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Agenda

Overview Methodology Consumer Survey Respondents Consumer Survey Key Findings Provider Survey Responses Discussion



Overall Goals and Objectives

Conduct a participatory DFCNA process rooted in robust data collection that will identify the strengths, opportunities, challenges, and gaps present in the current services landscape to support an equitable and data-informed Service and Allocation Plan

Review
literature
and
conduct
initial
research

Develop a robust data collection plan Conduct community forums, survey, and focus groups

Complete
equity and
gaps
analysis

Create
DFCNA to
support
the Fund's
Plan



What was the purpose of the survey?

Service engagement

 What services are consumers engaged in, how do they rate them, and what keeps them from accessing services?

Health and well-being

 What types of activities do consumers engage in and how frequently? What are their concerns?

Unmet needs

 What do consumers, caregivers, and service providers see as needs in the community?



How was the survey administered?



Phone Survey

- Contracted with DavisResearch
- Probability sample



Online & Paper Survey

- Extensive outreach byDAAS and partners
- Survey link emailed to forum and early focus group attendees
- Convenience sample



6 Consumer Survey



Who took the consumer survey? (1 of 5)

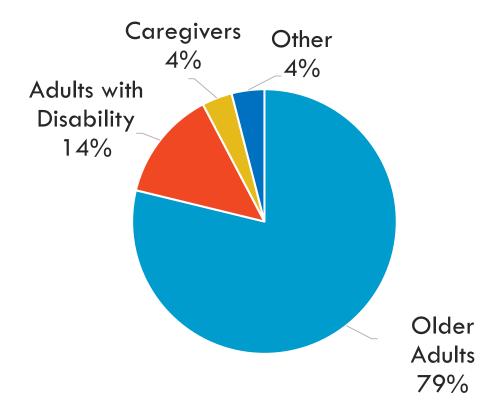
1,127 individualscompleted the survey



170 via phone

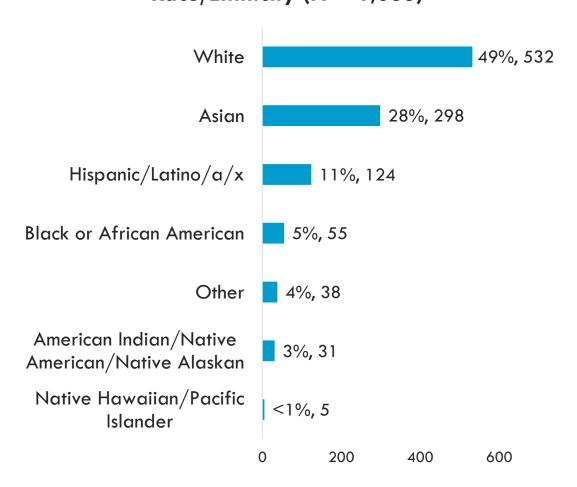


957 via online and paper

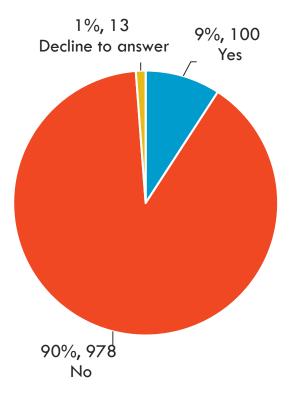


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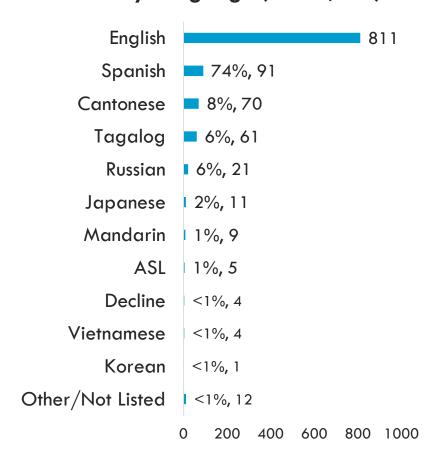
Military Service (N = 1,091)



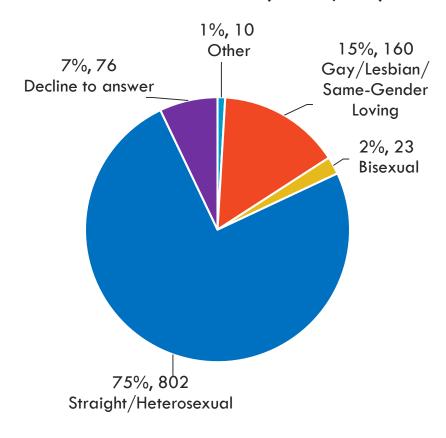


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Primary Language (N = 1,100)

