



2022 Conifer Community Survey

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Conifer's

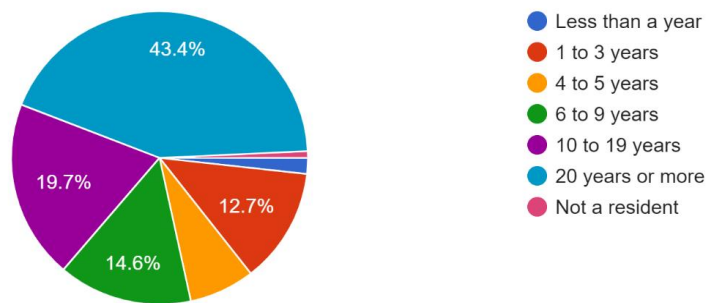
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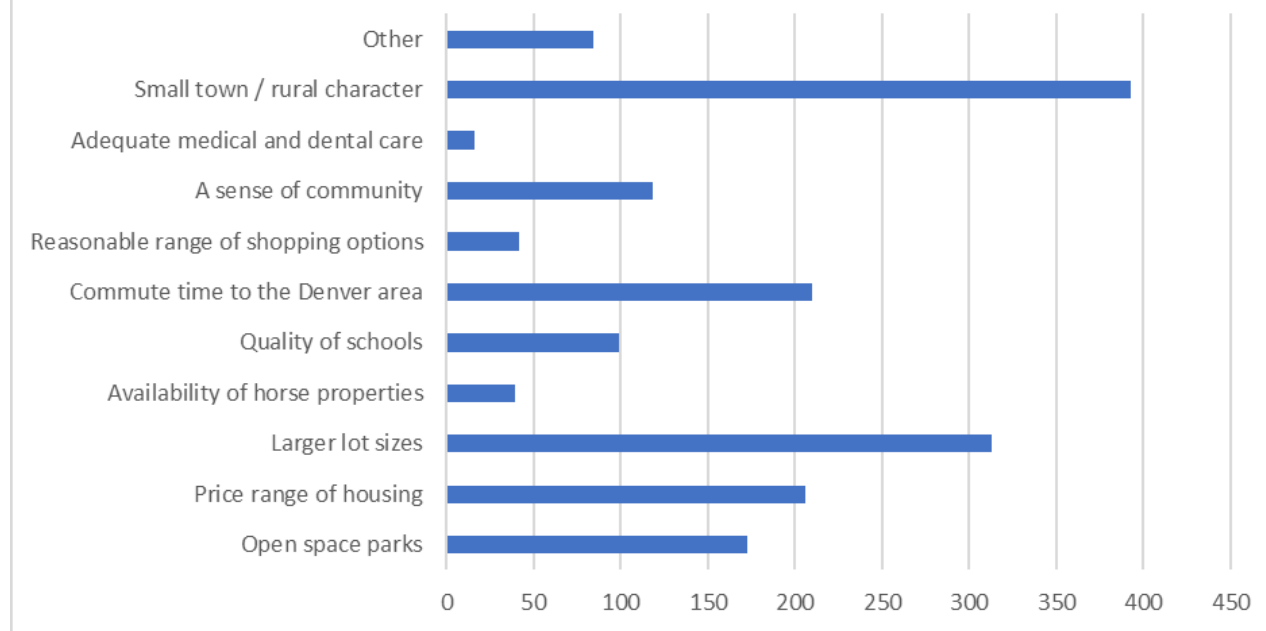


Sample Graphics, 2022 Conifer Survey

Length of residency in the Conifer area?
685 responses



What made you decide to live in Conifer? (677 responses)



<https://coniferareacouncil.org/community-vision/conifer-survey-results/>

What did we learn?

Findings

DEMOGRAPHICS

Where can I see the results?

What will CAC do with this?



