth and families;
15. urges JPD to collaborate with other agencies and community-based organizations to propose funding for **alternatives to incarceration and the release of young people to local jurisdictions and/or community support hubs** due to current COVID-19 conditions, given that California's state youth correctional system, the Division of Juvenile Justice, has failed to respond sufficiently to the COVID-19 pandemic and its effects on youths' safety;
16. urges OEWD to collaborate with other agencies and community-based organizations to propose funding for **business entrepreneurship investment funds and mentorship resources** for youth previously involved in the criminal and juvenile justice system;
17. urges the District Attorney's Office to propose funds for **alternatives to incarceration that center community health and safety**, such as language capacity advocates, advanced legal support for undocumented individuals and TAY, victims' rights advocates, wrap-around services including but not limited to safety planning, relocation assistance, and restorative justice support, and decarceration and early release initiatives, especially in light of COVID-19;

18. urges SFPD to propose funds for **mandatory in-depth youth and TAY rights training** that incorporates youth brain development through an equity and trauma-informed lens;
19. urges SFPD to propose funds for **Know Your Rights trainings and community advisory workgroups** to have in-depth community engagement and feedback, in the interest of fostering more positive and fair interactions between law enforcement and youth, in which both parties are aware of their rights and responsibilities;
20. urges SFPD to propose funds for **redistribution to youth who have experienced harm** from contact with the justice system, and for community advisory workgroups to have in-depth community engagement and feedback on the reinvestment of funds;
21. urges the Mayor and BOS to **cut the SFPD budget by a minimum of 50%** relative to the SFPD budget for FY 2020-2021 and reallocate funds to programs outside of the SFPD that provide public safety in a non-carceral, care-centered manner, including, but not limited to additional mental health first responders and unarmed de-escalation specialists;
22. urges the Mayor and BOS to **allocate 50% of all funds cut from the SFPD budget to a “Community and People’s Budget”** in which a percentage is set aside for social and community-centered services such as mental health services, community and City programs for youth employment including undocumented and previously incarcerated youth, and housing for the communities most impacted by violence and incarceration;
23. urges the Mayor and BOS to **allocate 20% of all funds cut from the SFPD budget** to hire social workers and trauma-informed counselors **to aid victims of sexual misconduct**; and
24. urges the Mayor and BOS to **allocate 30% of all funds cut from the SFPD budget to SFUSD schools and Wellness Centers** to hire mental health professionals, with an equitable focus for schools with a high percentage of Black and Latinx youth in order to ensure they are equipped with the physical, mental, emotional and communal tools to thrive beyond their education.

### **Recommendations of the Housing and Land Use Committee (25-41)**

The Housing and Land Use Committee recommends the following amendments (relative to youth homelessness) to the Omnibus Resolution, reflecting that the Youth Commission:

25. urges HSH to propose funding sufficient to create and maintain a **minimum of 400 units of permanent supportive housing** for TAY;
26. urges HSH to propose funding to ensure that **TAY-specific services** are being provided **at Safe Sleeping Sites and Shelter-In-Place hotels**;
27. urges HSH, OEWD, DCYF, and DPH to propose funding for **mental health and substance use treatment and counseling programs**, particularly targeting TAY experiencing homelessness or living in supportive housing;
28. urges HSH to continue funding for equipping TAY experiencing homelessness with first-aid survival resources, and for increased support services for nutritional food, laundry, and transportation for that population;

29. urges HSH, DCYF, and other relevant departments to propose funding for **increased technological support** for TAY, including, but not limited to, access to adequate technology and internet access and/or resources for internet saving-programs for TAY experiencing homelessness in permanent supportive housing and Transitional Living Programs;
30. urges HSH to collaborate with other agencies and community-based organizations to continue increasing funding for **employment training** for TAY, programs for **life training and job readiness** for TAY, financial support for **education resources** for TAY, and **employment programs** for TAY during the pandemic-induced economic downturn;
31. urges DCYF to include funding for **support for General Educational Development (GED) and college matriculation** for TAY experiencing homelessness and/or youth who have challenges with remote learning, as well as **tutoring services** for TAY accessing higher education and attending virtual classes;
32. urges HSH to propose funding for **more accessible drop-in centers** for TAY experiencing homelessness to enter a supportive system, including listening and responding to community concerns about the confusing and non-transparent Coordinated Entry for Youth triage system;
33. urges HSH to include funding for **greater flexibility with Problem Solving** dollars administered through Youth Access Points in the Coordinated Entry system;
34. urges HSH to include funding to maintain and operate **more than one TAY-specific Navigation Center**, in districts where there are many youth experiencing homelessness;
35. urges HSH to include funding to provide TAY-specific **mental health and other supportive services** at all TAY-specific Navigation Centers; and
36. urges HSH to include funding for **hazard pay** for employees of service providers during COVID-19, given current working situations.

