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# **2016 Volunteer Management Progress Report: How to Use the Results to Generate Greater Support**

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# Agenda

- ☑ Introduction: Methodology & Partners
- ☑ Key Findings & Your Questions
- ☑ How to Use the Results to Advocate Within Your Organization
- ☑ Your Ideas for the 2017 Survey
- ☑ Q&A Throughout

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“Everything that can be counted does not  
necessarily count; everything that counts  
cannot necessarily be counted.”  
~ William Bruce Cameron



# Survey Methodology

## Who ...

- 1,068 volunteer administrators (paid & volunteer), self selected
- 29 were disqualified, approx. 930-950 completed most questions
- 95% confidence with +/-3% margin of error

## What ...

- A 41-question survey with closed- and open-ended items, most optional
- To paint a more complete picture of today's volunteer management professionals

## When ...

- Responses collected: November 9 – December 21, 2016

## How ...

- Questionnaire developed with input from colleagues & an evaluation expert
- Administered online only via the SurveyMonkey platform

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# Many Thanks!



## Our Distribution Partners

- Points of Light/HandsOn Network
- Council for Certification in Volunteer Administration (CCVA)
- VolunteerMatch.org
- United Way Worldwide
- Volunteer Today
- Association of Leaders in Volunteer Engagement (ALIVE!)

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**Thanks to YOU**, if you completed the survey!!!

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# Who Did We Survey?

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Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Arts, Culture, and Humanities/History/Museums	6%	56
Business/Trade Orgs/Professional Associations	1%	11
Education/Libraries	11%	103
Environment/Parks/Wildlife	7%	67
Animal Care & Welfare	4%	40
<b>Health Care/Medical Research/Support Services</b>	<b>18%</b>	<b>172</b>
Mental Health & Crisis Intervention/Domestic Violence	3%	24
Hospice	2%	19
Senior & Disability Services	5%	47
Crime-Related & Other Legal Services	1%	12
Employment & Training	1%	8
Food, Agriculture & Nutrition/Food Pantry & Delivery	4%	34
Housing & Shelter/Homelessness	4%	37
Public Safety, Disaster Preparedness & Relief	3%	24
Recreation & Sports	2%	20
Youth Development	5%	44
Foreign Affairs/International NGO	0%	1
Civil Rights, Social Action & Advocacy/Empowerment	2%	16
<b>Community Improvement &amp; Capacity Building</b>	<b>8%</b>	<b>76</b>
Philanthropy & Grantmaking/Volunteer Center	5%	50
Science & Technology	1%	5
Child Welfare/Family Services/Social Services	4%	39
Other (please specify)	4%	34
<b>answered question</b>		<b>939</b>
<b>skipped question</b>		<b>155</b>

## Top Nonprofit Causes (over 100,00 in US)

1. Faith-based
2. Education
3. Community Improvement & Capacity Building
4. Arts, Culture, Humanities
5. Recreation & Sports
6. Philanthropy, Voluntarism & Grantmaking

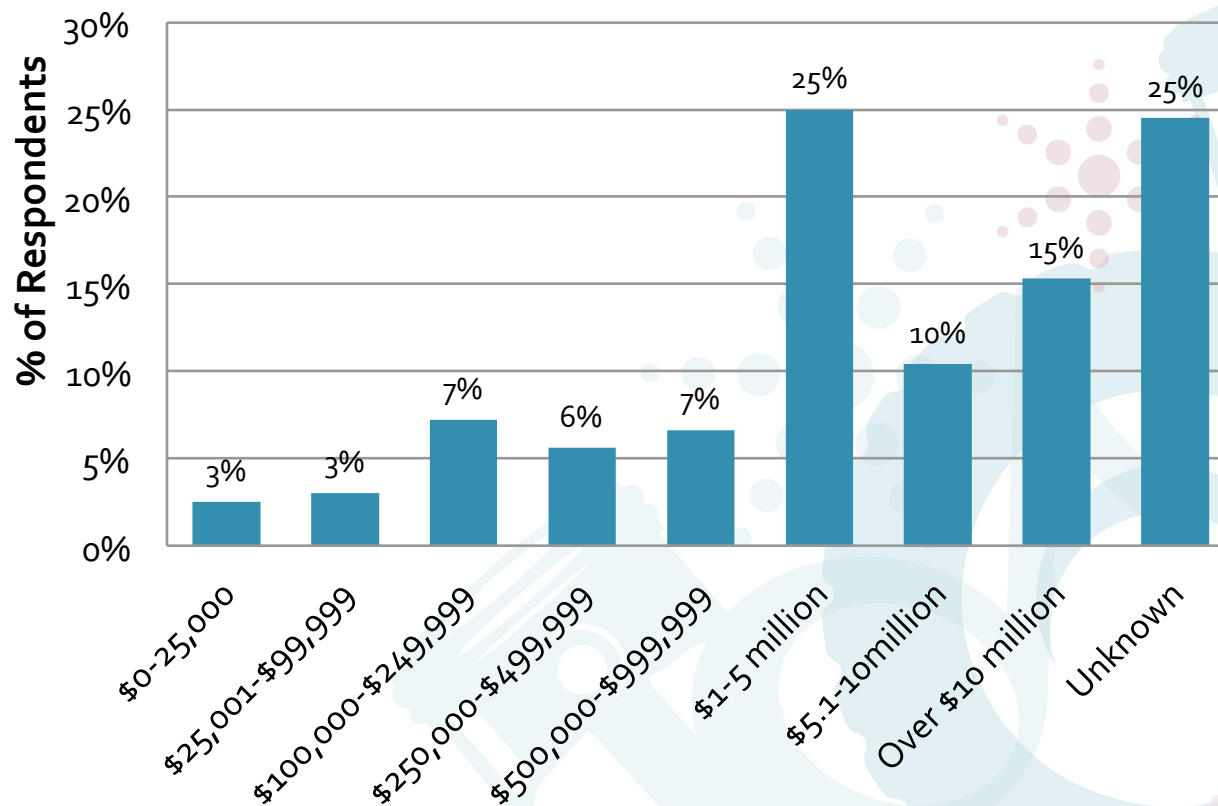
Source: Internal Revenue Service, Urban Institute, National Center for Charitable Statistics, <http://nccsweb.urban.org/>

