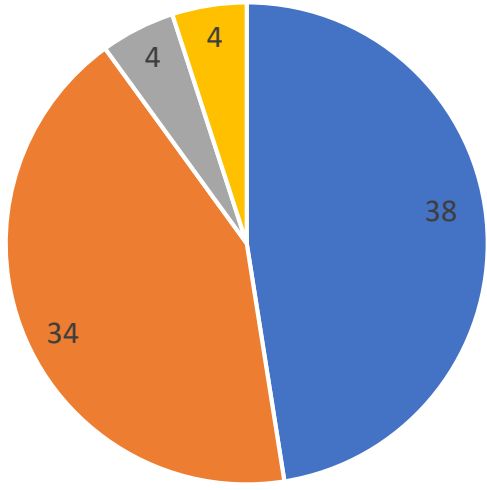




# Developmental Disabilities Council Community Survey

July/August 2020

The community was invited to complete a seven-question survey to provide input as we plan our work for the coming year. The current COVID-19 pandemic and social distancing protocols have changed most aspects of life for our community. This survey was completed by 80 respondents.



■ Family Advocate ■ Service Provider/Professional ■ Self Advocate ■ Other ■

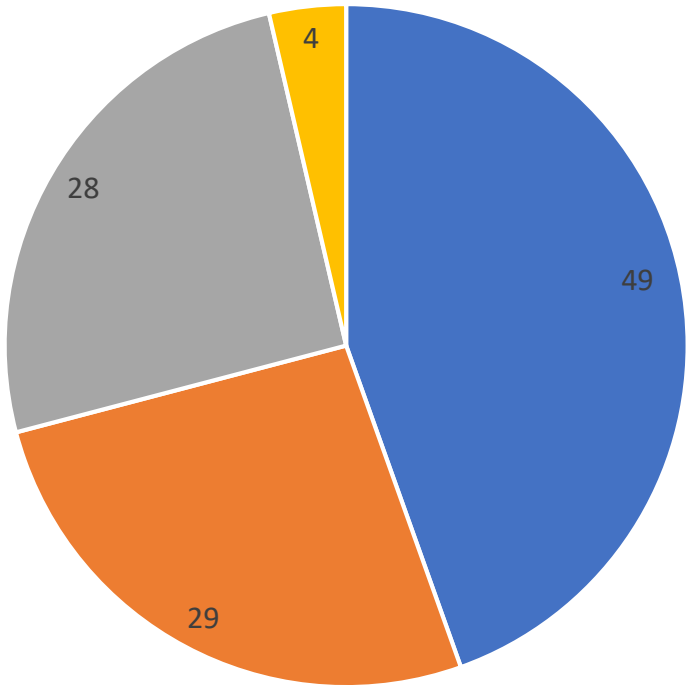
Respondents were asked to prioritize issues affecting our community, all of which are important. Top ranked were:

- Expansion/development of programs
- COVID-19 impact on regional center programs
- Transition to adulthood
- School/IDEA/IEP
- Employment
- Housing
- Transportation



Needs change throughout the lifespan. Which life stages would you like the Council to focus within?

Life Stages



■ Transition to Adult ■ Aging Population ■ School Age ■ Early Intervention ■

# Major Themes of Specific Feedback

- Look for intersectionality with other groups for outreach and information exchange
- Provide Spanish language access at Council meetings
- Use social media to share information and resources
- Consider different meeting times and locations to allow greater access
- Use features such as breakout room or polling to keep virtual meetings more interactive
- Ask for specific questions prior to presentation and use chat feature to manage questions

## Major Themes of Specific Feedback continued

- The Board has found a good balance between current COVID issues and the ongoing business of the Council
- Lots of appreciation and validation that the Board is responding well to the uncertainty of the current times



Thank you to everyone who completed the survey!