



**February 2021**

# **Regular Meeting**

**February 26, 2021**

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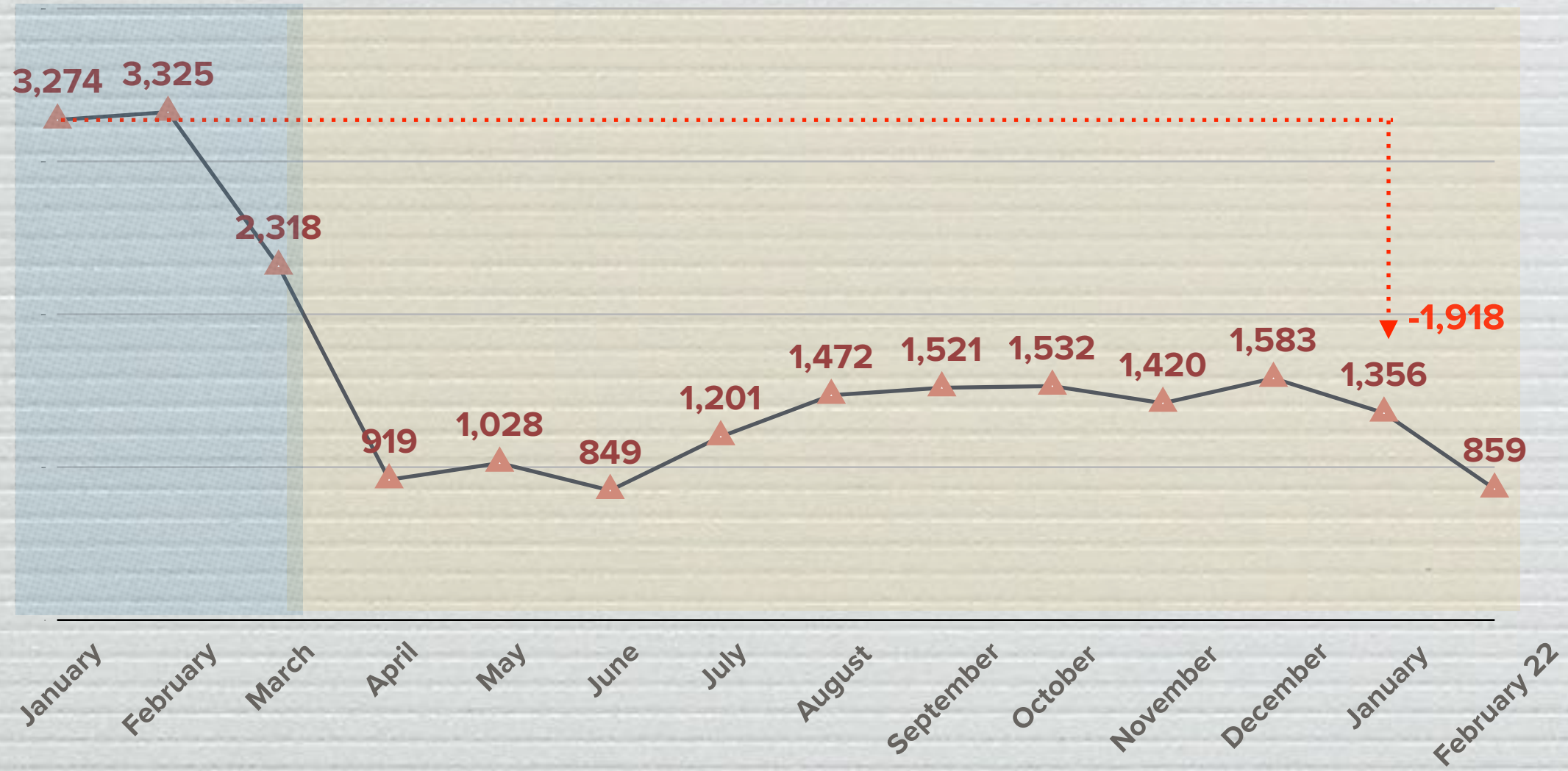
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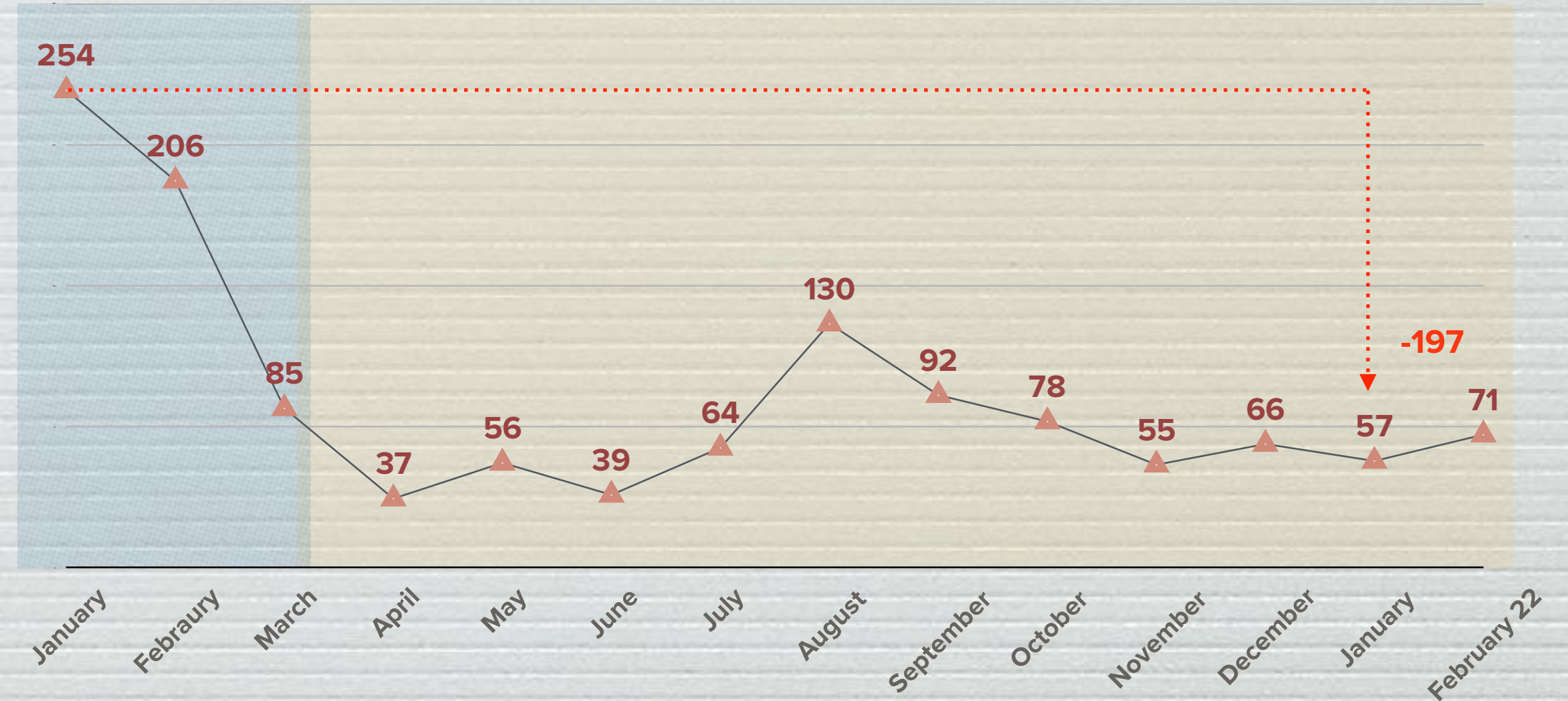


