

Environmental Scan & SWOT Analysis

FOOD SECURITY TASK FORCE

MAY 10, 2021

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Task Force Vision & Mission

VISION

A community where all have access to enough healthy food to feed themselves and their families.



MISSION

To create a food security system in Arlington that works collaboratively to meet all residents needs for healthy and culturally appropriate food, in an affordable and dignified manner.

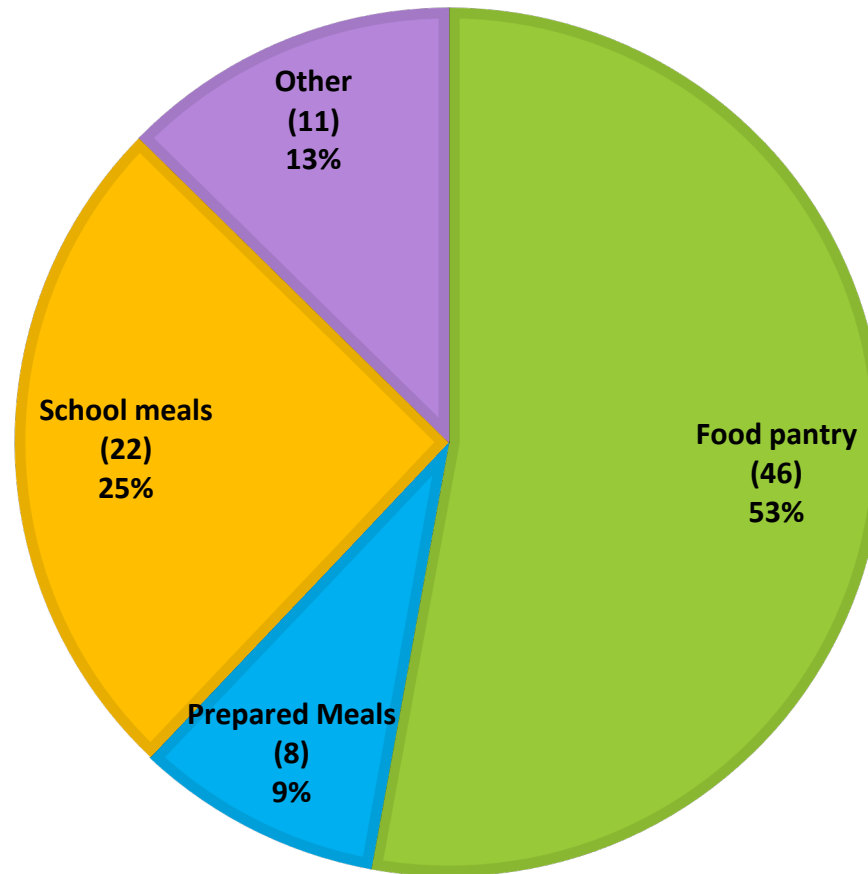


Steering Committee

A small group to work with Stephanie to make final decisions on Task Force products and recommendations.

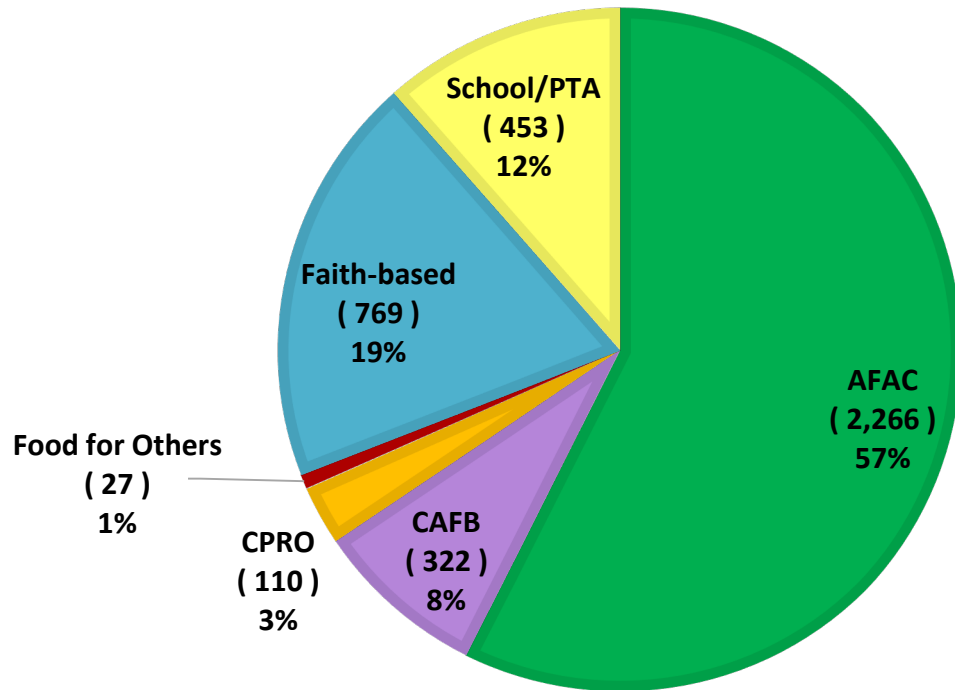
- Charlie Meng, AFAC
- Pat Rivers, DHS
- Wendy Carria, APS
- Sally Diaz Wells, Our Lady Queen of Peace
- Mary Porter, Real Food For Kids

