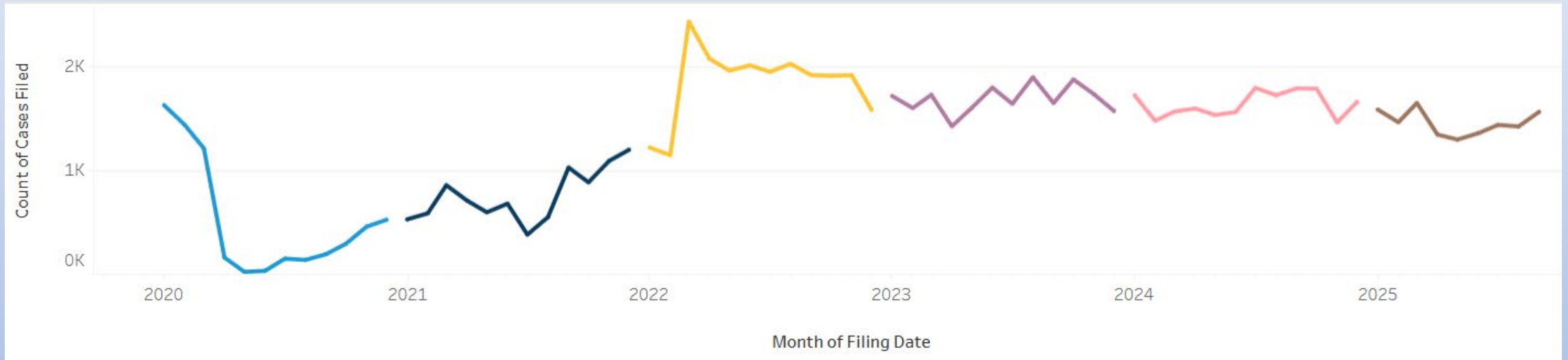


# Connecticut Right to Counsel Update

November 21, 2025



# Filing Trends - Statewide



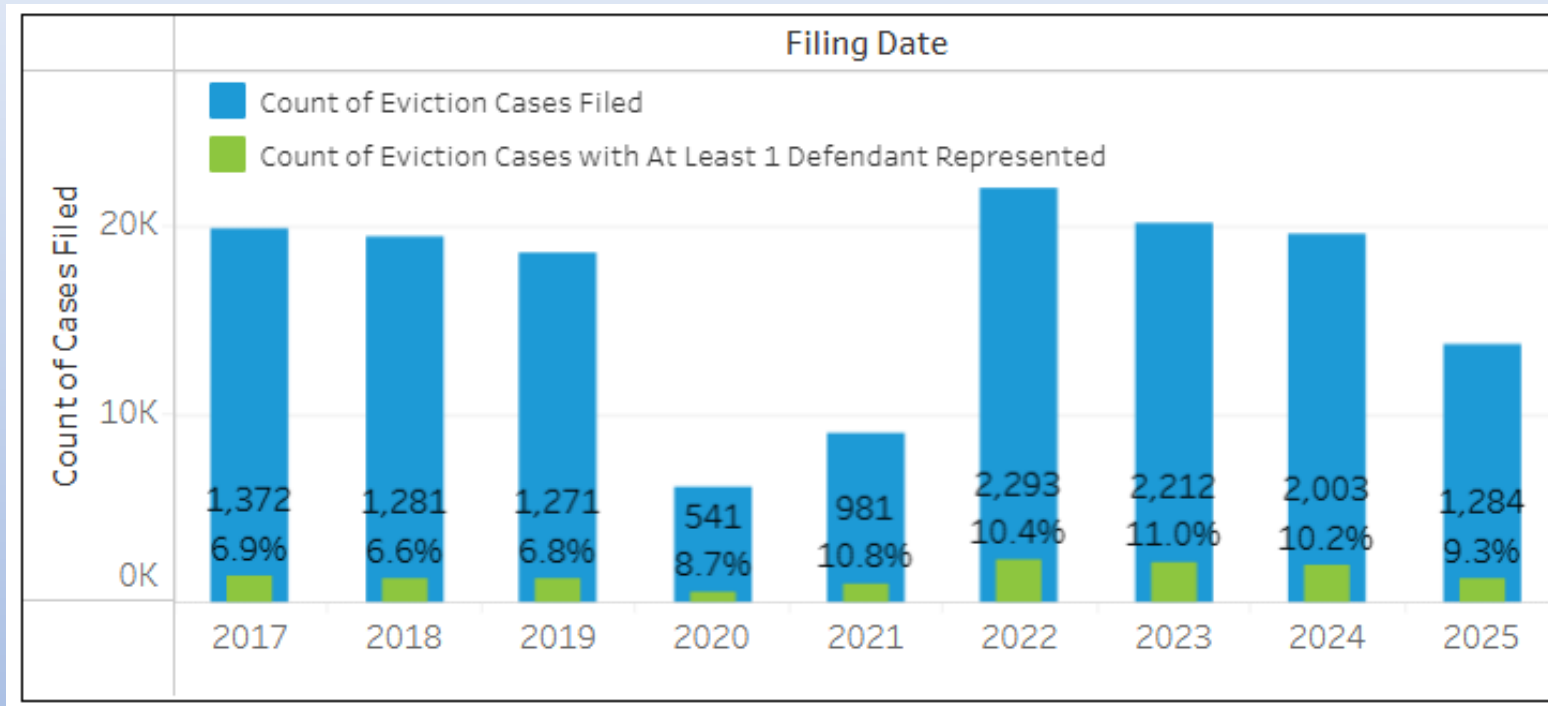
2022 Eviction Filings: 22,094

2023 Eviction Filings: 20,183

2024 Eviction Filings : 19,617

**2025 Eviction Filings: 13,044 (through September 30, 2025)**

# Defendant Representation Rate



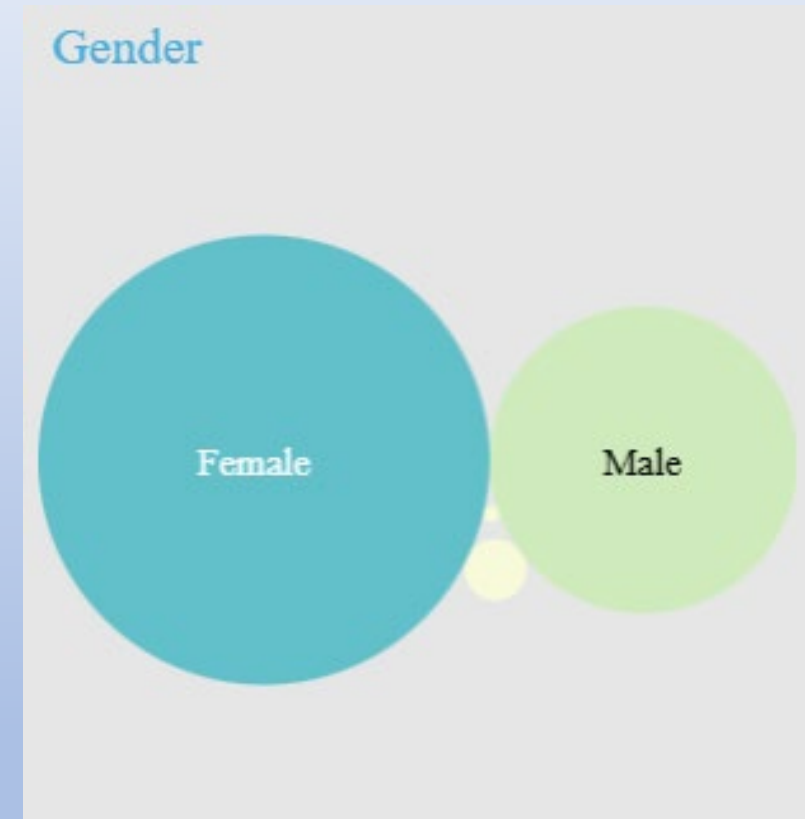
## RTC Representation Rate

\*2025 data through Sept. 30, 2025

# Client Demographic Information

(1/31/2022 – 9/30/2025)

- **8,928** clients received services
  - 5,602 referred for full representation
- **Race and Ethnicity**
  - 3,552 Black; 2,851 Hispanic; 1,481 White
- **Gender**
  - 67% female, 31% male, <1% transgender (1% not specified)
- **Disability**
  - 45% of clients report some type of disability in the home
- **72%** of cases represent clients at 0-30% of the state median income



# Reasons for Filing Stated in Notice

(Multiple reasons may be stated in one notice)

- **48%** of filings state **0 reasons**
- When reasons were stated, **non-payment** or lapse in payment were most commonly stated
- **Serious Nuisance** is stated as a reason in only **3%** of filings
- **Job loss** or reduction in hours is the most common reason for non-payment

## Frequency of Reasons Stated in Notice

|                               |                  |
|-------------------------------|------------------|
| Nonpayment                    | Serious Nuisance |
| 77.0%                         | 3.0%             |
| Lapse                         | Lease Violation  |
| 24.6%                         | 7.8%             |
| Right to Privilege Terminated | Nuisance         |
| 18.7%                         | 3.0%             |
| No Right or Privilege         | Other            |
| 14.9%                         | 2.2%             |

