

The Institute for Nonviolence  
in Los Angeles *presents*

# Days of Dialogue on The Future of Policing

*Hosted by*  
Good News Missionary  
Baptist Church  
and  
LAPD Southwest Division  
June 26, 2019



@daysofdialogue



# DAYS OF DIALOGUE IS... FACILITATED DIALOGUE

- *Structured Conversation*
- *The facilitator acts as a moderator, rather than a leader and is always neutral*
- *The purpose is to share Thoughts, Feelings, and Experiences in a safe and confidential space*

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# DIALOGUE PARTICIPANTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO...

- Express your opinions
- Listen to others
- Give everyone a chance to speak
- Respect the ground rules
- Respect each other

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# GROUND RULES

- Speak openly and honestly
- Listen carefully and respectfully to each person
- Keep comments brief and stay focused on task
- Explore differences respectfully and look for common ground
- Trust that the facilitator has the best interest of the group at heart
- Silence cell phones
- Be **respectful** of the opinions of others

# 50 TOTAL PARTICIPANTS

36 Community Members

9 Officers

5 Facilitators

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# PRE DIALOGUE SURVEYS

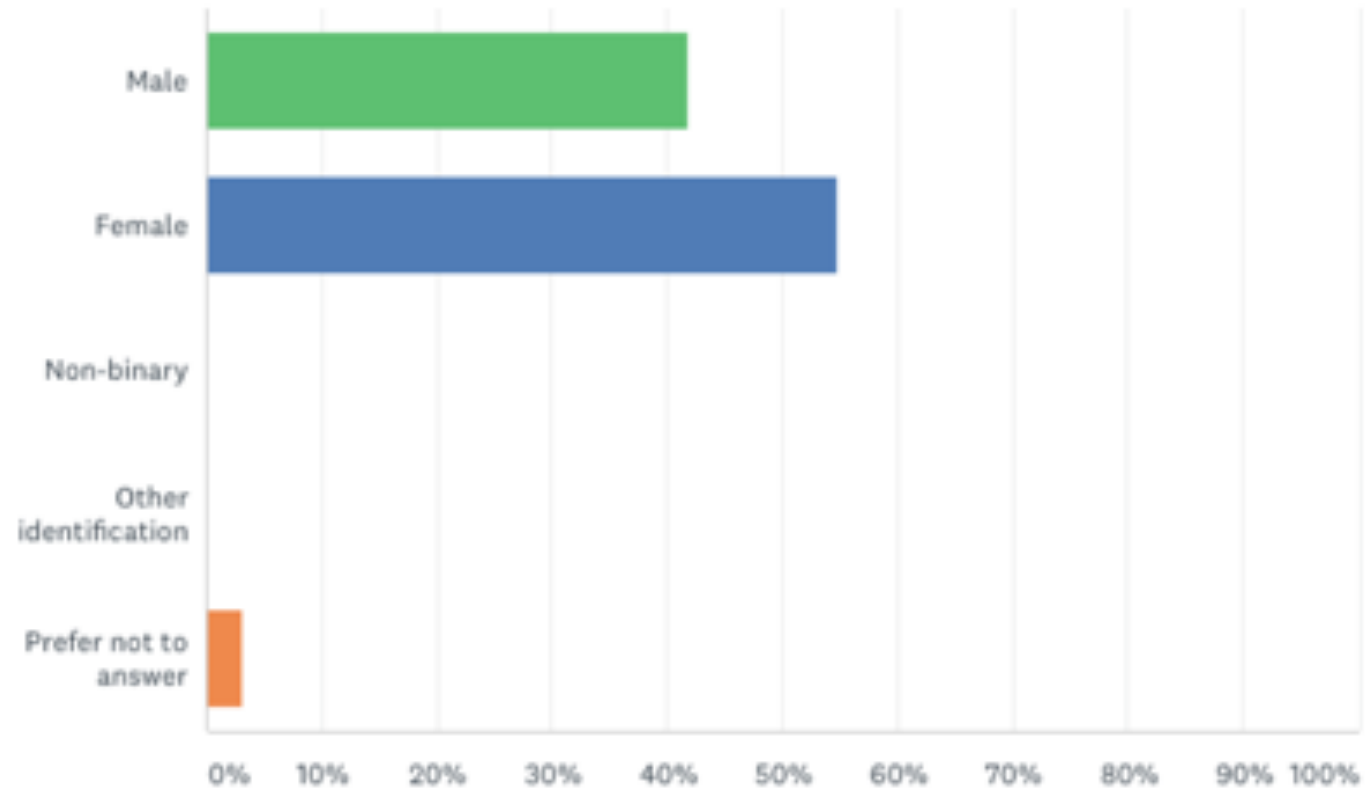
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# SURVEYS – PRE DIALOGUE

What is your GENDER?

