

2022-2023 FISCAL YEAR REPORT



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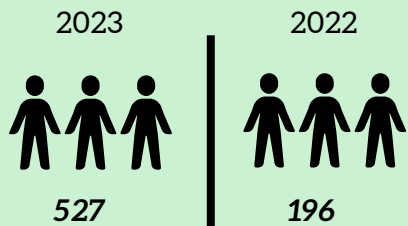
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Sweet Evening Breeze is committed to providing services for LGBTQ+ young adults ages 18-24 experiencing homelessness.

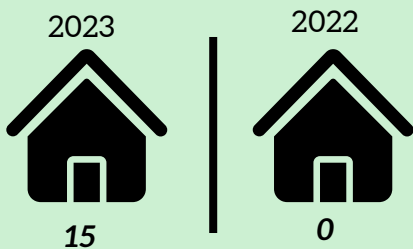


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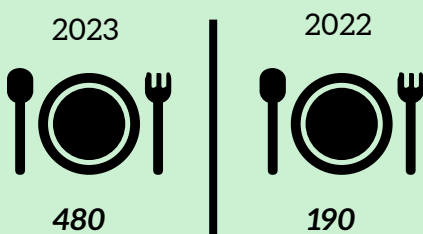
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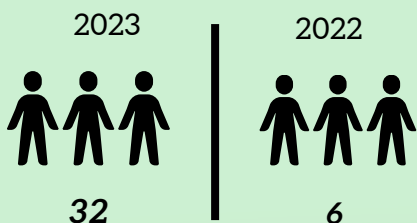
HOUSING ASSISTANCE PROVIDED



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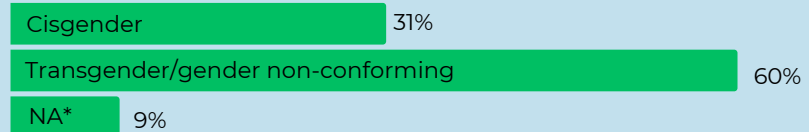


LGBTQ+ YOUTH SERVED

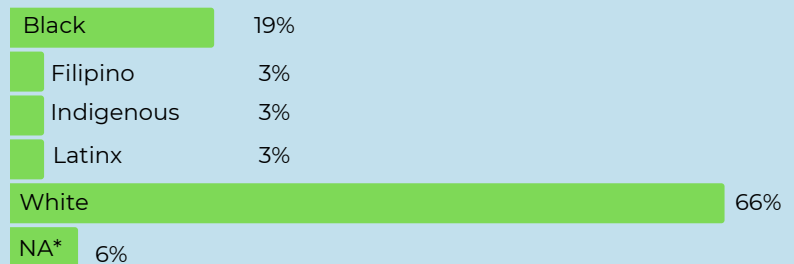


UNDERSTANDING OUR POPULATION

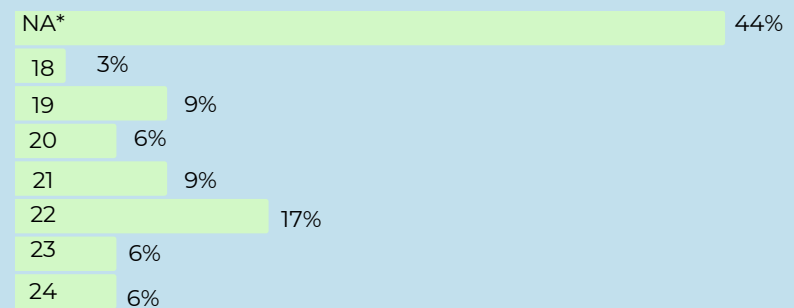
SEB Clients by Gender



SEB Clients by Race



SEB Clients by Age



*NA Indicates that the client did not respond

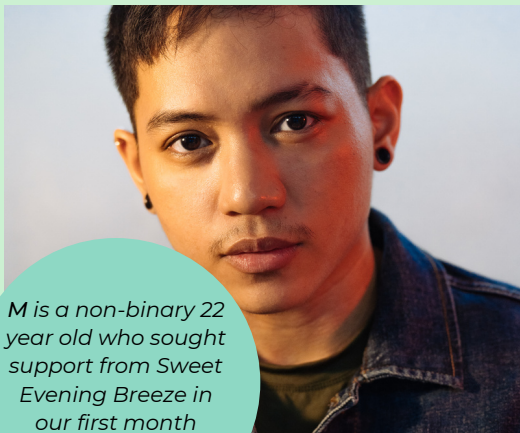
These percentages were calculated using demographic information Sweet Evening Breeze collected during the client triage process. This data is specific to clients served by Sweet Evening Breeze and it is not meant to mirror local or national data on LGBTQ+ homelessness.

For local data collected by our research team at UofL, please see page four of this annual report under the sub headings "Homing-in Research" & "Homing-in Research Project."

This report represents work by the Sweet Evening Breeze Team during the **July 2022 - June 2023 fiscal year**. Much was accomplished in what we thought would be a difficult time. Without YOUR support we would not have gotten here!



Sweet Evening Breeze Stories at a Glance



M is a non-binary 22 year old who sought support from Sweet Evening Breeze in our first month offering services.