Types of Food Assistance Programs

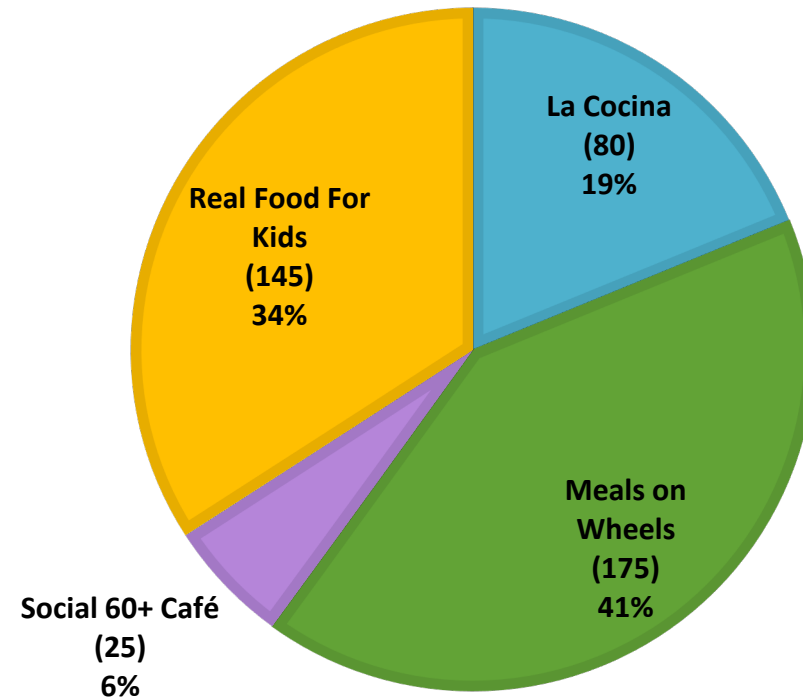


Average Households Served Weekly

