



**SAN DIEGO  
COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
DISTRICT**

City College • Mesa College • Miramar College  
College of Continuing Education



Real  
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California

# REPORT ON HOUSING AND FOOD INSECURITIES

**FEBRUARY 2024**

# BASIC NEEDS SDCCD & STATEWIDE

SDCCD  
Districtwide

44%

59%

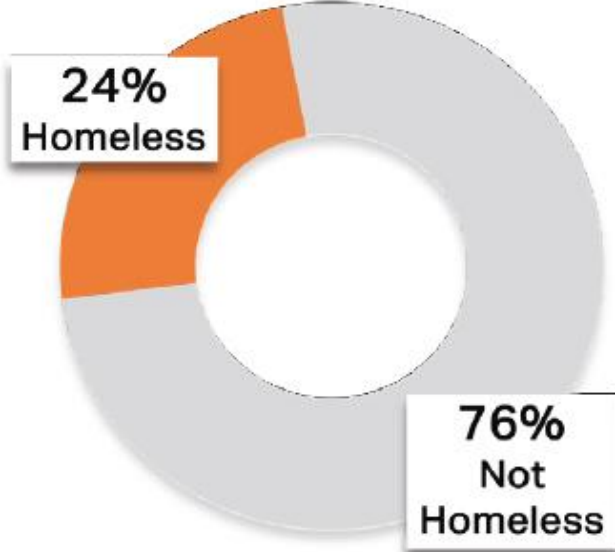
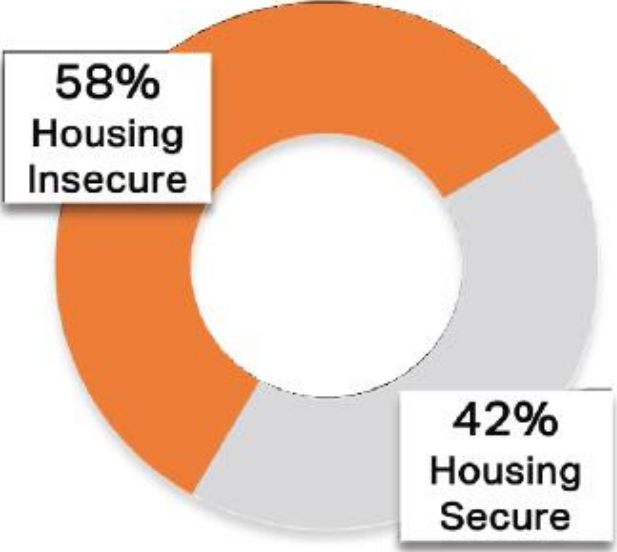
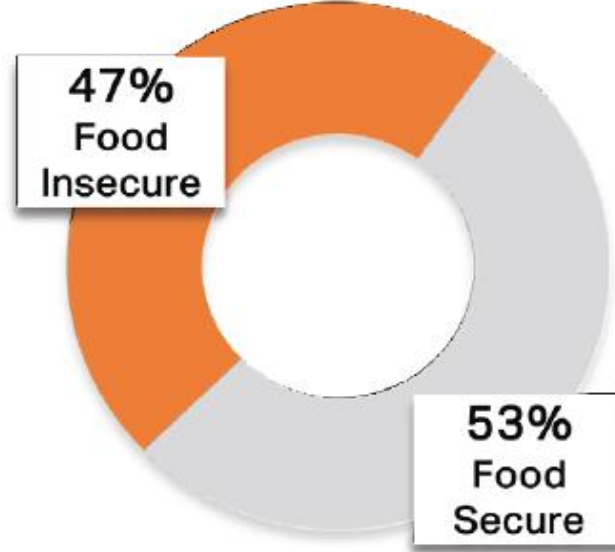
23%

Statewide

47%  
Food Insecurity

58%  
Housing Insecurity

24%  
Homelessness



*Nearly half of survey respondents reported food insecurity*

*3 out of 5 survey respondents reported housing insecurity*

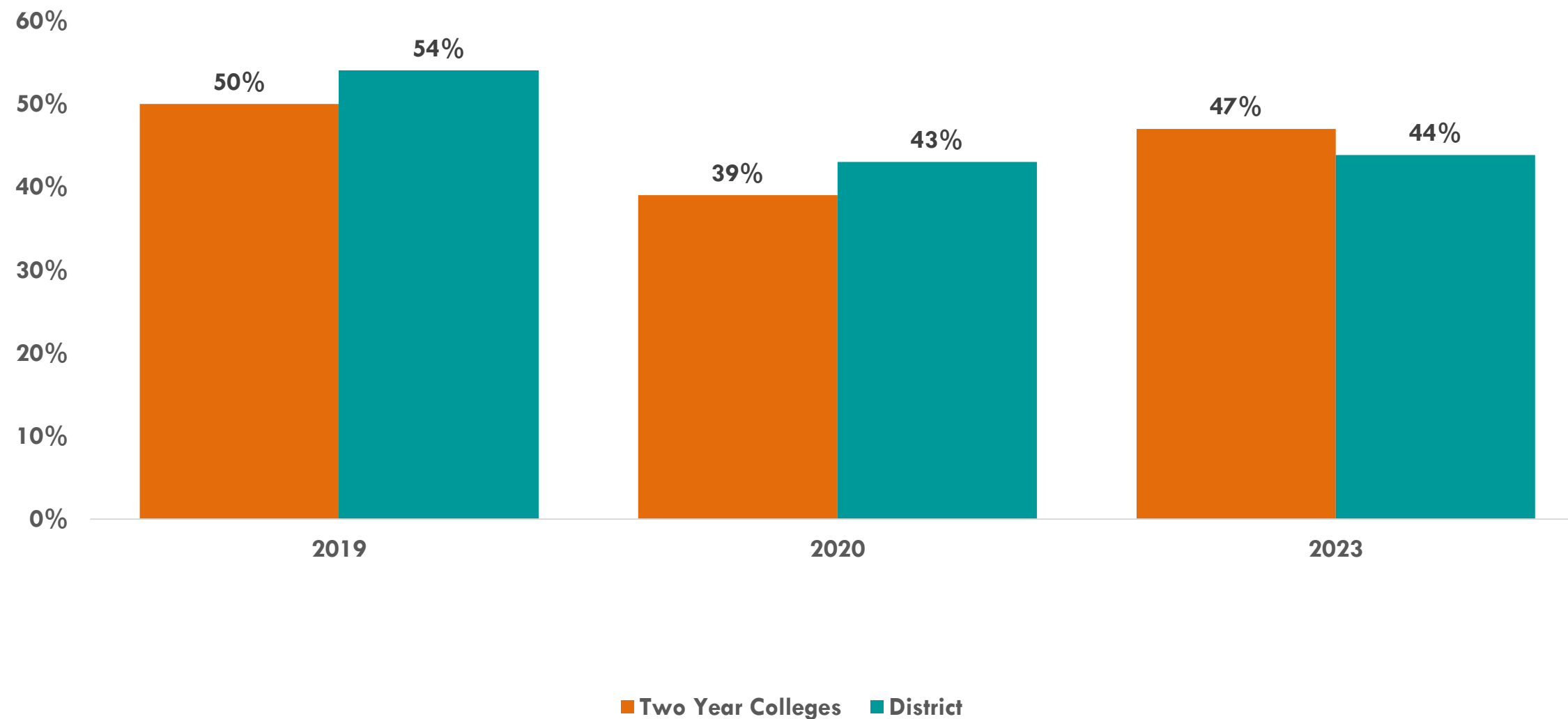
*1 in 4 survey respondents reported being homeless*

District Basic Need Insecurities mirror Statewide Basic Needs Insecurities.

