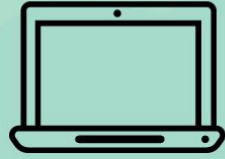


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Municipal & Community-Wide
Food Responses to COVID-19



Les réponses des municipalités et des
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AGENDA

- Welcome
- Introduction to FCN-RCN
- Panelists
- Q & A: Questions from the Chat Box
- Next steps and keeping in touch

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- Tides Canada
- Insight
- Maple Leaf Centre for Action on Food Security

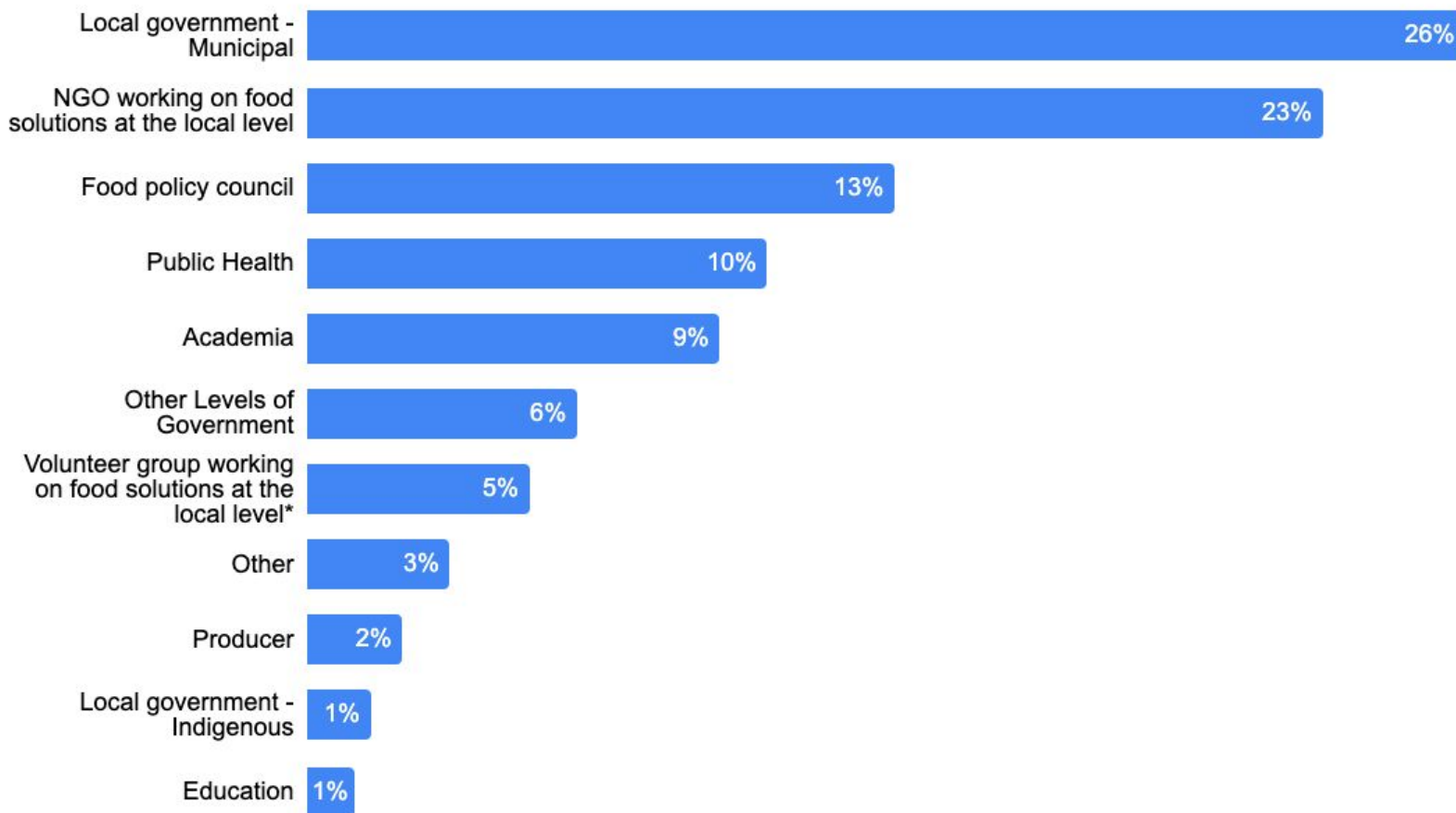
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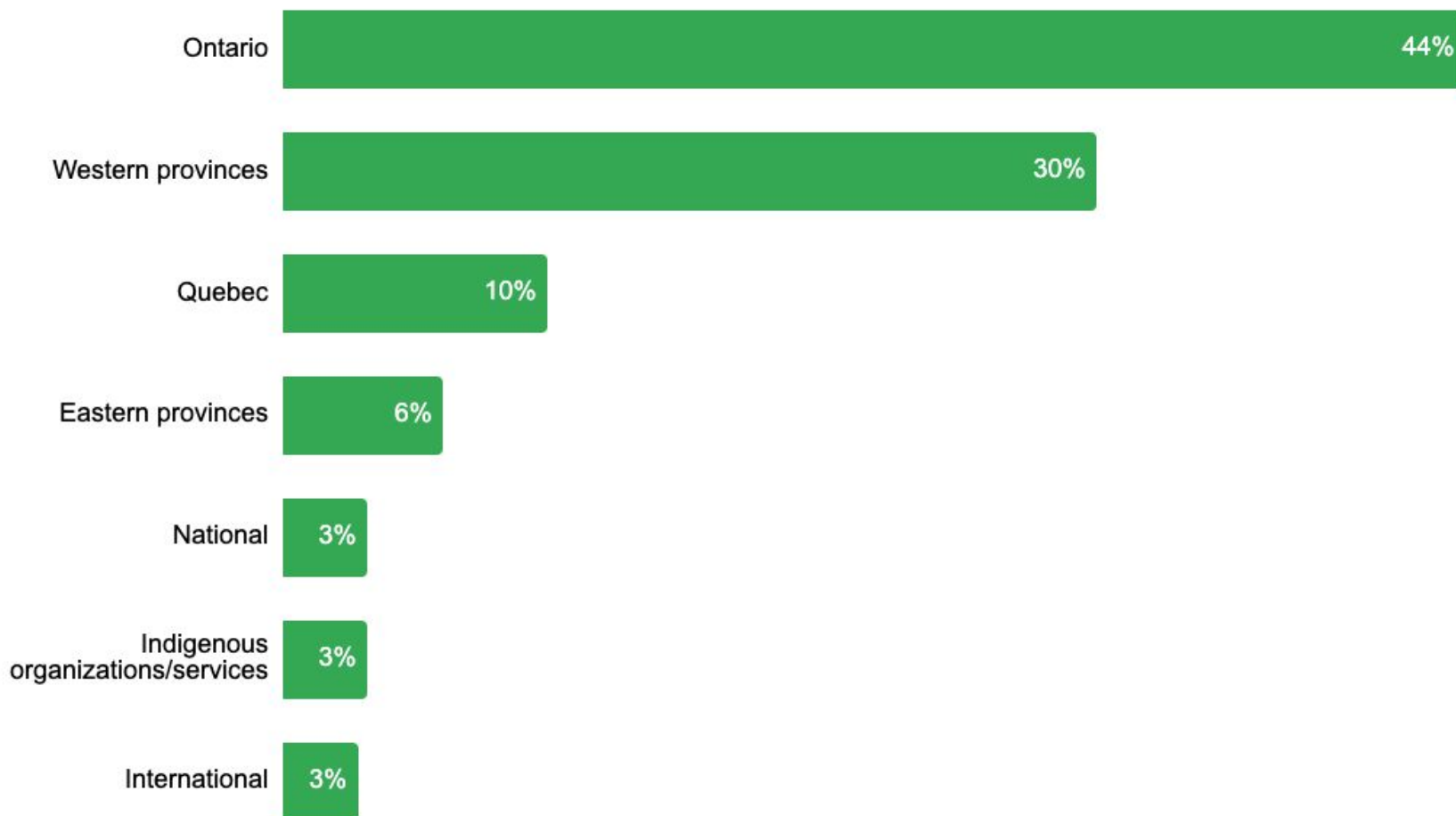
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The Beginnings of our Network. Who are you?

