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Departments and Organizations

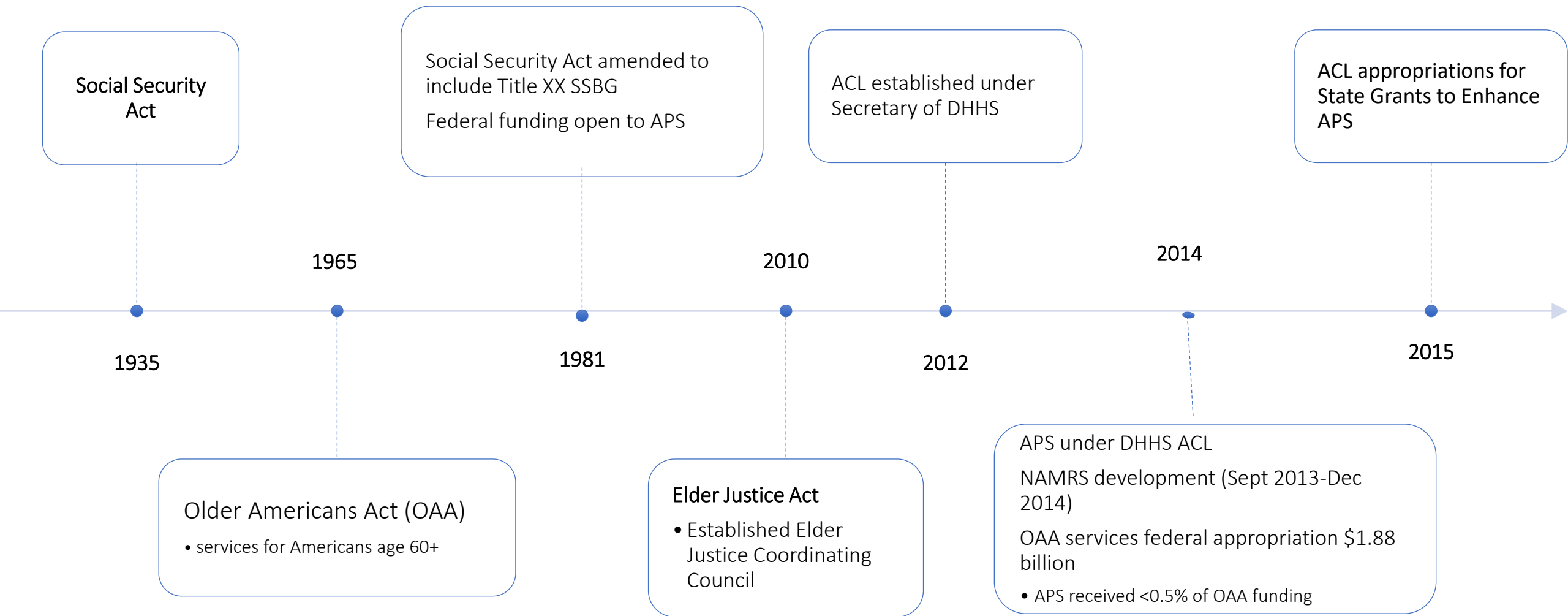
Administration for Community Living	ACL
Adult Protective Services	APS
Department of Health and Human Services	DHHS
National Adult Protective Services Association	NAPSA