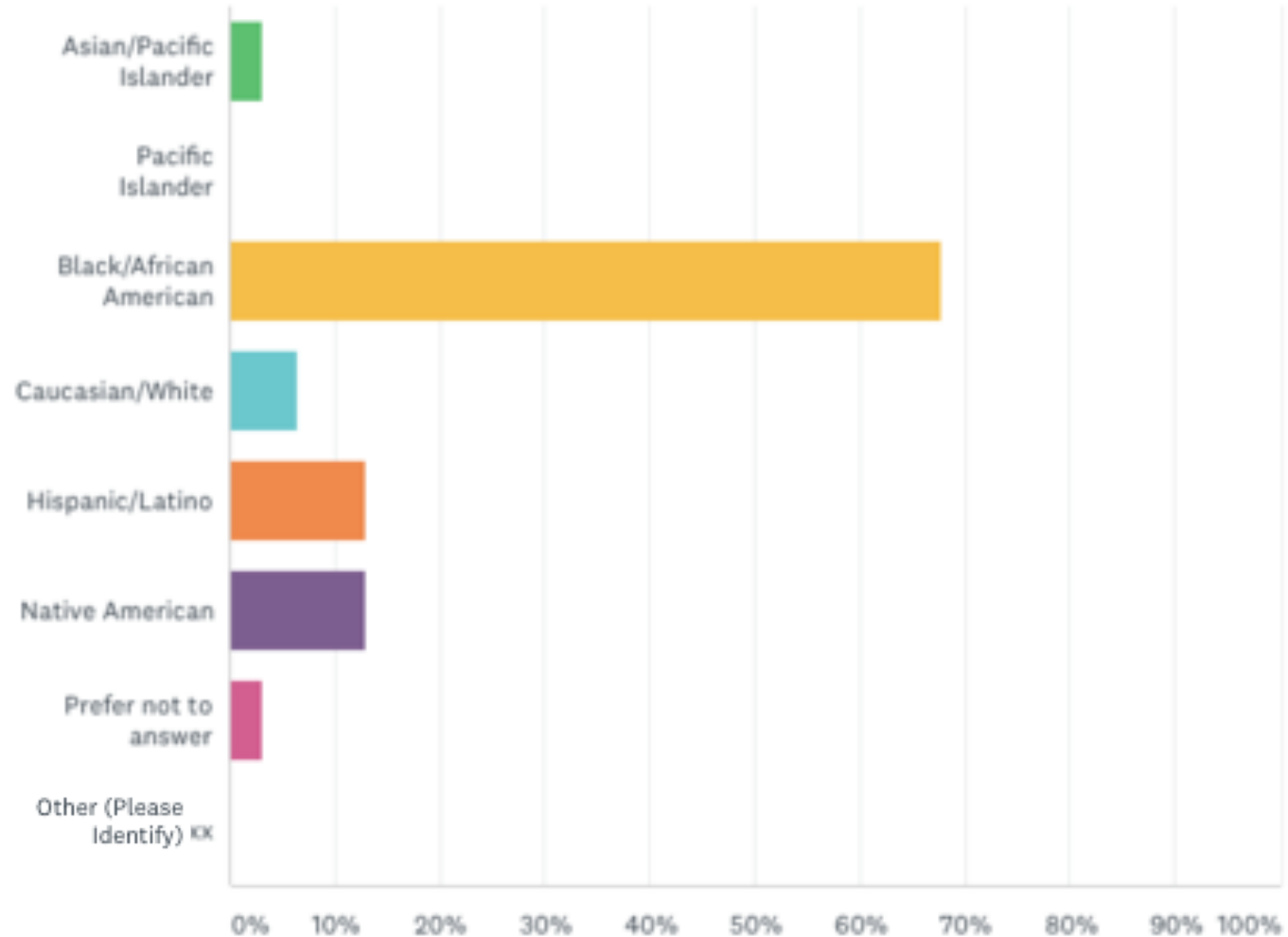
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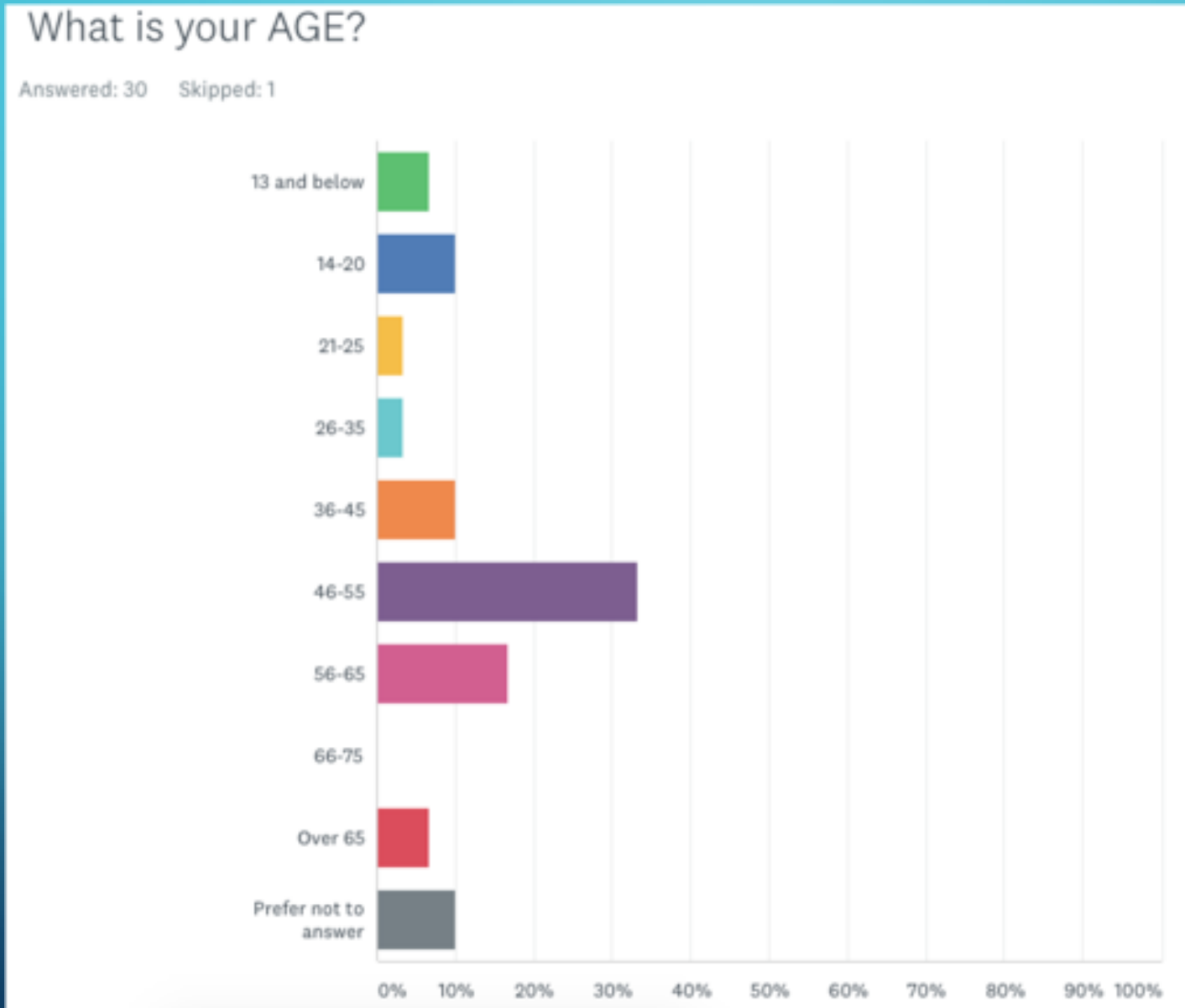
What is your Ethnicity? MARK ALL THAT APPLY

