# Massachusetts Office For Victim Assistance Victim & Witness Assistance Board

# EGRANTS: PRACTICE TO PERFECT

Visualizing Impact: Harnessing Your OMT Data for Insightful Graphs and Charts

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# WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

## Housekeeping

## **Facilitators**

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# AGENDA

- Data Uses & Basics
- Extracting OMT data from eGrants
- Making charts and graphs with OMT data follow along with your own data
- Using your data social media examples
- Open Q&A



# WHAT IS DATA USED FOR?

## There are many benefits of sharing data externally and internally at your organization!

- **Increased transparency:** build trust with donors, stakeholders and the community
- Enhanced collaboration: sharing data allows agencies to collaborate more effectively with other organizations, government agencies and partners
- Improved decision making: make informed decisions, identify trends, and better understand the needs of their target populations
- Increased funding opportunities: sharing data that showcases effectiveness and success can help when applying for funding sources.
- Enhanced advocacy efforts: providing concrete evidence to support your cause, influence policy and raise awareness about critical issues



# WHERE CAN I GET DATA?

- Outcome Measurement Tool
- Internal program data
- Surveys and feedback forms
- Government databases (<u>National Crime</u> <u>Victimization Survey</u>, <u>Uniform Crime Report</u>, <u>US</u> <u>Census</u>)
- Academic studies and research
- Partner organizations
- Social media & web analytics



Sort By: Category	
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UCR data, Massachusetts crimes against persons victims for 2022



## **Determine your goal:**

- Comparison
- Composition
- Trend
- Relationship
- Geographic Distribution

## Select the best chart type:

- Bar graph
- Column chart
- Pie chart
- Stacked bar chart
- Line graph
- Area chart
- Scatter plot
- Map

# **Comparison:** Are you comparing quantities across different categories? Use **bar graph** or **column chart**



Age of Individuals Served

# **Composition:** Are you showing parts of a whole or distribution within a single category? Use **pie chart** or **stacked bar chart**



#### Gender of Individuals Served

# Trend: Are you tracking changes over time or trends? Use line graph or area chart



Relationship: Are you examining the relationship between two variables? Use scatter plot or bubble chart



Total Individuals Served Identifying as Immigrant/Refugee/Asylum Seeker



## **Geographic Distribution:** Are

you examining variables over a geographic area? Use **a map chart** 

# WORKSHOP LOGISTICS

- We encourage you to follow along with your own OMT data during this presentation
- Make sure you have access to Excel or Google Sheets to extract your data (Apple Numbers will also work but all the instructions may not be applicable)
- Log into your eGrants account to access your OMT data

# EXTRACTING YOUR OMT DATA

EGRANTS WALKTHROUGH



## Use "Data to be Displayed" to select what OMT data you will be exporting

## **VSS OMT Data Export**

Subrecipients can utilize this report to export data from the Outcome Measurement Tool

Search Criteria	
Document Name	Organization Name
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Application Year	Reporting Period
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Document Status	Data to be Diplayed
~	All Demographics and Services
	Clear Search

# Click Export to Excel to download data



# CLEANING OUR DATA FOR ANALYZING

- If your data has a green error message in the lefthand corner for each 0, highlight all your data and click "Convert to Number"
  - An easy way to select all your data at once is to highlight the first column, then select CTRL + SHIFT + the right arrow

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# MAKING YOUR VICTIMS SERVED CHART

- Highlight the following columns:
  - Reporting Period
  - Number of Individuals
  - Number of Anonymous (you can leave out if 0)
  - NEW Individuals
- To highlight multiple columns at once, hold down the CTRL button
- Click Insert > Recommended Charts > Column



# USEFUL DESIGN TOOLS

- With chart selected, click on Chart Design.
  - Here you will see some premade chart options, you can pick from premade color schemes using Change Colors or customize elements of your chart
- To add Reporting Period at the bottom of the chart, add a Horizonal Axis Title by clicking the plus button in the upper right-hand side of your chart
- Data Labels will show the number of victims in each category on the chart

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# **USEFUL DESIGN TOOLS**

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 To edit the colors of your bars, double click on the bar you want to change, and a menu will appear on the right side of the screen. From here click the paint bucket and scroll down to Color under Fill

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#### ✓ Axis Options

#### Axis Type

Automatically select based on data
 <u>Text axis</u>
 Date axis
 Vertical axis crosses

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# Automatic At category number At maximum category Axis position On tick marks

- O Between tick marks
- <u>Categories in reverse order</u>

 If your categories are appearing starting with reporting period 4, click the numbers on the bottom row (1 – 4) and click the graph icon. Under Axis Options, click Categories in reverse order

# MAKING YOUR GENDER ANALYSIS CHART

- Highlight the following cells:
  - All gender column headers
  - All gender sums in last row of data
- To highlight multiple columns at once, hold down the CTRL button
- Click Insert > Recommended Charts > Pie
- Click the filter button on the right-hand side of the chart and UNCHECK any genders that you do not have data in to condense the pie chart.