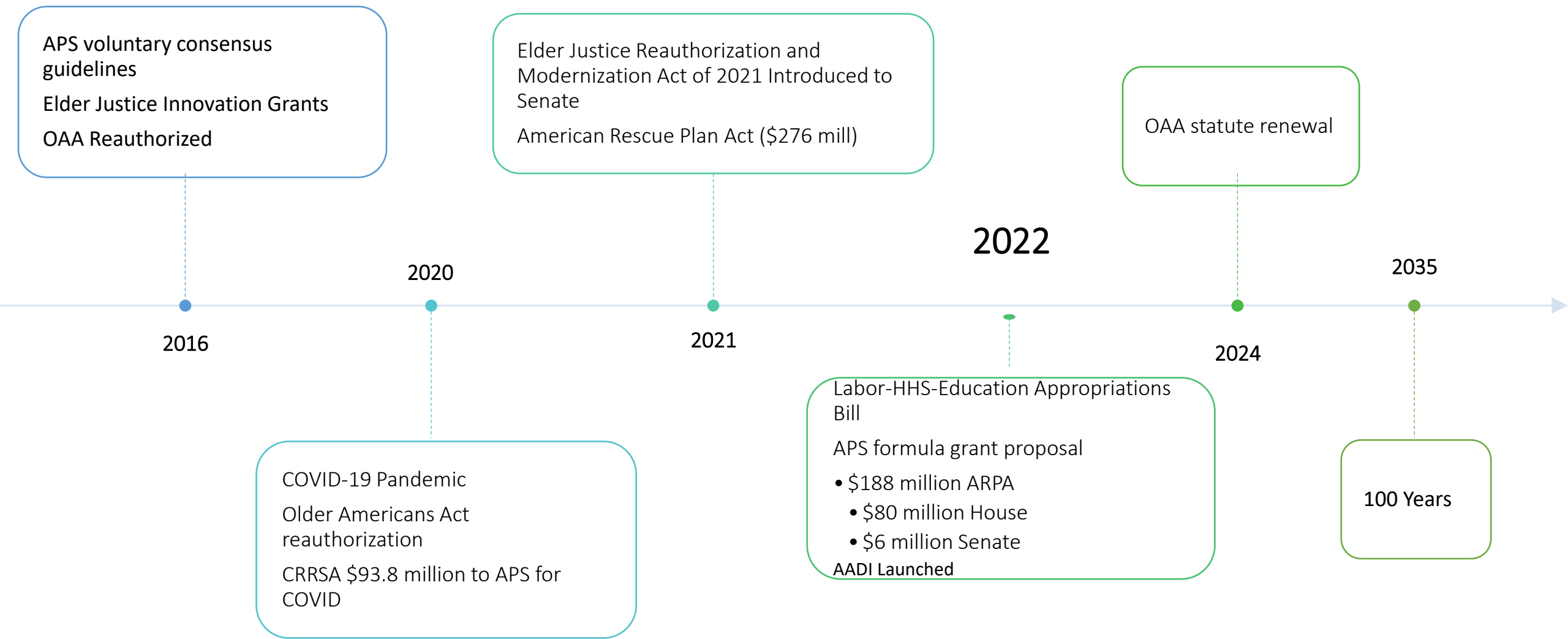
Legislation

American Rescue Plan Act	ARPA
Elder Justice Act	EJA
Older Americans Act	OAA
Social Services Block Grants	SSBG
Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act	CRRSA

Data

APS Administrative Data Initiative	AADI
National Adult Maltreatment Reporting System	NAMRS





STATE ARPA OPERATIONAL PLANS & ENVIRONMENTAL SCANS PROVIDED VOLUNTARILY TO NAPSA

Operational Plans

- Provided voluntarily by 47 states and 4 territories
- \$238,362,185 budgeted by states*