The Housing and Land Use Committee also recommends the following amendments (relative to transportation) to the Omnibus Resolution, reflecting that the Youth Commission:

37. urges the SFMTA and SFCTA to propose funding to **establish a strategy to build an effective, equitable, and sustainable transportation system** for San Francisco youth and students;
38. urges the SFMTA to propose funding for a full-time **youth development position** to staff the SFMTA Youth Transportation Advisory Board (YTAB) and support youth serving on the YTAB;
39. urges the SFMTA to propose funding to work collaboratively with SFUSD and CCSF to **enroll all students and youth in the Free Muni for Youth** program;
40. urges the SFMTA to propose funding to **implement Free Muni for All Youth** by eliminating the nominal youth fare up to age 23; and
41. urges the SFMTA to increase funding for the 29-Sunset Improvements Project with the view of developing a rapid bus service along the aforementioned line.

## **Additional (Author) Recommendations (42-45)**

The author recommends the following additional amendments to the Omnibus Resolution, which were prepared outside of the committee process, reflecting that the Youth Commission:

42. urges HSH and DPH to **apportion funding from the Our City Our Home Fund** (established by Proposition C from November 2018) **to services and housing for youth and families experiencing homelessness according to the proportions set out by the voters** in the Proposition that established the aforementioned fund, and as upheld by the Our City Our Home Oversight Committee in its Immediate Needs Initial Recommendations report from December 15, 2020;
43. urges all departments that contain Boards, Commissions, and other advisory bodies with one or more youth and/or TAY seat(s) to request funding to provide **compensatory stipends for all youth and TAY serving on such Boards, Commissions, and other advisory bodies**, within the limits of the law;
44. urges the BOS to maintain current levels of funding for **community outreach by the Youth Commission**; and
45. urges the Board of Supervisors to include funding to **raise the salary of all Youth Commission staff** over 100% AMI to enable the commission to retain long-standing staff with valuable institutional memory.

## **Next Steps**

Having adopted the above recommendations at the January 4, 2021 full Youth Commission meeting, the Youth Commission, its staff, officers, and individual commissioners will advocate for the recommendations to be reflected in the final budget by intervening with stakeholders and decisions-makers at the various stages of the budget cycle.

## **Index of Acronyms**

### Acronym

### Reference

|       |   |
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| APD   | Adult Probation Department                        |
| BOS   | Board of Supervisors                              |
| CCSF  | City College of San Francisco                     |
| CLB   | Community Leadership Board                        |
| DCYF  | Department of Children, Youth, and their Families |
| DPA   | Department of Police Accountability               |
| DPH   | Department of Public Health                       |
| HSH   | Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing |
| JPD   | Juvenile Probation Department                     |
| OEWD  | Office of Economic and Workforce Development      |
| PPE   | Personal Protective Equipment                     |
| SFCTA | San Francisco County Transportation Authority     |
| SFMTA | San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency     |
| SFPD  | San Francisco Police Department                   |
| SFUSD | San Francisco Unified School District             |
| TAY   | Transitional-Aged Youth                           |



## YOUTH COMMISSION MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Honorable Mayor London Breed  
Honorable Members, Board of Supervisors

**CC:** Angela Calvillo, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
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**FROM:** 2020-2021 Youth Commission

**DATE:** Tuesday, January 5, 2021

**RE:** One Youth Commission Action from January 4, 2021: support Resolution 2021-AL-02 [Omnibus Youth Commission Preliminary Budget Priorities - Priority Programs]

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At its virtual meeting on Monday, January 4, 2021, the Youth Commission took the following action:

1. Youth Commissioners unanimously voted to approve Resolution 2021-AL-02 [Omnibus Youth Commission Preliminary Budget Priorities - Priority Programs] ([PDF](#)) (attached).