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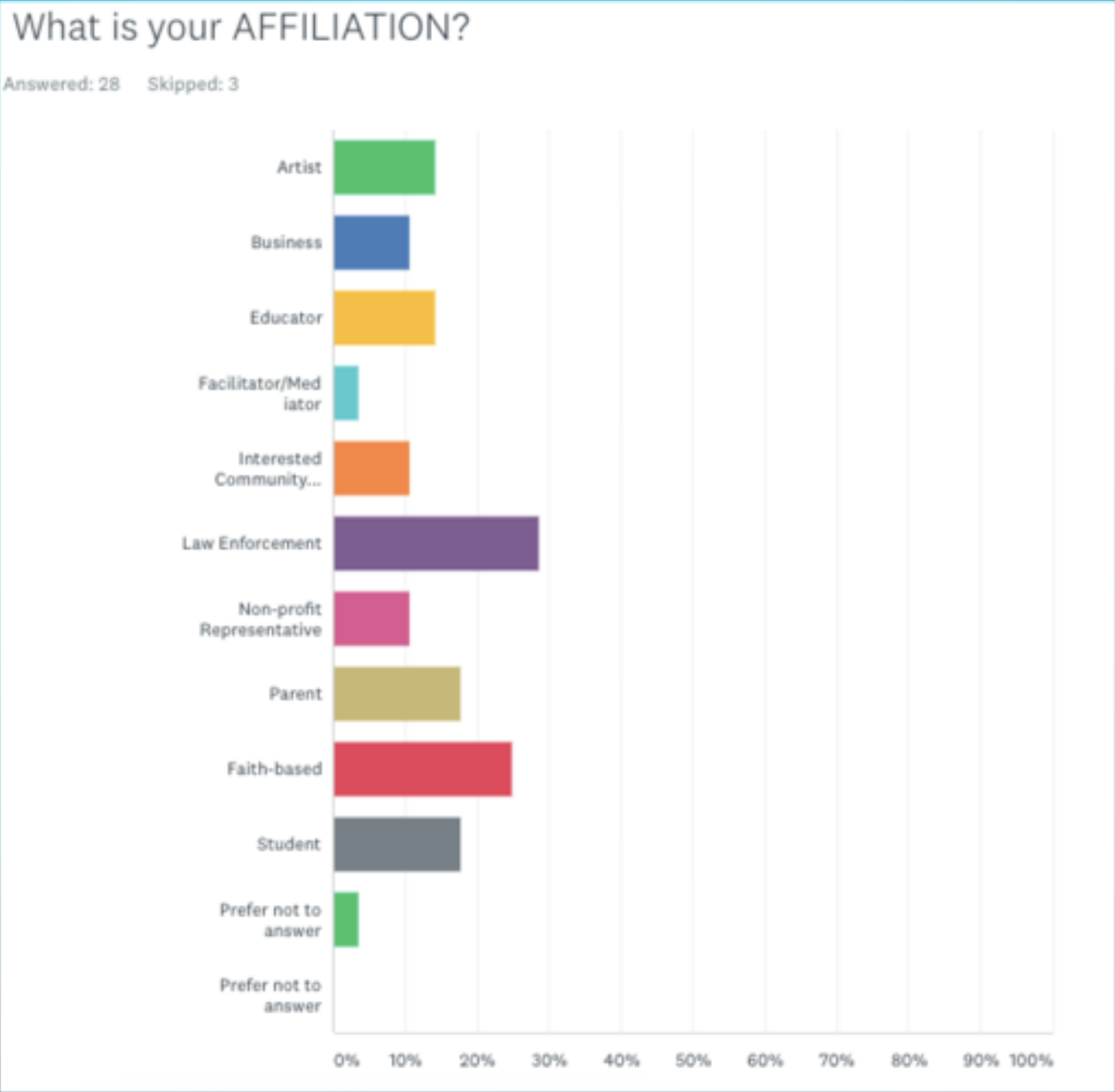




