Customer Satisfaction Survey

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2022 – 23 Annual Survey Results

DBS Employment Bound Clients Cases Closed July 1, 2022, to June 30, 2023

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2022-23 Customer Satisfaction Survey Annual Results [Cases Closed July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023] Division of Blind Services (DBS) Clients Conducted for The Florida Rehabilitation Council for the Blind

Beginning in 2004, the Florida Rehabilitation Council for the Blind decided to collect customer satisfaction data on a more "real time" basis. Rather than conduct one survey that included all of the clients who had their cases closed the preceding year, the Council decided to have the data collected on a monthly basis and review the results at their quarterly meetings. This report summarizes the data collected for the 2022-23 fiscal year. This report includes closed cases between July 1, 2022, and June 30, 2023. The Customer Satisfaction Survey of former Division of Blind Services (DBS) clients gathers perspectives of former DBS clients concerning program services, levels of satisfaction, and areas for program improvement. This report describes the methods used and presents the 2022-23 results for clients with cases closed between July 1, 2022, and June 30, 2023. In the Fall of 2009, the Florida Rehabilitation Council for the Blind modified the previous survey to streamline the interviews and update information in new areas. Some minor modifications to this survey took place in October 2010. Many of the items remained comparable or identical to the survey administered the previous 10 years. In these instances, data for the ten previous years are provided for comparison purposes. For new questions, major modifications made to question wording, or questions asked of different populations (new screens), no comparisons to prior years can be made. In 2015, the fiscal year changed from the months of April through March to the months of July through June. Data collected after 2014 is based on the new schedule.

Beginning in July of 2017, the Florida Rehabilitation Council for the Blind included questions regarding local service providers in addition to DBS.

SURVEY PROCEDURES

Population Surveyed. The Florida State University Survey Foundry (FSUSF), Institute of Science and Public Affairs, conducted a telephone survey of former Division of Blind Services (DBS) clients on a monthly basis. Employment-bound clients with cases "closed" between July 1, 2022, and June 30, 2023, comprises the population surveyed for this year-end report. DBS provided the names, addresses, phone numbers and demographic information for 1017 former clients. Case closures are classified into two major groupings, those with successful and unsuccessful closures. Among successful closure groups, we include clients whose case status is post closure.

<u>Successful Closure – 703 Clients (116 Post Closure Clients)</u> Closure Status 26

<u>Unsuccessful Closure -- 314 Clients</u> Closure Status 28 –Unsuccessful after plan **Survey Instrument.** Originally, the Florida Rehabilitation Council for the Blind, in conjunction with FSU Survey Research Laboratory staff, developed the questionnaire in 2002. The FSU Survey Research Laboratory staff and the Council met and refined the questionnaire in the Fall of 2009. A couple of minor modifications to help the flow of the survey were made in October 2010. Major changes that included the addition of questions regarding local service providers occurred in July 2017 (Appendix A contains the 2022-2023 Instrument). Many of the questions asked about the most and least helpful program services remain "open-ended." This allows the clients to tell us in their own words about their views and record their responses. The survey instrument continues to be translated into Spanish. Changes to the 2009-10 DBS Customer Survey instrument include:

- **Training Questions**. Changes to questions concerning training experiences were minor, replacing the term DBS staff to focus on the DBS counselor more clearly. In order to make the interview process smoother, respondents were asked specifically if they participated in a particular training program (screened). If they answered "Yes," then they were asked about their experience. In the prior version of the survey, respondents had to tell us that they did not receive training.
- **Employment Questions**. To better focus the questions about employment, a new question asking whether or not they sought services to maintain or obtain employment. Only clients seeking employment services were asked a series of questions about employment training and satisfaction with their current job. Clients were also asked if they received a formal Vocational Evaluation and whether or not they were provided with the results of that Evaluation.
- **Respondent Characteristics**. Questions about the specific services they received and whether they were a new or previous client of DBS were added.
- **Case Closure**. When asked the open-ended question about why the client left the program, a number of them reported they did not know their case was closed. A new question to specifically ask the clients about their case closure was added.
- **Types of Services Received**. A new series of questions asked clients whether they received the following services:
 - Medical services
 - Assistance with education
 - Technical aids, equipment and/or software
 - Training in independent living skills.
- **Rights and Responsibilities.** A question was added concerning the DBS Counselor informing them of their rights and responsibilities as a VR client.

Fieldwork. Paid interviewers are trained and monitored for this survey effort. The training explains program requirements, services, and helps develop the probes. Fieldwork is conducted in an ongoing manner. At the beginning of each month, the DBS sends a list of clients whose cases have been closed during the previous month. Interviewers then try to reach the clients. At least five attempts are made to reach the former DBS clients. Calls are rotated at various times of the day and attempted during the week and weekends in order to maximize the chances of reaching the former client. Starting from 2019, voicemail is used to leave a message on clients' answering machine and allow them to call the FSU Survey Foundry for interview appointments at their own convenience or ask any questions related to the phone survey.

Nonworking numbers. When conducting a survey of former clients in any program, telephone numbers are often wrong: Clients move and the numbers are no longer in service; agency databases may not be updated at the time of case closure, and the like. Seven percent (71 of 1017) of the telephone numbers attempted from July 1, 2022, to June 30, 2023, were nonworking. This is a much smaller percentage compared to the proportion of non-working numbers than in previous years: 2021-17%, 2020-5%, 2019-8%, 2018-8%, 2017-10%, 2016-13%, 2015-16%; 2014-16%; 2013-15%; 2012-17%; 2011-20%; 2010-22%; 2009-25%; 2008-29%; 2007-30% and 2006-30%. In 2005, 38 percent of the numbers were non-working. However, we have a great portion of phone numbers that have been answering machine all the time during our attempts. During the current year, more than one quarter (26%) of the phone numbers are answering machine numbers.

Sample Characteristics. The combined efforts of repeated attempts, callbacks, and obtaining new numbers resulted in completed interviews for 34% (n=342) of former clients (n=1,017) who left the program between July 1, 2022, and June 30, 2023. This response rate is a large increase from the previous two year's response rate (21% in 2021, 31% in 2020 and 30% in 2019) and is also higher than other years [2018 – 30%, 2017-24%, 2016-28%, 2015-36%, 2014-25%, 2013-28%, 2012-35%, 2011-36%, 2010-30%; 2009-35%; 2008-31%; 2007-36%, 2006 – 36%].

The response rates differ for those clients with cases successfully closed compared to unsuccessful closures. Response rates are higher for successful clients than for clients with unsuccessful case closures during most of the years. For the current 2022-23 Customer Satisfaction Survey, thirty-seven percent of clients with successful case closure status (258 of 703) completed an interview while twenty-seven percent of the former DBS clients with unsuccessful case closure status (84 of 314) completed the survey. Last year, Twenty-one percent of clients with successfully closed case participated the interview. [2020 – 35%, 2019 – 36%, 2018 – 33%, 2017-25%, 2016-30%, 2015-41%, 2014-21%, 2013-44%, 2012-40%, 2011-45%, 2010-37%; 2009-43%; 2008-40%; 2007-40%].

The survey refusal rate has been increasing in recent years. Twenty-one percent of the potential respondents declined to participate (214 of 1017) in the Customer Survey, compared to 15 percent in the previous year. The refusal rate has significantly increased from the previous year (15%, 2021; 14%, 2020). The consistent increase in refusal rates and the acceleration of refusals in the past three decades is a concern to the field of survey. Refusal rates are typically low for this Customer Survey before 2017. [2019 – 17%, 2018 – 24%, 2017-14%, 2016-10%, 2015-10%, 2014-10%, 2013-11%, 2012-11%, 2011-11%].

Data Preparation and Analysis. FSU Survey Foundry staff coded the open-ended data and used SPSS statistics to analyze the frequencies and patterns of responses. Besides reporting the data collected for the period between July 1, 2022, and June 30, 2023, this report provides comparative data between the other years surveyed: 2021, 2020, 2019, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2014, 2013, 2012, 2011, 2010, 2009, and 2008 when survey items are comparable.

SURVEY RESPONDENTS & PROGRAM CHARACTERISTICS

Survey Respondent Characteristics

Most of the respondents have received services from both DBS and local service providers. Among the 1104 DBS clients, 1021 clients have received services from both DBS and local service providers while eighty-three clients only received DBS services. Among the 233 responding clients, 214 clients surveyed received services from both DBS and local vendors, while nineteen clients only received services from DBS.

Clients participating in the survey received technical aid, equipment, and software more than training, medical services, and assistance with education from DBS. (Q20 Appendix A) The respondents received:

- Technical aids, equipment, and/or software 72%
- Training that allows you find your way around, cooking, personal management, and the like at the Rehabilitation Center (this option has been edited in 2017) 47%
- Medical services 45%
- Assistance with education 33%

Local service providers provided client respondents the following services:

- Technical aids, equipment, and/or software 72%
- Training that allows you find your way around, cooking, personal management, and the like – 59%

More than one third of the respondents (32%) said they sought DBS services to obtain new employment. Thirty-three percent of the respondents sought DBS services to maintain their current job, seven percent sought to advance their current employment, while twenty eight percent sought services for other reasons. More clients contacted DBS for services to obtain jobs than maintain their jobs compared with previous years. (See Q29 Appendix A for details)

Case Closure Status. A much higher number of respondents whose cases were closed successfully (75%) participated in the 2022-23 Customer Satisfaction Survey than those whose cases were closed unsuccessfully (25%). Clients whose case status is post closure (n=116) are grouped into the successful closure category.

Learning about the Program

Clients hear about DBS services through the medical community and family or friends. When asked how they heard about and knew how to contact DBS for services seventeen percent of the clients mentioned they either are previous DBS clients or have been in the program for a long time. Twenty-one percent of the former clients identified people in the medical community and one quarter of the respondents said they learned about DBS through family or friends. Other sources of information about DBS services included agencies, school contacts, the media, and associations. Nine percent of all former clients said they had heard about DBS services from agencies and twelve percent stated they learned about DBS through general information. This was an open-ended question. The following lists the proportion of clients identifying how they learned about the program grouped by major category. (Q1 Appendix A, open-ended question).

- Previous Client/Program in Other States
 2022-2023–17% (2021 22%) (2020 18%) (2019 15%) (2018 17%) (2017–13%) (2016–27%) (2015–14%) (2014–2%) (2013–15%) (2012–16%) (2011–24%) (2010–20%) (2009–16%) (2008–15%) (2007–14%) (2006–18%) (2005–23%) (2004–16%) (2003–16%) (2002–13%)
- Medical community
 2022-2023-21% (2021--19%) (2020 17%) (2019 20%) (2018 20%) (2017–24%) (2016–21%) (2015–20%) (2014–30%) (2013–25%) (2012–25%) (2011–23%) (2010–27%) (2009–27%) (2008–25%) (2007–27%) (2006–21%) (2005–19%) (2004–22%) (2003–36%) (2002–33%)
- Family/Friends
 2022-2023-25% (2021-12%) (2020 19%) (2019 19%) (2018 20%) (2017-20%) (2016-24%) (2015-23%) (2014-24%) (2013-23%) (2012-23%) (2011-20%) (2010-24%) (2009-25%) (2008-19%) (2007-22%) (2006-29%) (2005-21%) (2004-22%) (2003-18%) (2002-25%)
- School Contacts
 2022-2023 6% (2021- 9%) (2020 12%) (2019 8%) (2018 10%) (2017–5%) (2016–4%) (2015–11%) (2014–19%) (2013–2%) (2012–7%) (2011–7%) (2010–7%) (2009–10%) (2008–10%) (2007–7%) (2006–14%) (2005–15%) (2004–14%) (2003–13%) (2002–11%)
- General Information
 2022-2023 12% (2021- 13%) (2020 10%) (2019 10%) (2018 10%) (2017– 17%) (2016–7%) (2015–14%) (2014–15%) (2013–9%) (2012–11%) (2011–9%) (2010–7%) (2009– 8%) (2008–12%) (2007–9%) (2006–7%) (2005–7%) (2004–9%) (2003– 4%) (2002– 6%)
- Associations
 2022-2023 5% (2021-4%) (2020 –9%) (2019 8%) (2018 1%) (2017–2%) (2016–1%) (2015–2%) (2014–1%) (2013–1%) (2012–3%) (2011–3%) (2010–2%)

(2009–1%) (2008–1%) (2007–3%) (2006–1%) (2005–2%) (2004–2%) (2003–3%) (2002–3%)

• Agencies

2022-2023 – 9% (2021- 5%) (2020 – 7%) (2019 – 11%) (2018 – 16%) (2017–17%) (2016–17%) (2015–19%) (2014–10%) (2013–16%) (2012–16%) (2011–13%) (2010–13%) (2009–13%) (2008–19%) (2007–19%) (2006–10%) (2005–7%) (2004–9%) (2003–14%) (2002–12%)

Counselor Responsiveness

Division of Blind Services (DBS) counselors are responsive to clients. Former clients answered questions to rate their experiences with DBS counselors. The questions from the previous version of the Customer Survey administered between 2002 and 2008 were modified slightly. In previous years, the question was a bit more general and asked about "DBS staff;" in the new survey it was a bit more specific and refers to "DBS Counselors." Prior years' results are listed for comparative purposes.

Overall, DBS clients expressed satisfaction concerning their experiences and contact with program staff. The satisfaction level of client's experiences with counselors decreased this year in most of the evaluation categories compared with the previous year data.

Ninety-two percent of responding clients felt welcome when they first contacted DBS. (Q3 Appendix A). In 2021, 96% of the former clients felt welcome when they first contacted DBS. In 2019, 95% of responding clients gave positive answers to this question.

Experiences with Counselors. "DBS counselors were responsive to their requests for services" received the lowest rating with 87 percent of clients reporting that their contact experiences with DBS were easy during "all or most of the time" (Q2, Q4, Q5, Q6, Q10, Q13, Appendix A).

- DBS counselors informed them of rights and responsibilities as a client of the VR program
 2022-2023 95% (2021 89%) (2020 90%) (2019 94%) (2018 92%) (2017 91%) (2016 96%) (2015 94%) (2014 87%) (2013 95%) (2012 93%) (2011 92%) (2010 91%) (2009 92%)
- DBS counselors treated them in a professional manner
 2022-2023 97% (2021- 93%) (2020 94%) (2019 94%) (2018 89%) (2017– 86%) (2016–87%) (2015–88%) (2014–89%) (2013–91%) (2012–89%) (2011–90%) (2010–88%) (2009–90%) (2008–88%) (2007–93%) (2006–90%) (2005–91%) (2004– 92%) (2003–89%) (2002–84%)
- DBS was easy to contact
 2022-2023 88% (2021- 92%) (2020 92%) (2019 86%) (2018 89%) (2017–80%) (2016–75%) (2015–79%) (2014–82%) (2013–82%) (2012–79%) (2011–78%) (2010–85%) (2009–84%) (2008–82%) (2007–86%) (2006–81%) (2005–87%) (2004–87%) (2003–85%) (2002–85%)
- DBS counselors were respectful and responsive to their interests, ideas, and suggestions
 2022- 2023 91% (2021- 90%) (2020 91%) (2019 90%) (2018 87%) (2017–81%) (2016–84%) (2015–83%) (2014–84%) (2013–86%) (2012–85%) (2011–86%) (2010-85%) (2009–87%) (2008–83%) (2007–85%) (2006–85%) (2005–89%) (2004–87%) (2003–84%) (2002–85%)

- DBS counselors were responsive to their requests for services
 2022 2023 87% (2021- 86%) (2020 88%) (2019 87%) (2018 83%) (2017-74%) (2016-81%) (2015-81%) (2014-86%) (2013-85%) (2012-80%) (2011-81%) (2010-83% (2009-86%) (2008-82%) (2007-86%) (2006-84%) (2005-86%) (2004-87%) (2003-83%) (2002-83%)
- DBS counselors or local service providers made certain that they received services identified in their plan
 2022 2023 89% (2021- 88%) (2020 91%) (2019 90%) (2018-86%) (2017-82%) (2016-80%) (2015-85%) (2014-87%) (2013-86%) (2012-83%) (2011-82%) (2010-84%) (2009-84%) (2008-84%) (2007-89%) (2006-82%) (2005-88%) (2004-86%) (2003-84%) (2002-85%)

Contacts with DBS Staff. For the year 2022-2023, ninety-six percent of the 319 clients responding reported that they tried to contact their DBS counselor. (Q7 and Q8, Appendix A)

Clients able to reach counselor all or most of the time 2022 – 2023 – 82% (2021- 86%) (2020 – 86%) (2019 – 79%) (2018 – 78%) (2017-74%) (2016–71%) (2015–74%) (2014–74%) (2013–75%) (2012–78%) (2011–77%) (2010–82%) (2009–82%) (2008–82%) (2007–82%) (2006–81%) (2005–81%) (2004– 84%) (2003–82%) (2002–83%)

When clients were able to reach counselors, counselors got back to them in a timely manner "All or Most of the Time." This question was made a bit more specific in 2008-09 by specifying "timely manner" as "2 working days".

