

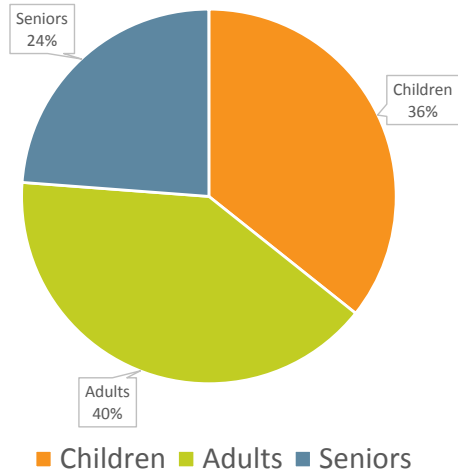


# Rainier Beach Food Programming

## Community Input Report

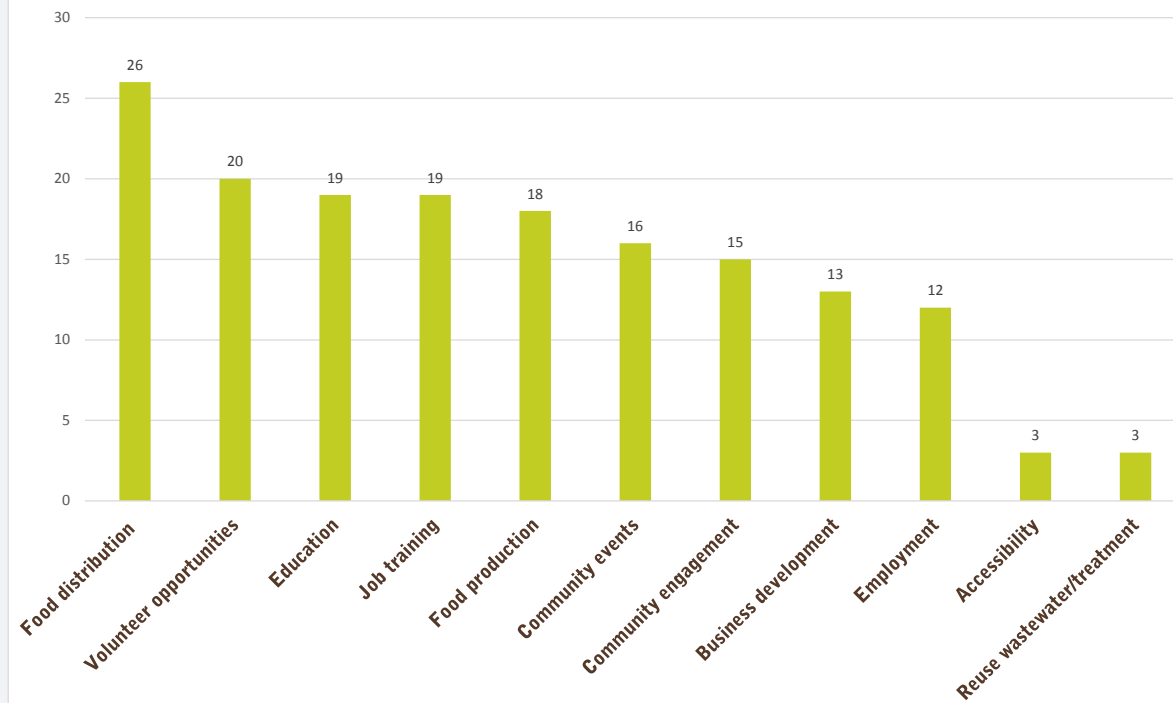


### Age Groups of Potential Participants



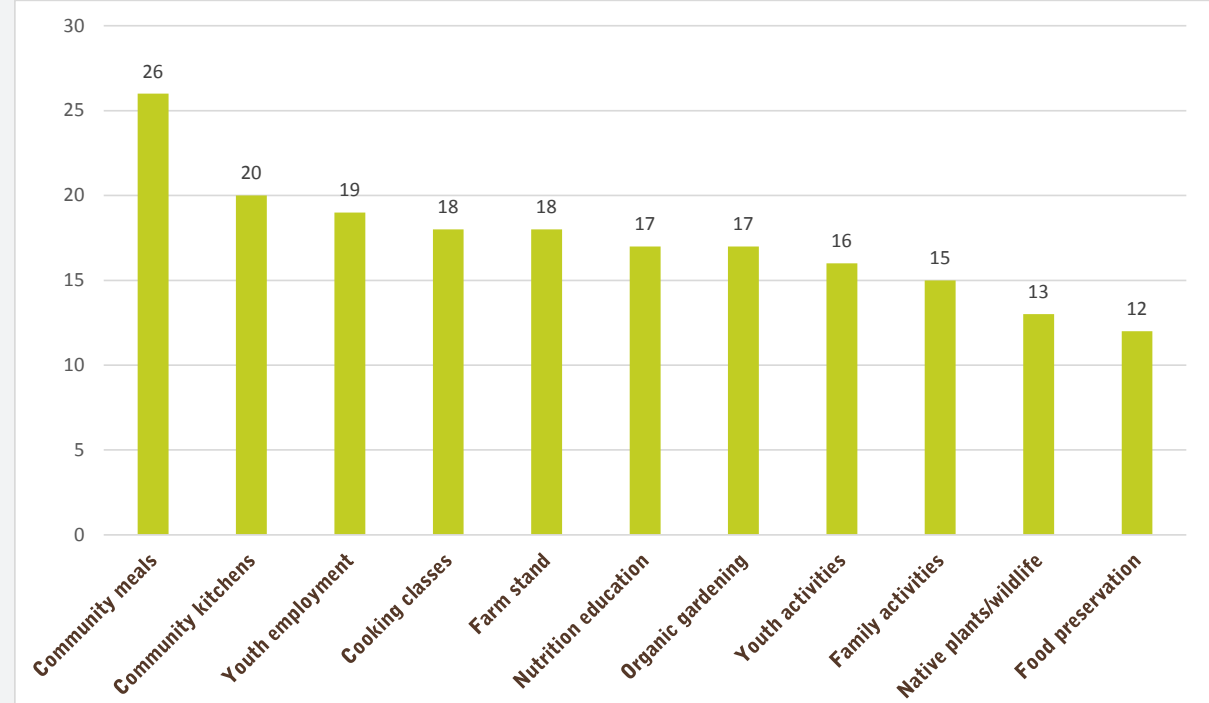
### Rainier Beach Food Programming Priorities

Each person at a Community Dinner in Nov. was given five stickers to “vote” for their