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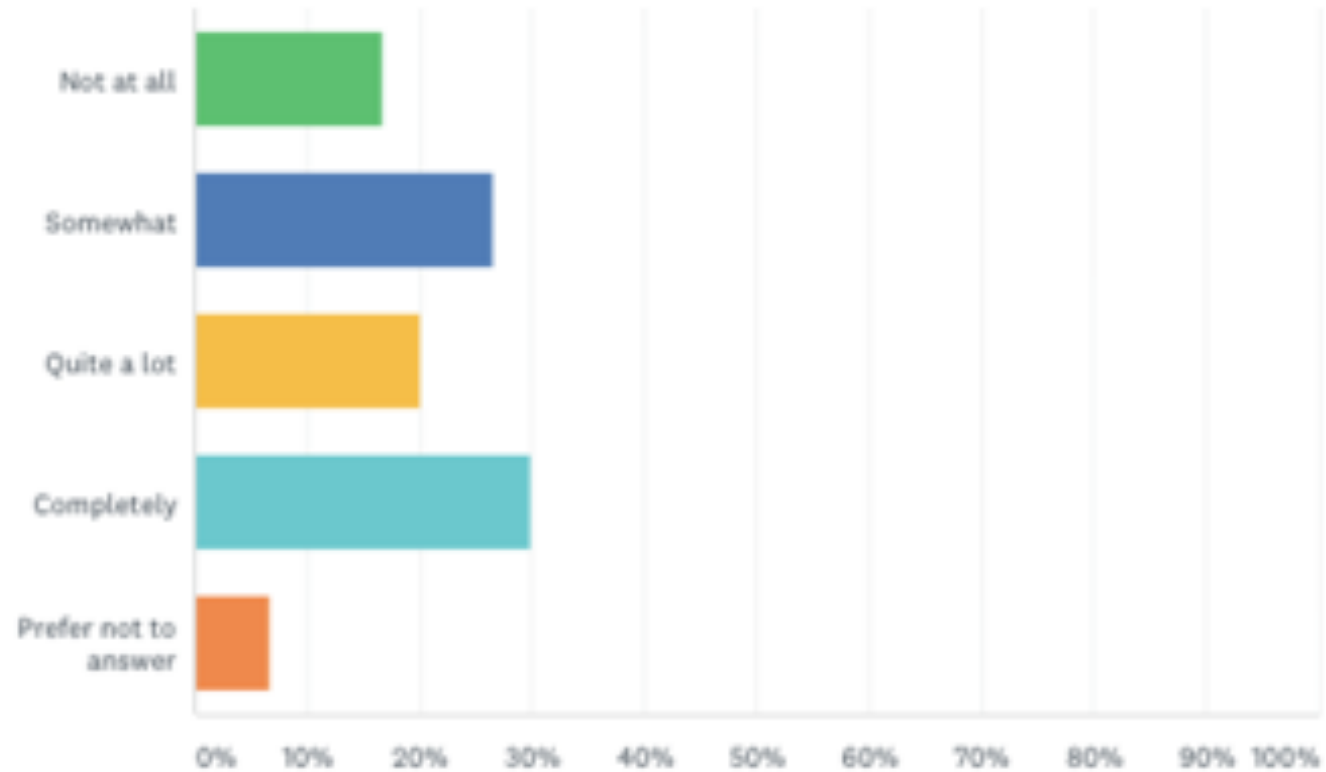
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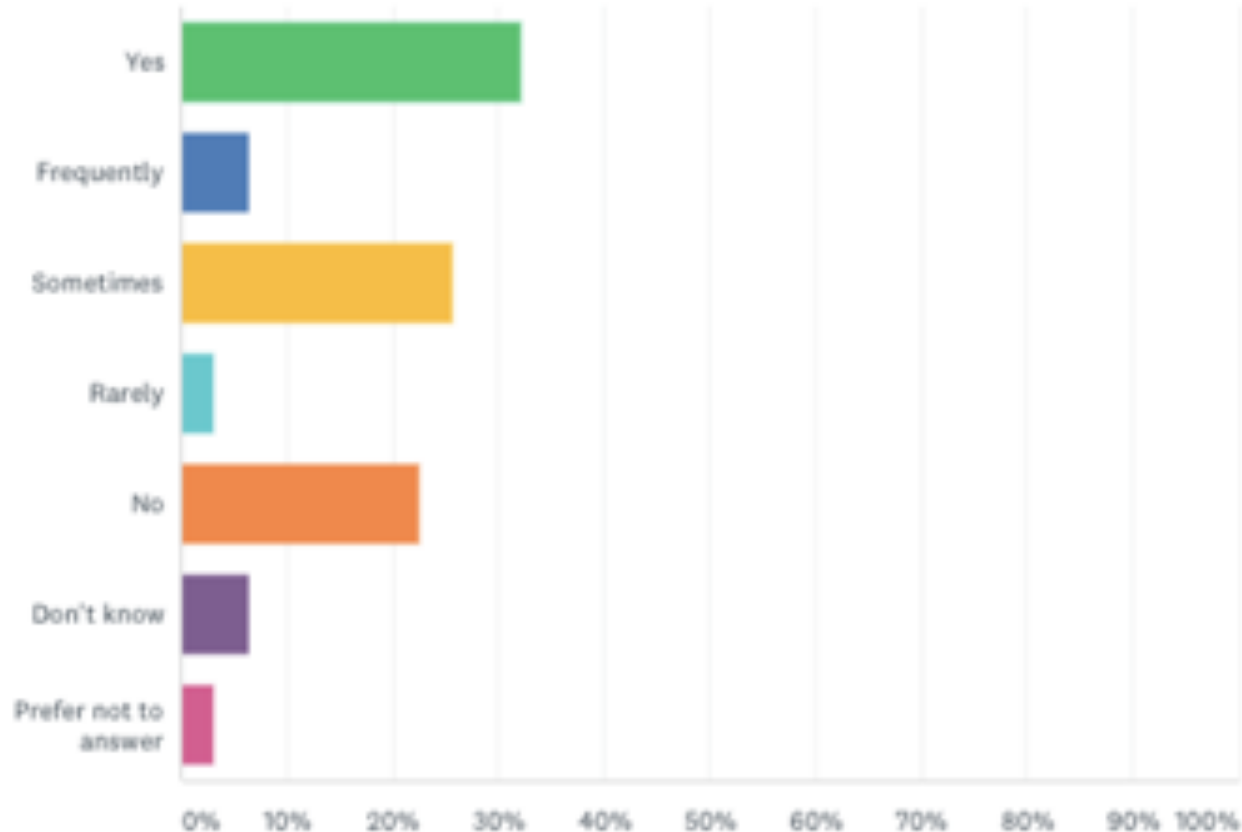
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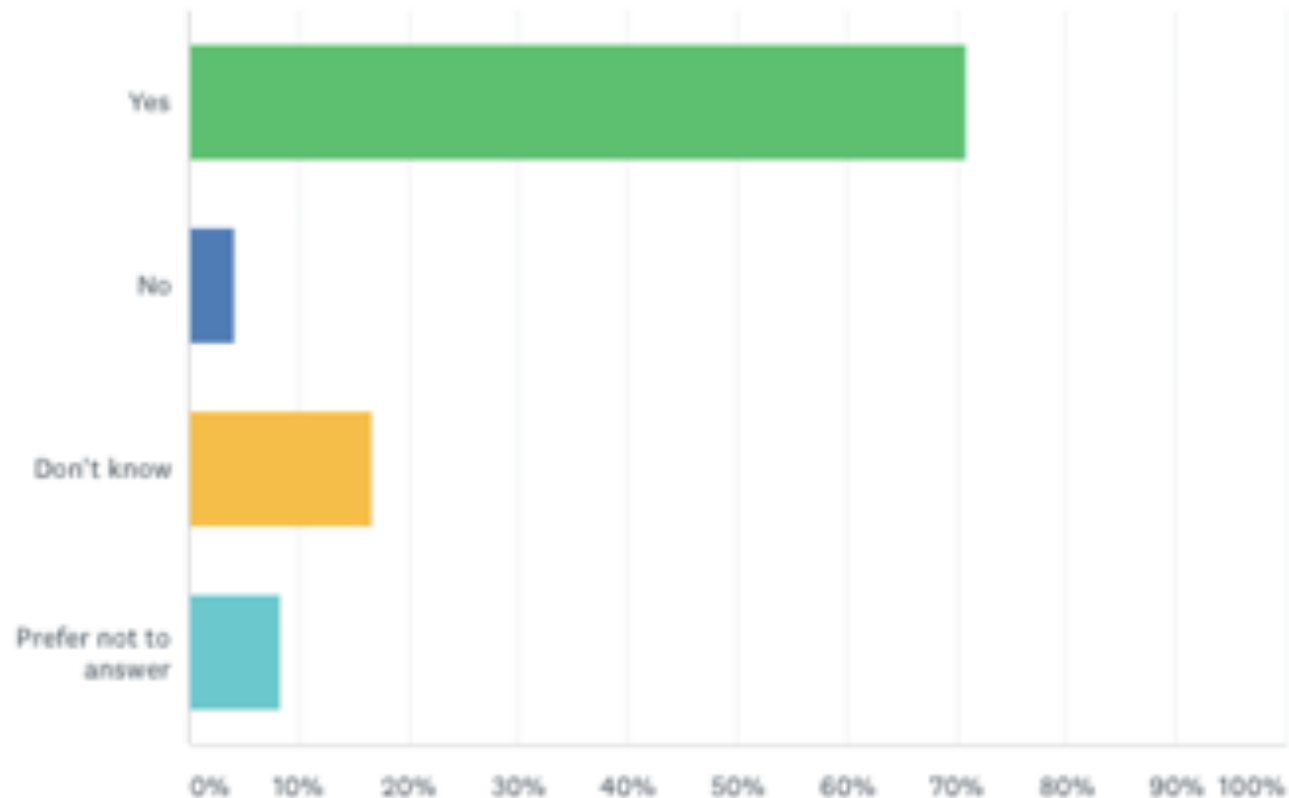
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# SURVEYS – PRE DIALOGUE

If you answered yes, frequently, or sometimes, do you believe that law enforcement officers can change their behavior to consistently treat people of color fairly?

