

Self-Help Tracking and Reporting Survey (STARS)

SELF HELP/AB1058 DATA COLLECTION HANDBOOK 2018



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Chapter 1: Instruction Guide

1.1 Introduction

The Self Help Tracking and Reporting Survey (STARS) is an online program that allows family law facilitator (FLF) and self-help staff to easily enter basic information about their customers and the services they provided. This program replaces the Family Law Facilitator Electronic Database (FLFED). It also allows courts to review reports on services they provided. This information collected will be used to report statewide statistics to the Department of Child Support Services, and to inform Judicial Branch policy and budget decision-making.

Questions for the survey were developed based on a summit and extensive review by family law facilitators and self-help providers.

STARS uses the Qualtrics Survey Data platform, which is licensed to the Judicial Council. There is no cost to the local court for implementing the new reporting system. STARS is available through a unique internet link sent to each court by the Judicial Council. Confidential data is not collected through this system. Time metrics and workload data are collected through time sheets and RAS data collections. Courts have access to their own data and statewide aggregate information, but not to other courts' data.

This system is compatible with PC, mobile devices, including tablets, phones, and devices that use browser-based operating systems, such as Android, Windows 10 and Apple OS. No other software installation is required to use this platform.

1.2 Main Menu

To access STARS, please check with your FLF/Self Help Center manager or supervisor. Your manager should already have a dedicated link that you can use to begin entering service data.

Data Collection Modules:

The full data collection tool consists of the following questions or data entry fields and optional responses.

Q1. Date of Service:

This item captures the date service was provided to the customer. The STARS system will automatically generate the actual calendar date, so you must manually change this if you are entering a survey for an earlier date.

Ref.#. Survey Reference Number: 237291813
Q1. Date of Service:
08/30/2018

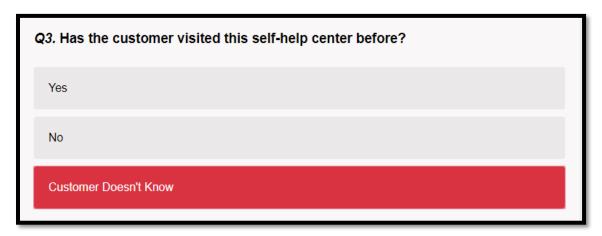
Q2. County:

By default, this field identifies the location where services are provided, documented and reported. If there are multiple SHC/FLF service locations, please check with your program manager to obtain or confirm you have the correct dedicated data entry link to the STARS tool.

Q2. County:			
San Francisco			

Q3. Has the customer visited this self-help center before?

- ✓ Single response, mark only one.
- ✓ This question helps distinguish between first-time customers to this center and those who have visited before on any issue or matter.



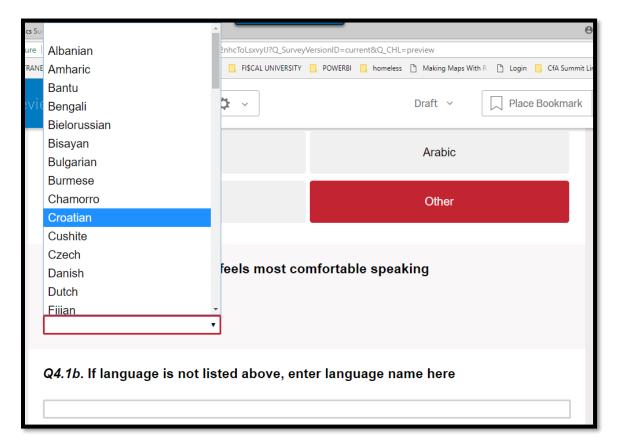
Q4. Language customer feels most comfortable speaking

- ✓ Single response, mark only one.
- This item should capture the language that the customer feels most comfortable speaking. This item will flag the need for service and help assess whether customers' language needs are being met. When selecting "Other," please specify the language. There are 87 languages listed in alphabetical order in the "Other" section.
- ✓ Please ask this question to all customers regardless of the language spoken at point of contact. This is not intended to collect data on the language the services are provided to court customers. The intent is to collect data on the language the customer feels most comfortable speaking.



