

# SURVEY RESULTS: Avon Community Needs

The Hartford Foundation for Public Giving:  
Greater Together Community Fund for the Town of Avon

# Overview

The Hartford Foundation for Public Giving has established a \$100,000 Greater Together Community Fund for the Town of Avon. The purpose of the Greater Together Community Funds program is to inspire broad and inclusive civic engagement, anchor the Hartford Foundation in participating towns, and support projects that directly serve the Avon community

Avon has formed an advisory committee to help identify needs in the community and allocate funds. To help identify areas of greatest need, please take a few minutes to fill out this brief survey. The deadline for survey responses is February 12, 2021.

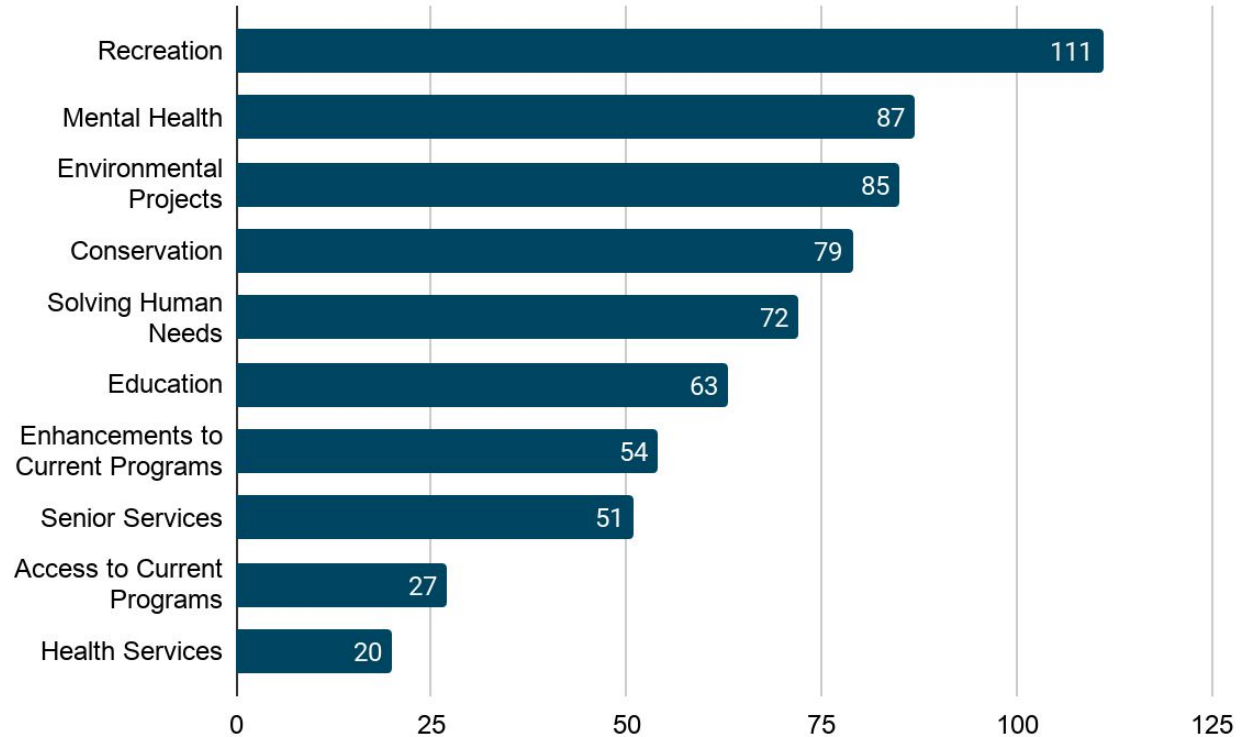
This survey is open to all Avon residents.