Source: Real College, Spring 2023

# FOOD INSECURITY

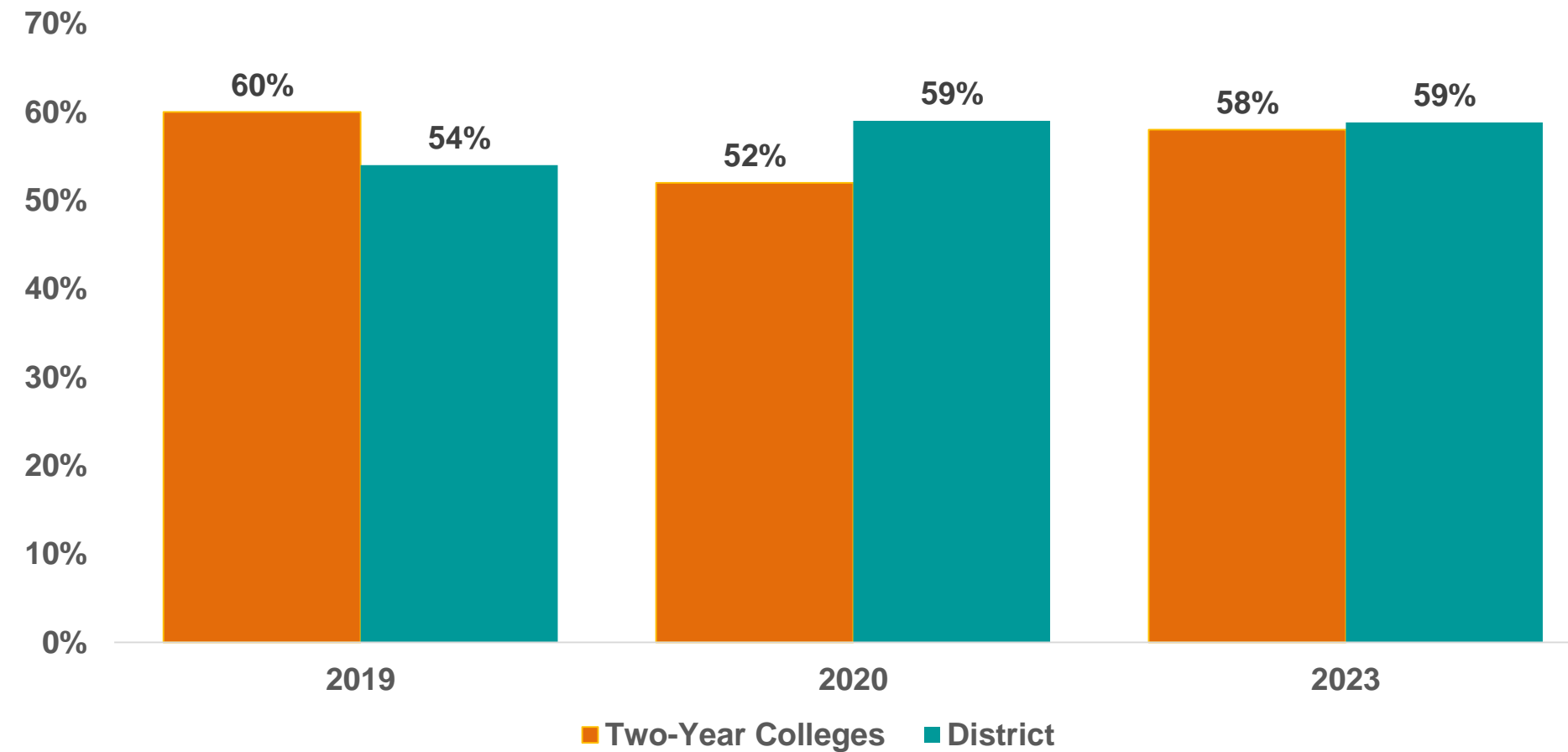
What percentage of SDCCCD survey respondents experienced food insecurity?



While food insecurity across the district has stayed relatively stable between 2020 and 2023, the rates continue to be high.

# HOUSING INSECURITY

How prevalent is housing insecurity amongst SDCCD survey respondents?

