

PA Supportive Housing Platform

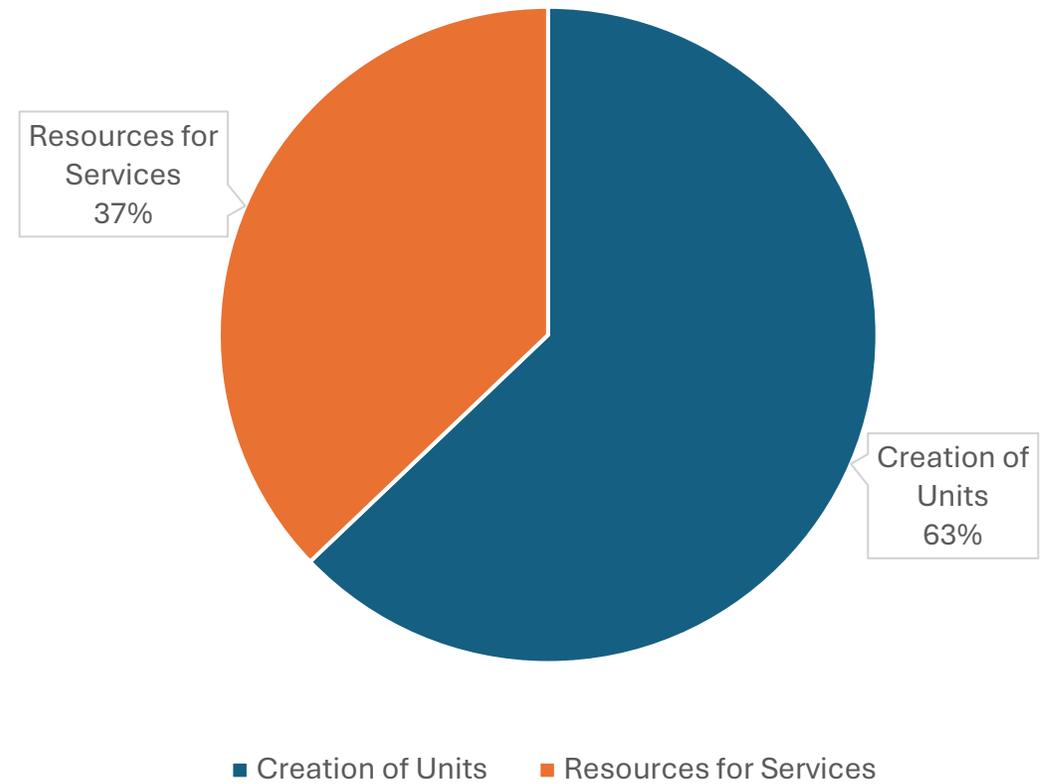


2026-2027 Budget Request Polling and Voting Results

Results from Respondents - Categories

- Total Voters/Respondents = 46
- Total Attendees choosing the **“Resources for Creation of Supportive Housing”** group = **28**
- Total Attendees choosing the **“Resources for Supportive Services”** group = **18**