Established 5 funding categories and 21 sub-categories for funded initiatives

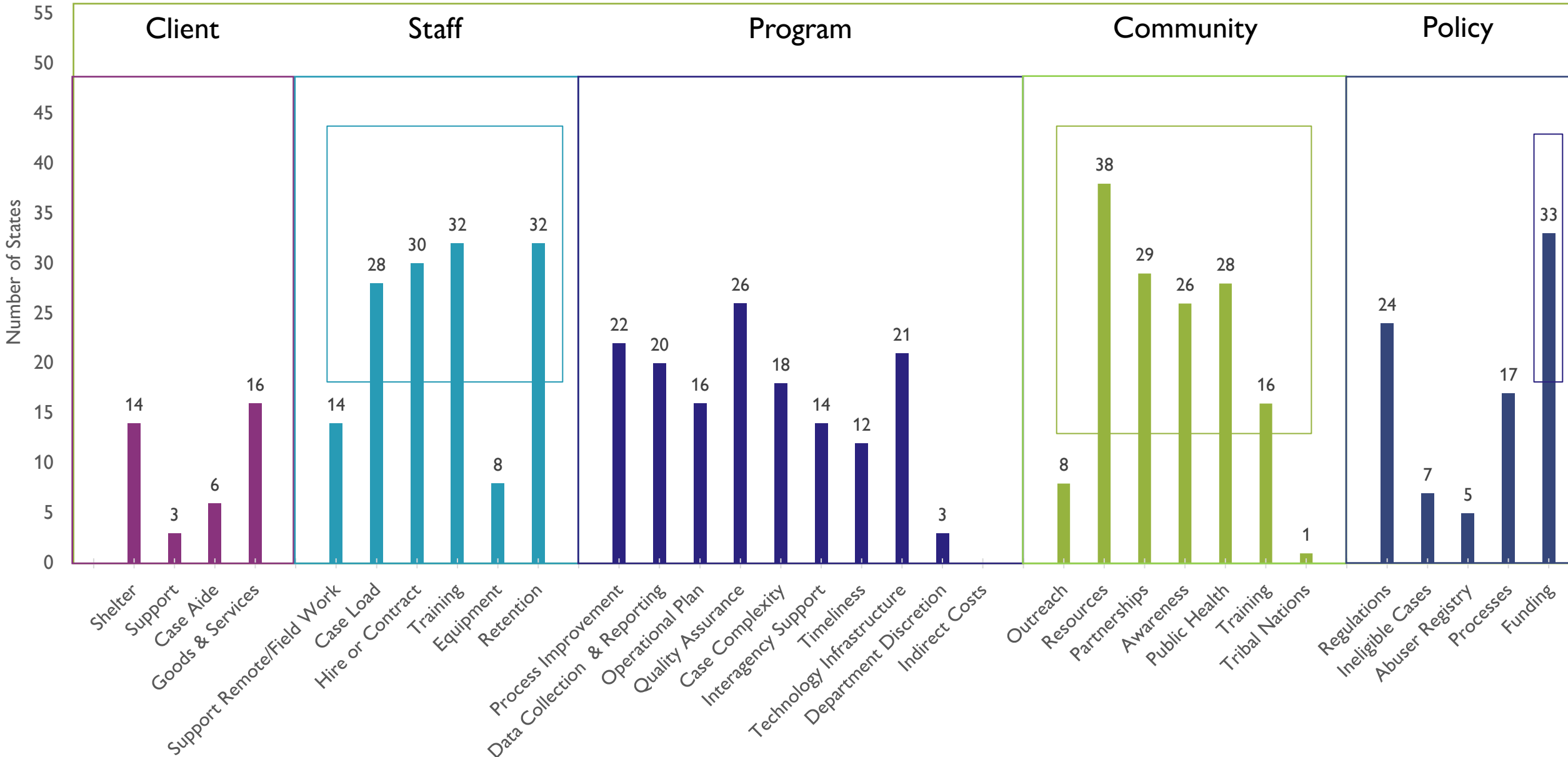
Environmental Scans

- Provided voluntarily by 42 states and 1 territory
- Conducted by the states; APS program's discretion on who to include in conversations
 - Potentially included community partners, investigators, supervisors, administrators

Established 5 categories and 31 sub-categories for weaknesses from qualitative review of scans

**WHAT DID WE FIND ARE THE NEEDS
FROM THE ENVIRONMENTAL SCANS?**

Environmental Scan Weaknesses Identified by the Number of States





IDENTIFIED WEAKNESSES

from APS environmental scans

Staff Hiring

- Lack of:
- Efficient hiring processes
 - Qualified social workers
 - Program support positions
 - Workforce diversity



Staff Training

- Lack of:
- Consistent funding for training
 - Standardized training requirements
 - Dedicated trainers
 - Funding to support SW degrees



Staff Retention

- Impacted by:
- High caseloads
 - Non-competitive salaries
 - Lack of advancement opportunities



Public Awareness

- Lack of visibility and understanding of:
- Who qualifies as a client
 - What are realistic outcomes
 - Impact of limited resources
 - Limits placed by client's self determination



Community Partners

- Issues include:
- Lack of collaboration
 - Limited availability of professional evaluations
 - Need for clear communication



