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What's your participation with HOPE as a client?

I am a current client	71%
I am a former client	11%
I was never was a client	10%
N.A.	8%
Total	127

Programs Participated in

Client Choice Food Pantry	78%
Family Mentoring Program	13%
Neighboring	6%
Community Education Initiative	2%
Getting Ahead in a Just-Gettin'-By World	13%
Total	127

How long have you been receiving services from HOPE Ministries?

Less than 1 year	42%
1-4 years	38%
4 years or more	8%
N.A.	13%
Total	127

Have you participated in the Client Choice Food Pantry?

No	13%
Yes	87%
Total	127

How often do you shop in the Food Pantry?

Once per month	61%
Once every 2-3 months	14%
Once every 4-6 months	4%
Once a year	2%
N.A.	19%
Total	127

Why do you Shop in the Food Pantry?

To supplement existing food	57%
Can't afford food	34%
Can't drive to grocery store	3%
Holiday Food Baskets	19%
Total	127

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I find the selection of food items available to be

Excellent	40%
Good	33%
Fair	8%
Poor	2%
N.A.	17%
Total	127

I find the quality of food available to be

Excellent	45%
Good	28%
Fair	9%
N.A.	19%
Total	127

Is it convenient for you to shop in the pantry?

Yes	80%
No	2%
N.A.	17%
Total	127

I find the staff in the intake area in the Family Center to be very helpful.

I strongly agree	55%
I agree	26%
Don't Know	1%
N.A.	18%
Total	127

I find the staff in the pantry to be very helpful

I strongly agree	53%
I agree	24%
Don't Know	2%
N.A.	21%
Total	127

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Importance of Stocking these Foods

	Canned Goods	Fresh Veg	Frozen Veg	Assorted Meats	Dairy Products	Rice	Flour	Breads
Essential	24%	20%	18%	23%	21%	21%	20%	25%
Very Important	43%	40%	39%	39%	38%	36%	35%	36%
Important	12%	10%	13%	9%	13%	11%	11%	10%
Would be Nice	2%	7%	8%	6%	3%	6%	9%	4%
Not so Important	1%	1%	1%	2%	2%	1%	2%	2%
N.A.	20%	22%	22%	21%	24%	24%	24%	23%
Total	127	127	127	127	127	127	127	127

Where do you Shop?

Albertson's	19%
Hi Nabor	39%
Neighborhood Store	14%
Piggly Wiggly	63%
Sam's	12%
Sav-A-Lot	42%
Wal-Mart	57%
Whole Foods	5%
Winn Dixie	27%
Total	127

Do you compare prices before shopping?

Yes	80%
No	9%
N.A.	11%
Total	127

Do you use coupons?

Yes	53%
No	37%
N.A.	10%
Total	127

Would you purchase meat and other food

Yes	81%
No	7%
N.A.	12%
Total	127

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Would purchase fresh fruits and vegetables

Yes	83%
No	5%
N.A.	13%
Total	127

Do you participate in the WIC program?

Yes	16%
No	71%
N.A.	13%
Total	127

Children in your household participating in the free or reduced meal programs

Yes	55%
No	33%
N.A.	12%
Total	127

Have you participated in the Getting Ahead Program?

Yes	3%
No	78%
N.A.	19%
Total	127

Have you participated in the Family Mentoring Program?

Yes	60%
No	28%
N.A.	12%
Total	127

Biggest improvement in the program: Family Stability

1	79%
2	16%
3	5%
Total	43

Biggest improvement in the program: Housing Stability Housing Stability

1	41%
2	33%
3	26%
Total	27

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Biggest improvement in the program: Financial Stability Financial Stability

1	70%
2	3%
3	27%
Total	30

I feel the HOPE Ministries' Family Mentoring Program helped to improve my family's situation.

I strongly agree	60%
I agree	33%
I disagree	8%
Total	67

My family service coordinator /case manager was very helpful to me.

I strongly agree	56%
I agree	39%
I disagree	5%
Total	66

My assigned mentor was very helpful to me and my family.

