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# SAN MATEO COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLABORATION FOR CHILDREN'S SUCCESS

NORTH FAIR OAKS COMMUNITY COUNCIL MAY 23, 2019



# QUICK CCCS BACKGROUND AND APPROACH

- Place-based approach
- Engage impacted youth and families
- Address youth need across multiple sectors
- Collaborate with existing efforts and build on assets
- Use a trauma-informed approach
- Informed by data and best practices
- Learn as we go



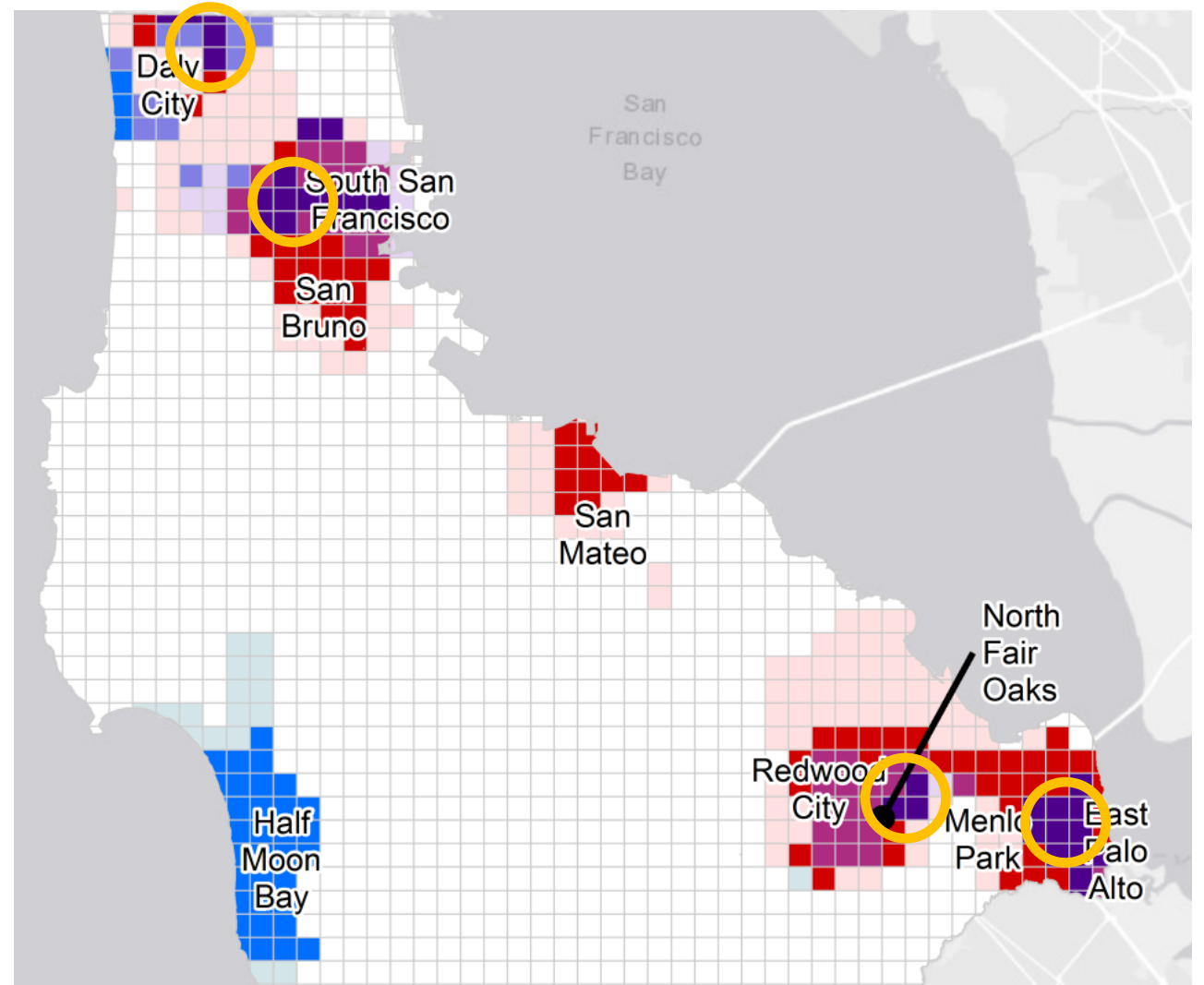
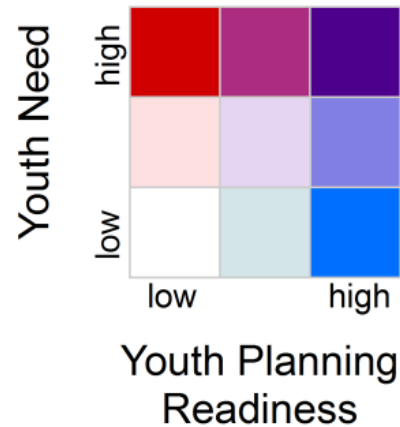
# 4 FOCUS AREAS