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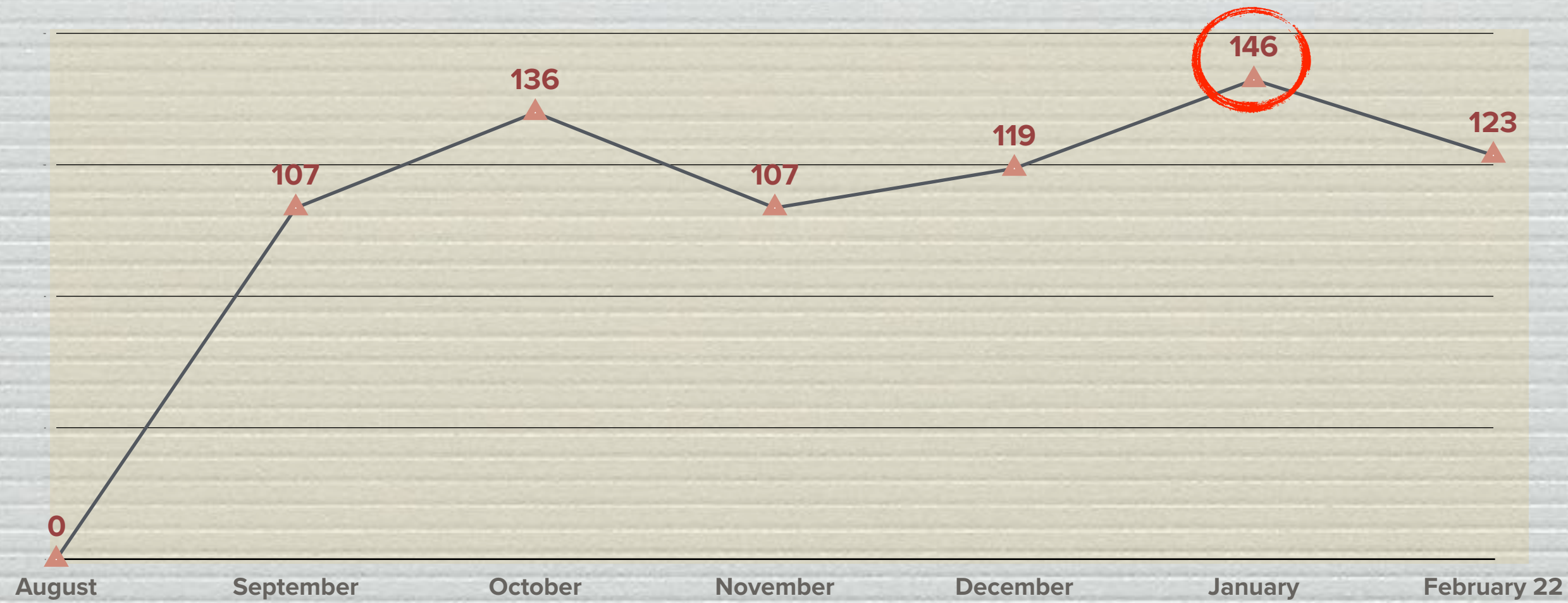
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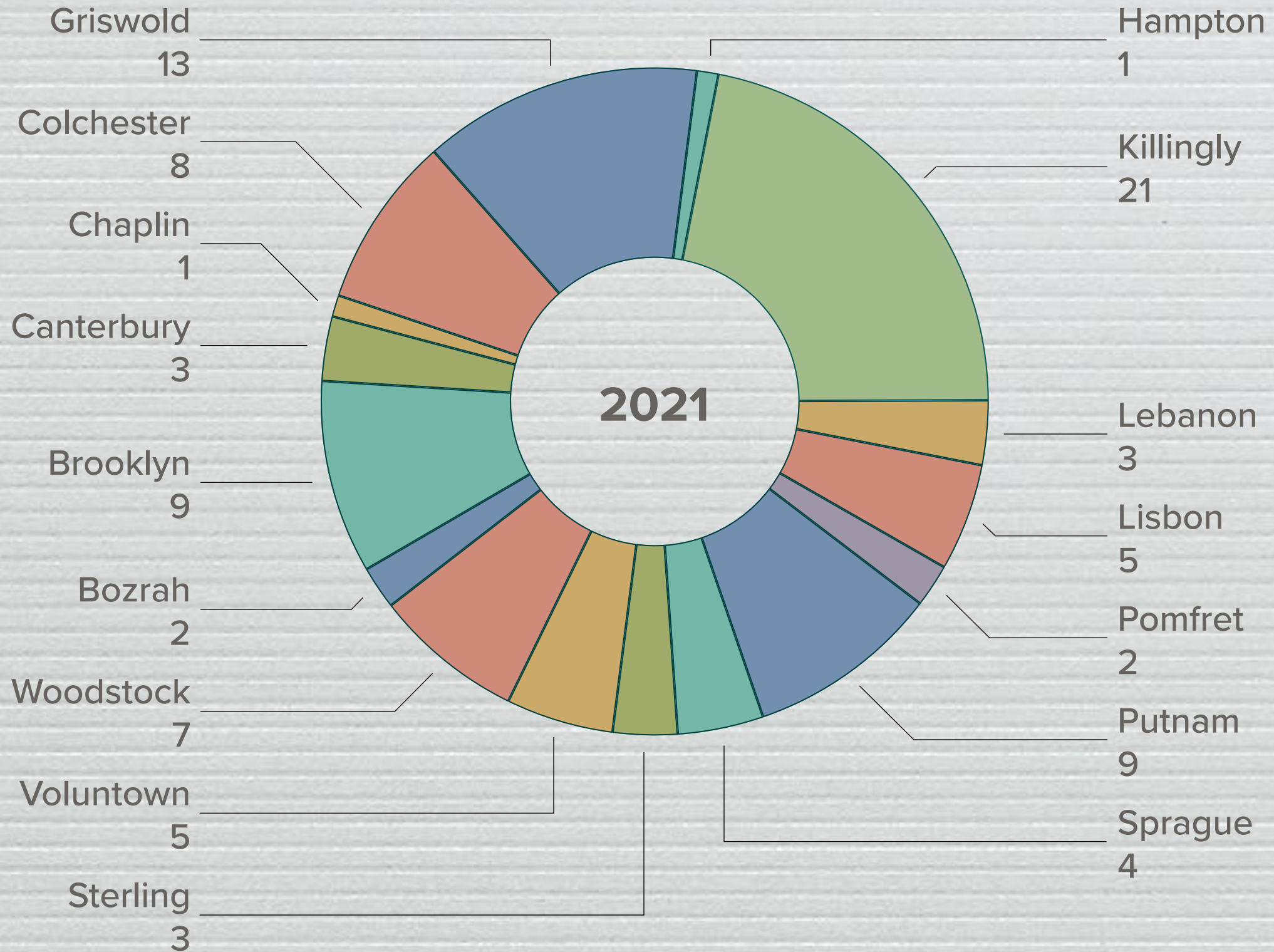