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# Annual Budgets

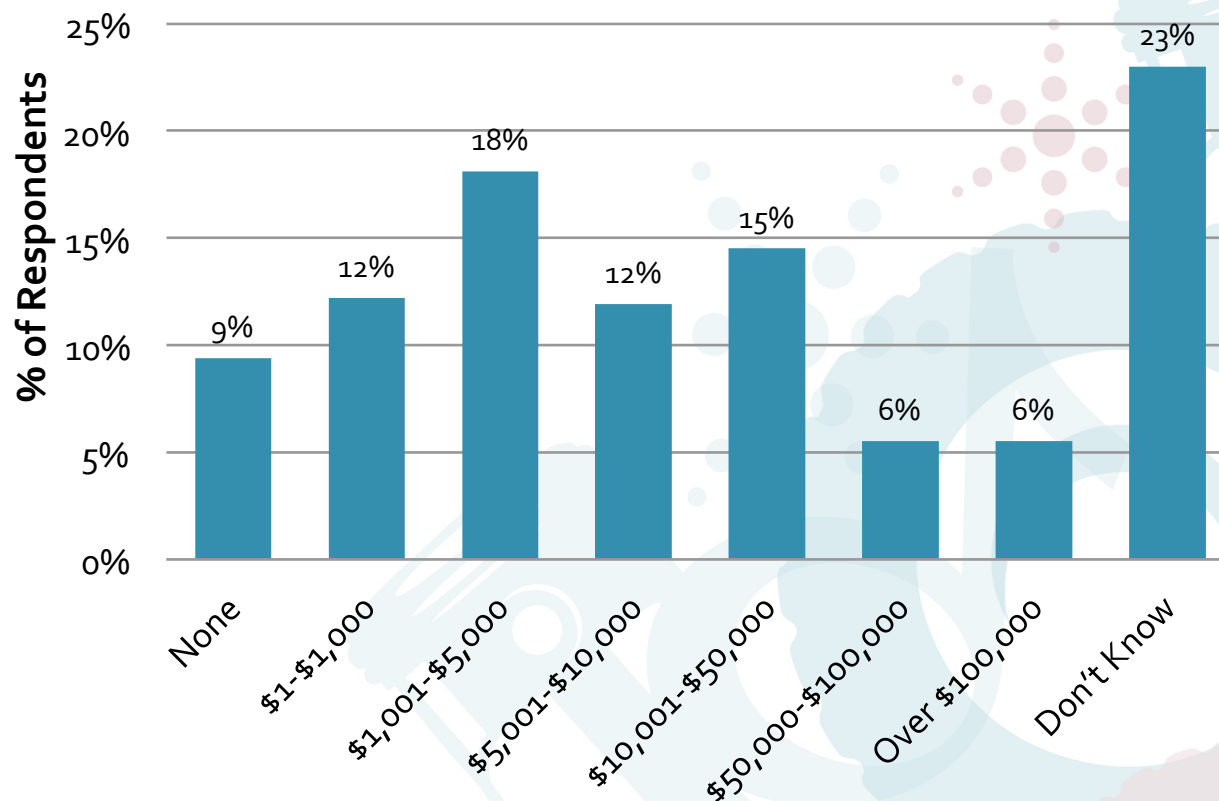
## Organization Annual Budget



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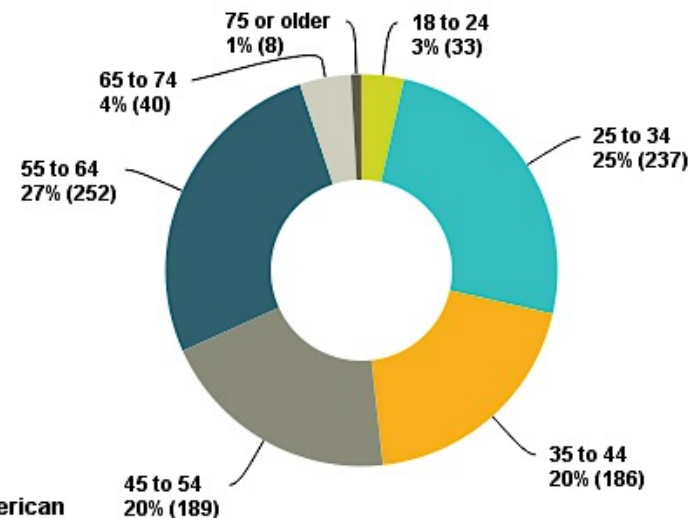
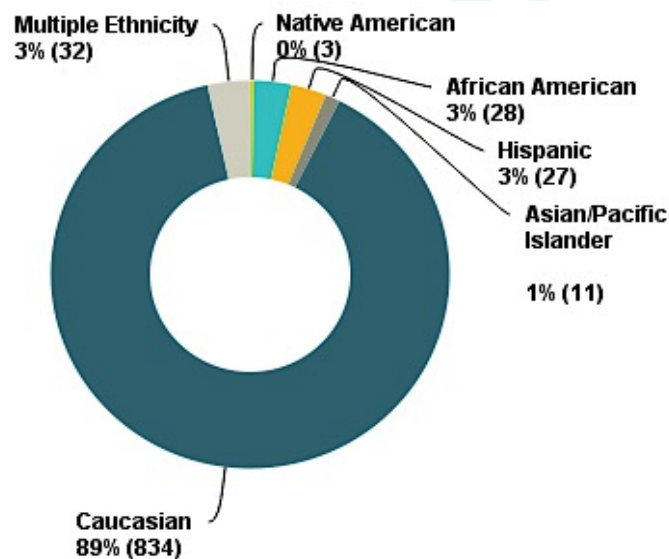
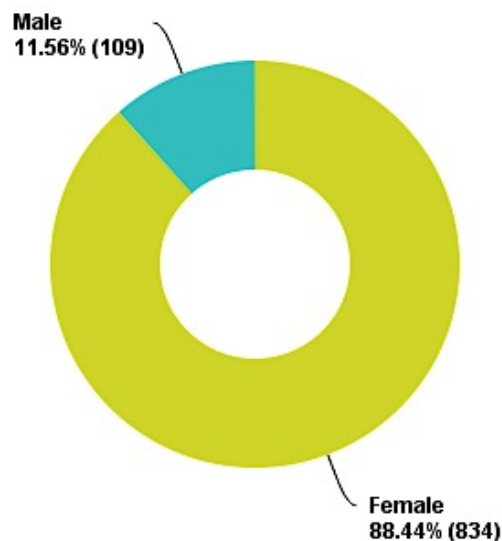
# Annual Budgets

Program Annual Budget  
(excluding salaries & benefits)