Answered: 24 Skipped: 7

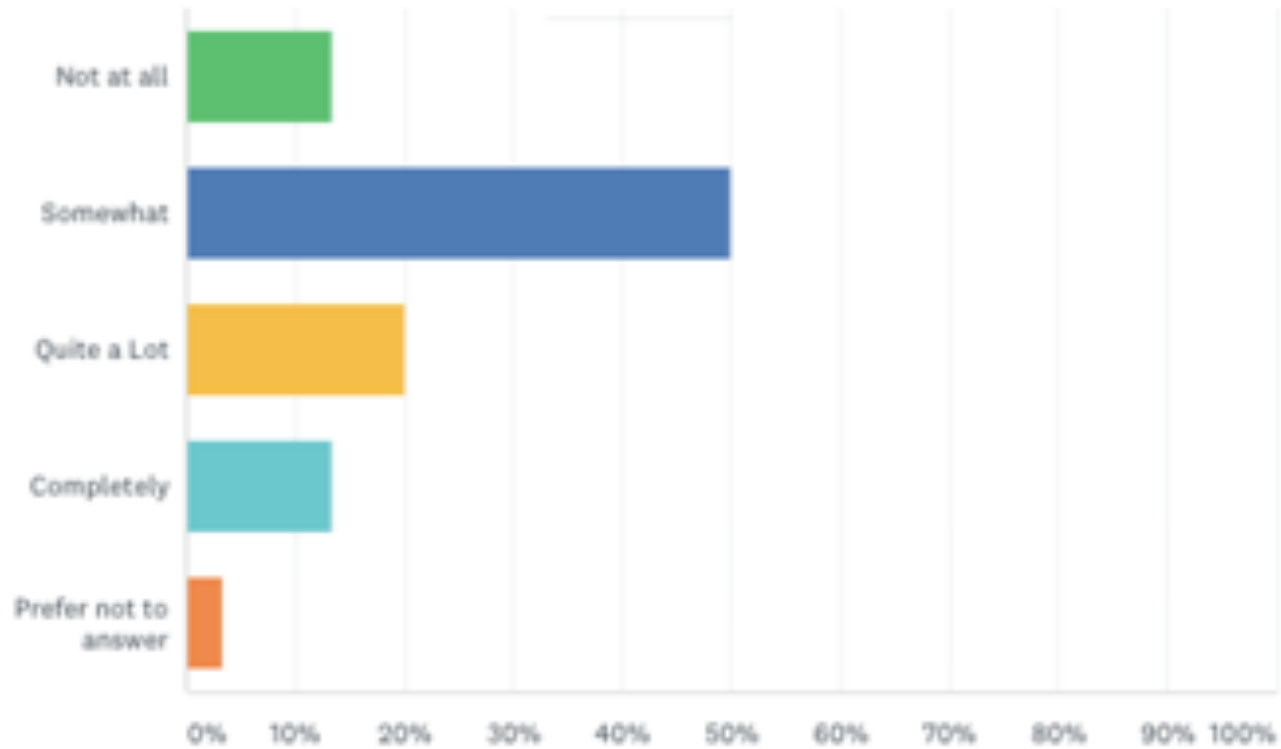


# POST DIALOGUE SURVEYS

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1) Have your opinions changed as a result of this Dialogue?

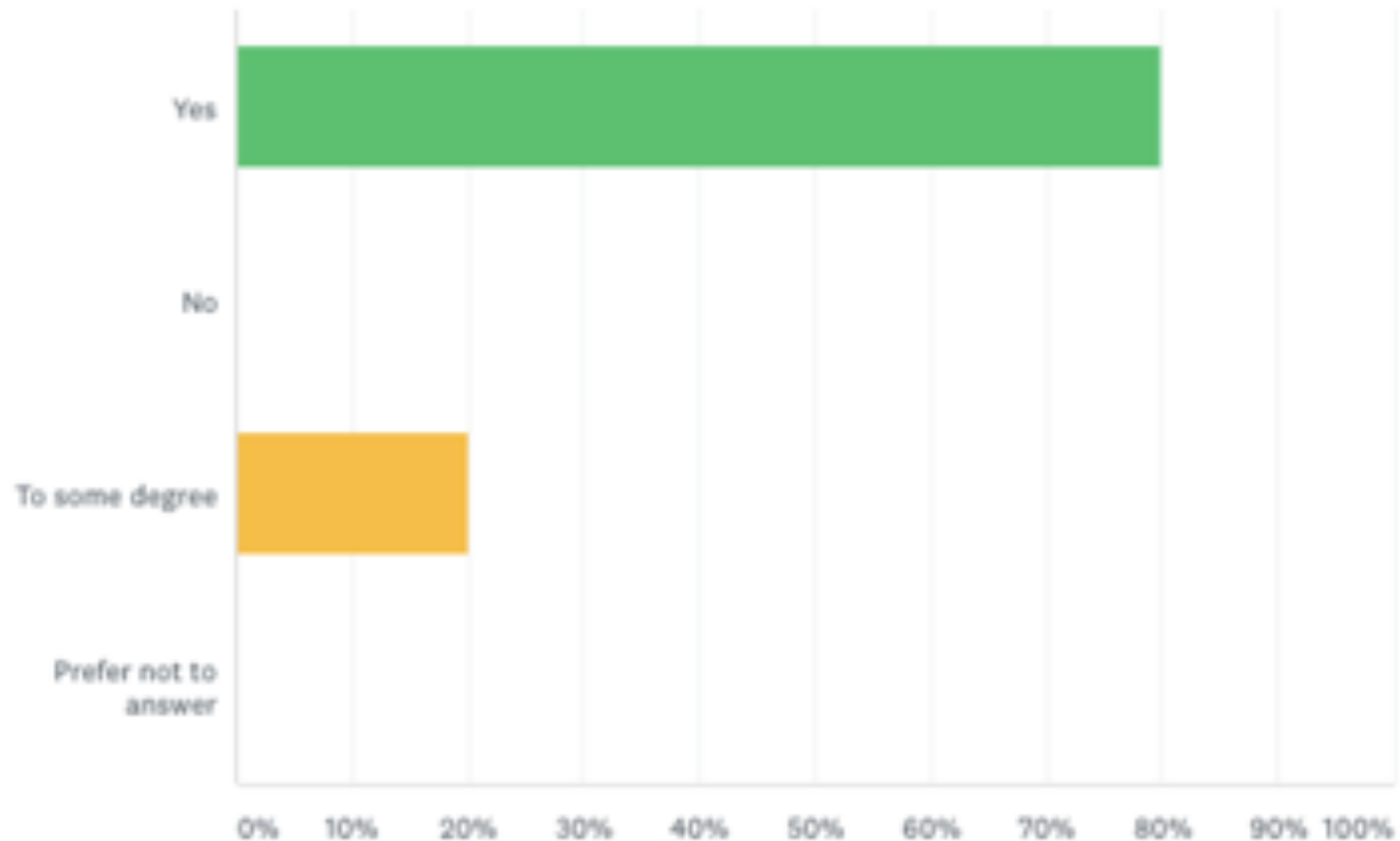
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# SURVEYS – POST DIALOGUE

2) Do you think that the process of dialogue is beneficial in addressing important issues in our community?

Answered: 30 Skipped: 3

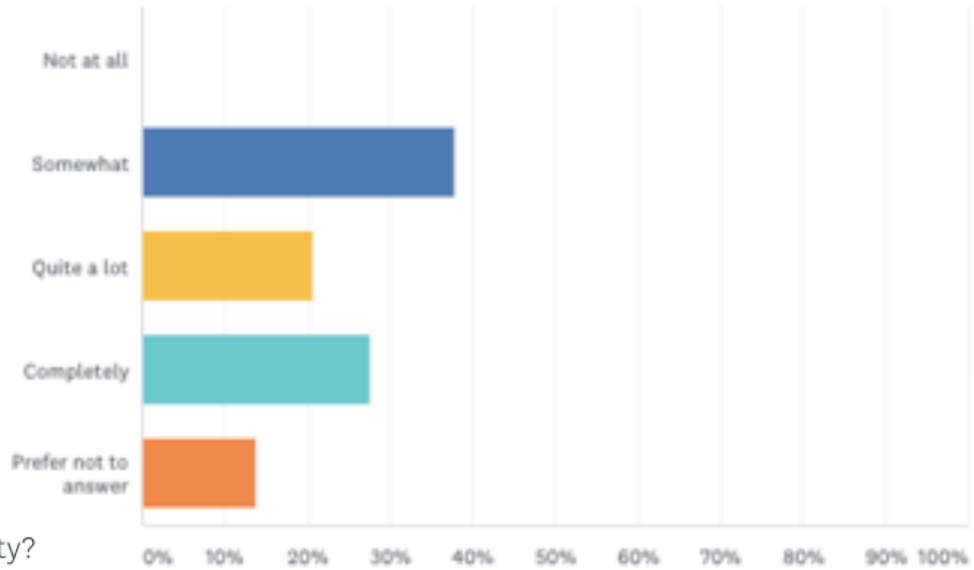




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3) Is law enforcement adequately addressing the concerns of the community?

