

Sierra Arts and Community Center Project Report of Community Needs Assessment

SURVEY SUMMARY

SURVEY TABULATION and FINDINGS

Representation: The 76 completed surveys represent 153 people.

Response highlights:

“A community center would be a benefit to the community”

In response to this question – 71% Strongly Agree / 15% Mildly Agree for a total agreement of 86%. Of the 5% who “Strongly Disagree”, it seems 3 of these respondents misread the options, as they also marked all the activities they would participate in.

Responses show a strong desire for sharing community experiences, in the form of shared meals and project participation as well as taking classes and attending events.

There is also a strong desire for access to health services with a high level of interest in alternative healing and well-being practices. Seeking help shows up as 33% concern for addiction issues, 29% desiring Family Counseling and 40% wishing to attend support groups.

Lack of employment concerns 74% of respondents.

SURVEY CONCLUSION

In conclusion, there is strong evidence for both enthusiastic support and expression of need that can potentially be provided by developing a community center in the Sierra School.

Following are survey responses, summarized by Total number of responses and % of responses for each question and comments collected from the surveys.

SUMMARY

# of SURVEYS received	76
# of HOUSEHOLDS reflected by surveys	76
# of PEOPLE reflected in surveys	153

AGE distribution reflected in surveys

Youth < age 18 yrs	23
Adults age 18 to 64	72
Seniors age 65 plus	49
Not stated	9
TOTAL	153

ANALYSIS by % and Total Responses

HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICE

% of responses > 76

37%	Medical (difficulty getting to services)	28
37%	Dental (difficulty getting to services)	28
67%	Well Being Activities	51
62%	Alternative Healing	47
33%	Addiction Issues (seeking help)	25
33%	Social Services (currently receiving)	25

HEALTH INSURANCE

% of people > 153

27%	Private	42
39%	Medi-Cal	60
26%	Medicare	39
2%	None	3
6%	Not Reported	9
<i>100%</i>	TOTAL	153

TRANSPORTATION**% of responses > 76**

13%	Challenge (to get to services)	10
19%	Bus (would like to Fresno / Visalia)	14

CHILDREN & FAMILY**% of responses > 76**

7%	Attend School? (if you have children – Where?)	5
7%	Preschool	5
34%	Activities	26
33%	Playground	25
30%	Teens	23
29%	Family Counseling	22

EDUCATION**% of responses > 76**

51%	Internet Access	39
32%	Computer Classes	24
34%	Tutoring Classes	26
7%	GED Classes	5
67%	Library	51

RECREATION / SOCIAL / SUPPORT**% of responses > 76**

41%	Sports	31
54%	Clubs	41
74%	Events	56
40%	Support (attend groups, i.e. AA/NA/OE)	30

ARTS & CULTURE**% of responses > 76**

58%	Art / Craft – Attend	44
26%	Art / Craft – Offer	20
41%	Exhibitions – Attend	31
19%	Exhibitions – Submit	14
69%	Performances – Attend	52
37%	Event – Perform	28
51%	Cultural Workshop – Attend	39
33%	Cultural Workshop – Organize	25

FOOD & GARDEN		
% of responses >		76
11%	Food Insecurity	11
36%	Dinners (Participate in potlucks, etc)	27
53%	Community Garden	40
61%	Workshops –Attend (gardening)	46
45%	Farmers Market –Seller	34
79%	Farmers Market –Buyer	60

A community center would be a benefit to this community		
% of responses >		76
71%	Strongly agree	54
15%	Mildly agree	11
4%	Neither	3
0%	Mildly disagree	0
5%	Strongly disagree (*see notes)	4
5%	No response	4
100%	TOTAL	76

Lack of employment is an issue for this community		
% of responses >		76
62%	Strongly agree	47
12%	Mildly agree	9
12%	Neither	9
1%	Mildly Disagree	1
1%	Strongly Disagree	1
12%	No response	9
100%	TOTAL	76

DEMOGRAPHICS

In what county do you live?		
% of responses >		76
39%	Fresno	29
59%	Tulare	45
2%	Not Reported	2
100%	TOTAL	76

In what neighborhood do you live?**% of responses > 76**

3%	Dunlap 93621	2
33%	Miramonte / Pinehurst 93641	25
54%	Badger 93603	41
0%	Hume 93628	0
4%	Kings Canyon 93633	3
4%	Other	3
2%	Not Reported	2
100%	TOTAL	76

How many people are at this address / or covered by this survey?**% of people > 153**

4%	0 – 4 yrs	7
11%	5 – 12 yrs	16
0%	13 – 17 yrs	0
2%	18 – 29 yrs	3
45%	30 – 64 yrs	69
32%	65 yrs +	49
6%	Not Stated	9
100%	TOTAL	153

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