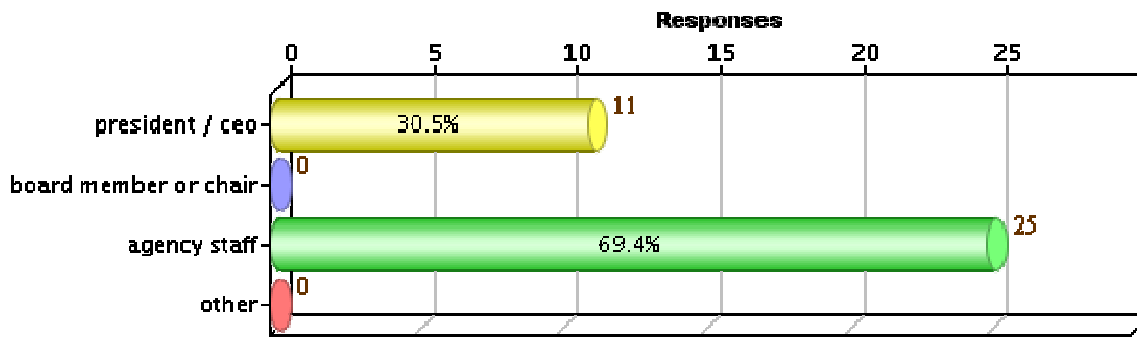
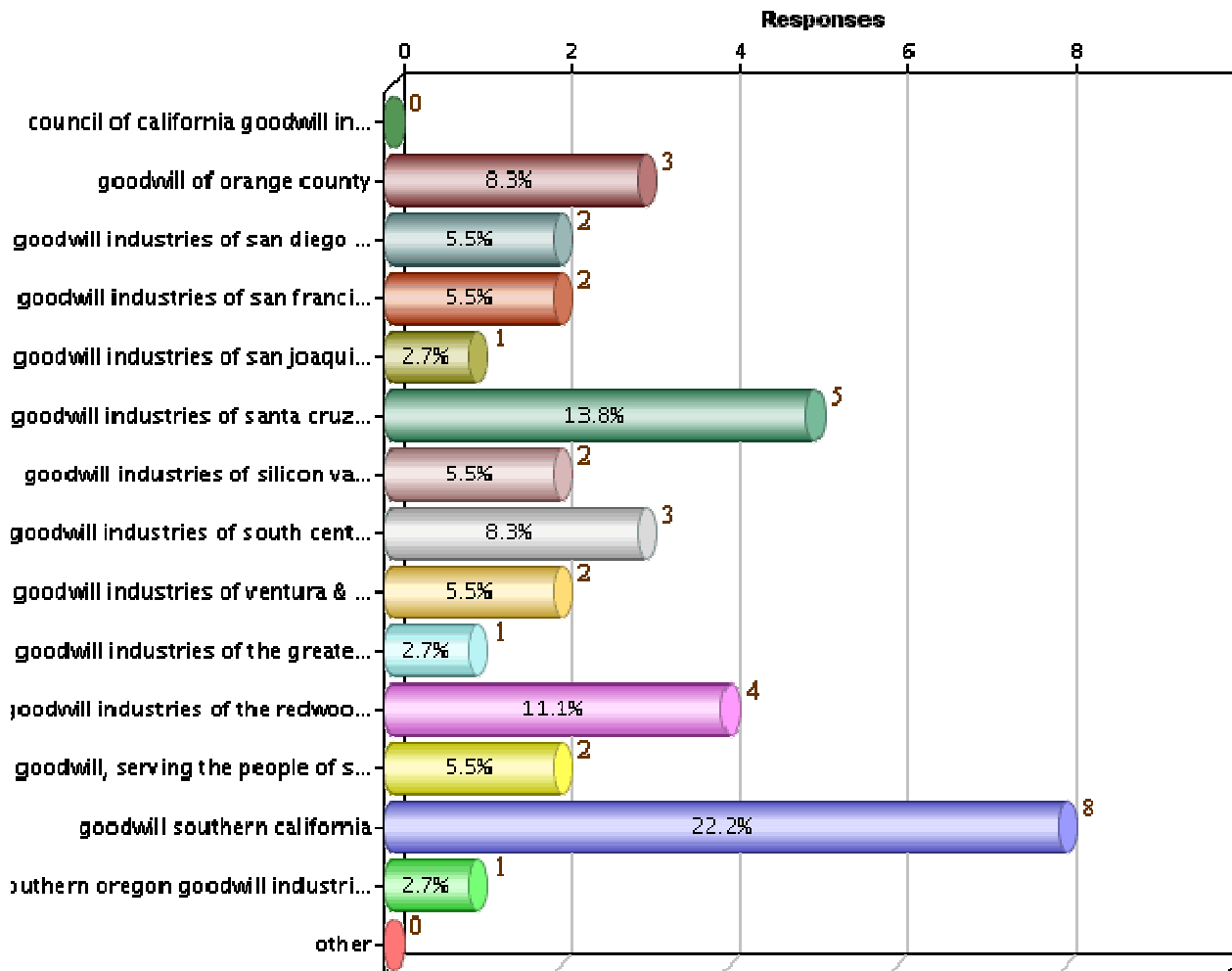