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Please do not hesitate to contact Youth Commissioners or Youth Commission staff (415) 554-6446 with any questions. Thank you.

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1 [Omnibus Youth Commission Preliminary Budget Priorities - Priority Programs]

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3 **Resolution urging the allocation of funding for various youth-related programs in the**  
4 **Mayor’s Proposed Budget of the City and County of San Francisco for FY 2021-2022**  
5 **and FY 2022-2023, and urging the Department of Elections, the Board of Supervisors,**  
6 **the Department of Children, Youth, and their Families, the Adult Probation Department,**  
7 **the Department of Police Accountability, the Department of Public Health, the**  
8 **Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing, the Department of Juvenile**  
9 **Probation, the Office of Economic and Workforce Development, the San Francisco**  
10 **District Attorney’s Office, the San Francisco Police Department, the San Francisco**  
11 **Municipal Transportation Agency, the San Francisco County Transportation Authority,**  
12 **and various other departments to request funding for such programs in the submission**  
13 **of their department budgets.**

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15 WHEREAS, The City and County of San Francisco (“the City”) operates on a two-year  
16 budget cycle, with the elaboration of department budgets beginning every year in December  
17 with the issuance of budget directions to departments by the Mayor’s Office and the  
18 Controller’s Office, and the final budget being signed in August; and

19 WHEREAS, The Youth Commission is charged by the Charter to report on its Budget  
20 and Policy Priorities (“BPPs”) for youth to the Board of Supervisors (“BOS”) every year for  
21 consideration during the budget process, usually at a date in the months of April or May; and

22 WHEREAS, The Youth Commission’s BPPs consist of recommendations for  
23 consideration by the BOS during the budget process, detailing the policy merits of a wide  
24 range of programs and policies and making sophisticated recommendations for action by the  
25 BOS, both budget-related and policy-oriented; and

1           WHEREAS, However, in order to represent the interests of youth during the elaboration  
2 of department budgets and the Mayor’s Proposed Budget, the Youth Commission has  
3 prepared this Omnibus Preliminary Resolution enumerating the youth-related programs that  
4 the Youth Commission recommends to be funded in FY 2021-2022 and FY 2022-2023; and

5           WHEREAS, This Resolution has been considered by the three policy committees of the  
6 Youth Commission which, in conjunction with the Youth Commission’s Executive Committee,  
7 have heard from community members and organizations, as well as City departments, and  
8 have ensuingly formulated recommendations for various youth-related programs that they  
9 wish to see funded in the upcoming budget season; now, therefore, be it

10           RESOLVED, That, following the recommendation of its Civic Engagement Committee,  
11 the Youth Commission urges the Department of Elections to continue to include funding in its  
12 budget for FY 2021-2022 and FY 2022-2023 for youth voter outreach and voter pre-  
13 registration of 16- and 17-year-olds; and, be it

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16 to expand the voting population to citizen and/or non-citizen 16- and 17-year-olds in San  
17 Francisco Board of Education and/or municipal elections while ensuring confidentiality and  
18 their safety; and, be it

19           FURTHER RESOLVED, That, following recommendation of its Civic Engagement  
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21 Families (“DCYF”) to include funding in its budget for FY 2021-2022 and FY 2022-2023 to  
22 implement fee waivers for California ID and Driver’s License applications at the California  
23 Department of Motor Vehicles; and, be it

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2 services that support youths' basic physical, mental, social-emotional, and educational needs,  
3 such as the Interrupt, Predict, and Organize program for young adults, with a focus on  
4 employment resources, daycare, mental health and counseling support, housing navigation  
5 services, and educational resources; and, be it,

6 FURTHER RESOLVED, That, following the recommendation of its Transformative  
7 Justice Committee, the Youth Commission urges APD to propose funding in its budget for FY  
8 2021-2022 and FY 2022-2023 to maintain and expand the Young Adult Court and  
9 compensate the Transitional-Aged Youth ("TAY") seat on the Re-entry Council; and, be it

