

YWCA ON THE FRONTLINES: COVID-19 Impact on the YWCA Network

**Last updated 7-30-20, based on responses from 133 local YWCAs*

YWCA USA represents more than 200 local associations that collectively employ over 12,500 individuals across 45 states and D.C. YWCA primarily serves women, girls, and families through their **childcare, housing, and domestic and sexual violence services**.

In response to the COVID-19 crisis, YWCA USA is regularly collecting survey data from local YWCAs. The following results are based on survey feedback from **133 local YWCAs covering 40 states and the District of Columbia** throughout June 2020, and they update overall survey results collected since March 2020.

Between March 31 and June 22:

- 75 of the 76 YWCAs who operate **domestic violence hotlines** responded to our surveys and of those, 69% reported an increase in demand for services. During the month of June, YWCAs in CA, IN, HI, MA, MT, OH, PA, TX, WA, and WY reported an increase in demand for domestic violence hotline services.
- 90 of the 96 YWCAs who provide **domestic violence housing** services (either emergency shelter or transitional housing) responded to our surveys, and of those, 64% reported an increase in demand for domestic violence shelter. During the month of June, YWCAs in CA, IN, HI, MA MT, OH, PA, TX, WA, and WY reported an increase in demand for domestic violence shelter.
- 110 out of 119 YWCAs who provide **childcare services** (Head Start, Infant/Toddler, Pre-Kindergarten, Kindergarten, or School-Age: Before/After care) responded to our surveys. Of those: 75% reported having to close a childcare program, and 58% reported a decrease in childcare funding/revenue. During the month of June, only 33% of YWCAs who provide childcare services reported that they were able to re-open.
- 106 out of 140 YWCAs who provide **housing for low-income women, seniors, veterans and others** in need of housing, and of those 60% reported an increase in demand for housing. During the month of June, YWCAs in IA, MO, NC, OH, TX, VA, and WA reported an increase in demand for housing.

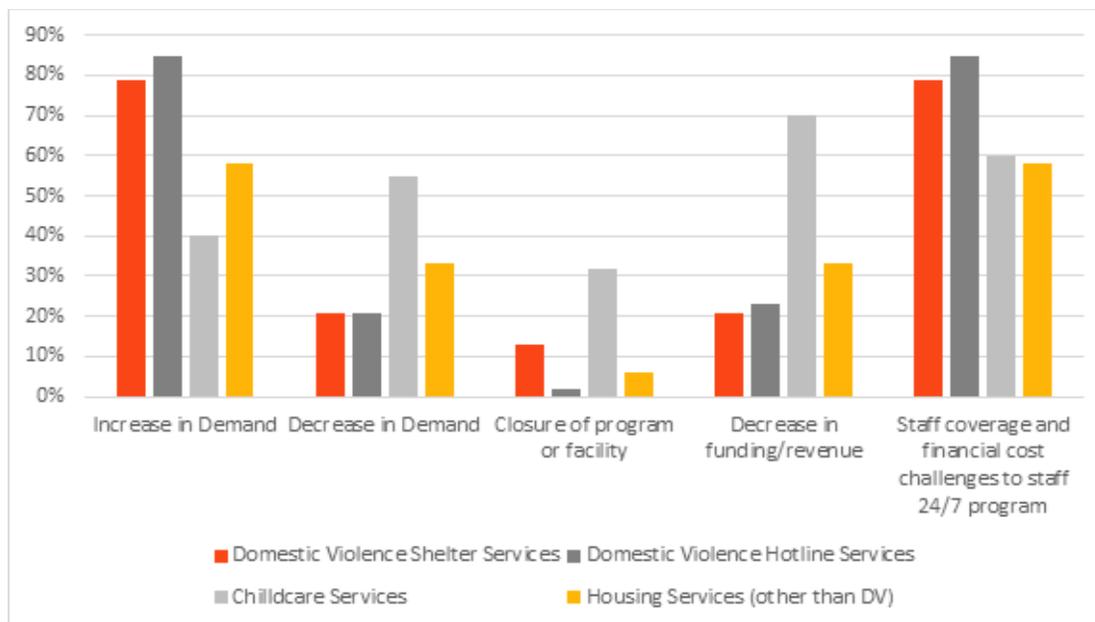
I. STATES

This table represents 133 responses to our June survey. The responses came from YWCAs in 40 states, with the highest number reporting from PA, NY, IL, OH, WA, TX and MA.

1. Alabama (1)	11. Illinois (10)	21. Montana (3)	31. Rhode Island (1)
2. Alaska (1)	12. Indiana (4)	22. Nebraska (3)	32. South Carolina (1)
3. Arizona (2)	13. Iowa (4)	23. New Hampshire (1)	33. Tennessee (3)
4. California (6)	14. Kansas (1)	24. New Jersey (3)	34. Texas (7)
5. Connecticut (4)	15. Louisiana (1)	25. New York (12)	35. Utah (1)
6. Delaware (1)	16. Maine (1)	26. North Carolina (4)	36. Virginia (3)
7. District of Columbia (1)	17. Massachusetts (7)	27. Ohio (9)	37. Washington (7)
8. Florida (2)	18. Michigan (3)	28. North Dakota (1)	38. West Virginia (1)
9. Hawaii (2)	19. Minnesota (1)	29. Oklahoma (2)	39. Wisconsin (3)
10. Idaho (1)	20. Missouri (1)	30. Pennsylvania (13)	40. Wyoming (1)

II. IMPACT ON SERVICES¹

Throughout June, YWCAs who provide domestic violence shelter services, sexual assault and domestic violence hotline services, and housing services have all seen increases in demand for services. YWCA childcare providers have continued to report high rates of closures due to COVID-19.