Community Resources

- Services not keeping pace with needs:
- Lack of state funding for resources
 - Rural areas esp. have limited resources
 - Geropsychiatric services needed



Community Partners' Training

- Partners need:
- Mandated reporter training
 - Understanding of APS policy
 - Education on signs of abuse



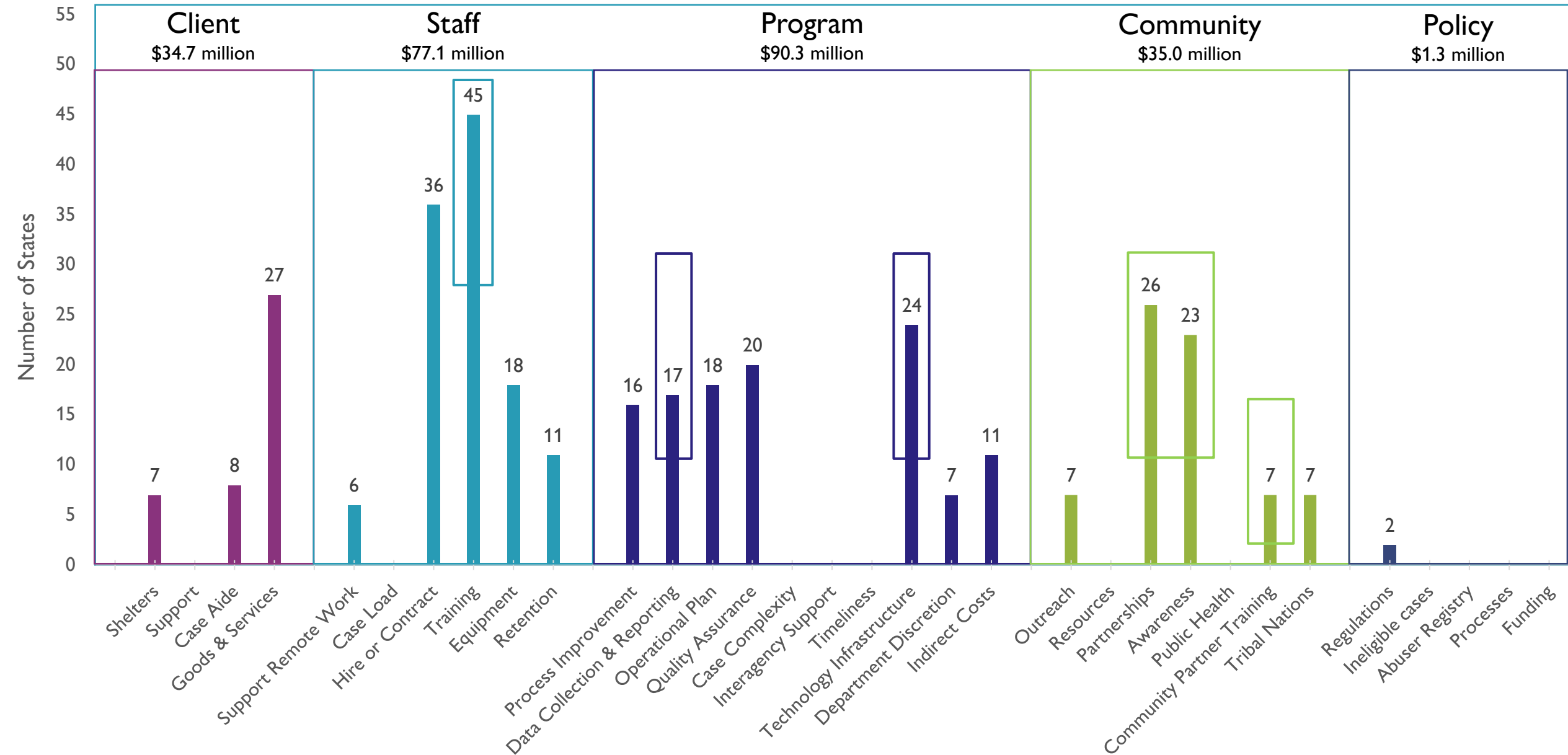
