

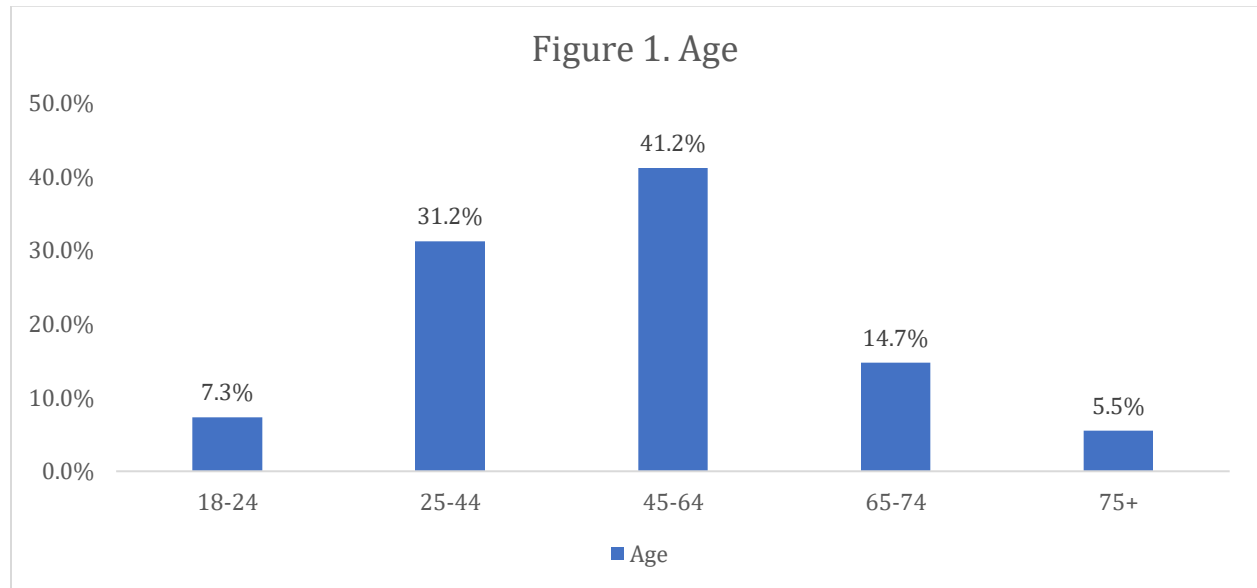
## Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs Findings Report: Community Input on How to Use American Rescue Plan Act Funding March 7, 2022