M came to us after being on the streets for a few days after being kicked out of a house where they experienced abuse. SEB provided support including HIV testing, food, toiletries, and other drop in services. M was able to see a therapist and work through many of their experiences for the first time. SEB helped find housing in an apartment, and when they could not continue to afford the unit, SEB helped them find a roommate. During another difficult transition stage, SEB provided M with Hotel Vouchers. M has since moved into a temporary housing situation while they search for an apartment and are operating on their own. They continue to see a therapist at SEB and have a full-time job.

E needed a place to focus on their personal growth and to get away from abuse they were experiencing at home. E was dealing with family acceptance and the inability to communicate with their parents. They needed a place where they could come and meet others like them, and to gain confidence in who they are. SEB was able to offer a comforting support place, where E continues to hang out and talk with other clients facing similar struggles. E participates in most of SEB's programs including our career and educational counseling and also attends our monthly Transgender Peer Support Group at Sweet Evening Breeze.



E is a 22 year old Transwoman who came to Sweet Evening Breeze after learning about us through Instagram and Facebook.



P is a bi-sexual non-binary person age 22. They came to us after finding our information table at Kentuckiana Pride.

P came to SEB while living in their car, after leaving their home because of emotional struggles with their family. P sought out SEB for housing assistance, supplies, and to utilize our counseling services and computer lab. P is currently waiting to be assessed so they can pursue housing at a nearby facility in the city. They are working, and continue to use SEB for counseling and other support services.

These photos are meant for design purposes only and do not represent the individuals in their stories.

These stories highlight the need for continued support and services for our young adults who face many obstacles in their everyday lives.



A LOOK INSIDE OUR...

HOUSING AND TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM

As of March 1st 2023, Sweet Evening Breeze began providing housing and transportation assistance to clients. Clients can now access hotel vouchers through SEB for up to 5 days (longer depending on situation). In addition, SEB offers monetary housing assistance which includes: Support for housing applications, rental & utility assistance, and assistance for some moving costs. SEB also offers transportation support which includes TARC passes and UBER rides (if applicable). Other housing services include a roommate matching and mediation program, and support with finding housing options and/or housing resources in the area.

GENDER NON-CONFORMING PROGRAMS

Preventing homelessness includes accessibility to interventions such as family and individual counseling and case management, as well as peer support and mentorship. Sweet Evening Breeze (SEB) now offers Gender Non-Conforming Focused Programming to the Louisville community to help mitigate homelessness using social intervention and education. These programs aim to offer support, engagement, and education around the lived experiences of gender non-conforming people.

Once a month, SEB hosts a **gender non-conforming peer led Support Group**, which is open to those 18 years old and up who identify as gender non-conforming. This time is used to offer support and build connections with others in the group who might be experiencing similar situations or concerns.

Every other month, SEB offers a **Support Group for parents of transgender people**. This group is focused on providing adult caregivers and family members with group support and connections with those who are experiencing similar situations or need an outlet to express emotions, concerns, and struggles in supporting their Transgender children or teens. This support group is also open to the public, but is for adult parents and caregivers only.

Finally, SEB is offering a **transgender educational series**, which will occur quarterly throughout the year, and will provide information, education, and resources that will help to educate and support the general public on Transgender issues and understanding. These programs will welcome local agencies, LGBTQ organizations, informed speakers, and academic institutions around the city as collaborators. The general concept will focus on putting the most up to date information forward to our community, that they may learn and grow from the experience.

HOMING-IN RESEARCH PROJECT

In 2021 Sweet Evening Breeze teamed up with University of Louisville's Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies department to begin a community engaged research project called "Homing-in." Phase 1 of the research project is an ongoing survey project to collect data on LGBTQ+ Youth homelessness and to analyze its prevalence in Louisville. Phases 2 and 3 involve community engaged focus groups and a photography project with qualified participants (18-24 year old LGBTQ+ youth experiencing homelessness) that explores youth perspectives on past, present, and future as it relates to their experiences with homelessness. LGBTQ+ Youth Homelessness is an understudied subject and our goal as a research team is not only to get an accurate picture of the prevalence of homelessness in our LGBTQ+ Youth community, but to also engage youth in solution focused conversations that directly affect them.



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A Gift From the Trager Foundation

Sweet Evening Breeze is proud to announce that the Trager Family Foundation has given us a grant allowing us to pursue a space for transitional housing. Sweet Evening Breeze is excited to grow in this direction and we thank the Trager Family for this opportunity. For continued updates on the organization, please visit our Facebook and Instagram pages.

"HOMING-IN" RESEARCH SURVEYS PRELIMINARY FINDINGS 2021- 2023

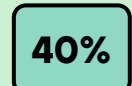
From October 2021 to April 2023, our survey team collected surveys from 76 participants experiencing houselessness in Louisville.



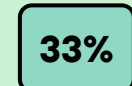
were people of color



were living in places not meant for habitation



had experienced violence



identified as LGBTQ+



of all surveyed youth identified as something other than cisgender

3 YEAR FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

Fiscal Year July '20 - June '21 Revenue & Expenses	
Revenue	Expenses
\$216,832.00	\$152,000.00
Fiscal Year July '21 - June '22 Revenue & Expenses	
Revenue	Expenses
\$400,332.00	\$216,000.00
Fiscal Year July '22 - June '23 Revenue & Expenses	
Revenue	Expenses
\$352,399	\$198,000
Fiscal Year July '22 - June '23 Beginning Balance	
349,000	
SEB has maintained a positive variance over the past 3 years.	

