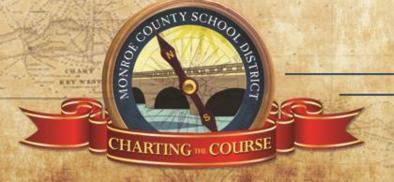




# Strategic Objective #4: High Performing Workforce

Recruit, retain, professionally develop and invest in a high performing workforce



### 2019 Affordable Housing Survey Monroe County Schools District

### **Participants**

There were **592 participants** in the survey.

#### **Metrics:**

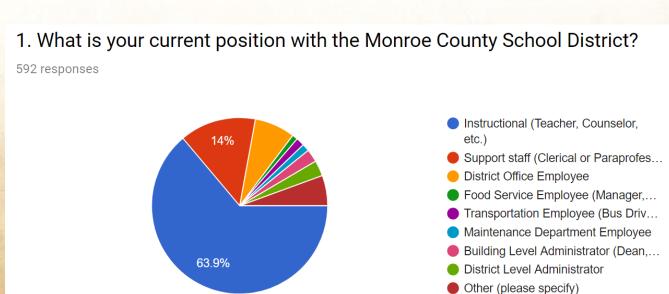
The results were quantified and presented in graphic form.



### **Interpretations:**

1. The majority of the respondents (64%) were instructional

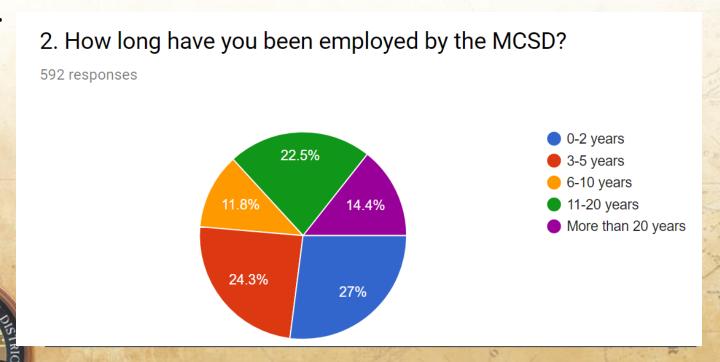
personnel.



### **Interpretations:**

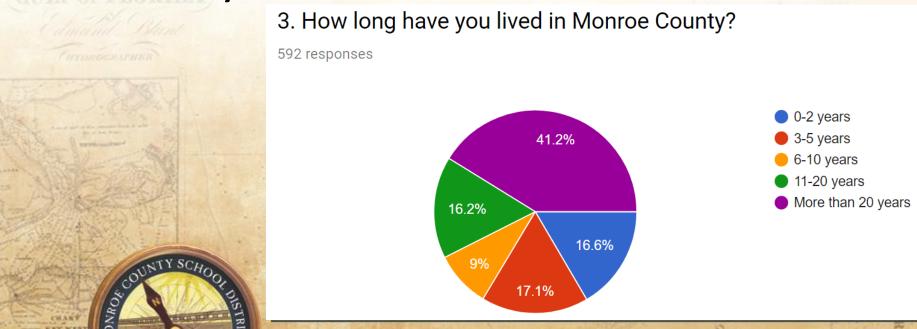
2. The 51% of the respondents have been **employed** by MCSD for

5 years or less.