DEMOGRAPHICS



- 680 responses ... 1600 in 2018 ... population 10,317 ... 6%
- 50% less than 24 years old ... 20% ages 45-45
- 43% lived in Conifer 20 years + ... 20% 10 – 19 years
- 85% married ... 73% have 0 children under 18 living at home
- 60% employed ... 37% retired
- 30%-30%-30% – Work inside 285 corridor - outside 285 - retired



Evergreen – Bergen Park

Indian Hills

South Turkey Creek

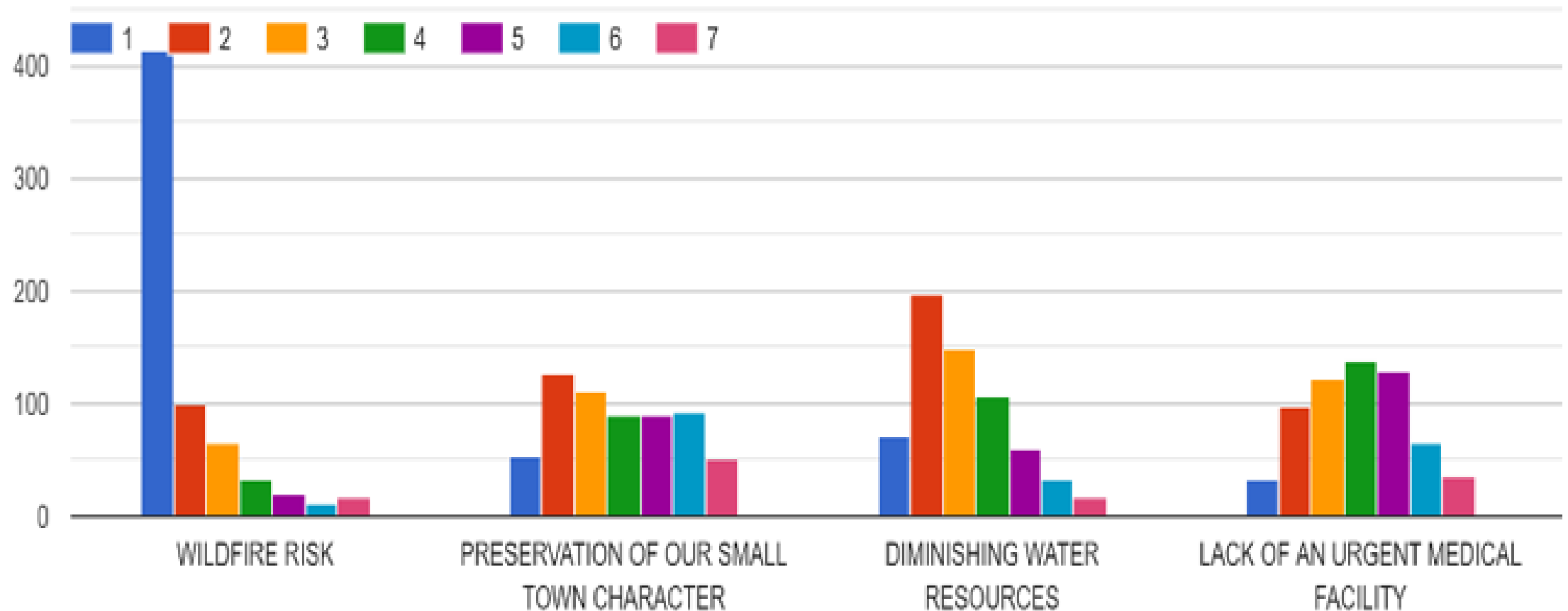
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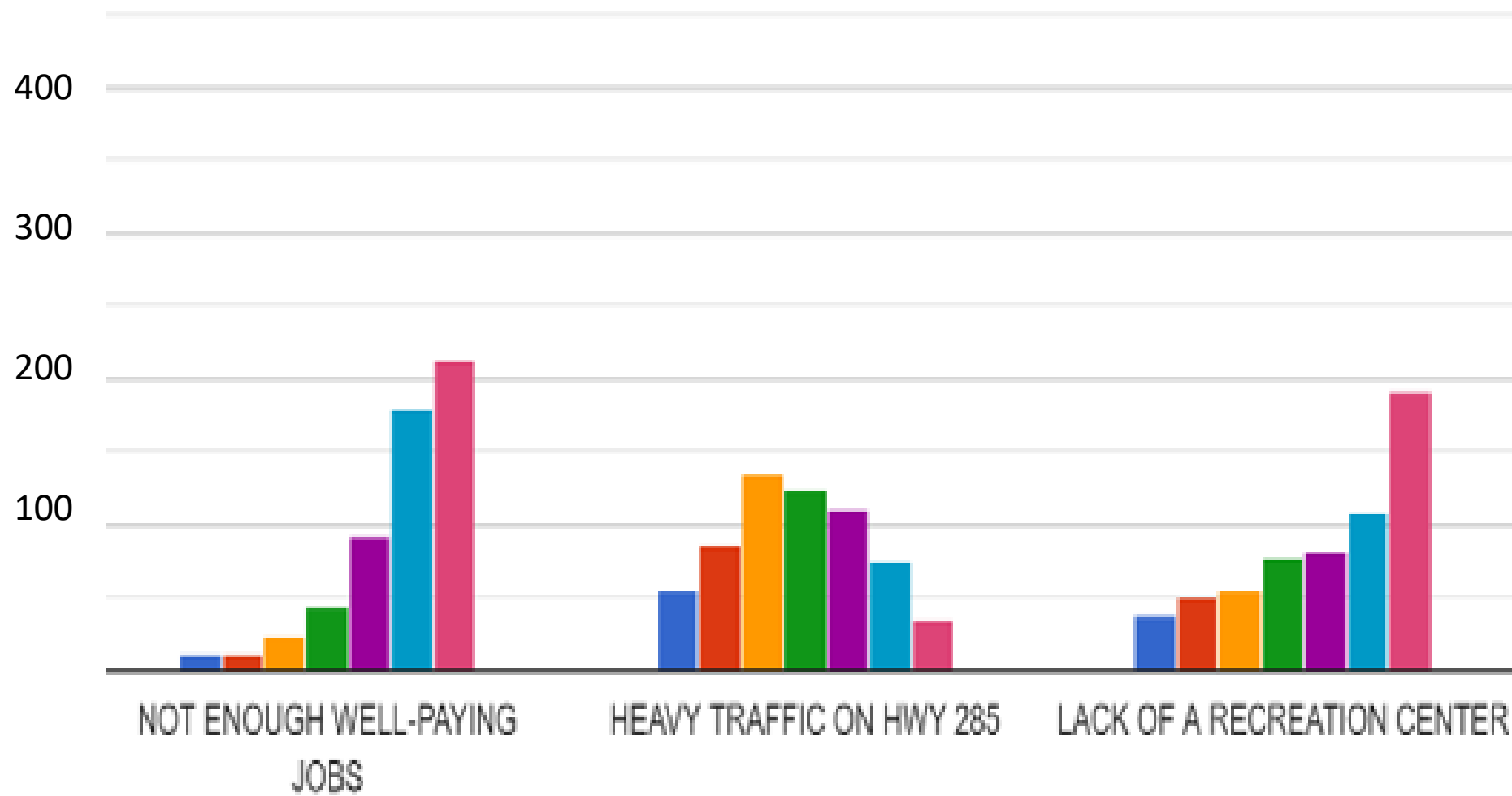
Green Mt