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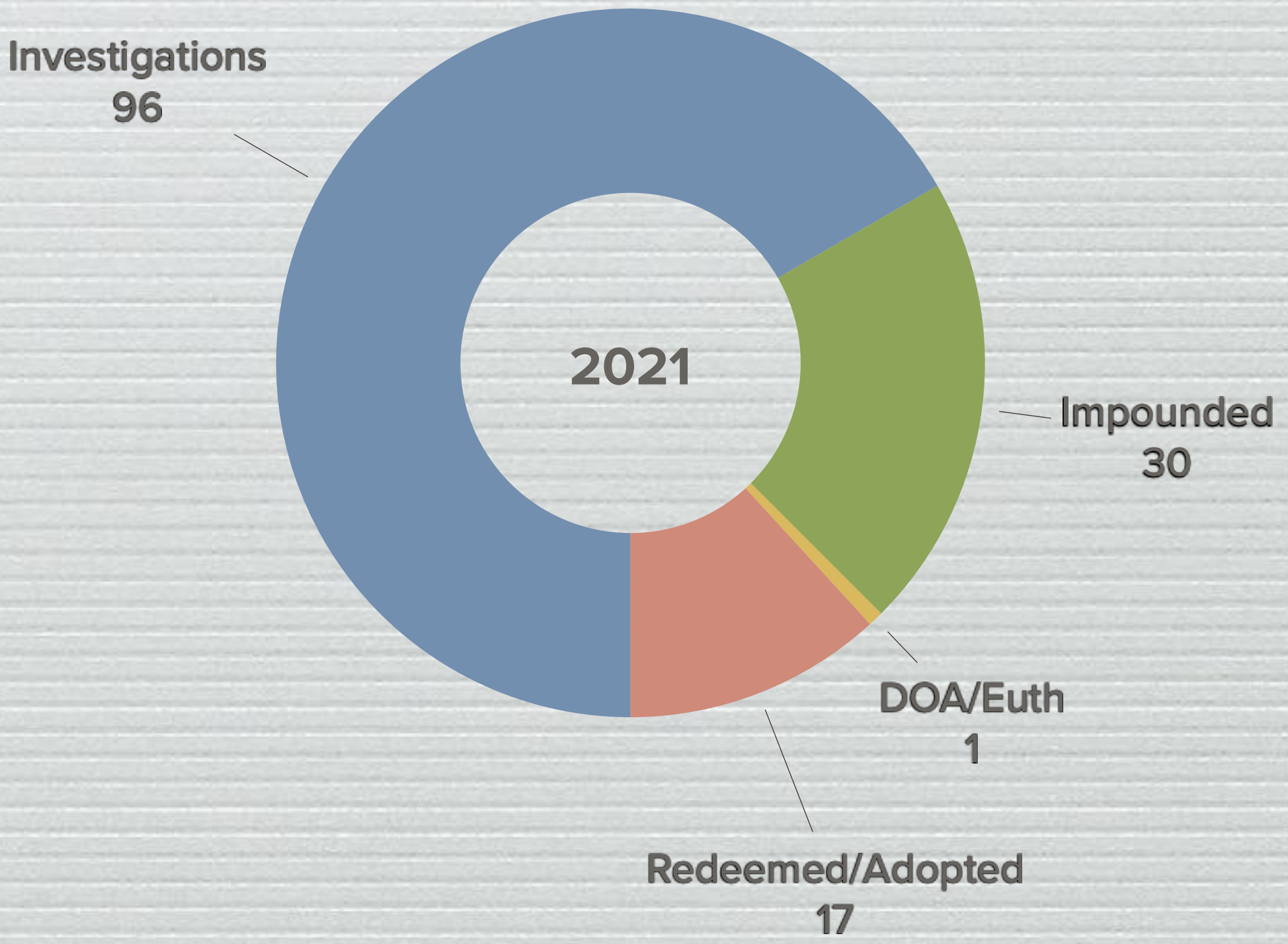