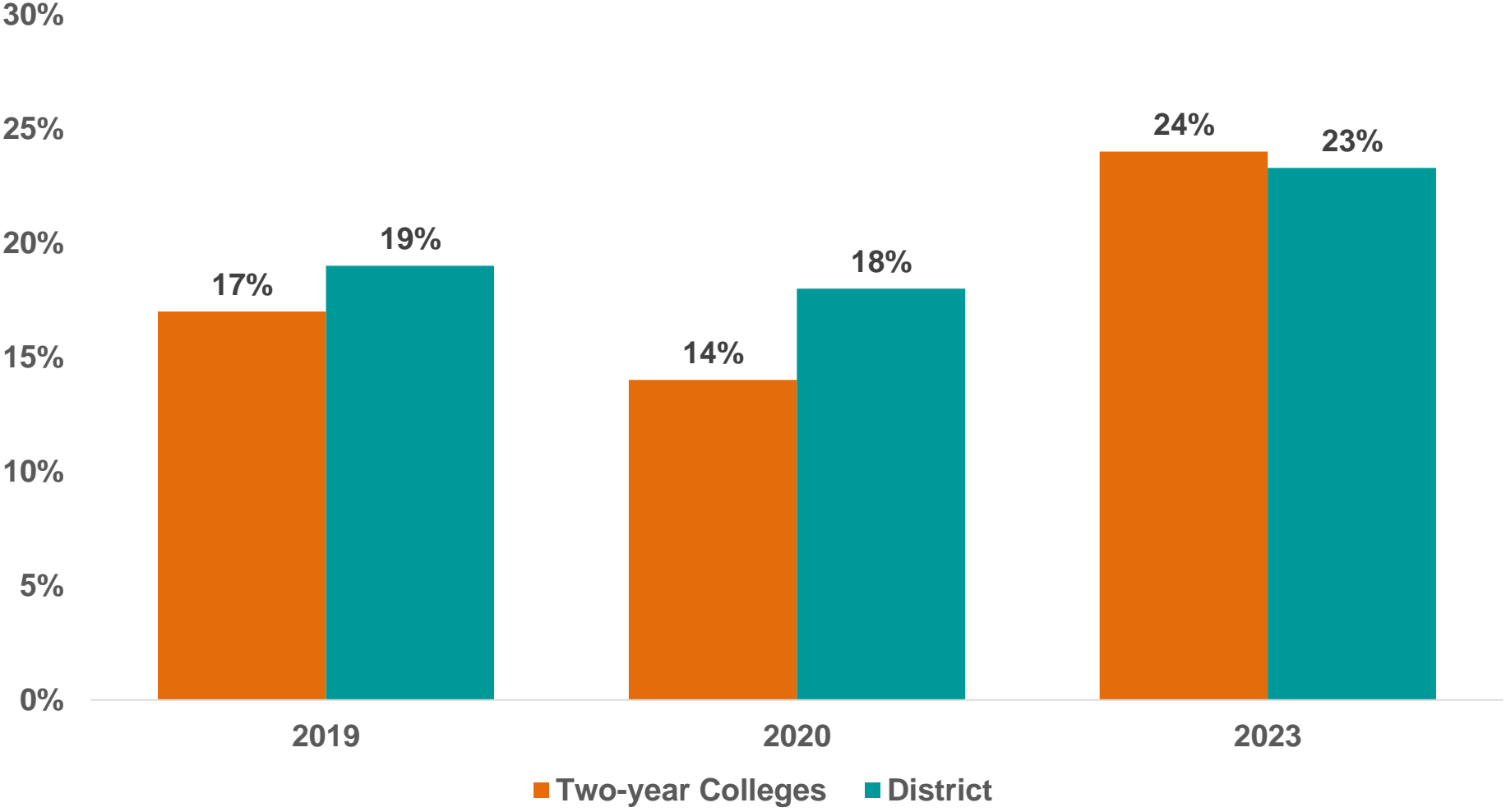


Housing insecurity was stable.

Note: For additional information, see [Real College-Housing and Food Insecurities Survey March 6, 2024 \(page 10\)](#).

# HOMELESSNESS

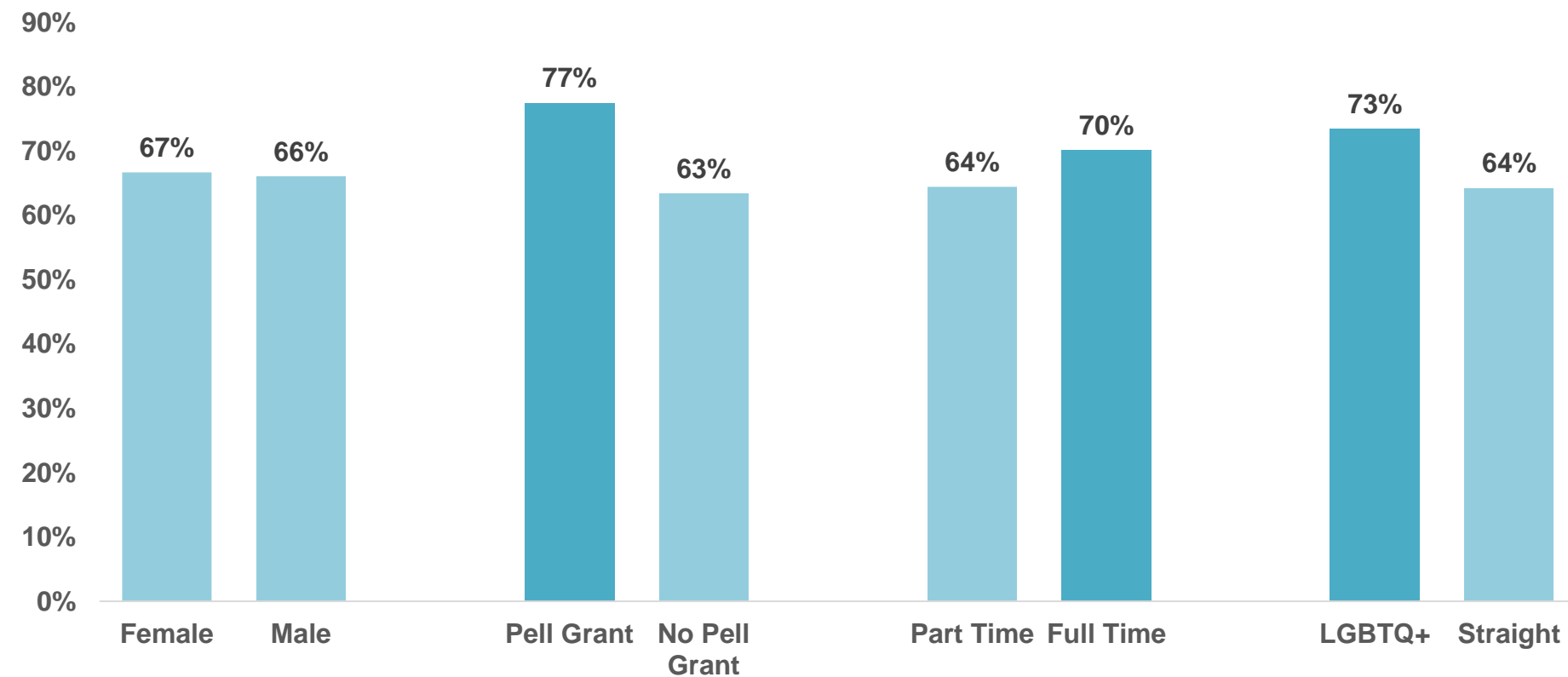
## How prevalent is homelessness amongst SDCCD survey respondents?



Homelessness reports increased across all the colleges and the community colleges in the state.

