

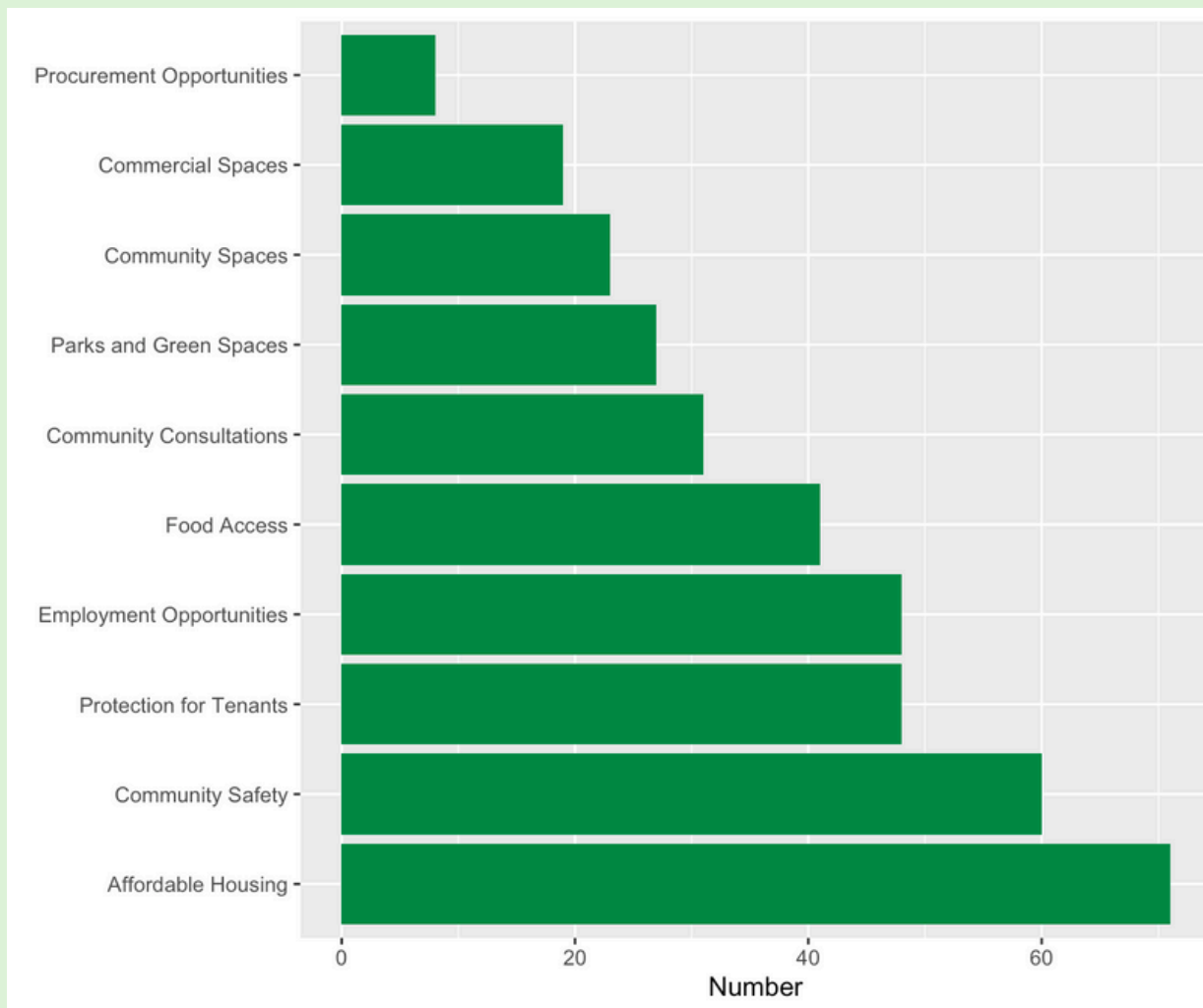
Empower Moss Park



Community Survey Report

Introduction

In 2024, Empower Moss Park engaged **87 Moss Park community members**, particularly those in Toronto Community Housing, with a priority survey to identify the most pressing needs. A clear consensus emerged around **affordable housing, community safety, tenant protection, employment opportunities, and food access.**