## Stage I:

- North Fair Oaks/parts of Redwood City
- South San Francisco

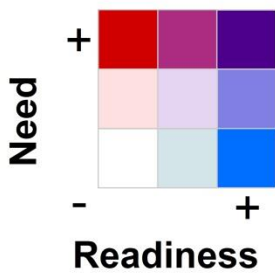
## Stage II:

- Daly City
- East Palo Alto

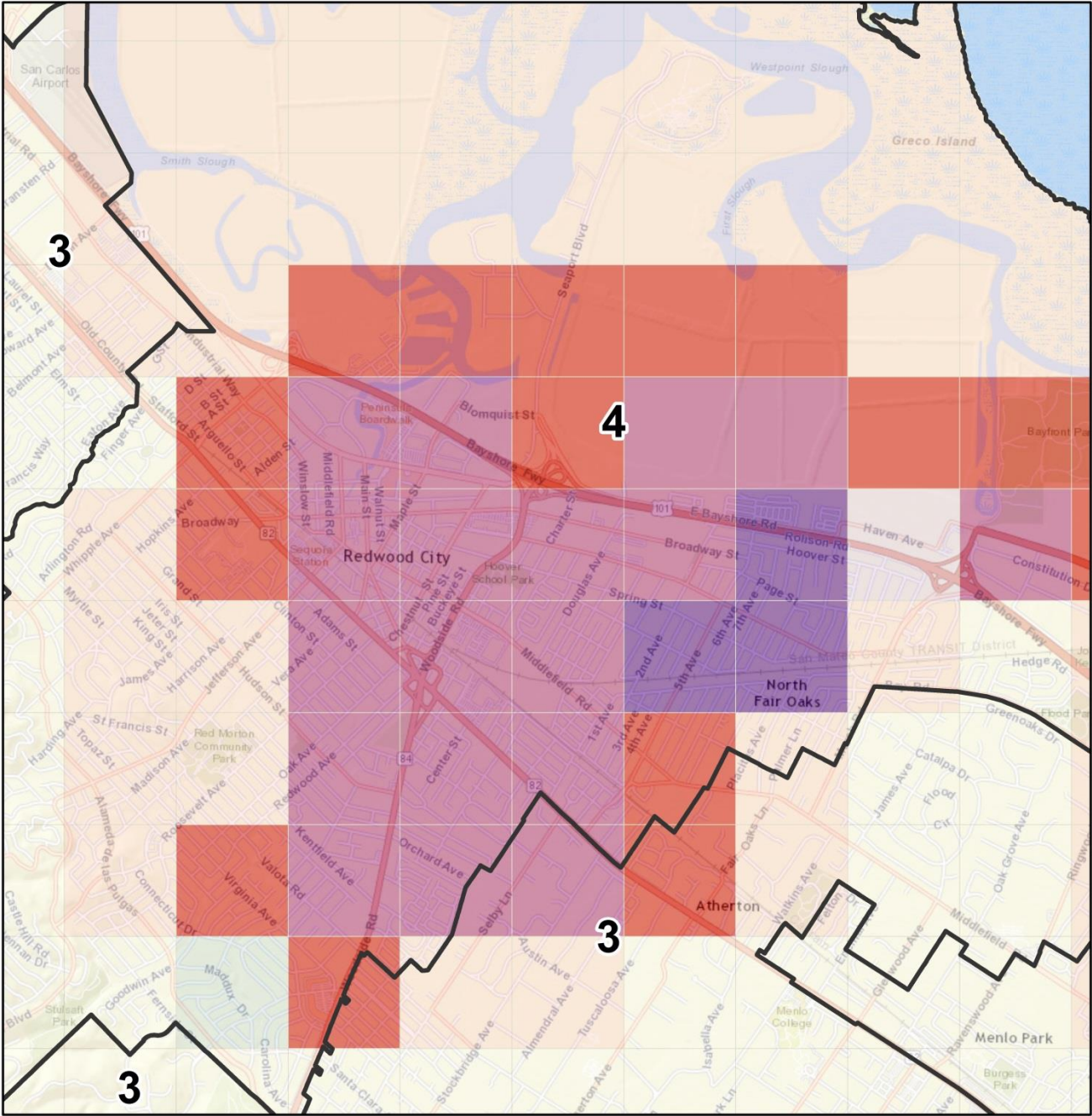


Community Need & Planning Readiness

Redwood City & North Fair Oaks



Supervisory Districts



# NFO/RWC COMMUNITY PLANNING AND ENGAGEMENT

- TOTAL: 257 community members provided input
- 10 Community Champions: engaged residents, held focus groups, conducted surveys
- 4 Neighborhood Leadership Group meetings: over 80 community members and stakeholders
- 10 Focus Groups: 44 parents/caregivers and 99 youth
- 95 Surveys: 62 parents/caregivers and 33 youth
- 2 Dream Walls: 13 adults and 6 youth



# TOP NFO/RWC ISSUES

1. **Housing costs, high cost of living, and lack of living wage job opportunities** (and lack of opportunities to build needed skills/knowledge needed to get living wage jobs)
2. **Structural + institutional racism** (especially related to educational and career opportunities and interactions with law enforcement)
3. **Lack of supportive adults** (often because parents/caregivers are working multiple jobs and there are not enough opportunities for youth to connect with other supportive adults) **Insufficient educational opportunities** especially culturally relevant ones and including in early education
4. **Access to resources** (especially related to mental health and substance use, affordable childcare and preschool, and legal information and services)
5. **Safety** (gangs, domestic violence, sexual assault, sexual harassment, police harassment, and bullying)



# TOP YOUTH AND FAMILY NEEDS AND CONCERNS: AFFORDABILITY/COST OF LIVING

- 17% of parents/caregivers said they are **not able** to afford basic necessities (e.g., medicine, clothes, transportation).
- 19% of parents/caregivers noted that they **do not** have stable housing.

