

Economic Insights from Lower-Income Communities: Findings from the 2025 Community Perspectives Survey

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3:00 to 4:00 PM ET



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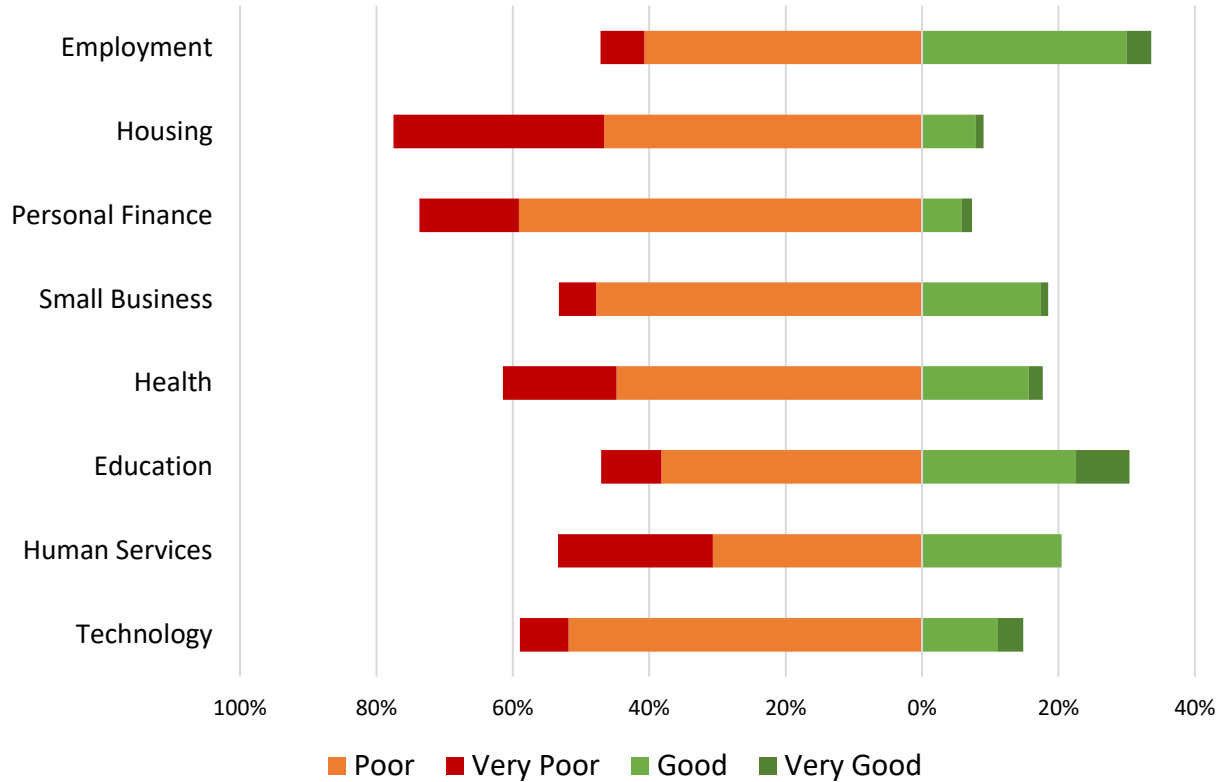
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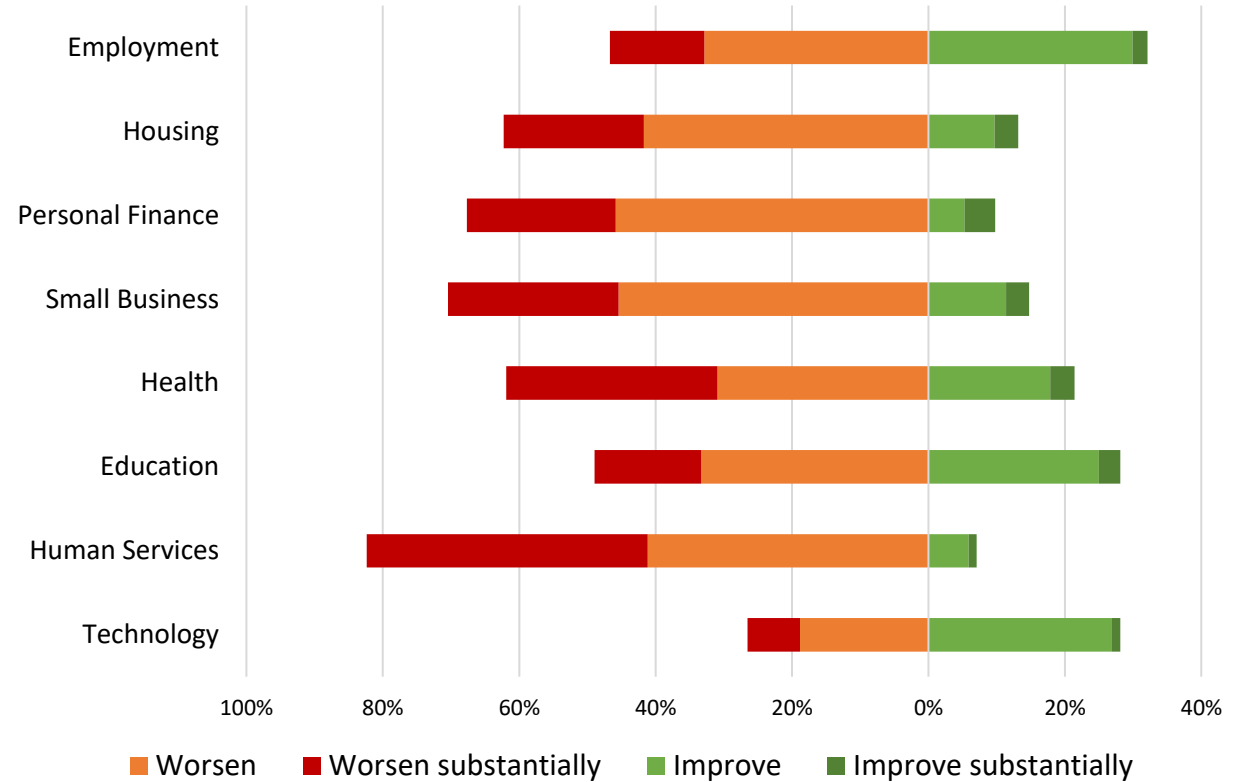


