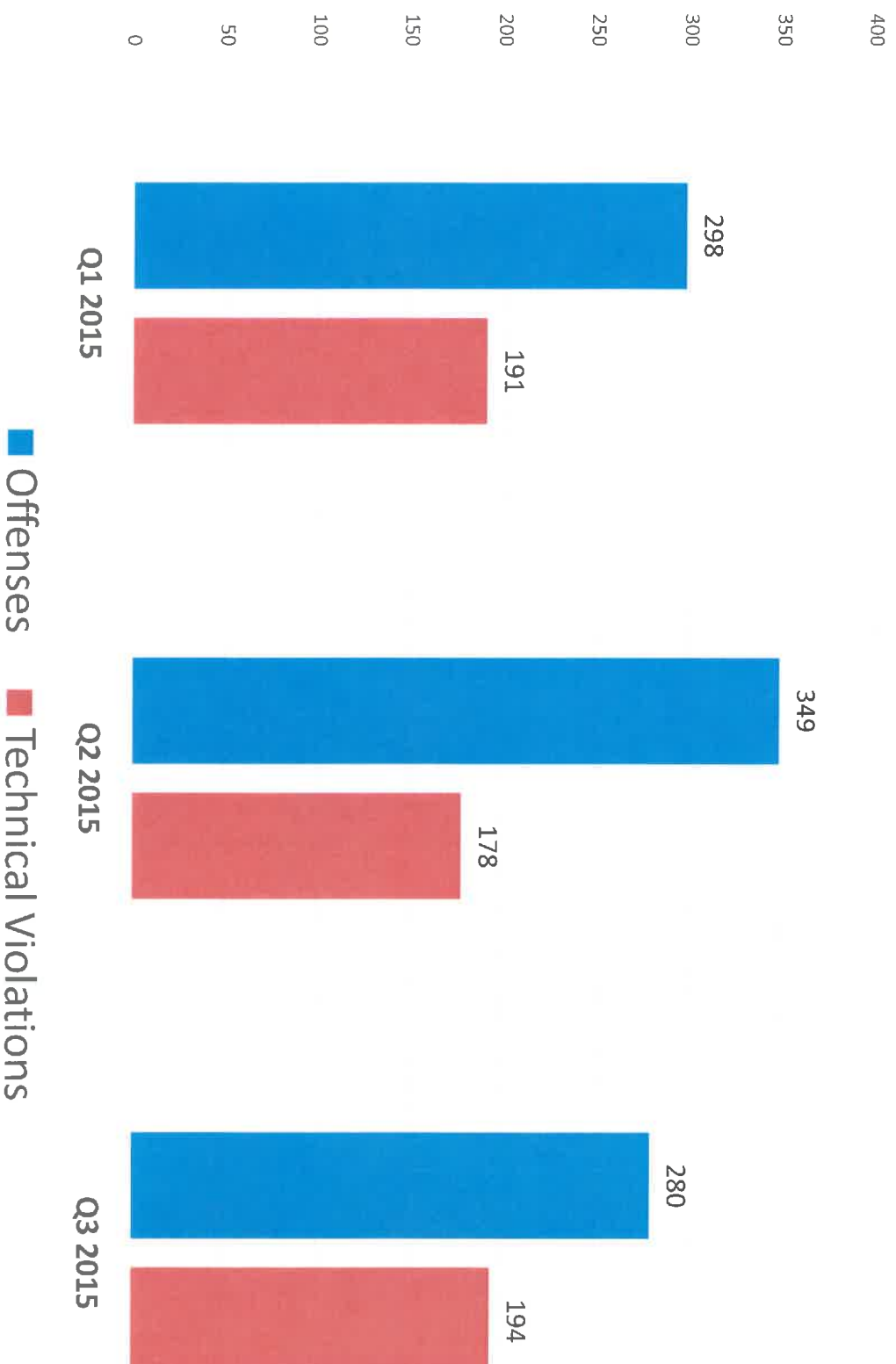


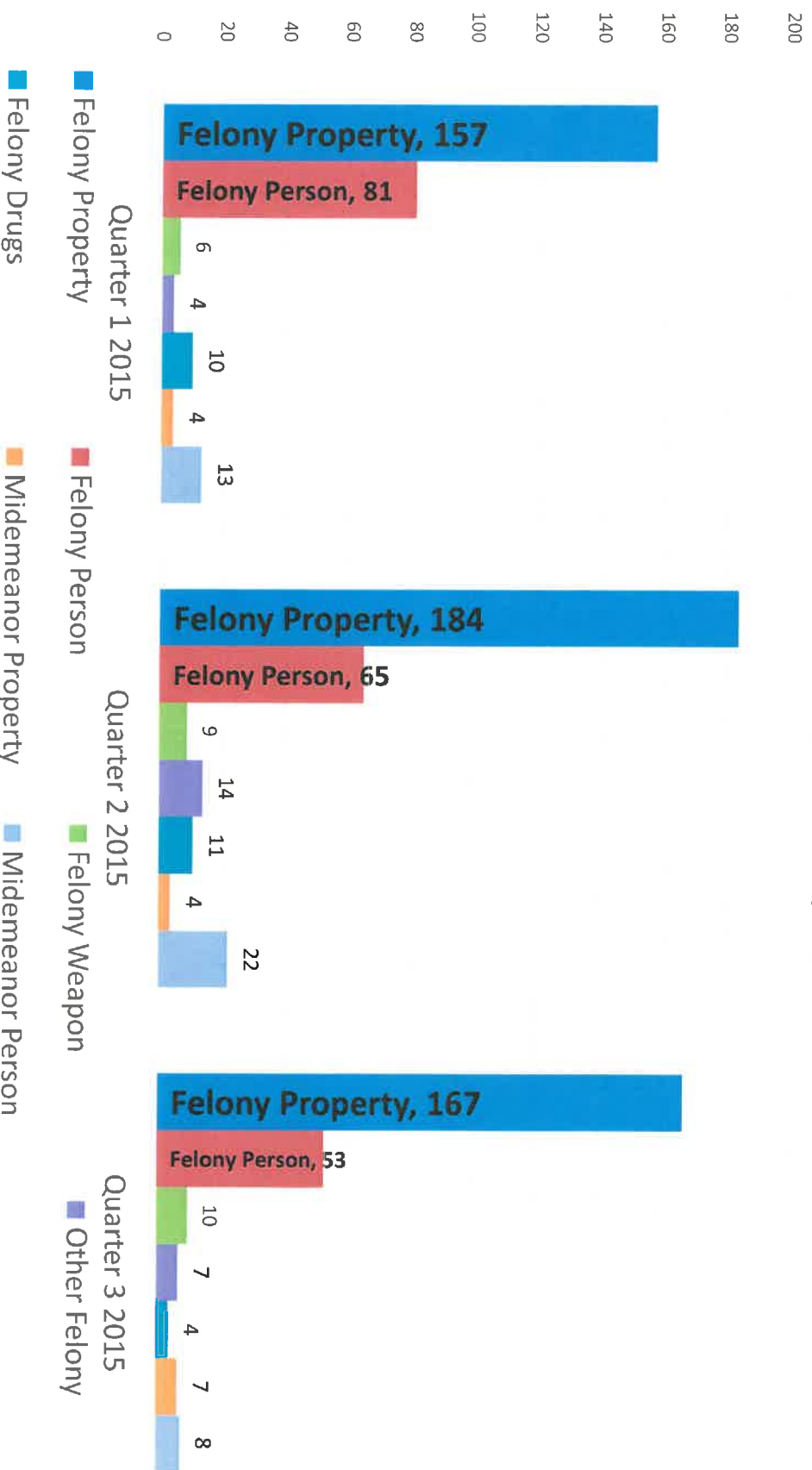
Pinellas Youth in Pinellas Juvenile Detention Center 2015