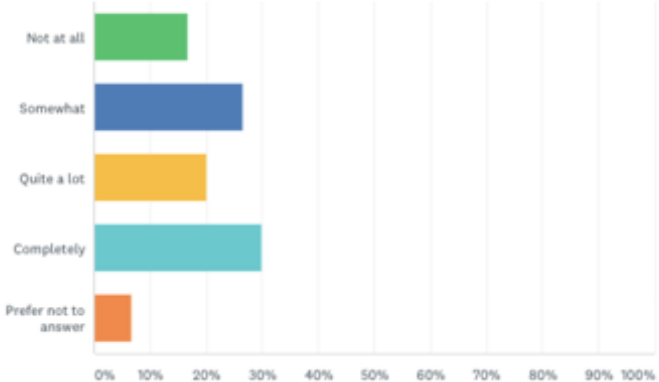
Answered: 29 Skipped: 4



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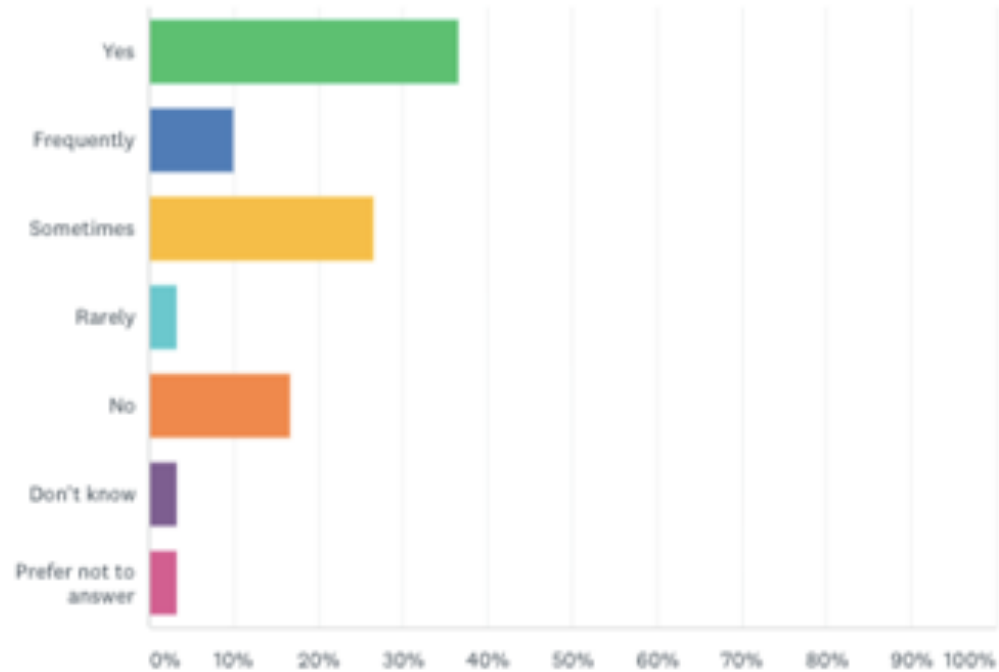
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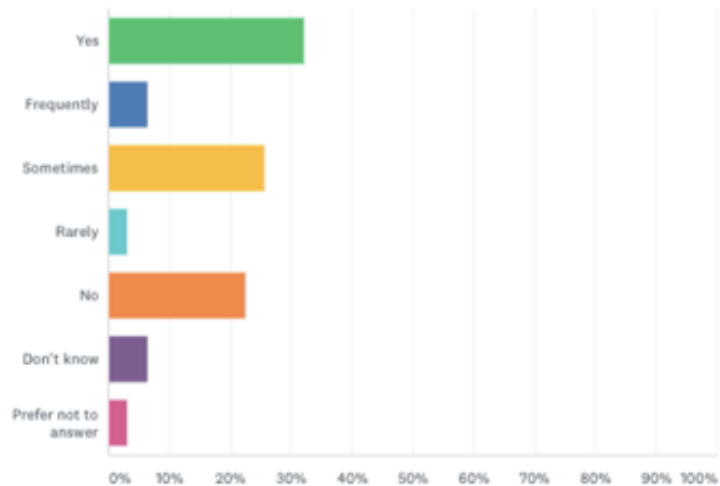
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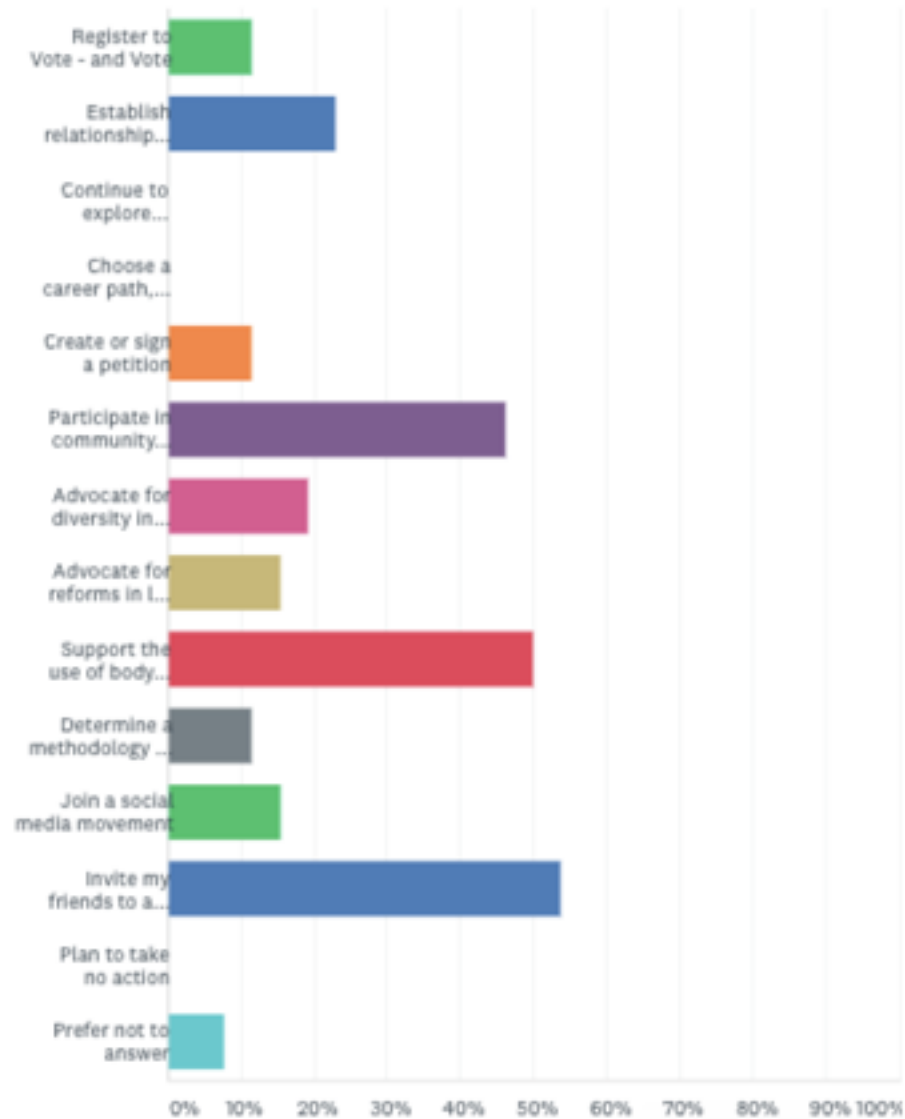
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# SURVEYS – POST DIALOGUE