Bailey

Survey
Respondent's
Locations

Please rank these SEVEN ISSUES in order of importance to you currently with one being the most important.





Key Finding



Categories

Rank Order

Comments

Wildfire Risk

#1

Top concern

Preservation of small town

Diminishing Water Resources

#2 and #3

Major concern

Lack of Urgent Medical Facility

#4 and #5

Concern

Lack of Well Paying Jobs

#6 and #7

Heavy Traffic on Highway 285

Lack of a Recreation Center

Almost #7

Findings



- What made you decide to live in Conifer?
 - Top 4: small town, larger lots, short commute to Denver, access to parks
 - 400 (59%) said they like the-small town / rural character

- 88% feel safe ... 5% said they can find childcare, down from 9%. **

- Water
 - 600 say “Protect water resources”
 - 62% said clear, tastes good, totally adequate

Findings



- Businesses Desired. Top 3: Restaurants, Car wash, bakery ... movie theater??
- Services Needed. Urgent medical, library, shuttle, childcare
- 500 (75%) said protecting wildlife habitat & mitigating development should be considered
- Indoor community center – 400 (59%) said we need one
- Trails. Safety theme, Hwy 73, schools

Findings



- Housing Types. None needed, affordable, independent senior living
- Traffic safety. Richmond Hill to Bailey, Kings valley, medians all around
- Transportation needs. 68% said they want more public-provided options
- Recreation. Cmty Ctr indoor & outdoor, hiking, X country skiing
- Childrens/Youth Activites. Pool, indoor facility, safe trails to/from schools
- Seniors. Indoor exercise, pool, health/welfare

What did we learn?



