

2023 AFC POLICY PRIORITIES: RESULTS FROM THE 2022 POLICY PRIORITIES COMMUNITY SURVEY

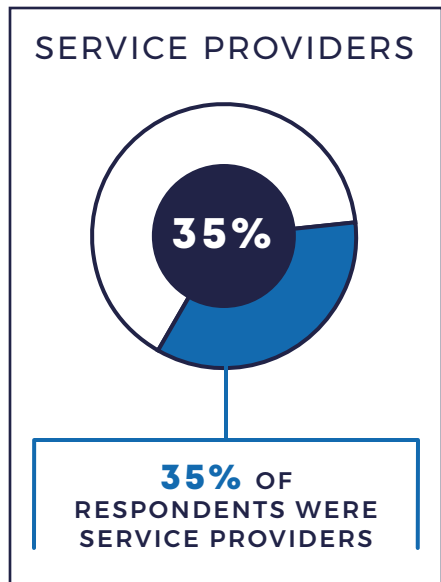
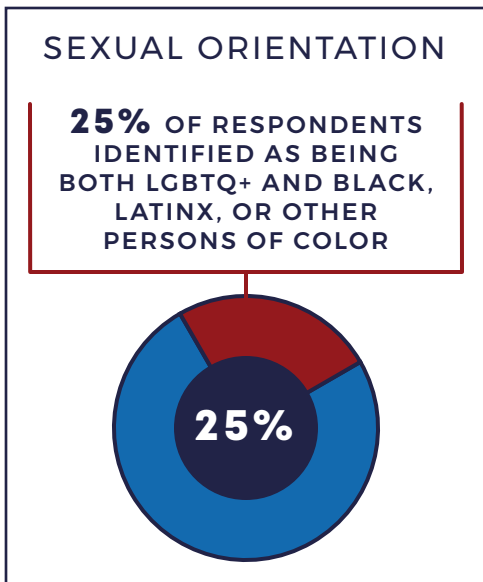
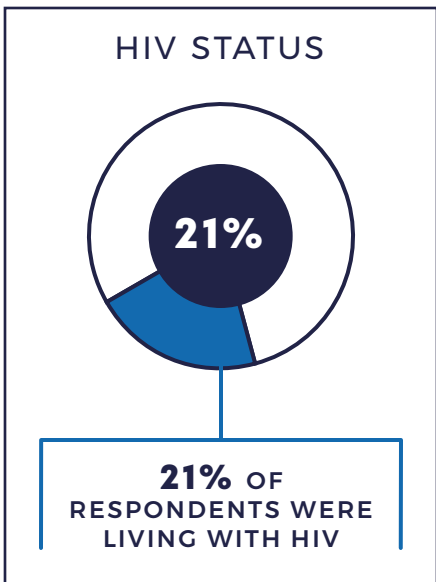
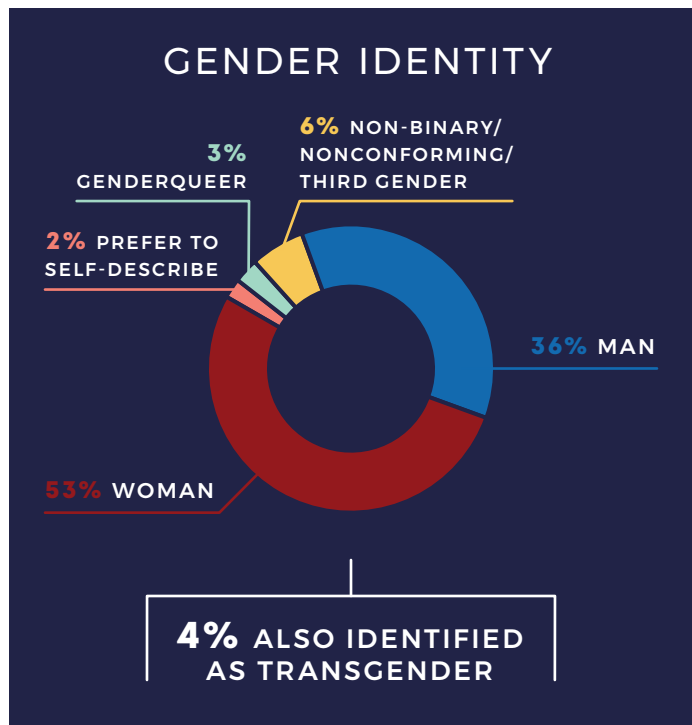
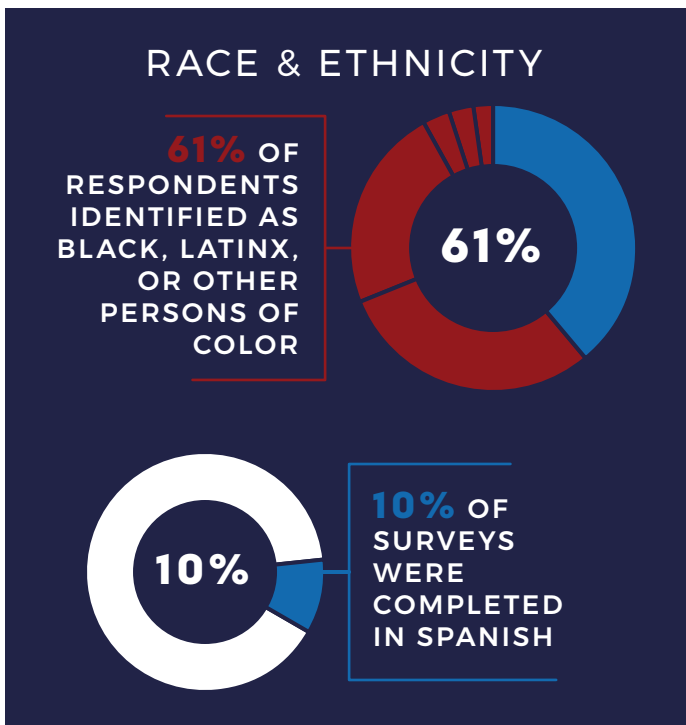