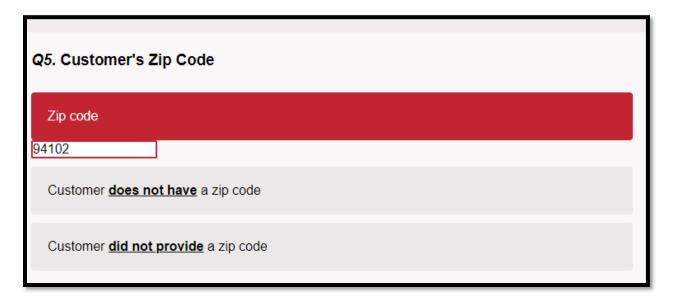


Q4. Language customer feels most comfortable speaking



Q5. Customer's Zip Code

- ✓ Enter the customer's HOME zip code in the zip code field.
- ✓ Check "Customer <u>does not have</u> a zip code" if the customer does not have a zip code.
- ✓ Check "Customer <u>did not provide</u> a zip code" if customer does not know or want to provide zip code.



Q6. Did the customer look online for legal information before coming to this office?

This section seeks to find out if the court customer, prior to visiting the self-help center, visited any websites seeking legal assistance. Examples include::

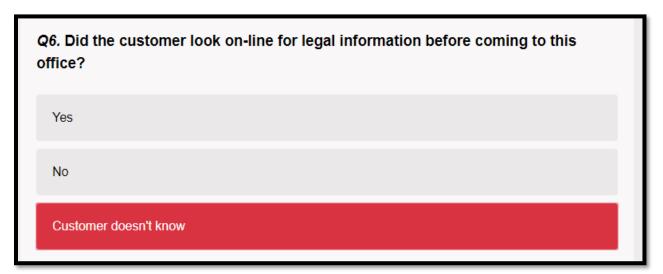
✓ California Courts' Self Help site

✓ Reddit

✓ Court website

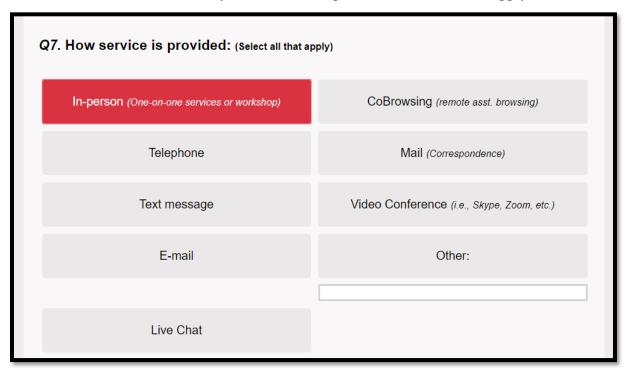
✓ Avvo

- ✓ Nolo
- ✓ Legal Zoom



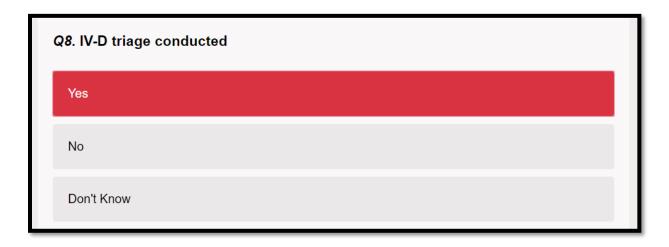
Q7. How service is provided

This item indicates the way the service was provided (Check all that apply).



Q8. IV-D triage conducted

IV-D Triage is defined as very brief (5 minutes or less per customer) Family Law Facilitator services such as providing basic information on court processes, distribution of court forms, making a referral or screening the customer to determine eligibility for services and type of services needed.



Q9. Services provided (select all that apply)

This question is intended to capture information about the service delivery method for services provided. Staff should select all that apply.

Courtroom Services

Courtroom services include assisting bench officers in the courtroom by answering litigant questions, explaining forms and documents, and explaining outcomes or making referrals. It can be difficult to collect customer data in the courtroom setting. If staff cannot collect customer data on customers who were assisted in the courtroom they should be included under Daily Statistics as Customers Served in Courtroom.

Settlement Assistance/Mediation

Settlement assistance includes in-person service and assistance provided at the same time to both sides of a case to reach an agreement in the case.

Services provided in a language other than English

Use if the program was able to assist the LEP litigant in the language that they were most comfortable speaking. This may be provided by an interpreter, bilingual staff or volunteers, LanguageLine or similar service.

Workshop

Workshops are services provided in a group setting that include a group presentation.

- ✓ They may include a component of individualized services such as individually reviewing participants' forms for completeness.
- ✓ They do not include short presentations (less than 15 minutes) on general information about the availability and/or logistics of services followed by individualized assistance with forms and/or analysis of the legal issues facing a customer. Such services should be tracked as one-on-one services.

