CFSA Four Pillars

Front Door · Temporary Safe Haven · Well Being · Exit to Permanence

Agency

System

Community

DC Child and Family Services Agency

Commitment to Outcomes
Scorecard: FY 13
(Q4 and annual, Oct. 2012-Sept. 2013)

Q4 score is the average of the three months in the quarter, unless otherwise noted. The Annual column reports the average over 12 months. Key to status (far right): ■ On track   ■ Flat   ■ Corrective action

Front Door

Children have the opportunity to grow up with their families and are removed from their families only when necessary to keep them safe.

Outcome: Families stay together safely.

Indicator	FY12 Baseline	FY13 Target	FY13/Q1	FY13/Q2	FY13/Q3	FY13/Q4	FY13 Annual	
Decrease foster care population*	1,542	n/a	1,430	1,400	1,367	1,318	**1,318**	■
Decrease new entries into foster care	350	300	57	83	97	76	**313**	■
Decrease re-entries into foster care**	9.7%	10%	*Report Annually*				**13.8%**	■

Outcome: Children and youth experience a removal only when necessary for their safety.

Indicator	FY12 Baseline	FY13 Target	FY13/Q1	FY13/Q2	FY13/Q3	FY13/Q4	FY13 Annual	
Decrease repeat reports of maltreatment***	4.5%	5.4%	*Report annually*				**4.5%**	■
Increase percentage of investigations initiated within 48 hours	70%	85%	78%	79%	84%	87%	**82%**	■

*Baseline is total population on the last day of the fiscal year, and quarterly score is total population on the last day of the quarter.
**Target is the national standard, showing the percentage of children who re-enter care within 12 months of reunification. CFSA FY12 baseline is based on a cohort that has not yet completed 12 months. CFSA baseline is below the national standard (fewer children in the District re-entered care within 12 months of reunification than nationally). Annual performance report FY2013 – ACF Data Profile, May 7, 2013.
***Target is the national standard, showing children who experience a repeat report within six months of a substantiated report. CFSA baseline is below the national standard (fewer children experienced a repeat report in the District than nationally). Annual performance report FY2012 – ACF Data Profile, May 7, 2013.

Temporary Safe Haven

Foster care is a temporary safe haven, with planning for permanence beginning the day a child enters care.

Outcome: Children and youth are placed with families whenever possible.

Indicator	FY12 Baseline	FY13 Target	FY13/Q1	FY13/Q2	FY13/Q3	FY13/Q4	FY13 Annual	
Increase relative placements (kinship care)	16%	26%	20%	25%	24%	24%	**24%**	■
Increase placements in family foster homes	81%	90%	81%	83%	82%	82%	**82%**	■
Decrease placements in group homes	5%	4%	5%	5%	5%	4%	**4%**	■
Increase children/youth with two or fewer placements in the past 12 months	75%	76%	*Not reported*	90%*	83%	77%	**77%**	■
Increase foster care placements within the District	39%	50%	41%	41%	42%	43%	**43%**	■
Increase visits between parents and children/youth in foster care	67%	85%	71%	71%	70%	68%	**70%**	■
Increase visits between siblings (twice monthly)	80%	85%	85%	84%	83%	80%	**83%**	■

Outcome: Children and youth exit foster care quickly and safely.

Indicator	FY12 Baseline	FY13 Target	FY13/Q1	FY13/Q2	FY13/Q3	FY13/Q4	FY13 Annual	
Decrease average number of months to reunification	14	12	20	20	18	17	**18**	■
Decrease average number of months to guardianship	38	30	36	42	32	42	**37**	■
Decrease average number of months to adoption	46	36	46	59	50	33	**46**	■

*This percentage represents performance for the last month of Q2 (March 2013).

Well Being

Every child is entitled to a nurturing environment that supports healthy growth and development, good physical and mental health, and academic achievement.

Outcome: Children and youth in foster care get quality services for good health.

Indicator	FY12 Baseline	FY13 Target	FY13/Q1	FY13/Q2	FY13/Q3	FY13/Q4	FY13 Annual	
Increase children/youth getting an initial and re-entry health screening before placement	88%	95%	84%	89%	94%	94%	**90%**	■
Increase children/youth getting a medical evaluation within 30 days of entering care	69%	85%	57%	65%	74%	78%	**70%**	■
Increase children/youth getting a dental evaluation within 30 days of entering care	51%	58%	22%	28%	45%	64%	**42%**	■
Increase children/youth getting a mental health screening	49%	90%	60%	50%	48%	33%	**47%**	■
Increase youth age 11 and older getting a pre-placement substance abuse screening	58%	90%	86%	88%	85%	88%	**87%**	■

Outcome: Children and youth in foster care get the quality education and training they need to succeed as adults.

Indicator	FY12 Baseline	FY13 Target	FY13/Q1	FY13/Q2	FY13/Q3	FY13/Q4	FY13 Annual	
Increase children ages 0-5 getting a developmental screening upon entering care	78%	85%	72%	82%	75%	82%	**77%**	■
Increase children in foster care who perform at grade level in the third grade	*Not Reported*	38%	*Report annually*				**17%**	■
Increase youth in foster care who graduate from high school	*70%*	60%	*Report annually (Academic Calendar)*				**71%**	■
Increase youth in foster care who graduate from college	*1%*	30%	*Report annually (Academic Calendar)*				**18%**	■
Increase youth in foster care who complete vocational training and/or receive industry certification	26%	30%	29%	29%	21%	23%	**27%**	■

Outcome: Youth in foster care delay parenting, and those who are teen parents have good parenting skills.

Indicator	FY12 Baseline	FY13 Target	FY13/Q1	FY13/Q2	FY13/Q3	FY13/Q4	FY13 Annual	
Decrease teen mothers in foster care*	18%	17%	15%	12%	13%	12%	**12%**	■
Decrease repeat births to teen parents in foster care	12%	8%	*Not reported*	4%**	6%	7%	**7%**	■

*Percentage of all females age 12 and older in foster care. As of June, 2013 there were the 361 females age 12 and older in care, of which 44 were teen mothers.
**This percentage represents performance for the last month of Q2 (March 2013).

Exit to Permanence

Every child and youth exits foster care as quickly as possible for a safe, well-supported family environment or life-long connection. Older youth have the skills for successful adulthood.

Outcome: Children and youth leave the child welfare system for a safe, permanent home.

Indicator	FY12 Baseline	FY13 Target	FY13/Q1	FY13/Q2	FY13/Q3	FY13/Q4	FY13 Annual	
Increase exits to a permanent home	72%	83%	73%	69%	82%	72%	**76%***	■
Decrease youth who age out of foster care	24%	18%	24%	29%	18%	23%	**23%**	■
Increase engagement of youth in after-care services	62%	75%	*Report annually*				**92%**	■
Increase youth with stable housing upon exit	*38%*	80%	80%	88%	75%	68%	**79%**	■
Increase youth age 20 who are employed or in post-secondary education	*56%*	50%	54%	69%	53%	59%	**61%**	■

*Of 641 children that exited foster care in FY2013, 490 were to positive permanency (105 adoptions, 20 living w/other relatives, 139 guardianships, 226 reunifications.