# Animal Services Program

**Town Investigations**  
January

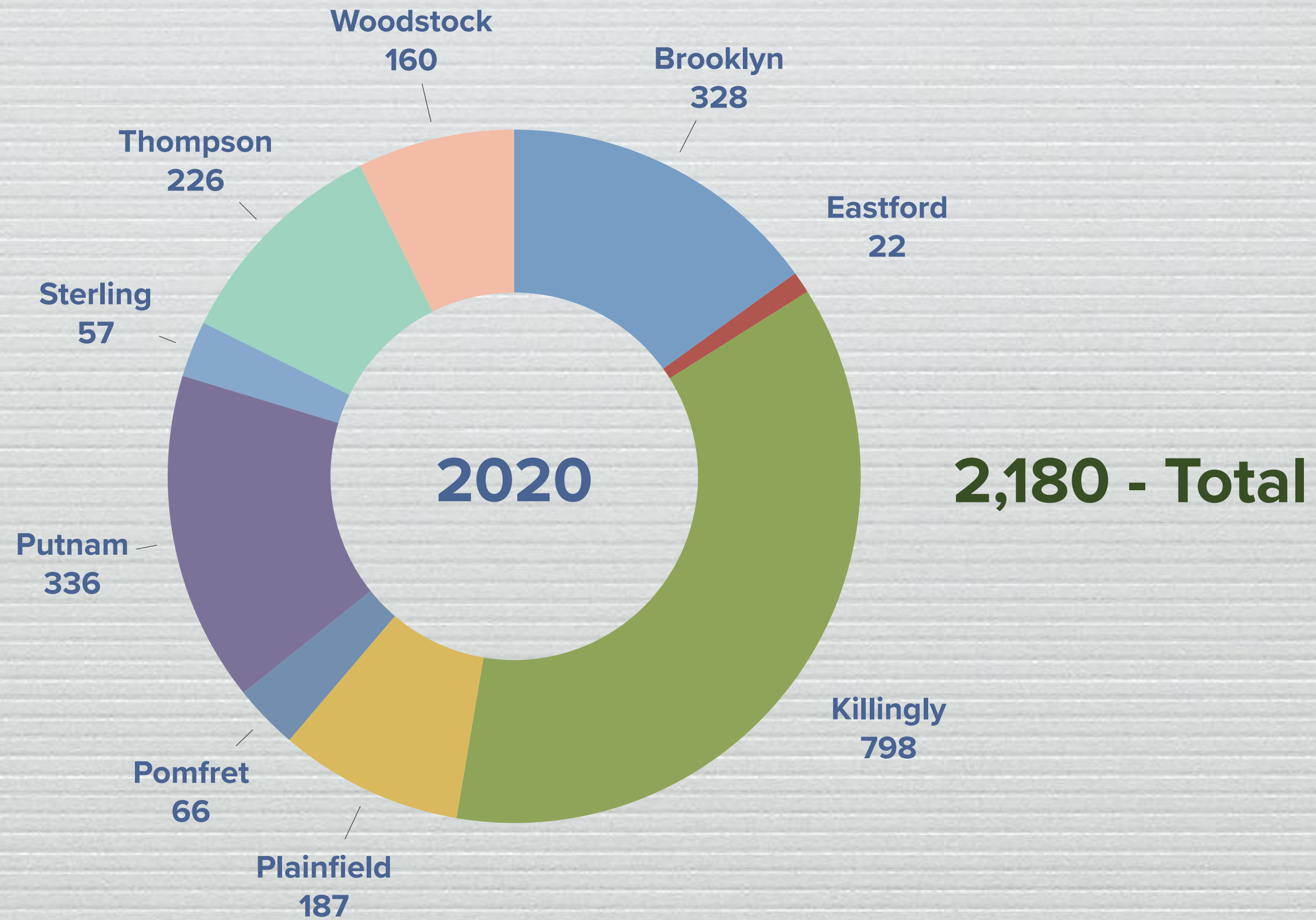


**Activity**  
January



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# Regional paramedic Intercept Program Activity



