Multicultural Village Community Input

Survey Responses
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**Surveys**
- Parents and caregivers
- Adults with disabilities
- Service providers

**Focus Groups**
- Parents and caregivers
- People living with disabilities
- Service providers
Survey Findings

Open Doors Community Engagement
### Who responded to the surveys?

- Across the three surveys, there were a total of 354 respondents.
- The Parent or Caregivers and Persons with Disability surveys represent the needs of at least 1,276 people including 441 people with disabilities.
- The providers’ survey represents a service population of at least 8,150.

#### Parent or Caregiver Survey

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<th>Respondents</th>
<th>Persons with Disabilities living in the Households</th>
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<td>Arabic</td>
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<td>Chinese</td>
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<td>English</td>
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<td>Korean</td>
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<td>Tigrinya</td>
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<td>Vietnamese</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
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#### Persons with Disability Survey

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#### Providers Survey

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<th>Population Category</th>
<th>Respondents</th>
<th>Persons with Disabilities Served</th>
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<td>Service population &gt; 20% persons with disabilities</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>8,150</td>
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<td>&lt; 20% persons with disabilities</td>
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<td>Not sure</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
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The parents and caregivers survey asked about the size of the household (290 respondents, displayed in blue):

- Respondents represent relatively larger households than the King County average.
  - King County average household size is 2.45 person per household.* More than two thirds of respondents (67%) live in households with four or more people.
- Distribution of household size varies by language group, with Arabic speakers and Somali households having the largest households (see next slide).
- Many households have multiple members living with a disability, reflecting the multigenerational nature of their family structure.

*U.S. Census, 2015 – 2019 estimate
Who responded to the surveys?

- Survey respondents represent many language and cultural groups.
- The surveys were provided in nine languages including simplified Chinese. Spanish is the most common language among respondents.
- Each language group may represent multiple cultures, religions, races, and other dimensions of diversity.
Who responded to the surveys?

• All survey respondents had at least one person in the household living with a disability. About 29% had more than one person in the household living with a disability, often across multiple generations.

• There is a broad range of ages of people living with disabilities, with a large representation among children and young adults that live with their parents.
More than half of the survey respondents live in households with very low incomes.

- About 54% of respondents have a household income of less than $35,000 per year, which is approximately the 30% AMI threshold for a family of four in King County (2021 = $34,700)

- More than two-thirds of respondents have household incomes of less than $70,000, which is approximately the 60% AMI threshold for a family of four in King County (2021 = $69,420)
What is the current housing situation of respondents?

- Respondents most commonly said that their housing meets some, but not all their needs.
- About a quarter felt their housing did not meet their needs at all.

Does your housing fully meet your household’s needs?

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<th>Response</th>
<th>Percentage</th>
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<tr>
<td>Completely. We have housing that meets all our needs.</td>
<td>16%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Mostly. Our housing meets our needs, but we would prefer something different.</td>
<td>17%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Somewhat. Our housing meets some but not all our current or future needs.</td>
<td>42%</td>
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<td>Not at all. Our housing does not meet our needs.</td>
<td>24%</td>
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What is the current housing situation of respondents?

How well does the household’s housing meet its needs?

Presented by income group.

- Very low income households (incomes less than $70,000 per year) are more likely to report that their housing meets their needs “Not at all” or “Somewhat”.

- Moderate income households (incomes between $70K and $100K per year, or roughly 80% - 100% of AMI) are more likely to report that their housing meets their needs “Somewhat” or “Mostly”.

- The highest income groups are more likely to report that their housing meets their needs “Mostly” or “Completely”.

![Pivot Table](image-url)
What is the current housing situation of respondents?

How often must you choose between paying for housing and other needs such as medicine, therapy, food, or fun activities?

- Always: 26%
- Frequently: 25%
- Sometimes: 31%
- Rarely: 11%
- Never: 8%

Households with lower incomes more frequently have to choose between paying for housing and other needs.

- Less than $35,000 per year:
  - Always: 31%
  - Frequently: 27%
  - Sometimes: 27%
  - Rarely: 31%
  - Never: 6%

- $35,000 to $70,000 per year:
  - Always: 27%
  - Frequently: 22%
  - Sometimes: 30%
  - Rarely: 12%
  - Never: 9%

- $70,000 to $100,000 per year:
  - Always: 5%
  - Frequently: 41%
  - Sometimes: 27%
  - Rarely: 18%
  - Never: 9%

- $100,000 to $200,000 per year:
  - Always: 20%
  - Frequently: 40%
  - Sometimes: 40%

- More than $200,000 per year:
  - Always: 67%
  - Frequently: 33%
Over half of respondents at risk of losing their home earn less than $35,000 per year (30% King County AMI for a family of four), though incomes up to $100,000 are represented in this group.

Households of all sizes report being at risk for losing their home.
What are the housing preferences of people with disabilities and their families?

### People with disabilities prefer to live with:

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<td>My family</td>
<td>45%</td>
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<td>Alone / on my own</td>
<td>38%</td>
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<tr>
<td>With housemates or roommates</td>
<td>3%</td>
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Respondents had a strong preference for people with disabilities living with their family.