Counselor gets back in two working days 2022 - 2023 - 87% (2021- 89%) (2020 - 89%) (2019 - 81%) (2018 - 80%) (2017-70%)(2016-78%) (2015-79%) (2014-82%) (2013-82%) (2012-78%) (2011-80%) (2010-84%) (2009-84%) (2008-83%) (2007-86%) (2006-85%) (2005-85%) (2004-85%) (2003-85%) (2002-89%)

Opportunity for Input into Goals and Plans. Most clients feel they have adequate opportunity for input when establishing their goals and steps to achieve them. Some of the questions capturing goals were re-worded in the 2017-2018 survey. (See Q11-Q14 Appendix A) Clients report their input was "Very Adequate or Adequate" when:

- Planning specific independent living services (Establishing steps to achieve independent living goals, before 2017)
 2022 2023 93% (2021- 77%) (2020 95%) (2019 92%) (2018 90%) (2017–87%) (2016–90%) (2015–92%) (2014–92%) (2013–95%) (2012–93%) (2011–91%) (2010–90%) (2009–92%) (2008–93%) (2007–92%) (2006–90%) (2005–94%) (2004–94%) (2003–90%) (2002–90%)
- Establishing vocational goals
 2022 2023 93% (2021 86%) (2020 92%) (2019 88%) (2018 90%) (2017 86%) (2016–90%) (2015–90%) (2014–92%) (2013–93%) (2012–90%) (2011–88%)

(2010–89%) (2009–89%) (2008–92%) (2007–92%) (2006–88%) (2005–90%) (2004– 91%) (2003–87%) (2002–90%)

Planning specific services to achieve vocational goals (Establishing steps to achieve vocational goals, before 2017)
 2022 - 2023 - 91% (2021- 84%) (2020 - 89%) (2019 - 87%) (2018 - 89%) (2017-84%) (2016-90%) (2015-88%) (2014-90%) (2013-91%) (2012-88%) (2011-86%) (2010-88%) (2009-89%) (2008-90%) (2007-92%) (2006-88%) (2005-91%) (2004-91%) (2003-87%) (2002-87%)

Services Identified by Plan. Over three quarters of the clients said that DBS or local service provider make certain they received the services identified in the plan "All of the Time" or "Most of the time." (Q13 Appendix A)

Received Services Identified in Plan
 2022 - 2023 - 89%(2021-88%) (2020 - 91%) (2019 - 90%) (2018 - 86%) (2017 - 83%) (2016 - 63%) (2015 - 64%) (2014 - 51%) (2013 - 60%) (2012 - 83%) (2011 - 82%) (2010 - 84%) (2009 - 84%) (2008 - 84%) (2007 - 89%) (2006 - 82%) (2005 - 88%) (2004 - 86%) (2003 - 84%) (2002 - 85%)

Local Service Provider Responsiveness

Experience with Local Service Providers. Starting from 2017, former DBS clients are asked to respond whether they felt welcome when they first contacted their local service providers. Ninety-six percent of the respondents expressed their satisfaction on this question (Q3a Appendix A), which is much lower than the previous year (91%), 98% in the year 2019.

DBS clients showed their high satisfaction level with the local service providers during the year 2022-23 (Q2a, Q4a, Q5a, Appendix A).

- Local provider counselors were responsive to their requests for services 2022 - 2023 – 89% (2021- 86%) (2020 – 92%) (2019 – 91%) (2018 – 92%) (2017-91%)
- Local service providers were easy to contact 2022 – 2023 – 92% (2021- 86%) (2020 – 95%) (2019 – 91%) (2018 – 89%) (2017-90%)
- Local provider counselors were respectful and responsive to their interests, ideas, and suggestions
 2022 2023 91% (2021- 84%) (2020 94%) (2019 95%) (2018 92%) (2017- 90%)

Contacts with Local Service Provider. Eighty percent of the 286 responding clients that received services from both DBS and a local provider tried to contact a local provider representative in the year 2022-2023. (Q7a, Q8a and Q9a, Appendix A)

- Clients were able to reach local provider counselor all or most of the time 2022 2023 91% (2021- 94%) (2020 94%) (2019 94%) (2018 91%) (2017 91%)
- Local provider counselor gets back in two working days 2022 – 2023 – 90% (2021- 94%) (2020 – 93%) (2019 – 94%) (2018 – 89%) (2017 – 91%)

QUALITY OF SERVICES

The customer satisfaction survey includes a number of items related to the types and quality of services provided by the Division of Blind Services (DBS): Clients were asked about the materials provided, options suggested, transportation services, equipment, and training.

Materials Provided in Accessible Formats. Both DBS and local service provider provided materials in more accessible format during the year of 2022-23 (Q16 and Q16a Appendix A). Ninety four percent of all DBS clients received materials in an accessible format [2021 – 89%, 2020 – 88%, 2019 – 89%, 2018 – 89%, 2017-85%, 2016-80%, 2015-78%, 2014-87%, 2013-84%, 2012-81%, 2011-71%, 2010-70%; 2009-78%; 2008-83%; 2007-85%].

Local service providers provided materials in accessible formats 94% of the time. [2021 - 83%, 2020 - 87%, 2019 - 87%, 2018 - 89%, 2017 - 83%]

Transportation Needs. The question was slightly reworded in 2017 (Q15 Appendix A). Eighty eight percent of clients strongly agree or agree that transportation options provided fully allowed them to participate in their plans for 2022-2023, which is much higher than the previous years. [2021 - 61%, 2020 - 86%, 2019 - 82%, 2018 - 85%, 2017 - 84%].

Equipment Needs Generally Met. Clients felt that DBS provided tools and equipment that help solve problems and allow them to work independently (Q17 Appendix A). During 2022-23, 91 percent of the clients "Strongly Agreed or Agreed" that DBS counselors provided equipment or accommodations they need for training or employment. In 2022, 91 percent strongly agreed or agreed, compared to 84 percent in 2021, 89% in 2020, 87% in 2019, 88% in 2018, 78% in 2017, 84% in 2016, 86 % in 2015, 91% in 2014, 90% in 2013, 88% in 2012, 84% in 2011, 82% in 2010, and 85% in 2009. This survey question was changed in 2009, so comparisons with responses prior to 2009 cannot be made.

Training: Participation and Satisfaction

Participation in Training. The Customer Satisfaction Survey asked clients how satisfied they were with the training they received in a number of areas. Beginning with the 2009-2010 survey a specific question asking whether or not the client received training in the area was added to the instrument and then those who received the training were asked to rate it. In the previous version of the survey all clients were asked to rate the training and those telling us they did not receive the training did not rate the training. The independent living skills and orientation and mobility questions were changed in 2009 so that comparison with prior year ratings is not available. In the other areas, comparisons with previous years can be made.

Local service provider provided most of the technology training. More than one third of the respondents (46%) received technology training, such as computer skills or using software from a local service provider (2021-41%) while 18% of the clients received this type of training from the DBS (2021-16%). Eleven percent of the respondents said that they received training from other agencies (2021-3%). Twenty-six percent of the clients said they did not receive the technology training (2021- 27%) (Q18 Appendix A).

Training received from DBS. Over half of the responding clients received training from DBS in the following areas:

- Orientation and mobility
 2022 2023 89% (2021-88%) (2020 91%) (2019 94%) (2018 91%) (2017-86%) (2016-99%) (2015-93%) (2014-76%) (2013-89%) (2012-89%) (2011-90%) (2010-92%) (2009-86%)
- Independent living skills (Training in personal and home management)
 2022 2023 53% (2021- 62%) (2020 71%) (2019 70%) (2018 73%) (2017-73%) (2016–87%) (2015–73%) (2014–61%) (2013–68%) (2012–66%) (2011–67%) (2010–70%) (2009–66%)

Less than half of the responding clients received the following training:

- Use of low vision aids
 2022 2023 56% (2021- 47%) (2020 55%) (2019 55%) (2018 53%) (2017-49%) (2016-45%) (2015-41%) (2014-43%) (2013-50%) (2012-40%) (2011-41%) (2010-36%) (2009- 40%) (2008-41%) (2007-44%) (2006-45%) (2005-35%) (2004-33%)
- Job Readiness
 2022 2023 39% (2021- 43%) (2020 38%) (2019 34%) (2018 35%) (2017- 37%) (2016–22%) (2015–26%) (2014–24%) (2013–31%) (2012–20%) (2011–23%) (2010–17%) (2009–18%)
- Use of Braille
 2022 2023 24% (2021- 20%) (2020 15%) (2019 16%) (2018 18%) (2017-18%) (2016–14%) (2015–13%) (2014–29%) (2013–23%) (2012–13%) (2011–12%)

(2010–11%) (2009–12%) (2008–17%) (2007–14%) (2006–20%) (2005–15%) (2004– 16%) **Training received from Local Service Providers**. The majority of the responding clients received training from local service providers in the following areas:

- Orientation and mobility (2022 – 2023 – 90%) (2021- 89%) (2020 – 88%) (2019 – 93%) (2018 – 88%) (2017-91%)
- Independent living skills (Training in personal and home management) 2022 – 2023 – 65% (2021- 79%) (2020 – 79%) (2019 – 71%) (2018 – 83%) (2017-86%)

High Levels of Satisfaction with DBS Training. Clients answered questions about how satisfied they were with the training they received. Most clients (91 percent or more) were "Very Satisfied" or "Satisfied" training in all areas.

- Orientation and mobility (2022 – 2023 – 96%) (2021- 96%) (2020 – 97%) (2019 – 98%) (2018 – 99%) (2017-95%) (2016–99%) (2015–96%) (2014–100%) (2013–93%) (2012–98%) (2011–96%) (2010–97%) (2009–95%)
- Braille
 (2022 2023 91%) (2021 94%) (2020 93%) (2019 96%) (2018 89%) (2017 95%) (2016 81%) (2015 84%) (2014 90%) (2013 92%) (2012 93%) (2011 92%) (2010 100%) (2009 82%) (2008 86%) (2007 89%) (2006 94%) (2005 91%) (2004 91%)
- Independent living skills
 2022 2023 98% (2021- 98%) (2020 95%) (2019 98%) (2018 98%) (2017-94%) (2016-99%) (2015-98%) (2014-92%) (2013-98%) (2012-96%) (2011-95%) (2010-100%) (2009-99%)
- Use of Low vision Aid
 (2022 2023 97%) (2021- 94%) (2020 97%) (2019 96%) (2018 96%) (2017-92%) (2016-100%) (2015-97%) (2014-95%) (2013-94%) (2012-97%) (2011-96%) (2010-98%) (2009-95%) (2008-95%) (2007-95%) (2006-95%) (2005-99%) (2004-97%)
- Technology

(2022 – 2023 – 93%) (2021- 93%) (2020 – 96%) (2019 – 94%) (2018 – 92%) (2017-90%) (2016–90%) (2015–89%) (2014–93%) (2013–91%) (2012–93%) (2011–91%) (2010–88%) (2009V94%) (2008–87%) (2007–91%) (2006–92%) (2005–92%) (2004–94%)

- Job search skills

 (2022 2023 95%) (2021- 96%) (2020 96%) (2019 94%) (2018 90%) (2017- 90%) (2016–94%) (2015–79%) (2014–87%) (2013–80%) (2012–79%) (2011–83%) (2010–85%) (2009–72%) (2008–69%) (2007–65%) (2006–80%) (2005–85%) (2004– 72%)
- Career counseling
 (2022 2023 83%) (2021- 87%) (2020 93%) (2019 86%) (2018 82%) (2017-86%) (2016-82%) (2015-87%) (2014-93%) (2013-88%) (2012-93%) (2011-86%) (2010-87%) (2009-93%)

High Levels of Satisfaction with Training Provided by Local Service Vendors. The majority of the former clients (95% or more) are satisfied with the training services provided by their local vendors.

Ninety percent of responding clients receiving services from local providers received orientation and mobility training [2021 - 89%, 2020 - 88%, 2019 - 93%, 2018 - 88%, 2017 - 91%]. Ninety six percent of the former clients (100%) responded that they were very satisfied or satisfied with the orientation and mobility training provided by their local vendors [2021 - 100%, 2020 - 98%, 2019 - 98%, 2018 - 96%, 2017 - 99%].

Sixty five percent of responding clients receiving services from local providers received independent living skills training [2021 - 79%, 2020 - 79%, 2019 - 83%, 2018 - 83%, 2017 - 86%]. Nighty-two percent of these clients were satisfied or very satisfied with this training [2021 - 96, 2020 - 95%, 2019 - 98%, 2018 - 95%, 2017 - 100%].

Almost a quarter of the clients (22%) received career counseling through their local providers [2021 - 27%, 2020 - 29%, 2019 - 27%, 2018 - 25%, 2017-37%]. Eighty-seven percent were either satisfied or very satisfied with this career counseling [2021 - 83%, 2020 - 95%, 2019 - 86%, 2018 - 90%, 2017-93%].

EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

Employment is a major goal of DBS services. Beginning in 2009-10 Customer Survey revisions streamlined and focused the employment questions more clearly. Therefore, comparisons with previous years are not appropriate due to the different client bases requested. In the previous surveys, clients with vocational goals in their plan or employed since leaving DBS answered questions about experiences with employment services provided by DBS. The revised survey instrument asked the questions based on whether clients sought services to maintain their current job or to obtain employment (See Q31 – Q38 Appendix A).

Employment-related services received lower levels of customer satisfaction than other service areas. Other services and areas consistently receive higher ratings. Staff assistance in securing employment received the lowest of any service provided by DBS.

Clients Seeking Services to Obtain Employment. About one third of the 325 (32%) responding clients sought services to obtain employment. [2021 - 37%, 2020 - 29%, 2019 - 40%, 2018 - 43%, 2017-51%] and twenty-eight of the survey participants became a client for other reasons [2021 - 39%, 2020 - 50%, 2019 - 23%, 2018 - 28%, 2017-34%] while seven percent of the clients contact DBS for services to advance their employment [2021 - 4%, 2020 - 4%, 2019 - 6%, 2018 - 6%, 2017 - 5%].

Clients Seeking Services to Maintain their Current Employment. Thirty three percent (108 of 325) of the responding clients sought DBS services to maintain their current employment when they became a client of DBS [2021 - 43%, 2020 - 14%, 2019 - 31%, 2018 - 21%, 2017 - 10%]. When asked if the DBS services or Local Service Providers helped them maintain their job, 89% percent (110 out of 123 responding clients) "Strongly Agreed" or "Agreed" that services provide by DBS and local service providers helped them maintain their jobs, 2020 - 77%, 2019 - 94%, 2018 - 92%, 2017 - 68%].

Job Skills Services Provided by DBS. Seventy six percent of the 108 responding clients indicated they "Strongly Agreed or Agreed" that DBS provided skills necessary to conduct a job search independently [2021 - 78%, 2020 - 70%, 2019 - 74%, 2018 - 76%, 2017-55%] and seventy-seven percent agreed that DBS services prepared them for employment [2021 - 71%, 2020 - 70%, 2019 - 68%, 2018 - 71%, 2017-61%].

- Provide skills necessary to conduct job search independently (Strongly Agree/Agree) 2022 2023 76% (2021- 78%) (2020 70%) (2019 74%) (2018 76%) (2017- 55%) (2016–73%) (2015–67%) (2014–75%) (2013–73%) (2012–72%) (2011–71%) (2010–65%) (2009–63%)
- Services prepare for employment (Strongly Agree/Agree) 2022 – 2023 – 77% (2021- 71%) (2020 – 70%) (2019 – 68%) (2018 – 71%) (2017-49%) (2016–64%) (2015–63%) (2014–72%) (2013–69%) (2012–74%) (2011–64%) (2010–61%) (2009–62%)

Job Skills Services Provided by Local Service Providers.

- Provide skills necessary to conduct job search independently (Strongly Agree/Agree) 2022 2023 74% (2021- 82%) (2020 68%) (2019 77%) (2018 79%) (2017-71%)
- Services prepare for employment (Strongly Agree/Agree) 2022 – 2023 – 75% (2021- 81%) (2020 – 72%) (2019 – 77%) (2018 – 79%) (2017-74%)

When asked which entity assisted the clients in finding employment, 34% of the responding clients stated DBS counselors helped them [2021 - 34%, 2020 - 39%, 2019 - 33%, 2018 - 34%, 2017 - 24%]. Nine of the respondents stated DBS job placement specialist (2021 - 12%, 2020 - 3%, 2019 - 8%, 2018 - 9%, 2017 - 16%), the local provider assisted 1% of clients [2021 - 4%, 2020 - 1%, 2019 - 4%, 2018 - 9%, 2017 - 7%], and outside contractor assisted 3% [2021 - 2%, 2020 - 5%, 2019 - 4%, 2018 - 6%, 2017 - 5%]. Forty-six percent of the clients stated none of the above assisted them [2021 - 41%, 2020 - 52%, 2019 - 49%, 2018 - 41%, 2017 - 40%].