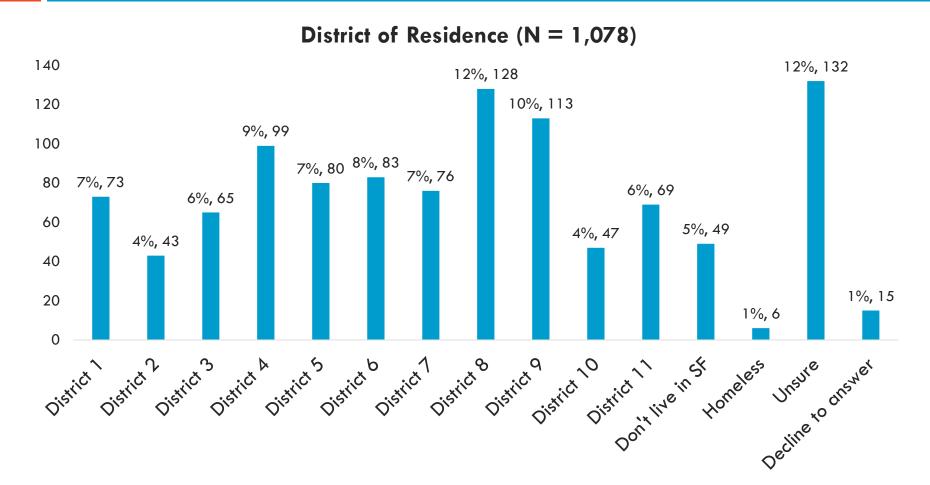


Sexual Orientation (N = 1,071)





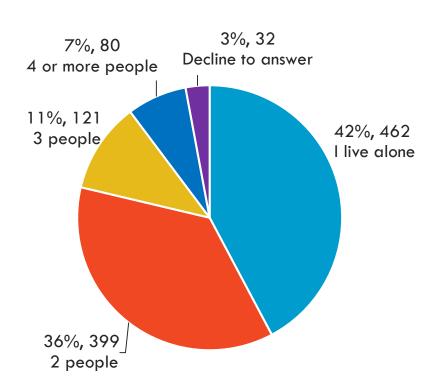
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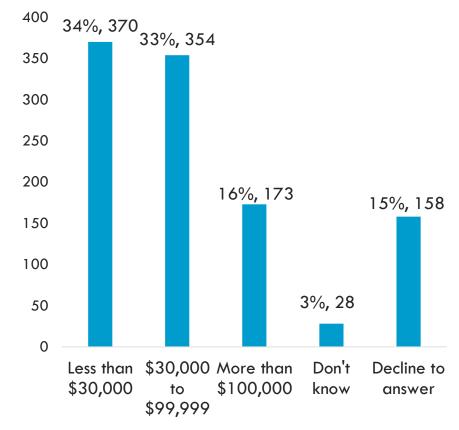


Who took the consumer survey? (5 of 5)

Household Size (N = 1,094)



Household Income (N = 1,083)





What were the key findings from the consumer survey?



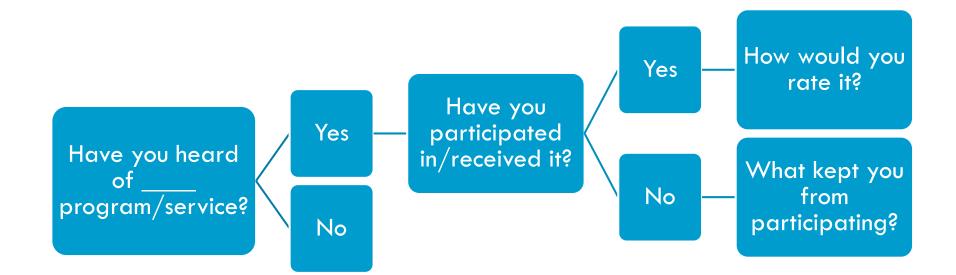
Service Engagement

SERVICE AREAS:

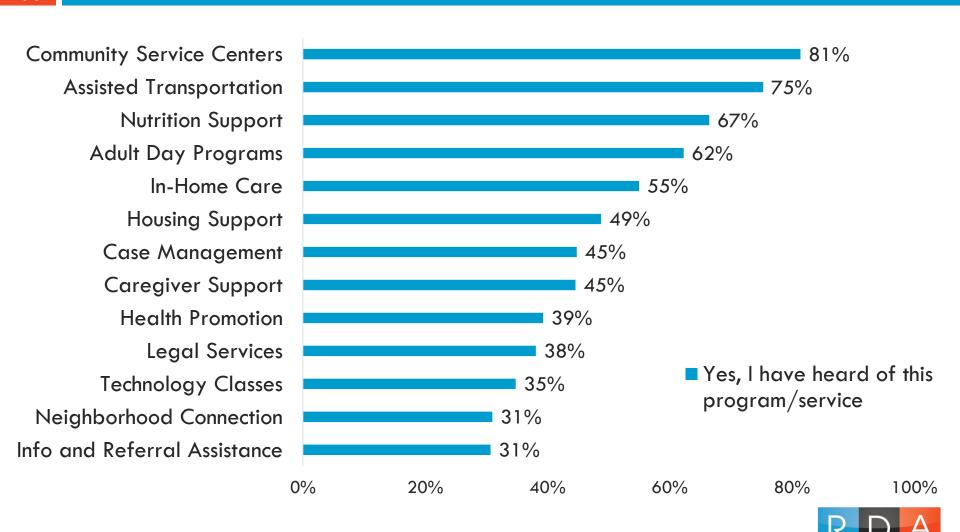
- Adult day programs
- Assisted transportation
- Caregiver support
- Case management

- Community service centers
- Health promotion
- Housing support
- Information and referral assistance

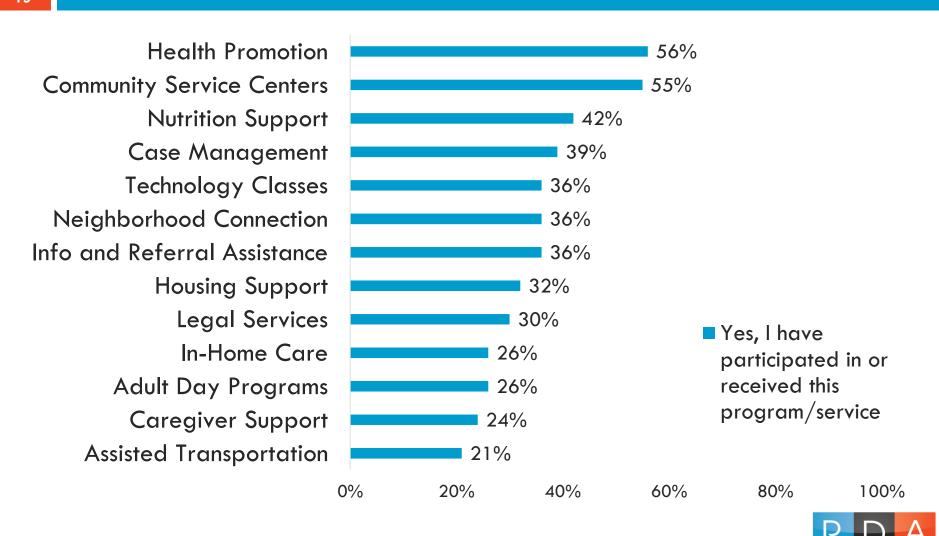
- In-home care
- Legal services
- Neighborhood-based connection programs
- Nutrition support
- Technology classes



Some services and programs are better known than others.



Over 700 respondents had participated in at least one program or service.



The most common reason for not participating was not needing the program or service.

- Other reasons for not participating include
 - Eligibility concerns
 - Lack of awareness
 - Location
 - Community Service Centers
 - Health promotion
 - Neighborhood-based connection programs
 - Other



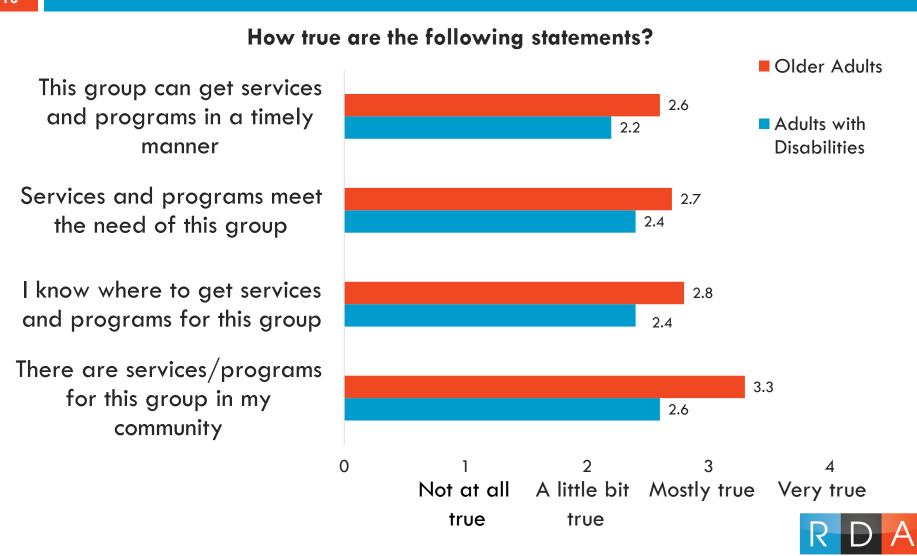
There are few differences between older adults and adults with disabilities' service engagement.