6) What, if any, action(s) do you expect to take as a result of this dialogue?  
MARK ALL THAT APPLY

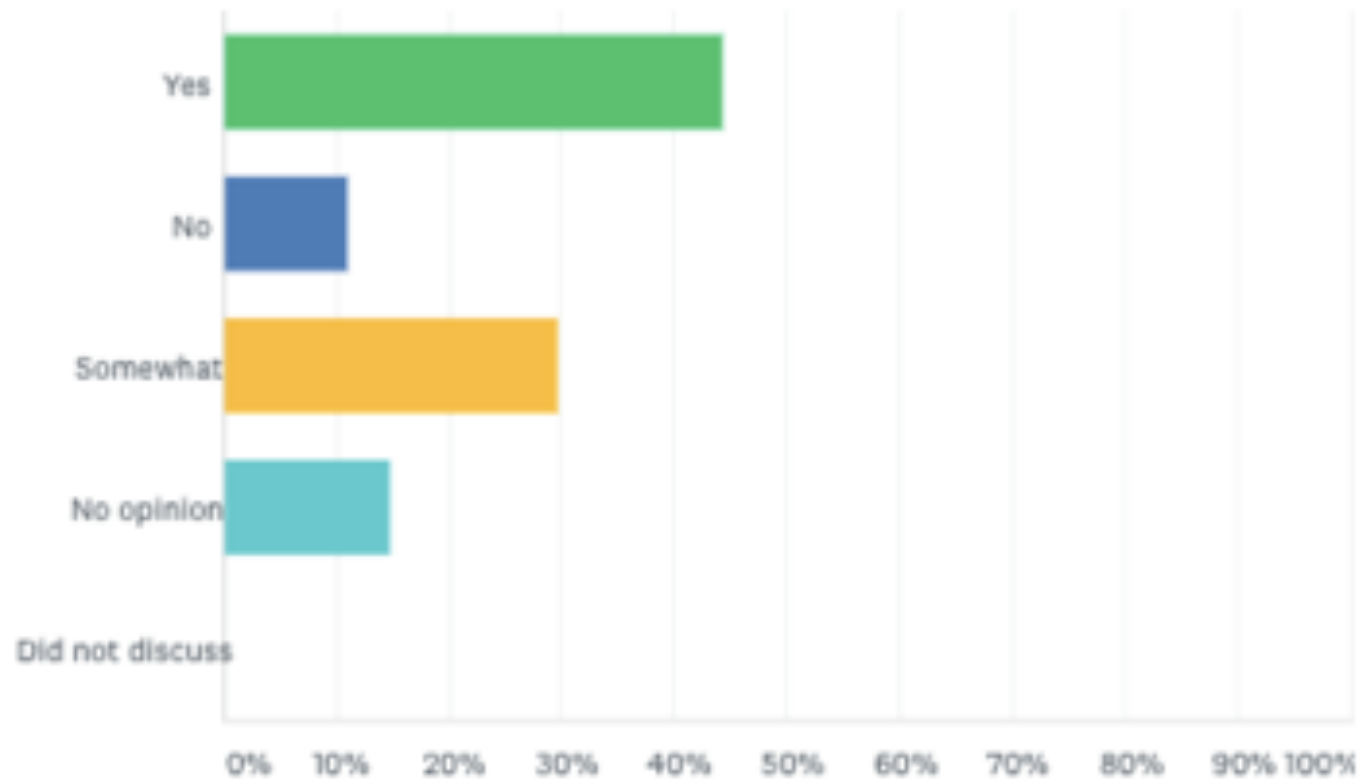
Answered: 26 Skipped: 7



# SURVEYS – POST DIALOGUE

7) If you discussed gun violence in your group, was the discussion helpful?

Answered: 27 Skipped: 6



# COMMENTS

- Throwback to neighborhood watch.
- Applaud all the officers here for not harassing us here- just joking.
- We do need community based relations. We all have to work hard together to make a better neighborhood. I'd like to say to all the officers in the room, I have no warrants or delinquent tickets (LOL).
- Police relations between individuals and people in the streets- need to communicate
- Collaborative between police and pastors and neighbors- also want people from city hall and dept of mental health.
- We need to do this more than once a month- twice a month or three times a month.

# COMMENTS

- We talked about RV parking- they can't stay more than 72 hours.
- We saw people who were watching kids. We need to call Officer Paul right away.
- I brought my kids. We all know that our kids are afraid of officers. They need to learn that officers are not the boogey man.
- I went to a (law enforcement) graduation last year. There were no officers of color. That was very disturbing.
- I saw a child- his mom got pulled over – the boy jumped out of the window, he was so afraid of the officer.
- Go online- [lapd.online](http://lapd.online). We will come to schools, churches, etc. We are hiring. We are looking for volunteers, and cadets. Are there any cadets in this room?

# COMMENTS

- We talked about some specific issues and complaints that we're having on our block. We learned about all the entities that might be able to help us when we need a response to a situation. *Maybe it isn't always the cops that are needed.*
- We discussed profiling, how African American males are often targeted it seems.
- Discussed 9 Criteria used to document someone who is a gang member. We talked about profiling. If we see something, we need to report this, by taking down the number on the back of the vehicle, then call that in to the watch commander or supervisor.

# COMMENTS

- We had many questions about use of force. We learned that it's a lot more complicated than we see. We lump in what we see going on around the country- choke holds + teenagers. Eye opening- not to lump LAPD in automatically with everything we see on TV.
- Sometimes police are responding to a hysterical 911 call. Police have to stop the people- often young men of color- until they get more information.



# COMMENTS

- I want to say- we do thank you and we appreciate you.
- You're not only responding to a call from us "Hey she took the wig off my head!" "I need my \$5.00!" The cops need to be safe too.
- We see you walking the beat- a lot of people don't trust the cops- but when we get to know each other, then that builds truth and community.
- There are really good cops out there- there really are.
- Pastor Terry, it seems like we have a better mutual understanding.
- I'm open to Good News doing this again!