ADMISSIONS							
		Q1 2015		Q2 2015		Q3 2015	
TOTALS		489		527		474	
Race	Black	305 (62%)		375 (71%)		338 (71%)	
	Hispanic	30 (6%)		16 (3%)		19 (4%)	
	White	152 (31%)		134 (25%)		115 (24%)	
Referral types	Offenses	298 (61%)		349 (66%)		280(59%)	
	Technical Violations	191 (39%)		178 (34%)		194 (41%)	
Technical Violations (Highest 4)	Tech VOP	69 (14%)		80 (15%)		77 (16%)	
	Other Court Order	44 (9%)		43 (8%)		39 (8%)	
	Abscond	26 (5%)		15 (3%)		20 (4%)	
	FTA	47 (10%)		35 (7%)		51 (11%)	
LENGTH OF STAY							
		Q1 2015		Q2 2015		Q3 2015	
Highest Length of Stay - Offenses		Average	Median	Average	Median	Average	Median
	Felony Weapon	23.3	14	15.9	22	13.6	5
	Felony Person	11.5	9.5	14.6	15	14	17
	Other Felony	7.8	3.5	12.9	13	19.6	20
	Felony Property	10.5	8	12.2	11	13.9	13
	Felony Drugs	11.3	11	7.6	6	22.3	21
	Highest Length of Stay - Technical		Average	Median	Average	Median	Average
Abscond		11.5	12	13.4	13.5	11.8	11
Failure to Appear		6.5	3	12	7	3.4	2
Tech VOP		6.6	3.5	5.9	2	6.1	2
Other Court Order		3.2	2	3.1	2	7.3	3
Gender Differences			Q1 2015		Q2 2015		Q3 2015
		Average	Median	Average	Median	Average	Median
	Felony Property						
	Males	10.9	8	12.5	12	14.2	13
	Females	6.9	4	5.9	1	10.6	11
		Average	Median	Average	Median	Average	Median
	Felony Person						
	Males	12.3	11.5	15.6	18	14.7	17.5
	Females	5	2.5	7.6	2	9.4	8