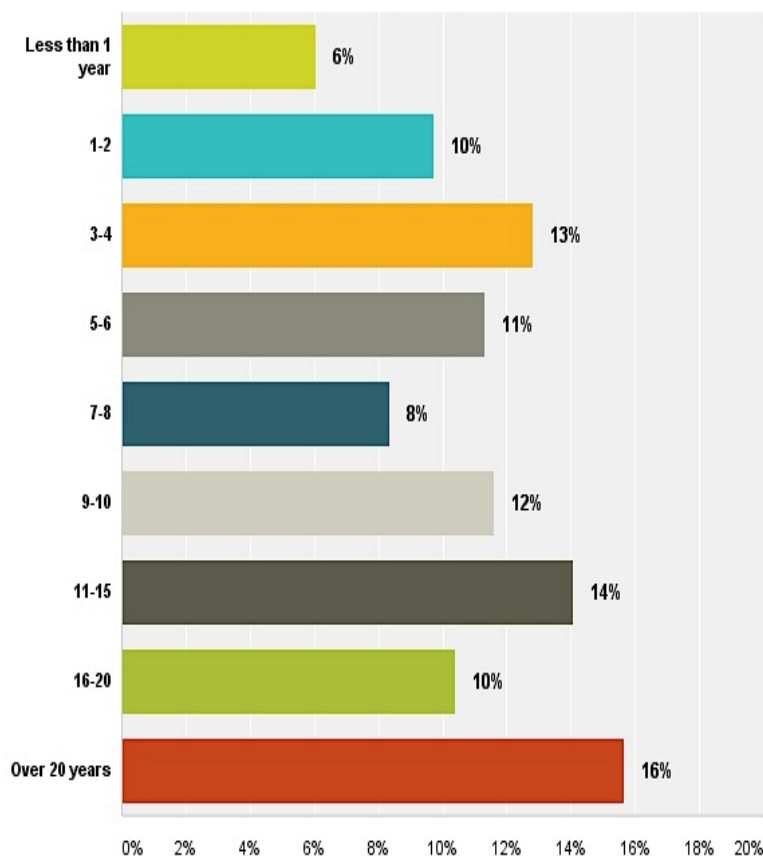
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# Respondent Demographics



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# Volunteer Admin. Experience



Wide range of experience

- Over 40% had more than 10 years in the field
- Over 15% had less than two years
- 40% spent 2 years or less in their current position

No correlation between years in profession and years in current position

The majority with a Bachelor's Degree (52%)  
Another 26% with a Master's Degree.

Only 21% hold a CVA credential

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# What Are Their Needs?

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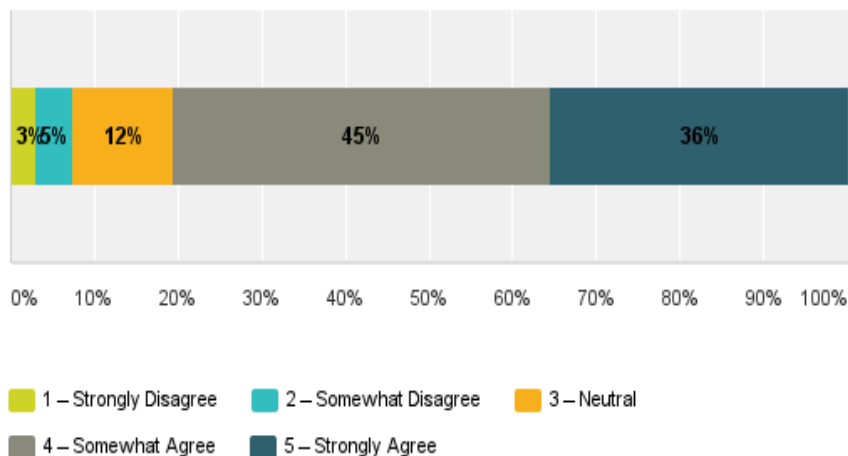
# Top Challenges

Challenge Type	Percentage of Respondents
Recruitment (finding the right number/right type of volunteers)	25%
Gaining support and buy-in from staff/leadership/agencies	9%
Limited hours/time and various responsibilities	9%
Financial investment in staff and programs	7%
Volunteer retention	6%
Creating placement opportunities/assignments and matching	6%
Volunteer commitment/motivation/reliability	4%
Volunteer engagement	3%
Communication with volunteers and staff	3%
Adequate and accessible training/education	3%
Administrative details/regulations	2%
Managing change	2%
Supervising volunteers and staff	2%

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# Professional Development

## Agree that Professional Development Training Would Increase Their Effectiveness



## Top Training Needs

1. Developing Program Outcome Metrics (46%)
2. Program Evaluation & Data-Based Decision-Making (43%)
3. Strategic Partnerships & Coalitions (42%)
4. Volunteer Recognition & Retention (39%)
5. Volunteer Recruitment (36%)

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# How Do They Describe Their Work?

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# Job Title & Boss's Position

## Job Title

1. Coordinator (39%)
2. Manager (27%)
3. Director (19%)

## Reports To

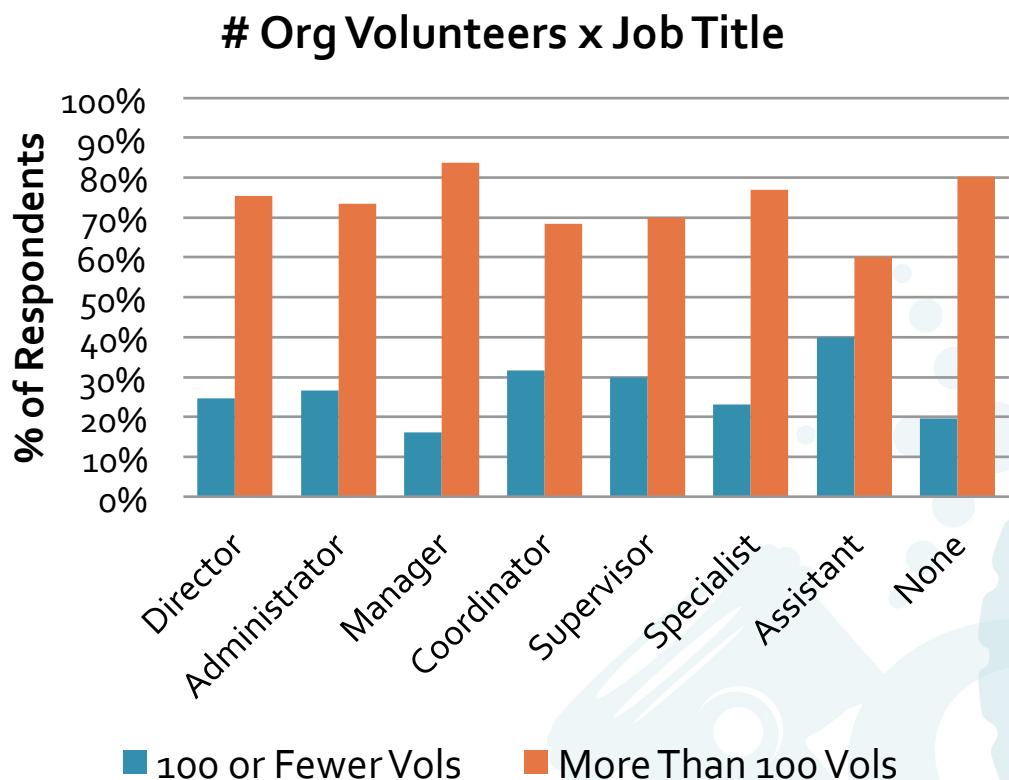
## % Responses

<b>Executive Director</b>	<b>27%</b>
Associate Director	9%
Board Chair/President	6%
Board Vice Chair/Vice President	2%
<b>Program Director</b>	<b>18%</b>
Human Resources Manager	6%
Marketing/Communications Manager	4%
Fundraising Manager	4%
Volunteer Administrator/Volunteer Manager	6%
<b>None of These</b>	<b>20%</b>