Q9. Services provided: (Select all that apply)					
Forms and/or Documents	Order After Hearing or Judgment				
Information provided (Legal and/or Procedural)	Services provided in a Language Other than English				
Courtroom Services	Workshop				
Settlement Assistance/Mediation	Other:				

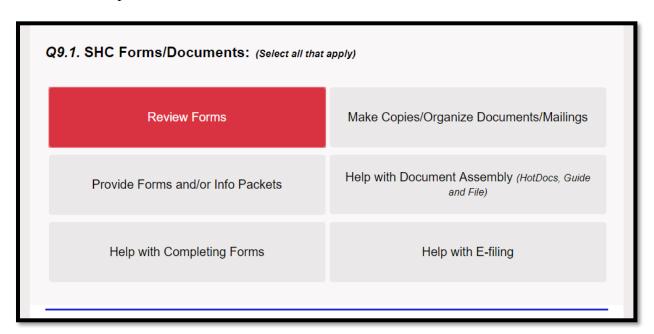
Q9.1 Forms/Documents Services provided: (Select all that apply)

Help with Document Assembly

✓ Assisting litigants to use Guide & File, LawHelp Interactive (Hotdocs) or similar programs

Help with E-filing

✓ Providing instructions on how to e-file, answering questions, troubleshooting problems with computer programs, or assisting litigants to e-file from center computers



Q10. Service(s) customer receives

IV-D Services Only

✓ Services provided to a customer whose issues involve paternity, child support order establishment, modification, enforcement or health insurance on a case that is currently receiving services from a local child support agency.

Non IV-D Services Only

✓ Any assistance other than IV-D cases. This is any other type of service that is provided by the Self-Help Center or Family Law Facilitator that is not eligible for AB1058 funding as defined above.

IV-D and/or Non IV-D Services

✓ Check for those customers receiving services for both IV-D eligible and other services



Q11. IV-D Services Provided (select all that apply)

Identify the type of IV-D issues in which assistance was provided.



INSTRUCTIONS: END of IV-D.

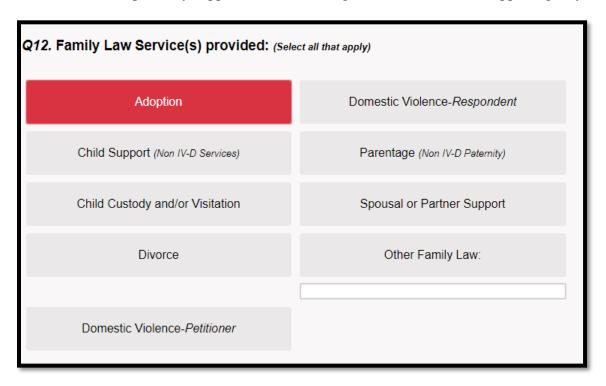
If the only services that were provided were IV-D governmental child support services, this is the end of the survey.

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Q12. Family Law Service(s) provided: (Select all that apply)

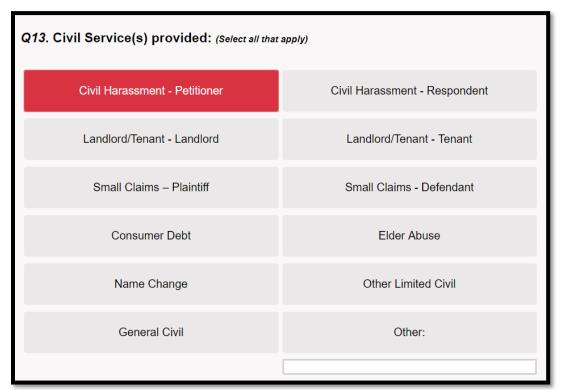
Identify the type of case in which assistance was provided.

✓ This category covers any family law-related services provided to a customer that are not related to paternity/support issues involving an active local child support agency case



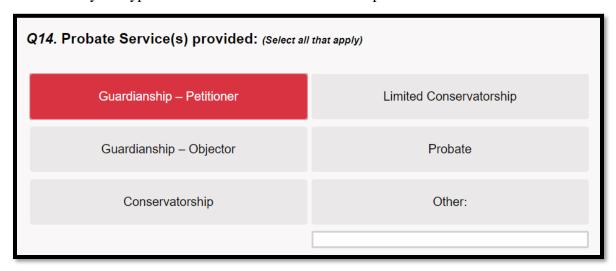
Q13. Civil Service(s) provided: (Select all that apply)

Identify the type of issues in which assistance was provided.