# HARNESSING YOUR DATA FOR SOCIAL MEDIA

# PLATFORMS TO SHARE DATA

 Facebook, Instagram, Twitter/X, Constant Contact (or another email distributor platform)



# **RECOGNIZING YOUR AUDIENCE**

- Who is your targeted audience?
  - Survivors, providers, allied professionals, etc.
- Use plain language
- Minimize text in graphics
  - Utilize captions
- Engage with your audience by focusing on awareness campaigns
  - Ex: Domestic Violence Awareness Month (DVAM), Sexual Violence Awareness Month (SAAM), Survivors of Homicide Victims Awareness Month (SHVAM) etc.

# **CREATING SURVIVOR CENTERED GRAPHICS**

- Trauma Informed
  - Adding content warnings
    - Ex: Content Warning: Mentions of Domestic Violence
- Data
  - How will a survivor process data?
  - Digestible information
- Resources
  - What resources does your agency (or others) provide that can be listed and accessible and culturally responsive for survivors?

# Keep survivors in the forefront when creating and sharing content

# **CREATING YOUR GRAPHICS**

- Canva
  - User- friendly
- Hootsuite
  - Helpful in scheduling posts
  - Can collect engagement analytics and download into a PDF format



# EXAMPLE: DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

# ANNUAL SAFEPLAN REPORT Fiscal year 2022 (FY22)

This report on the SAFEPLAN program, Massachusetts' domestic and sexual violence civil court advocacy program administered by the Massachusetts Office for Victim Assistance (MOVA), is submitted to the Massachusetts House and Senate Committees on Ways and Means as required by the FY23 Massachusetts General Appropriations Act (0840-0101).

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IF YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW IS Looking for Support, please Visit: <u>Www.mass.gov/askmova</u> or Click the link in our bio to Find a local resource near You.

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# EXAMPLE: PRIDE MONTH



Content Warning: Victimization Statistics in the LGBTQIA+ Community

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#### **Statistics**

Sexual and domestic violence can happen to anyone, regardless of gender identity or sexual orientation. According to 2010 data from the Center for Disease and Control (CDC), members of the LGBTQ+ community experience sexual or relationship violence at equal or higher rates than heterosexual individuals.

"Experienced rape, physical violence, or stalking by an intimate partner."



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# EXAMPLE: ONE PAGER

CONTENT WARNING: MENTIONS OF SEXUAL ASSAULT AND CHILD ABUSE



see full one pager here

a source: FY23 Outcome Measurement Tool (OMT) performance reports completed by MOVA funded subrecipient agencies

## **IN SUMMARY**

Use user-friendly platforms like Canva and Hootsuite to create and schedule/ post your content. Consider using your data to amplify awareness campaigns.

Always consider your audience and remain survivor centered when creating and sharing content. FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

# Q: WHAT ROLES HAVE ACCESS TO THE OMT DATA IN EGRANTS

# A:

- Agency Administrator
- Authorized Representative
- Fiscal Contact
- Programmatic Contact
- Alternative Programmatic Contact
- Application Submitter
- Data Contact



# Q: ARE ANY OF THE CONTENT- MAKING PLATFORMS FREE?

A: Canva has a free option, but limits some of the features unless you subscribe to Canva Pro. Hootsuite is only accessible is you pay for a subscriptions

Note: graphs can be created with the free version of Canva



# Q: CAN I COMBINE MY OMT DATA WITH OTHER DATA WE COLLECT?

A: Yes, once exported to excel, you can combine your data with other data sources. If you have questions on how to do this, MOVA would be happy to help at a TA session.



# Q: WHAT SHOULD I DO IF NEED MORE HELP ON MY DATA?

A: MOVA will be offering personalized TA sessions to help you recreate any charts we've made today or to create new charts that align with your agency's specific needs and ideas.

Sign up for a TA session here

Email the data team at MOVAStats@mass.gov



# OPEN QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS



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