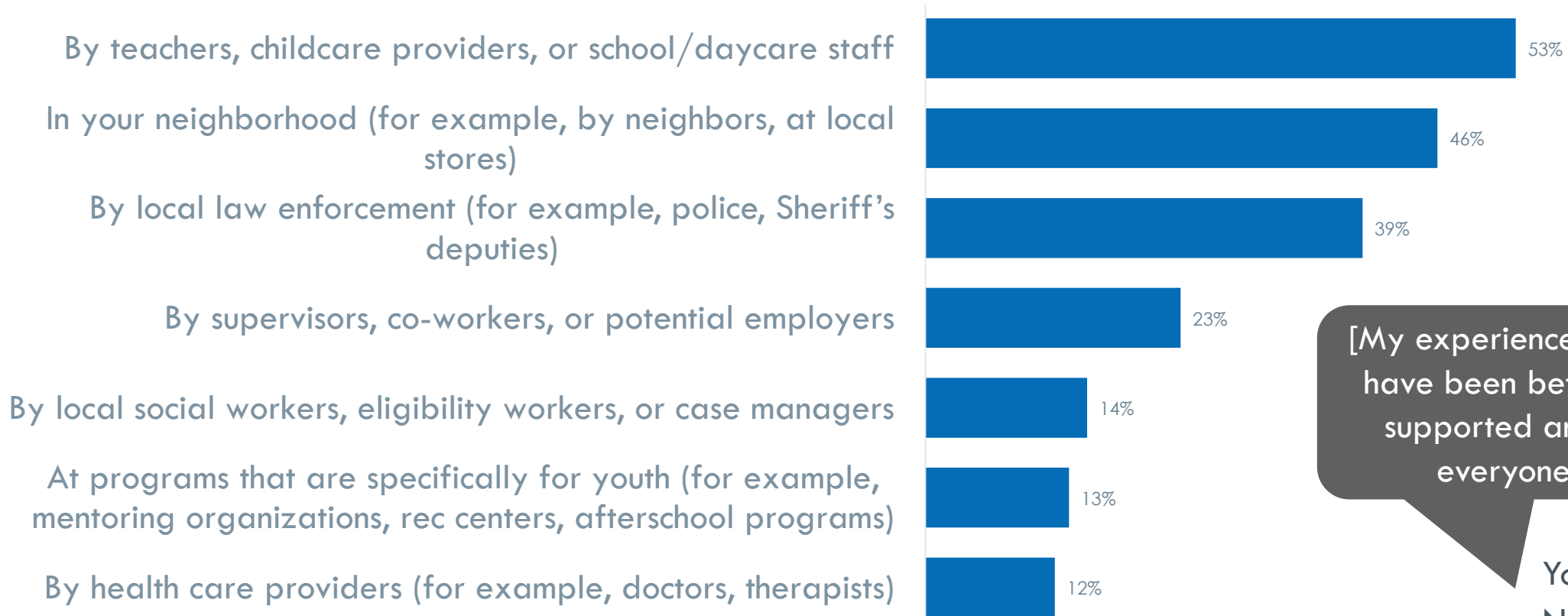
Rents are getting out of control which now forces parents to get a second and in some cases third job just to get by. This causes lack of communication with their children.

NFO/RWC parent/caregiver



# STRUCTURAL AND INSTITUTIONAL RACISM

Youth of Color who reported that they had been discriminated against  
Always, Most of the Time, or Sometimes in the past year...



[My experience in school would have been better] if teachers supported and believed in everyone the same.