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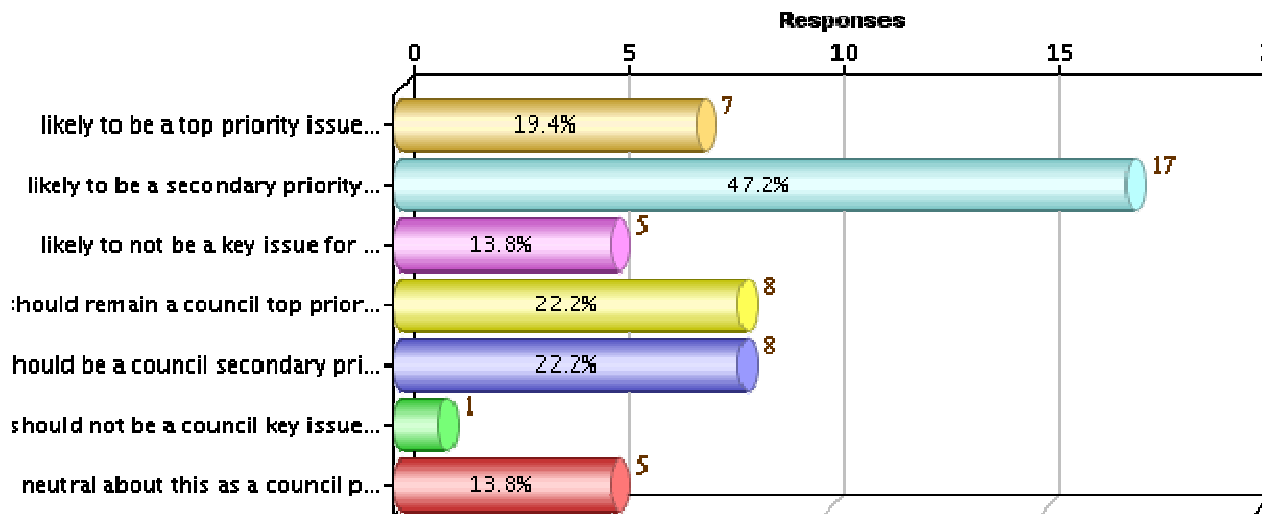
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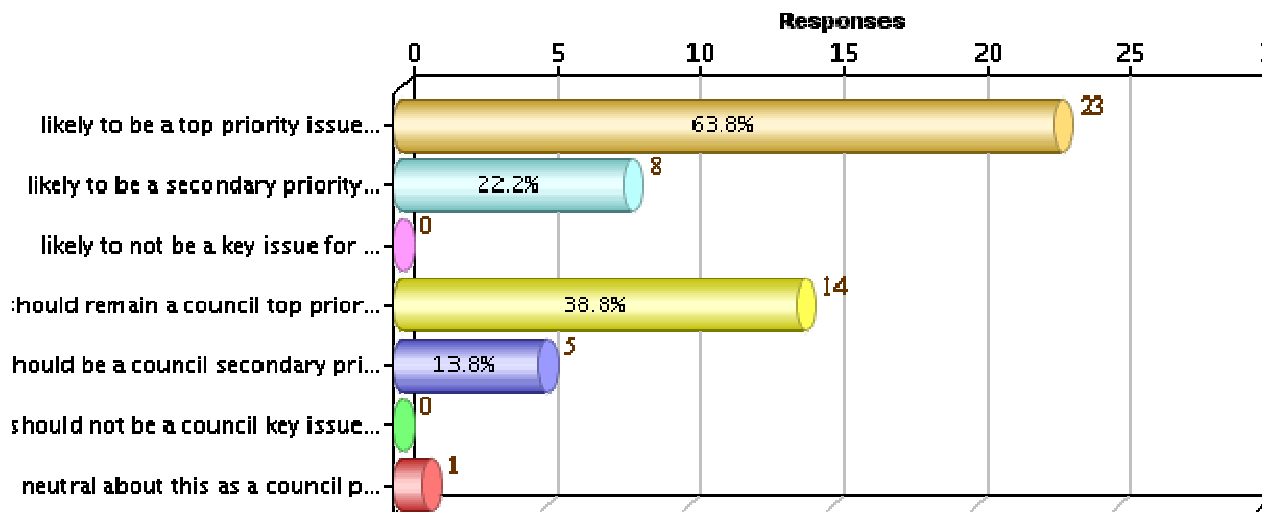
1. Throughout 2009, the Council's public policy agenda focused on sponsoring legislation to contend with unattended donation boxes while monitoring / attending to developments with various key issues.