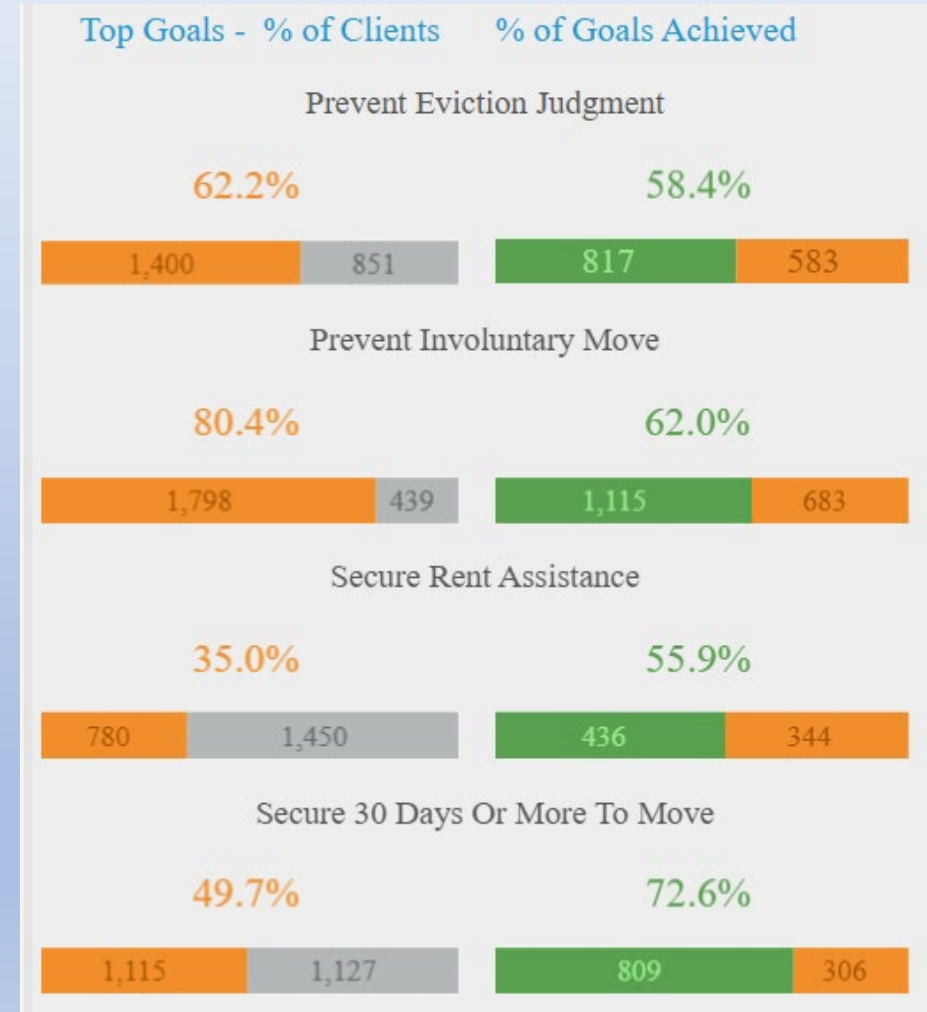
# Rent Assistance & Achievement of Client Goals

- Legal Service Providers have shared that lack of access to eviction prevention funds **significantly constrains their ability to assist clients**
- As noted, non- or lapse in payment is a top reason for eviction, and **these funds often help attorneys reach a resolution with landlords that would not be possible otherwise**
- Securing rent assistance is named as a top goal in **35%** of cases