SURVEY METHODS:

- Survey was fielded in Summer and Fall of 2022
- 130 people across the state of Illinois responded to this survey



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SURVEY RESULTS:

Considering your experience (either personal or professional), what are the top 3 challenges to ending the HIV epidemic and homelessness?



1. Housing availability, affordability, & accessibility



2. Health care availability, affordability, & accessibility



3. Economic Stability

Across all respondents, Housing, Health care, and Economic stability were ranked most frequently, but there were differences by race and ethnicity:

	BLACK OR AFRICAN AMERICAN RESPONDENTS	WHITE RESPONDENTS	HISPANIC OR LATINX RESPONDENTS
1	HOUSING AVAILABILITY, AFFORDABILITY, & ACCESSIBILITY	HOUSING AVAILABILITY, AFFORDABILITY, & ACCESSIBILITY	HOUSING AVAILABILITY, AFFORDABILITY, & ACCESSIBILITY
2	HEALTH CARE AVAILABILITY, AFFORDABILITY, & ACCESSIBILITY	HEALTH CARE AVAILABILITY, AFFORDABILITY, & ACCESSIBILITY	HEALTH CARE AVAILABILITY, AFFORDABILITY, & ACCESSIBILITY
3	CRIMINAL LEGAL SYSTEM	ECONOMIC STABILITY	ECONOMIC STABILITY & EDUCATION (TIED)

CHALLENGES FACED

SURVEY RESULTS:

What are the 3 most important policy issue areas that you believe AFC's Policy & Advocacy work should focus on in the coming year?



1. Increase in funding for supportive and affordable housing



2. Increase availability and accessibility to community mental health services



3. Increase availability and accessibility to medications that prevent and treat HIV

Housing, mental health services, and availability of medications for prevention and treatment were ranked most frequently across all respondents

Differences to note by race and ethnicity:

- Jobs ranked higher for White respondents
- Harm reduction ranked higher for Black respondents
- Public education campaigns ranked higher for Hispanic respondents

	BLACK OR AFRICAN AMERICAN RESPONDENTS	WHITE RESPONDENTS	HISPANIC OR LATINX RESPONDENTS
1	INCREASE IN FUNDING FOR SUPPORTIVE AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING	INCREASE IN FUNDING FOR SUPPORTIVE AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING	INCREASE AVAILABILITY AND ACCESSIBILITY OF COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES
2	INCREASE AVAILABILITY AND ACCESSIBILITY OF COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES	INCREASE AVAILABILITY AND ACCESSIBILITY OF COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES	PUBLIC EDUCATION CAMPAIGN(S) TO REDUCE HIV STIGMA
3	INCREASE AVAILABILITY AND ACCESSIBILITY OF HARM REDUCTION & RECOVERY SERVICES	INCREASE THE AVAILABILITY AND ACCESSIBILITY OF LIVING-WAGE JOBS	INCREASE IN FUNDING FOR SUPPORTIVE AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING

Differences to note:

- Food programs ranked higher for PLWH

	PEOPLE LIVING WITH HIV (PLWH)	PEOPLE NOT LIVING WITH HIV
1	INCREASE THE TYPE OF FOOD AVAILABLE THROUGH THE SNAP (I.E. FOOD STAMPS) PROGRAM	INCREASE IN FUNDING FOR SUPPORTIVE AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING
2	INCREASE IN FUNDING FOR SUPPORTIVE AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING	INCREASE AVAILABILITY AND ACCESSIBILITY OF COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES
3	INCREASE AVAILABILITY AND ACCESSIBILITY OF COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES	INCREASE AVAILABILITY AND ACCESSIBILITY TO MEDICATIONS THAT PREVENT AND TREAT HIV

COMMUNITY PRIORITIES