Please check all that apply (one or more) regarding last year's priority issues as they relate to your agency and the Council's 2010 public policy agenda:

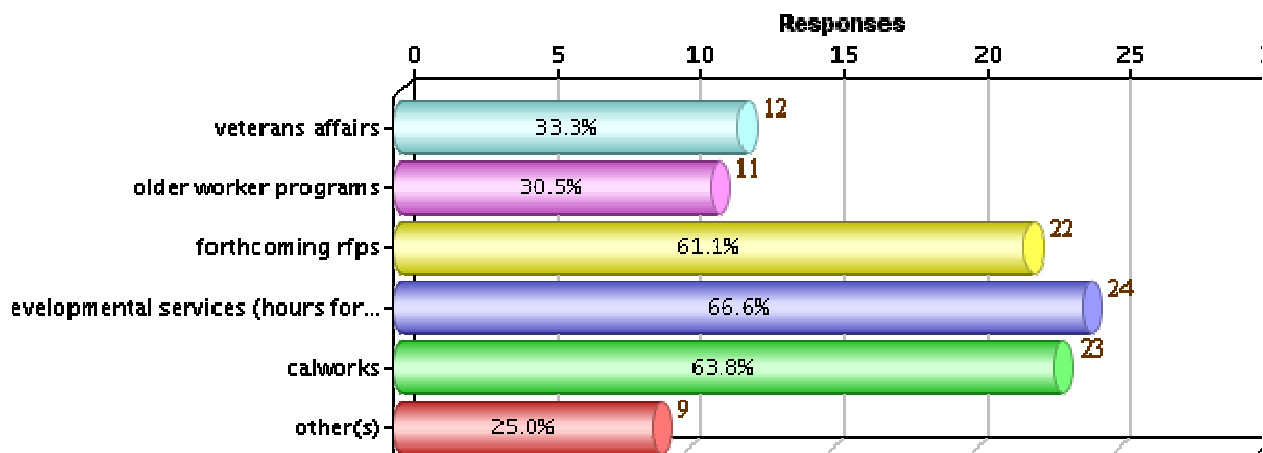
-- Unattended Donation Boxes



-- State Budget Issues

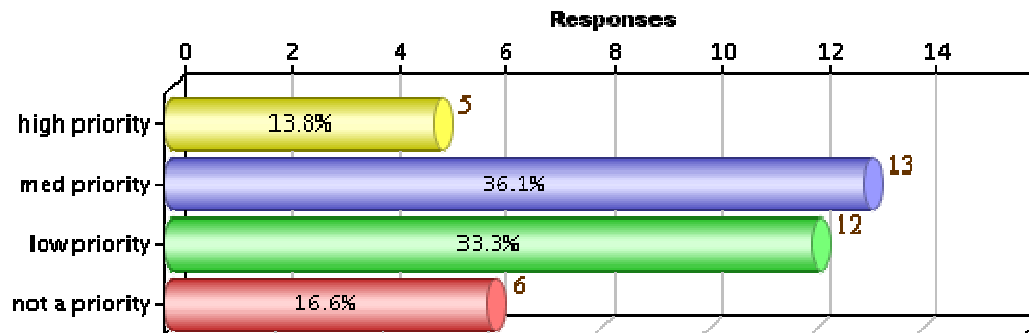


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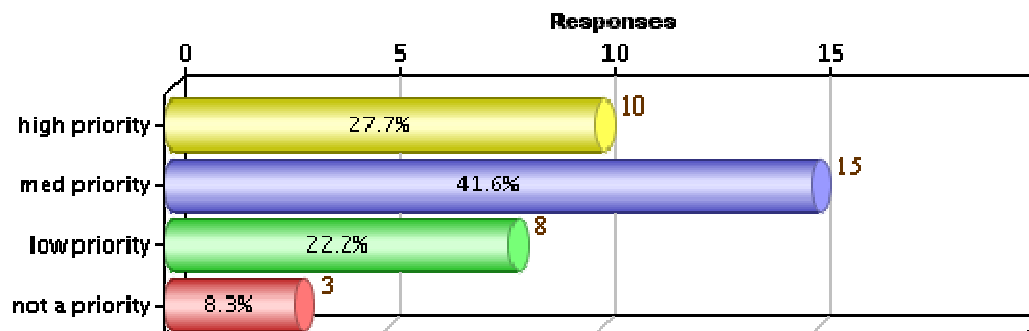