*Note: For additional information, see [Real College-Housing and Food Insecurities Survey March 6, 2024](#) (page 15).*

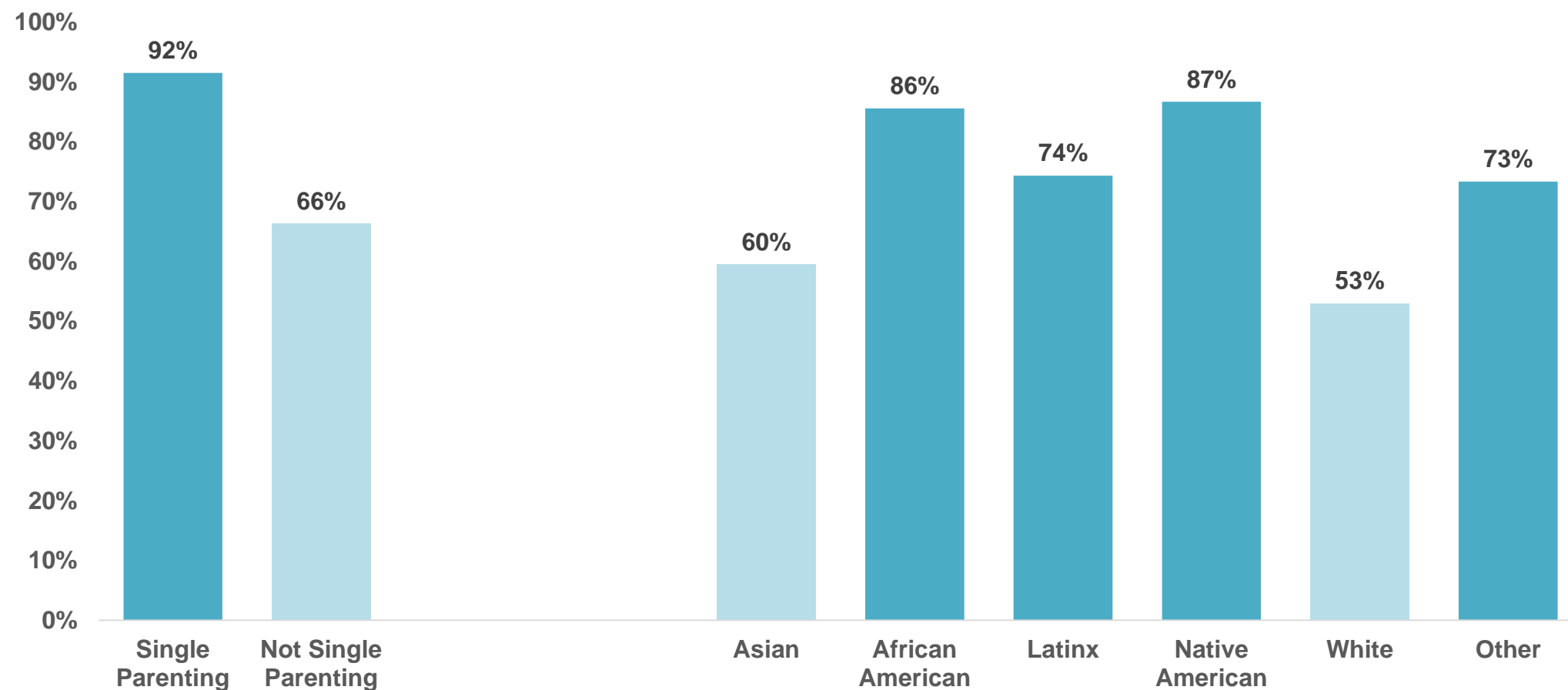
# UNDER-REPRESENTED STUDENTS HAVE LARGE DISPARITIES IN OVERALL BASIC NEEDS



Note: For additional information, see Basic Needs dashboard [here](#).

- There is a 14 percentage point disparity in Basic Needs insecurities for students who receive a Pell Grant.
- LGBTQ+ students are 9 percentage points more likely to have Basic Needs insecurities.

# UNDER-REPRESENTED STUDENTS HAVE LARGE DISPARITIES IN OVERALL BASIC NEEDS



Note: For additional information, see Basic Needs dashboard [here](#).

- Single parenting students are 26 percentage points more likely to have Basic Needs insecurities.
- Native American students, closely followed by African Americans, have the highest rates of Basic Needs insecurities.
- African American and Latinx students have higher rates of Basic Needs insecurities than White and Asian students.

# STATE AND NATIONAL TOTAL POPULATION DATA (NOT STUDENT)

## California

- Statewide, 20% of Californians are food insecure. For San Diego County, this number rises to 23%.
- The bottom income quintile of households in California spend almost 70% of their income on housing.
- There are 171,500 homeless people in the state.

## National

- Food insecurity rates nationwide in 2022 increased to 12.8%, statistically significantly higher than 2021.
- About half of rental households are cost burdened, meaning they spend more than 30% of their income on rent.
- It is estimated that there are 582,000 people that are homeless.

*Notes:*

*Student Basic Needs State national or California 4-year university level since 2019-2020.*

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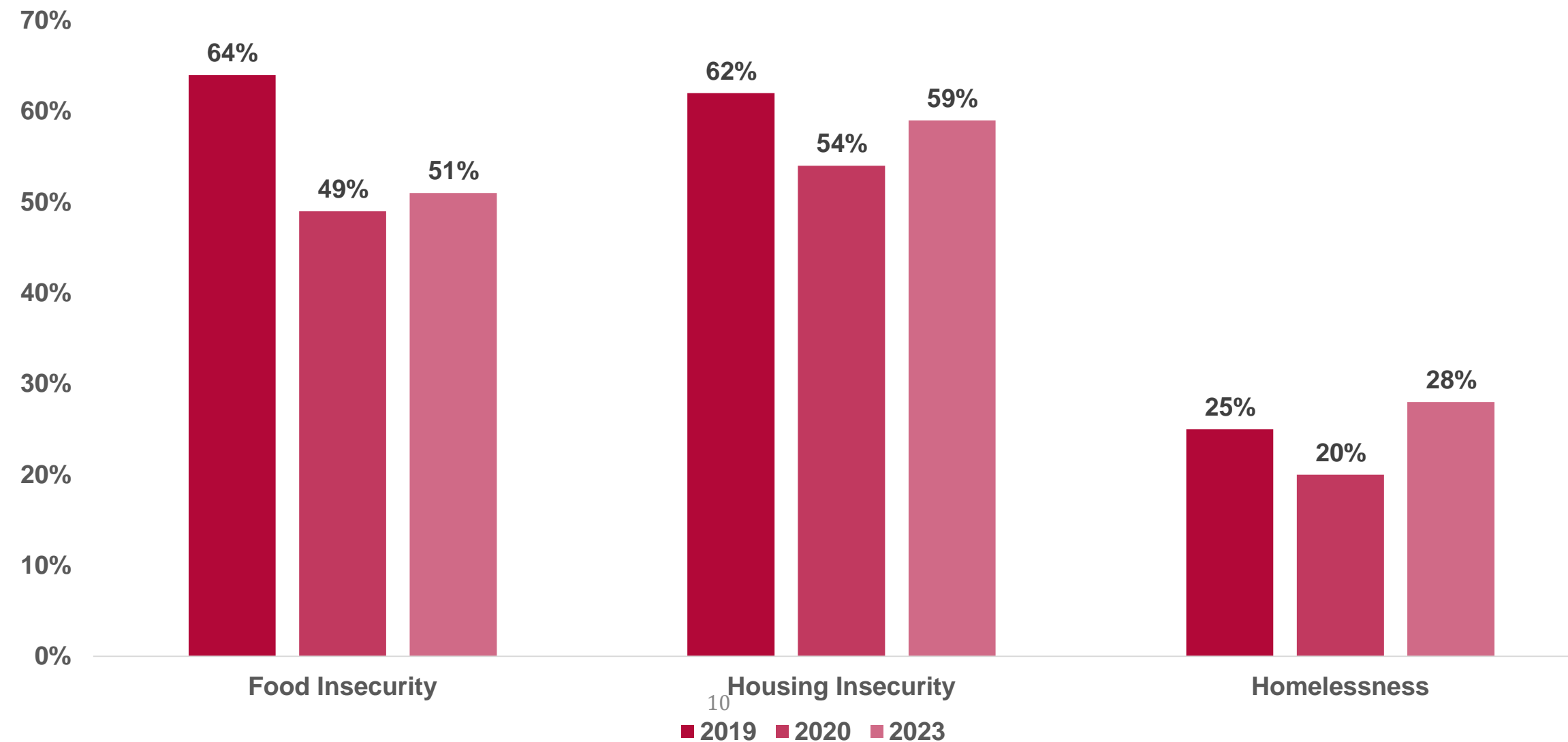
# SUPPORTING STUDENT NEEDS DISTRICTWIDE