# PHOTOS GOOD NEWS MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

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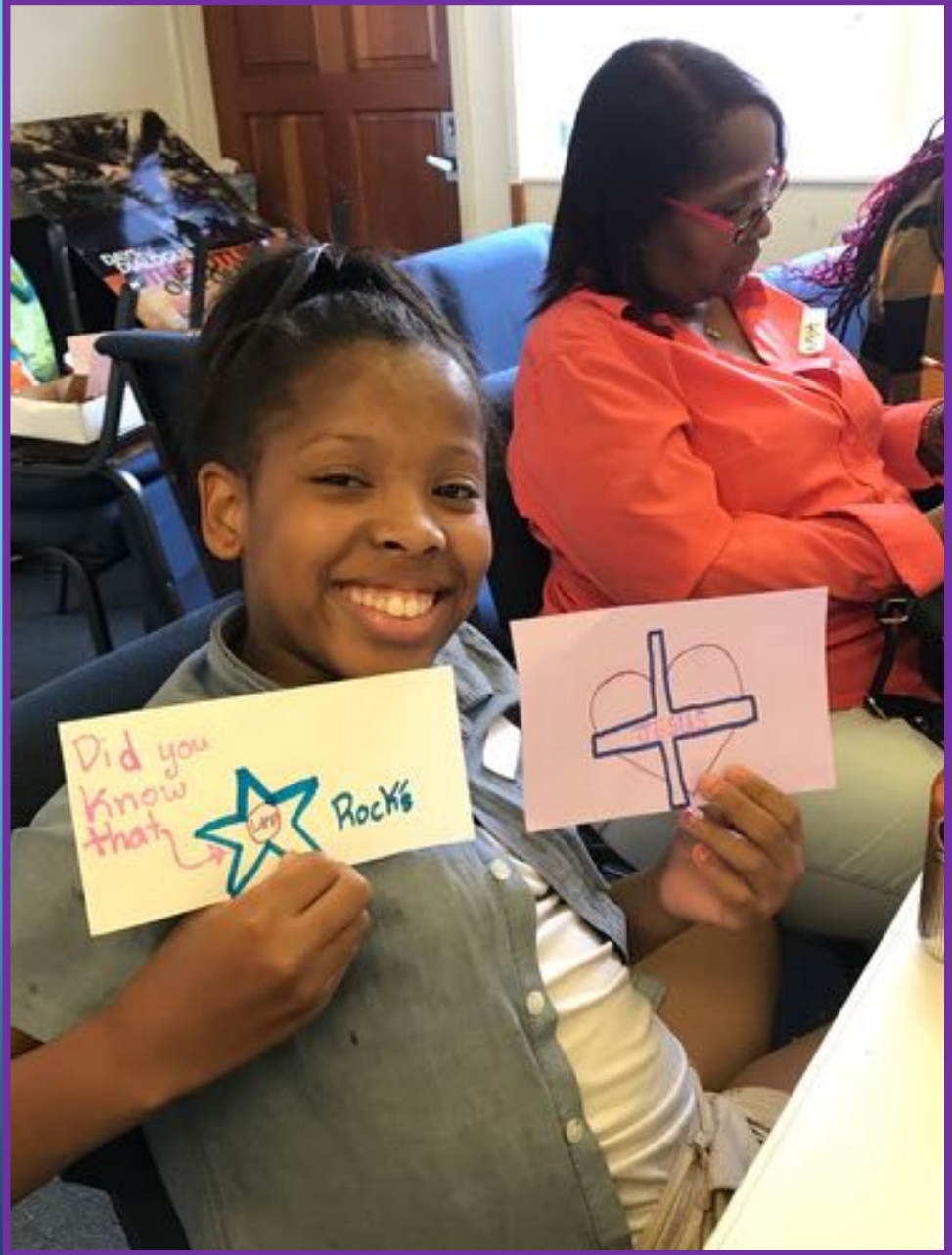
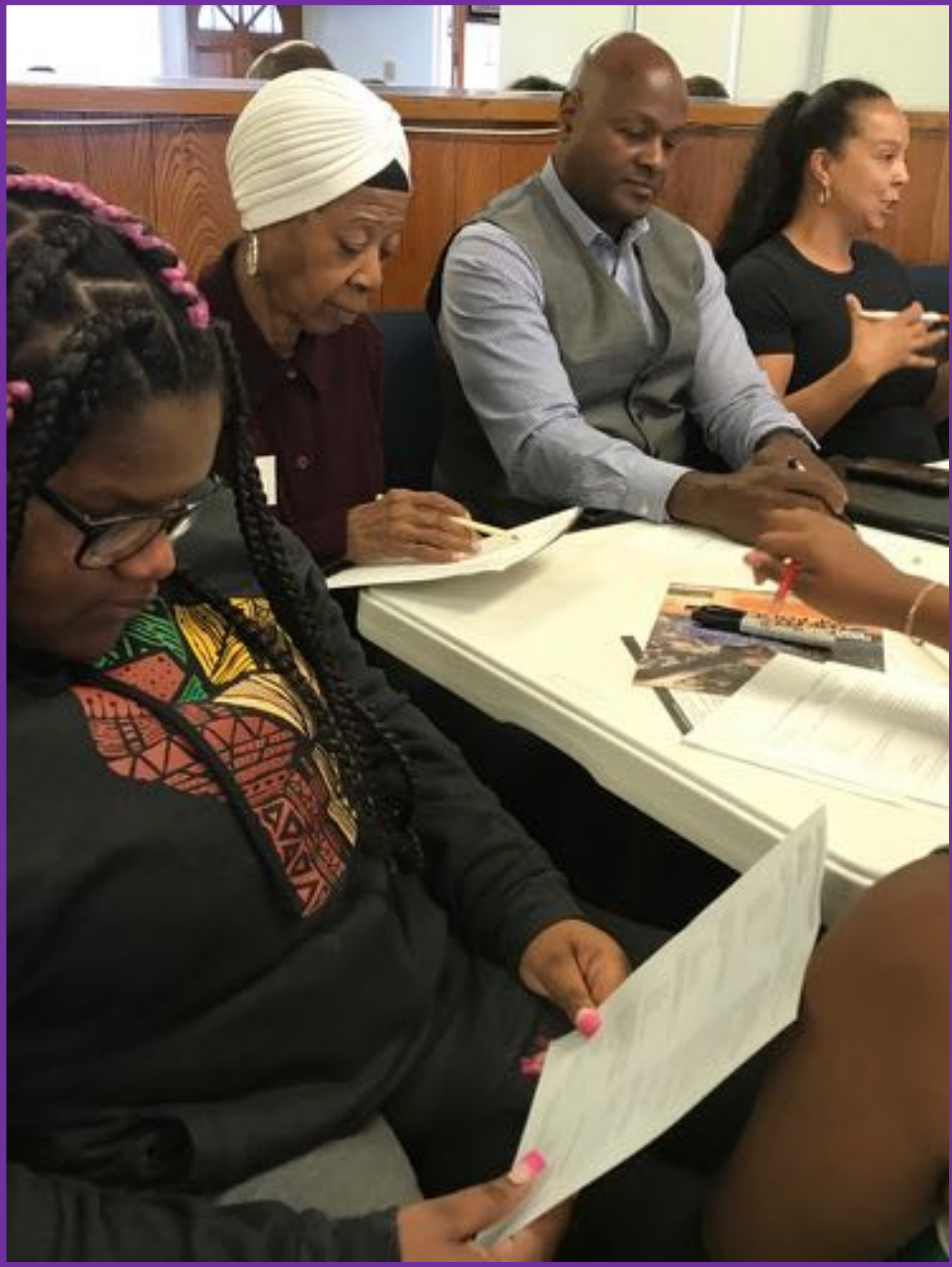












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