Youth living in  
NFO/RWC

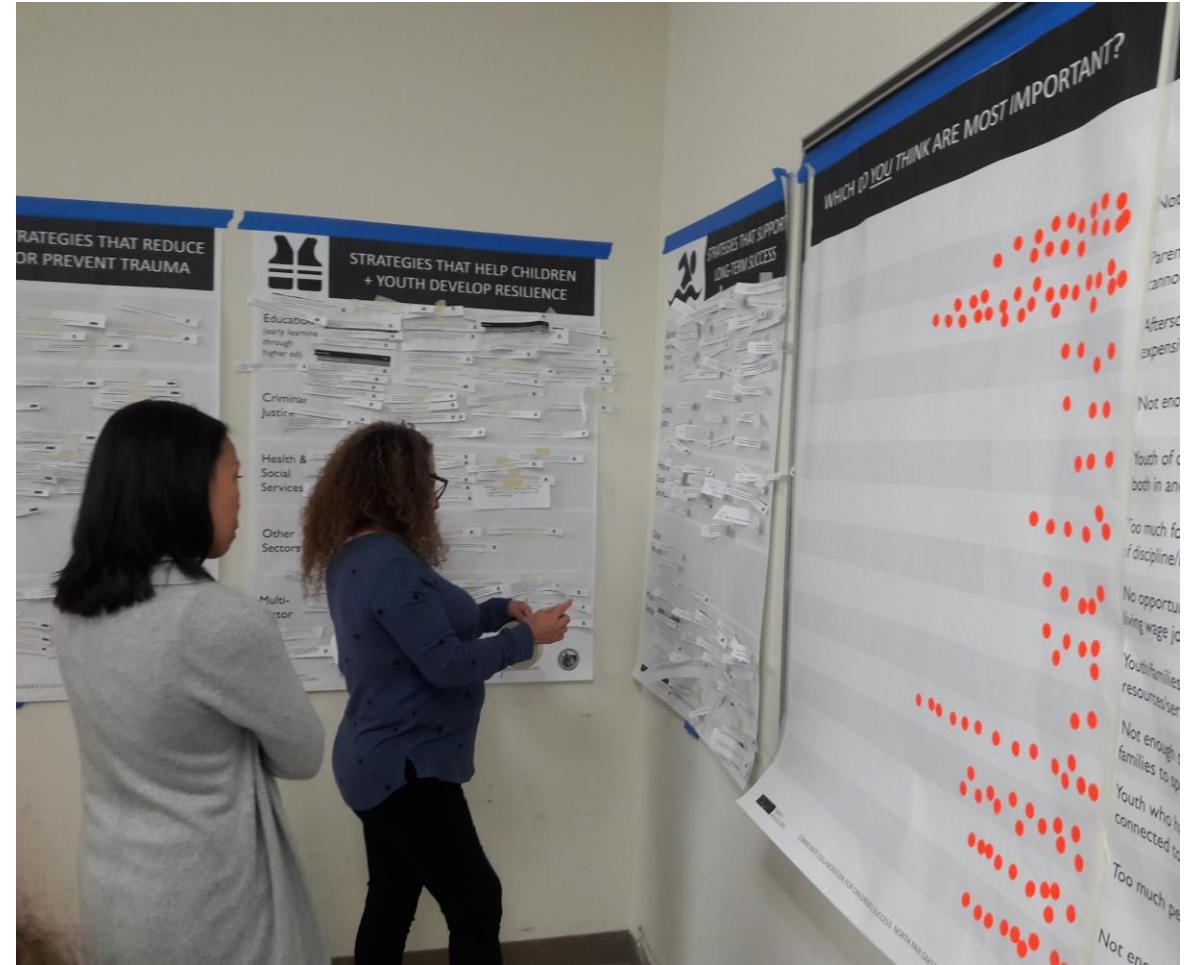
# LACK OF SUPPORTIVE ADULTS

- 24% of youth survey respondents reported that they have “never” or “rarely” talked to a supportive adult (for example, a parent, teacher, mentor) about what they are thinking or feeling.
- 8% of youth survey respondents reported that a parent or other caregiver has “never” or “rarely” actively supported their education (e.g., by attending school events or encouraging them to do homework).
- Another 12% reported that a parent or other caregiver has only “sometimes” done this.