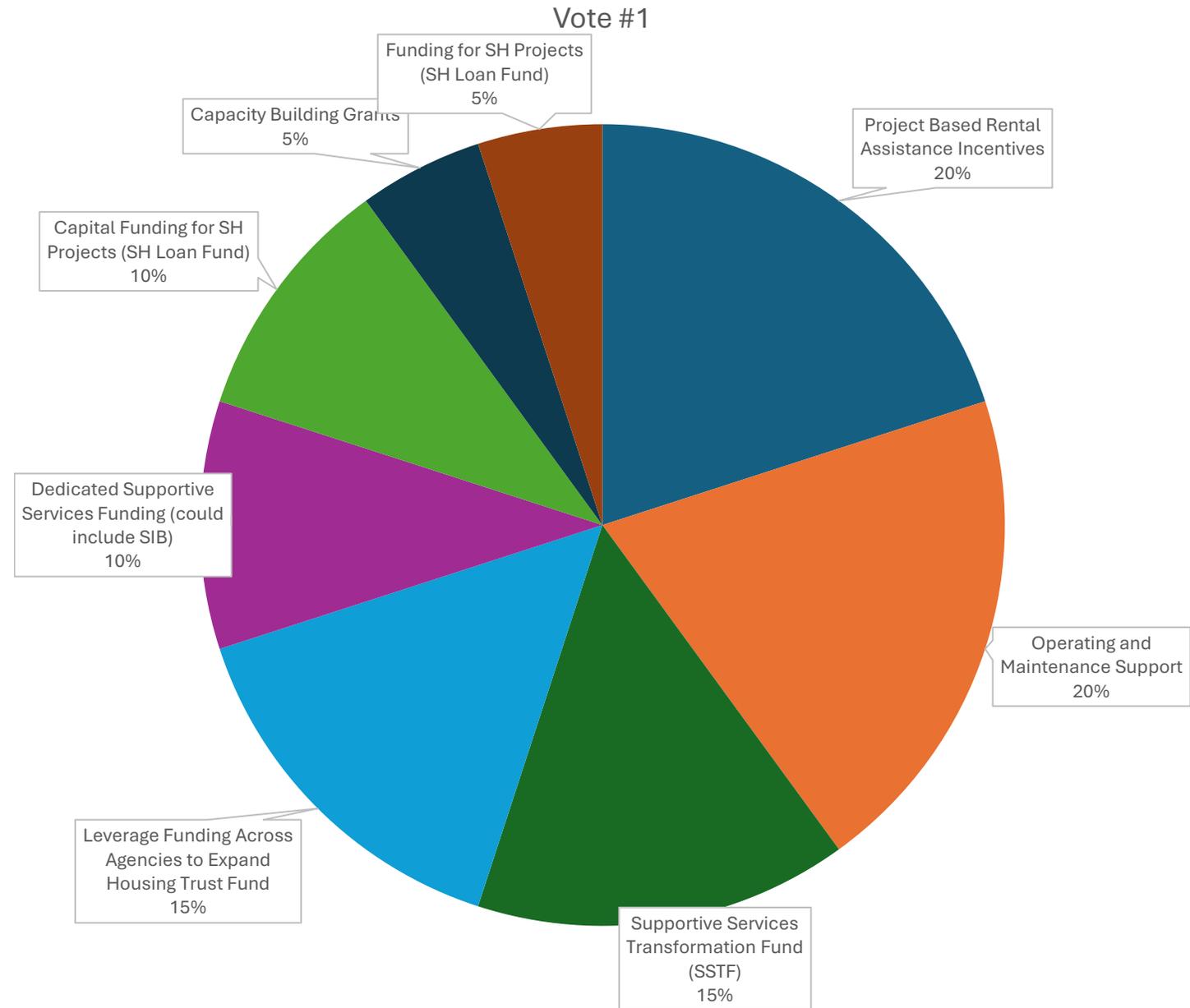
Breakout Attendees



#1 Votes

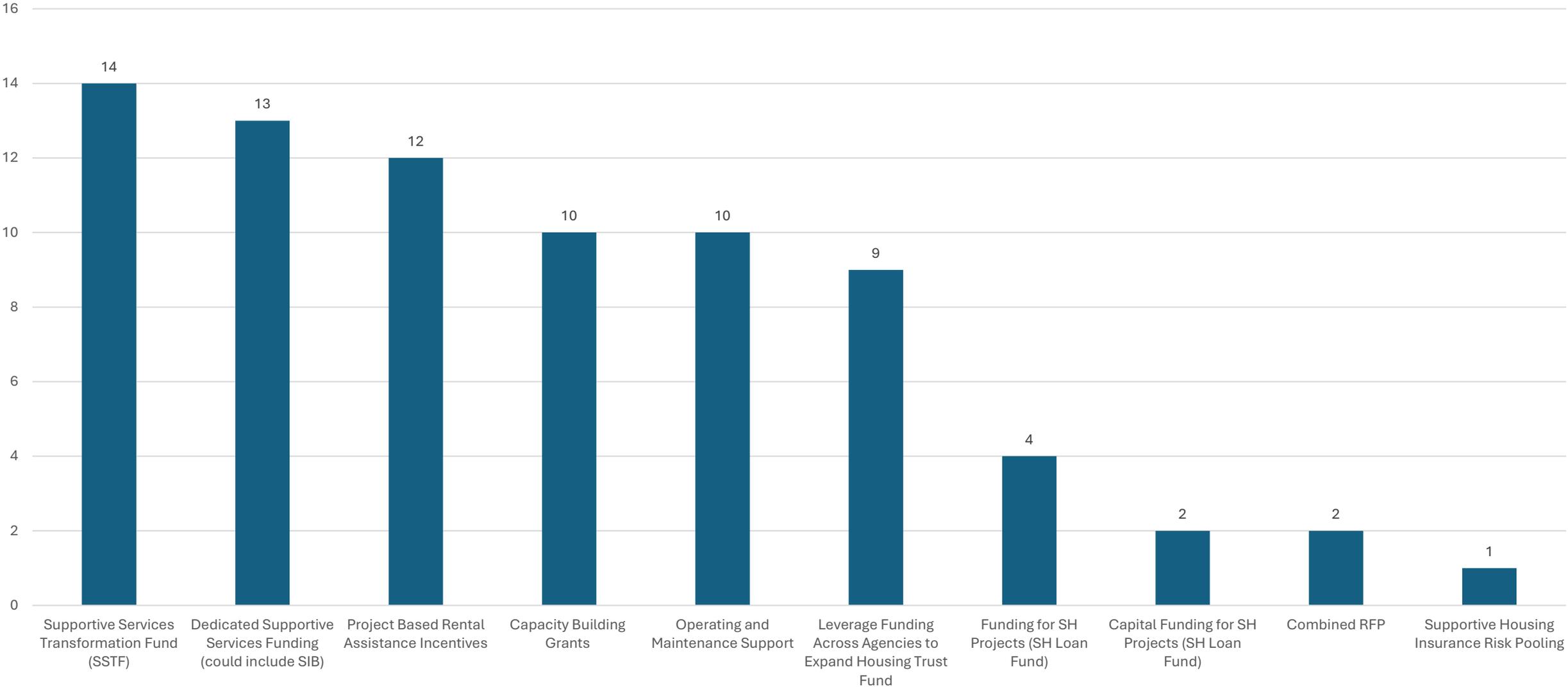
The top #1 Vote Getters are:

1. Project-Based Rental Assistance
2. Operating and Maintenance Support
3. Supportive Services Transformation Fund
4. Expand Housing Trust Fund
5. SH Loan Fund
6. Dedicated Services Funding
7. Capacity Building Grants
8. SH Loan Fund