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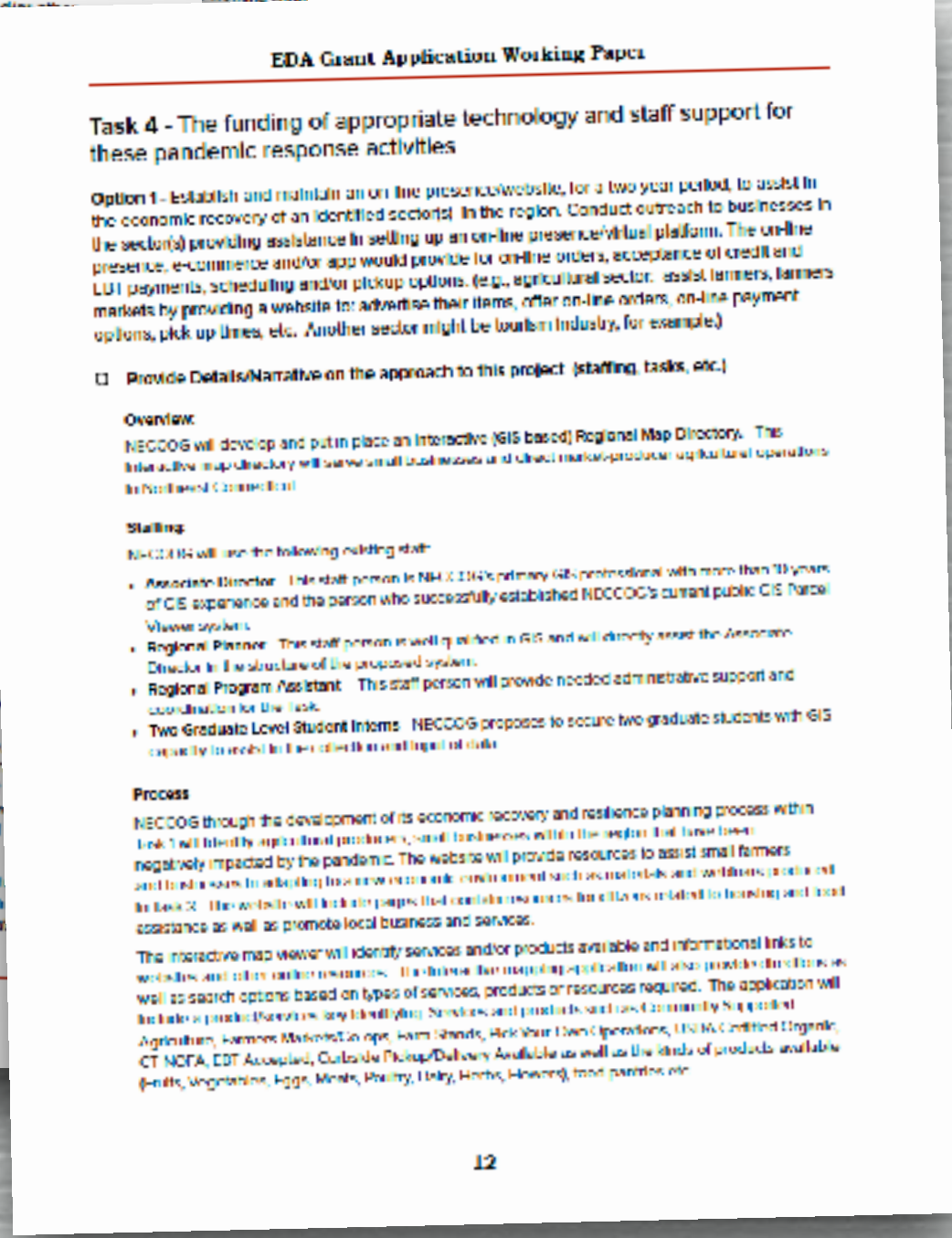
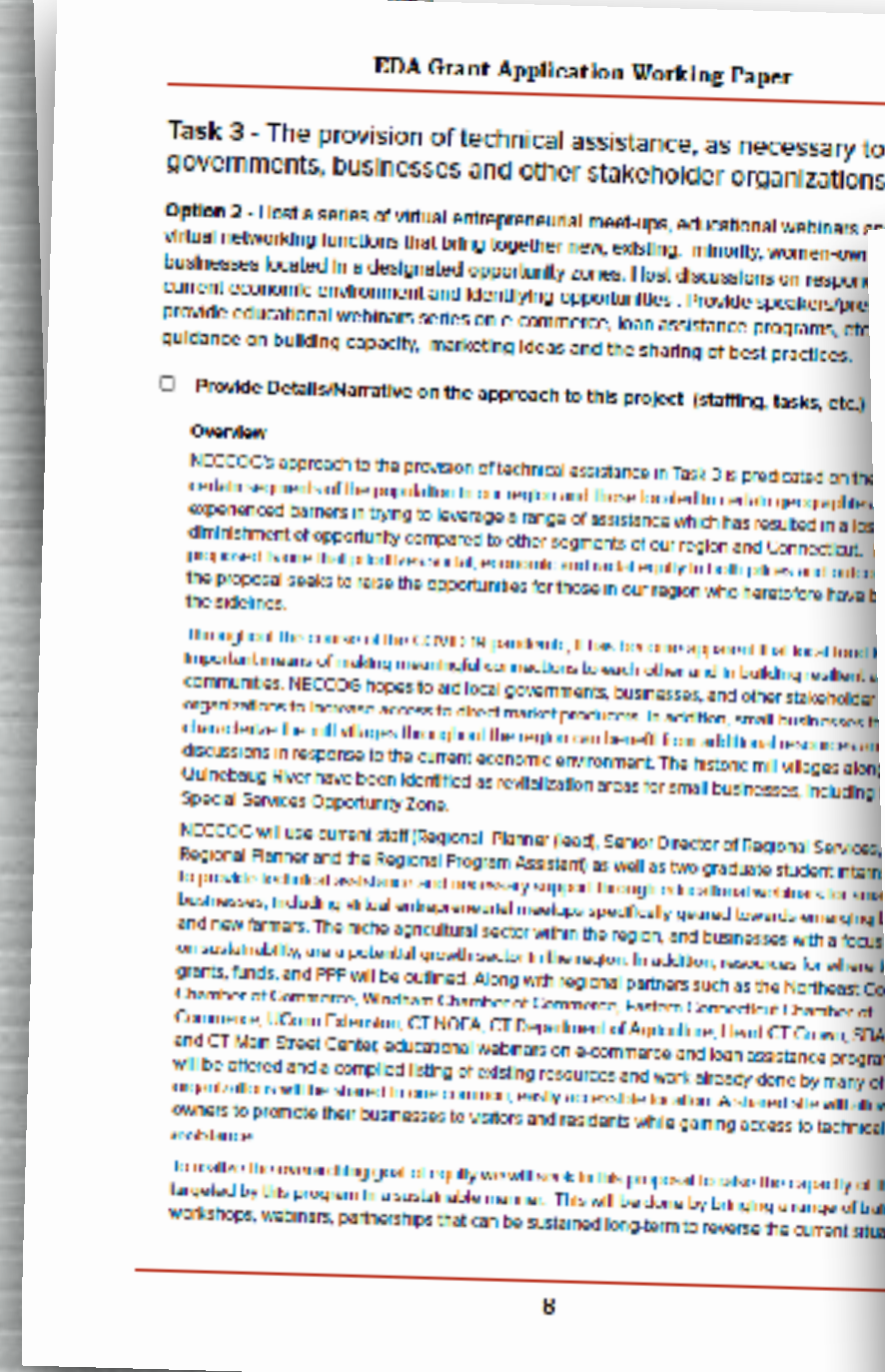