10 FURTHER RESOLVED, That, following the recommendation of its Transformative  
11 Justice Committee, the Youth Commission urges DCYF to propose funding in its budget for  
12 FY 2021-2022 and FY 2022-2023 for socially distanced food and Personal Protective  
13 Equipment ("PPE") distribution, programming and educational services for COVID-19  
14 community pods, health and mental health care, substance use support, and other wrap-  
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16 with the justice system; and, be it

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18 Justice Committee, the Youth Commission urges DCYF to increase funding in its budget for  
19 FY 2021-2022 and FY 2022-2023 for justice programs that support leadership skill-building  
20 and workforce development, particularly targeting children, women, caregivers, and families  
21 who have had contact with the justice system; and, be it

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23 Justice Committee, the Youth Commission urges the Department of Police Accountability to  
24 increase funding in its budget for FY 2021-2022 and FY 2022-2023 for programs to increase  
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1 community visibility and outreach on Know Your Rights trainings for youth and youth service  
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4 Justice Committee, the Youth Commission urges the Department of Public Health (“DPH”) to  
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9 2021-2022 and FY 2022-2023 to ensure that TAY-specific services are being provided at Safe  
10 Sleeping Sites and Shelter-In-Place hotels; and, be it

11 FURTHER RESOLVED, That, following the recommendation of its Housing and Land  
12 Use Committee, the Youth Commission urges HSH, OEWD, DCYF, and DPH to propose  
13 funding in their budgets for FY 2021-2022 and FY 2022-2023 for mental health and substance  
14 use treatment and counseling programs, particularly targeting TAY experiencing  
15 homelessness or living in supportive housing; and, be it

16 FURTHER RESOLVED, That, following the recommendation of its Housing and Land  
17 Use Committee, the Youth Commission urges HSH to continue funding in its budget for FY  
18 2021-2022 and FY 2022-2023 for equipping TAY experiencing homelessness with first-aid  
19 survival resources, and for increased support services for nutritional food, laundry, and  
20 transportation for that population; and, be it

21 FURTHER RESOLVED, That, following the recommendation of its Housing and Land  
22 Use Committee, the Youth Commission urges HSH, DCYF, and other relevant departments to  
23 propose funding in their budgets for FY 2021-2022 and FY 2022-2023 for increased  
24 technological support for TAY, including, but not limited to, access to adequate technology  
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1 and internet access and/or resources for internet saving-programs for TAY experiencing  
2 homelessness in permanent supportive housing and Transitional Living Programs; and, be it  
3 FURTHER RESOLVED, That, following the recommendation of its Housing and Land  
4 Use Committee, the Youth Commission urges HSH to collaborate with other agencies and  
5 community-based organizations to continue increasing funding in its budget for FY 2021-2022  
6 and FY 2022-2023 for employment training for TAY, programs for life training and job  
7 readiness for TAY, financial support for education resources for TAY, and employment  
8 programs for TAY during the pandemic-induced economic downturn; and, be it

9 FURTHER RESOLVED, That, following the recommendation of its Housing and Land  
10 Use Committee, the Youth Commission urges DCYF to include funding in its budget for FY  
11 2021-2022 and FY 2022-2023 for support for General Educational Development (GED) and  
12 college matriculation for TAY experiencing homelessness and/or youth who have challenges  
13 with remote learning, as well as tutoring services for TAY accessing higher education and  
14 attending virtual classes; and, be it

15 FURTHER RESOLVED, That, following the recommendation of its Housing and Land  
16 Use Committee, the Youth Commission urges HSH to propose funding in its budget for FY  
17 2021-2022 and FY 2022-2023 for more accessible drop-in centers for TAY experiencing  
18 homelessness to enter a supportive system, including listening and responding to community  
19 concerns about the confusing and non-transparent Coordinated Entry for Youth triage system;  
20 and, be it

