

Grant Partner Survey

Allegheny Franciscan Ministries

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Introduction

Allegany Franciscan Ministries wishes to improve their partnership with community organizations, to improve their processes, and to understand their impact. As part of that effort, the foundation asked all organizations that received an ACOR, All Region Fund, Major, St. Clare, or Tau grant in the prior three years to complete a brief, online survey to provide feedback. Because 2018 is the foundation's 20th anniversary, the survey also solicited stories and information to highlight. Foundation staff sent an email introducing the survey to grant partners and then provided a list of email addresses to an independent evaluator. The evaluator sent the survey invitation and two reminders to those that had not yet completed a survey. Every organization that completed a survey by the due date was entered into a drawing to receive a **\$250 donation**; entries to the drawing were separated from responses by the independent evaluator. The survey had a 43% response rate. Invitations were sent to 262 organizations that had received a grant in the prior three years. Of those, 13 were undeliverable and 106 responded. The evaluation consultant and Allegany Franciscan Ministries staff prepared this report together.

Aggregate Survey Results, by Question

Figure 1: What geographic area does your organization serve?

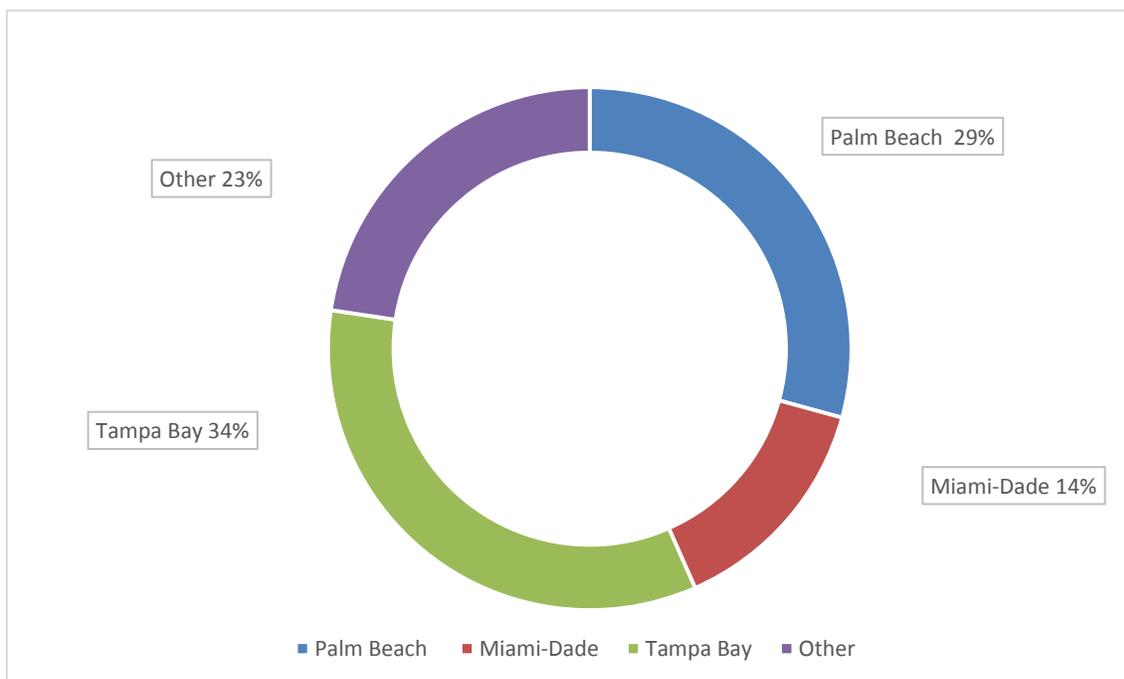


Figure 2: Opinions about Allegany Franciscan Ministries processes.