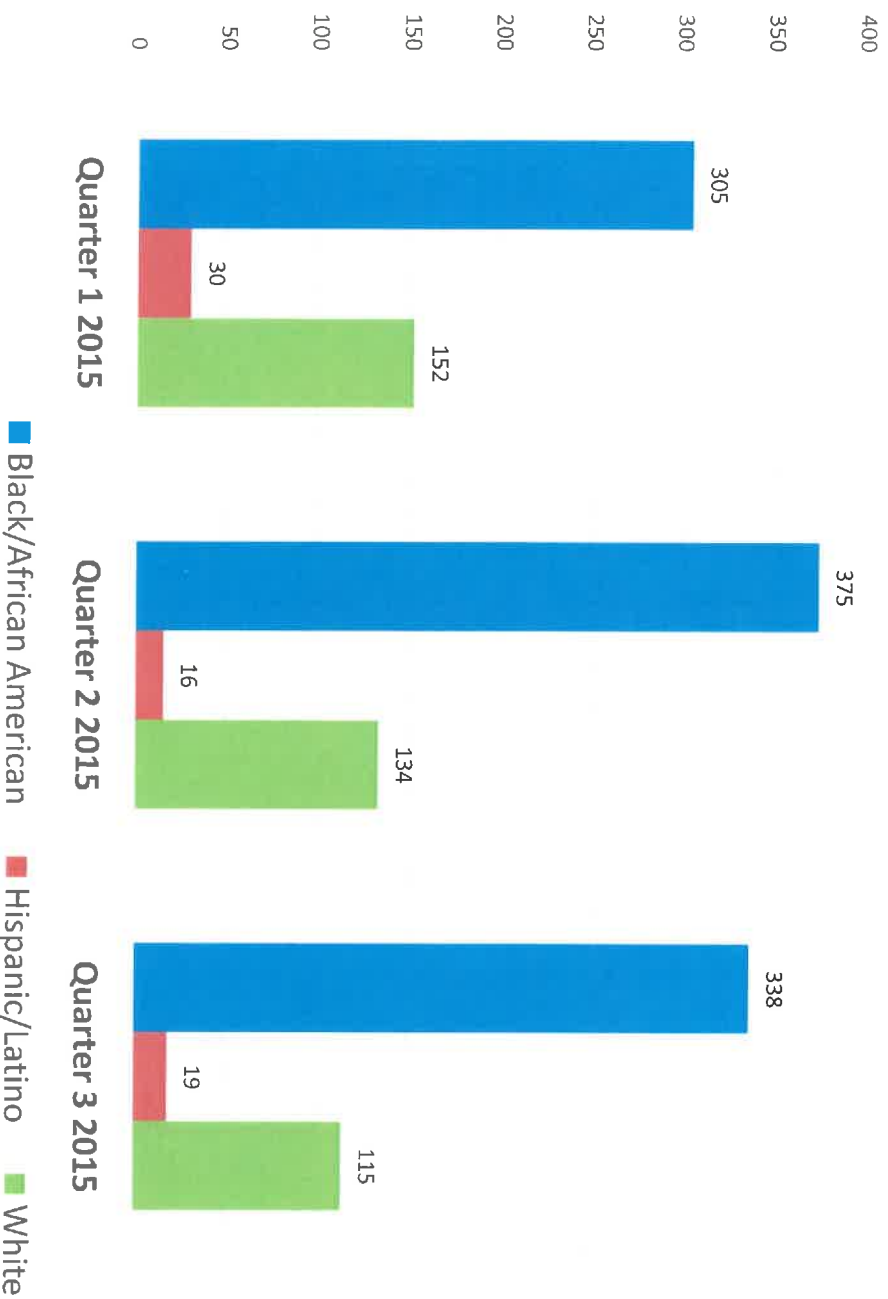
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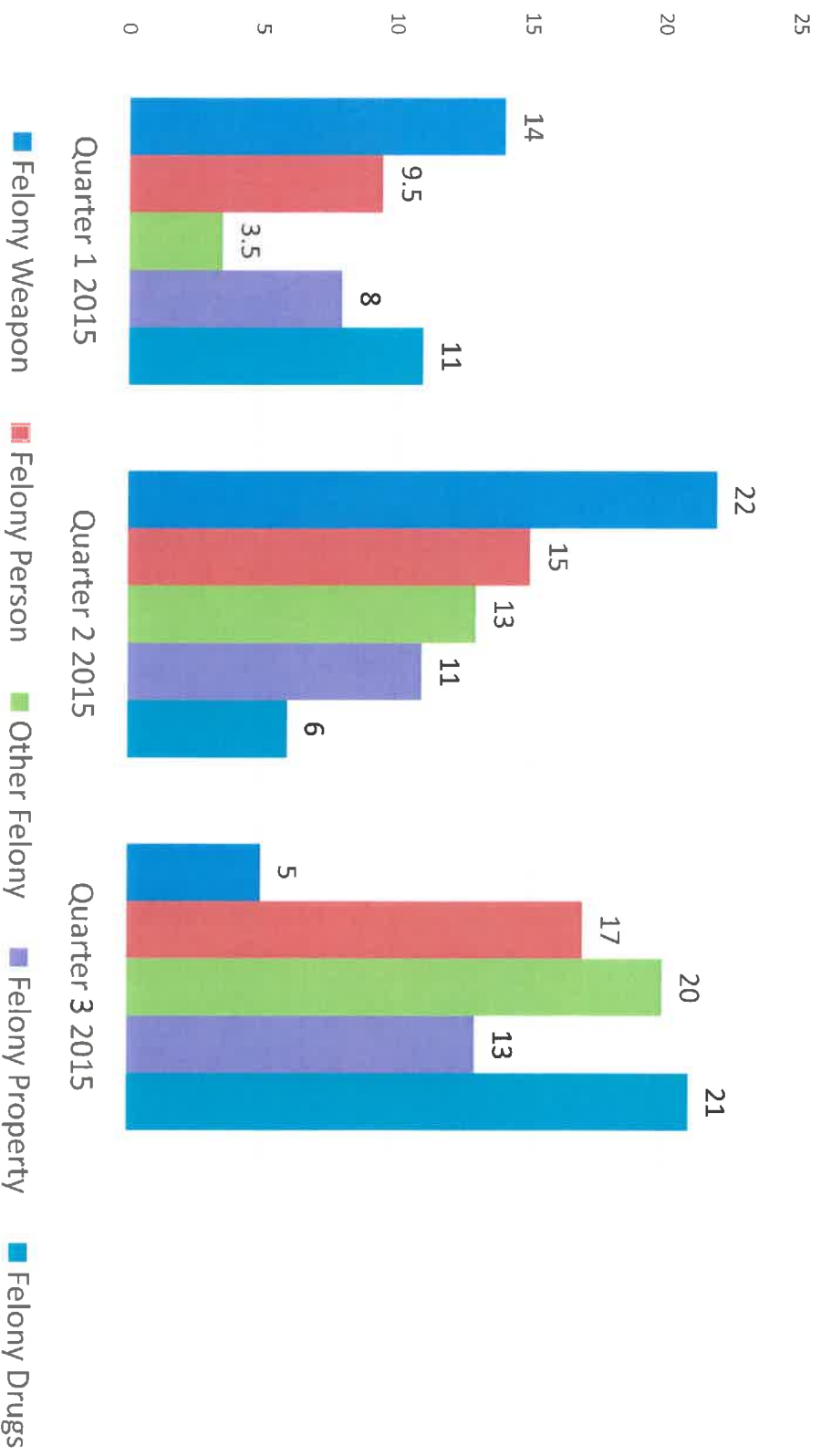
Admission to Secure Detention (by Charge)