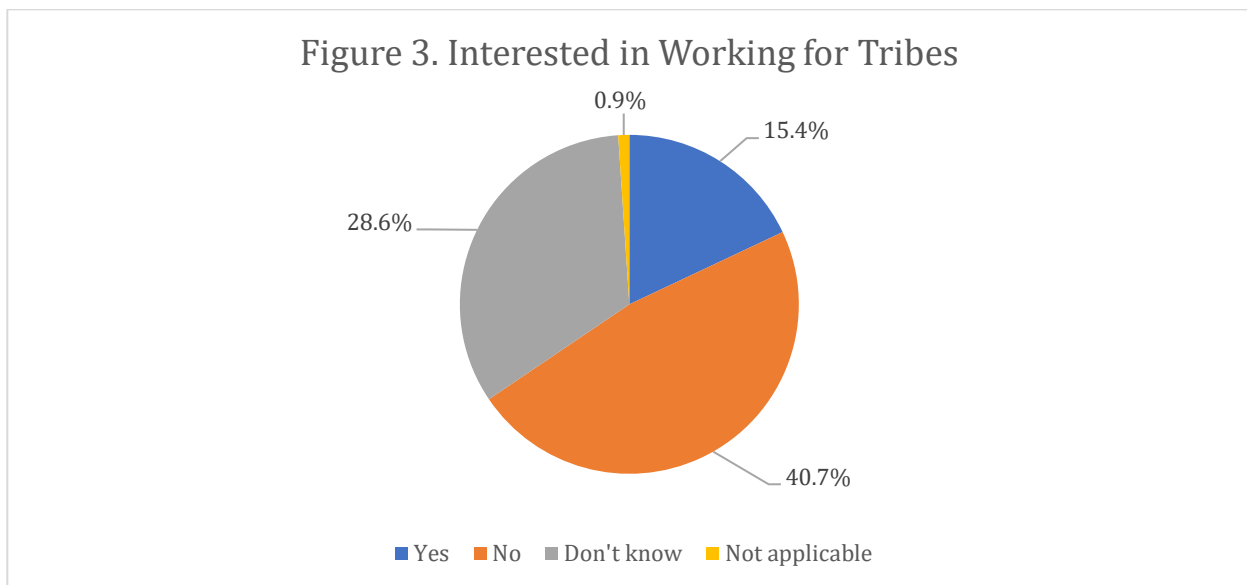
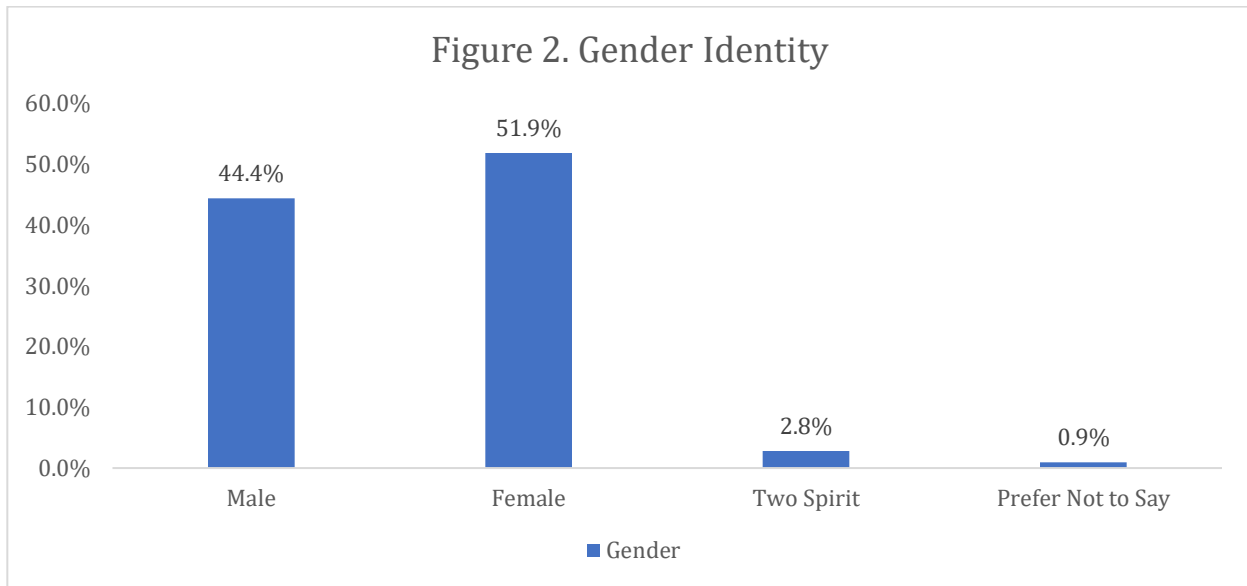
The Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs community survey was administered in January and February 2022 through paper and web-based surveys. The purpose of the survey was to help decide how funding from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) will be spent. A total of **110 people** took the survey, and results are presented in this summary report.

### Background Information

Most individuals who took the survey were enrolled Tribal members between the ages of 25-64 years old.

| Table 1. Enrolled Members           |                                 |                 |                                     |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------------------|
|                                     | Enrolled in Warm Springs Tribes | Tribal Employee | Live in Household of Tribal Members |
| Affiliation (Select all that apply) | 108                             | 21              | 16                                  |





**Additional Comments**

- “Already am an employee.”
- “Do not live on reservation.”
- “Don’t know anything about my tribe, never been to Warm Springs.”
- “Extreme low pay, inexperienced managers.”
- “Housing is an issue, relocating with no available funding.”
- “Happy in current position.”
- “There are no opportunities on the reservation.”
- “If CTWS drops the COVID shot mandate.”
- “If [it’s] possible to work remote.”
- “Retired.”

## ARPA Funding Priorities

The next section of the survey assessed community members' preferences for how the Tribes spend American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding. Community members were asked to talk about priorities in Public Health and Wellness, Culture and Language, Community Development and Education, Workforce Development, Housing, Infrastructure, and Economic Development. They were also asked to rate building repair priorities and describe specific infrastructure needs.