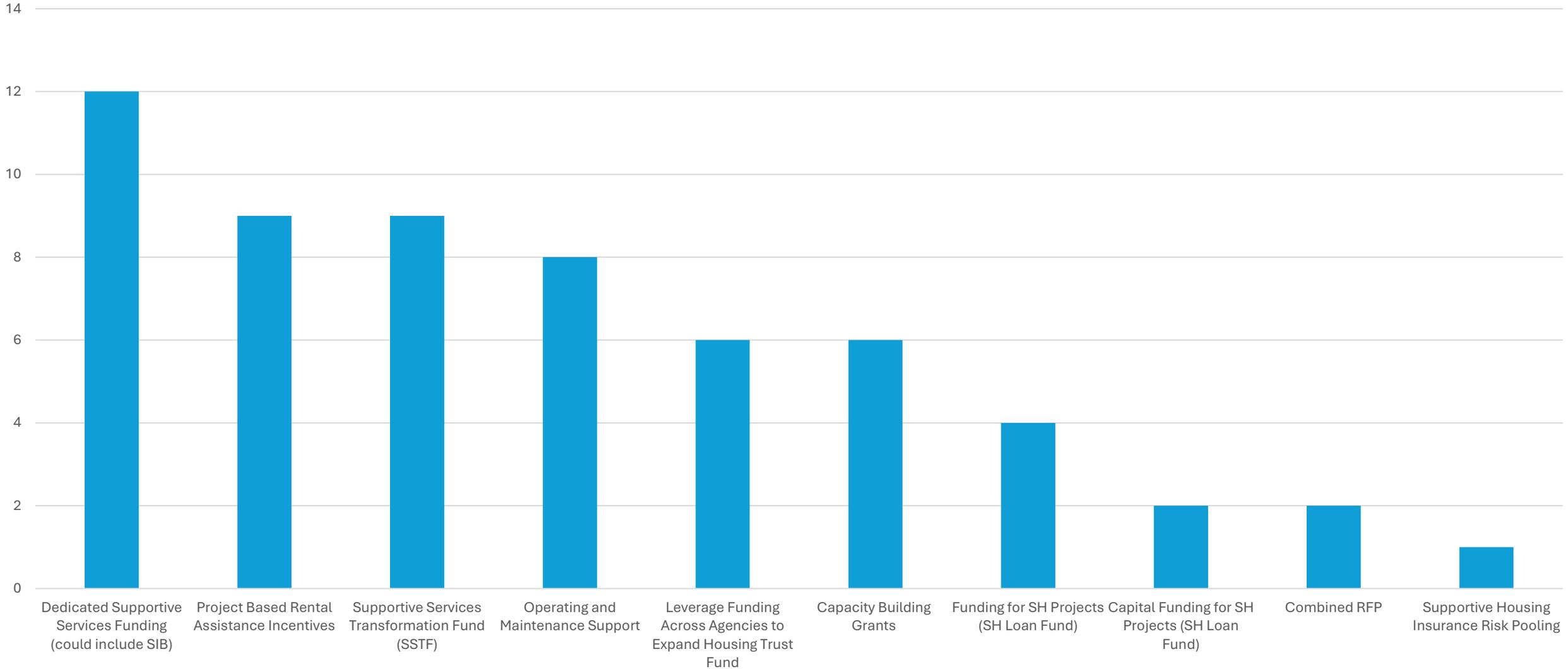
Top-4 Frequency – Most times in the top-4

Times in Top 4



Top-3 Frequency – Most times in the top-3

Times in Top 3



Top 3 Vs. Top 4

Top 4

- Supportive Services Transformation Fund
- Dedicated Supportive Services Funding (Could Include SIB)
- Project-Based Rental Assistance Incentives
- Capacity Building Grants

Top 3

- Dedicated Supportive Services Funding (Could Include SIB)
- Project-Based Rental Assistance Incentives
- Supportive Services Transformation Fund
- Operating and Maintenance Support



What is a **Supportive Service Transformation Fund**

The SSTF acts as a funding bridge for non-Medicaid eligible expenses, particularly housing-related services.

Housing-related services:

- ❑ Housing transition services – housing assessment, housing application support, move-in expenses, etc
- ❑ Tenancy sustaining services – landlord support and mitigation, eviction risk mitigation, housing recertifications, etc

SSTF Key Components

- ❑ **Supportive Services Grants:** The grants program is the main feature of any SSTF. This program awards grants to service providers to increase the availability of non-Medicaid eligible services.
- ❑ **Capacity Building:** Resources are provided for technical assistance and capacity building funding, allowing service providers to develop and sustain high-quality service delivery systems and build administrative capacity to leverage and bill Medicaid.

SSTF Key Components

- **Evaluation:** A portion of the funds is allocated to conduct a state-wide supportive housing needs assessment and evaluate the outcomes of the Supportive Services Grant program. This helps the state assess current investments, understand the supportive housing and services gaps, and track the grant program's progress

Supportive Services Transformation Fund Model

Passed in:

- Nevada (\$32 million via AB 310),
- Michigan (\$6 million and \$20 million in FY23 and FY25 new budget appropriations), and
- New York City (\$6 million in FY25 budget) .