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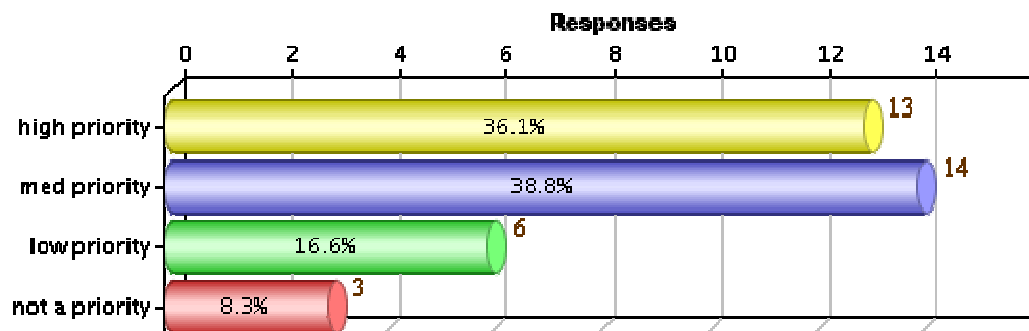
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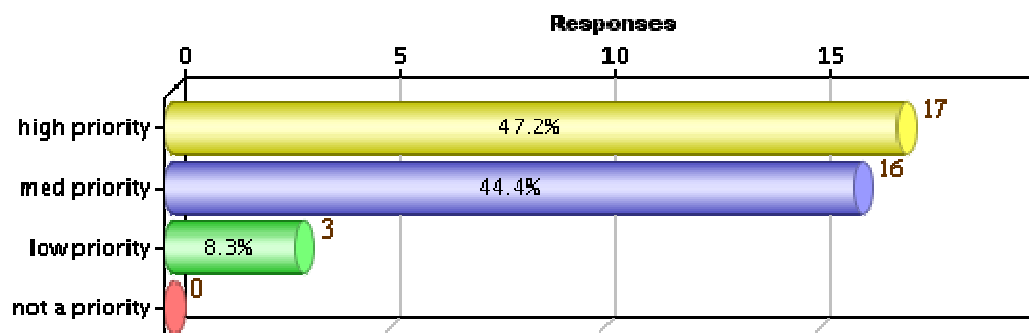
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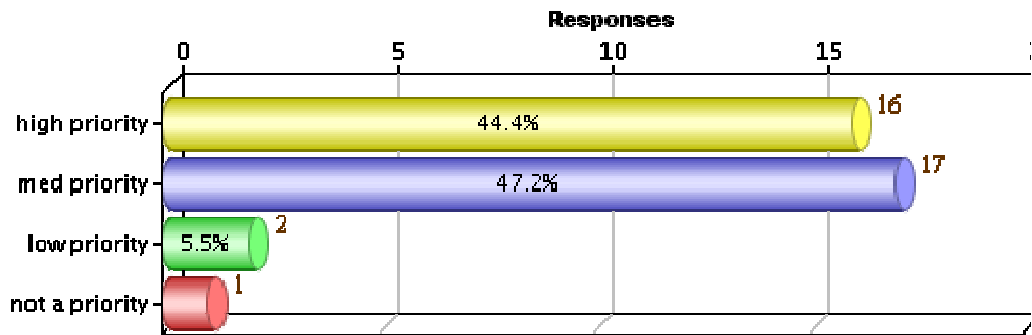