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# #of Volunteers x Job Title

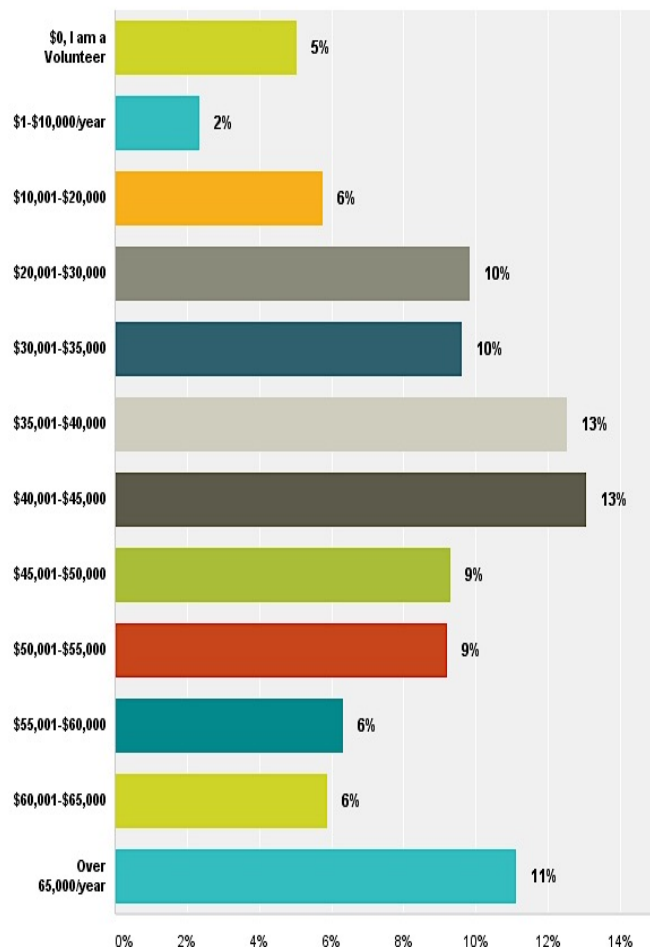


## See Report For:

- x Org Budget
- x Program Budget
- x Total # Paid Employees

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# Annual Salary (Excl. Benefits)



45% of all salaries fell between \$30K and \$50K  
11% reported a salary exceeding \$65K

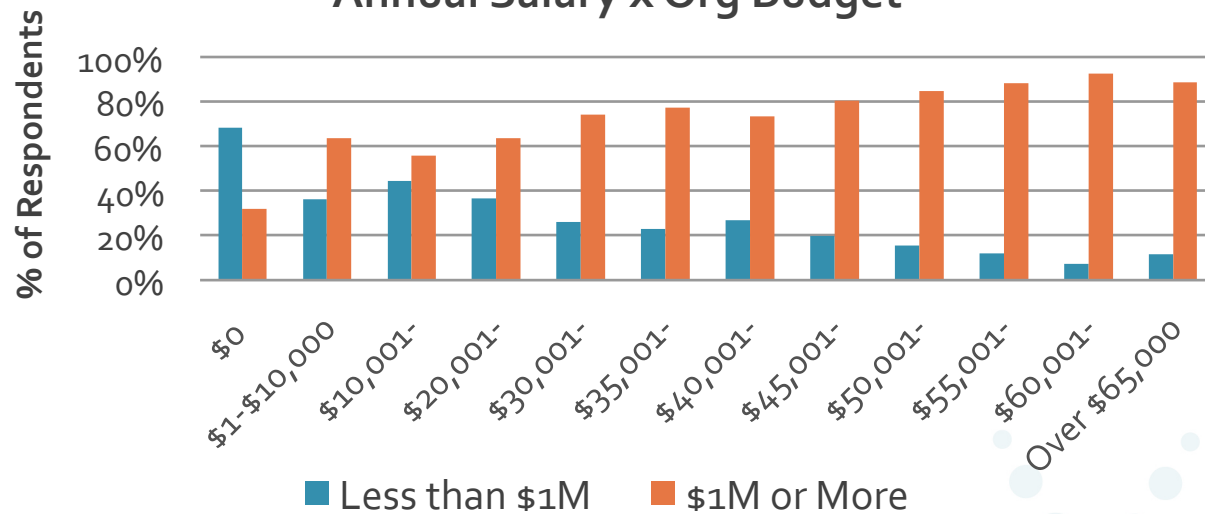
Median salary: \$40k-45K year

Higher salaries are more likely in orgs with:

- higher numbers of volunteers annually
- higher organizational budgets
- higher numbers of paid staff

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## Annual Salary x Org Budget