top priorities for Rainier Beach food programs. Here’s what they chose:

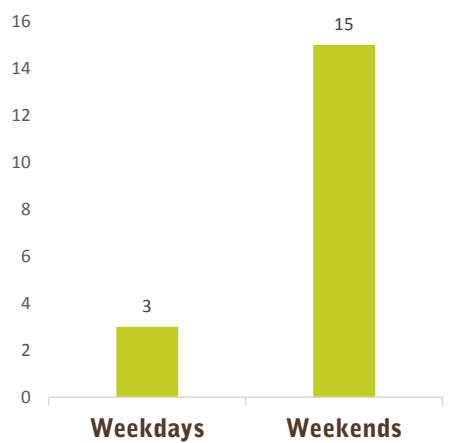


### Activities People Would Like to See\*

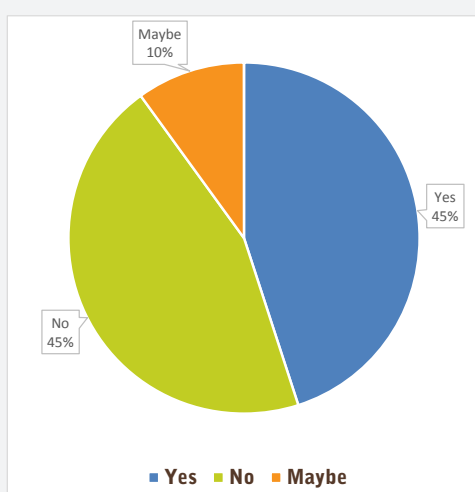
Each person was also given seven stickers to “vote” for the types of activities they’d like to see at Rainier Beach Urban Farm. Here are some of the top choices:



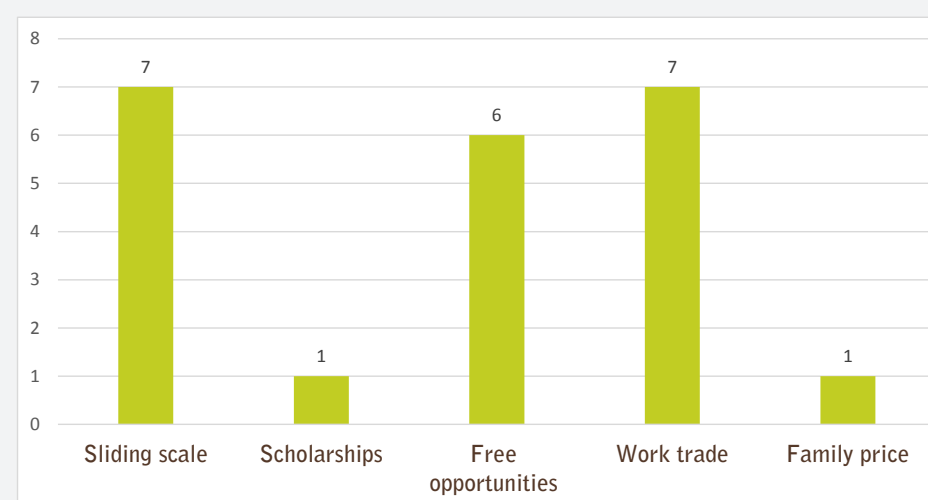
### Days of Week Preferred



### Is cost a barrier?



### Preferred cost-assistance options:



### How many people responded?



### How much were they willing to pay for a class?

**RANGE** \$5-100      **AVG.** \$27

Majority of Community Dinner attendees would prefer programming in the evening.



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### HOPES

- Distribute food at more public spaces (Dollar Store parking lot)
- Farmers market on promenade
- More Good Food Bags
- Equitable access to whole food for low-income families, seniors, homeless
- Access to healthy food and discourage eating processed foods
- Kids eating more healthy, organic food
- Food banks
- Callings, mailings, information available at Rainier Beach Community Center
- Need to spread news broadly so that people come to the farm also spread the news
- There is broader interest in the farm — it's unique for this neighborhood
- Interested in the entire shoreline — would like a walking trail
- Hope the farm continues with beekeeping and maybe adds other livestock
- People like that it's community grown food and that it's organic
- Hopeful for more community dinners and meals together
- Would like to see it become a vibrant community hub
- See it as a resource network, expanding resources
- Job training
- Support living wages
- Help local businesses
- Make it affordable — sliding scale
- Paid internships that lead to full-time positions
- Teaching kids and community about healthy and diverse food
- Outreach and engage youth through money, sports and exercise
- Youth classes
- Kids' events
- Family-friendly hours
- Cooking classes with rotating guest chefs
- Representation of different cultures from the neighborhood in the Food Innovation District

### CONCERNS

- Language barriers
- Where are the activities? What days?
- Who is involved in the Food Innovation District?
- Need more clarity about the Food Innovation District — even some dinner participants who had been volunteering at Rainier Beach Urban Farm & Wetlands hadn't heard of it
- Hours for the farm have not always been clear — needs better signage
- The locked gate can be a barrier when people are interested and want to check out the farm
- Gentrification is an issue
- Loss of cultural center for the families and seniors in the community
- What are the neighborhood impacts?
- Recruit talent from the community teach and lead, and pay them
- Jobs for adults and seniors, not just youth
- Not everyone has time to volunteer
- Hard for large families to pay for everyone to participate in activities
- Need to engage youth in ideas and programs

\* Note: This information was gathered at a community dinner that Tilth hosted in November, which may have influenced the activities participants gave the highest priority.