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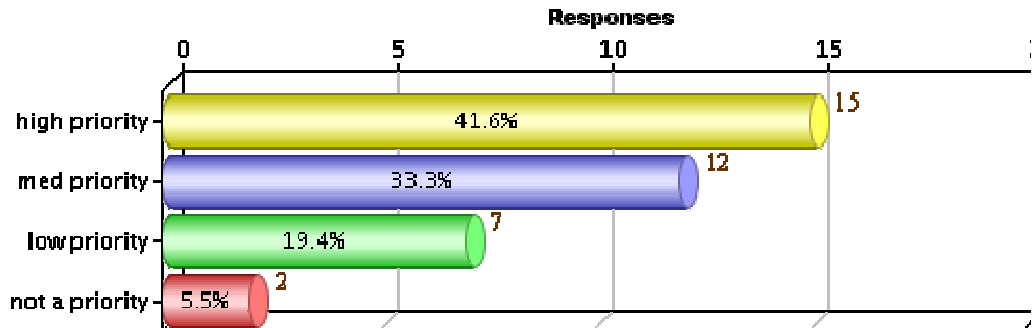
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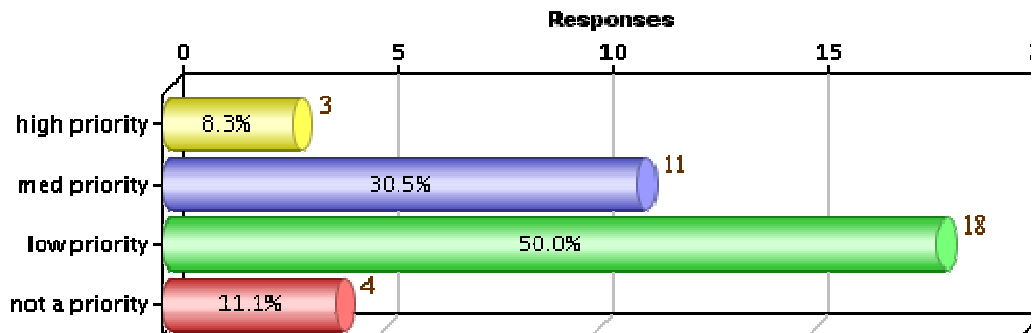
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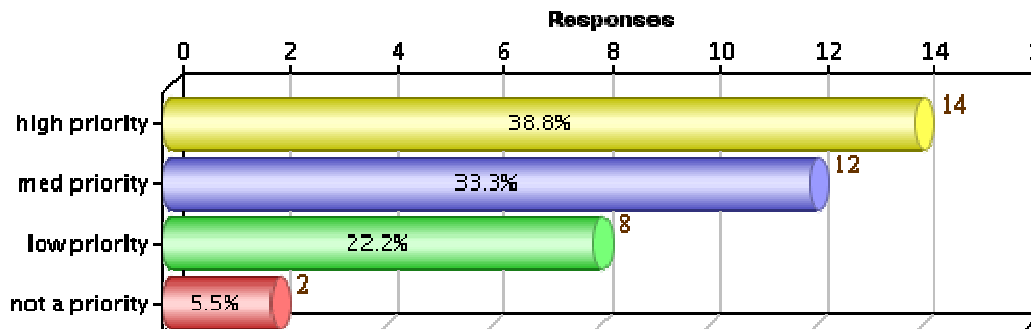
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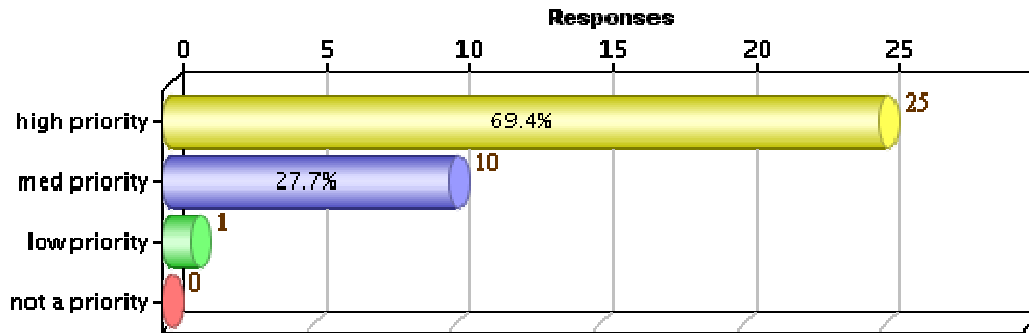