# ACCESS TO RESOURCES

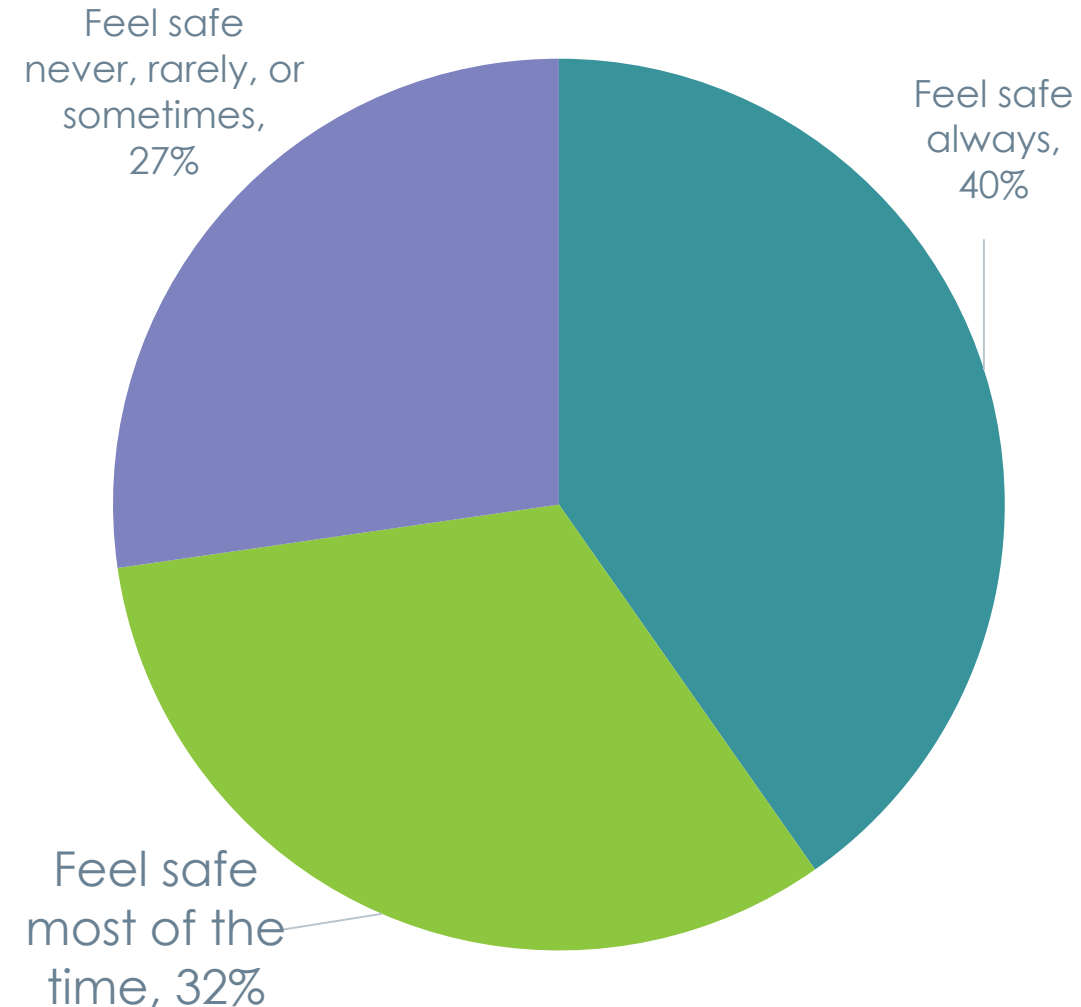
- Language barriers
- Resources aren't hidden
- Immigration services
- Mental health
- Substance use
- Childcare and daycare
- Legal rights