Funded through ARPA and general revenues.

Key Features of NSHDF (\$30M)



Package to Obtain and Remain Housed

- Outreach Engagement
- Service Staffing
- Landlord Engagement
- Operating Supports



Track & Measure Results

Funds will be deployed, and projects evaluated on a rolling basis.



Catalyst Funding

Infrastructure support to supportive housing teams to develop the capacity to initiate supportive housing developments, onramp staffing, and address technology deficits.



Align to Housing

Provide technical support to the Housing Division and Public Housing Authorities on ways to prioritize capital and operating resources for ongoing pipeline development of supportive housing.



Prepare for Medicaid

Identify permanent funding sources to support providing services through Medicaid and assist providers with becoming Medicaid billable entities.



Train the Workforce

Build the capacity of supportive housing providers to provide quality supportive housing based on evidence-based fidelity standards.

<https://news3lv.com/news/local/governor-lombardo-signs-32-million-supportive-housing-development-fund>

Michigan - \$20 Million appropriation in State Budget

- The appropriation will provide grants to supportive housing services providers across the state.
- The funding will provide housing-related services for both people living in supportive housing and people experiencing homelessness who move into supportive housing and who need additional support to maintain housing stability.
- 2022 Supportive Services Pilot Program (\$6M)
- CSH SSTF advocacy
 - Call for \$25M annually to fill funding gap
 - Decrease as Medicaid Reimbursement increases
 - 70 organizations – over 50 individuals



Dedicated Services Funding

- Empire State Supportive Housing Initiative - <https://shnny.org/fundingguide/empire-state-supportive-housing-initiative-rfp/>
 - Provides services and operating funding for congregate supportive housing across NY State
 - Up to \$25,000 in services and operating funding is available annually for each qualifying individual.
 - ESSHI Funded Projects are prioritized for capital funding programs
- Denver Social Impact Bond: Denver's Social Impact Bond program used funds from lenders to provide housing and supportive case management services to at least 250 homeless individuals who frequently use the city's emergency services, including police, jail, the courts, and emergency rooms. <https://www.coloradocoalition.org/SIB>

Operating and Maintenance Support

- Providing a distinct category of funds to support operations (including services) and maintenance of supportive housing properties.
- State Example: Washington State created the [*Permanent Supportive Housing Operating, Maintenance, and Services Program*](#). This program provides supplemental funding for the operating and maintenance costs of permanent supportive housing projects. The funding aims to cover gaps in operating revenue and ensure the sustainability of these housing projects. The program has a budget of \$47 million per year and has supported 160 housing projects since 2018.
- Additionally, [*Massachusetts, California, New York and Illinois have also provided dedicated funding specifically for operating reserves to help ensure that housing projects can cover ongoing expenses and maintain long-term sustainability.*](#)

Project-Based Rental Assistance

- **Project-Based Rental Assistance:** To achieve the ambitious goal of creating 38,000 units of supportive housing, it is essential to increase Project-Based Rental Assistance. This assistance is crucial for ensuring that rents remain affordable for individuals with low and fixed incomes.
- The Commonwealth can maximize the allocation of Project-Based Vouchers with Pennsylvania Public Housing Agencies by encouraging them to allocate up to 20% of their authorized voucher units as Project-Based Vouchers. In certain cases, Public Housing Agencies can exceed this cap with HUD approval. Pennsylvania can encourage these agencies to use their full allocation and seek additional approvals.
- **State Example:** *In 2022, New York State passed Senate Bill S7235 allowing public housing agencies that subsidized affordable housing projects to provide rental assistance for rents higher than those permitted under rent regulation. This bill increased funding for supportive housing project-based rental assistance to \$50 million as part of the NYC 15/15 Rental Assistance Program, which aims to develop 15,000 new units of supportive housing over the next 15 years.*