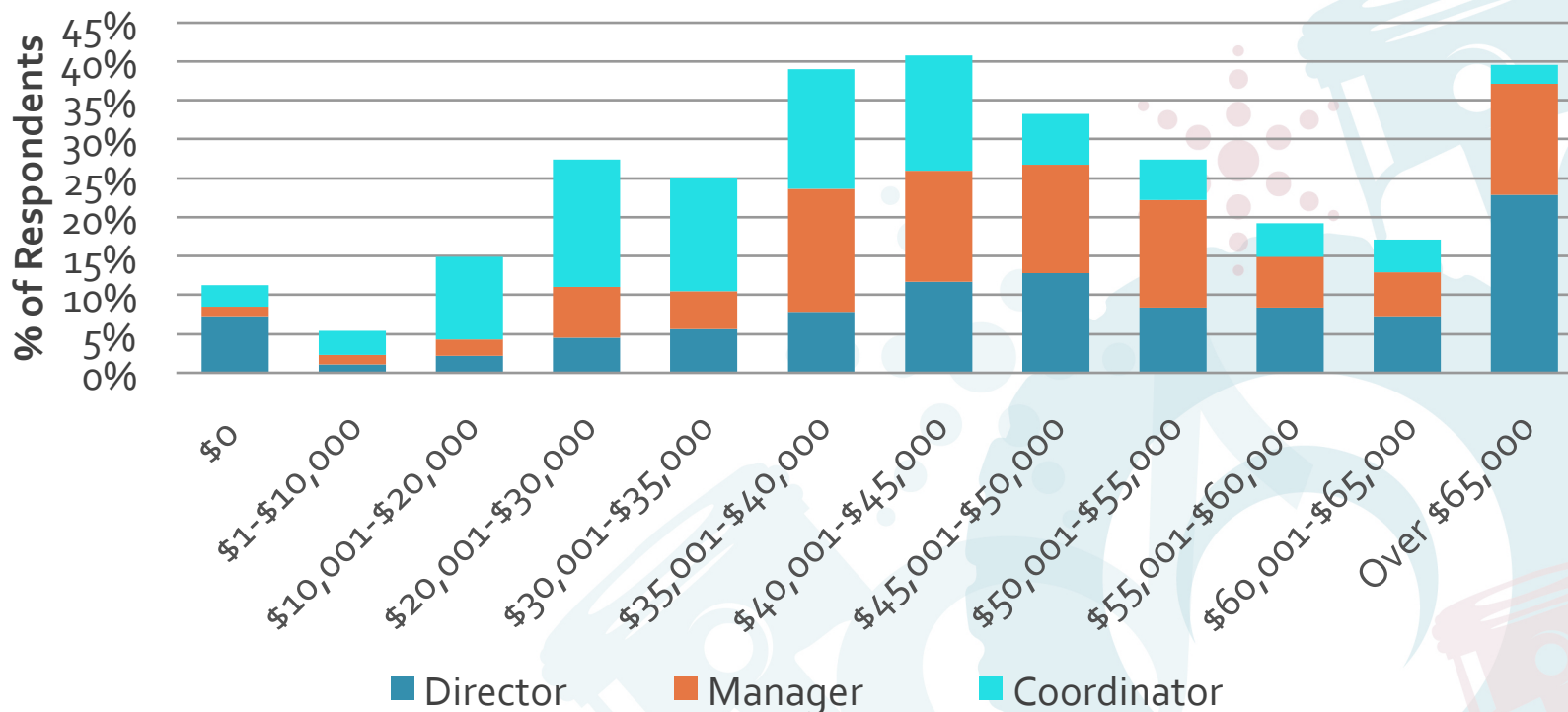
## Annual Salary

Organizational Budget									
Annual Salary	\$0-\$25,000	\$25,001-\$99,999	\$100,000-\$249,999	\$250,000-\$499,999	\$500,000-\$999,999	\$1M-\$5M	\$5.1M-\$10M	Over \$10M	Unknown
\$0	19%	17%	17%	11%	4%	15%	4%	4%	9%
\$0-\$10,000	9%	14%	9%	0%	5%	5%	5%	0%	55%
\$10,001-\$20,001	2%	12%	15%	6%	10%	10%	2%	8%	37%
\$20,001-\$30,000	3%	3%	16%	7%	8%	27%	9%	1%	27%
\$30,001-\$35,000	2%	2%	8%	6%	8%	34%	1%	9%	30%
\$35,001-\$40,000	1%	3%	8%	8%	4%	39%	13%	5%	20%
\$40,001-\$45,000	2%	1%	7%	7%	11%	27%	11%	14%	22%
\$45,001-\$50,000	0%	1%	1%	8%	9%	33%	13%	13%	22%
\$50,001-\$55,000	0%	0%	5%	5%	6%	29%	9%	22%	24%
\$55,001-\$60,000	2%	2%	2%	5%	2%	10%	21%	29%	28%
\$60,001-\$65,000	0%	0%	2%	0%	6%	24%	17%	31%	20%
Over \$65,000	1%	0%	4%	2%	5%	17%	16%	36%	19%