Job readiness training, such as how to interview, completing an application, or writing resumes conducted by both DBS Counselors and by local providers. Thirty nine percent of responding clients received job readiness training [2021 - 43%, 2020 - 38%, 2019 - 34%, 2018 - 35%, 2017-44%]. Thirty-one percent of those clients received the training from DBS [2021 - 32%, 2020 - 40%, 2019 - 34%, 2018 - 36%, 2017-31%], less than half (45%) of the responding clients received the training from their local providers [2021 - 54%, 2020 - 43%, 2019 - 48, 2018 - 47%, 2017-65%], and twenty four percent received the training from both entities [2021 - 13%, 2020 - 18%, 2019 - 18%, 2018 - 17%, 2017-5%]. Ninety five percent of former clients were satisfied or very satisfied with this training [2021 - 96%, 2020 - 95%, 2019 - 94%, 2018 - 90%, 2017-90%].

70%70%

Characteristic of Jobs for Clients Seeking Services to Obtain Employment

Clients Currently Employed. During 2022-2023, more than one-half of the responding clients (58%) reported they were employed during the time of the Customer Satisfaction Survey [2021 -64%, 2020 -44%, 2019 -46%, 2018 -51%, 2017-36%].

- Current salary appropriate (Strongly Agree/Agree)
 2022 2023 82% (2021- 76%) (2020 72%) (2019 80%) (2018 77%) (2017-88%) (2016–74%) (2015–66%) (2014–84%) (2013–75%) (2012–73%) (2011–77%) (2010–71%) (2009–74%)
- Present job in keeping with career goals (Strongly Agree/Agree)
 2022 2023 80% (2021- 82%) (2020 75%) (2019 84%) (2018 83%) (2017-81%) (2016-83%) (2015-75%) (2014-76%) (2013-84%) (2012-87%) (2011-78%) (2010-82%) (2009-79%)
- Potential career advancement (Strongly Agree/Agree)
 2022 2023 89% (2021- 76%) (2020 71%) (2019 85%) (2018 79%) (2016– 74%) (2015–70%) (2014–76%) (2013–79%) (2012–66%) (2011–64%) (2010–65%) (2009–75%)
- Present job in keeping with DBS training (Strongly Agree/Agree)
 2022 2023 84% (2021- 78%) (2020 75%) (2019 83%) (2018 73%) (2017-72%) (2016-74%) (2015-75%) (2014-66%) (2013-66%) (2012-65%) (2011-64%) (2010-52%) (2009-66%)

Awareness of Services after Case Closure

When asked if they were aware their cases were closed, five percent of the clients responded "No." Eighty three percent of the responding clients said they knew their cases were closed [2021 - 84%, 2020 - 83%, 2019 - 78%, 2018 - 81%, 2017 - 85%], while 12 percent said their case was closed but had been reopened [2021 - 7%, 2020 - 8%, 2019 - 8%, 2018 - 13%, 2017 - 8%]. (Q44, Appendix A)

More than two thirds (76%) of responding clients know about services available to them after case closure. Clients answered questions on if they were aware that services through DBS, such as post-employment services and services or equipment available to them even though their case closed.

- Aware services/equipment available even though case is closed
 2022 2023 76% (2021- 76%) (2020 71%) (2019 58%) (2018 54%) (2017-44%) (2016-45%) (2015-58%) (2014-79%) (2013-70%) (2012-63%) (2011-63%) (2010-64%) (2009-61%) (2007-70%) (2007-73%) (2006-69%) (2005-68%) (2004-60%) (2003-65%) (2002-58%)
- Aware post-employment services available even though case is closed 2022 - 2023 - 77% (2021- 76%) (2020 - 70%) (2019 - 57%) (2018 - 54%) (2017-43%) (2016-46%) (2015-62%) (2014-79%) (2013-76%) (2012-68%) (2011-67%) (2010-65%) (2009-66%) (2007-70%) (2007-73%) (2006-68%) (2005-66%) (2004-58%) (2003-65%) (2002-62%)

PROGRAM OUTCOMES

The Customer Satisfaction Survey explored the level of satisfaction with the program as well as identified the program characteristics clients found most helpful and least helpful. Clients also responded to questions on how DBS could improve its services. These were questions asked in an open-ended format and later coded and grouped into major categories. Details about open-ended questions can be located in the open-ended question report.

Overall Satisfaction

Client satisfaction with the DBS program is high. To gauge the overall level of satisfaction with the DBS program, former clients answered questions on if they would recommend DBS services to others. During 2022-23, 96 percent (317 of 331)) of the responding clients said, "Yes", they would recommend DBS services to others. Clients were also asked to rate their overall satisfaction with the program. During 2022-23, 92 percent of responding clients (138 of 266) were either "Satisfied" or "Very Satisfied with the DBS program. Started in 2017, former clients are also asked to evaluate their local service providers separately from DBS. (Q51 to Q54, Appendix A)

• Recommend DBS services to others

2022 - 2023 - 96% (2021-93%) (2020 - 95%) (2019 - 96%) (2018 - 96%) (2017-90%) 2016-93%) (2015-95%) (2014-97%) (2013-95%) (2012-95%) (2011-96%) (2010-96%) (2009-96%) (2008-94%) (2007-97%) (2006-94%) (2005-95%) (2004-96%) (2003-94%) (2002-94%)

- Overall Satisfaction with the DBS services received
 2022 2023 92% (2021- 90%) (2020 90%) (2019 93%) (2018 87%) (2017-84%) (2016-86%) (2015-90%) (2014-93%) (2013-87%) (2012-87%) (2011-86%) (2010-88%) (2009-86%) (2008-88%) (2007-91%) (2006-86%) (2005-89%) (2004-90%) (2003-86%) (This question was not asked in 2002)
- Recommend local service provider to others 2022 - 2023 - 93% (2021- 83%) (2020 - 96%) (2019 - 94%) (2018 - 94%) (2017- 96%)
- Overall Satisfaction with local provider services received 2022 - 2023 - 90% (2021-89%) (2020 - 93%) (2019 - 95%) (2018 - 94%) (2017-94%)

Overall Satisfaction by Case Closure Status. When we look at the overall satisfaction level of the clients with their case closure status, clients who have successfully closed cases tend to have a higher satisfaction level towards DBS service. However, clients who have unsuccessfully closed cases tend to have a higher satisfaction level with their local vendors.

Nighty-six percent of the former clients whose case are successfully closed said they are either very satisfied or satisfied with the DBS program [2021 - 92%, 2020 - 96%, 2019 - 94%, 2018 - 92%, 2017-95%] while seventy-nine percent of the respondents expressed their satisfaction whose cases were closed unsuccessfully [2021 - 86%, 2020 - 76%, 2019 - 89%, 2018 - 74%, 2017-73%].

When clients answered questions to evaluate their local service providers, ninety-four percent of the clients whose case closed successfully are either very satisfied or satisfied with their local providers. [2021 – 86%, 2020 – 96%, 2019 – 96%, 2018 – 94%, 2017-92%] while seventy-seven percent of the clients whose case closed unsuccessfully expressed their satisfaction [2021 – 94%, 2020 – 88%, 2019 – 92%, 2018 – 95%, 2017-94%].

Why Recommend DBS Services. Clients were asked to explain the reasons why they would or would not recommend DBS services to others. When asked why they would recommend DBS services, 41% of the clients felt it provided the help that people need, and 23 percent of the clients felt that the program and services were good. The following lists the major reasons cited for recommending the program.

- Helpful
 2022 2023 41% (2021- 45%) (2020 48%) (2019 45%) (2018 39%) (2017-49%) (2016-42%) (2015-49%) (2014-51%) (2013-47%) (2012-31%) (2011-29%) (2010-27%) (2009-32%) (2008-33%) (2007-26%) (2006-31%) (2005-34%) (2004-30%) (2003-26%) (2002-31%)
- Good services and programs
 2022 2023 23% (2021- 25%) (2020 25%) (2019 22%) (2018 29%) (2017-21%) (2016-21%) (2015-23%) (2014-14%) (2013-23%) (2012-44%) (2011-31%) (2010-35%) (2009-29%) (2008-23%) (2007-36%) (2006-43%) (2005-38%) (2004- 40%) (2003-29%) (2002-35%)
- Independence/Community
 2022 2023 5% (2021-7%) (2020 7%) (2019 7%) (2018 5%) (2017-8%) (2016-2%) (2015-3%) (2014-3%) (2013-8%) (2012-8%) (2011-16%) (2010-12%) (2009-11%) (2008-19%) (2007-12%) (2006-10%) (2005-15%) (2004-11%) (2003-7%) (2002-12%)
- Counselor Characteristics
 2022 2023 5% (2021-4%) (2020 5%) (2019 4%) (2018 5%) (2017-3%) (2016-2%) (2015-3%) (2014-10%) (2013-8%) (2012-11%) (2011-11%) (2010-15%) (2009-17%) (2008-17%) (2007-14%) (2006-15%) (2005-3%) (2004-12%) (2003-18%) (2002-19%)
- Employment services
 2022 2023 10% (2021- 3%) (2020 4%) (2019 8%) (2018 11%)
 (2017-6%) (2016-8%) (2015-6%) (2014-5%) (2013-5%) (2012-3%) (2011-2%) (2010-3%) (2009-9%) (2008-3%) (2007-5%) (2006-3%) (2005-5%)
 (2004-4%) (2003-14%) (2002-8%)
- School/Education
 2022 2023 1% (2021-1%) (2020 2%) (2019 3%) (2018 2%) (2017-1%)
- Training
 2022 2023 1% (2021-1%) (2020 1%) (2019 4%) (2018 1%) (2017-2%) (2016-2%) (2015-3%) (2014-2%) (2013-3%) (2012-2%) (2011-1%) (2010-1%) (2009-2%) (2008-1%) (2007-1%) (2006-1%) (2005-2%) (2004-2%) (2003-4%) (2002-3%)

- Equipment/Technology
 2022 2023 2% (2021- 0.5%) (2020 0.4%) (2019 1%) (2018 5%) (2017-2%)
- Refer to local service providers 2022 – 2023 – 2% (2021- 0%) (2020 – 0.4%) (2019 – 0%) (2018 – 1%) (2017-2%)
- Only opportunity
 2022 2023 2% (2021-7%) (2020 0%) (2019 0%) (2018 0%) (2017-0%) (2016-5%) (2015-4%) (2014-6%) (2013-5%) (2012-1%) (2011-3%) (2010-1%) (2009-1%) (2008-1%) (2007-1%) (2006-1%) (2005-3%) (2004-4%) (2003-10%) (2002-3%)
- Negative/Dissatisfaction
 2022 2023 2% (2021-1%) (2020 2%)
- Already Recommended
 2022 2023 2% (2021-4%) (2020 4%)

Why Recommend Local Providers. Ninety-three percent of clients would recommend the services from their local providers [2021 - 96%, 2020 - 96%, 2019 - 86%, 2018 - 91%, 2017 - 92%], with 90% being satisfied or very satisfied [2021 - 93%, 2020 - 93%, 2019 - 95%, 2018 - 94%, 2017 - 94%]. The following below list the reasons to recommend:

- Services and Programs
 2022 2023 16% (2021- 22%) (2020 32%) (2019 18%) (2018 22%) (2017-30%)
- Helpful
 2022 2023 44% (2021- 37%) (2020 48%) (2019 34%) (2018 30%) (2017-36%)
- Counselors
 2022 2023 11% (2021- 6%) (2020 10%) (2019 6%) (2018 13%) (2017-9%)
- Independence/community
 2022 2023 6% (2021-9%) (2020 7%) (2019 14%) (2018 11%)
 (2017-6%)
- Training
 2022 2023 4% (2021-5%) (2020 4%) (2019 10%) (2018 10%) (2017-5%)

- Equipment/Technology 2022 - 2023 - 2% (2021- 3%) (2020 - 2%) (2019 - 7%) (2018 - 5%) (2017-1%)
- Employment
 2022 2023 7% (2021- 2%) (2020 2%) (2019 4%) (2018 4%) (2017-1%)
- School/Education
 2022 2023 0% (2021-1%) (2020 2%) (2019 0%) (2018 1%) (2017-1%)
- Already Recommended 2022 – 2023 – 1% (2021- 2%)
- Receive no services
 2022 2023 0% (2021- 4%)
- Dissatisfaction
 2022 2023 2% (2021- 3%)

Reasons for Not Recommending DBS Services or local service providers. Few clients offered reasons for not recommending DBS services or services provided by local vendors to others.

Reasons for Leaving the Program. Former clients answered questions on why they left the program (Q47 Appendix A). Over one-third (35%) of the clients responding stated they left since they obtained employment [2021 - 28%, 2020 - 30%, 2019 - 33%, 2018 - 37%, 2017 - 19%]. Eight percent of the clients responding said they left because they received needed help [2021 - 8%, 2020 - 7%, 2019 - 12%, 2018 - 4%, 2017 - 10%]. Seven percent of the former clients left the program for transportation reasons, including moving to a different location [2021 - 8%, 2020 - 7%, 2019 - 6%, 2018 - 7%, 2017 - 8%]. Only three percent of the former clients left the program because of their counselors or staff [2021 - 1%, 2020 - 1%, 2019 - 2%, 2018 - 3%, 2017 - 7%) while twenty seven percent of the clients are still confused about why their cases were closed [2021 - 13%, 2020 - 27%, 2019 - 22%, 2018 - 17%, 2017 - 20%]. In part, this question asked if dissatisfaction with services played a part in leaving the program. Dissatisfaction with services is rarely mentioned as a reason for leaving.

Confusion over Case Closure. In response to the question, "Why did you leave the blind services program? (That is why was your case "Closed"?)," a number of former clients (65 out of 245) were not aware that their cases were closed or expressed some other concern over their closure status. In the 2022-2023 survey, five percent (16 out of 329) responding clients who were asked if they were aware that their case had been closed responded "No" [2021 – 9%, 2020 – 9%, 2019 – 14%, 2018 – 7%, 2017-7%, 2016 – 11%], eighty-three percent responded "Yes" [2021 – 84%, 2020 – 83%, 2019 – 78%, 2018 – 81%, 2017-85%] (See Q44 in Appendix A).

Assessment of Program

Former clients answered a series of open-ended questions to assess the most helpful and least helpful program services they received. Another question asked what they would recommend improving DBS services. Former clients responded with incredibly positive responses about the program and its services.

Most Helpful Services. Training is the most cited helpful service. It is cited as 32 percent of the clients during 2022-23 survey, followed by Equipment or technology services (26%), employment service (10%), counselor or counselling services (4%) and medical services (6%). Seven percent of the respondents felt that everything is helpful. Another four percent of the clients mentioned that referring to local providers is the most helpful services from DBS.

• Training

2022 – 2023 – 33% (2021- 32%) (2020 – 37%) (2019 – 30%) (2018 – 28%) (2017- 27%) (2016–21%) (2015–32%) (2014–23%) (2013–37%) (2012–39%) (2011–39%) (2010–26%) (2009–32%) (2008–38%) (2007–34%) (2006–38%) (2005–37%) (2004–33%) (2003–42%) (2002–40%)

- Equipment or Technology
 2022 2023 26% (2021- 23%) (2020 36%) (2019 29%) (2018 30%)
 (2017- 25%) (2016-25%) (2015-22%) (2014-19%) (2013-18%) (2012-36%)
 (2011-41%) (2010-20%) (2009-39%) (2008-42%) (2007-44%) (2006-40%)
 (2005-34%) (2004-37%) (2003-28%) (2002-24%)
- Employment

2022 – 2023 – 10% (2021- 10%) (2020 – 7%) (2019 – 9%) (2018 – 14%) (2017- 10%) (2016–9%) (2015–9%) (2014–6%) (2013–11%) (2012–5%) (2011–5%) (2010–2%) (2009–6%) (2008–8%) (2007–3%) (2006–7%) (2005– 10%) (2004–7%) (2003–6%) (2002–6%)

• Everything Helpful

2022 – 2023 - 7% (2021- 7%) (2020 – 7%) (2019 – 9%) (2018 – 6%) (2017-6%) (2016–3%) (2015–3%) (2014–10%) (2013–5%) (2012–2%) (2011–4%) (2010–6%) (2009–4%) (2008–3%) (2007–3%) (2006–6%) (2005–8%) (2004– 3%) (2003–2%) (2002–2%)

Medical Services
 2022 - 2023 - 6% (2021-4%) (2020 - 10%) (2019 - 7%) (2018 - 6%) (2017-7%) (2016-14%) (2015-17%) (2014-19%) (2013-22%) (2012-15%) (2011-21%) (2010-22%) (2009-26%) (2008-19%) (2007-16%) (2006-16%) (2005-12%) (2004-13%) (2003-17%) (2002-20%)

- Counselors/Counselling
 - 2022 2023 4% (2021-7%) (2020 8%) (2019 6%) (2018 5%) (2017-8%) (2016–5%) (2015–3%) (2014–5%) (2013–3%) (2012–11%) (2011–13%) (2010–9%) (2009–11%) (2008–14%) (2007–11%) (2006–11%) (2005–11%) (2004–15%) (2003–13%) (2002–8%)
- Education

2022 - 2023 - 5% (2021-3%) (2020 - 6%) (2019 -5%) (2018 - 3%) (2017-2%) (2016-6%) (2015-2%) (2014-6%) (2013-9%) (2012-10%) (2011-9%) (2010-6%) (2009-9%) (2008-8%) (2007-10%) (2006-6%) (2005-5%) (2004-10%) (2003-7%) (2002-10%)

- Refer to Local Service Provider
 2022 2023 4% (2021- 4%) (2020 4%) (2019 1%) (2018 4%) (2017-8%)
- Nothing Helpful
 2022 2023 2% (2021- 2%) (2020 2%) (2019 1%) (2018 1%) (2017-3%) (2016-2%) (2015-2%) (2014-2%) (2013-4%) (2012-3%) (2011-3%) (2010-5%) (2009-3%) (2008-2%) (2007-2%) (2006-3%) (2005-2%) (2004-4%) (2003-5%) (2002-5%)
- Financial
 2022 2023 2% (2021-2%) (2020 0%) (2019 0%) (2018 0%) (2017-0%) (2016-6%) (2015-3%) (2014-1%) (2013-1%) (2012-5%) (2011-2%) (2010-1%) (2009-1%) (2008-5%) (2007-2%) (2006-3%) (2005-2%) (2004-3%) (2003-2%) (2002-5%)
- Transportation
 2022 2023 2% (2021- 2%) (2020 0%) (2019 0%) (2018 0%) (2017-0%) (2016-6%) (2015-2%) (2014-1%) (2013-1%) (2012-2%) (2011-3%) (2010-1%) (2009-2%) (2008-3%) (2007-3%) (2006-5%) (2005-2%) (2004-2%) (2003-2%) (2002-3%)

Least Helpful Services. Former clients answered questions to identify the least helpful services they received. More than half of former responding clients indicated that the program was "fine" or offered no suggestions. Training, education, and employment services are considered least helpful by clients responding to this question.