I strongly agree	53%
I agree	44%
I disagree	3%
Total	64

Participated in Family Mentoring...

Home Buyer Training	4%
Financial Literacy Training	6%
Finance/Budget Management	6%
Getting Ahead In a Just-Gettin'-By World	14%
One On One Financial Planning	7%
Regular Case Management Sessions	10%
Regular Mentoring Meetings or Contacts	11%
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My experience in the Family Mentoring Program was beneficial to me and my family?

I strongly agree	63%
I agree	32%
I disagree	2%
I strongly disagree	4%
Total	56

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Unmet needs in our community

Transportation	37%
Childcare	14%
After school care	16%
Tutoring	15%
Home Buyer training	21%
Financial Literacy training	12%
Finance / Budget management	19%
Easily accessible grocery store	16%
Home repair	35%
Affordable housing	39%
Home cleaning assistance	23%
Laundry services	17%
Delivery services	20%
Help with budgeting	15%
Car maintenance	25%
Food services for the elderly or homebound	29%
Health care services	27%
Low-income housing	37%
Total	127

I would attend, if HOPE Ministries offered a crime prevention and safety awareness class.

I strongly agree	45%
I agree	33%
I disagree	6%
I strongly disagree	2%
N.A.	14%
Total	127

I would attend, if HOPE Ministries offered free health screenings and other healthy living info

I strongly agree	53%
I agree	29%
I disagree	2%
I strongly disagree	1%
N.A.	15%
Total	127

I would attend, if HOPE Ministries offered job training assistance.

I strongly agree	47%
I agree	26%
I disagree	6%
I strongly disagree	3%
N.A.	18%
Total	127

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I would attend, if HOPE Ministries offered computer access and training.

I strongly agree	45%
I agree	30%
I disagree	7%
I strongly disagree	2%
N.A.	16%
Total	127

I would attend if HOPE Ministries offered budgeting and financial management training.

I strongly agree	15%
I agree	57%
I disagree	5%
I strongly disagree	6%
N.A.	18%
Total	127

I would attend if HOPE Ministries offered parenting classes.

I strongly agree	27%
I agree	25%
I disagree	17%
I strongly disagree	6%
N.A.	24%
Total	127

Have you participated in other programs in your community?

Yes	34%
No	51%
N.A.	15%
Total	127

Participated in other programs

Church	19%
Community Center	16%
Non-profit organization	9%
Total	127

Do you own a computer?

Yes	33%
No	52%
N.A.	15%
Total	127

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Do you and your family have internet access at home?

Yes	28%
No	57%
N.A.	15%
Total	127

Use a computer or the internet at:

Library	35%
Community Center	2%
School	8%
Friends/Family/Neighbors House	18%
Total	127

I have a washer and dryer in my house.

Yes	54%
No	32%
N.A.	15%
Total	127

I would use paid laundry services if they were available at HOPE Ministries.

I strongly agree	21%
I agree	35%
I disagree	17%
I strongly disagree	6%
N.A.	21%
Total	127

What is your current method of transportation?

I own my own my vehicle	44%
I can drive, but do not own a car	13%
I use public transportation	9%
I rely on others for transportation	17%
N.A.	17%
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Medical insurance:

Medicaid	43%
Medicare	21%
La CHIP	10%
Employer sponsored	5%
None	9%
Total	127

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Have you or a member of your family been a victim of:

Domestic Violence	17%
Assault	3%
Burglary	9%
Robbery	8%
Total	127

Have a history of:

Breast Cancer	8%
Prostate Cancer	2%
Asthma	21%
Heart Disease	17%
Diabetes	36%
High Blood Pressure	51%
HIV/AIDS	4%
Obesity	9%
Total	127

I have had been late on my rent or mortgage in the past 12 months

Have not been late	12%
Once	12%
Twice	21%
Three to five times	14%
More than five times	2%
N.A.	39%
Total	127