- Older adults are generally more aware of programs and services
 - Adults with disabilities were less likely to have heard of adult day programs, community service centers, health promotion programs, and nutrition support services

- Few differences in service engagement
 - Adults with disabilities more likely to receive assisted transportation and legal services
 - Older adults more likely to use community service centers and neighborhood-based connection programs



Older adults are more likely to believe existing services meet their needs.



Health and Well-being

How frequently do you...

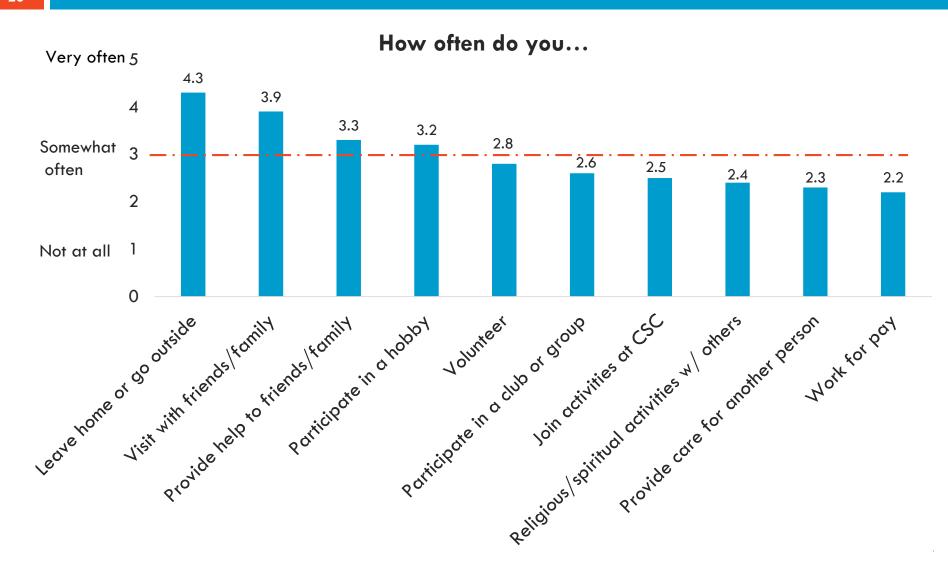
- Leave home or go outside
- Visit with friends/family
- Provide help to friends/family
- Volunteer
- Provide care for others
- Work for pay
- □ Participate in...
 - A club or group
 - Activities at a CSC
 - Religious/spiritual activities

How frequently are you concerned about...

- Physical health
- Accessing healthcare/Rx
- Isolation/loneliness
- Mobility or walking
- Finances
- Having enough to eat
- Everyday activities
- Accessing transportation
- Feeling bored
- Legal issues

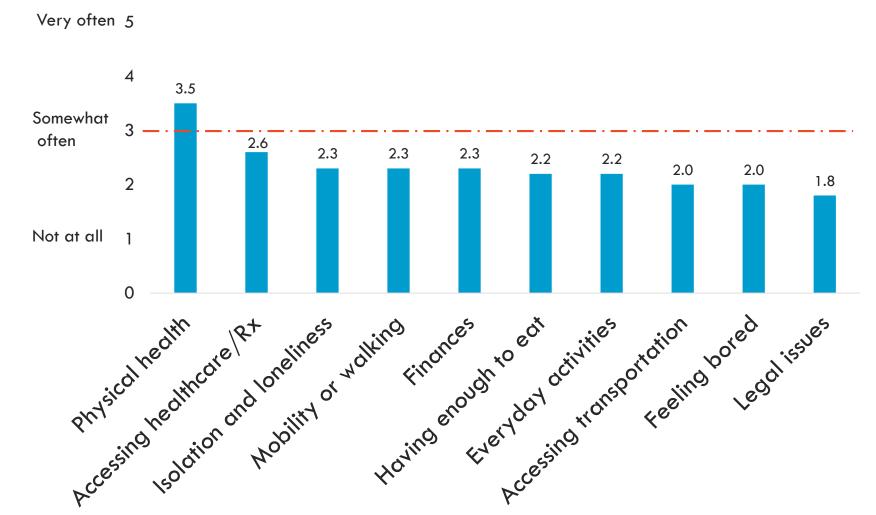


Respondents leave home or go outside and visit with friends and/or family the most frequently.