FOOD PANTRIES # SERVED



PREPARED MEALS # SERVED

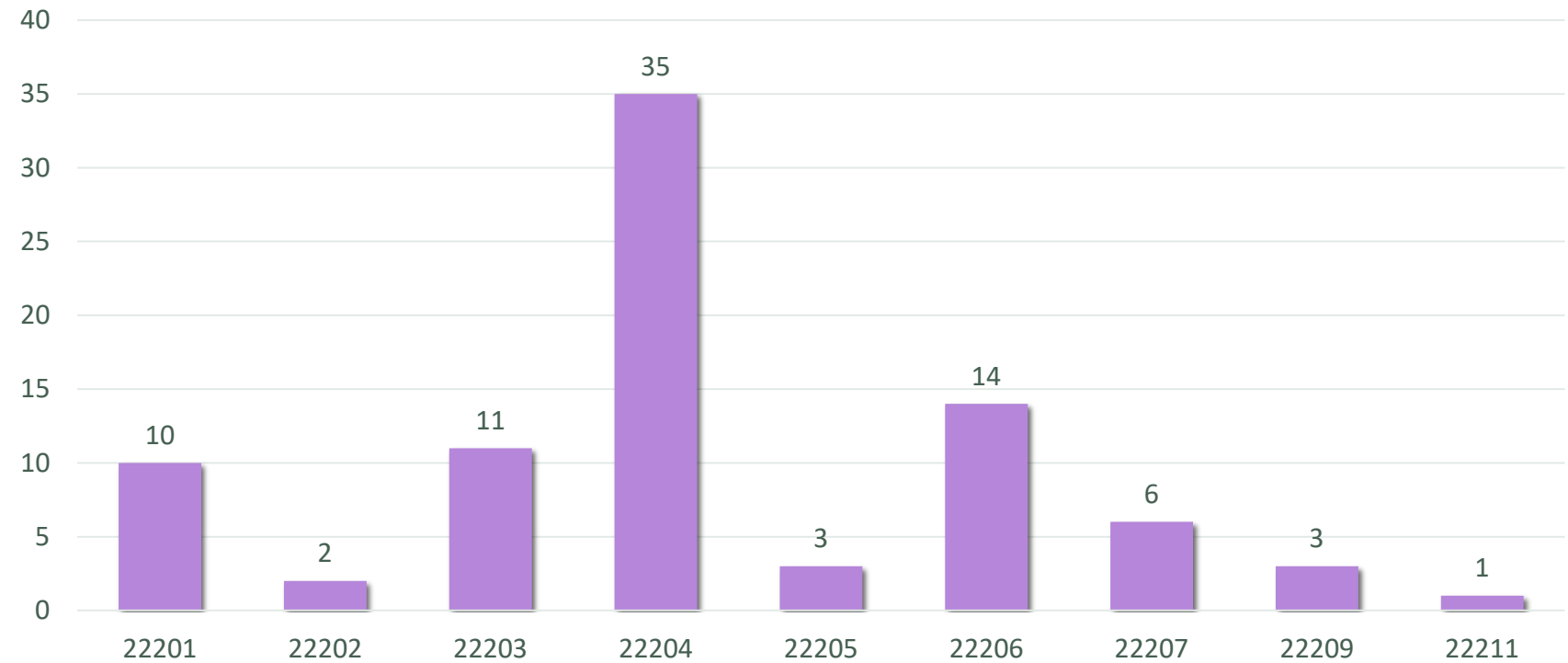
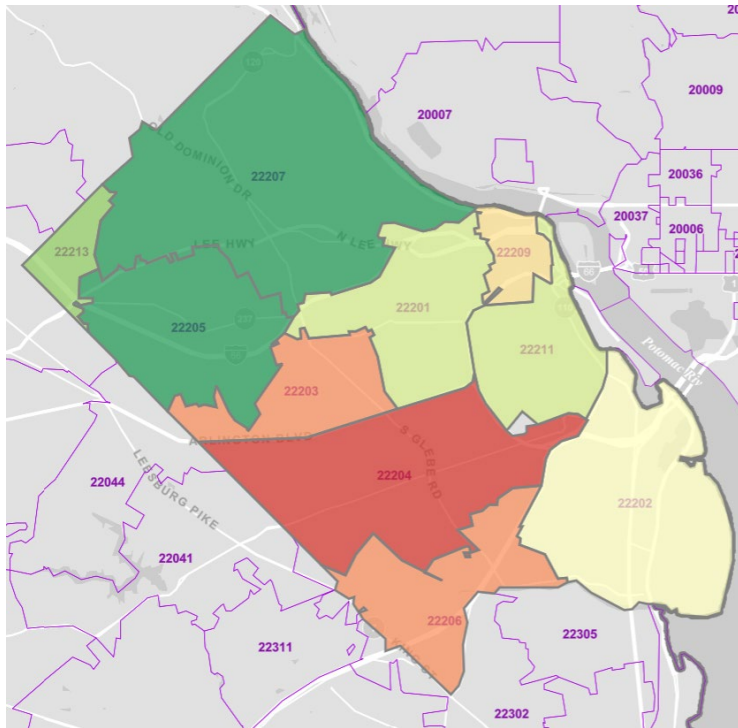