**246 RESPONSES**

# Which areas in Avon do you feel need improvement?

(select all that apply)

- Of the 10 categories listed, **Recreation** was the biggest area of need from respondents
- In keeping with the **Recreation** theme, **Environmental Projects** and **Conversation**
- **Mental Health** and **Human Needs** were also important

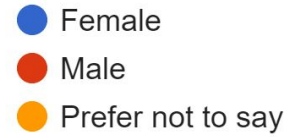
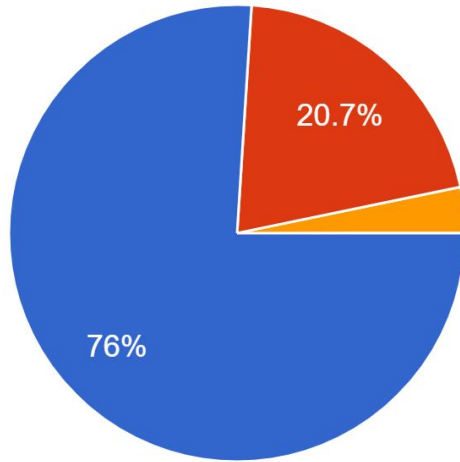


# Demographics:

## Majority female respondents

Your gender

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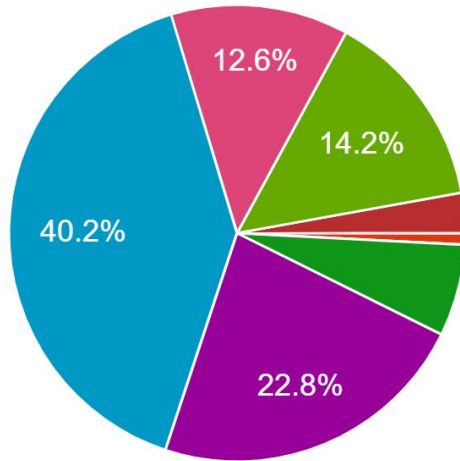


# Demographics:

Biggest group in 45-55 range, but solid representation from 35-44 and 65-74 age

Your age

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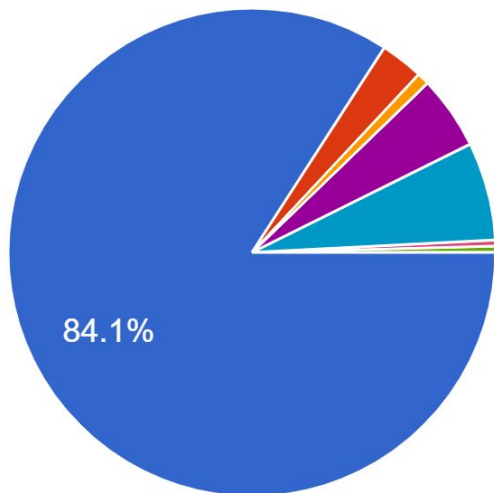
- Under 12 years old
- 12-17 years old
- 18-24 years old
- 25-34 years old
- 35-44 years old
- 45-55 years old
- 56-64 years old
- 65-74 years old
- 75 years or older

# Demographics:

## Majority white representation

Your race

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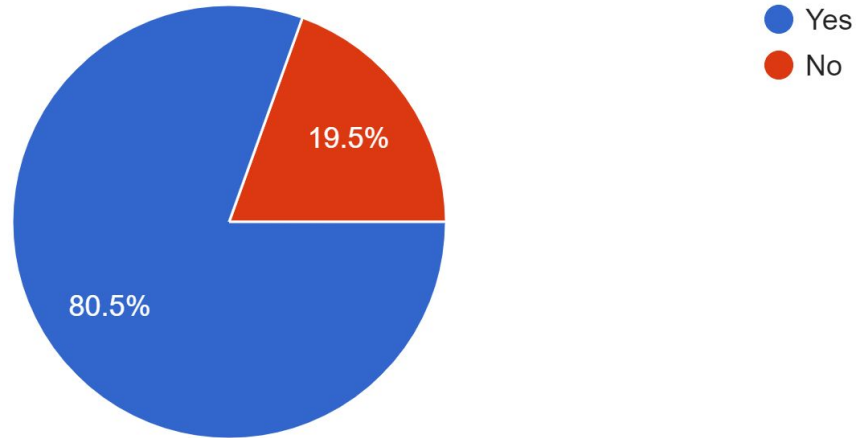
- White
- Hispanic or Latino
- Black or African American
- Native American or American Indian
- Asian or Pacific Islander
- Prefer not to say
- South Asian
- n/a

# Demographics:

81% of respondents did raised or have raised children in Avon

Do you or did you raise children in Avon?