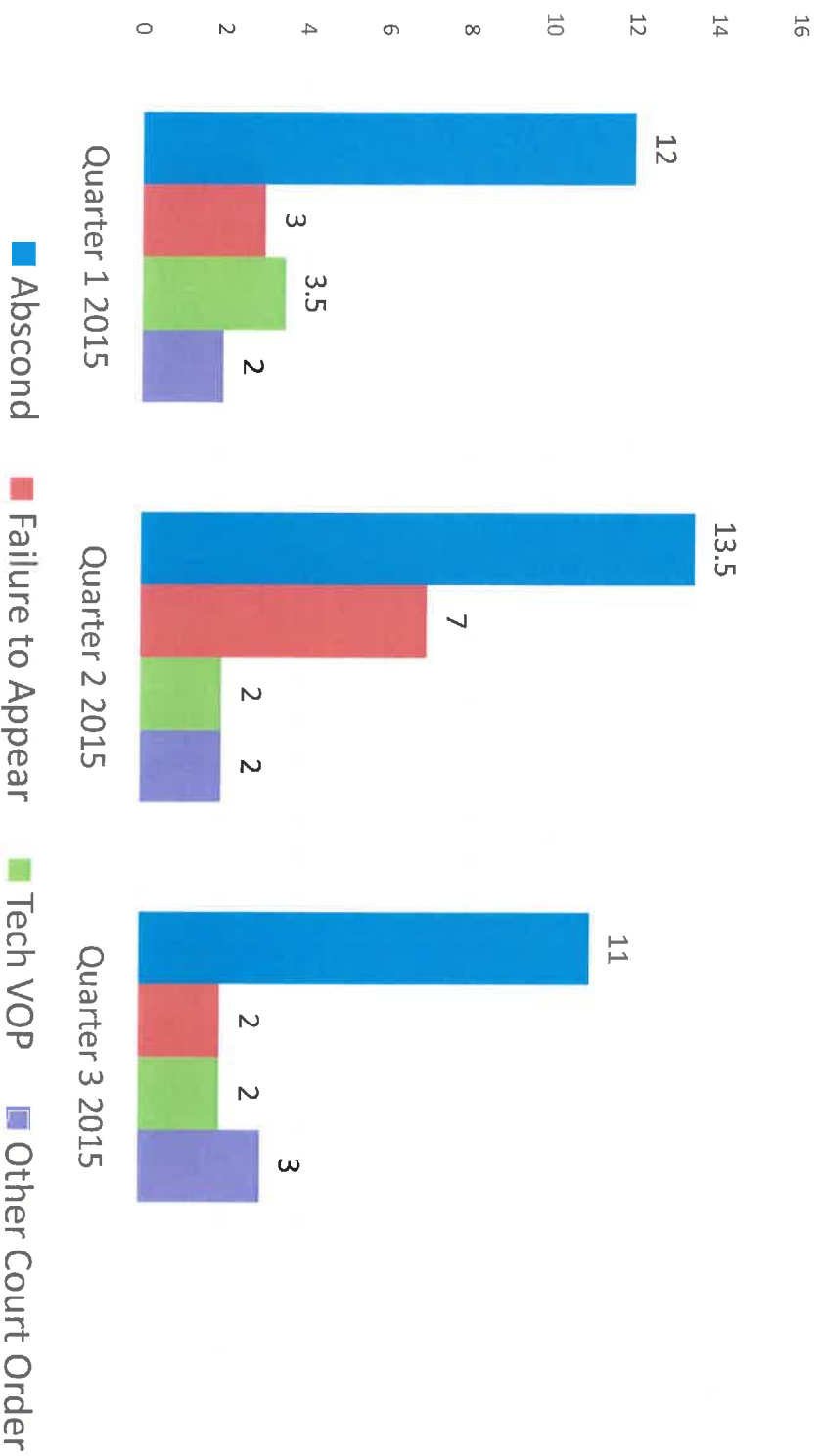
Admissions to Secure Detention (By Race)