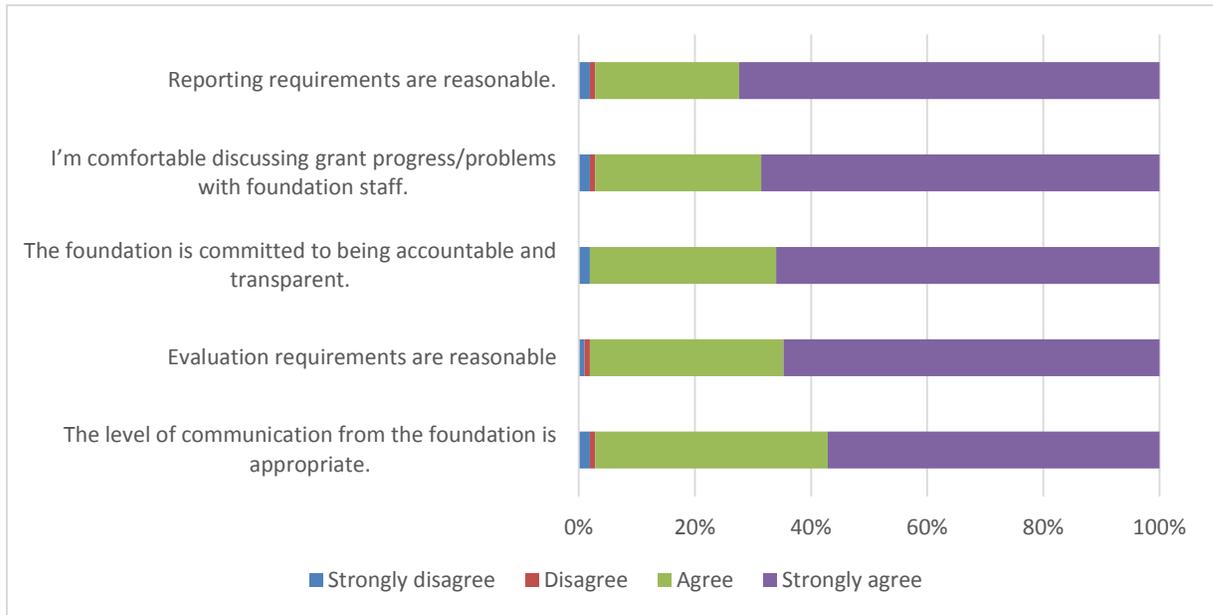
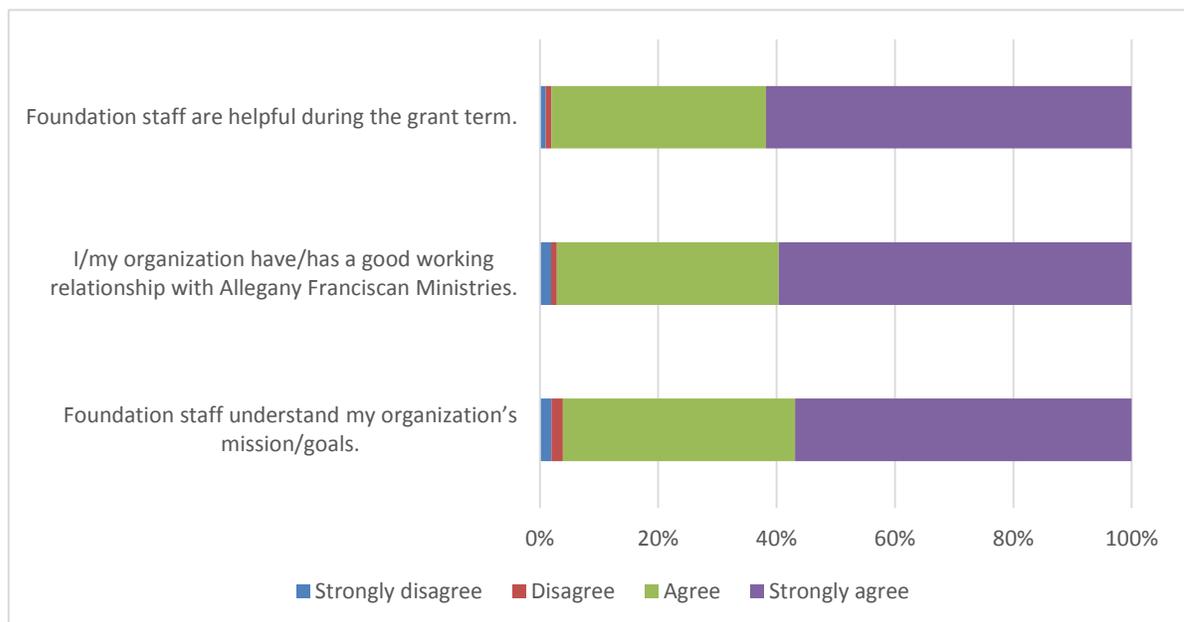