- Surveys provide a voice for change
 - 76% said need a free-standing full-service library **Yes!**
 - #1 trail connection – Flying J -Meyers Ranch **In progress**
- Streamline survey to increase # respondents in all categories
- Lack of childcare is a concern
- Trails. Beaver Ranch to Reynolds Park is next priority
- Support for enhancing Meyer Ranch



What will CAC do with this?

- Continue to digest ... >2000 comments ... 100 pages
- Share with other organizations
- Refine our plans, goals, actions
- Update our website



Thank you



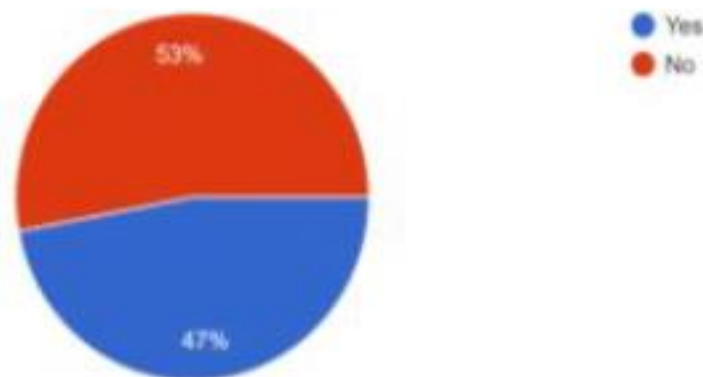
BACK UP SLIDES

Community Participation



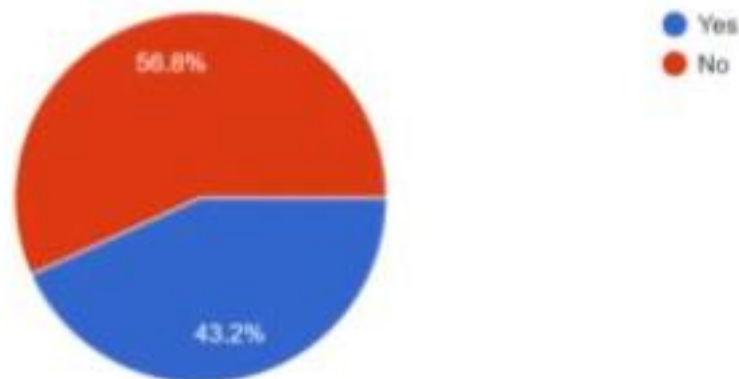
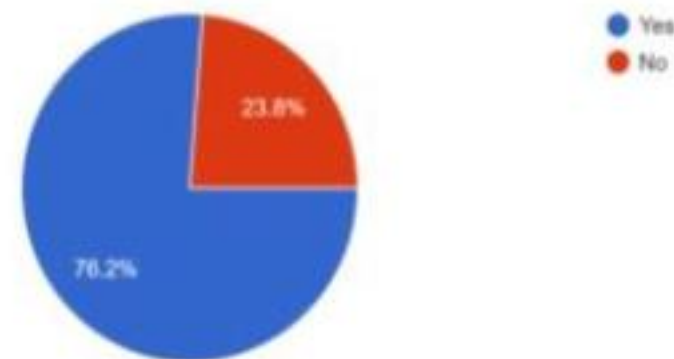
- 643 participants in JCPL's community outreach
- 690 Conifer Area Council Community Survey
- 44 public comments received by JCPL

Conifer Area Council Community Survey



The Conifer Library has been located inside the Conifer High School since 1996. Do you find this a convenient location? 655 responses

Next year the Conifer High School schedule will change, and the library opening time would probably move to 4 p.m., causing fewer hours of public access during the week. Will this impact your use of the library inside Conifer High School? 632 Responses *Note the change in hours is effective August 2023*



Would you like to see the \$2.5 million used to create a free-standing, full-service library in the Conifer area, perhaps by leasing or purchasing vacant retail space? 631 responses

Community Comments

- Better access in terms of either open hours or navigating parking and steps to get into the building.
- Wish for a standalone location, often with the reason given as a need for a schedule with weekday daytime hours.
- The need for a meeting space or a community gathering space.