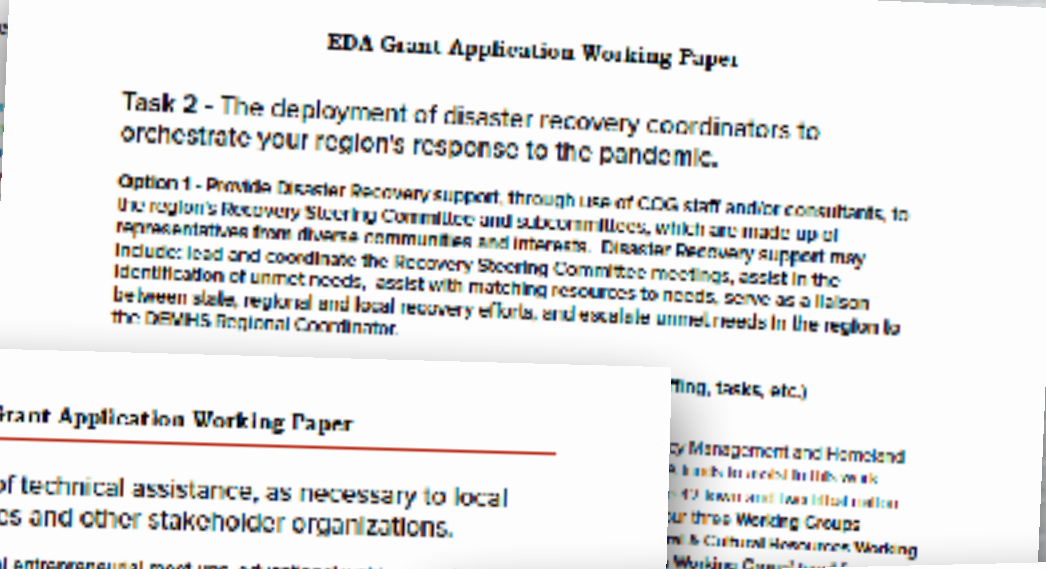
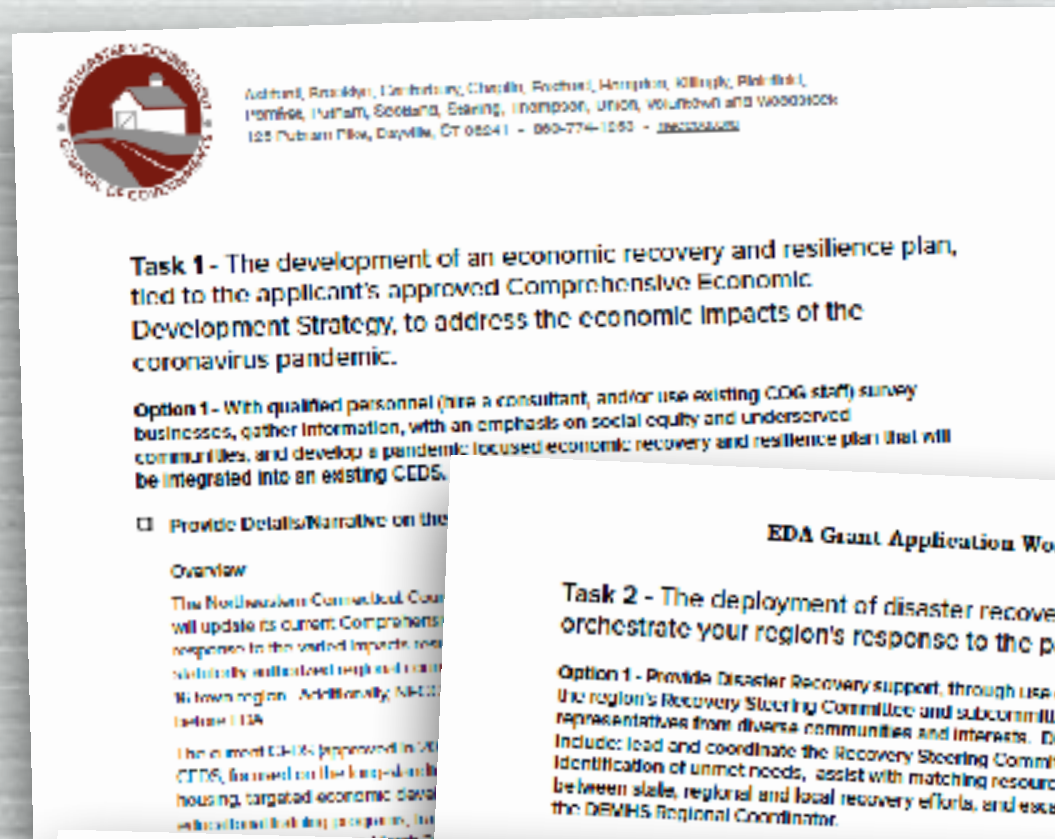