21 FURTHER RESOLVED, That, following the recommendation of its Housing and Land  
22 Use Committee, the Youth Commission urges HSH to include funding in its budget for FY  
23 2021-2022 and FY 2022-2023 for greater flexibility with Problem Solving dollars administered  
24 through Youth Access Points in the Coordinated Entry system; and, be it  
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1 FURTHER RESOLVED, That, following the recommendation of its Housing and Land  
2 Use Committee, the Youth Commission urges HSH to include funding in its budget for FY  
3 2021-2022 and FY 2022-2023 to maintain and operate more than one TAY-specific  
4 Navigation Center, in districts where there are many youth experiencing homelessness; and,  
5 be it

6 FURTHER RESOLVED, That, following the recommendation of its Housing and Land  
7 Use Committee, the Youth Commission urges HSH to include funding in its budget for FY  
8 2021-2022 and FY 2022-2023 to provide TAY-specific mental health and other supportive  
9 services at all TAY-specific Navigation Centers; and, be it

10 FURTHER RESOLVED, That, following the recommendation of its Housing and Land  
11 Use Committee, the Youth Commission urges HSH to include funding in its budget for FY  
12 2021-2022 and FY 2022-2023 for hazard pay for employees of service providers during  
13 COVID-19, given current working situations; and, be it

14 FURTHER RESOLVED, That, following the recommendation of its Housing and Land  
15 Use Committee, the Youth Commission urges the San Francisco Municipal Transportation  
16 Agency (“SFMTA”) and the San Francisco County Transportation Authority to propose funding  
17 in their budgets for FY 2021-2022 and FY 2022-2023 to establish a strategy to build an  
18 effective, equitable, and sustainable transportation system for San Francisco youth and  
19 students; and, be it

20 FURTHER RESOLVED, That, following the recommendation of its Housing and Land  
21 Use Committee, the Youth Commission urges the SFMTA to propose funding in its budget for  
22 FY 2021-2022 and FY 2022-2023 for a full-time youth development position to staff the  
23 SFMTA Youth Transportation Advisory Board (“YTAB”) and support youth serving on the  
24 YTAB; and, be it

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1 FURTHER RESOLVED, That, following the recommendation of its Housing and Land  
2 Use Committee, the Youth Commission urges the SFMTA to propose funding in its budget for  
3 FY 2021-2022 and FY 2022-2023 to work collaboratively with SFUSD and City College of San  
4 Francisco to enroll all students and youth in the Free Muni for Youth program; and, be it

5 FURTHER RESOLVED, That, following the recommendation of its Housing and Land  
6 Use Committee, the Youth Commission urges the SFMTA to propose funding in its budget for  
7 FY 2021-2022 and FY 2022-2023 to implement Free Muni for All Youth by eliminating the  
8 nominal youth fare up to age 23; and, be it

9 FURTHER RESOLVED, That, following the recommendation of its Housing and Land  
10 Use Committee, the Youth Commission urges the SFMTA to increase funding in its budget for  
11 FY 2021-2022 and FY 2022-2023 for the 29-Sunset Improvements Project with the view of  
12 developing a rapid bus service along the aforementioned line; and, be it

13 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Youth Commission urges HSH and DPH to apportion  
14 funding from the Our City Our Home Fund to services and housing for youth and families  
15 experiencing homelessness according to the proportions set out in Section 2810(b) of the  
16 Business and Tax Regulations Code, as approved by the voters, and as upheld by the Our  
17 City Our Home Oversight Committee in its Immediate Needs Initial Recommendations report  
18 from December 15, 2020; and, be it

19 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Youth Commission urges all departments that  
20 contain Boards, Commissions, and other advisory bodies with one or more youth and/or TAY  
21 seat(s) to request funding in their budgets for FY 2021-2022 and FY 2022-2023 to provide  
22 compensatory stipends for all youth and TAY serving on such Boards, Commissions, and  
23 other advisory bodies, within the limits of the law; and, be it

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1 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Youth Commission urges the BOS to maintain  
2 current levels of funding in its budget for FY 2021-2022 and FY 2022-2023 for community  
3 outreach by the Youth Commission; and, be it

4 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Youth Commission urges the BOS to include funding  
5 in its budget for FY 2021-2022 and FY 2022-2023 to raise the salary of all Youth Commission  
6 staff over 100% AMI to enable the commission to retain long-standing staff with valuable  
7 institutional memory; and, be it

8 FINALLY RESOLVED, That the Youth Commission commits to advocating for the  
9 passage of a budget for FY 2021-2022 and FY 2022-2023 that reflects the needs of the youth  
10 population in San Francisco.

