

## MINNESOTA JUDICIAL BRANCH HENNEPIN COUNTY MODEL DRUG COURT FACT SHEET

**PROGRAM MISSION:** The mission of the Hennepin County Drug Court is to increase public safety, improve chemical health, and reduce crime by targeting the population of chemically dependent felony property and drug offenders who are at high risk to re-offend. A coordinated and comprehensive approach will be used to facilitate short and long term behavioral change.

Between 2007 and 2019, there have been 1,196 admissions to Model Drug Court (MDC).

## ·····PROGRAM GOALS ······



Reduce Criminal Recidivism<sup>a</sup>

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Have no new convictions

2017 completers who did not recidivate within two vears\*\*

67%



Increase Community Engagement 44%

during the program\*

Have an increase in housing stability during MDC\*

46%

Have an increase in their employment level during MDC\*



Reduce Illegal Chemical Use 246

Average days of chemical dependency treatment during MDC \*

86%

Percentage of total negative probation issued drug tests\*

## 2018 PARTICIPANT SURVEY

93% of participants surveyed agreed they would recommend Model Drug Court to a friend in a similar situation.

"My drug of choice is killing people so it was extremely important for me to get into MDC and treatment. If it weren't for this, I'd probably be dead."

"[MDC provides] the encouragement and accountability to make positive life changes. They believed in me when I didn't believe in myself."

## 2019 KEY PROGRAM METRICS

139 Total participants†

19 to 70 age range of participants†

48%
Participants from communities of color†

87%
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Have a severe Substance Use Disorder† 21.9

Average months in MDC†



63% men 37% women†



65% enter for drug felony 35% enter for property felony†



46% Graduate\*

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