- Everything is Fine
 2022 2023 65% (2021- 1%) (2020 61%) (2019 49%) (2018 42%)
 (2017- 33%) (2016–55%) (2015–55%) (2014–59%) (2013–51%) (2012–49%)
 (2011–62%) (2010–55%) (2009–48%) (2008–57%) (2007–69%) (2006–60%)
 (2005–60%) (2004–58%) (2003–54%) (2002–58%)
- Employment

2022 - 2023 - 7% (2021- 1%) (2020 - 6%) (2019 - 19%) (2018 - 15%) (2017- 15%) (2016-10%) (2015-12%) (2014-9%) (2013-11%) (2012-12%) (2011-5%) (2010-9%) (2009-14%) (2008-9%) (2008-97%) (2007-6%) (2006-8%) (2005-11%) (2004-11%) (2003-9%) (2002-7%)

• Training/Education

2022 - 2023 - 11%(2021-1%) (2020 - 12%) (2019 - 10%) (2018 - 11%) (2017-15%) (2016-12%) (2015-10%) (2014-8%) (2013-12%) (2012-17%) (2011-14%) (2010-17%) (2009-13%) (2008-13%) (2007-10%) (2006-16%) (2005-14%) (2004-14%) (2003-13%) (2002-15%)

- Equipment
 2022 2023 5% (2021-1%) (2020 4%) (2019 8%) (2018 9%) (2017-3%)
- Counselors and Service
 2022 2023 4% (2021-1%) (2020 8%) (2019 6%) (2018 5%) (2017-12%) (2016-8%) (2015-6%) (2014-17%) (2013-10%) (2012-14%) (2011-15%) (2010-11%) (2009-15%) (2008-16%) (2007-11%) (2006-12%) (2005-10%) (2004-10%) (2003-15%) (2002-16%)
- Medical Services
 2022 2023 0% (2021-1%) (2020 1%) (2019 1%) (2018 1%) (2017-0%) (2016-1%) (2015-1%) (2014-1%) (2013-2%) (2012-3%) (2011-1%) (2010-2%) (2009-4%) (2008-1%) (2007-2%) (2006-1%) (2005-1%) (2004-2%) (2003-1%) (2002-1%)
- All of them/Dissatisfaction
 2022 2023 9% (2021-1%) (2020 8%)
- Financial
 2022 2023 1% (2021-1%) (2020 0%) (2019 0%), (2018 0%) (2017-0%) (2016-0%) (2015-1%) (2014-0%) (2013-0%) (2012-1%) (2011-1%) (2010-2%) (2009-1%) (2008-1%) (2007-1%) (2006-1%) (2005-1%) (2004-1%) (2003-1%) (2002-1%)

Program Improvements. In response to the question, "How could DBS improve its services?" Nineteen percent of responses (50 of 263) indicated that no improvement was needed or did not offer a suggestion. Suggestions for improvements include:

- Accessibility/Communication/Timely 2022 - 2023 - 17% (2021- 24%) (2020 - 22%) (2019 - 6%) (2018 - 6%) (2017- 0%)
- No improvement needed
 2022 2023 19% (2021- 20%) (2020 21%) (2019 16%) (2018 12%) (2017- 17%) (2016-27%) (2015-32%) (2014-36%) (2013-46%) (2012-45%) (2011-47%) (2010-43%) (2009-45%) (2008-44%) (2007-50%) (2006-46%) (2005-51%) (2004- 48%) (2003-49%) (2002-34%)
- Counselors

2022 – 2023 – 4% (2021- 5%) (2020 – 11%) (2019 – 16%) (2018 – 11%) (2017- 12%) (2016–16%) (2015–13%) (2014–26%) (2013–17%) (2012–26%) (2011–29%) (2010–25%) (2009–24%) (2008–24%) (2007–22%) (2006–23%) (2005–18%) (2004–20%) (2003–32%) (2002–33%)

• Employment

2022 – 2023 – 3%(2021- 6%) (2020 – 4%) (2019 – 8%) (2018 – 10%) (2017-12%) (2016–8%) (2015–6%) (2014–4%) (2013–6%) (2012–4%) (2011–6%) (2010–5%) (2009–7%) (2008–8%) (2007–5%) (2006–7%) (2005–7%) (2004– 12%) (2003–8%) (2002–9%)

- Funding/Staffing
 2022 2023 7% (2021-1%) (2020 1%) (2019 1%) (2018 3%) (2017-6%) (2016-3%) (2015-2%) (2014-8%) (2013-4%) (2012-5%) (2011-6%) (2010-8%) (2009-4%) (2008-7%) (2007-8%) (2006-7%) (2005-7%) (2004-7%) (2003-8%) (2002-9%)
- Services and Programs
 2022 2023 3% (2021- 2%) (2020 2%) (2019 3%) (2018 3%) (2017-3%) (2016–5%) (2015–2%) (2014–11%) (2013–12%) (2012–13%) (2011–8%) (2010-6%) (2009-7%) (2008–8%) (2007–8%) (2006–7%) (2005–7%) (2004–6%) (2003–9%) (2002–8%)
- Advertise
 2022 2023 1% (2021 2%) (2020 2%) (2019 0%) (2018 1%) (2017 2%)
- Transportation
 2022 2023 2%(2021-2%) (2020 0%) (2019 0%) (2018 0%) (2017-3%) (2016-3%) (2015-2%) (2014-3%) (2013-2%) (2012-3%) (2011-3%)

(2010–1%) (2009–3%) (2008–3%) (2007–3%) (2006–3%) (2005–3%) (2004– 3%) (2003–2%) (2002–4%)

- Other
 2022 2023 8% (2021- 3%) (2020 15%) (2019 23%) (2018 20%) (2017- 22%)
- Do not know
 2022 2023 1% (2021- 2%) (2020 0%) (2019 1%) (2018 9%) (2017-4%)
- COVID-19 related
 2022 2023 0% (2021-1%) (2020 3%)

Appendix A. 2022-2023 Survey Instrument

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Time	

Track Number

INTERVIEWER NAME

DBS 2022-23 Survey

Hello, my name is _______. I am calling from the Florida State University Survey Foundry. May I speak to _______. The Florida Rehabilitation Council for the Blind has contracted with Florida State University to conduct this survey of DBS clients. The Governor independently appoints the Florida Rehabilitation Council for the Blind. The Council uses the survey as their tool to evaluate the quality of services delivered by the DBS and contracted agencies to identify any problem areas that the Council may wish to correct. Random selection took place to select participants to participate in this survey and your views are important in helping to assess this program. This is an opportunity for you to give feedback about the program and its services. This survey takes less than 15 minutes of your time. Your participation in this survey is voluntary and will not affect any of your program benefits. You may choose not to participate or to withdraw from the survey at any time. I can assure you that everything you tell us is confidential. The Council receives summary results. The only person who may hear your responses is my supervisor, who may be monitoring this call to evaluate my performance. Dr. Minna Jia is directing this survey, and we can provide you with her telephone number if you wish to contact her. You may direct questions on the survey to the FSU Survey Foundry at toll free number 1-888-585-4933.

For additional information on the Florida Rehabilitation Council for the Blind, please contact Brandis Hall at 1-850-245-9305.

- A. Do you have any questions about this study?
 -] Yes
 -] No A1. Comments

B. May I proceed?

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- YES NO, not a suitable time now
- NO, not willing to participate

(Go to Question C) Schedule Call back Thank and terminate interview. **Q1**. How did you hear about and know how to contact Division of Blind Services (DBS) for services?

Our records indicate that you received services not only from DBS, but that DBS also referred your additional services needed to ______. To help us understand what we are doing right and where we can improve, it is important that we ask you about your experience with both DBS and ______. As we proceed with the survey, I will ask you questions that refer to both DBS and _____.

COUNSELOR/STAFF RESPONSIVENESS

- **Q2.** Would you say Division of Blind Services (DBS) was easy to contact...
 - 1 All of the time
 - 2 Most of the time
 - 3 Some of the time
 - 4 None of the time
 - 7 Don't Know
 - 8 Not Applicable
 - 9 Refused

Q2a. Would you say your local service provider was easy to contact...

- 1 All of the time
- 2 Most of the time
- 3 Some of the time
- 4 None of the time
- 7 Don't Know
- 8 Not Applicable
- 9 Refused
- Q3. Did you feel welcome when you first contacted DBS?
 1 Yes
 2 No
 7 Don't Know
 8 Not Applicable
 9 Refused

Q3a.	Did you feel welcome when you first contacted your local service provider?		
	1	Yes	
	2	Νο	
	_		
	7	Don't Know	
	8	Not Applicable	
	9	Refused	
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- **Q4**. Would you say your DBS Counselor was responsive to your request for services?
 - 1 All of the time
 - 2 Most of the time
 - 3 Some of the time
 - 4 None of the time
 - 7 Don't Know
 - 8 Not Applicable
 - 9 Refused

Q4a.	Would you say your local service provider was responsive to your request for services?		
	1	All of the time	
	2	Most of the time	
	3	Some of the time	
	4	None of the time	
	7	Don't Know	
	8	Not Applicable	
	9	Refused	

- **Q5**. Would you say your DBS Counselor was respectful and responsive to your interest, ideas, and suggestions?
 - 1 All of the time
 - 2 Most of the time
 - 3 Some of the time
 - 4 None of the time
 - 7 Don't Know
 - 8 Not Applicable
 - 9 Refused

Q5a.	Would you say your local service provider was respectful and responsive to your interest, ideas, and suggestions?		
	1 All of the time		
	2 Most of the time		
	3 Some of the time		
	4 None of the time		
	7	Don't Know	
	8	Not Applicable	
	9 Refused		

Q6 .	Did your DBS Counselor inform you of your rights and responsibilities as a client of the VR Program (e.g., right to appeal, the existence of the Client Advocacy Program)?		
	1 Yes		
	2	No	
	7	Don't Know	
	8	Not Applicable	
	9	Refused	

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	8	Don't kno	W		
	2	NO Devit los			
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			9	Refused	
			4 8	Don't know	
			3 4	None of the time	
			2 3	Some of the time	
			1	All of the time Most of the time	
		Q9.		your counselor get back with you within two wo	rking days?
		•	9	Refused	
			8	Don't know	
			4	None of the time	
			3	Some of the time	
			2	Most of the time	
			1	All of the time	
		Q8 .	Wer	e you able to reach your counselor?	
	1	YES CONT	INUE	TO ask Q8 and Q9	
2 7.	Dia		COIII	act your DBS counselor?	

1	YES c	ONTIN	JE TO ask Q8a and Q9a
	Q	8a. W	ere you able to reach your representative?
		1	All of the time
		2	Most of the time
		3	Some of the time
		4	None of the time
		8	Don't know
		9	Refused
	Q	Ma	d your representative get back with you within two working ys?
		1	All of the time
		2	Most of the time
		3	Some of the time
		4	None of the time
		8	Don't know
		9	Refused
2	NO		
8	Don't	know	
9	Refus	ed	

- 1 All of the time
- 2 Most of the time
- 3 Some of the time
- 4 None of the time
 - 7 Don't Know
 - 8 Not Applicable
 - 9 Refused

Next we would like to ask you a couple of questions about establishing your **VOCATIONAL GOALS that** is the plan for maintaining or obtaining employment.

Q11.	When ESTABLISHING YOUR VOCATIONAL GOALS, would you say your opportunity for input was:	
	1 Very adequate	
	2	Adequate
	3	Inadequate
	4	Very inadequate
	7	Don't Know
	8	Not Applicable
	9	Refused

Q12.	When PLANNING SPECIFIC SERVICES TO ACHIEVE your vocational goals, would you say your opportunity for input was:	
	1	Very adequate
	2	Adequate
	3	Inadequate
	4	Very inadequate
	7	Don't Know
	8	Not Applicable
	9	Refused

Q13.	Did DBS or local service provider make certain you received the services identified in your plan?		
	1 All of the time		
	2	Most of the time	
	3	Some of the time	
	4	None of the time	
	7.	Don't Know	
	8	Not Applicable	
	9	Refused	

The next question is going to ask you about independent living goals. Independent living services can include assisted technology, orientation and mobility, home and personal management, and communications.

Q14.	When PLANNING SPECIFIC INDEPENDENT LIVING SERVICES , would you say your opportunity for input was:	
	1 Very adequate	
	2	Adequate
	3	Inadequate
	4	Very inadequate
	7	Don't Know
	8	Not Applicable
	9	Refused

TRANSPORTATION

The next question asks your opinion on transportation services provided by DBS and your local service provider. Do you strongly agree, agree, disagree, or strongly disagree with the following statement?

Q15.	Trar	Transportation options provided to me fully allowed me to participate in my plan.		
	1	Strongly agree		
	2	Agree		
	3	Disagree		
	4	Strongly Disagree		
	7	Not Applicable		
	8	Don't Know		
	9	Refused		

QUALITY OF SERVICES

We are also interested in obtaining your opinion about the types and quality of services you received.

Q16.		Did your DBS counselor provide materials in accessible formats you requested such as large print, CDs and Braille or Email?		
	1	Yes		
	2	No		
	7	Not Applicable		
	8	Don't Know		
	9	Refused		

Q16a.		Did your local service provider provide materials in accessible formats you requested such as large print, CDs and Braille or Email?							
	1	Yes							
	2	No							
	7	Not Applicable							
	8	Don't Know							
	9	Refused							

Q17.	My DBS Counselor provided me with equipment/accommodation I needed for training or employment. Do you (Read Choices)								
	1 Strongly Agree								
	2	Agree							
	3	Disagree							
	4	Strongly Disagree							
	7	Not Applicable							
	8	Don't Know							
	9	Refused							

Q18.		ere did you receive the technology training, such as computer skills or using ware?					
	1	DBS—Ask Q19					
	2	Local Service Provider—Ask Q19					
	3	Other agencies					
	4	Not received					
	7	Not Applicable					
	8	Don't Know					
	9	Refused					

Q19.	How satisfied were you with THE TECHNOLOGY TRAINING THAT YOU RECEIVED ? Were you			
	1 Very satisfied			
	2	Satisfied		
	3	Dissatisfied		
	4	Very Dissatisfied		
	8	Don't Know		
	9	Refused		

NEW SERVICES SCREENED SECTION

Next, we would like to ask you about the TYPE OF SERVICES that you received.

Q20.	Which	n of the	e following services did you receive from DBS? (Circle all that apply)
	Yes	No	
	1	2	a. Medical services—such as surgery or glasses
	1	2	b. Assistance with education
	1	2	c. Technical aids, equipment and/or software
	1	2	d. Training that allows you to find your way around, cooking, personal management, and the like at the Rehabilitation center.
			IF YES, ASK THE FOLLOWING:

IF NO, Skip TO Q25

Q21.	Did you receive orientation and mobility training to help you to find your way around and travel safely?				
	1	Yes-As	-	-	
		Q22.	Но	ow satisfied were you with ORIENTATION AND	
				OBILITY TRAINING? Were you	
			1	Very satisfied	
			2	Satisfied	
			3	Dissatisfied	
			4	Very Dissatisfied	
				Don't Know	
			-	Refused	
	2	No	-		
Q23.			mme	e training in personal and home management, only known as independent living skills? 24	
		Q24.		ow satisfied were you with training in INDEPENDENT VING SKILLS? Were you	
			1	Very satisfied	
			2	Satisfied	
			3	Dissatisfied	
			4	Very Dissatisfied	
			8	Don't Know	
			9	Refused	
	2	No			

Q20a. Which of the following services did you receive from your local service provider?