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# Salary

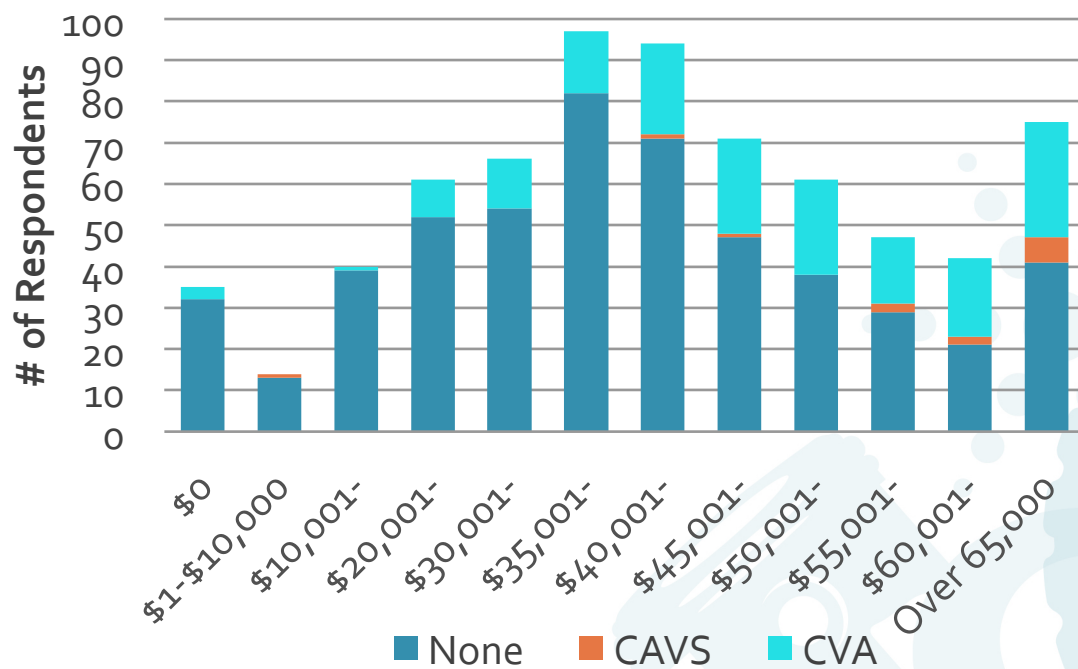
## Annual Salary x Job Title



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# Salary

## Annual Salary x Certification



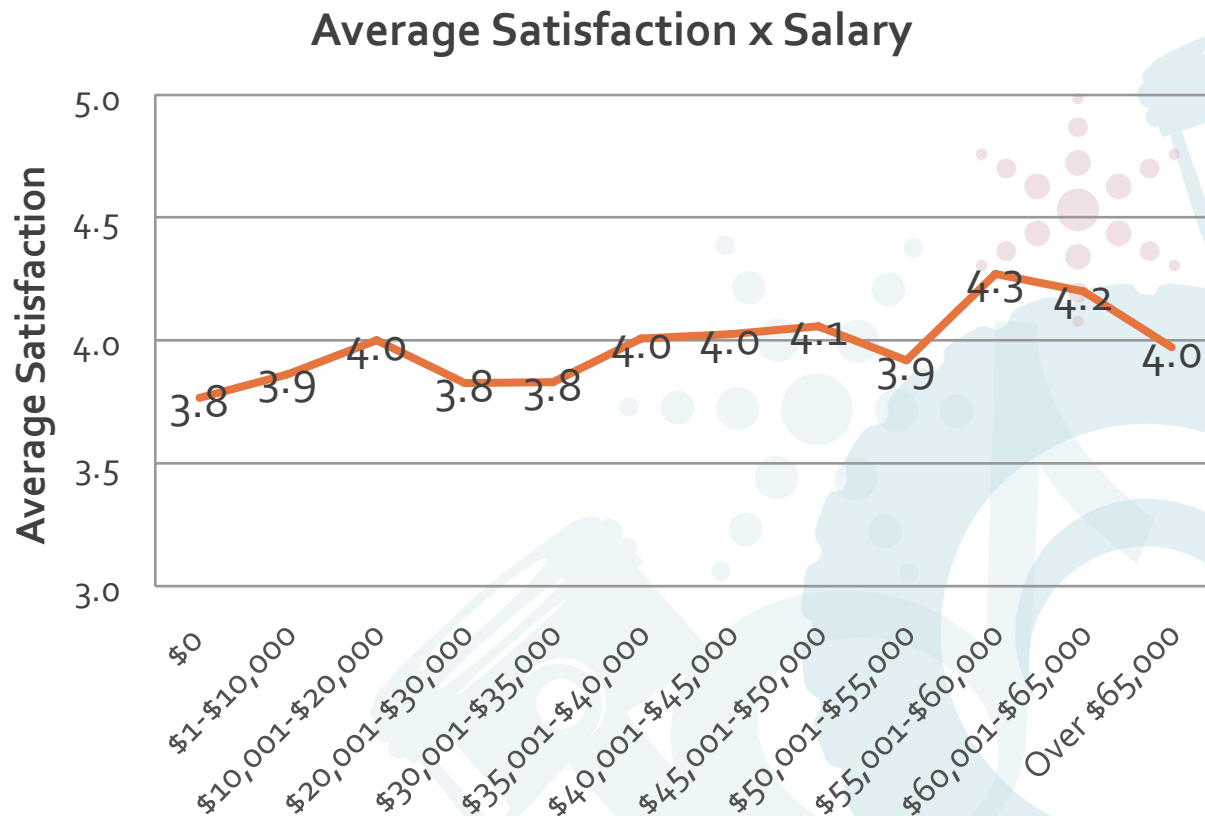
## See Report For

- x Total # Volunteers
- x Total # Paid Staff
- x # Employees Supervised

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# Job Satisfaction



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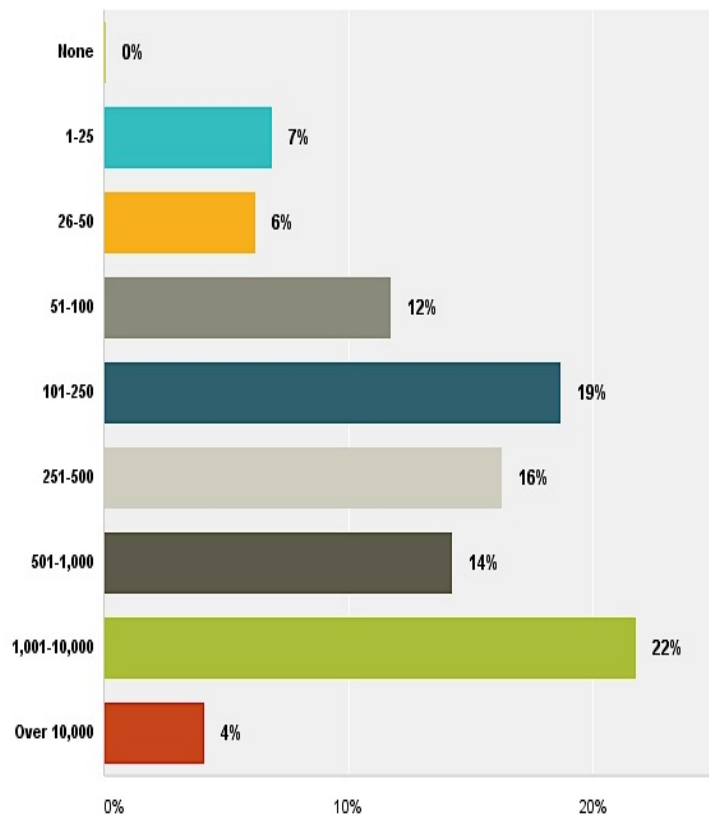
# How Do They Describe Their Organization's Volunteer Management Practices?

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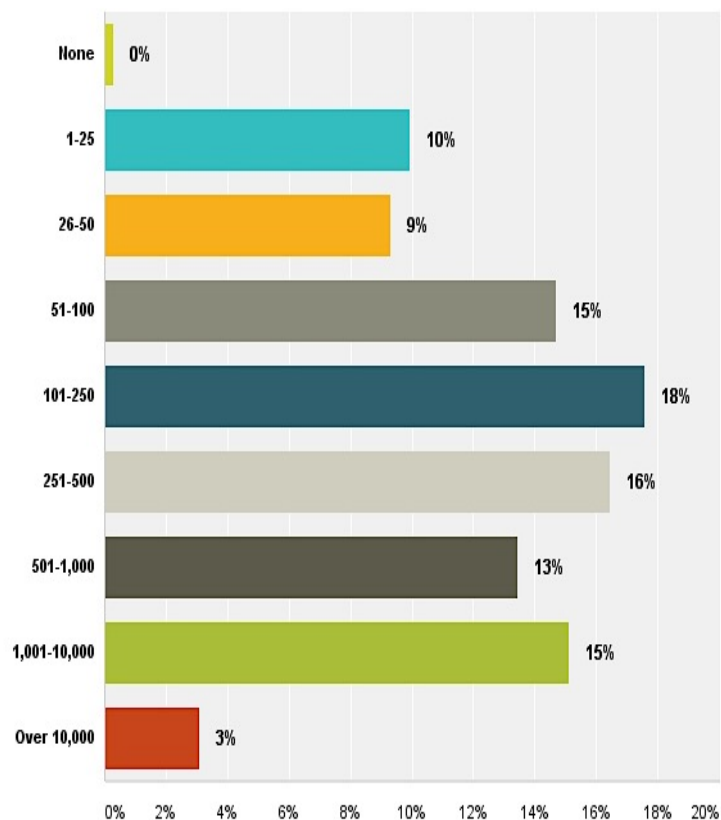
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# Number of Volunteers