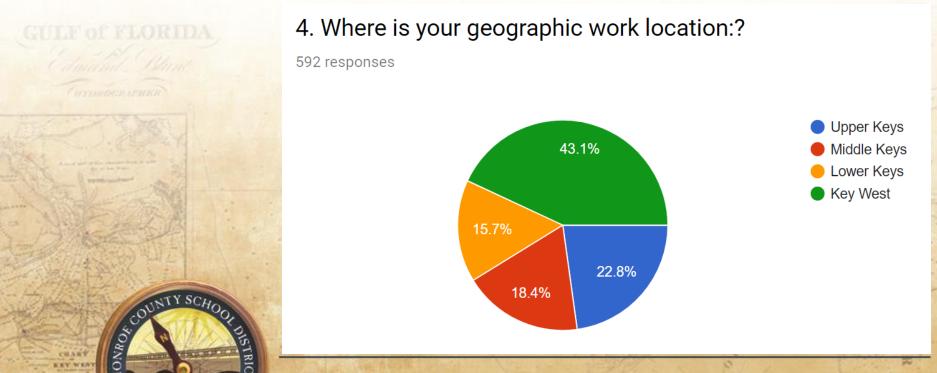
### **Interpretations:**

3. The 57% of the respondents have lived in Monroe County for more than 11 years.



#### **Interpretations:**

4. The 59% of the respondents live in the Lower Keys.



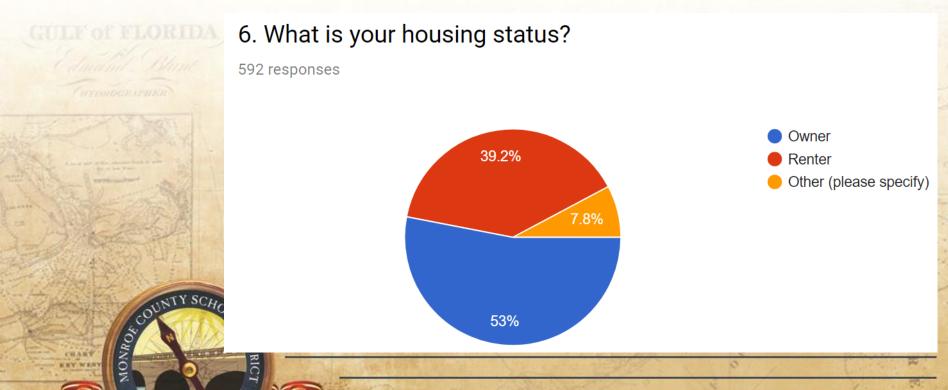
#### **Interpretations:**

5. The 61% of the respondents live within 5 miles of their work

location. 5. How far do you live from your work location? 592 responses 0-5 miles 6-10 miles 13.3% 13.5% 11-20 miles 8.3% 21-35 miles 36-50 miles more than 50 miles 61.8%

#### **Interpretations:**

6. The 53% of the respondents are **property owners**.

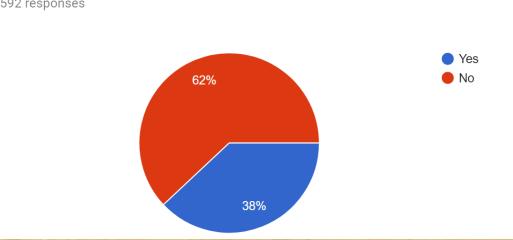


#### **Interpretations:**

7. The 62% of the respondents would not apply to live in MCSD employee housing.

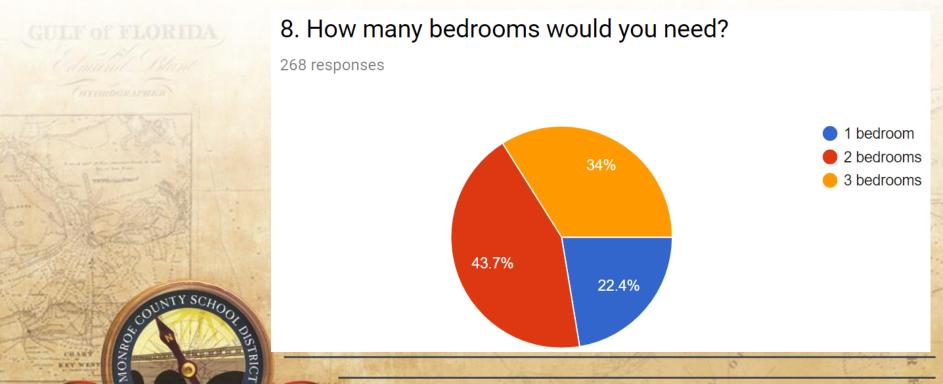
7. Based on your current housing status, would you apply to live in Monroe County School District Employee Housing? If no, you do not need to complete the reminder of this survey.