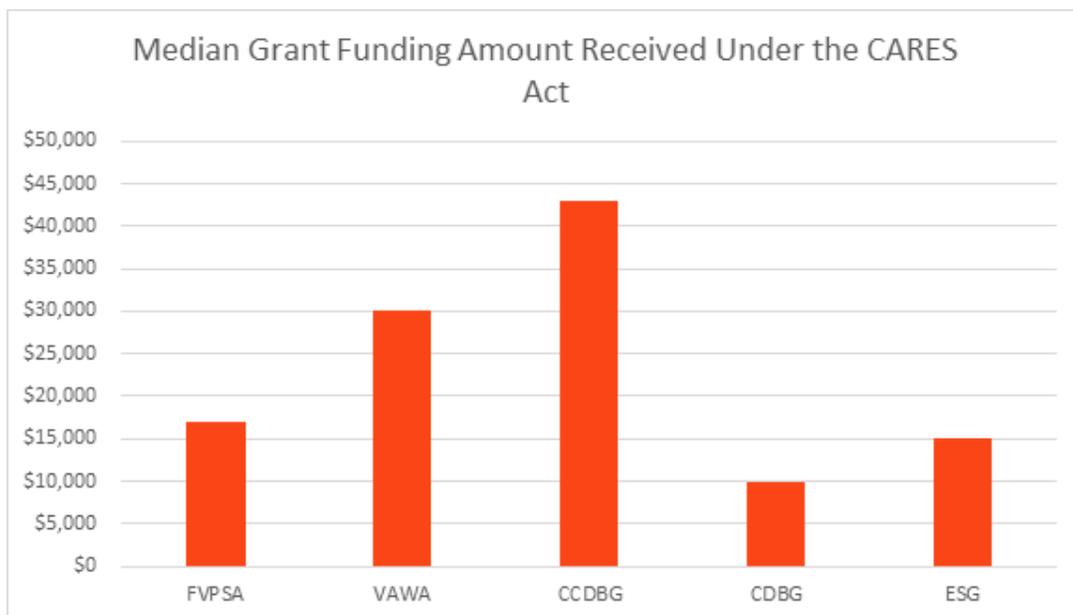
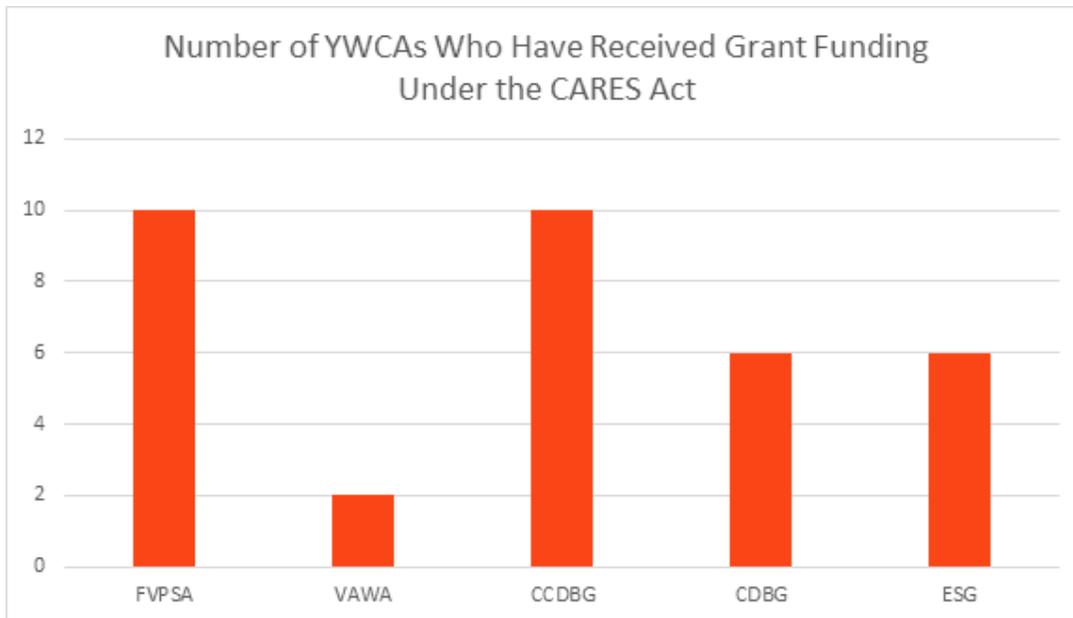


Graph above represents significant impacts for the month of June with respect to: (1) Closure of child care program or facility (32% of YWCA child care providers), (2) Decrease in funding/revenue for childcare services (70% of childcare providers who reported changes), (3) Increased demand for domestic violence hotline services (85% of YWCA DV hotline providers who reported changes), (4) Increased demand for housing/shelter services (58% YWCA housing providers who reported changes), and (5) Increased demand for DV shelter services (79% of YWCA DV shelter providers who reported changes).

¹ Responses to Question: "Impact on Services: Please indicate whether your YWCA has experienced any of the following as a result of the COVID-19 crisis."

III. EMERGENCY GRANT FUNDING²

The CARES Act provided supplemental funding to several federal grant programs related to YWCAs’ service programs. However, most have yet to receive this supplemental funding. As of June 2020, only 22 YWCAs report that they have received any CARES Act funding allocated to housing, domestic and sexual violence services, or childcare centers.



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² Responses to questions: “Has your association received funding from [grant program]?” And, “If yes, please indicate funding amount.”