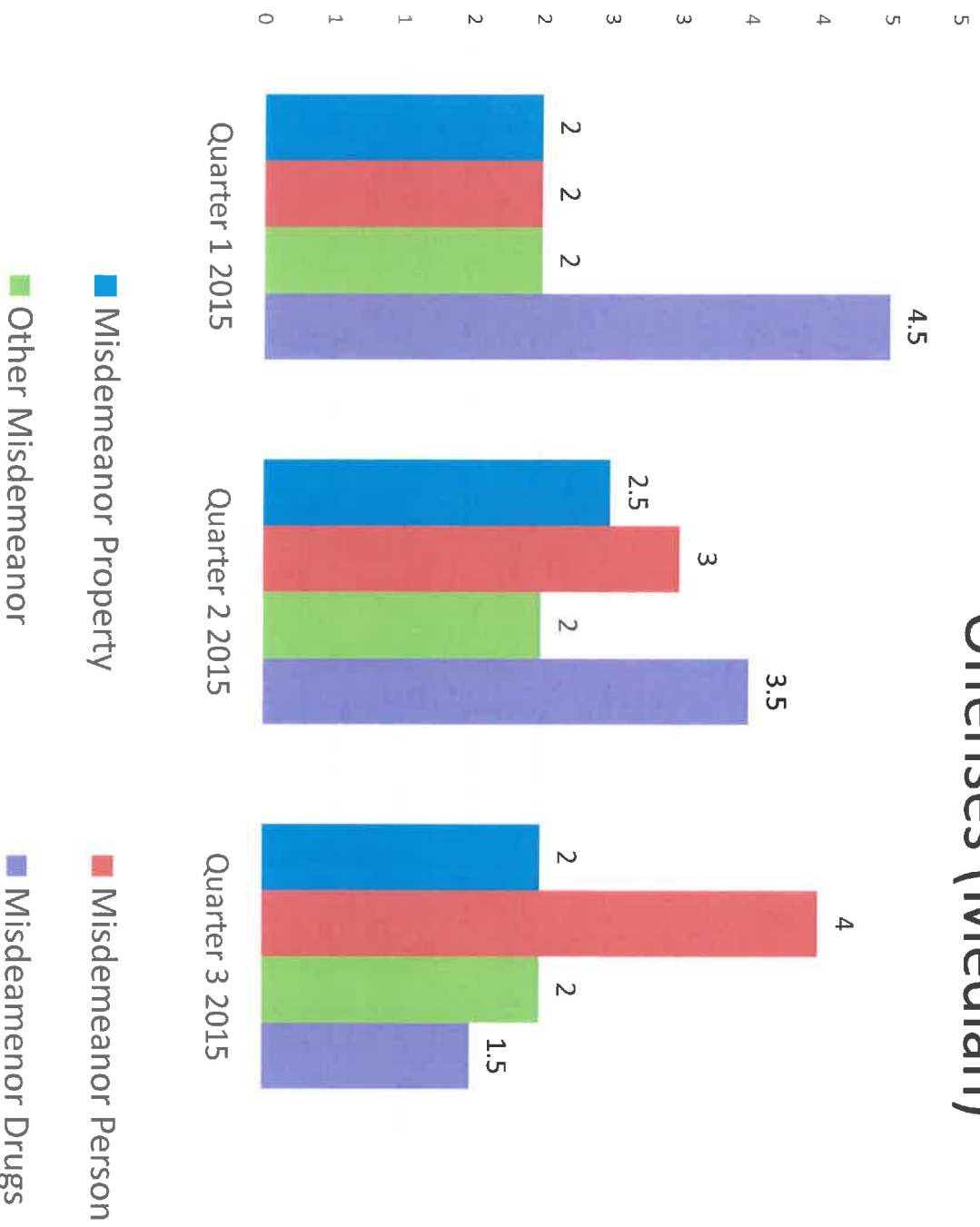
Length of Stay - Highest Offenses (Median)