Yes No 1 2

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a. Training in technical aids, equipment and/or software
 b. Training that allows you to find your way around, cooking, personal
 management, and the like.

IF YES, ASK THE FOLLOWING:

IF NO, Skip TO 25

Q21a.		I you receive orientation and mobility training to help you vigate and travel safely from your local service provider? Yes-Ask Q22a Q22a. How satisfied were you with ORIENTATION AND MOBILITY TRAINING? Were you 1 Very satisfied 2 Satisfied 3 Dissatisfied 4 Very Dissatisfied 8 Don't Know
	2	9 Refused No
Q23a.	whi	I you receive training in personal and home management, ich is commonly known as independent living skills, from ur local service provider? Yes-Ask Q24a
	1	Q24a. How satisfied were you with training in INDEPENDENT LIVING SKILLS? Were you
		 Very satisfied Satisfied Dissatisfied
		4 Very Dissatisfied
		8 Don't Know 9 Refused
	2	No

Training—Braille and Low-Vision—ask All with Screen

Q25.	Did you receive training in the use of Braille through CRP (Community Rehabilitation Program) or a rehabilitation center?						
	1	Yes—A	sk Qź	26			
		Q	26.	Hov	v satisfied were you with BRAILLE TRAINING ? Were you		
				1	Very satisfied		
				2	2 Satisfied		
				3	Dissatisfied		
				4	Very Dissatisfied		
				8	Don't Know		
				9	Refused		
	2	No					

Q27.	Did	Did you receive training in the use of low vision aids?				
	1	Yes—Ask (ວ28			
		Q28 .	Q28. How satisfied were you with LOW VISION TRAINING? Were you			
			1	Very satisfied		
			2	Satisfied		
			3	Dissatisfied		
			4	Very Dissatisfied		
			8	Don't Know		
			9	Refused		
	2	No				

Employment

Next we would like to ask a few questions about employment and training. That you might have received.

Q29.	W	hy did you conta	ct DBS for services?				
	1	1 Maintain your current job—Ask Q30					
		Q30. Services provided by DBS and my local service provider helped me maintain my job.					
			1 Strongly Agree				
			2 Agree				
			3 Disagree				
			4 Strongly Disagree				
			8 Don't Know				
			9 Refused				
			GO TO Section Employment Counseling and				
			Training Q39				
	2	Obtain a job					
	3	Advance emplo	oyment				
	4	None of the ab	ove, please specify				
		Other:					
	8	Don't Know					
	-						
	9	Refused					

QUESTIONS FOR THOSE WHO CAME TO DBS TO OBTAIN EMPLOYMENT

EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

I am going to read you a few statements concerning employment services. Please tell me if you strongly agree, agree, disagree, or strongly disagree with the statement based on your experience.

Q31.		DBS services provided me with the skills necessary to conduct a job search independently.						
	1	Strongly Agree						
	2	Agree						
	3	Disagree						
	4	Strongly Disagree						
	8	Don't know						
	9	Refused/Not Applicable						

- Q31a. Local service provider provided me with the skills necessary to conduct a job search independently.
 1 Strongly Agree
 - 2 Agree
 - 3 Disagree
 - 4 Strongly Disagree
 - 8 Don't know
 - 9 Refused/Not Applicable
- Q32.
 DBS helped prepare me for employment.

 1
 Strongly Agree

 2
 Agree

 3
 Disagree

 4
 Strongly Disagree

 8
 Don't know

 9
 Refused/Not Applicable

Q32a. The local service provider helped prepare me for employment.

- 1 Strongly Agree
- 2 Agree
- 3 Disagree
- 4 Strongly Disagree
 - 8 Don't know

Q33.	Whic	Which of the following assisted you in securing employment? (Check all that applies.)				
	1	DBS counselor				
	2	Local service provider				
	3	DBS job placement specialist				
	4	Outside contractor				
	5	Career source?				
	6	None of the above				
	8	Don't know				
	9	Refused/Not Applicable				

Q34.	Are	Are you currently employed?						
	1	YES	CONTINUE to Question 35 THROUGH Question 38					
	2	NO	SKIP to Question 39					

CURRENTLY EMPLOYED--YES

Q35.	My p	My present job is in keeping with my career goals.							
	1 Strongly Agree								
	2	Agree							
	3	Disagree							
	4	Strongly Disagree							
	8	Don't know							
	9	Refused							

Q36. My present job is in keeping with the training I received from DBS.1 Strongly Agree

- 2 Agree
- 3 Disagree
 4 Strongly Disagree
 8 Don't know
 - 9 Refused

Q37.	Му с	My current salary is appropriate for my type of employment.							
	1 Strongly Agree								
	2	Agree							
	3	Disagree							
	4 Strongly Disagree								
	8	Don't know							
	9	Refused							

Q38.	l am	I am satisfied with the potential for advancement in my current job.							
	1	1 Strongly Agree							
	2	Agree							
	3	Disagree							
	4 Strongly Disagree								
	8	Don't know							
	9	Refused							

JOB TRAINING AND COUNSELING.

ASK OF MAINTAIN OR OBTAIN EMPLOYMENT CLIENTS

The following questions will ask your satisfaction with the career counseling and job search skill services. Please tell me if you strongly agree, agree, disagree, or strongly disagree with the statement based on your experience.

Q39.	Did	you partio	cipate	e in (career counseling through DBS?
	1	Yes—A	sk Q	40	
		Q	Q40. How satisfied were you with CAREER COUNSELING? Were you		
				1	Very satisfied
				2	Satisfied
				3	Dissatisfied
				4	Very Dissatisfied
				8	Don't Know
				9	Refused
	2	No			

Q39a.	Did	Did you participate in career counseling through local service provider?				
	1	1 Yes—Ask Q40a				
			Q40a.		w satisfied were you with CAREER COUNSELING? ere you	
				1	Very satisfied	
				2	Satisfied	
				3	Dissatisfied	
				4	Very Dissatisfied	
				8	Don't Know	
				9	Refused	
	2	No				

Q41.		•	ceive jo , or writ		diness training, such as how to interview, completing an esume?			
	1	Yes-	Ask Q4	2 and	and Q43			
			Q42.	Was	it provided by your counselor or local service provider?			
				1	DBS counselor			
				2	Local service provider			
				3	Both			
				8	Don't know			
				9	Refused			
			Q43.		satisfied were you with the job search skills you ived?			
				1	Very satisfied			
				2	Satisfied			
				3	Dissatisfied			
				4	Very Dissatisfied			
				8	Don't know			
				9	Refused			
	2	No						

CASE CLOSURE

- **Q44.** Are you aware that your case with DBS "closed"?
 - 1 Yes
 - 2 Yes, but now its reopened
 - 3 No
 - 8 Don't Know
 - 9 Refused

Q45.	e you aware that services through the DBS, such as post-employment training, vices, and equipment, may be available to me even though my case closed?	
	1	Yes
	5	No
	8	Don't Know
	9	Refused

Q46.	Q46. Are you aware that services or equipment may be available to me even though closed?							
	1 Yes							
	5	No						
	8	Don't Know						
	9	Refused						

OPEN-ENDED QUESTIONS

Q47. Why did you leave the blind services program? (that is, why was your case "Closed"?)

Lastly, I would like to ask you general questions about the program.

Q48. What were the most helpful services you received?

Q49. What were the least helpful services you received?

Q50. How could services improve?

Q51.	Would you recommend DBS services to others?									
	1	Yes	Ask the following							
		Q52 . Why?								
	2	No	Ask the following							
		Q53 . Wh	iy Not?							
	8	Don't Kn								
	9	Refused								

Q51a.	Wou	ld you reco	ommend your local service provider to others?					
	1	Yes	Ask the following					
		Q52a . Why?						
	2	No	Ask the following					
		Q53a . W	hy Not?					
	8	Don't Kno	W					
	9	Refused						

Q54.	Overall, how satisfied are you with the services you received from DBS? Would y say you are								
	1	1 Very satisfied							
	2	Mostly Satisfied							
	3 Mildly Dissatisfied								
	4 Very Dissatisfied								
	8 Don't know								
	9	Refused							

Q55.		rall, how satisfied are you with the services you received from? Would say you are
	1	Very satisfied
	2	Mostly Satisfied
	3	Mildly Dissatisfied
	4	Very Dissatisfied
	8	Don't know
	9	Refused

Last. These are all the questions I have. Thank you for your time and have a wonderful day.

INTERVIEWER PLEASE READ:

I certify that all required questions asked and recorded in agreement with the respondent's answers. This bona fide interview was obtained according to all interviewing specifications. I agree to keep the content of questions, the respondent's answers, and the subject of this and all other interviews confidential. If the respondent did not complete the survey, I certify that all other values I entered are valid.

Interviewer Name: _____

APPENDIX B.

2022-23 Survey Results --Question Detail

Percentages range between 99% and 101% due to rounding

Appendix B

Question and Category Detail

Division of Blind Services Client Satisfaction Survey Survey Results

Q1. How did you hear about and know how to contact DBS for Services?

The percentage of clients in major categories based on given responses. The counts for the items comprising each category are listed below.

		2022		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
	All Cases	Success ful	Unsucces sful	All Cases										
Clients Responding	n=338	n=255	n=83	n=228	n=344	n=292	n=313	n=210	n=374	n=482	n=203	n=348	n=481	n=501
Medical	21%	20%	22%	19%	17%	20%	20%	24%	21%	20%	30%	25%	25%	23%
Family/Friends	25%	28%	17%	12%	19%	19%	20%	20%	23%	23%	24%	23%	23%	20%
School	6%	4%	10%	9%	12%	8%	10%	5%	6%	11%	19%	2%	7%	7%
Previous Client	17%	18%	13%	22%	18%	15%	17%	13%	24%	14%	2%	18%	16%	24%
Agencies	9%	8%	12%	5%	7%	11%	16%	16%	17%	19%	10%	16%	16%	13%
General Information/ Media	12%	12%	10%	13%	10%	10%	10%	12%	8%	13%	15%	9%	11%	9%
Associations	5%	4%	11%	4%	9%	8%	1%	2%	2%	2%	1%	1%	3%	3%

Staff Responsiveness

		2022		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
	All			All										
	Closed		Unsuccessful	-	-	-								_
	Cases	Closure	Closure	Cases										
Clients Responding	n=340	n=258	n=82	n=229	n=344	n=293	n=309	n=207	n=401	n=507	n=236	n=347	n=523	n=529
All of the time	75%	78%	66%	87%	83%	72%	56%	57%	47%	47%	36%	48%	46%	48%
Most of the time	13%	13%	12%	7%	10%	14%	29%	24%	29%	33%	45%	35%	33%	30%
Some of the time	9%	7%	16%	2%	6%	10%	12%	15%	21%	18%	17%	17%	18%	16%
None of the time	3%	2%	6%	5%	2%	3%	2%	5%	3%	3%	2%	1%	4%	5%
Total	100%	100%	100%	101%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	101%	100%	101%	101%	99%

Q2a. Local provider was Easy to contact

		2022		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
Clients Responding	All Closed Cases n=280	Successful Closure n=204	Unsuccessful Closure n=76	All Closed Cases n=179	All Closed Cases n=344	All Closed Cases n=206	All Closed Cases n=240	All Closed Cases n=158
All of the time	84%	85%	79%	91%	83%	78%	69%	71%
Most of the time	9%	7%	12%	5%	10%	14%	20%	19%
Some of the time	6%	6%	5%	2%	6%	7%	8%	7%
None of the time	2%	2%	4%	2%	2%	2%	3%	3%
Total	101%	100%	100%	100%	101%	100%	100%	100%

2022 2021 2020 2019 2018 2017 All **Closed Successf Unsuccessful** All All All All All **Closed Cases** Closed Cases Cases ul Closure **Closed Cases Closed Cases Closed Cases** Closure Clients Responding n=258 n=83 n=226 n=340 n=291 n=306 n=209 n=341 Yes 94% 95% 92% 96% 96% 95% 93% 92% No 6% 5% 8% 4% 4% 6% 7% 8% 100% 100% 100% 100% 100% 101% 100% 100%

Q3. Did you feel welcome when you first contacted DBS?

Q3a. Did you feel welcome when you first contacted your local service provider?

		2022		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
Clients	All Closed Cases	Successf ul Closure	Unsuccessf ul Closure	All Closed Cases				
Responding	n=282	n=207	n=75	n=178	n=250	n=210	n=237	n=158
Yes	96%	95%	99%	98%	98%	96%	97%	98%
No	4%	5%	1%	2%	2%	4%	3%	3%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

2022 2021 2020 2019 2018 2017 2016 2015 2014 2013 2012 2011 All Unsuccessfu All **Closed Successful** Closed Т Cases Cases Cases Cases Cases Closure Closure Cases Cases Cases Cases Cases Cases Cases Clients Responding n=401 n=348 n=208 n=508 n=234 n=528 n=531 n=340 n=257 n=83 n=232 n=342 n=294 n=311 All of the time 78% 80% 70% 78% 69% 68% 54% 54% 60% 58% 53% 60% 62% 63% Most of the time 8% 20% 22% 24% 33% 26% 18% 10% 15% 8% 17% 19% 20% 19% Some of the time 9% 10% 11% 7% 9% 9% 18% 18% 16% 16% 12% 14% 16% 15% None of the time 3% 2% 5% 7% 8% 8% 3% 3% 5% 5% 1% 1% 4% 4% Total 100% 99% 101% 99% 101% 100% 101% 99% 99% 101% 101% 101% 101% 100%

Q4. DBS Counselor Was Responsive to your requests for services?

Q4a. Responsive to your requests for services (Local Service Provider)?

		2022		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
	All Closed Cases		Unsuccessf ul Closure	All Closed Cases	All Closed Cases	All Closed Cases	All Closed Cases	All Closed Cases
Clients Responding	n=336	n=255	n=81	n=176	n=248	n=212	n=239	n=158
All of the time	83%	86%	77%	88%	83%	76%	71%	77%
Most of the	•••	•••						
time	7%	6%	10%	5%	9%	14%	21%	15%
Some of the								
time	7%	7%	6%	3%	4%	6%	7%	6%
None of the								
time	3%	1%	7%	3%	4%	3%	2%	3%
Total	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	99%	101%	100%

		2022		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
	All			All	All	All	All		All	All	All	All	All	All
			Unsuccessful		Closed		Closed				Closed			
	Cases	Closure	Closure	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases
Clients													505	500
Responding	n=336	n=255	n=81	n=230	n=340	n=293	n=310	n=209	n=400	n=508	n=235	n=348	n=525	n=530
All of the time	83%	86%	77%	84%	86%	75%	68%	62%	64%	62%	57%	63%	69%	69%
Most of the time	7%	6%	10%	7%	5%	15%	18%	20%	20%	20%	27%	23%	16%	17%
Some of the time	7%	7%	6%	6%	6%	6%	10%	11%	14%	14%	15%	12%	11%	12%
None of the time	3%	1%	7%	4%	4%	4%	3%	8%	3%	4%	1%	3%	4%	3%
Total	100%	100%	100%	101%	101%	100%	99%	100%	101%	100%	100%			

Q5. Respectful and responsive to your interests, ideas, and suggestions?

Q5a. Respectful and responsive to your interests, ideas, and suggestions (Local Service Provider)?

		2022	2	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
Clients	All Closed Cases n=277	Closur e	Unsucces sful Closure n=76	All Closed Cases n=174	All Closed Cases n=246	All Closed Cases n=210	All Closed Cases n=236	All Closed Cases n=155
All of the time		87%	74%	89%	86%	81%	76%	73%
Most of the time		••••				-	-	-
	8%	7%	11%	4%	6%	14%	17%	17%
Some of the								
time	7%	5%	12%	3%	3%	2%	6%	8%
None of the								
time	3%	2%	4%	3%	5%	3%	2%	3%
	101%	101%	101%	99%	100%	100%	101%	100%

Q6. Did the DBS Counselor inform you of your rights and responsibilities as a client of the VR Program (e.g., right to appeal, the existence of the Client Advocacy Program) ...

		2022		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
Clients Responding	All Closed Cases n=319	Successfu I Closure n=243	Unsuccessf ul Closure n=76	All Closed Cases n=224	All Closed Cases n=329	All Closed Cases n=282	All Closed Cases n=292	All Closed Cases n=193	All Closed Cases n=400	All Closed Cases n=483	All Closed Cases n=229	All Closed Cases n=342	All Closed Cases n=507	All Closed Cases n=513
Responding	11-313	11-245	11-70	11-224	11-525	11-202	11-232	11-135	11-400	11-403	11-225	11-342	11-307	11-313
Yes	95%	95%	95%	91%	93%	94%	92%	91%	94%	94%	90%	95%	93%	92%
No	5%	5%	5%	9%	7%	6%	8%	9%	4%	6%	10%	5%	8%	8%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	98%	100%	100%	100%	101%	100%

Q7. Ever tried to contact your DBS counselor?