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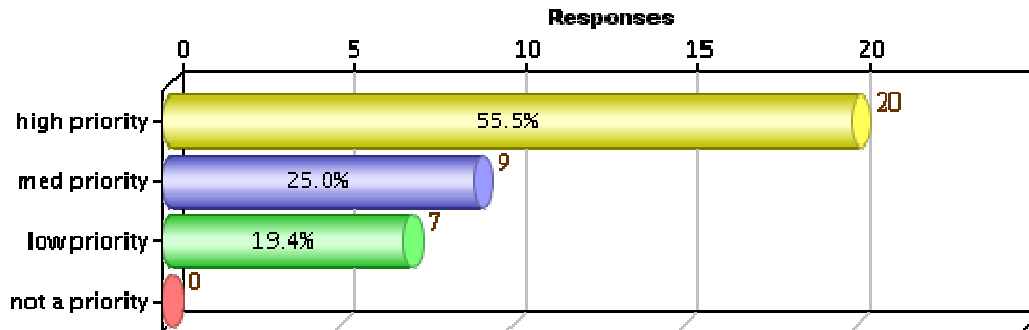
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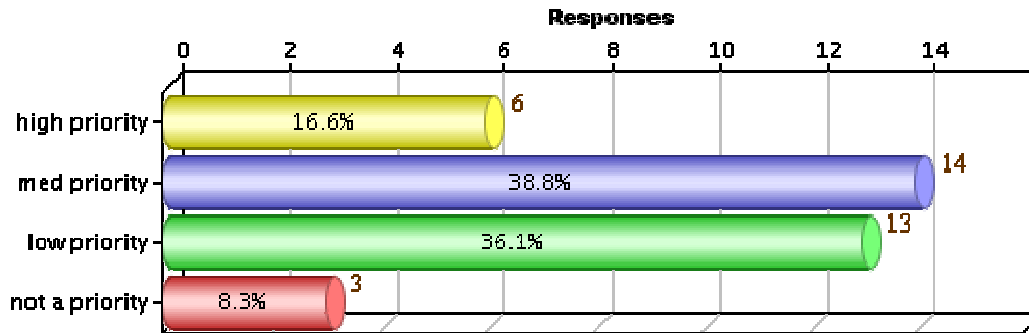
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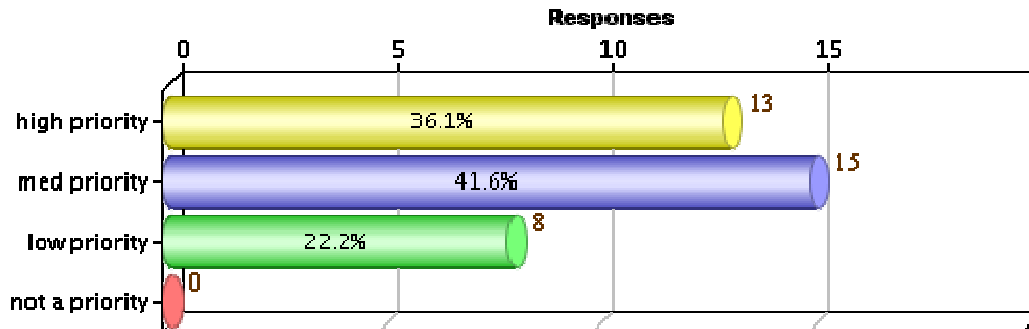
Rehab Services for the Disabled