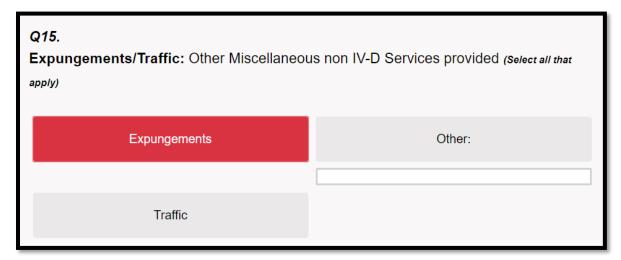
Q14. Probate Services provided: (Select all that apply)

Identify the type of issues in which assistance was provided.

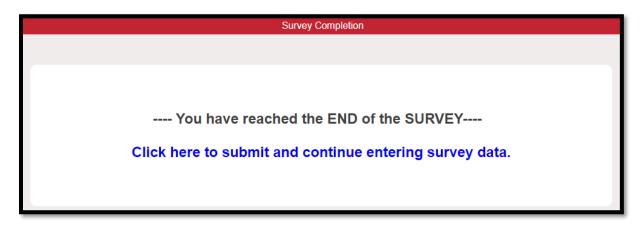


Q15. Expungements/Traffic Service(s) provided: (Select all that apply)

Identify the type of issues in which assistance was provided.



End of data collection elements. To enter a new customer encounter, on the Survey Completion window, click on the link and you will be provided with a new data entry form.



Q1.	Date of Service:			If IV-D Only (Complete Q1–Q11.1) If IV-D and Non IV-D services or Non IV-D only (Complete applicable sections Q1–Q15)			
_			r visited this self-help	Q7.	How	service is	s provided: (Select all that apply)
	center b	efore?		□ In	n-persor	1 (One-on-One	Services or workshop)
□Yes		No [Customer Doesn't Know	□т	elephon	ie	
	Languag comforta		ner feels most aking:	□т	ext [SM	S]	
□ Eng			5	□Е	-mail		
□ Spai					ive Chat		
	tonese			□С	oBrows	ing (remote o	usst. browsing)
□ Mar				\square M	lail (Corre	espondence)	
	oino/Taga	alog		□V	ideo Co	nf. (Skype, Zo	om, etc.)
1	namese	1106		□0	ther:		
□ Kor				Q8.	IV-D t	riage con	ducted
□ Arm				□Y€	es	□ No	□ Don't know
		i		Q9.	Servio	es provid	led: (Select all that apply)
☐ Persian/Farsi ☐ Cambodian			Form	s and/or l	Documents (Select all that apply)		
					☐ Review Forms		
□ Hm					☐ Provide Forms and/or Info Packets		
Rus					☐ Help with Completing Forms		
☐ Aral					□ Ма	ıke Copies	/Organize Documents/Mailings
Oth		/ - 7: C	-1-		☐ Help with Document Assembly		
	Custome		ode:		☐ Help with E-filing		
	Zip Code:				☐ Information provided		
Customer does not have a Zip Code \square			□С	☐ Courtroom Services			
Customer did not provide a Zip Code \square		□ Se	ettleme	nt Assistar	nce/Mediation		
		ara HU	.p. strae a zip dode 🗆	□0	rder Aft	er Hearin	g or Judgment
Q6. Did the customer look online for legal information before coming to this office?			ervices _l Inglish	provided i	n a Language Other than		
□Yes	□No		ustomer Doesn't Know	\square W	Vorksho	p	
				□0	ther:		