# COVID Recovery

## Four Tasks

- Update the **Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy**
- Provide staff support for the **Region IV Recovery Process**
- Facilitate a series of virtual entrepreneurial meet-ups, educational webinars and/or other virtual networking functions that bring together new, existing, minority, women-owned and businesses located in a designated opportunity zones. Host discussions on responding to the current economic environment and identifying opportunities. Provide speakers/presenters to provide educational webinars series on e-commerce, loan assistance programs, etc. Offer guidance on building capacity, marketing ideas and the sharing of best practices.
- Establish and maintain an on-line presence/website, for a two year period, to assist in the economic recovery of an identified sector(s) in the region. Conduct outreach to businesses in the sector(s) providing assistance in setting up an on-line presence/virtual platform. The on-line presence, e-commerce and/or app would provide for on-line orders, acceptance of credit and EBT payments, scheduling and/or pickup options. (e.g., agricultural sector: assist farmers, farmers markets by providing a website to advertise their items, offer on-line orders, on-line payment options, pick up times, etc. Another sector might be tourism industry, for example.)

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**Resolution 21-2-3**

**A Resolution in Support of the Northeastern Connecticut Council of Governments Seeking Assistance from the Economic Development Administration for COVID-19 Pandemic Recovery Measures**

**WHEREAS**, the COVID-19 Pandemic has and continues to have a significant impact on the sixteen member towns that constitute the Northeastern Connecticut Council of Governments (NECCOG); and

**WHEREAS**, the State of Connecticut has, since March 10, 2020, and continues to be in a State of public health emergency and civil preparedness emergencies throughout the State as declared by our Governor as a result of the COVID-19 Pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, each of the nine regional councils of governments, including NECCOG, has been asked by the State of Connecticut, in partnership with various state agencies, to assist in addressing current and long-term recovery efforts; and

**WHEREAS**, funding necessary for such assistance is not available through the State of Connecticut or our member municipalities; and

**WHEREAS**, the Connecticut Department of Economic and Community Development (DECD) and the Connecticut Department of Emergency Management and Homeland Security (DEMHS) working with the Economic Development Administration (EDA) developed a grant opportunity to respond to the pandemic's impacts around four pre-vetted tasks: (Task 1) The development of an economic recovery and resilience plan, tied to the applicant's approved Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy, to address the economic impacts of the coronavirus pandemic, (Task 2) The deployment of disaster recovery coordinators to orchestrate your region's response to the pandemic, (Task 3) The provision of technical assistance, as necessary to local governments, businesses and other stakeholder organizations and (Task 4) The funding of appropriate technology and staff support for these pandemic response activities; and

**WHEREAS**, NECCOG has prepared and submitted a detailed application in the format prescribed by DECD and DEMHS for this grant; and

**WHEREAS**, it is NECCOG's belief that the work detailed in this application will result in significant benefits to the region from the impacts caused by COVID-19, including but not limited to addressing the economic, social and racial equity issues aggravated by the pandemic.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, it is hereby resolved and declared by the membership of the Northeastern Connecticut Council of Governments that it stands fully committed to the proper actions necessary for the completion of the work detailed in the application submitted to EDA.

**MADE THIS** \_\_\_\_\_ DAY of February 2021 by **MAJORITY VOTE** of the membership during a NECCOG Regular Meeting.

ATTESTED TO

\_\_\_\_\_, NECCOG Secretary  
William Rose

