

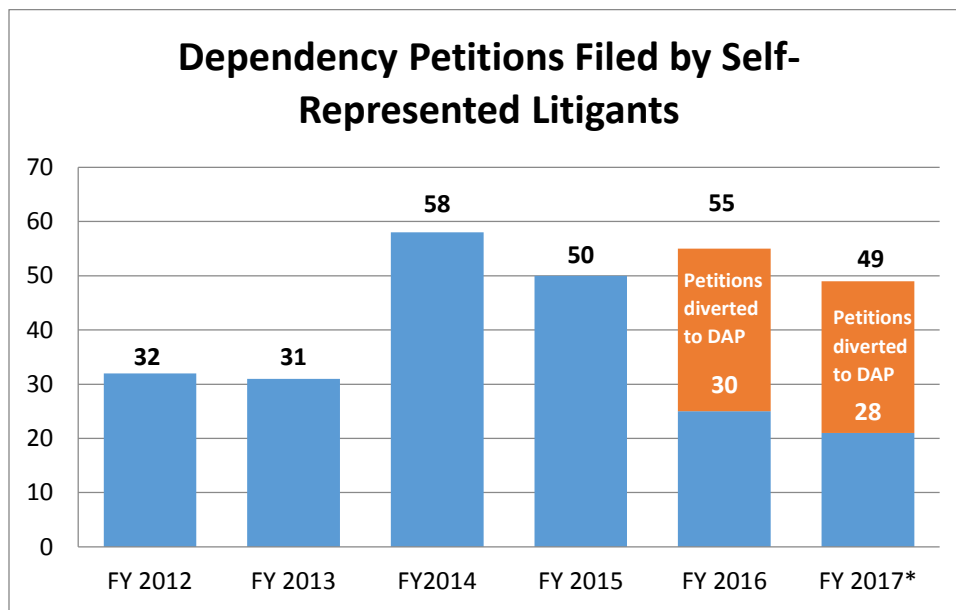
Dependency Alternative Program (DAP)

Dependency Petitions Filed						
Year	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017*
Total	1461	1329	1351	1303	1368	540

*as of 6/16/17

DAP Case Referrals from 7/1/15 – 6/16/17	
DCS	59
Self-Represented Litigants	58
Total	117

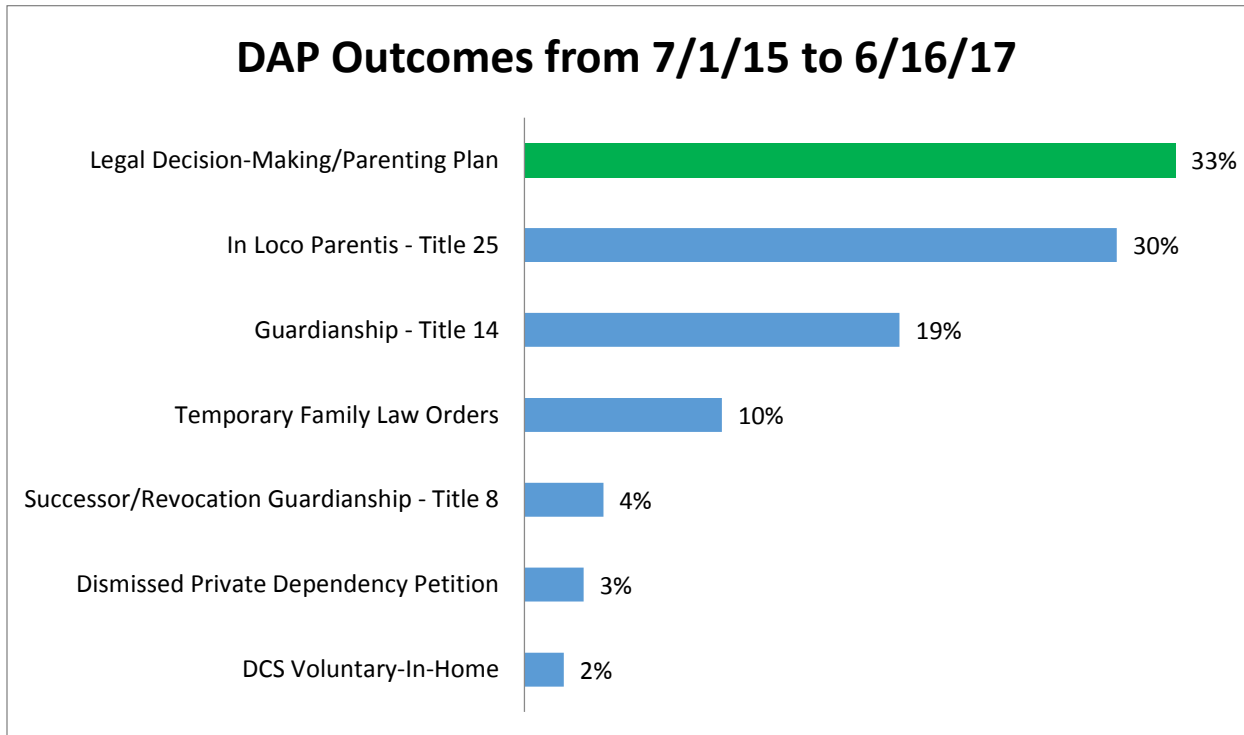
Promoting Access to Justice



- **55%** of all petitions filed by self-represented litigants were referred through the DAP program in **FY 2016**.
- ***57%** of all petitions filed by self-represented litigants have been referred through the DAP program in **FY 2017 as of 6/16/2017**.
- A DAP case lasts an average of **7.0** days from referral vs. a dependency case that lasts an average of **682** days if dismissed post-adjudication and **141** days if dismissed pre-adjudication.

Protecting Children, Families, and Communities

- DCS referred **59** families in lieu of filing a dependency petition since beginning DAP referrals in October 2015.
- Through the DAP program, **148** children have avoided entering DCS custody and the ensuing lengthy legal process.



Improving Court Processes to Better Serve the Public

- **105 cases were diverted through the DAP program...**
....these DAP cases would have contributed to **75%** of one judicial caseload.
- **90% success rate...**
....for all cases referred to the DAP program.