Emergency food resources and local resource information are available at all four colleges in the SDCCCD.

Let's review the Individual College Data and Extensive Support Activities . . .



# CITY COLLEGE SURVEY DATA



1. Food Insecurity at City College has increased slightly between 2020 and 2023.
2. Housing Insecurity has increased by 5 percentage points between 2020 and 2023.
3. Homelessness has increased substantially between 2020 and 2023.

# CITY COLLEGE SUPPORT

- ✓ The **Knights' Table Emergency Food Pantry** is a resource on campus for students to access nutritious, ready-to-eat meals or snacks along with hygiene products, diapers, and period supplies.
- ✓ **Welcome Home City** provides resources and services to homeless and housing insecure students as the regional recipient of the statewide **Homeless and Housing Insecurity Program** (HHIP).
- ✓ The **Basic Needs Center** provides **emergency food support** through Grocery Gift Cards .
- ✓ Provide **Emergency Aid Assistance** via ECMC to students via emergency grants.
- ✓ Support students with the purchase of text books and school supplies through **Bookstore gift cards or Jim Sinegal Book Fund**.
- ✓ Support students with their **transportation needs** by covering the cost of an **MTS pass or parking permit or gas card**.
- ✓ Groundbreaking ceremony took place in October 2023 where the **affordable student housing apartment complex** with 800 beds will be built. It is expected to open in **Fall 2028**.



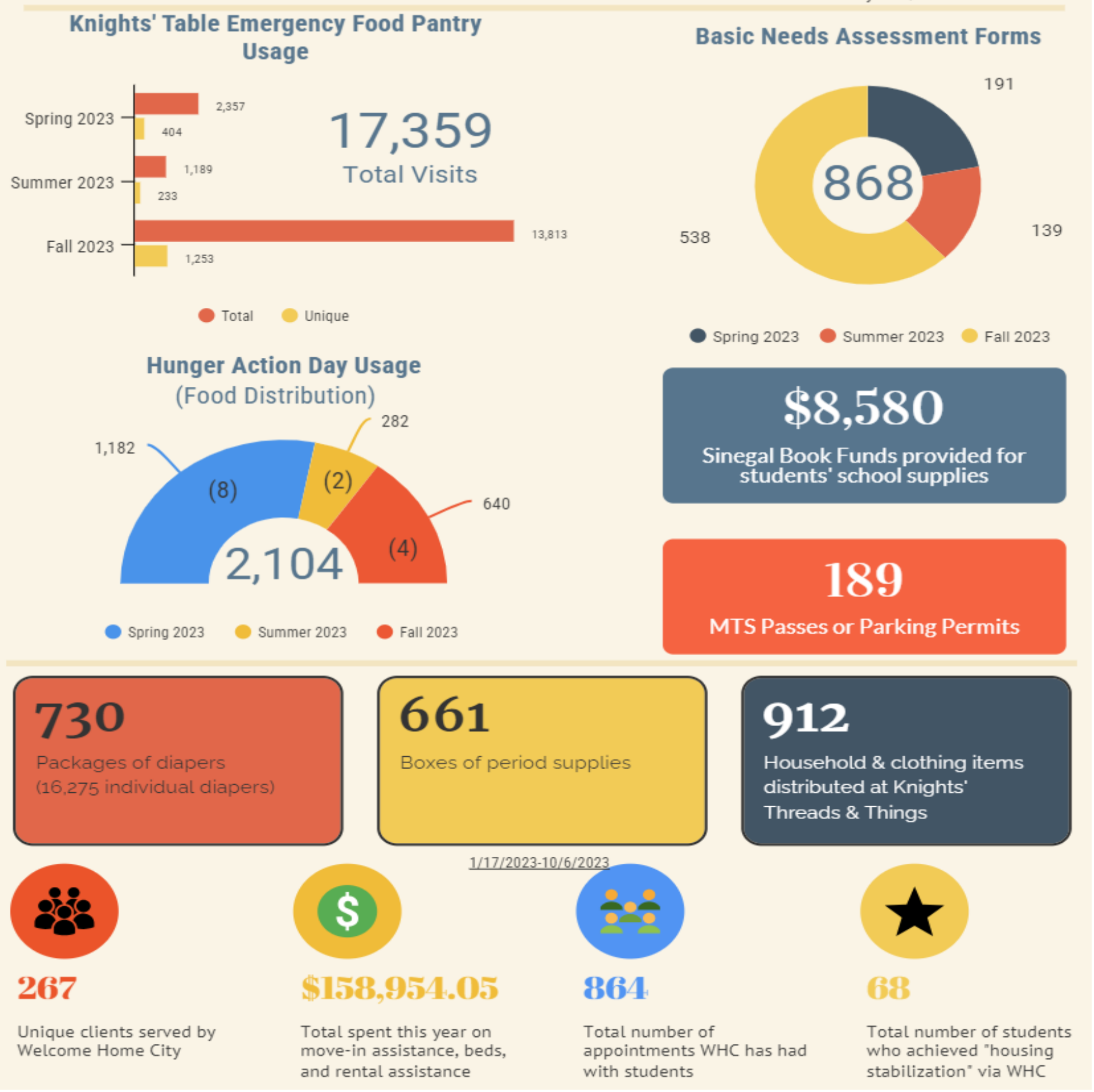
# CITY COLLEGE SUPPORT

- ✓ Member of the **County Regional task force on Homeless.**
- ✓ **Knights' Threads & Things** provides free everyday clothing and household items for students.
- ✓ **Hosts Hunger Action Days** on campus which is a free food distribution for students, staff, faculty, and community members.
- ✓ Supports students with applying for **CalFresh** or checking on their benefits.