592 responses



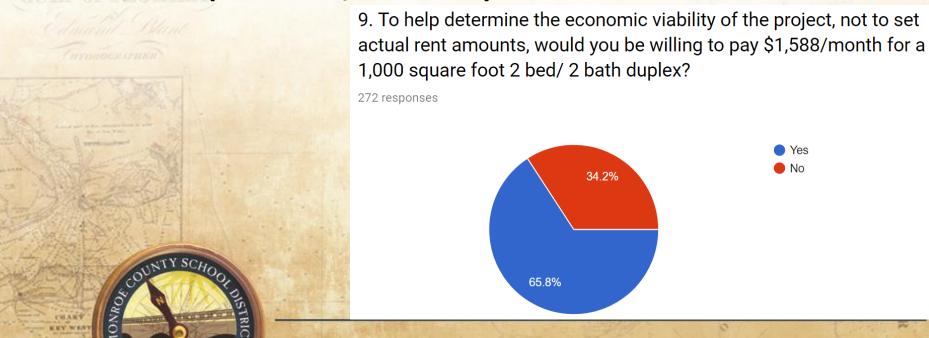
#### **Interpretations:**

8. The 78% of the respondents require 2-3 bedrooms.



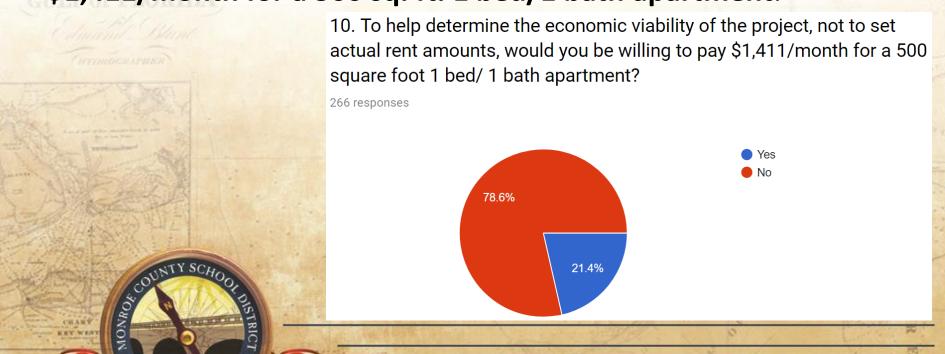
#### **Interpretations:**

9. The 66% of the respondents are willing to pay \$1,588/month for a 1,000 sq. ft. 2 bed/2 bath duplex.



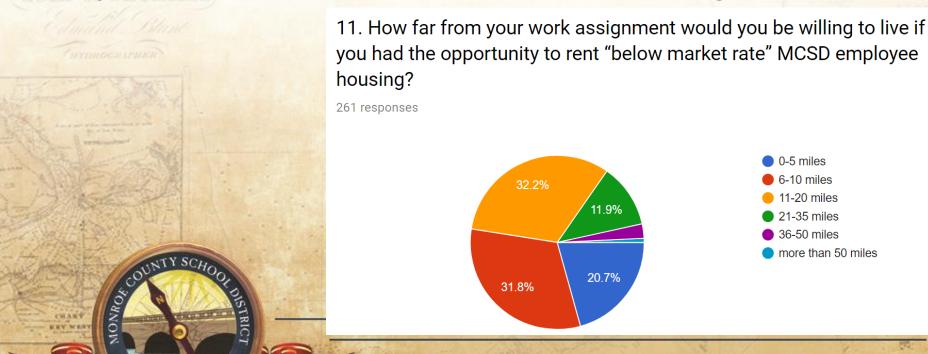
#### **Interpretations:**

10. The 79% of the respondents are unwilling to pay \$1,411/month for a 500 sq. ft. 1 bed/1 bath apartment.



#### **Interpretations:**

11. The 85% of the respondents are willing to **live up to 20 miles** away from their work site to have affordable housing.