		2022		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
	All Closed Cases	Successful Closure	Unsuccessful Closure	All Closed Cases										
Clients														
Responding	n=341	n=258	n=83	n=229	n=333	n=294	n=312	n=208	n=401	n=508	n=235	n=348	n=530	n=531
YES	96%	97%	93%	97%	98%	96%	98%	96%	98%	95%	88%	92%	94%	93%
NO	4%	3%	7%	3%	2%	4%	2%	4%	2%	5%	12%	8%	6%	7%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Q7a. Ever tried to contact your case manager?

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		2022		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
	All Closed Successful Unsuccessfu Cases Closure Closure			All Closed Cases				
Clients								
Responding	n=286	n=209	n=77	n=182	n=258	n=206	n=242	n=158
YES	80%	80%	79%	85%	81%	85%	84%	87%
NO	20%	20%	21%	15%	19%	15%	17%	13%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	101%	100%

		2022		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
	All Closed Cases	Successful Closure	Unsuccessful Closure			All Closed Cases		Closed	All Closed Cases					d
Clients Responding	n=330	n=252	n=78	n=221	n=335	n=283	n=306	n=205	n=391	n=483	n=206	n=321	n=496	n=491
All of the time	57%	58%	54%	60%	45%	45%	42%	48%	39%	33%	36%	33%	34%	38%
Most of the time	25%	26%	22%	26%	41%	35%	36%	25%	35%	41%	48%	41%	44%	39%
Some of the time	16%	14%	21%	10%	12%	17%	18%	24%	21%	24%	23%	23%	19%	20%
None of the time	3%	3%	4%	4%	2%	4%	4%	2%	5%	3%	2%	3%	3%	3%
	101%	101%	101%	100%	100%	101%	100%	100%	100%	101%	99%	100%	100%	100%

Q8. Able to reach your counselor?

Q8a. Able to reach your case manager?

		2022		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
	All Closed Cases	Successi ul Closure	Unsucce ssful Closure	All Closed Cases				
Clients Responding	n=225	n=165	n=60	n=154	n=209	n=175	n=201	n=138
All of the time Most of the	77%	79%	72%	69%	54%	64%	67%	74%
time Some of the	14%	13%	17%	25%	40%	30%	24%	17%
time None of the	7%	5%	12%	5%	5%	5%	7%	7%
time	3%	4%	0%	1%	1%	1%	2%	2%
	101%	101%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

		2022		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
	All Closed Cases	Successful Closure	Unsuccessfu I Closure	Closed			All Closed Cases			Closed	All Closed Cases			d
Clients Responding	n=320	n=247	n=73	n=214	n=333	n=282	n=303	n=209	n=482	n=482	n=205	n=318	n=491	n=489
All of the time	78%	77%	80%	74%	70%	50%	59%	64%	55%	50%	48%	55%	60%	57%
Most of the time	10%	11%	6%	15%	19%	30%	21%	22%	25%	30%	34%	27%	23%	23%
Some of the time	6%	5%	8%	5%	7%	11%	13%	8%	15%	17%	13%	12%	12%	14%
None of the time	7%	7%	7%	6%	4%	8%	7%	6%	5%	4%	5%	6%	5%	7%
	101%	100%	101%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	101%	100%	100%	100%	101%

Q9. Counselors get back within 2 days.

Q9a. Case managers get back within 2 days.

		2022		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
	All Closed Cases	Successfl ul Closure	Jnsuccessfu I Closure		All Closed Cases	All Closed Cases	All Closed Cases	All Closed Cases
Clients Responding	n=203	n=149	n=54	n=214	n=207	n=174	n=199	n=137
All of the time	85%	85%	83%	74%	75%	69%	72%	71%
Most of the time	5%	5%	4%	15%	18%	25%	17%	20%
Some of the time	4%	3%	6%	5%	4%	4%	7%	7%
None of the time	6%	6%	7%	6%	3%	2%	4%	2%
	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

		2022		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
				All										
	All		Unsuccessful											_
	Closed Cases		Closure											
Clients Responding	n=342	n=258	n=84	n=225	n=340	n=291	n=310	n=209	n=400	n=508	n=234	n=348	n=525	n=534
All of the time	91%	93%	83%	90%	90%	81%	78%	64%	68%	71%	57%	71%	72%	75%
Most of the time	6%	4%	10%	3%	4%	12%	11%	22%	18%	16%	31%	21%	17%	15%
Some of the time	2%	1%	5%	3%	4%	5%	8%	8%	12%	11%	11%	8%	10%	9%
None of the time	2%	2%	2%	4%	2%	2%	3%	6%	1%	2%	1%	1%	2%	2%
	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	101%	101%	101%

Q10. DBS counselor treated you in a professional manner.

Q11. Opportunity for input when Establishing Vocational Goals.

		2022		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
	All			All										
	Closed	Successfull	Jnsuccessful	Closed										
	Cases Closure Closure n=325 n=246 n=79			Cases										
Clients Responding	n=325	n=246	n=79	n=218	n=317	n=267	n=295	n=191	n=399	n=489	n=229	n=332	n=500	n=495
Very adequate	72%	75%	63%	75%	79%	52%	53%	37%	44%	38%	38%	47%	45%	41%
Adequate	21%	20%	22%	15%	13%	36%	36%	49%	41%	52%	54%	46%	45%	47%
Inadequate	4%	2%	10%	5%	7%	8%	8%	9%	8%	7%	7%	5%	6%	8%
Very inadequate	3%	2%	5%	5%	2%	5%	3%	5%	3%	3%	1%	2%	4%	4%
	100%	99%	100%	100%	101%	101%	100%	100%	96%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Q12. Opportunity for input when Establishing Steps to Achieve Vocational Goals.

		2022		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
	All			All	All	All	All	All	All	All	All	All	All	All
	Closed		Unsuccessful	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed					
• •••	Cases	Closure	Closure	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases
Clients Responding	n=325	n=248	n=77	n=218	n=316	n=264	n=293	n=190	n=399	n=490	n=228	n=336	n=499	n=491
Very adequate	72%	76%	61%	77%	76%	50%	55%	37%	45%	42%	38%	44%	44%	43%
Adequate	19%	18%	21%	12%	13%	38%	34%	46%	40%	47%	53%	47%	44%	43%
Inadequate	6%	4%	10%	6%	8%	8%	8%	10%	7%	8%	7%	7%	8%	10%
Very														
inadequate	3%	2%	8%	5%	3	5	3%	7%	4%	4%	3%	2%	4%	4%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	101%	100%	100%	96%	101%	101%	100%	100%	100%

Q13. Services Identified in Plan.

		2021		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
	All			All	All	All	All	All	All	All	All	All	All	All
			Unsuccessful		Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed		Closed				
o	Cases	Closure	Closure	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases
Clients Responding	n=333	n=251	n=82	n=222	n=333	n=280	n=300	n=197	n=398	n=496	n=233	n=340	n=515	n=511
All of the time	82%	86%	70%	81%	83%	71%	69%	62%	58%	64%	51%	60%	62%	65%
Most of the time	7%	6%	10%	10%	8%	19%	17%	21%	20%	21%	36%	26%	21%	17%
Some of the														
time	8%	6%	15%	3%	7%	7%	11%	10%	16%	12%	10%	13%	12%	14%
None of the time	3%	2%	6%	6%	2%	4%	3%	7%	4%	3%	3%	1%	4%	4%
	100%	100%	101%	100%	100%	101%	100%	100%	98%	101%	101%	100%	100%	100%

		2022		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
	All			All	All	All	All	All	All	All	All	All	All	All
	Closed		Unsuccessful		Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed			Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed
	Cases	Closure	Closure	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases
Clients Responding	n=292	n=220	n=72	n=191	n=261	n=233	n=276	n=185	n=399	n=463	n=225	n=315	n=465	n=448
Very adequate	76%	76%	74%	83%	79%	62%	61%	49%	48%	49%	42%	47%	50%	47%
Adequate	17%	18%	13%	7%	16%	30%	29%	38%	35%	44%	50%	48%	43%	44%
Inadequate	3%	2%	4%	6%	3%	4%	7%	9%	6%	5%	6%	4%	6%	5%
Very inadequate	5%	3%	10%	4%	2%	4%	3%	4%	3%	2%	3%	2%	2%	3%
	101%	99%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%							

Q14. Opportunity for input when planning specific independent living services?

*This question is asking Opportunity for input when establishing steps to independent living goals before 2017.

Transportation

Q15. Transportation options provided to me fully allowed me to participate in my plan.

		2022		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
	All			All										
	Closed	Successful	Unsuccessful	Closed										
	Cases	Closure	Closure	Cases										
Clients Responding	n=248	n=190	n=58	n=158	n=230	n=232	n=229	n=164	n=184	n=251	n=98	n=140	n=226	n=244
Strongly agree	70%	70%	69%	75%	66%	53%	56%	55%	45%	49%	49%	42%	40%	43%
Agree	18%	20%	18%	13%	20%	28%	29%	29%	38%	36%	40%	41%	42%	38%
Disagree	5%	4%	5%	4%	6%	6%	10%	10%	10%	10%	6%	15%	11%	14%
Strongly Disagree	7%	6%	7%	8%	8%	13%	6%	6%	6%	5%	5%	1%	7%	6%
	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	101%	100%	99%	100%	100%	99%	100%	101%

*2010 to 2016. Your DBS Counselor provided adequate transportation when needed.

Quality of Services

		2022		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
	All			All										
	Closed	Successful	Unsuccessful	Closed										
	Cases	Closure	Closure	Cases										
Clients														
Responding	n=337	n=255	n=82	n=220	n=335	n=289	n=298	n=205	n=394	n=488	n=233	n=332	n=484	n=491
Yes	94%	95%	92%	92%	88%	89%	89%	85%	77%	78%	87%	84%	81%	77%
No	6%	5%	9%	8%	12%	11%	11%	15%	22%	22%	13%	16%	19%	23%
	100%	100%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Q16. Provide materials in accessible format.

*2009 to 2016 Did your counselor provide materials in accessible formats you requested such as large print, cassette tapes, computer disks and Braille?

Q16a. Case Manager Provide materials in accessible format.

		2022		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
Clients	All Closed Cases	Closure	Unsuccessful Closure	All Closed Cases				
Responding	n=269	n=198	n=71	n=172	n=244	n=210	n=234	n=150
Yes	94%	94%	93%	92%	87%	87%	89%	83%
No	6%	6%	7%	8%	13%	13%	11%	17%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

		2022		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
	All Closed Cases	Successful Closure	Unsuccessful Closure	All Closed Cases										
Clients Responding	n=314	n=236	n=78	n=213	n=311	n=271	n=287	n=194	n=394	n=477	n=228	n=328	n=486	n=472
Strongly Agree	81%	87%	62%	76%	74%	59%	67%	52%	41%	47%	47%	43%	46%	45%
Agree	10%	9%	14%	14%	15%	28%	21%	26%	38%	39%	43%	47%	38%	39%
Disagree	4%	3%	9%	5%	6%	8%	7%	8%	8%	10%	7%	7%	10%	13%
Strongly Disagree	5%	2%	15%	6%	5%	5%	5%	8%	8%	5%	3%	3%	6%	3%
	100%	101%	100%	101%	100%	100%	100%	94%	95%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Q17. My Counselor provided me with equipment/accommodation I needed for training or employment.

Trainings

	2022			2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
	All Closed Cases	Successfull Closure	Jnsuccessful Closure	All Closed Cases				
Clients Responding	n=306	n=231	n=75	n=201	n=309	n=274	n=286	n=192
DBS	18%	20%	12%	18%	15%	20%	15%	13%
Local Provider Other	46%	45%	48%	49%	41%	44%	49%	59%
Agencies	11%	11%	8%	3%	9%	7%	14%	15%
Not received	26%	24%	32%	30%	35%	29%	23%	13%
	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	101%	100%

Q18. Where did you receive the technology training?

Q19. Satisfaction with Technology Training.

		2022		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
	All			All										
	-		Unsuccessful									_	_	-
	Cases	Closure	Closure	Cases										
Clients Responding	n=204	n=157	n=47	n=135	n=181	n=177	n=176	n=144	n=178	n=248	n=147	n=183	n=118	n=215
Very satisfied	78%	80%	70%	71%	64%	56%	65%	62%	54%	49%	60%	59%	55%	57%
Satisfied	15%	14%	19%	24%	32%	38%	27%	28%	35%	40%	33%	32%	38%	34%
Dissatisfied	5%	5%	4%	3%	3%	5%	6%	8%	10%	10%	5%	8%	5%	7%
Very Dissatisfied	2%	1%	6%	2%	2%	1%	2%	3%	1%	1%	2%	1%	2%	2%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Type of Services

Q20. Which of the followin	g services did	you receive from DBS?
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		2022		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
Services Received	All Closed Cases	Successful Closure	Unsuccessful Closure	All Closed Cases										
Clients Responding	n=336	n=255	n=81	n=228	n=341	n=293	n=311	n=204	n=392	n=503	n=231	n=351	n=531	n=531
Medical services— such as surgery or glasses	45%	48%	36%	49%	54%	49%	48%	46%	51%	52%	68%	53%	51%	54%
Assistance with education Technical aids,	33%	36%	22%	29%	26%	34%	36%	36%	32%	29%	37%	39%	37%	35%
equipment and/or software	72%	77%	56%	72%	61%	72%	77%	70%	62%	61%	72%	62%	56%	59%

		2022		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
	All Closed Cases	Successful Closure	Unsuccessful Closure	All Closed Cases										
Clients Responding	n=157	n=120	n=37	n=74	n=110	n=154	n=149	n=116	n=173	n=253	n=84	n=139	n=207	n=203
Yes	89%	90%	87%	88%	91%	94%	91%	85%	99%	93%	76%	89%	89%	90%
No	11%	10%	14%	12%	9%	6%	9%	15%	1%	7%	24%	11%	11%	10%
	100%	100%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Q21. Did you receive orientation and mobility training?

Q22. How satisfied were you with orientation and mobility training?

		2022		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
Clients Responding	All Closed Cases n=138	Successful Closure n=107	Unsuccessful Closure n=31	All Closed Cases n=65	All Closed Cases n=101	All Closed Cases n=144	All Closed Cases n=136	All Closed Cases n=171	All Closed Cases n=171	All Closed Cases n=234		All Closed Cases n=123		All Closed Cases n=181
Very satisfied	80%	83%	68%	83%	72%	63%	74%	67%	67%	63%	75%	59%	64%	70%
Satisfied	16%	13%	26%	14%	25%	35%	25%	29%	29%	33%	25%	34%	30%	26%
Dissatisfied	4%	3%	7%	3%	2%	1%	2%	3%	3%	4%	0%	7%	5%	4%
Very Dissatisfied	1%	1%	0%	0%	1%	2%	0%	1%	1%	0%	0%	1%	1%	0%
_	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	101%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	101%	100%	100%

Q21a. Did you receive orientation and mobility training from a local service provider?

		2022		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
	All Closed Cases	Successful Closure	Unsuccessful Closure	All Closed Cases	All Closed Cases	All Closed Cases	All Closed Cases	All Closed Cases
Clients Responding	n=165	n=122	n=43	n=108	n=138	n=105	n=119	n=104
Yes	90%	90%	91%	89%	88%	93%	88%	91%
No	10%	10%	9%	11%	12%	7%	12%	9%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Q22a. How satisfied were you with orientation and mobility training from a local service provider?

		2022		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
	All Closed Cases n=150		Unsuccessful Closure n=40	All Closed Cases n=65	All Closed Cases n=120	All Closed Cases n=98	All Closed Cases n=105	All Closed Cases n=96
Very satisfied	85%	86%	80%	83%	73%	76%	75%	84%
Satisfied	11%	11%	13%	14%	24%	22%	21%	15%
Dissatisfied	2%	2%	3%	3%	3%	1%	3%	0%
Very Dissatisfied	2% 100%	1% 100%	5% 101%	0% 100%	0% 100%	1% 100%	1% 100%	1% 100%

Q23. Did you receive training in personal and home management which is commonly known as independent living skills?

		2022		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
	All			All										
011	Closed Cases	Successful Closure	Unsuccessful Closure	Closed Cases										
Clients Responding	n=152	n=117	n=35	n=74	n=111	n=154	cases n=149	n=118	n=173	n=253	n=84	n=139	n=206	n=202
Responding	11-102	11-117	11-00	11-74		11-104	11-145	11-110	11-175	11-200	11-04	11-105	11-200	11-202
Yes	53%	55%	49%	62%	71%	70%	73%	73%	84%	73%	61%	68%	66%	67%
No	47%	45%	51%	38%	29%	30%	27%	27%	16%	27%	39%	32%	35%	33%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	101%	100%

Q24. How satisfied were you with training for independent living skills?