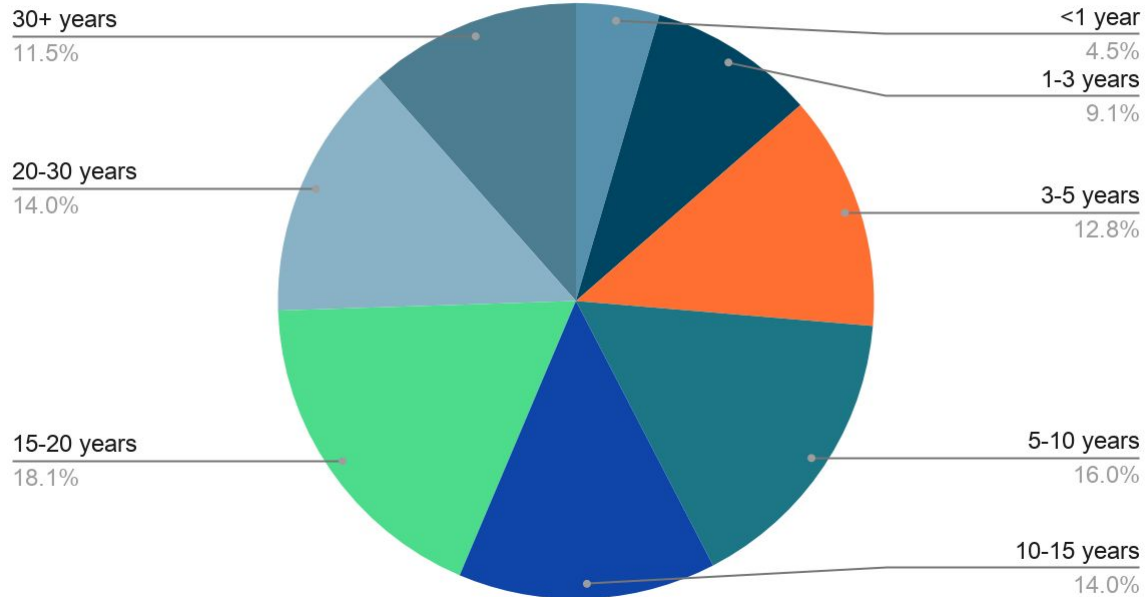
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# Demographics:

Even distribution among respondents

Length of Avon Residency





# Verbatims

If you have a close relationship with any nonprofits in Avon that have a need, please identify them and briefly describe their needs.

*Avon Bike Walk (they need funds to put up fencing along the Greenway)*

*The 100% volunteer fire department in Avon provides a top notch service with low cost to the town. The pandemic has affected the budget for the fire department...*

*Food Bank. They rarely have fresh fruits or vegetables*

*Second innings ([www.oursecondinnings.org](http://www.oursecondinnings.org) - we provide free advanced technical education in data analytics and cyber security to mid career professionals).*

*Avon Equity in Education group is working to ensure all students regardless of race are treated equally.*

*Town of Avon Food Bank, Town of Avon Fuel Bank*

# Verbatims

Please provide any additional input for the Committee's consideration.

*Providing food, shelter, babysitting and/or job placement for underprivileged women.*

*We should consider additional food insecurity needs of these incredible Avon citizens [seniors] this past year, into 2021. Avon Meal card for all seniors?*

*The Huckleberry and Found Land trail systems could use some maintenance as there are downed trees and poor trail markings.*

*The increase in development in Avon and Simsbury will negatively impact the quality of life here.*

*I haven't heard of any Mental Health outreach programs through the town.*

*I hope the funds are used to ensure our public services including police, public schools and social services support efforts by Avon Public Library to continue the conversation on issues of race.*