Figure 3: Use of social media

	Yes	No
Does your organization use social media?	88.5%	11.5%
Do you or your organization follow Allegany Franciscan Ministries on Facebook?	45.2%	54.8%

Figure 4: Opinion about your relationship with Allegany Franciscan Ministries.



**Figure 5: What has Allegany Franciscan Ministries' funding allowed your organization to do?
Check all that apply**

Item	Percent choosing
Improve the quality of our services and our programs	63.2%
Add a new program or services to meet a new or existing community need	58.5%
Expand an existing program or set of services to more or different clients	56.6%
Maintain an existing program or service	49.1%
Leverage additional funding from other funders	34.9%
Cover operating expenses so that we could pursue other funding opportunities	25.5%
Enhance our leadership capacity	22.6%
Survive as an organization during difficult economic times	17.0%
Other (please specify)	10.4%

Other responses related to capacity building and included improved reporting, analysis and record keeping; completing an audit; upgrading and enhancing technology; purchasing needed supplies and equipment; and building improvements.

The following three questions were open-ended questions. Given the number of responses, Allegany Franciscan Ministries staff reviewed and summarized the responses. Each question is listed in bold and then the summary provided below the question.

Are there ways in which Allegany Franciscan Ministries added value to your work in addition to grant dollars? If yes, how?

- Able to recruit more volunteers
- Allow for more holistic care of clients
- Deep sense of satisfaction
- Diversify funding sources
- Encouraged thinking outside the box in providing services
- Encouragement, validation
- Increase staff's efficiency with clients
- Increased capacity to perform at a higher level
- Increased confidence in our mission and our ability to carry it out
- Increased credibility, improved reputation, legitimized our work

- Increased grant writing skills
- More visible presence in our local community
- Networking opportunities

In your opinion, in what ways (if any) has Allegany Franciscan Ministries improved access to healthcare and improved health status for underserved marginalized populations?

- Change to healthier eating habits as the result of nutritional education
- Educate RNs in congregational health to better meet the health needs of their faith communities
- Free dental treatment
- Health program education and navigation
- Increased access to food including availability of fresh perishable, nutritious food for poor and homeless
- Increased free healthcare delivery and medications to uninsured
- Increased outreach to vulnerable populations (seniors, homeless, children)
- Increased sharing of health resources with clients with chronic illnesses such as heart disease and diabetes
- Made progress in closing the gap in overcoming transportation barriers
- Navigation and enrollment assistance to individuals about healthcare plans
- Provide clean water to poor communities
- Provide exercise classes to low-income urban seniors
- Provide hygiene items to public school students
- Raise awareness of programs serving marginalized populations
- Reduced lost billings to Medicaid by using electronic medical reporting systems

If you are willing to share a quote that Allegany Franciscan Ministries can use in their 20th Anniversary materials, please provide a quote here.

- 20 years of making a difference for those forgotten by society
 - Allegany Franciscan Ministries has been a community partner and leader in Miami-Dade County, helping ensure that the most vulnerable populations have equity and access to services.
 - Allegany Franciscan Ministries provides needed resources that help capacity build small community nonprofits. We value their expertise and commitment to serve.
 - Tampa Bay is fortunate to have support from Allegany Franciscan Ministries, an organization that demonstrates a strong commitment to health education in diverse communities.
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- They believed in our mission and vision from the very beginning when others were wary of funding a new organization.
 - You allow us to be boots on the ground for you.
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