Length of Stay - Highest Technical (Median)



Length of Stay - Highest Misdemeanor Offenses (Median)



School Referrals *

Time Period	# of School Based Referrals (Arrests)
August 18 th – September 30 th 2014	61
August 24 th September 30 th 2015	49
% Change	-20%

* Based on PCSB Police date, not necessarily resulting in secure detention

PROPOSED
Evening Reporting Center (ERC) Youth Criteria

The program shall serve youth, who are court ordered to the Evening Reporting Center (ERC) that would otherwise be in Secure Detention at the Pinellas Juvenile Detention Center (JDC). This is intended to be a true alternative to secure detention. If the youth would otherwise be released from secure detention without an ERC, then they are not candidates for the ERC. (To avoid net-widening of home detention youth.)

The target population is youth in detention for pre-adjudicatory days. (New charges; NOT probation technical violations or awaiting commitment youth.)

INCLUSION- Youth shall meet the following criteria:

- Males only.
- The youth shall reside within the targeted high referral neighborhood/zip codes of the 33711, 33712, 33705.
- The youth shall attend school at one of the following high schools: Boca Ciega, Gibbs, St. Pete, Lakewood, Pinellas Secondary.
- The youth shall be of moderate-high or high risk to re-offend based on the PACT Pre-Screen or PACT Full Assessment, which is conducted by the Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ).

EXCLUSION- Youth charged with felony or misdemeanor offenses are eligible for program services with the exception of:

- youth who are being staffed for DJ commitment programs or transfer to adult court;
- youth charged with violent felony (person) offense;
- youth charged with sexual offense.

Ideally, the youth will not be on any other form of detention such as Electronic Monitor (EM).

PROPOSAL

Evening Reporting Center Pilot (St. Pete)

Evening Reporting Centers (ERC)

- Evening Reporting Centers (ERC) are safe, non-residential alternatives to secure detention that offer an array of supports, services, and activities to youth during the high-crime periods of the day.
- Divert youth from the detention center, saving children from the risks that come from detention while proving assessment and supervision to help youth not reoffend.
- Potential to keep communities safe and ensure that young people appear at court hearings.
- Home detention, optimally combined with some level of human supervision (and limited combination with EM) enables the court to adequately supervise youth while they remain in their homes, schools, and churches.
- When properly implemented, alternatives to detention allow children to remain connected to positive influences in the community and decrease their likelihood to reoffend.