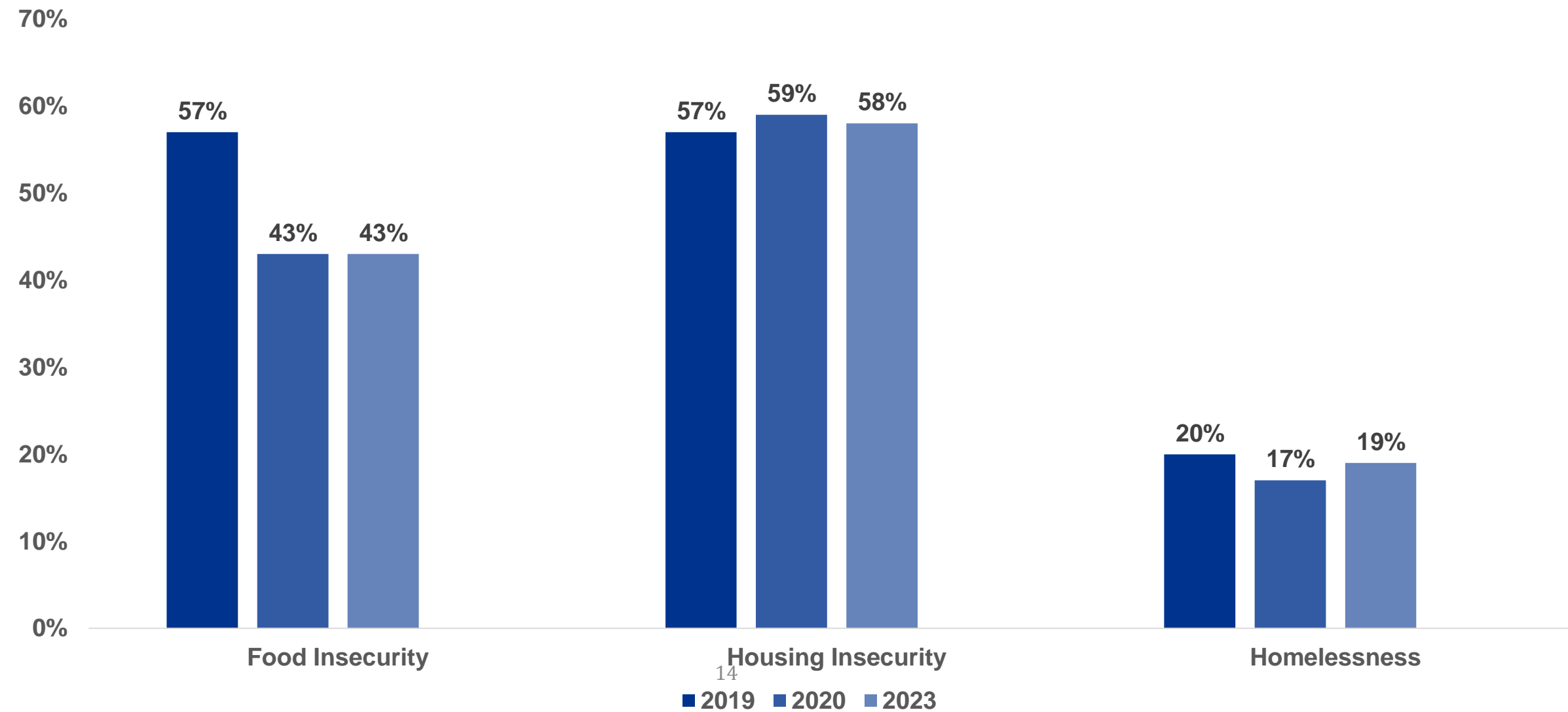


# CITY COLLEGE SUPPORT DATA

## Basic Needs Center Data 2023



# MESA COLLEGE SURVEY DATA



1. Food Insecurity at Mesa College is stable between 2020 and 2023.
2. Housing Insecurity has decreased by 1 percentage point between 2020 and 2023.
3. Homelessness has increased slightly over the past two survey administrations.

# MESA COLLEGE SUPPORT

- ✓ **The Stand – Dr. Pamela T. Luster Resource Center** provides an emergency food pantry, professional clothing, basic needs counseling with direct student support, workshops and large scale food distributions twice a month.
- ✓ **Resiliency Grants** – Beginning Fall 2023 The Stand will provide emergency grants up to \$500 for students experiencing unexpected/unforeseen emergencies.
- ✓ **Project Success** – In partnership with ECMC and SD Mesa Associated Students, we provide emergency grants of up to \$500 to students experiencing unexpected/unforeseen emergencies.
- ✓ **Service Cards**- The Stand continues to provide service cards for food, transportation, and toiletries through our Basic Needs Application process.
- ✓ **Bus Passes** – With the support of COVID-19 and/or Retention Funds we are able to support Mesa students with bus passes.
- ✓ **Lactation Pods** – The Stand wrote for funding from Retention/COVID funds for 2 Mamava Lactation pods for campus.



# MESA COLLEGE SUPPORT

- ✓ **Student Parent Work** – Beginning in 2021, a team from San Diego Mesa College was accepted into Generation Hope’s Family U program and have begun creating a workplan to focus on student parents with an equity lens. With this program, we have a student parent fellow paid for by Generation Hope. We partner with CARE and CalWORKs.
- ✓ **Hunger and Homeless Awareness Week/ Thanksgiving Meal** – Through a partnership with Mesa Associated Students and Mesa Culinary, The Stand continues to help fund the annual Thanksgiving meal for students. The Stand partnered with Student Affairs to highlight Hunger and Homeless Awareness week by creating bags with toiletries, a fuzzy large blanket, and \$25 grocery cards.
- ✓ **Fresh Success** – The Stand is ready to launch a fresh success program on campus to provide even more support specifically for students enrolled in CTE courses who are CalFresh eligible.
- ✓ **Lottery Funds** – Working with lottery funds to provide housing vouchers to students in need.
- ✓ **Molina Grants** – Provided Dreamer Students with transportation grants in the Fall of 2023.