I have received an eviction notice or foreclosure notice in the past 12months

Yes	14%
No	61%
N.A.	25%
Total	127

I have been late on my utilities or received a disconnect notice in the past 12 months

Have not been late	12%
Once	13%
Twice	17%
Three to five times	17%
More than five times	7%
N.A.	35%
Total	127

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I have gotten rental assistance in the past

3 Months	12%
6 Months	4%
9 Months	1%
12 Months	6%
Have not received assistance	23%
N.A.	55%
Total	127

I have gotten utility assistance in the past time period

3 Months	11%
6 Months	14%
9 Months	6%
12 Months	5%
Have not received assistance	17%
N.A.	48%
Total	127

Race

Other (please specify)	2%
African American	79%
Caucasian	3%
N.A.	16%
Total	127

Sex

Male	11%
Female	77%
N.A.	12%
Total	127

Age (categorical)

20-39	24%
40-49	21%
50 & Older	31%
N.A.	24%
Total	127

Are you a Hurricane Evacuee?

Yes	15%
No	67%
N.A.	18%
Total	127

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How many in your household: Children (0-17)

0	50%
1	19%
2	12%
3	8%
4	9%
5	2%
6	1%
8	1%
Total	127

How many in your household: Adults (18-64)

0	36%
1	27%
2	23%
3	10%
4	2%
5	2%
Total	127

How many in your household: Seniors (65 and older)

0	91%
1	8%
2	2%
Total	127

Is there more than one family living in your household?

Yes	12%
No	66%
N.A.	22%
Total	127

Marital Status

Other (please specify)	2%
Single/never married	33%
Married	9%
Married/not living with spouse	7%
Divorced	20%
Widowed	10%
N.A.	20%
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Employment Status

Other (please specify)	2%
Unemployed	32%
Employed	20%
Disabled	21%
Retired	5%
Student	2%
N.A.	19%
Total	127

If employed, do you work?

Full time	17%
Part time	7%
Self-employed	2%
N.A.	73%
Total	127

Monthly Household Income Amount

No Income	9%
\$1-250	3%
\$251-\$500	6%
\$501-\$1000	29%
\$1,001-\$1,500	18%
\$1,501-\$2,000	3%
\$2,001 and higher	4%
N.A.	28%
Total	127

Income Assistance Sources: Supplement Social Security

Supplement Social Security	17%
Social Security Disability	28%
Social Security	14%
AFDC	2%
General Public Assistance	2%
Child Support	4%
Veteran Benefits	1%
Wages/Employment	11%
Unemployment Benefits	3%
Food Stamps	28%
No Financial Resources	1%
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How many years of schooling did you complete?

Some High School	30%
High School Graduate or GED	29%
Trade/Vocational School Completed	6%
Some College	13%
Associates Degree or Junior College Degree	2%
College Graduate / BA, BS, BFA	2%
N.A.	20%
Total	127

Are you a registered voter?

Yes	66%
No	14%
N.A.	20%
Total	127

Religious Affiliation

Other (please specify)	2%
None	1%
African Methodist Episcopal	2%
Baptist	57%
Catholic	3%
Church of Christ	2%
Church of God in Christ	2%
Full Gospel	3%
Jehovah's Witness	3%
United Methodist	1%
Non-denominational	5%
Pentecostal	2%
Seventh Day Adventist	1%
N.A.	19%
Total	127

Are you a member of a local church?

Yes, if so, name your church	47%
No	32%
N.A.	21%
Total	127

Are you interested in attending a group meeting to discuss the results of this survey?

Yes	39%
No	41%
N.A.	20%
Total	127

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Misc Typologies

Church Member	47%
Elderly (55+)	22%
Victim of Domestic Violence	17%
Victim of Crime	13%
Disabled	35%
Unemployed	32%
Employed Full Time	15%
Above High School Degree	21%
Late on Rent 2 or More Times in Year	38%
Late on Utilities 2 or More Times in Year	40%
Single Parent	32%
Single Mom	28%
Not a parent (no children in home)	50%
Single parent in home	32%
Two parents at home	19%
Total	127