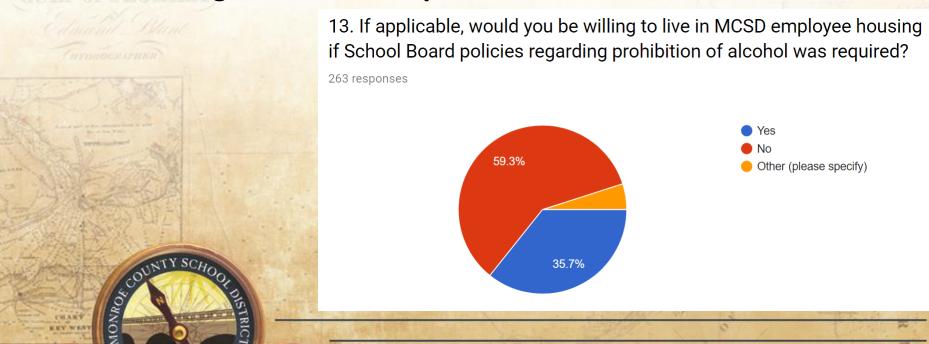
### **Interpretations:**

12. The 90% of the respondents are willing to undergo background checks for all occupants.



#### **Interpretations:**

13. The 59% of the respondents would be **unwilling** to live in MCSD housing **if alcohol was prohibited**.



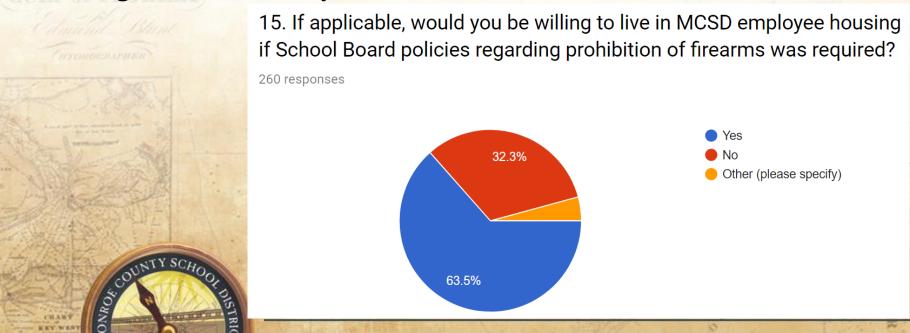
### **Interpretations:**

14. The 93% of the respondents would live in MCSD affordable housing if there was a prohibition of illegal drug use.



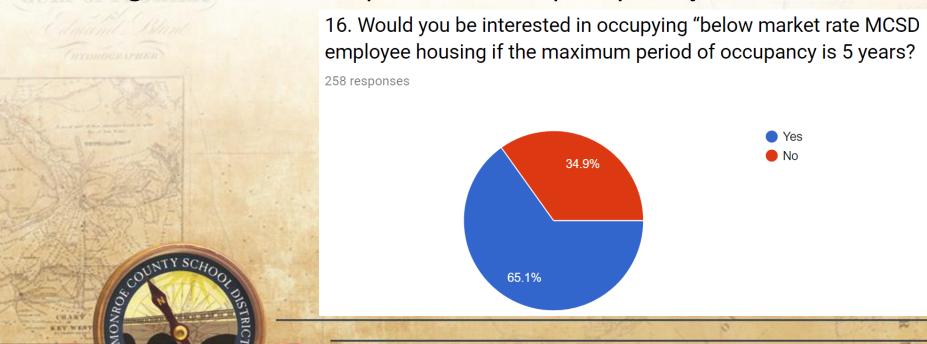
#### **Interpretations:**

15. The 64% of the respondents would live in MCSD affordable housing if there was a **prohibition of firearms**.



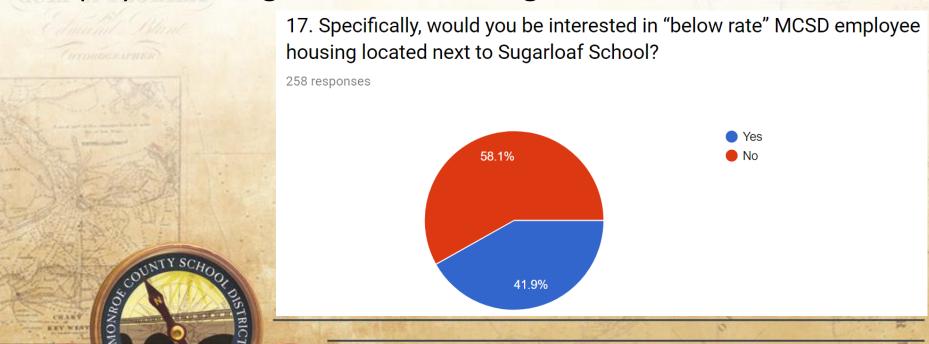
#### **Interpretations:**

16. The 65% of the respondents **would** live in MCSD affordable housing if the **maximum** period of occupancy is **5 years**.



#### **Interpretations:**

17. 58% of the respondents would not be interested in MCSD employee housing located next to Sugarloaf School.



#### **Comments:**

80 responses

#### no

I have employees, on low income housing now. Paying \$900. a month . they cant make it on that. You need to up the wages. You are not keeping up with the cost of living. Thank YOU

Living with teacher neighbors is not appealing regardless of the price and being told I could not participate in adult activities is ridiculous

I would prefer to buy a house rather than rent an apartment/house.

please be pet friendly!!

Raising teacher salaries to 75K per annum would also make staying in Key West Long Term a more feasible option.

I am not a district employee but serve the schools as a Military Family Life Counselor and my company contracts with the Military. I will not be able to return next year due to the high cost of housing. I have lived in Alaska and Hawaii and find housing in Key West higher by far than the other locations I have lived.

maybe the school system could help with rent