Overall Community Conditions

Current - 2025

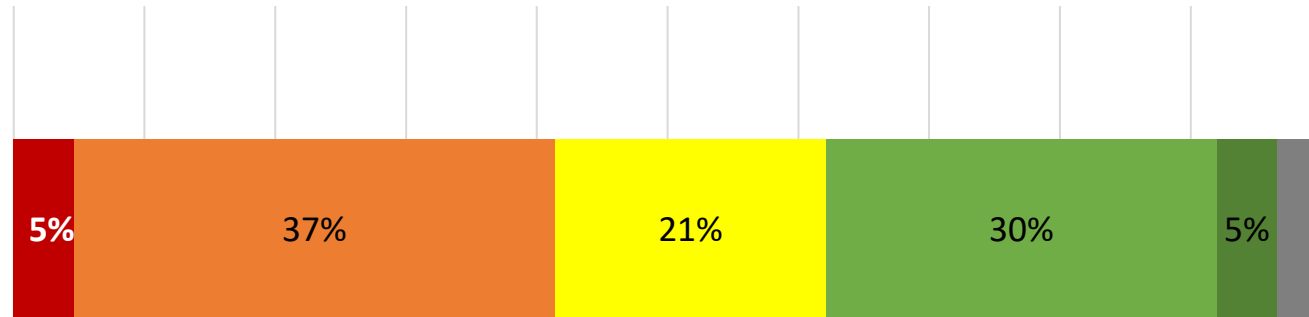


Expectations- 2026



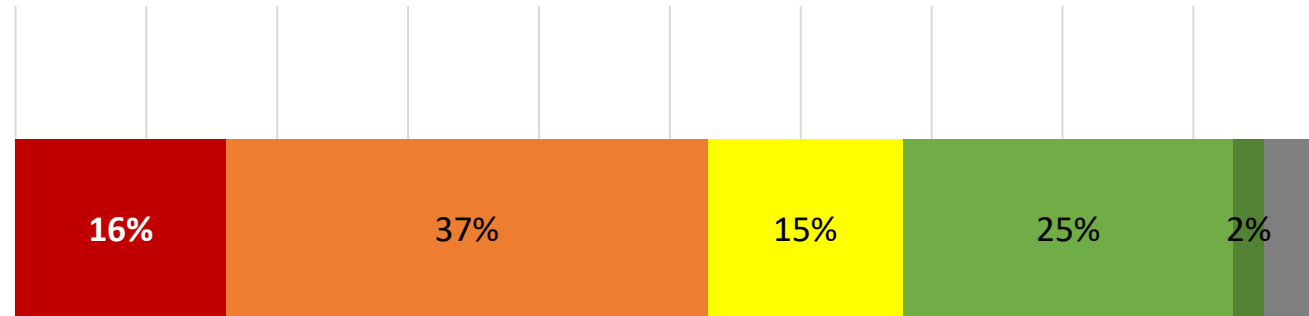
Conditions for Finding Work

Current

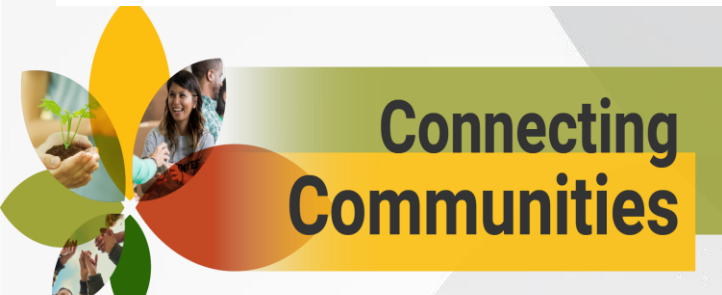


■ Very poor
■ Poor
■ Neither good or poor
■ Good
■ Very good
■ Unsure

Expectations

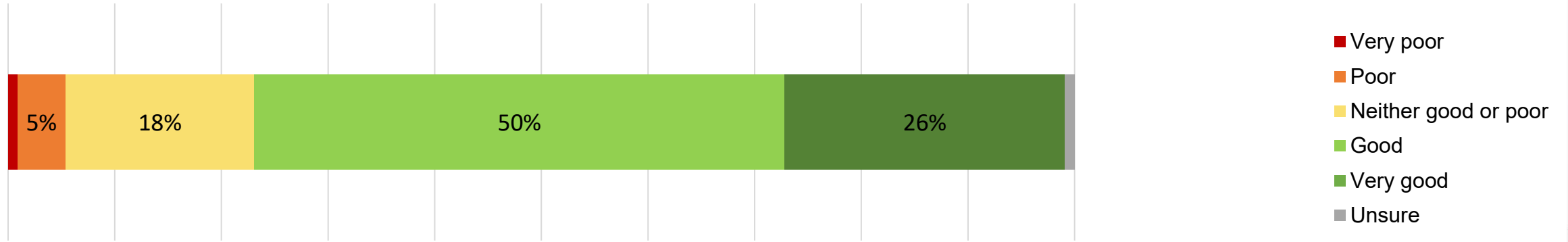


■ Worsen substantially
■ Worsen
■ No change
■ Improve
■ Improve substantially
■ Unsure