Policy Funding

- Lack of consistent and appropriate local, state and federal funding



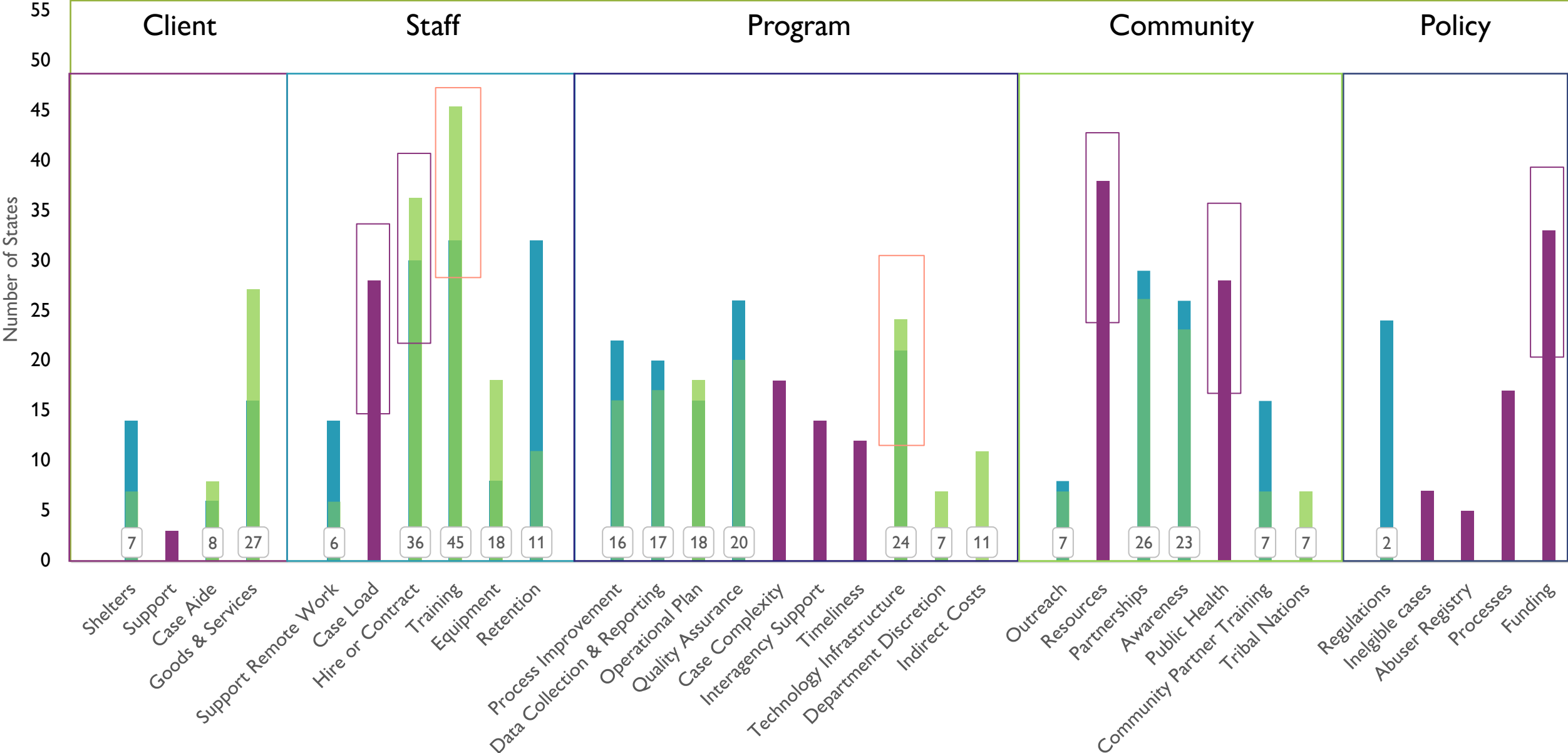
WHAT PROJECTS WERE FUNDED?

Funded Initiatives by the Number of States



WHERE DO GAPS REMAIN?

Environmental Scan Weaknesses Identified by States Overlaid by State Spending Plan Categories



QUESTIONS?