## At Organization

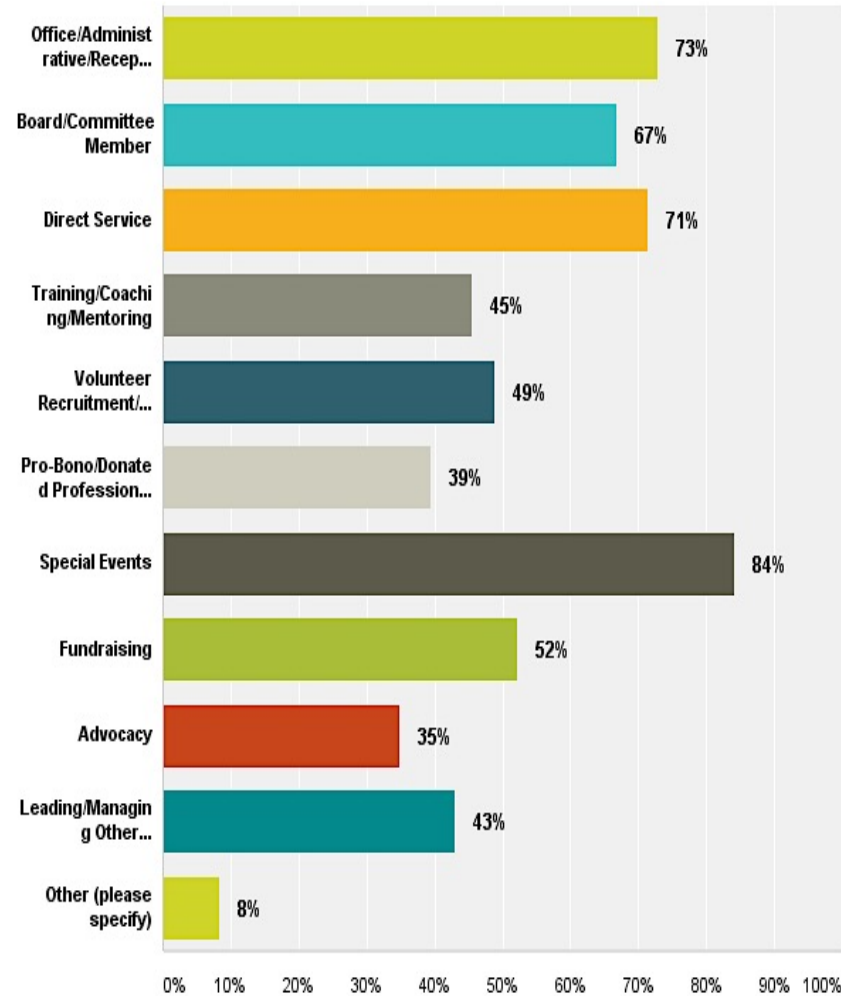


## At Program



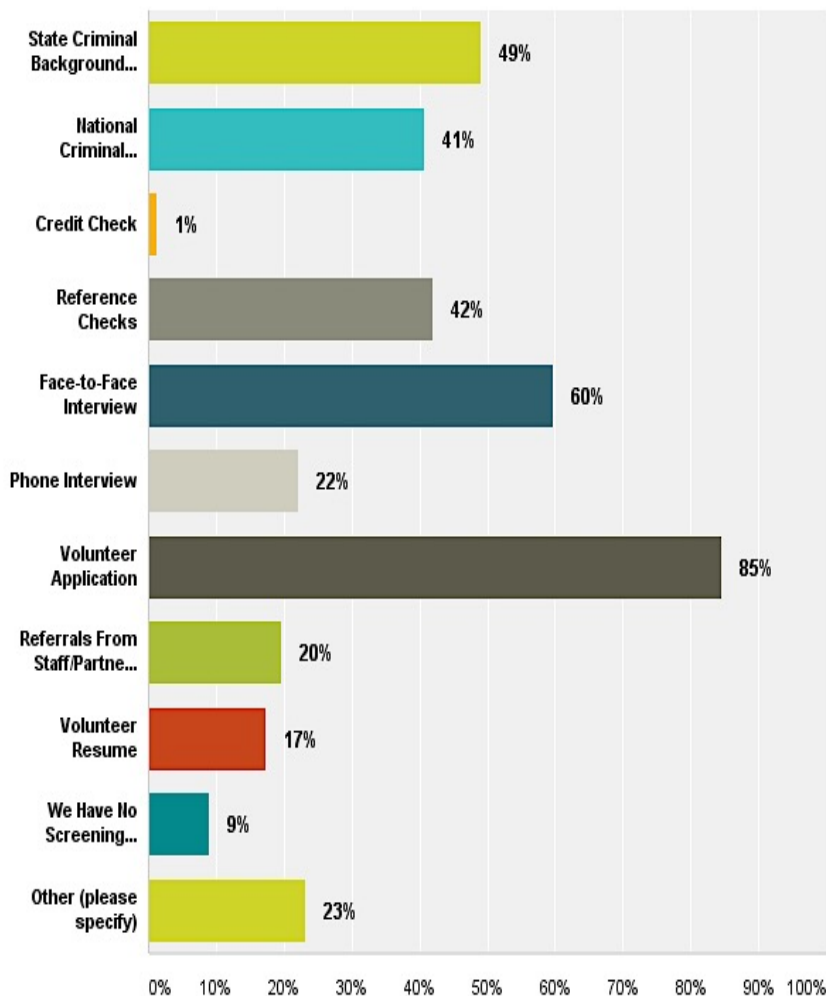
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# Volunteer Roles



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# Volunteer Screening Activities

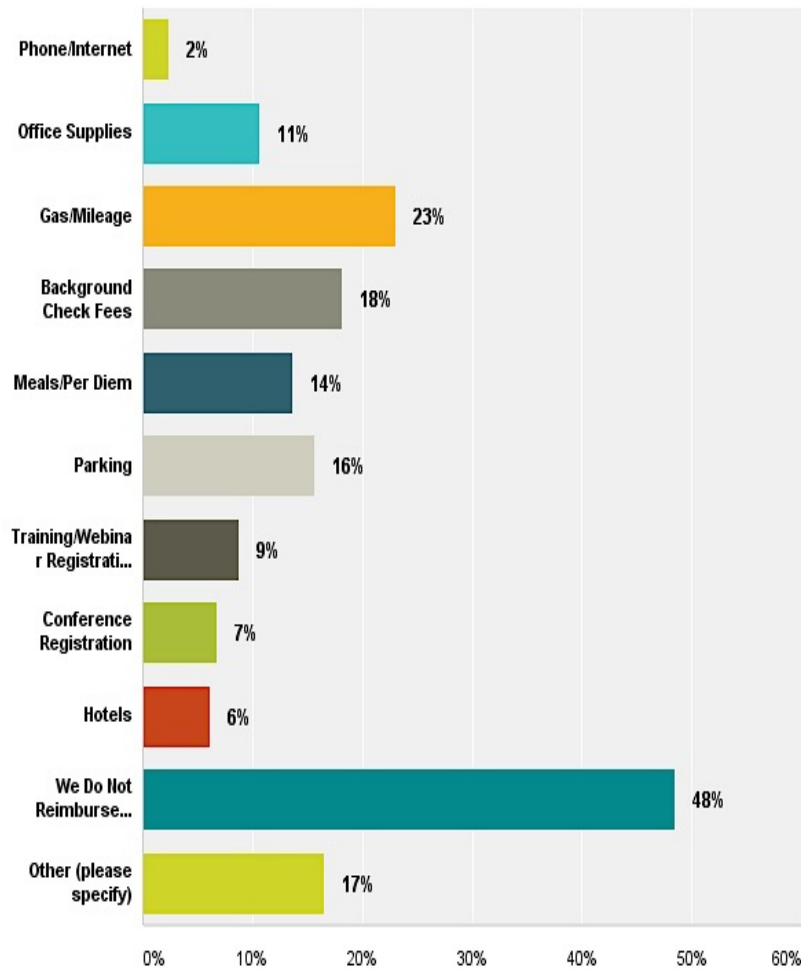


## Examples of “Other”

- Volunteer training and orientation
- Child abuse registry checks
- National sex offender registry checks
- TB tests
- Driving records
- Drug screening
- Health screening