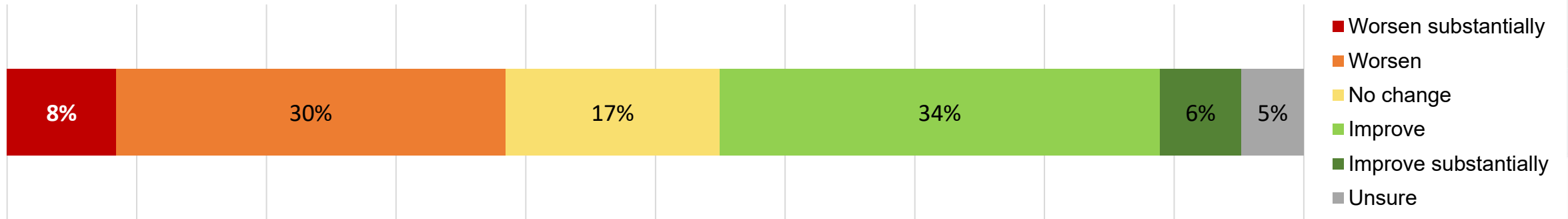


Entities

Ability to Serve - Current

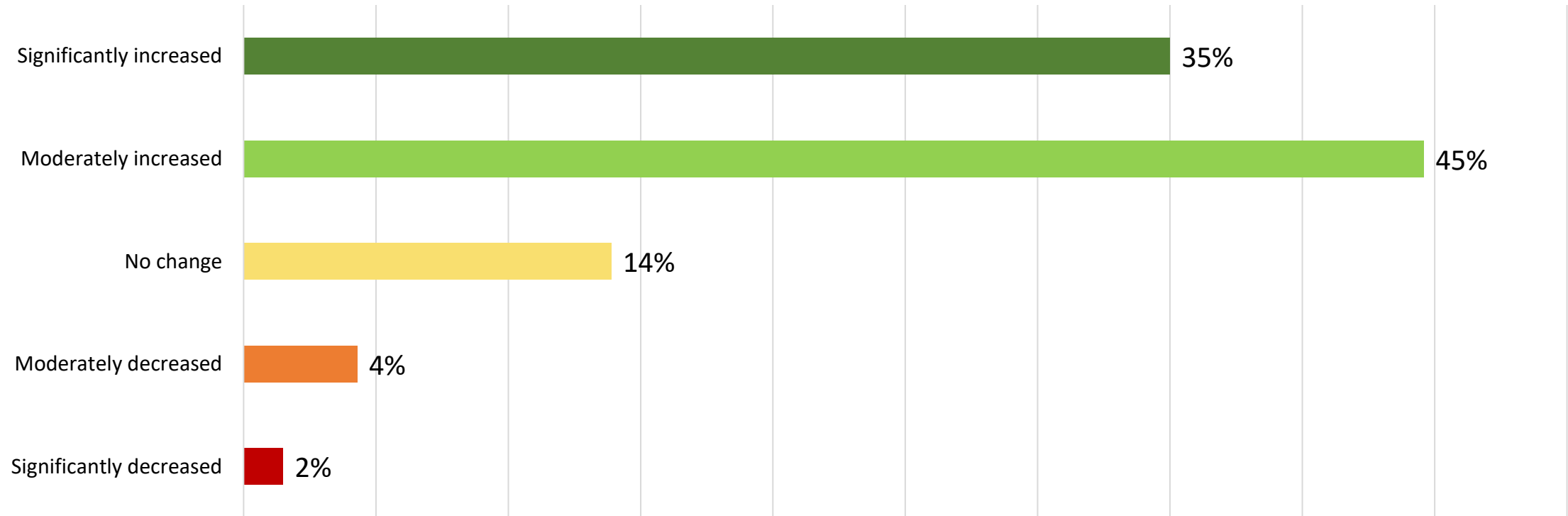


Ability to Serve - Expectations