- Of the 53 people with disabilities that responded to the survey, 45% preferred to live with their parents (displayed in yellow).
- More than a third preferred to live alone, or on their own.
- Similarly, the majority of parents and caregivers wanted their children with disabilities to live with their family. This may reflect the high rate of racial and ethnic minorities in the response pool.
- Second to living with their families, parents and caregivers wanted their children to live with caregiver support.

### Parents and caregivers want their children with disabilities to live:

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<td>With your family</td>
<td>85%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Living with caregiver support</td>
<td>20%</td>
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<td>Living with other adults with disabilities who have support services</td>
<td>12%</td>
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<td>Living on their own</td>
<td>9%</td>
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<td>Another setting</td>
<td>0%</td>
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*Respondents choose all that applied so percentages do not sum to 1.*
What are the housing preferences of people with disabilities and their families?

- Parents and caregivers had a strong preference for living in owner-occupied housing.
What are the daily support needs of those who responded to the survey?

Parents and caregivers reported higher rates of daily support needs for meal preparation and personal care, where as people with disabilities reported higher daily support needs related to grocery shopping and transportation.

**Reported by people with disabilities:**
- Grocery Shopping: 60%
- Transportation: 53%
- Bathing or showering: 36%
- Meal Preparation: 36%
- Light housekeeping: 36%
- Personal care (dental, hair, toileting): 30%
- Managing personal finances: 28%
- Managing medications: 26%
- Eating: 25%
- Dressing and undressing: 23%
- Communication technologies: 23%
- Transferring to and from furniture: 15%
- Other Daily Living Support Needs: 2%

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- Meal preparation: 61%
- Personal care (dental care, hair care, toileting): 59%
- Grocery shopping: 56%
- Transportation: 56%
- Light housekeeping: 53%
- Bathing or showering: 50%
- Managing personal finances: 47%
- Communication technologies: 44%
- Managing medications: 39%
- Dressing and undressing: 36%
- Eating: 27%
- Transferring to and from furniture: 27%
- Other Daily Living Support Needs: 8%
What shared spaces do people want in the Multicultural Village?

Preferences for shared spaces in the Multicultural Village of **people with disabilities** and **parents and caregivers**.

- Parents, caregivers, and people with disabilities expressed strong interest in a shared health/fitness room, community garden, accessible playground, and a game room.
- Differences in priorities may be driven by the high rate of teens and young adults among the people with disabilities respondents. Parents of younger children more frequently prioritize an accessible playground.
What neighborhood features are important to respondents?

Neighborhood amenity priorities of **people with disabilities** and **parents and caregivers**.

- Easy access to grocery stores, food services, or restaurants
- Neighbors that are friendly to people with disabilities
- Easy access to public transportation or shuttle services
- Hobby and personal interest classes or activities
- Health/Fitness Center
- Programs and activities for people with disabilities
- Access to recreation opportunities
- Family support resources that are culturally and linguistically relevant
- Multicultural community events
- Supported Employment / vocational training service providers
- Early childhood development center
- Other Nearby Services
- Easy access to health care providers

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<td>Easy access to grocery stores, food services, or restaurants</td>
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<td>Neighbors that are friendly to people with disabilities</td>
<td>62%</td>
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<td>Access to recreation opportunities</td>
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<td>Multicultural community events</td>
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<td>Supported Employment / vocational training service providers</td>
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<td>Early childhood development center</td>
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<td>Other Nearby Services</td>
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<td>Easy access to health care providers</td>
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The Parent and Caregiver Survey asked whether respondents would be interested in a residential housing community with shared spaces and opportunities to build friendships with neighbors for their children with disabilities and themselves.

There are high degrees of interest with about two-thirds saying they were “extremely” or “very” interested.

More parents and caregivers were “extremely” interested in living in the multicultural village for their children with disabilities (36%)
Eleven providers responded to the survey.

- Of the eleven (11) providers, eight (8) shared that their space and facilities limit the number of people they can serve and six (6) were limited in the types of services they could provide.

- Providers would like to have the space to serve more people as well as accommodate group services, examples provided include:
  - Senior meals, socialization activities, group treatment serves, early learning play and learn, afterschool support, more health services, spaces for seniors.

- When looking for opportunities to expand or move services to a new location, providers have the following priorities for identifying a new office, space, or facility:
  - Priority ❶. Cost and accessibility by public transit or shuttle service.
  - Priority ❷. Proximity to other services providers, residential locations of client base (South King County), ADA accessibility, and residential or neighborhood setting.
  - Priority ❸. City center or commercial setting and specialized facilities or design features (Storage space, conference rooms).
All providers responded that they would be interested in co-locating in a shared space with other non-profits.

- Providers would be interested in sharing many spaces with other services providers.
  - Bathrooms, kitchens, and lunchroom spaces were the most common spaces providers would be interested in sharing.
- There is less interest in sharing hot desks.

Spaces and resources providers would be interested in sharing with other co-located services.