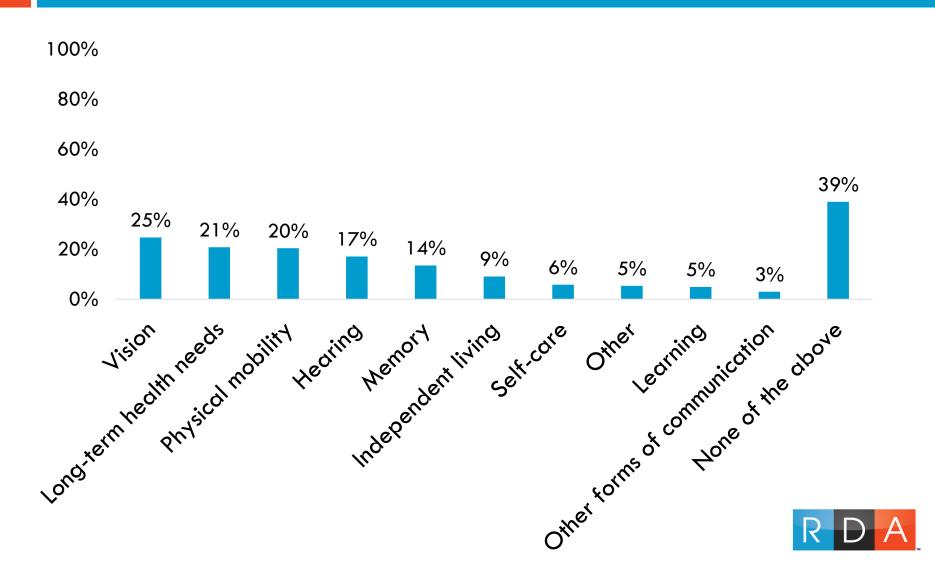


Respondents' most common concern is their physical health.





Over 60% of respondents reported needing some type of accommodation



Adults with disabilities are more concerned about their health and healthcare access.

- Older adults are more likely to engage in different activities
 - Leave home or go outside
 - Visit with friends or family

- Adults with disabilities consistently expressed higher levels of concern
 - Physical health
 - Getting the healthcare or medications I need

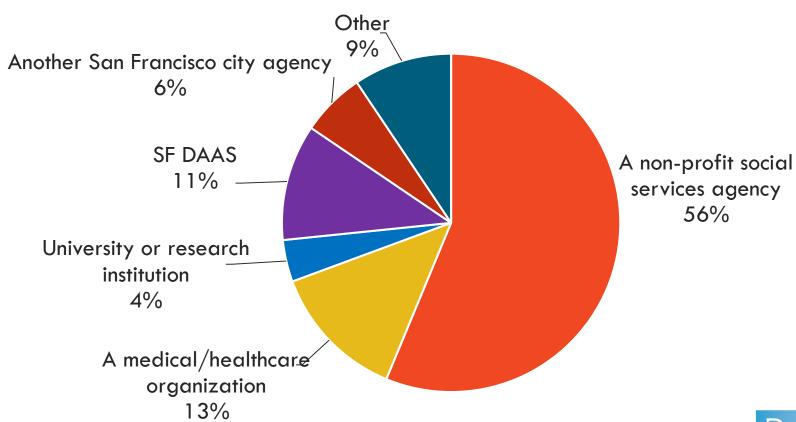


Provider Findings



Who took the provider survey?

□ 296 service providers took the survey





Service areas with the greatest need?

Providers identified the top service areas with the greatest unmet need



Housing support



In-home care



Case management



Assisted transportation



How did responses to the consumer survey differ?



Service Engagement

Some differences exist in service participation and barriers to access.



- Less likely to participate in programs and services
- More likely to report not needing services
- More likely to select "other" as a barrier



- More likely to participate in programs and services
- More likely to select eligibility as a barrier



Health and Well-being



Online/paper respondents...

- Engage in activities more frequently
 - Visit with and provide help to friends/family
 - Participate in Community Services Center activities
 - Work for pay
 - Volunteer

- Are more likely to be concerned about a variety of issues
 - Physical health
 - Isolation and Ioneliness
 - Access to healthcare/Rx
 - Food security
 - Transportation
 - Finances
 - Boredom



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Thank you!

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