Additionally, you need to give vouchers toward mortgages if you want long-term folks who are truly invested in our community! Homeowners are long-term folks who will raise kids in the system.

#### **Comments:**

Priority given to teachers first, then other school board employees to help with the retention rates of teachers.

The possibility of creating a dwelling in which the employee is leasing-to-own (ownership contingent upon remaining employed with the district and ownership transferable to another employee of the district upon vacating) would seem to make sense; however, I do not know how that would be feasible with Fair Housing considerations/laws. Additionally, please allow pets with accommodations for their care (pet park, waste stations, etc.). I'm having an awful time finding housing that accommodates my pet ownership--and they're very tiny. I don't mind paying extra for them, and most owners wouldn't.

If MCSD cannot provide affordable housing, what about offering a stipen to help supplement rent. Perhaps the same way section 8 works. The MCSD could pay directly to the landlord a portion of the rent. Perhaps there could even be a tax benefit for landlords who rent to teachers. Anything is better than what we have now, which is absolutely nothing and rent is going up and up. More teachers leaving because the cost of living is outrageous for long time locals.

Build them and they will be occupied, no doubt. It would be wonderful if the school district could offer affordable houses for its teachers. At present, only those mostly older teachers with ample means can afford to teach and live in the area. And if the district were to do this, I would suggest that it refrain from putting signs out in front of their houses announcing to all that the buildings are owned by Monroe County School District for its employees, which is what the way the Housing Authority does with its housing units.

For paraprofessionals we do not make enough income