Transportation Accessibility



Workers Comp Reform



3. What other issues would you like the Council to consider and monitor in crafting its Public Policy agenda for 2010 (if none, please enter "none")?

California and National Legislation

Prisoner Reentry

I think with the overwhelming state budget problems that California will face next year in 2010 I am not sure just how effective we can be. I suspect we will be spending an inordinate amount of time and energy watching out for state budget actions that could harm our constituents and our agencies. Sorry for being so pessimistic but I don't see many positives out of Sacramento. Throw in the 2010 gubernatorial contest and I think we will be in for a year of uncertainty not seen previously.

Requirements of WIB's to include CBO's in collaborative efforts to address workforce development issues

Set-aside of State contracts for workers with disabilities -- should have the same mandate as veteran preferences in state contracting.

Increasing rehab dollars to ex offenders reentering our communities

WIA and One Stop Issues EDD and their ability to streamline their functions

UNION ISSUES

State's shrinking role in providing services to the disabled because of budget cuts. Also, sub-issue under state budget issues above should read "Hours of job coaches" not "job workers" .

Transitional Jobs

Employment laws, specifically overtime rules/regulations

The list is pretty complete

I believe that compliance with all types of waste issues is going to be a major challenge for us in the coming years. Standardized training, monitoring and reporting would be helpful.

Broader/deeper understanding of the potential impact of the economy and the state budget issues on Goodwill organizations. California Budget Project folks might be helpful.

The regulations for AB 48

transitional wages and stipends

4. Looking to the next few years, what other Public Policy issues do you feel will be important to YOUR Goodwill organization (if none, please enter "none")?