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Nora Hylton, Chair

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# Safety and Justice Challenge

## Strategies and Next Steps in 2021

On September 4, 2020, San Francisco celebrated a milestone – closing a jail and reducing the jail population by nearly 40%. Over the next year, San Francisco’s Safety and Justice Challenge (SJC) partners will implement the five strategies outlined below to reduce racial disparities, maintain reductions or make further reductions if needed amidst the ongoing pandemic.

- 1) Lead with Race.** SJC partners have taken critical steps to lead with race across SJC strategies and ensure focus on reducing disparities. We recognize that we need to do much more. Priorities and next steps include:
  - ▶ Launch an SJC Fellowship to support ongoing engagement with communities of color and training for system partners to improve effectiveness in serving these communities.
  - ▶ Stay engaged with and support broader citywide conversations on justice reinvestment that support alternatives to incarceration and expand community-based supports and opportunities for communities of color.
  - ▶ Explore expansion of restorative justice options designed to address the disproportionate representation of black people in jail.
  
- 2) Sustain Shared Focus.** Jail reductions and disparities reduction can only be accomplished through shared focus by local partners. SJC partners launched a Jail Population Review (JPR) team composed of system stakeholders and community partners who meet on a regular basis to discuss the jail population and methods to safely reduce it, with a focus on reducing racial disparities. Priorities and next steps include:
  - ▶ The JPR team will meet bimonthly and focus review on cases where black people are overrepresented, such as burglaries and robberies. The JPR team will also seek to address the needs of high utilizers with short stays.
  - ▶ Continue to monitor implementation of the *Buffin* settlement and changes to bail and pretrial processes to understand their impact on the jail population.
  
- 3) Improve Case Processing.** San Francisco must improve case processing and address lengthy stays in jail to sustain reductions to the jail population. As partners adjust to the new reality of COVID-19, addressing systems and structures to reduce delay and coordinate criminal case priorities is more important than ever. Priorities and next steps include:
  - ▶ Develop a series of dashboards for judges to monitor caseloads and for the Court to track case management progress.
  - ▶ Explore concrete changes to administrative policy and decision-making tools to address case processing challenges.
  - ▶ Explore processes and practices related to when people are placed on different types of “holds” in the jail to understand how they influence the population.

- 4) Increase Healthy Connections.** Addressing behavioral health needs of people in custody remains an urgent priority for San Francisco, where over 75% of people in jail are estimated to have either serious mental illness and/or a history of substance use. Priorities and next steps include:
- ▶ Address recommendations from the SIM Process; including the need for stronger planning coordination across local criminal justice, public health, and housing systems. Planning will be informed by the forthcoming analysis of high utilizers across each system conducted by the CA Policy Lab at University of CA, Berkeley.
  - ▶ Determine if and how pilot bridge housing investments need to be sustained or expanded to best serve justice-involved people, and identify appropriate ongoing funding streams focused on justice-involved people.
  - ▶ Develop new workflows and protocols to serve people who touch multiple systems, starting with individuals identified as “shared priority” who come in contact with the jail.
  - ▶ Participate in the citywide effort to build out a coordinated crisis response system for people with behavioral health needs that does not rely primarily on law enforcement.
- 5) Drive with Data.** Change is only possible when you understand what is happening. SJC partners will continue to play a central role in building a more transparent, data-driven justice system in San Francisco. Priorities and next steps include:
- ▶ Continue to convene the SJC Data Team to discuss jail trends, data-sharing needs, and collaborative analysis with a focus on reducing racial disparities.
  - ▶ Finalize a cross-agency agreement to guide data-sharing through the JUSTIS hub. Reciprocal data-sharing of appropriate local criminal justice data is necessary to improve planning and coordination related to sustaining jail reductions.
  - ▶ Finalize the draft key performance indicators for San Francisco’s criminal justice system developed by the JUSTIS partners; develop a plan to regularly share with City leadership and the public.