*For monthly distributions, the average number served is divided by 4.33

*Numbers for school meals was not currently available

Distribution across Arlington

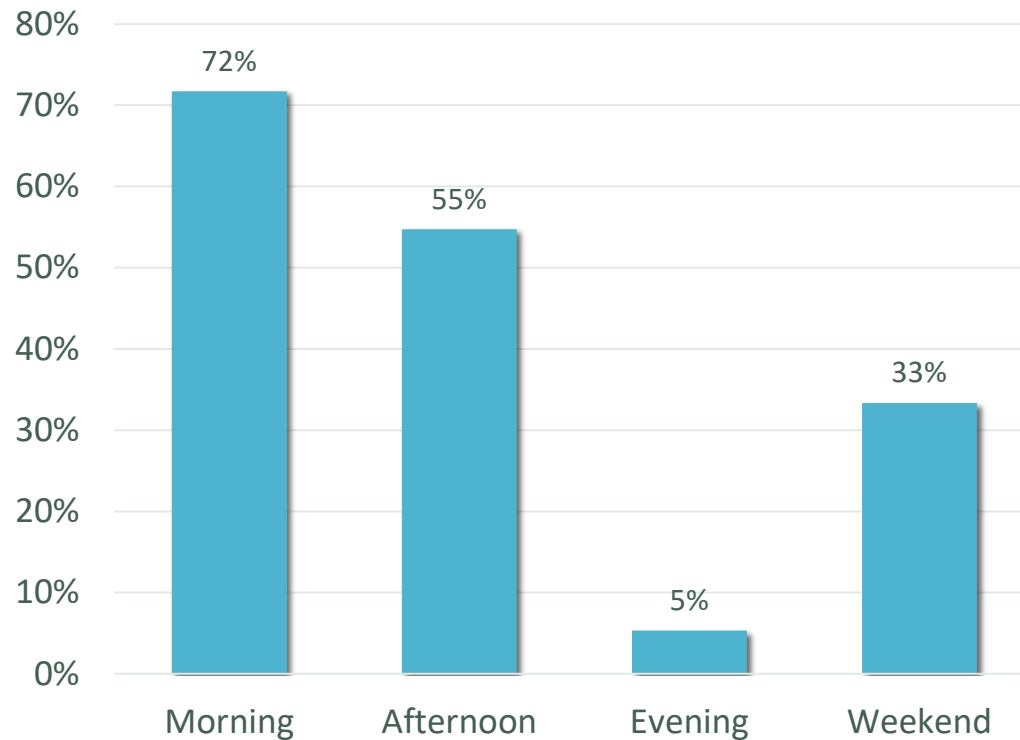
Food Assistance Locations in Arlington by Zip Code



Includes food pantries, prepared meals distributions, school meals, farmer's markets that offer SNAP matching, and SHARE Food Network sites.

Timing/Availability of Food Pantries

% of Pickups at Various Times/Days



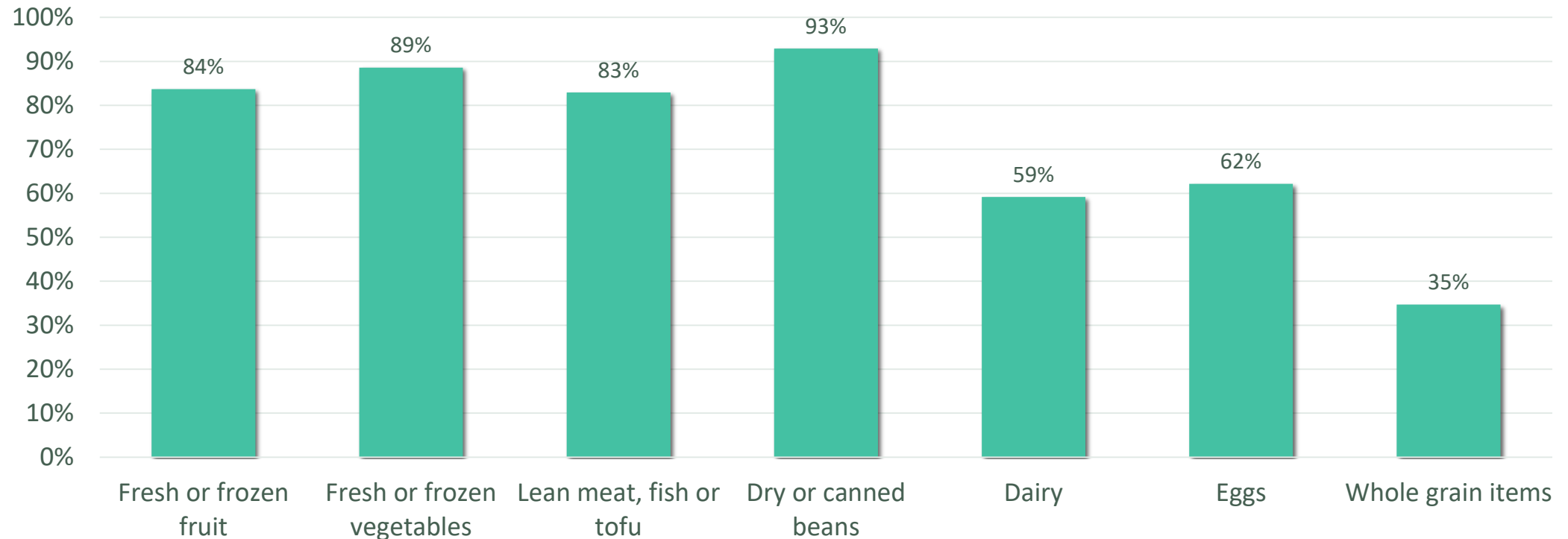
Notes:

- Looks at # of households served at each food pantry & time of day it occurs
- If a location spans over two time periods (ex. 11am – 1pm), it is counted in both.
- Weekend options are counted under their time period and weekend.

- Morning: 8am-12pm
- Afternoon: 12pm – 5pm
- Evening: 5pm – 8pm

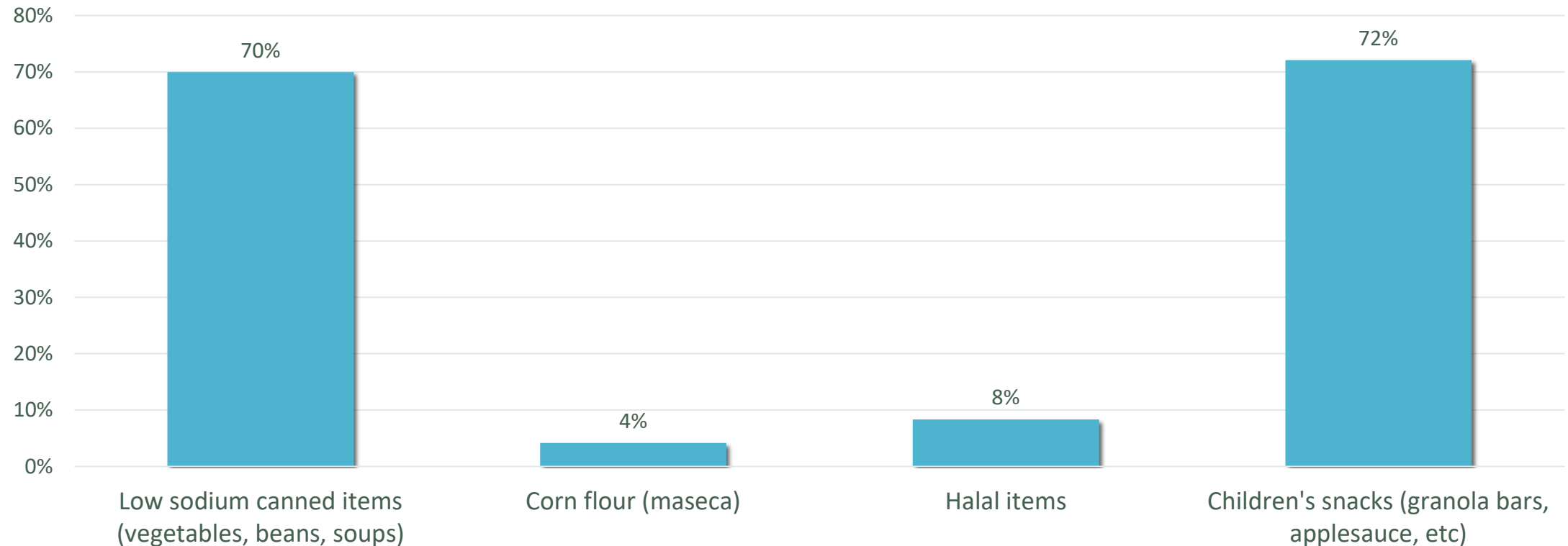
Access to Key Food Groups

Percentage of Pickups at Which Clients Have Access to These Items
"Always" or "Most of the Time"



