Understanding the Texas Foster Care Capacity Crisis

### Monthly Count of Children Without Placement

*September 2019 - June 2021*

#### Characteristics of CHILDREN WITHOUT PLACEMENT

- Typically, **between the ages of 11 – 17**, although encompasses all age groups.
- **35%** come into substitute care in part due to the caregivers inability to meet behavioral needs. The general substitute care cohort enters for this reason at **5% - 7%**.
- **Require higher acuity of care** related to mental and behavioral health.

- **Children without Placement Events by Type of Previous Placement**
What stood out to you from the data?

Is the data reflective of your organizational or community experience? In what ways is it similar or different?

What does what we are learning about children without placement tell us about our broader capacity crisis?