		2022		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
Clients Responding	All Closed Cases n=82	Successful Closure n=65	Unsuccessful Closure n=17	All Closed Cases n=46	All Closed Cases n=109	All Closed Cases n=108	All Closed Cases n=109	All Closed Cases n=146		Cases	Cases		All Closed Cases n=135	Cases
Very satisfied	81%	85%	65%	85%	65%	61%	78%	73%	73%	64%	73%	65%	71%	65%
Satisfied	17%	12%	35%	13%	30%	37%	20%	23%	23%	34%	20%	33%	25%	30%
Dissatisfied	1%	2%	0%	0%	4%	1%	2%	3%	3%	2%	8%	2%	2%	4%
Very Dissatisfied	1%	2%	0%	2%	1%	1%	0%	1%	1%	0%	0%	0%	2%	1%
	100%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	101%	100%	100%	100%

Q23a. Did you receive training in personal and home management, which is commonly known as independent living skills, from your local service provider?

		2022		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
Olionto	All Closed Cases	Successful Closure	Unsuccessful Closure	All Closed Cases	All Closed Cases	All Closed Cases	All Closed Cases	All Closed Cases
Clients Responding	n=162	n=119	n=43	n=105	n=139	n=105	n=118	n=103
Yes	65%	61%	74%	79%	79%	83%	83%	85%
No	35%	39%	26%	21%	21%	17%	17%	15%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Q24a. How satisfied were you with training for independent living skills from your local service provider?

		2022		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
Clients Responding	All Closed Cases n=104	Successful Closure n=73	Unsuccessf ul Closure n=31	All Closed Cases	All Closed Cases	All Closed Cases n=86	All Closed Cases n=97	All Closed Cases n=72
Very satisfied	80%	85%	68%	81%	65%	77%	71%	82%
Satisfied	13%	11%	16%	17%	30%	21%	24%	18%
Dissatisfied Very	1%	0%	3%	1%	4%	1%	4%	0%
Dissatisfied	7%	4%	13%	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%
	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

		2022		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
	Cases Closure Clos		Unsuccessful Closure	All Closed Cases	All Close d Cases									
Clients Responding	n=333	n=251	n=82	n=174	n=298	n=292	n=309	n=209	n=392	n=503	n=233	n=351	n=530	n=529
Yes	24%	26%	21%	20%	15%	16%	18%	18%	13%	13%	29%	23%	13%	12%
No	76%	75%	79%	81%	85%	84%	82%	82%	88%	88%	71%	77%	87%	88%
	100%	101%	100%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	101%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Q25. Did you receive training in the use of Braille?

Q26. Satisfied with Braille training

		2022		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
	All			All										
	Closed	Successfull	Jnsuccessful	Closed										
	Cases	Closure	Closure	Cases										
Clients Responding	n=78	n=62	n=16	n=35	n=43	n=48	n=55	n=37	n=401	n=63	n=68	n=82	n=68	n=63
Very satisfied	69%	69%	69%	71%	67%	50%	60%	60%	88%	35%	50%	43%	52%	46%
Satisfied	22%	21%	25%	23%	26%	46%	29%	35%	5%	49%	40%	49%	41%	46%
Dissatisfied	5%	7%	0%	0%	5%	4%	7%	5%	5%	11%	9%	9%	6%	6%
Very Dissatisfied	4%	3%	6%	6%	2%	0%	4%	0%	3%	5%	2%	0%	1%	2%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	101%	100%	101%	101%	100%	100%

		2022		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
	All Closed	Successful	Unsuccessful	All Closed										
	Cases	Closure	Closure	Cases	Closed									
Clients Responding	n=330	n=249	n=81	n=173	n=297	n=292	n=310	n=208	n=392	n=499	n=230	n=350	n=530	n=525
	11 000	11 240												
Yes	56%	56%	56%	47%	55%	55%	53%	49%	45%	41%	43%	50%	40%	41%
No	44%	44%	44%	53%	45%	46%	47%	51%	55%	59%	57%	50%	60%	59%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Q27. Did you receive training in the use of low vision aids?

Q28. Satisfied with Low vision training

		2022		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
	All			All	All	All								
	-		Insuccessful	-	-							Closed	Closed	Closed
	Cases	Closure	Closure	Cases	Cases	Cases								
Clients Responding	n=183	n=138	n=45	n=79	n=159	n=155	n=158	n=99	n=175	n=204	n=98	n=174	n=206	n=212
Very satisfied	75%	80%	60%	70%	64%	54%	72%	66%	71%	63%	55%	56%	64%	66%
Satisfied	22%	18%	33%	27%	33%	43%	24%	26%	27%	33%	40%	37%	33%	30%
Dissatisfied	2%	1%	2%	4%	3%	2%	4%	5%	2%	2%	5%	6%	2%	3%
Very Dissatisfied	1%	0%	4%	0%	0%	2%	0%	3%	0%	2%	0%	0%	1%	1%
	100%	99%	99%	101%	99%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%

Employment Q29. Why did you contact DBS for services?

		2022		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
Clients	All Closed Cases	Successful Closure	Unsuccessful Closure	All Closed Cases										
Responding	n=325	n=246	n=79	n=222	n=337	n=276	n=304	n=198	n=389	n=501	n=231	n=347	n=525	n=521
Maintain my current job	33%	40%	11%	19%	14%	31%	22%	10%	36%	38%	41%	41%	32%	40%
Obtain a Job	32%	27%	47%	37%	32%	40%	44%	51%	47%	48%	38%	42%	54%	48%
Advance Employment	7%	9%	4%	4%	4%	6%	6%	5%						
Other (None of the above)	28%	24%	38%	40%	50%	23%	29%	34%	17%	15%	22%	17%	15%	12%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	101%	100%	100%	101%	101%	100%	101%	100%

*2011-2016 When you became a client of DBS, did you seek services to maintain your current job or to obtain employment?

*Q30. DBS and local vendor services helped me maintain my job.

		2022		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
	All Closed Cases	Successful Closure	Unsuccessful Closure	All Closed Cases										
Clients Responding	n=123	n=112	n=11	n=48	n=75	n=88	n=66	n=41	n=139	n=190	n=95	n=143	n=159	n=193
Strongly Agree	83%	88%	27%	81%	65%	76%	73%	32%	60%	63%	37%	48%	54%	66%
Agree	7%	6%	9%	10%	12%	18%	20%	37%	29%	29%	54%	42%	33%	27%
Disagree Strongly	4%	2%	27%	2%	20%	5%	6%	12%	7%	6%	8%	8%	8%	6%
Disagree	7%	4%	36%	6%	3%	1%	2%	20%	1%	2%	1%	1%	6%	1%
	101%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	101%	100%	97%	100%	100%	99%	101%	100%

*Asked of those responding maintaining their current job.

Q31. DBS services provided me with the skills necessary	y to conduct a job search independently.
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		2022		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
	Cases	Closur e	Unsucc essful Closure	All Closed Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases	All Closed Cases						
Clients Responding			n=36	n=89	n=136	n=135	n=172	n=144	n=250	n=275	n=126	n=176	n=263	n=233
Strongly agree	63%	71%	47%	62%	50%	42%	42%	30%	24%	27%	23%	37%	30%	29%
Agree	13%	14%	11%	18%	20%	33%	34%	37%	30%	41%	52%	36%	42%	41%
Disagree	12%	10%	17%	7%	17%	10%	12%	21%	16%	23%	18%	18%	19%	24%
Strongly Disagree	12%	6%	25%	14%	13%	16%	12%	13%	18%	10%	7%	10%	9%	6%
	100%	101%	100%	101%	100%	101%	100%	101%	98%	101%	100%	101%	100%	100%

Q31a. Local vendor provided me with the skills necessary to conduct a job search independently.

		2022		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
Clients Responding	All Closed Cases n=81		Unsucce ssful Closure n=30	All Closed Cases n=69	All Closed Cases n=92	All Closed Cases n=96	All Closed Cases n=123	All Closed Cases n=109
Strongly agree	54%	63%	40%	64%	47%	44%	47%	31%
Agree	20%	20%	20%	20%	22%	33%	32%	39%
Disagree	11%	12%	10%	6%	16%	10%	11%	18%
Strongly Disagree	15%	6%	30%	10%	15%	13%	10%	11%
	100%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

		2022		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
	All	Succes	Unsucce	All	All	All	All	All	All	All	All	All	All	All
	Closed	sful	ssful	Closed	Closed	Closed		Closed		Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed
			Closure	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases
Clients Responding	n=109	n=73	n=36	n=88	n=135	n=137	n=178	n=141	n=250	n=270	n=123	n=179	n=256	n=230
Strongly agree	60%	67%	44%	60%	47%	42%	39%	28%	20%	21%	24%	34%	29%	26%
Agree	17%	21%	11%	13%	23%	26%	32%	31%	31%	42%	47%	35%	45%	38%
Disagree	15%	11%	22%	11%	17%	14%	17%	28%	18%	26%	22%	22%	16%	27%
Strongly Disagree	8%	1%	22%	16%	13%	18%	12%	13%	12%	12%	7%	8%	10%	9%
	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	101%	101%	101%	100%	99%	100%	100%

Q32. DBS services prepared me for employment.

Q32a. Local Service Provider prepared me for employment.

		2022		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
	All	0		All										
	Closed	Closure	Unsuccessful Closure	Closed Cases										
Clients Responding		n=55	n=30	n=68	n=91	n=98	n=121	n=111	n=250	n=270	n=123	n=179	n=256	n=230
Strongly agree	55%	64%	40%	68%	46%	49%	43%	35%	20%	21%	24%	34%	29%	26%
Agree	20%	22%	17%	16%	25%	28%	36%	39%	31%	42%	47%	35%	45%	38%
Disagree	14%	13%	17%	9%	13%	7%	11%	14%	18%	26%	22%	22%	16%	27%
Strongly Disagree	11%	2%	27%	7%	15%	16%	11%	12%	12%	12%	7%	8%	10%	9%
	100%	101%	101%	100%	99%	100%	101%	100%	101%	101%	100%	99%	100%	100%

*Q33. Which of the following assisted you in securing employment?

		2021		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
	All Closed	Successfull	Jnsuccessful					
	Cases	Closure	Closure	All Closed Cases				
Clients Responding	n=70	n=64	n=6	n=79	n=131	n=136	n=199	n=142
DBS Counselor	34%	36%	17%	37%	39%	33%	34%	23%
Local Provider	1%	2%	0%	4%	1%	4%	10%	11%
DBS job placement specialist	9%	8%	17%	13%	3%	8%	9%	16%
Outside Contractor	3%	3%	0%	3%	5%	4%	6%	5%
Career Source	7%	8%	0%	0%	0%	2%	1%	1%
None of the above	46%	44%	67%	44%	52%	49%	41%	45%
	100%	101%	101%	101%	100%	100%	101%	100%

*2010-2016 The DBS Counselor assisted me in securing employment.

*Q34 Are you currently employed?

		2022	2	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
	All							All	All	All			All	All
		Successful		All Closed				-	Closed	Closed		All Closed		
	Cases	Closure	Closure	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases
Clients	-400													
Responding	n=122	n=83	n=39	n=104	n=140	n=149	n=236	n=182	n=252	n=305	n=137	n=206	n=281	n=250
Yes	58%	82%	8%	64%	44%	46%	51%	34%	42%	43%	29%	35%	39%	46%
No	42%	18%	92%	36%	56%	54%	49%	66%	58%	57%	72%	65%	61%	54%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	101%	100%	100%	100%

		2022		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
								All Close						All
				All	All	All	All	d	All	All	All	All	All	Close
			Unsuccessful		Closed	Closed	Closed	Case	Closed					
	Cases	Closure	Closure	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases	S		Cases				
Clients Responding	n=74	n=71	n=3	n=66	n=60	n=70	n=119	n=61	n=106	n=128	n=38	n=70	n=106	n=110
Strongly agree	69%	70%	33%	64%	43%	47%	53%	44%	33%	35%	24%	44%	42%	43%
Agree	11%	11%	0%	20%	32%	37%	30%	38%	43%	40%	53%	40%	39%	35%
Disagree	12%	11%	33%	11%	15%	4%	8%	16%	14%	17%	16%	9%	17%	14%
Strongly														
Disagree	8%	7%	33%	6%	10%	11%	9%	2%	9%	8%	8%	7%	2%	9%
	100%	99%	99%	101%	100%	99%	100%	99%	99%	100%	101%	100%	100%	101%

Q35. My present job is in keeping with my career goals.

Q36. My present job is in keeping with training I received from DBS.

		2022		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
	All							All	All	All	All	All	All	All
	Closed		Unsuccessful										_	Closed
	Cases	Closure	Closure	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases		Cases		Cases	Cases
Clients Responding	n=70	n=67	n=3	n=63	n=57	n=64	n=101	n=58	n=105	n=123	n=38	n=68	n=99	n=107
Strongly agree	71%	73%	33%	67%	56%	48%	53%	48%	28%	24%	21%	34%	33%	29%
Agree	13%	13%	0%	16%	19%	34%	21%	26%	32%	43%	45%	32%	32%	35%
Disagree	9%	9%	0%	8%	18%	9%	10%	14%	17%	22%	24%	22%	26%	22%
Strongly Disagree	7%	5%	67%	10%	7%	8%	17%	12%	15%	11%	11%	12%	9%	14%
	100%	100%	100%	101%	100%	99%	101%	100%	102%	100%	101%	100%	100%	100%

		2022		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
	All		Unsuccessfu		All	All	All	All	All	All	All	All	All	All
	Closed	Successfu	-	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed			Closed			Closed	Closed
	Cases	I Closure	Closure	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases
Clients Responding	n=71	n=68	n=3	n=67	n=60	n=70	n=118	n=60	n=105	n=128	n=38	n=72	n=105	n=107
Strongly agree	62%	63%	33%	51%	32%	34%	36%	35%	30%	19%	26%	32%	23%	26%
Agree	20%	21%	0%	25%	40%	46%	42%	52%	44%	48%	58%	43%	50%	51%
Disagree	9%	9%	0%	19%	22%	15%	13%	13%	19%	20%	13%	21%	18%	11%
Strongly Disagree	10%	7%	67%	5%	7%	6%	10%	0%	8%	14%	3%	4%	9%	11%
	101%	100%	100%	100%	101%	101%	101%	101%	101%	101%	100%	100%	100%	99%

Q37. My current salary is appropriate for my type of employment.

Q38. I am satisfied with the potential for advancement in my career field.

		2022		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
		_		All	All	All	All	All	All	All	All	All	All	All
	_		Unsuccessful		Closed									
	Cases	Closure	Closure	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases	
Clients Responding	n=72	n=69	n=3	n=67	n=61	n=68	n=115	n=61	n=105	n=128	n=38	n=72	n=106	n=106
Strongly agree	64%	65%	33%	63%	46%	50%	50%	44%	36%	27%	24%	40%	26%	34%
Agree	25%	26%	0%	13%	25%	35%	33%	36%	38%	43%	53%	39%	40%	30%
Disagree	6%	6%	0%	15%	13%	9%	8%	13%	11%	20%	21%	15%	22%	23%
Strongly Disagree	6%	3%	67%	9%	16%	6%	10%	7%	14%	10%	3%	6%	12%	13%
	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	101%	100%	99%	100%	101%	100%	100%	100%

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Q39. Did you participate in career counseling?

		2022		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
	All	_		All										
	Closed	Successful	Unsuccessful	Closed										
Clients	Cases	Closure	Closure	Cases										
Responding	n=243	n=193	n=50	n=137	n=193	n=254	n=307	n=200	n=389	n=484	n=225	n=343	n=524	n=516
Yes	28%	27%	30%	26%	31%	32%	26%	37%	22%	26%	24%	32%	20%	24%
No	72%	73%	70%	75%	69%	69%	74%	63%	77%	74%	76%	68%	80%	76%
	100%	100%	100%	101%	100%	101%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Q40. Satisfied with Career counseling.

		2022		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
	All Closed Cases	Successfull Closure	Jnsuccessful Closure	All Closed Cases	All Closed Cases	All Closed Cases	All Closed Cases	All Closed Cases	All Closed Cases				All Closed Cases	All Closed Cases
Clients Responding	n=70	n=53	n=17	n=35	n=58	n=80	n=78	n=70	n=401	n=126	n=55	n=109	n=108	n=119
Very satisfied	64%	74%	35%	66%	67%	41%	54%	59%	79%	40%	29%	39%	46%	39%
Satisfied	19%	15%	29%	26%	26%	46%	28%	27%	11%	47%	64%	49%	42%	47%
Dissatisfied	10%	8%	18%	3%	5%	8%	14%	9%	7%	10%	7%	8%	10%	9%
Very Dissatisfied	7%	4%	18%	6%	2%	5%	4%	6%	2%	4%	0%	4%	2%	5%
	100%	101%	100%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Q39a. Did you participate in career counseling through local service providers?

		2022		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
	All Closed Cases	Successful Closure	Unsuccessful Closure	All Closed Cases				
Clients Responding	n=202	n=159	n=43	n=111	n=141	n=190	n=249	n=154
Yes	22%	21%	28%	27%	29%	27%	25%	38%
No	78%	79%	72%	73%	71%	73%	75%	62%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Q40a. Satisfied with Career counseling.