**GENERATION HOPE  
FAMILY U**

**THE Stand**  
SAN DIEGO MESA COLLEGE  
The Dr. Pamela T. Luster  
Resource Center

## Campus Visit!

Monday November 13, 2023 9am–4pm  
Location TBD

Agenda:

- Breakfast 8:30am
- Welcome Introduction 9–9:30am
  - Open to all
- Mesa Accomplishments 9:30–10:45am
  - Open to all
- Break 15min
- Student Parent Panel 11am–12pm
- Lunch 12–1pm
- Campus tour 1–2pm





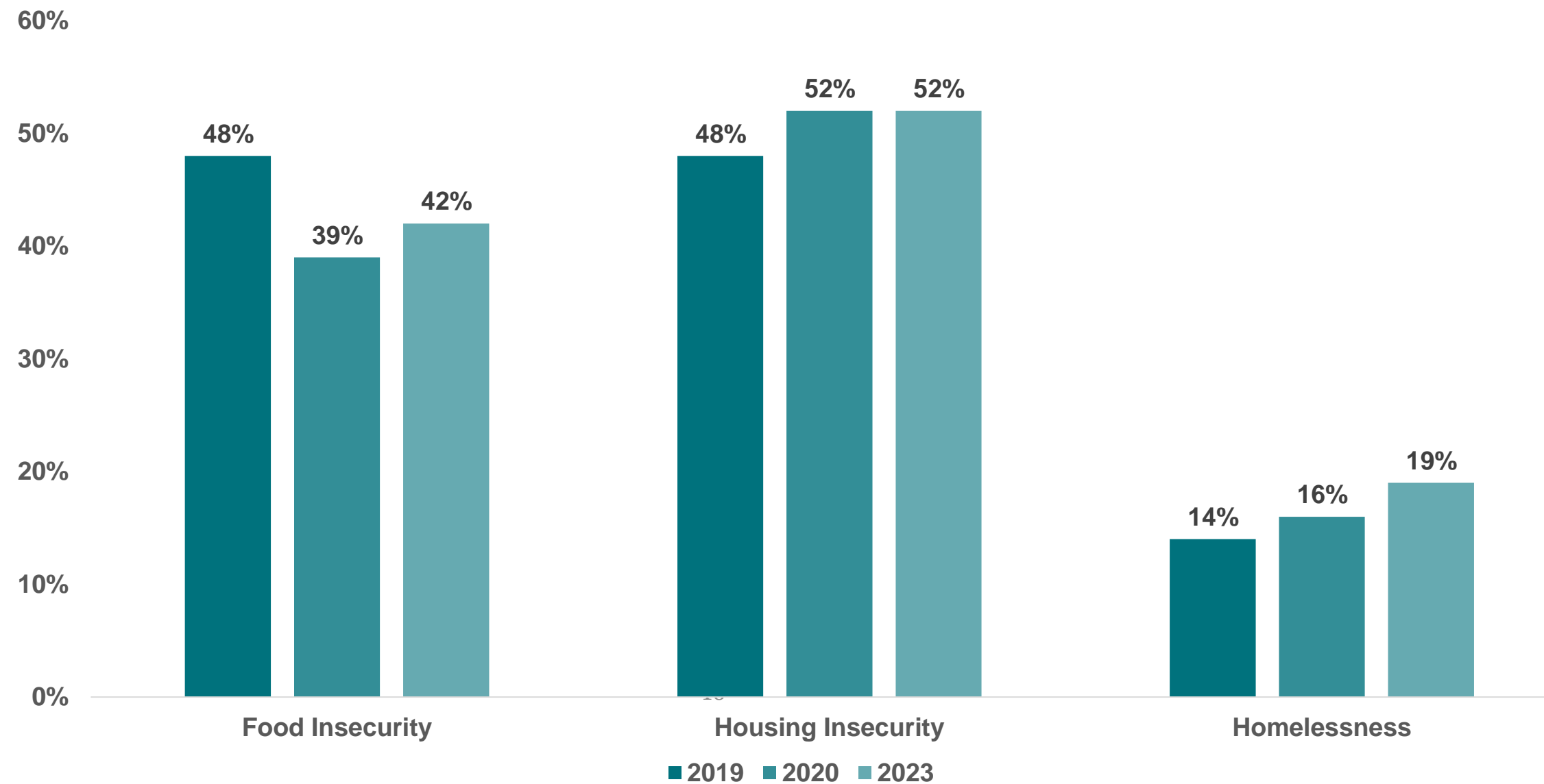
# MESA COLLEGE SUPPORT DATA

**During the 2022-2023 academic year, we were able to achieve the following:**

- ✓ Served 533 students through Basic Needs Case management with Direct Student Supports.
- ✓ Served 1,982 students at The Stand Food Pantry and Clothing Closet
- ✓ Provided transportation assistance (bus pass or gas cards) to 457 students
- ✓ Through ECMC Project Success we were able to provide 21 students with Emergency Aid
- ✓ We provided 2 food distributions a month providing fresh produce to 500+ campus community members



# MIRAMAR COLLEGE SURVEY DATA



1. Food Insecurity at Miramar College increased between 2020 and 2023.
2. Housing Insecurity was stable between 2020 and 2023.
3. Homelessness has increased over the past two survey administrations.

# MIRAMAR COLLEGE SUPPORT

- ✓ **The Jet Fuel Pantry** has partnered with Feeding San Diego's Retail Rescue program to receive high quality, fresh produce and other items which may have otherwise ended up being thrown away. These items are distributed daily in our Jet Fuel Pantry for food-insecure students and their families.
- ✓ The **Jet Fuel Resource Center** has partnered with the Miramar College Library to make the Laptop Lending program more accessible to students- student can now access a laptop immediately at the Jet Fuel Resource Center.
- ✓ Initiated a new partnership with **Farmer's Fridge**, a healthy food service that will allow further access to nutritious foods for our students.
- ✓ Collaborated with college leadership to develop the **Impact Fund** within the Miramar College Foundation to directly support students through emergency funding



# MIRAMAR COLLEGE SUPPORT

## Services include:

- ✓ A robust food pantry where students can regularly access free and nutritious meals, snacks, and pantry goods.
- ✓ Bi-weekly farmers market food distribution events
- ✓ Clothing closet with both casual and professional options
- ✓ Hygiene support program
- ✓ Technology assistance
- ✓ Transportation support (MTA Bus Passes)
- ✓ Housing navigation
- ✓ Internal and community resource referrals to address homelessness and mental health services
- ✓ Emergency funding.