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# Volunteer Reimbursements



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# Small Group Discussion

**What are ways to use this info to advocate internally for your needs?**

**Who can help advance our sector's needs?**

**Who/what might be a barrier to success?**

**What can you do about it?**

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# Debrief

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# The Minority Can Rule!

“The prevailing majority opinion in a population can be rapidly reversed by a small fraction of randomly distributed “**committed agents**” who consistently proselytize the opposing opinion and are immune to influence.

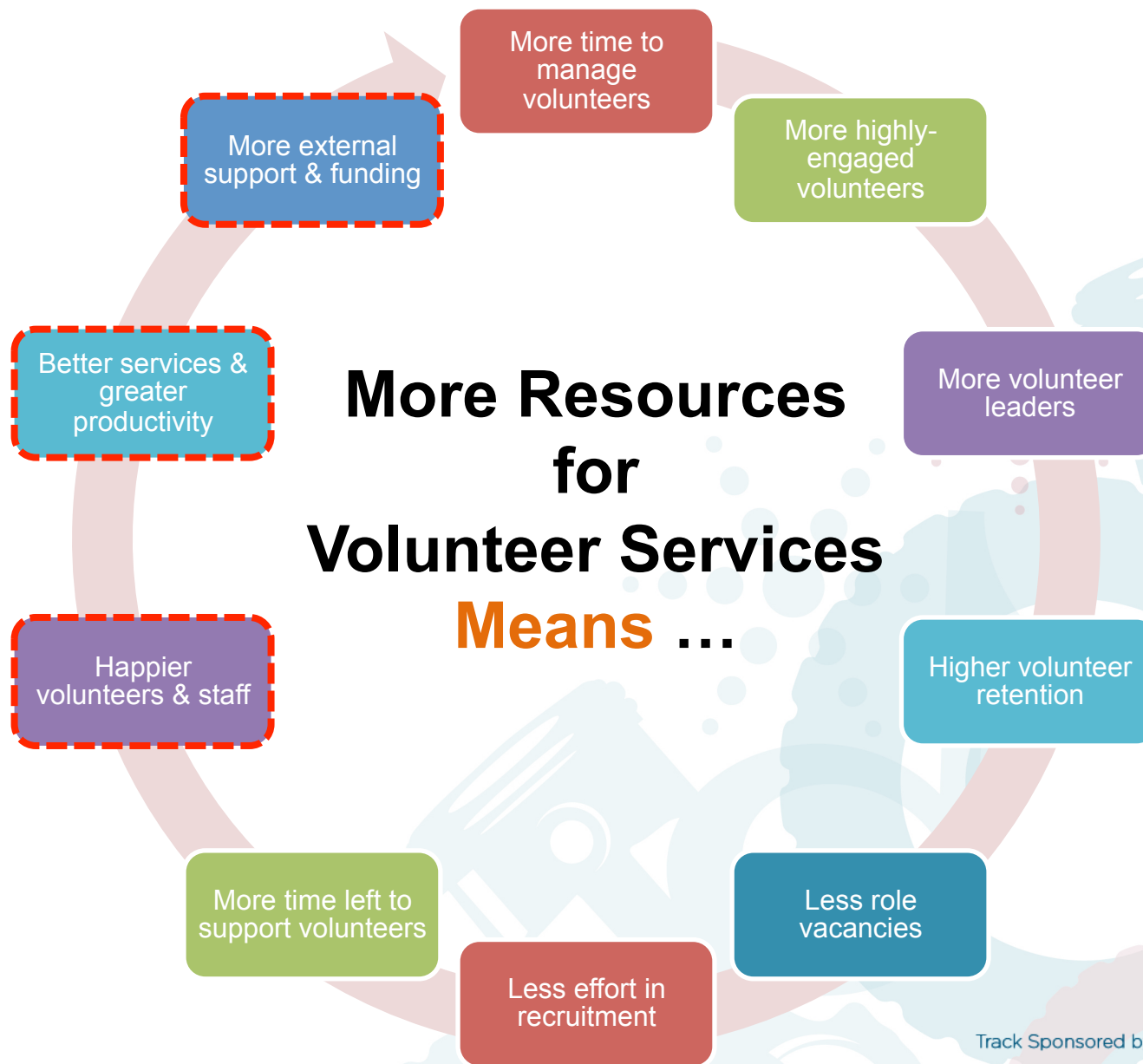
When the committed fraction grows beyond a critical value (approx. 10%), there is a dramatic decrease in the time taken for the entire population to adopt the committed opinion.”



# Aligning Goals



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# Educating Co-Workers



- History of Volunteerism at Org
- Benefits of Volunteers
- Relationship to Agency Goals
- Philosophy of Volunteer Involvement
- Responsibilities of Paid Staff
- Lines of Communication
- Risk Management Strategy
- **What's In It For Them**

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# To Find Common Ground

Do you both see the situation the same way?

- What are the challenges and what needs to be done to resolve them?

Do you agree about where your organization is at currently?

- What are the priority issues for your organization, across the board?

Do you agree about where it should head?

- Can we collaborate on goals and plans?

What are you willing to negotiate in order to get mutual needs met?

- Can we negotiate timeline, shared resources, information, expertise, future support, etc.?

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# Creative **Resourcing**: Ideas to Consider

- % of total charitable donations, based on % volunteers donate
- Special event proceeds, all or a portion
- From program grants, as part of direct service costs
- As overhead, set % for every program where volunteers are placed

## Depends on ...

- Where volunteer services is situated in organization
- What board or grant maker policies will allow
- Organizational culture
- Willingness to entertain change

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# Your Recommendations

## 2017 Volunteer Management Progress Report Survey

- What was most helpful & what could you do without?
- What information was missing? What questions should we add?
- Who is missing (org types, regions, countries, etc.)?
- What else should we keep in mind?

# How Can I Participate in the **Next** Survey?

Download it & get on our invite list :

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