Q10. Service(s) customer received:	Q13. Civil Service(s) provided: (Select all that apply)
☐ IV-D Services only	☐ Civil Harassment – Petitioner
□ Non IV-D Services only	☐ Civil Harassment – Respondent
☐ IV-D and Non IV-D Services	☐ Landlord/Tenant – Tenant
	☐ Landlord/Tenant – Landlord
Q11. IV-D Services Provided: (Select all that apply)	☐ Small Claims – Plaintiff
☐ Modify Child Support	☐ Small Claims - Defendant
☐ Support Arrears	☐ Consumer Debt
☐ Establish Child Support	☐ Elder Abuse
☐ Preparation of Order	□ Name Change
☐ Medical Support	☐ Other Limited Civil
□ Answer	General Civil
☐ License Revocation	☐ Other:
☐ Spousal Support	Other:
☐ Paternity	Q14. Probate Services provided: (Select all that apply)
□ Set Aside	☐ Guardianship – Petitioner
□ Other Title IV-D service	☐ Guardianship – Objector
042 Feed to Control on the	☐ Conservatorship
Q12. Family Law Service(s) provided: (Select all that apply)	☐ Limited Conservatorship
□ Adoption	□ Probate
☐ Child Support (non IV-D Services)	☐ Other:
☐ Child Custody and/or Visitation	□ other:
□ Divorce	Q15. Expungements, Traffic: Other
☐ Domestic Violence – Petitioner	Miscellaneous non IV-D Services provided: (Select all that apply)
☐ Domestic Violence – Respondent	☐ Expungements
☐ Parentage (Non IV-D Paternity)	□ Traffic
☐ Spousal or Partner Support	□ Other:
□ Other Family Law	

1.3 Statistics and Workshops

Statistics and Workshops Report

Self-Help Centers and Facilitators offices are busy places and sometimes you won't be able to capture the information for every person you serve every day. In order to make sure that we are able to report on actual number of persons served, it is important that we at least have a record of those additional people served.

It may be easiest to just keep track and enter that information on the Daily Statistics and Workshop Tool while it is fresh in your mind. If everyone records the people that they assisted and were not able to complete a Customer Survey for each day, those totals will be collected – and that's all your center will need to do.

If you have another method of keeping track of those persons, that should be submitted at least once per month, on the first Friday of the month, to make sure that the information is current.

Your center may want to designate one person to keep track of all workshops and # of persons attending those workshops or might have the person who led the workshop just enter that information for the workshops they provided.

Monthly Statistics and Workshops Report

If you don't enter the information in on a daily or more regular basis, Court staff at each Self-Help Center/FLF office will need to submit the monthly statistics and workshop count report by close of business on the **first Friday of each month** so that monthly reports can be run with comparable numbers.

You can submit this by using a dedicated "Monthly Statistics and Workshop" hyperlink.

Monthly Vs. Daily Statistics and Workshop Tools

If you use the Daily Statistics and Workshop dedicated tool—you can just enter that information at the end of the day, or as soon as possible thereafter. Programs that use the daily reporting tool do not need to submit a monthly report. Any data entered via the daily reporting dedicated link, will by default create and submit (on your behalf) the required monthly report. It is very important that if you use the daily reporting tool, all information needs to be entered real-time and/or completely entered by no later than the first Friday of each Month.

Note: The daily statistics and workshop tool can be extremely useful in ensuring daily stats are accurately collected and packaged into monthly reports for JCC dissemination. If you use the Daily reporting tool to track and submit total counts daily, your court program does not need to submit a monthly report.

Daily Statistics and Workshops Tool

Daily Statistics are recorded for all customer contacts **not included in the Customer Survey**.

Phone Calls:

- ✓ Use this daily count for any customer where brief information and referral services or other brief services were provided only by telephone. This should not include telephone calls for merely giving out directions to the office or changing an appointment time.
- ✓ If the phone call is longer than 5 minutes or so, please try to complete the Customer Information Form for the interaction, rather than just checking this box.

Brief Information and Referral:

✓ Use this daily count for any customer where the sole service provided was written informational materials, contact information for other agencies or resources, or other services where the time spent completing a Customer Intake form would exceed the time spent providing the service.

Customers Served in Courtroom (those without individual customer service form)

✓ Use this daily count for any customer who was assisted in a courtroom and for whom a survey was not collected.

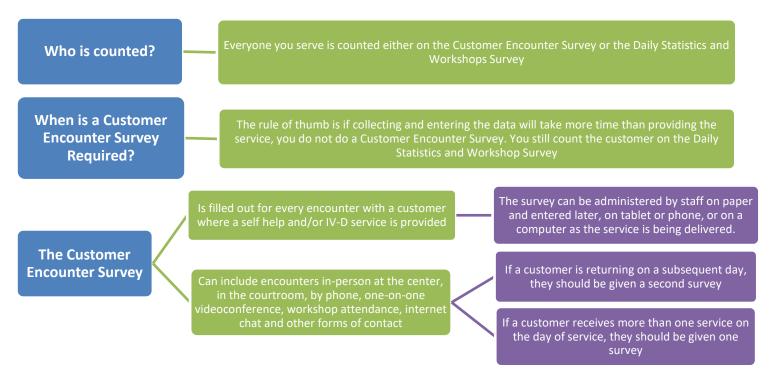
Workshop Attendees

✓ Workshop attendees who were not included in the Customer Survey.