		2021		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
Clients	All Closed Cases	SuccessfulL Closure	Insuccessful Closure		All Closed Cases	All Closed Cases	All Closed Cases	All Closed Cases
Responding	n=45	n=32	n=13	n=29	n=42	n=51	n=62	n=61
Very satisfied	73%	81%	54%	62%	60%	35%	57%	66%
Satisfied	13%	9%	23%	24%	36%	51%	34%	28%
Dissatisfied	4%	6%	0%	10%	2%	4%	8%	5%
Very Dissatisfied	9%	3%	23%	3%	2%	10%	2%	2%
	99%	99%	100%	99%	100%	100%	101%	100%

Q41. Received job search training.

		202	2	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
	All ClosedS	Successful	Unsuccessful	All Closed Cases	All Closed	All Closed	All Closed	All Closed	All Closed	All Closed	All Closed	All Closed	All Closed	All Closed
Clients Responding	Cases	Closure n=170	Closure n=49	n=130	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases n=494	Cases	Cases n=344	Cases n=526	Cases
Yes	39%	38%	45%	43%	38%	34%	35%	44%	22%	27%	24%	33%	26%	25%
No	61%	62%	55%	57%	62%	66%	65%	56%	77%	74%	77%	67%	74%	75%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	101%	101%	100%	100%	100%

Q42. Was it provided by your counselor or local service provider?

		2022		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
	All Closed Cases	Successfull Closure	Jnsuccessful Closure	All Closed Cases	All Closed Cases	All Closed Cases	All Closed Cases	All Closed Cases
Clients					00		- 101	
Responding	n=84	n=62	n=22	n=55	n=68	n=83	n=104	n=82
DBS								
Counselor	31%	31%	32%	33%	40%	34%	36%	31%
Local Provider	45%	45%	46%	55%	43%	48%	47%	65%
Both	24%	24%	23%	13%	18%	18%	17%	5%
	100%	100%	101%	101%	101%	100%	100%	101%

		2022		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
	All			All										
	Closed		Jnsuccessful	-	-	-	_	-				_	-	-
	Cases	Closure	Closure	Cases										
Clients Responding	n=86	n=64	n=22	n=56	n=72	n=86	n=109	n=86	n=86	n=128	n=52	n=112	n=132	n=125
Very satisfied	71%	75%	59%	75%	56%	49%	70%	65%	44%	34%	37%	43%	42%	44%
Satisfied	24%	20%	36%	21%	39%	45%	20%	24%	37%	45%	50%	38%	37%	39%
Dissatisfied	2%	3%	0%	2%	4%	4%	6%	6%	9%	14%	6%	13%	11%	13%
Very Dissatisfied	2%	2%	5%	2%	1%	2%	5%	5%	5%	7%	8%	6%	10%	4%
	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	101%	100%	95%	100%	101%	100%	100%	100%

Q43. Satisfied with Job search skills training.

CASE CLOSURE

Q44. Are you aware that your case "closed"?

		2022		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
Clients Responding	All Closed Cases n=329	Successful Closure n=248	Unsuccessful Closure n=81	All Closed Cases n=223	All Closed Cases n=338	All Closed Cases n=291	All Closed Cases n=304	All Closed Cases n=206	All Closed Cases n=388	All Closed Cases n=499	All Closed Cases n=232	All Closed Cases n=349	All Closed Cases n=525	All Closed Cases n=520
Yes Yes but it was	83%	82%	86%	84%	83%	78%	81%	85%	81%	88%	93%	91%	87%	84%
reopened	12%	13%	10%	7%	8%	8%	13%	8%	6%	5%	3%	3%	3%	4%
No	5%	5% 100%	4% 100%	9% 100%	9% 100%	14%	7%	7%	13% 100%	7% 100%	4%	6% 100%	10%	12%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Q45. Aware of post-employment services available even though case closed.

		2022		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
	All			All										
	_	SuccessfulU										_		Closed
	Cases	Closure	Closure							Cases		Cases	Cases	Cases
Clients Responding	n=325	n=247	n=78	n=221	n=334	n=289	n=303	n=203	n=388	n=490	n=224	n=340	n=512	n=488
Yes														
N -	76%	80%	65%	76%	70%	62%	54%	43%	28%	28%	39%	32%	28%	31%
No	24%	20%	35%	24%	30%	38%	47%	57%	19%	15%	14%	18%	22%	20%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	101%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

		2022		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
	All			All										
	Closed	Successful	Unsuccessful	Closed										
	Cases	Closure	Closure	Cases										
Clients Responding	n=322	n=244	n=78	n=221	n=334	n=288	n=303	n=202	n=387	n=486	n=223	n=337	n=506	n=484
Yes	77%	80%	65%	76%	71%	58%	54%	44%	30%	29%	35%	34%	28%	30%
No	23%	20%	35%	24%	29%	42%	47%	56%	18%	17%	14%	23%	24%	20%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	101%	100%	99%	100%

Q46. Aware of services or equipment available even though case closed.

Program Outcomes

Q47. Why did you leave the blind services program? (that is, why was your case "closed"?)

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		2022		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
	All			All	All	All	All	All	All	All	All	All	All	All
	Closed		Unsuccessful	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed
Clients Responding	Cases n=245	Closure n=180	Closure n=65	Cases n=217	Cases n=244	Cases n=226	Cases n=239	Cases n=177	Cases n=388	Cases n=499	Cases n=233	Cases n=349	Cases n=487	Cases n=453
	11-240	<u> </u>	11-00	11-211	11-244	11-220	11-200	11-177	11-300	11-400	n-200	11-343	11-407	11-400
Obtain Employment	35%	47%	2%	28%	30%	33%	38%	19%	25%	28%	13%	20%	22%	24%
Medical Services														
Complete	2%	2%	0%	2%	3%	3%	1%	2%	6%	7%	14%	8%	6%	13%
Helped as Much as Could	8%	9%	3%	8%	6%	12%	4%	10%	5%	7%	2%	5%	6%	4%
Counselors/ Services	3%	1%	8%	1%	1%	2%	2%	7%	5%	2%	2%	2%	3%	3%
School	2%	2%	3%	3%	3%	1%	3%	1%	1%	2%	2%	3%	2%	1%
Case Confusion	27%	26%	29%	13%	27%	22%	17%	20%	10%	7%	8%	3%	7%	5%
Completed Goal/Plan	0%	0%	0%	16%	0%	0%	0%	0%	13%	9%	18%	17%	11%	19%
Used Time/Benefits	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	3%	5%	6%	7%	19%	8%
Dissatisfied	0%	0%	0%	6%	0%	0%	0%	0%	3%	3%	6%	3%	4%	3%
Personal decision	3%	2%	8%	2%	5%	2%	7%	6%	5%	8%	19%	15%	14%	11%
Financial	0%	0%	0%	1%	1%	0%	0%	0%	1%	1%	0%	1%	1%	3%
Employment Problems	3%	2%	5%	4%	3%	6%	3%	7%	3%	3%	1%	4%	4%	5%
Transportation/ Distance	7%	2%	20%	2%	7%	6%	7%	9%	7%	3%	3%	0%	1%	1%
Other	7%	5%	11%	7%	3%	8%	13%	11%	7%	7%	6%	9%	1%	1%
Health Problems/Medical Reasons	5%	2%	12%	4%	6%	5%	5%	10%	7%	7%	1%			
COVID-19 Related	0%	0%	0%	2%										

Q48. What were the MOST helpful services you received?

		2022		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
	All Closed Cases	Successf ul Closure	Un- successfu I Closure	All Close d Cases	All Closed Cases	All Closed Cases								
Clients Responding	n=316	n=239	n=77	n=221	n=310	n=264	n=294	n=192	n=388	n=499	n=229	n=487	n=487	n=493
Training	33%	31%	40%	32%	35%	32%	29%	29%	27%	32%	24%	39%	39%	39%
Medical Services	6%	6%	7%	4%	9%	7%	5%	7%	24%	17%	18%	15%	15%	21%
Equipment/Tec hnology Education/Sch	10%	11%	7%	23%	26%	27%	29%	23%	14%	22%	24%	36%	36%	41%
ool Counselors/Co	5%	6%	3%	3%	4%	5%	3%	2%	4%	2%	5%	10%	10%	9%
unselling	4%	3%	5%	7%	6%	5%	6%	7%	5%	3%	4%	11%	11%	13%
Employment	10%	11%	7%	10%	5%	7%	12%	8%	8%	9%	6%	5%	5%	5%
Services	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	2%	2%	4%	1%	1%	1%
Financial help	0%	0%	0%	2%	0%	0%	0%	0%	3%	3%	1%	5%	5%	2%
Transportation	0%	0%	0%	2%	0%	0%	0%	0%	3%	2%	1%	2%	2%	3%
Everything Helpful	7%	8%	3%	7%	7%	12%	6%	7%	3%	3%	11%	4%	4%	4%
Nothing Helpful	2%	0.4%	8%	2%	2%	2%	2%	3%	1%	2%	3%	3%	3%	3%
Local Provider	4%	2%	9%	4%	4%	1%	4%	8%						

Q49. What were the LEAST helpful services you received?

		2022		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
Clients Responding	All Closed Cases n=306	Succes sful Closure n=233	Un- successful Closure n=73	All Closed Cases n=190	All Closed Cases n=277	All Closed Cases n=195	All Closed Cases n=282	All Closed Cases n=174	All Closed Cases n=387	All Closed Cases n=499	All Closed Cases n=233	All Close d Cases n=285	All Closed Cases n=355	All Closed Cases n=420
Everything Fine	65%	73%	43%	63%	61%	49%	43%	33%	55%	55%	60%	51%	49%	62%
Training/Education	11%	9%	15%	11%	12%	10%	11%	15%	10%	10%	8%	12%	17%	14%
Counselors and Service	4%	3%	7%	8%	8%	6%	5%	13%	10%	6%	16%	10%	14%	15%
Medical	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	1%	0%	0%	1%	1%	1%	2%	3%	1%
Employment	7%	6%	10%	5%	19%	19%	14%	15%	9%	12%	9%	11%	12%	5%
Equipment/Techno logy	5%	4%	8%	4%	6%	7%	9%	3%	3%	3%	3%	5%	2%	3%
Transportation	0%	0%	0%	2%	0%	0%	0%	0%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%
Financial	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	1%	0%	0%	1%	1%
Everything	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Other	9%	6%	18%	8%	8%	8%	18%	21%	5%	3%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Don't Know	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	5%	8%				

Q50. How could DBS improve its services?

		2022		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
	All	Successful	Un- successful	All Closed										
	Cases	Closure	Closure	Cases										
Clients Responding	n=263	n=201	n=62	n=181	n=275	n=218	n=271	n=180	n=387	n=499	n=232	n=333	n=467	n=474
No Improvement Needed	19%	18%	21%	20%	21%	12%	17%	17%	33%	32%	37%	46%	45%	47%
Counselors	4%	4%	5%	5%	11%	16%	11%	12%	12%	13%	26%	17%	26%	29%
Employment	3%	3%	7%	6%	4%	8%	9%	12%	8%	6%	3%	6%	4%	6%
Funding/ Staffing	7%	6%	10%	3%	1%	1%	2%	6%	3%	2%	8%	4%	5%	6%
Services and Programs	3%	3%	5%	2%	2%	3%	3%	2%	6%	2%	12%	12%	13%	8%
Advertise	1%	1%	2%	2%	2%	1%	2%	2%	3%	1%	1%	4%	2%	2%
Training/Education	0%	0%	0%	4%	0%	0%	0%	0%	3%	3%	2%	2%	2%	2%
Transportation	0%	0%	0%	2%	0%	0%	0%	0%	3%	2%	2%	2%	3%	3%
Equipment/Technology	0%	0%	0%	2%	0%	0%	0%	0%	3%	2%	3%	1%	1%	<1%
Financial	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	0%	0%	1%	1%	2%	0.4%	1%	1%	1%
N/A	36%	41%	18%	23%	19%	28%	23%	23%						
Other	8%	9%	5%	3%	14%	22%	20%	22%						
Everything Wrong	0.4%	1.6%	0%	1%	1%	1%		0%	0.5%	0.2%	0.4%	0%	1%	<1%
COVID-19 Related	0%	0%	0%	1%										

Q51. Recommend DBS to others

		2022		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
	All Closed	Successful	Unsuccessful	All Closed										
Olionto	Cases	Closure	Closure	Cases	-	-					Cases			
Clients Responding	n=331	n=251	n=80	n=220	n=334	n=286	n=304	n=386	n=386	n=484	n=233	n=349	n=521	n=515
Yes	96%	99%	86%	95%	95%	96%	94%	94%	94%	95%	97%	95%	95%	96%
No	4%	1%	14%	6%	5%	4%	6%	6%	6%	5%	3%	5%	5%	4%
	100%	100%	100%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Q51a. Recommend Local Service Provider to others

		2022		2021	2019	2018	2017	
Clients Respondin	Cases	l Successfu I Closure	Unsuccessfu I Closure	All Closed Cases				
g .	n=265	n=195	n=70	n=171	n=235	n=207	n=234	n=148
Yes	93%	95%	84%	95%	96%	94%	96%	96%
No	8%	5%	16%	5%	4%	6%	4%	4%
	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Q52. Why would you recommend DBS Services?

		2022		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
	All Closed Cases	Successful Closure	Un- successful Closure	All Closed Cases										
Clients Responding	n=269	n=209	n=60	n=209	n=228	n=259	n=262	n=168	n=364	n=469	n=227	n=478	n=456	n=258
Services and Program	23%	23%	20%	25%	25%	22%	31%	21%	25%	23%	15%	23%	44%	31%
Helpful	41%	40%	45%	45%	48%	49%	41%	50%	49%	49%	53%	47%	31%	29%
Counselors	5%	4%	5%	4%	5%	4%	5%	3%	2%	3%	9%	8%	11%	11%
Independence/ Community	5%	5%	7%	7%	7%	6%	4%	8%	2%	3%	3%	8%	8%	16%
Employment	10%	12%	3%	3%	4%	5%	10%	5%	3%	6%	5%	5%	3%	2%
Training	0.4%	0.5%	0%	1%	1%	4%	0%	2%	1%	3%	2%	3%	2%	1%
Only Opportunity	0%	0%	0%	7%	0%	0%	0%	0%	6%	4%	6%	5%	<1%	3%
Financial	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0.2%	1%	1%	3%	1%
Medical	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	3%	3%	2%	1%	4%
School	0.7%	1%	0%	1%	2%	3%	2%	1%	2%	0%	1%	1%	0%	0%
Equipment	2%	2%	0%	1%	0%	1%	4%	1%	4%	1%	0%	0%	<1%	<1%
Other	7%	6%	12%	1%	3%	4%	2%	8%	2%	4%	1%			
Negative	2%	2%	0%	1%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	1%	2%			
Already Recommended	2%	2%	3%	4%										

		2022		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
	All			All										
	_				-				-	-	-	-	-	Closed
	Cases	Closure	I Closure	Cases	Cases		Cases		Cases	Cases		Cases	Cases	
Clients Responding	n=328	n=248	n=80	n=223	n=338	n=289	n=299	n=196	n=387	n=495	n=230	n=352	n=529	n=520
Very satisfied	70%	77%	48%	68%	67%	61%	61%	55%	56%	60%	55%	55%	56%	57%
Satisfied	23%	20%	31%	22%	23%	32%	26%	30%	30%	30%	38%	32%	31%	29%
Dissatisfied	5%	2%	15%	3%	5%	4%	9%	8%	8%	6%	4%	9%	7%	9%
Very Dissatisfied	3%	2%	6%	7%	5%	3%	4%	8%	5%	4%	4%	4%	6%	5%
	101%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	101%	99%	100%	101%	100%	100%	100%

Q54. Overall, how satisfied are you with the services you received from DBS?

Q55. Overall, how satisfied are you with the services you received from a local provider?

		2022		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
Clients Responding	All Closed Cases n=266	Succes sful Closur e n=195	Unsucces sful Closure n=71	All Closed Cases n=174	All Closed Cases	All Closed Cases	All Closed Cases	All Closed Cases n=151
· ·								
Very satisfied	71%	77%	56%	72%	71%	69%	70%	72%
Satisfied	18%	17%	21%	23%	22%	25%	25%	22%
Dissatisfied	6%	4%	13%	3%	4%	3%	3%	2%
Very								
Dissatisfied	4%	2%	10%	2%	3%	2%	3%	4%
	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	101%	100%

APPENDIX C.

Month	Sample Size	Successfully Closed	Unsuccessfully Closed	Post Closure
Jul-22	77	26	33	18
Aug-22	77	30	36	11
Sep-22	62	33	20	9
Oct-22	67	25	29	13
Nov-22	73	33	26	14
Dec-22	78	44	14	20
Jan-23	92	45	31	16
Feb-23	64	39	21	4
Mar-23	72	48	22	2
Apr-23	78	44	28	6
May-23	104	72	30	2
Jun-23	173	148	24	1
Total Sample Size	1017	587	314	116
		58%	31%	11%
Response Rate		34%		

DBS 2022-23 Client Satisfaction Survey Sample Characteristics