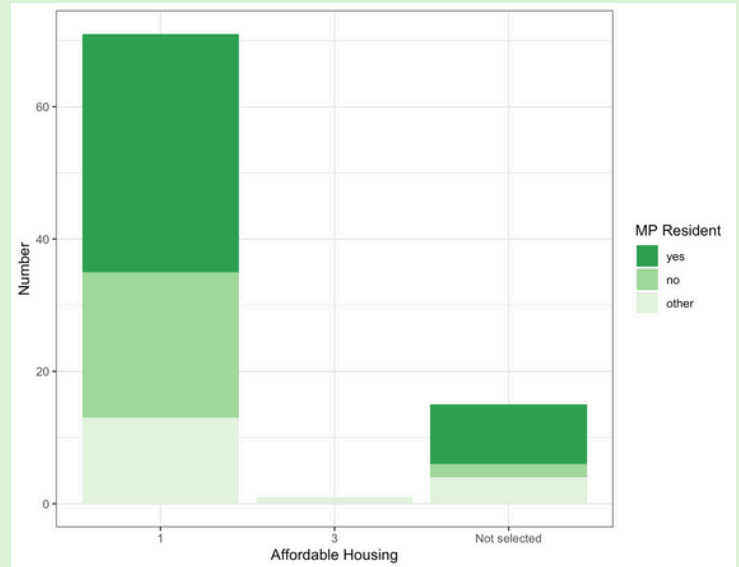


Priority areas ranked number 1 priority by number of respondents (Moss Park residents and non-residents)

These results are invaluable as they provide a template for stakeholders in Moss Park to be aware of what priority issues require due focus and what problems are most prevalent in the Moss Park community's day-to-day lives.

1. Affordable Housing

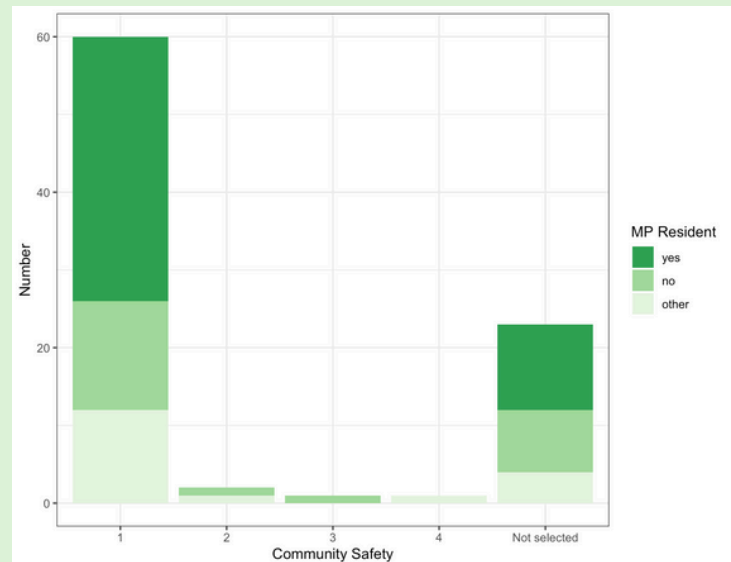
- Affordable Housing was ranked by **80% of survey responders** as their number one issue.
- The respondents who selected this as their #1 issue primarily lived in **Moss Park and Toronto Community Housing.**



Affordable Housing ranking by number of respondents and Moss Park resident status

2. Community Safety

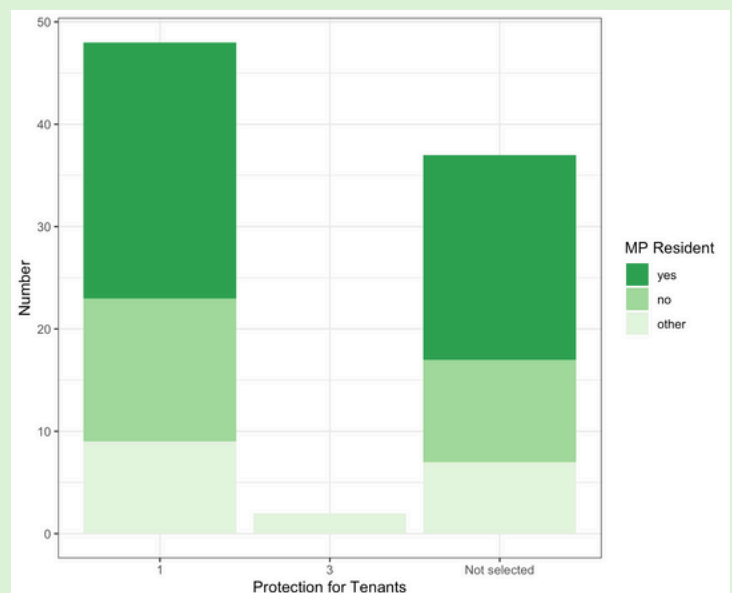
- Community Safety was the second-highest priority, ranked #1 by **56% of both Moss Park residents and non-residents.**
- Participants described challenges such as **unsafe public areas** and **poor mental health support.**



