

SEPTEMBER 2023

BRIDGE CENTER FACILITY HIGHLIGHTS



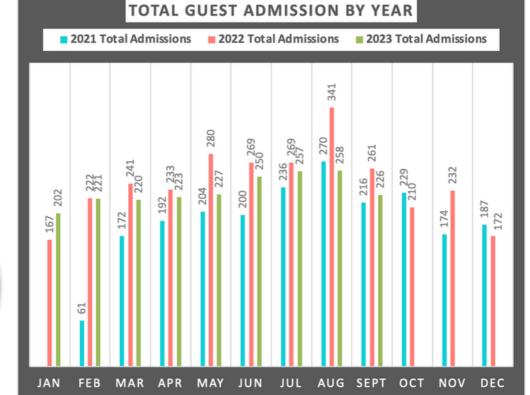


In September, the Bridge Center for Hope actively participated in the 6th Annual Suicide Prevention Summit organized by the Louisiana Department of Veteran Affairs. The goal was to increase awareness about suicide and emphasize the resources that are available within the community to veterans. Additionally, the Bridge Center's executive director took part in the Safe Hopeful Healthy Baton Rouge community canvassing event to raise awareness of the program initiative aimed at ending gun violence in Baton Rouge.

In the month of September, the facility had a total of 239 guest presentations, resulting in 226 admissions. There were a total of 206 distinct guests, and the monthly readmission rate was 12%. Guests will be considered readmitted if they are served within 30 days of their discharge.

Since the facility opened, there have been a total of 7,490 guest presentations and 7,122 admissions.

Here is a comparison of admissions by month and year.







MONTHLY REPORT

September Demographics

In September, a total of 195 residents from East Baton Rouge Parish received treatment, with an additional 31 individuals coming from outside the parish. Since the opening of the facility, a combined total of 6,014 residents from East Baton Rouge Parish and 1,108 individuals from outside the parish have received services.

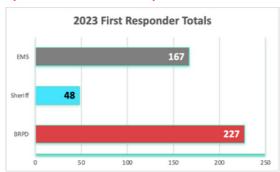
The Bridge Center accepts payment in all forms. In September, 81% of the guests were insured through Medicaid, while 16% received funding from the Bridge Center. The remaining 3% were covered by Medicare and private insurers. Parish funding is exclusively available to residents of East Baton Rouge Parish.

In September, 80% of the guests were male, while the remaining 20% were female. Furthermore, the data revealed that 65% of the guests identified as black, 30% identified as white, and the remaining 4% were categorized as other.

Walk-ins remain the most common method of admission for guests, providing direct access. In September, there were a total of 187 direct entries, with 52 of them being escorted by first responders. The average response time for first responders remains consistently below 5 minutes, specifically at 2.50 minutes for September.

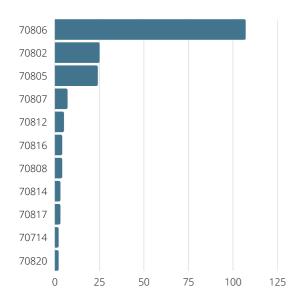
The graphic below shows the top three stats of first responders escorted by the department.

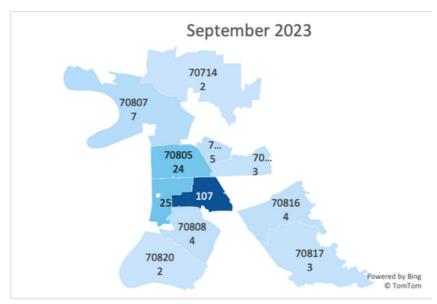




Area Demographics

The map represents the top zip codes served for September 2023 in East Baton Rouge Parish.







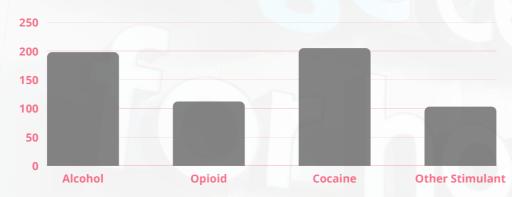
MONTHLY REPORT

In September, a total of 142 guests, accounting for 63% of the total, sought mental health care. Additionally, 83 guests, representing 37% of the total, received treatment for substance use. Forty-four percent of the guests seeking treatment have a dual diagnosis.

The pie chart illustrates the breakdown of mental health and substance use services received in 2023, represented as percentages.



In September, the four substances that were most commonly treated were cocaine (29%), stimulants (22%), opioids (18%), and alcohol (16%).



The chart depicts treatment by substance type and the treatment obtained for substance use during 2023.

Due to Bridge Center's no-wrong-door policy, everyone over the age of 18 is welcome to seek assistance, regardless of entrance type. Below is September's admittance sources.