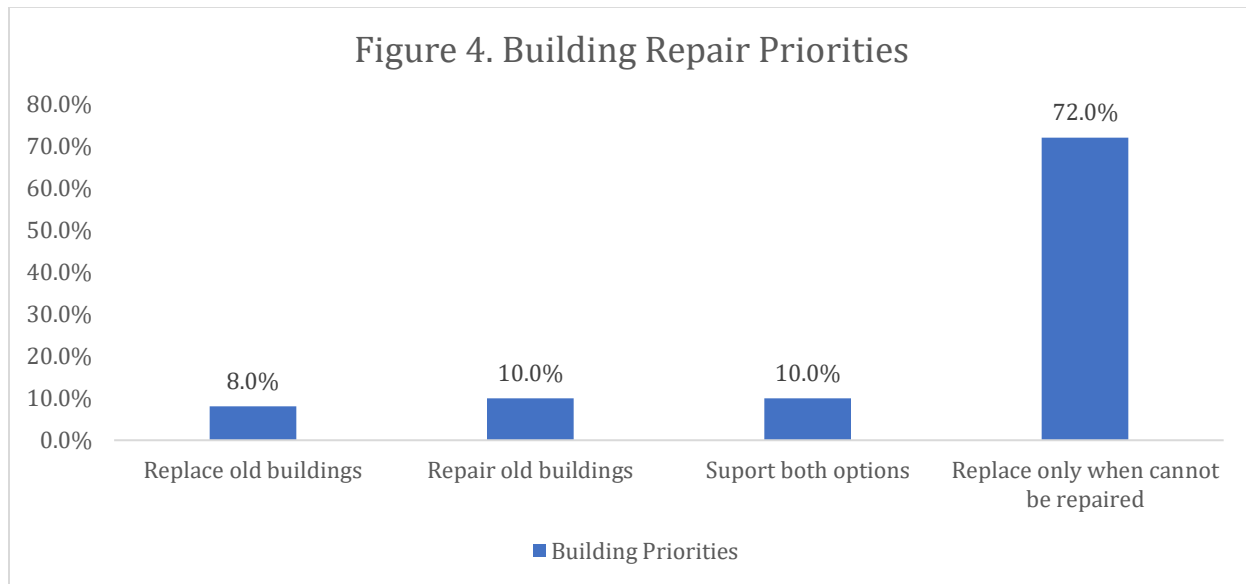
| <b>Table 2. ARPA Funding Priorities</b>    |   |   |   |   |
|--|---|---|---|---|
| <b>Category</b>                            | <b>Top Priority</b>   | <b>Second Priority</b>  | <b>Third Priority</b>   | <b>Fourth Priority (if applicable)</b>              |
| <b>Public Health and Wellness</b>          | Increase local healthcare services and programming                      | Update and expand wellness center services                                | Improve Tribal community health and wellness through education  |   |
| <b>Culture and Language</b>                | Implement traditional practices for the protection of natural resources | Develop programs for youth to support cultural practices                  | Generate more community involvement                             |   |
| <b>Community Development and Education</b> | Replenish maintenance fund  | Develop community wellness center   | Financial support for language teachers to provide classes      | Improve and expand Tribal government physical space |
| <b>Workforce Development</b>               | Technical training and development for the workforce                    | Workforce development planning and implementation                         | Youth programs  |   |
| <b>Housing</b>                             | Update housing infrastructure   | Renovate current housing  | Increase housing options and availability                       |   |
| <b>Infrastructure</b>                      | Assess and improve water infrastructure/system                          | Address EPA landfill issues   | Improve physical infrastructure to support business development |   |
| <b>Additional Infrastructure</b>           | Address deferred maintenance needs one existing tribal structures       | Infrastructure on health care facilities to support expansion of services | Improve connectivity and online access (now and in future)      |   |
| <b>Economic Development</b>                | Develop comprehensive economic and diversification plans                | Increase support for small businesses                                     | Healthcare as revenue generator                                 |   |

### Household-Specific Infrastructure Needs

Specific infrastructure needs listed by community members included AC and heating, affordable housing, better insulation, bigger home, plumbing, electrical updates, roof repair/replacement, home efficiency, weatherization, windows/doors, pest control, septic tank, wood stove and stove maintenance and having tradespeople to do repairs.

### Building Repair Priorities

Most community members recommended replacing buildings only when they cannot be repaired.



### Other Potential ARPA Funding Priorities

Other potential ARPA funding priorities described by community members were:

- Ball fields
- Increases to employee pay
- Bus stops
- Sidewalks
- Fix “water issues”
- Fund education/college students
- Projects that generate own revenue (start own pharmaceutical company, electronic waste, or recycling plant)
- Green infrastructure
- Homesites
- Debris removal
- Housing per cap
- Senior pension
- Longhouse
- Develop hemp/cannabis businesses
- Investment in bitcoin
- Homeless funding/supports
- Community center renovations including adding bathrooms
- Addressing methamphetamine problem (i.e., treatment facility)
- Updates to Tribal rental units
- Water meters
- Guards at dumps
- Garbage trucks
- Jobs for formerly incarcerated individuals
- Hire [healthcare] specialists closer to reservation
- Trademarking the Tribal name



- Reopening of Kahneeta Resort Property
- Metal building structures
- Fire and safety facilities
- Expanded truck stop
- Online tutoring system for youth (pay for Kahn academy)
- Youth cultural activities and clubs
- Daycare center

**Additional Comments**

- *“So surprised to get this in my mailbox. Thank you for conducting survey to get people’s input!”*
- *“My priorities are not the same as those offered in this survey.”*