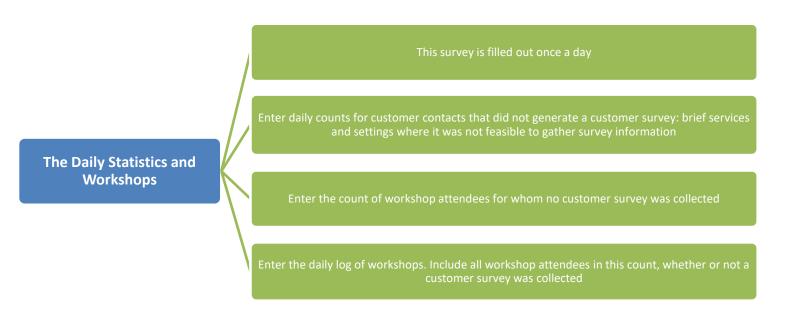
Customers not recorded:

✓ Use this daily count for persons assisted, but for whom a Customer Survey was not completed.

1.4 Self Help Center/AB1058 Survey Application at a Glance



1.5 Daily Statistics and Workshop Instructions



Daily Statistics and Workshops (v1-D091818)

Domestic Violence–Petitioner

Domestic Violence–Respondent

Spousal or Partner Support

Parentage

Other Family Law

Q1. County:				
Q2. Daily Statistics Reporting				
If extensive services are provided by information and referrals, or service courtroom, please complete the Custor each encounter.	to customers in the	Ή.	Data	Entry Field
Today's Date:				
# of Phone Calls:				
# of Brief Information and Referral(s):			
# of Customers Served in the Courtre	oom:			
# of Workshop attendees not include	ed in the Customer Surv	vey:		
# of Customers not recorded:				
Q3. Family Law Workshops (En	ter information as a	pplic	cable for each prog	ram type).
	# of Workshops	Tot	tal Time (Minutes)	Total # of Attendees
Adoption				
Child Support (non IV-D Services)				
Child Custody and/or Visitation				
Divorce				

Q4 Non Family Law Workshops (Enter information as applicable for each program type).						
(Enter information as applicable for each program type).	# of Workshops	Total Time (Minutes)	Total # of Attendees			
Civil Harassment–Petitioner						
Civil Harassment–Respondent						
Landlord/Tenant–Tenant						
Landlord/Tenant–Landlord						
Guardianship–Petitioner						
Guardianship—Objector						
Conservatorship						
Limited Conservatorship						
Elder Abuse						
General Civil						
Name Change						
Probate						
Small Claims–Plaintiff						
Small Claims—Defendant						
Expungements						
Traffic						
Other (16)						

Monthly Statistics and Workshops (v1-M091818)

Q1. County:					
Q2. Monthly Statist	ics Reporting	J			
If extensive services w information and referr courtroom, please con for each encounter.	rals, or service t	o customers in the	n	Data I	Entry Field
Reporting Month:					
# of Phone Calls receiv	ved during the re	eporting month:			
# of Brief Information month:	and Referral(s)	during the reporting			
# of Customers Served month:	l in the Courtro	om during the reportin	g		
# of Workshop attended during the reporting m		d in the Customer Surv	ey		
# of Customers not red	corded during th	he reporting month:			
Q3. Family Law Wo during the reporting		er information as a	pplic	cable for each prog	ram type if held
		# of Workshops	Tot	tal Time (Minutes)	Total # of Attendees
Adoption					
Child Support (non IV-	D Services)				
Child Custody and/or \	Visitation				
Divorce					
Domestic Violence–Pe	titioner				
Domestic Violence–Re	spondent				
Parentage					
Spousal or Partner Sup	pport				
Other Family Law					

Q4 Non Family Law Workshops during the reporting month)	(Enter information	as applicable for each	program type if held
(Enter information as applicable for each program type).	# of Workshops	Total Time (Minutes)	Total # of Attendees
Civil Harassment–Petitioner			
Civil Harassment–Respondent			
Landlord/Tenant-Tenant			
Landlord/Tenant–Landlord			
Guardianship–Petitioner			
Guardianship–Objector			
Conservatorship			
Limited Conservatorship			
Elder Abuse			
General Civil			
Name Change			
Probate			
Small Claims—Plaintiff			
Small Claims–Defendant			
Expungements			
Traffic			
Other (16)			