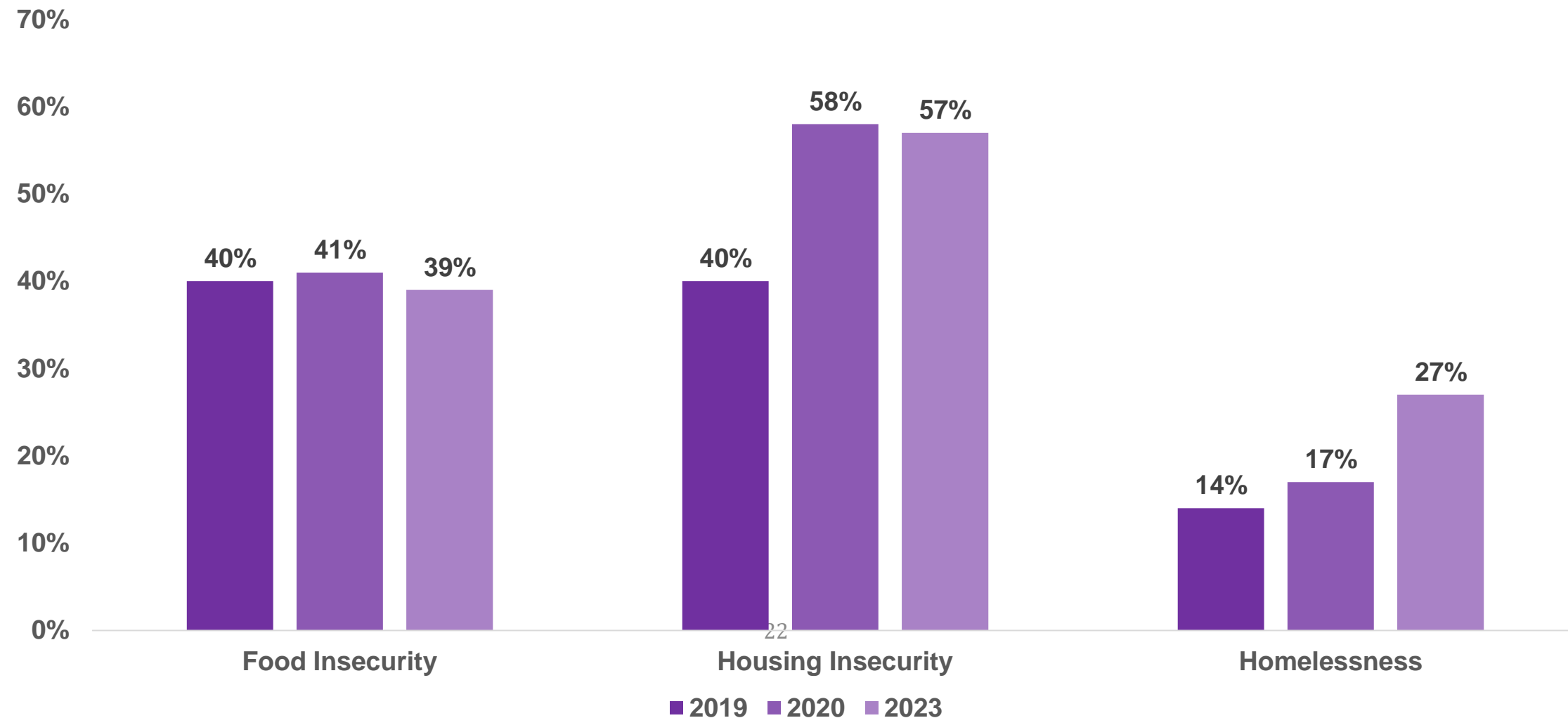
# MIRAMAR COLLEGE SUPPORT DATA

During the 2022-2023 academic year, we were able to achieve the following:

- ✓ Served roughly 6,823 students at our **Jet Fuel Resource Center**
- ✓ Served 5,632 students at the **Jet Fuel Pantry** (Students can visit once a day)
- ✓ Served 1,191 individuals at our **Really, Really Free Farmers Market**
- ✓ Distributed 62,500 pounds of food/meals
  - ✓ 42,000 pounds in the **Jet Fuel Pantry**
  - ✓ 20,500 at our **Farmer's Market**
- ✓ Provided laptops to 200 students
- ✓ Provided **CalFresh** Information to over 500 students
- ✓ Provide **Emergency Grants** to approximately 50 students
- ✓ Hosted the County's **"Live Well on Wheel" Bus** on campus 6 times



# COLLEGE OF CONTINUING EDUCATION SURVEY DATA



1. Food Insecurity at the College of Continuing Education decreased slightly between 2020 and 2023.
2. Housing Insecurity had a slight decrease between 2020 and 2023.
3. Homelessness has substantially increased over the past two survey administrations.

# COLLEGE OF CONTINUING EDUCATION SUPPORT

- ✓ **Commitment to Accessible Resources for Educational Support (CARES) Program**, launched in Spring 2023
  - ✓ The **SDCCE CARES Program** provides direct support to students in the form of free clothing, personal hygiene items, food and transportation gift cards, and referrals to SDCCE's additional support services including BeWell.
  - ✓ **SDCCE CARES Marketplace** reconvened to provide no cost food and personal hygiene items to SDCCE students.
  - ✓ **SDCCE CARES Marketplace** recertified partnerships with the **San Diego Food Bank** and **Feeding San Diego** to provide more food resources for our students and the Marketplace.
  - ✓ **SDCCE CARES** partnered with **Project New Village Mobile Farmers Market** to support 25 Basic Needs students with weekly vouchers for organic fruits and vegetables.
  - ✓ **SDCCE CARES Marketplace** provided no cost snacks and lunches to over 3,000 students in the first two months of the Fall '23 semester.
- ✓ **CalFresh** Outreach Specialist provides application assistance for new and existing CalFresh cases



# COLLEGE OF CONTINUING EDUCATION SUPPORT

- ✓ **Transportation and Other Basic Needs** grants awarded to support close to 100 of our basic needs students
- ✓ **The Source** provides a comprehensive online community resource guide to support students
- ✓ **United Taxi Workers of San Diego** partnership coming soon to provide vouchers to basic needs students for transportation
- ✓ In collaboration with Enrollment Services, **over 100 basic needs students** received a laptop in the Fall '23 semester





# COLLEGE OF CONTINUING EDUCATION SUPPORT DATA

**During the 2022-2023\* academic year, we were able to achieve the following:**

- ✓ Served **832** students through the CARES program with housing, food, personal hygiene/clothing, technology resources, mental health referrals, or transportation support
- ✓ Served **6,825** students at the Marketplace food pantry
- ✓ Provided **168** laptops to basic needs students
- ✓ Provided transportation assistance to **111** students in the form of bus passes, gas cards, or Uber cards to assist with transportation to and from the college

\*Please note that the SDCCE CARES program did not launch until Spring 2023.





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# Resources

- [Real College-Housing and Food Insecurities Survey](#)
- [Basic Needs Dashboard](#)



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