Economic and Social Cost Saving

Secure Detention

- Living in a facility
- Living away from family
- Not attending their home school
- Support for youth
- Can access services available at detention facility
- Learns new behaviors in a remote location, not in home environment

Cost in secure detention (FY 15-16) for counties is \$274/day/youth

ATSD – Evening Reporting Center

- Living at home
- Living with family
- Attending their home school
- Support for youth and family
- Can access services available and can also have services created to meet a specific need
- Learns new skills, behaviors and coping mechanisms in the home and community environment

Why an ERC?

- In the US, many jurisdictions have successfully run Evening Reporting Centers.
- Secure detention is very expensive with little opportunity for rehabilitation while a youth is waiting to appear for court. Community-based alternatives can help reduce a youth's exposure to detention culture which studies show encourages more delinquency.
- **These are our kids!** They live in the community and are returning to the community after (up to 21 days) in secure detention to await the outcome of their court case.
- Building positive relationships with safe adults is the key to changing these youths behaviors.
- Using youth appropriate strength-based programming while increasing the youth and their family's access to community based programs strengthens the youth, family and community.
- Youth can create positive relationships with staff and develop plans to become a successful community member.
- Provides a meaningful alternative to incarceration when public safety doesn't require incarceration.

Services to Be Provided at ERC

- Transportation from school to ERC
- Supervised activities during afterschool hours (approx. 2pm -8pm)
- Trained staff to provide individual and group activities
- Snack and Meal
- Juvenile Probation Officers (JPOs) will meet with youth at ERC
- Homework assistance
- Mentoring
- Evidence Based psycho-social group interventions
- Recreation/ relaxation strategies
- Community Service activities
- Appointments with community service providers at ERC to start assessment and/or services (mental health, substance abuse, etc.)
- Transportation from ERC to home
- Orientation and support for family available

St. Pete ERC Pilot Program (proposal)

- Up to 10 youth in program at a time.
- Youth can stay in ERC for up to 21 days. (determined by court order)
- ERC youth only interact with ERC youth. Separate space and separate activities.
- Youth admitted to program weekdays only.
- Services provided afterschool Monday through Friday and every 3rd Saturday.
- Youth must attend included high school.
- Youth on home detention during non-ERC and non-school hours (nights and weekends) and subject to supervision (by JPO and/or LEO).

Evaluation of Success

During the time at the ERC (up to 21 days):

- The youth make required court appearances;
- The youth did not commit another crime;
- The youth was not returned to secure detention for violations of ERC requirements.

Future offending rates (recidivism) will be evaluated as well.

Net Widening

CAUTION: When developing ATSD be sure to limit the use of alternatives to *those children who otherwise would have been securely detained.*

If alternatives merely cast a wider net, bringing more children under the supervision of the court, their cost-saving potential will be undermined and resources will be wasted on unnecessary supervision for low-risk children.

Proposed Eligibility Criteria

- Pre-adjudicatory detention stay.
[New charges only; NOT Post Commitment Probation (PCP), Conditional Release (CR) or technical Violation of Probation (VOP)]
- Without existence of ERC the youth would not be released from secure detention.
- Classified as moderate-high and high risk to reoffend based on the Positive Achievement Change Tool (PACT) Pre-Screen or PACT Full Assessment.
- Reside in zip code: 33705, 33711 or 33712.
[These zip codes are high referral and high utilization of secure detention.]
- Attend local high school: Boca Ciega, Gibbs, St. Pete, Lakewood, Pinellas Secondary.
- Males only.
- Parent must sign consent for youth to participate and agree to cooperate.
(Done at Juvenile Detention Center prior to release)
- Exclusions: Youth accused of sexual offense(s) and crimes of violence offense(s); and youth who are being staffed for DJJ commitment programs or transfer to adult court/jail/prison.