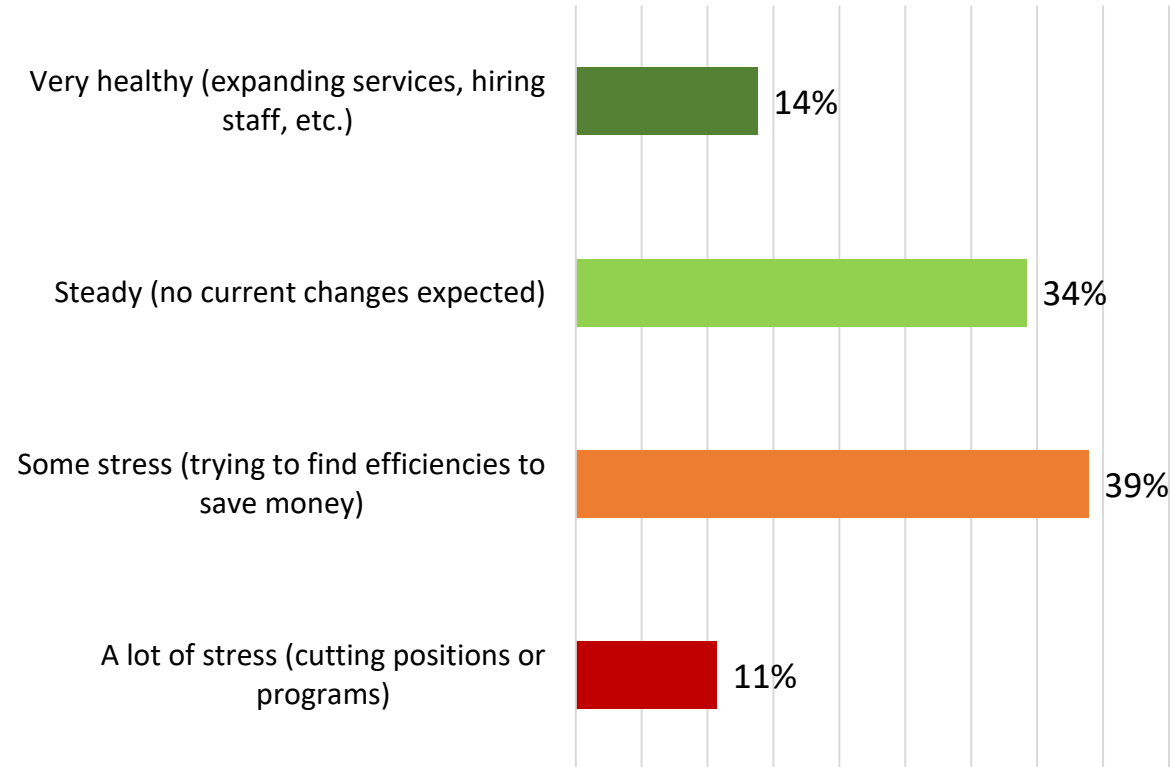
Entities – Demand for Services

Change in Demand for Services since 2024

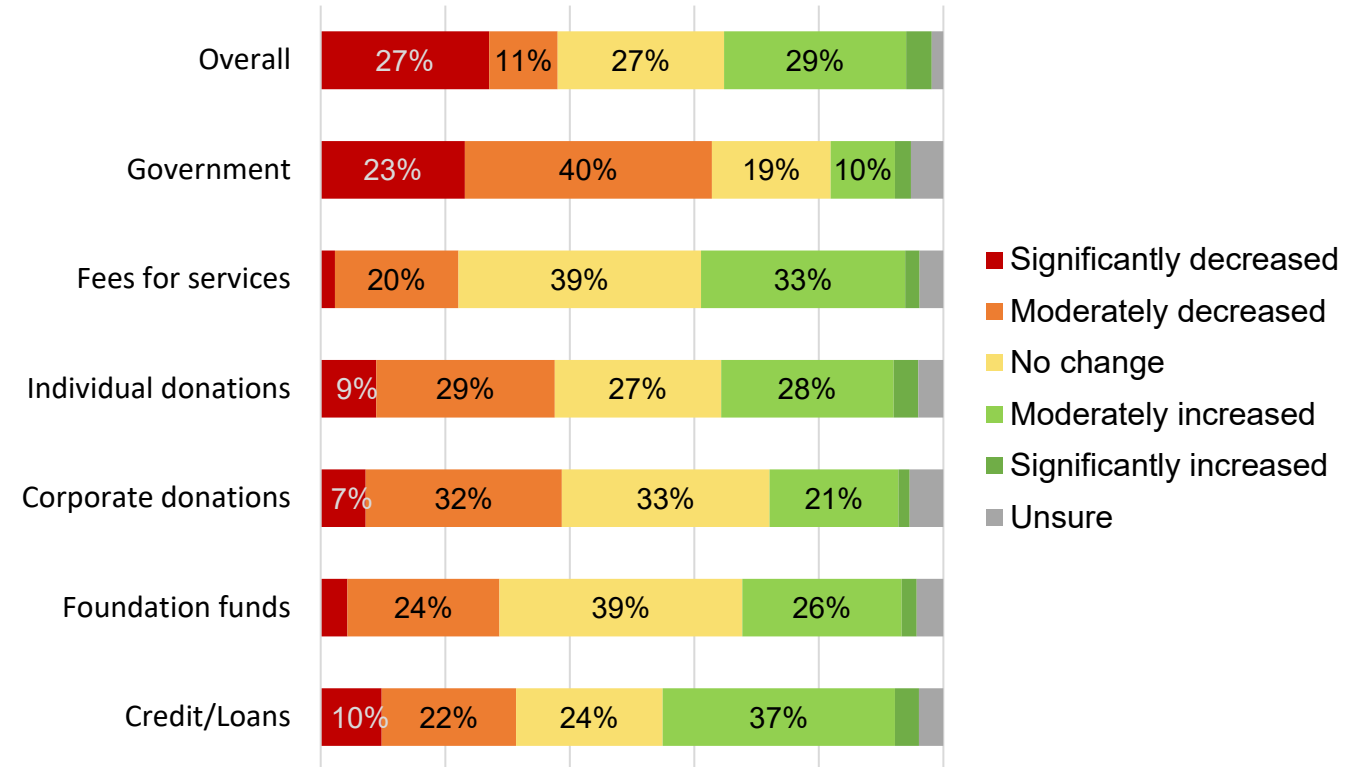


Entities – Financial Health

Financial Health

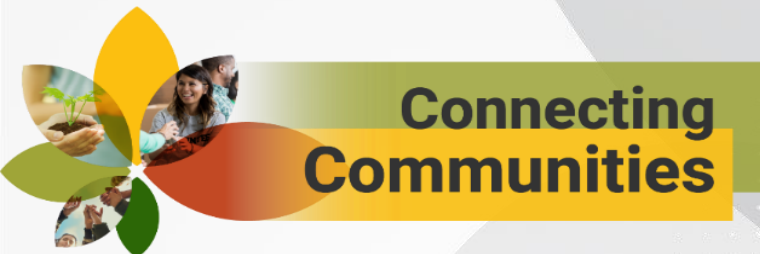


Funding Changes since 2024



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