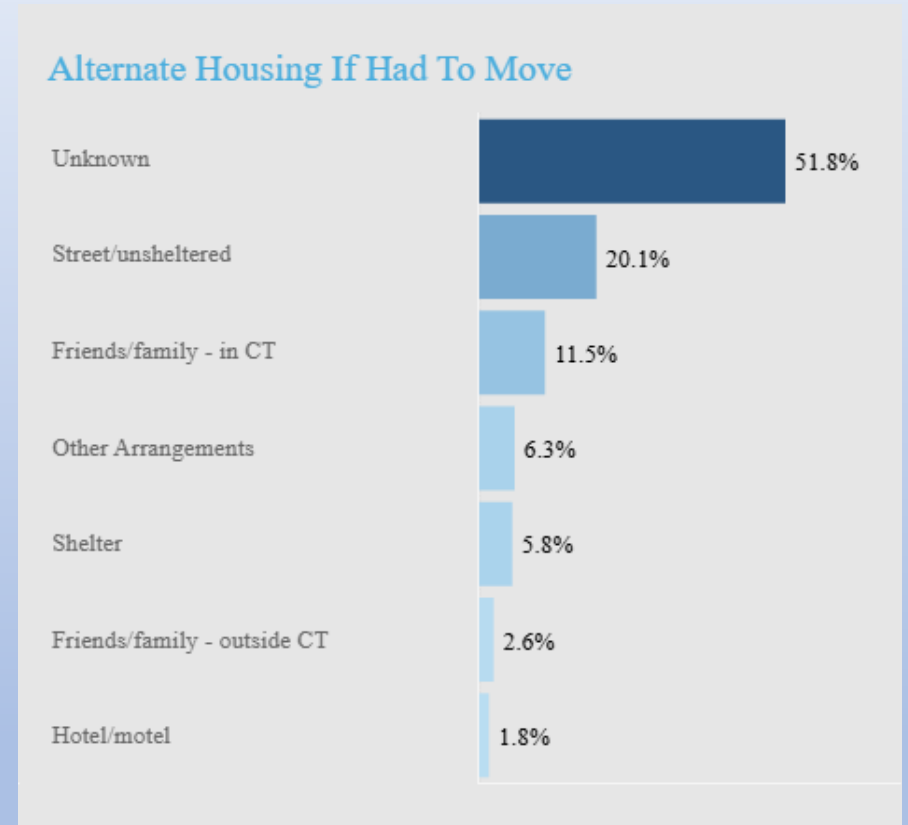
# Achievement of Client Goals

- **80%** of clients named **preventing an involuntary move** as a top goal
- RTC representation helped **achieve this goal for 62%** of those clients
- **50%** of clients named **securing more time (1 month+) to move** as a top goal
- RTC representation helped **achieve this goal for 73%** of those clients



# Achievement of Client Goals

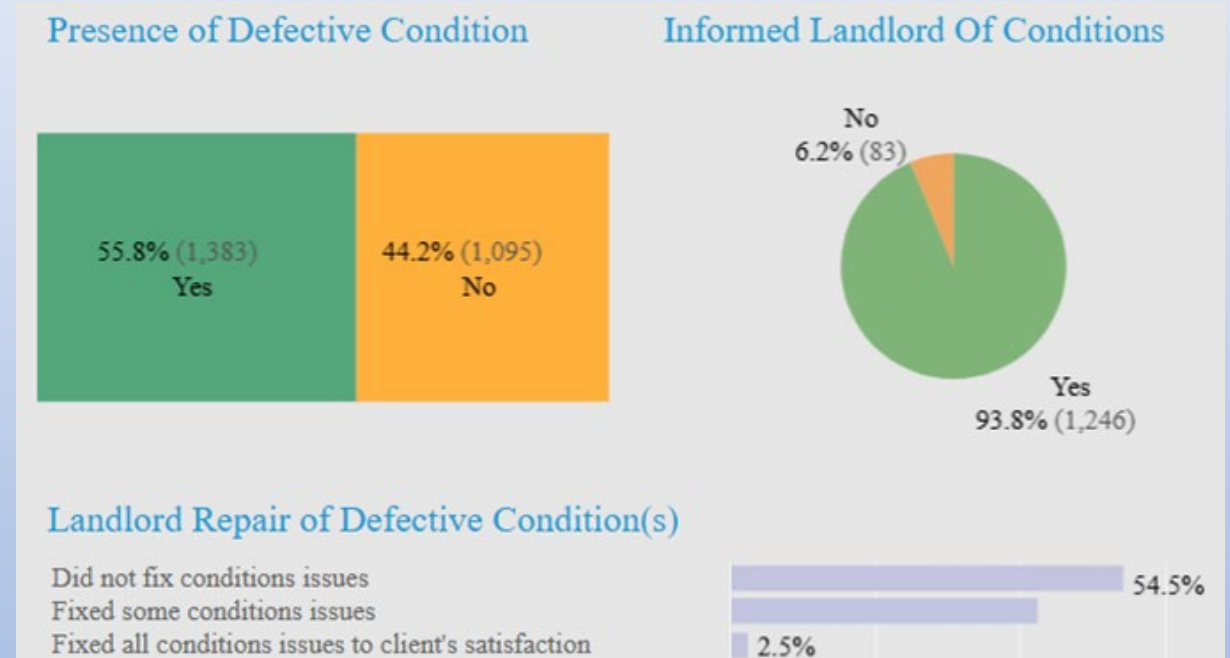
- Achieving these goals is extremely impactful for clients: **52% don't know where they would go** if forced to move, and another **20% would experience unsheltered homelessness**
- **75%** of clients wish to stay in their current home
- **58%** of clients have lived in their current home for 3 years or more





# Presence of Defective Conditions

- **Over half** of clients report defective conditions, including:
  - Pest infestation (52%)
  - Mold (28%)
  - Plumbing (33%)
  - Heat (17%)
  - Lead (3%)
- **94% have reported** these conditions to the landlord
- In **over half of cases**, landlords **did not fix any issues**, and only **2.5%** repaired all conditions to client's satisfaction



# Review of Updated RTC Notice

# Questions?

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