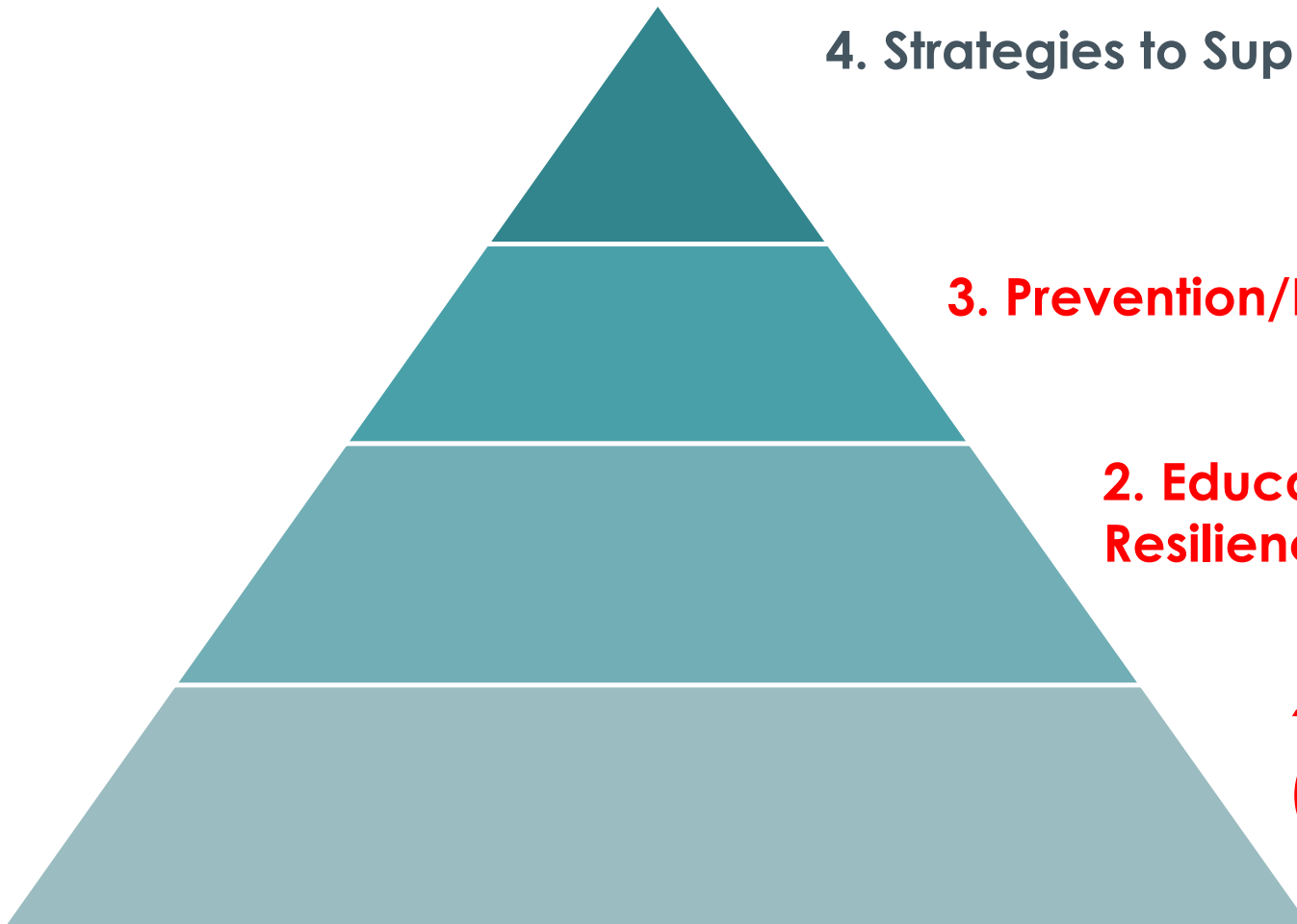
# SAFETY

- 27% of youth survey respondents in NFO/RWC said they **feel safe never, rarely, or sometimes**.
- Only 32% of youth survey respondents in NFO/RWC said they **feel safe most of the time**.
- Only 40% of youth survey respondents in NFO/RWC said they **feel safe always**.

Youth perception of safety



# FRAMEWORK FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF PRIORITIZED STRATEGIES



**4. Strategies to Support System-Engaged Youth**

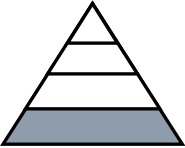
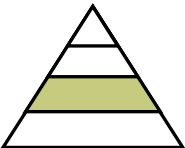
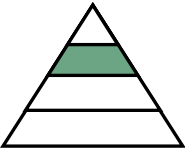
**3. Prevention/Early Interventions (at key times/ages)**

**2. Education & Programming that Supports Resilience**

**1. Protective and Healing Spaces**  
(schools, neighborhoods, systems)



# TOP NFO/RWC STRATEGIES

NFO/RWC Strategies	
 <p><b>Tier 1 Strategies</b> Ensuring that all children, youth, and families live in safe, healthy, and supportive environments</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Expand living wage job opportunities.</li> <li>2. Use data to identify and reduce disparities/disproportionalities.</li> <li>3. Provide mental/behavioral health support at neighborhood schools for students and staff.</li> <li>4. Make it easier for caregivers and youth to utilize supportive services.</li> <li>5. Adopt universal preschool or expand subsidized preschool spots for lower-income families.</li> </ol>
 <p><b>Tier 2 Strategies</b> Building resilient children + youth by expanding developmental assets</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>6. Engage youth with relevant personal experiences on Youth Advisory Boards to shape programming, services, and policies.</li> <li>7. Expand evidence-based violence prevention initiatives.</li> </ol>
 <p><b>Tier 3 Strategies</b> Providing targeted support to address unmet needs at key ages</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>8. Expand mentoring and connect youth to living wage job opportunities and skills-development.</li> <li>9. Provide targeted support to increase household income.</li> <li>10. Adopt/expand <i>promotores</i> or peer-to-peer model to help community members connect to and navigate services.</li> </ol>



# IMPLEMENTATION AND NEXT STEPS

- Implementation working group
- County agency alignment
- Jointly pursue funding