The state budget

Green/Environmental Issues

1. Employer/employee mandates. As you watch government, especially at

the federal level embark on a more aggressive and broad involvement in establishing what is meritorious or isn't in business and everyday life, agencies such as ours will need to be on top of the impacts to both our constituents and to our agencies.

2. The state budget issues will need to be resolved and I suspect it is only time before we feel significant cuts and impacts that could throw more people into the need for services from organizations such as ours. I think Goodwill can be part of the solution but we don't seem to be at the table, either on the Federal or state level. This is not a criticism as I think government has ceased to look for input.

3. More specifically, unemployment insurance and workers compensation have all increased the safety net in order to protect more people, especially at the federal level. This makes for disincentives for people to see work (jobs) as their solution. It also increases the costs that will need to be borne by businesses and organizations such as ours.

4. I have no more thoughts as I have rambled on too much.

Key issues covered in survey

see comment in #3 above

Health care

Reductions of state funding & Reform of the way California governs itself

immigration laws

Transitional Jobs

See above.

Unknown - none

Again, I believe that compliance as it relates to recalls and the CPSIA will continue to be a major issue for us.

State water issues which may impact economic and/or population growth/decline in certain parts of the state.

Funding

What additional exemptions might we all look into, with regard to greening our communities with recycling efforts?

5. Given that the Council no longer devotes it's March meeting to Public Policy and visits with legislators at the state Capitol, in what other ways could the Council advocate for public policies to advance the mission and business ventures of Goodwill (if none, please enter "none")?

I think we should go back to a public policy visit. It can be powerful especially if we can bring 1-2 board members with us all at once. If scheduled properly we should be able to meet with key legislatures

Awareness and intervention on statewide issues. We may need a united voice in being heard.

Utilize the internet to speak with constituents.

With the significant issues facing all levels of government since 2007 and becoming more significant, our agency has been working to work with local governments, i.e. city and county, to promote that Goodwill has the experience, the wherewithal and management expertise to work and manage the social issues facing communities as government retreats. We have been very engaged with our counties and our largest city and have been rewarded with significant grants since 2007 to work on these problems. This does mean we need to commit the resources, in time, money and management, but we do gain the trust of the local leaders.

Coordination of on-site visits with state and federal legislators at various member agencies.

Why do we need to go to Sac. These legislators can be visited locally. Those that share legislators in their region could make visits together.

host regional meetings for legislators to meet with (and visit) local Goodwills.

With accountability for follow through, support legislative contacts at local level.

Agreed upon talking points that we can share one on one with our legislators.

VISIT AND TOUR LOCALLY

Work to get Goodwill on more Bills, promoting its mission and services.

It seems to work to have Jennifer & the Chair of PP or another at the Capitol as long as local GI CEOs make contacts at the District level.

Local visits with legislators

Not sure.

Forming Public Advocacy Groups or partnering with other policy aligned Non-Profits giving distance from association with For-Profit corporate America policy goals

I can't think of any.

Continued development of support materials we can use to communicate with our elected officials.

Do it local

In person meetings at our organizations with members

Participate with other groups such as United Way, Chambers, California

Association of Non profits etc.

6. Any additional questions, comments or concerns (if none, please enter "none").

Otto, you are the best. I'm very glad we got you!

Sorry for being long winded

I suggest Goodwill's become more proactive in partnering with large Employers to hire Goodwill participants and clients.

I appreciate Jennifer's work on PPVE

I'd like for the Council to offer more opportunities for other staff involvement and better inclusion on circulating info.

2009 was an active year for Public Policy with 2 bills influenced in our favor and one which had to be withdrawn for a third and final attempt (unattended donation boxes).

Transitional Jobs for individuals with special needs such as ex-offenders, CalWORKs, people with disabilities, and youth.

Although this doesn't deal with public policy, I would like to see more collaboration in major/capital purchasing, i.e., POS systems and transportation. As well as a more coordinated/cooperative effort in the salvage markets.

Good job on AB 48! Jennifer did an outstanding job!