Community Safety ranking by number of respondents and Moss Park resident status

3. Tenant Protections

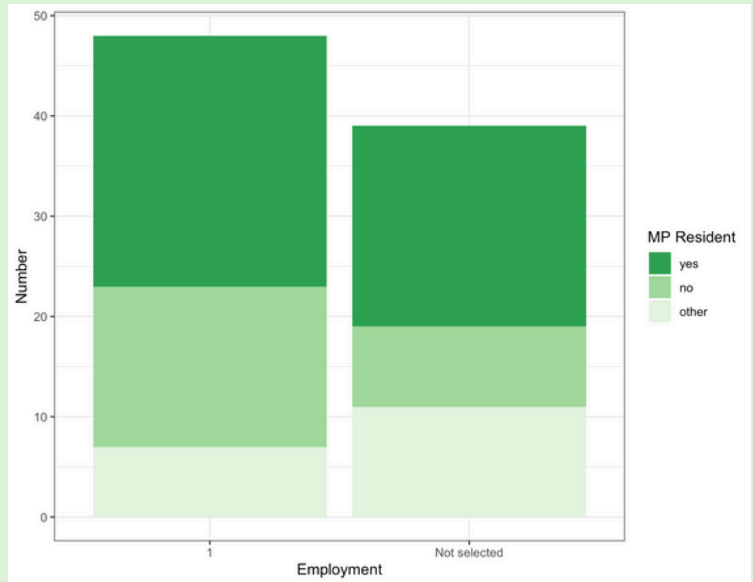
- Tenant Protections, ranking #1 for **52% of respondents**, was especially crucial for those living in THC housing.
- This suggests **precarity in their living situations** and uncertainty about exercising their legal rights.



Protection for Tenants ranking by number of respondents and Moss Park resident status

4. Employment Opportunities

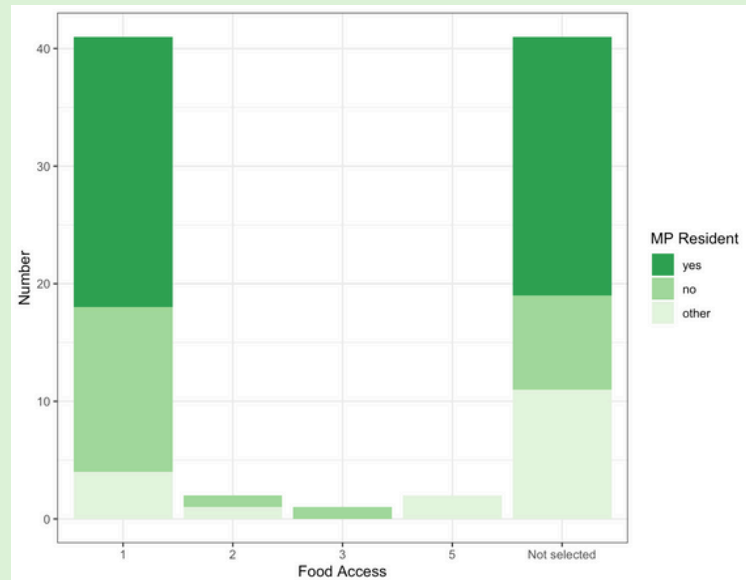
- **52% of responders** ranked employment opportunities as their #1 priority, similar to tenant protections.
- **“It is not easy getting a job if you are not born here.”** - A 2-year resident of Moss Park.



Employment Opportunities ranking by number of respondents and Moss Park resident status

5. Food Access

- Food Access was a top issue for **46% of all respondents**, with more than half being Moss Park residents.
- Accessing healthy food is challenging in Moss Park, with food bank usage **higher than ever**.



Food Access ranking by number of respondents and Moss Park resident status

Looking Forward

Utilizing this information, the numerous non-profit and social organizations doing incredible work in Moss Park can work in conjunction and pool resources toward achieving mutual goals for our community.

The results provide a clear mandate, from which a **Community Action Plan** can be developed to make concrete progress toward addressing these crises.



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**Thank you for
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