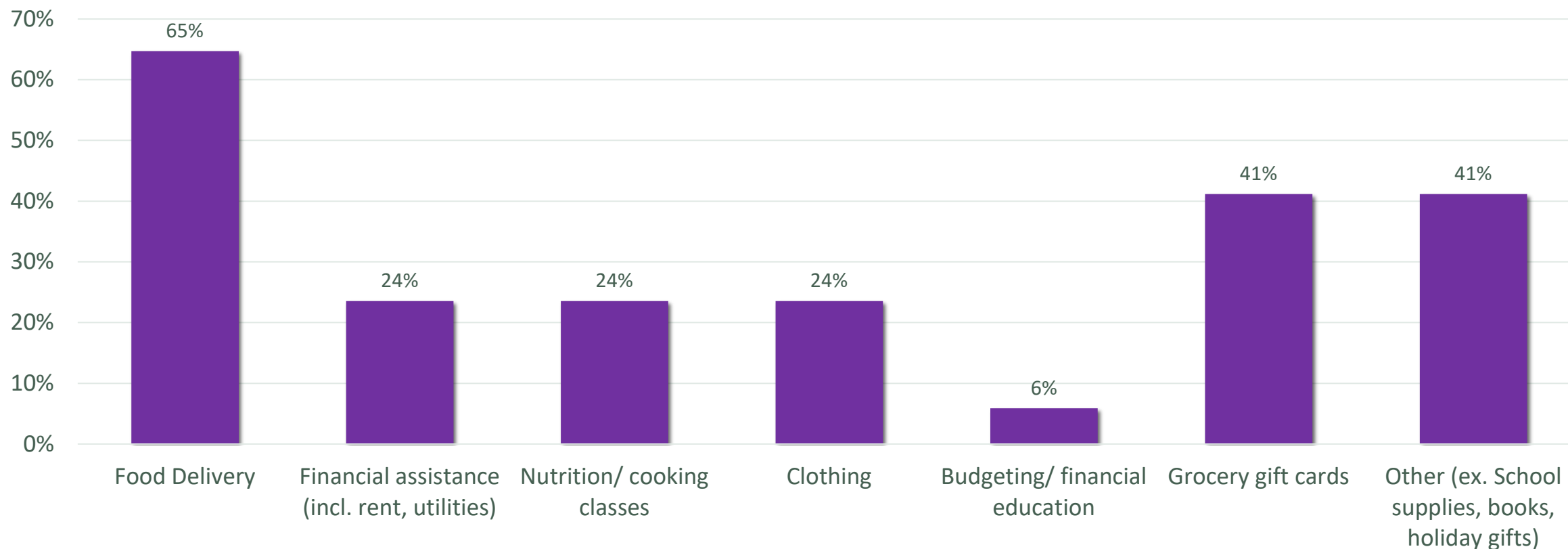
Access to Food for Special Diets

Percentage of Pickups at Which Clients Have Access to These Items
"Always" or "Most of the Time"



Delivery & Other Services

Additional Services



Data gathered from a survey to food assistance providers in March 2021. Some of these responses indicate pre-Covid activities.

Interest in Collaborative Work/Services



SWOT Analysis

How to Conduct a SWOT Analysis

Strengths
Weaknesses
Opportunities
Threats



SWOT Analysis Example

Strengths

Variety of options
that are mostly
concentrated
around need

Trusted
partners as
providers

Weaknesses

No current way to
track trends of use
across providers &
programs

Few
weekend/evening
options

Coordinate
between new
programs

Free school
meals for all in
2021-22

Federal rules about
SNAP eligibility &
amounts

Limited employment
opportunity due to
Covid

Opportunities

Positive

Threats

Negative

Process

- We will divide into 4 small groups, each group will have a recorder.
- Allow time and space for all group members to contribute.
- During the first breakout session, your group will consider strengths & weaknesses. Then we'll discuss. As time permits, we'll then discuss Opportunities & Threats or we'll do that during the next meeting.
- Responses from all groups will be consolidated. If you think of other additions after the time, feel free to submit them separately to Stephanie.

Dividing into Groups

- If you had to choose one dessert category, which would you choose?
 - Cake, Pie, Cookies, Ice Cream
 - Vote in the poll & join the breakout group of your choice.
 - I may have to readjust group membership to even out groups.