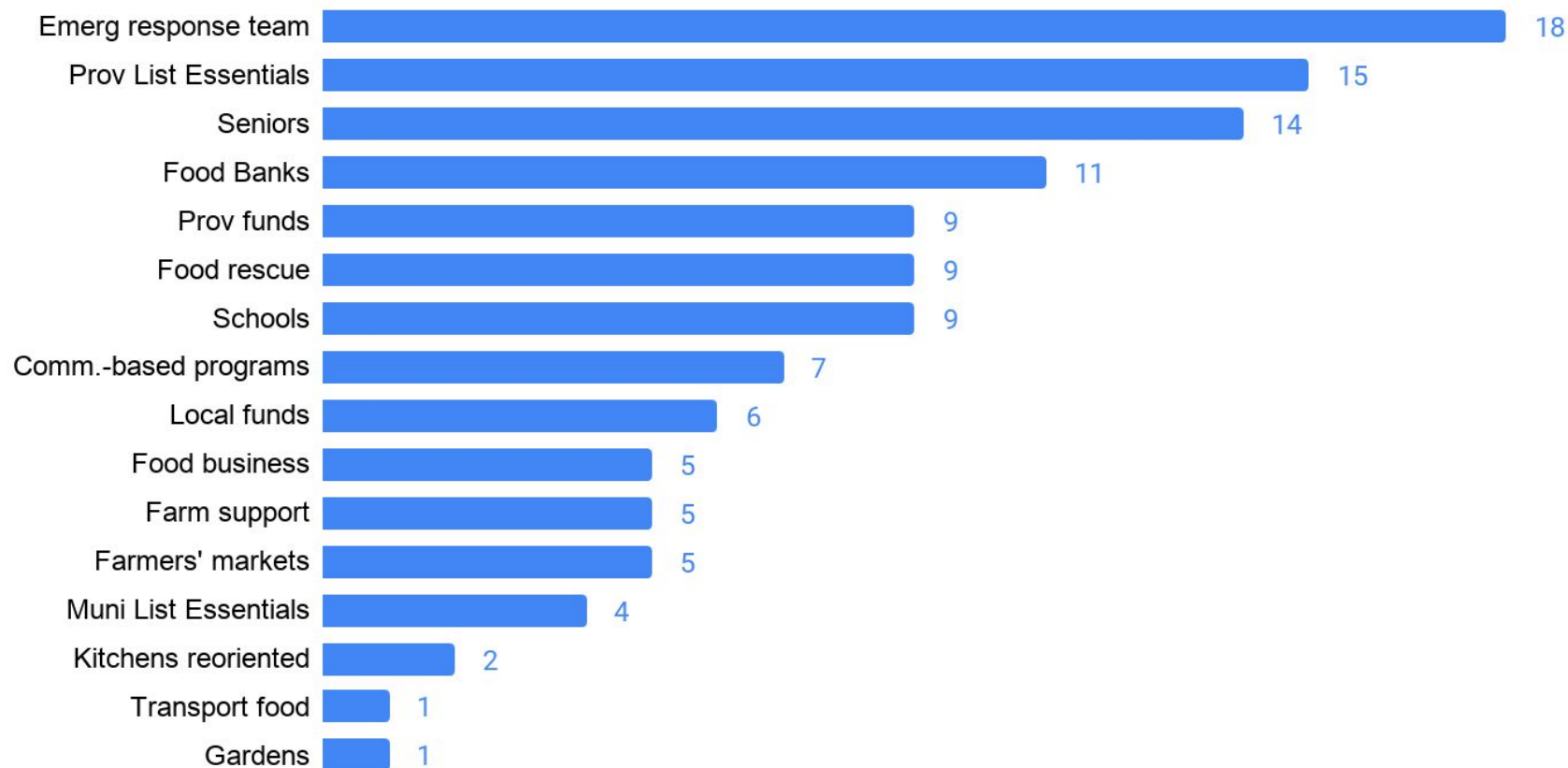


Where are you?



How is your community responding?

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Today's Speakers

Jessica McLaughlin, North West Ontario

Kristie Peters Snider, City of Calgary, AB

Leticia Smillie, Halifax Regional Municipality, NS

Moe Garahan, Just Food, Ottawa, ON

Questions From Chat Box

- How are your frontline food and healthcare workers dealing with health and safety?
- What initiatives are taking shape across the country?
 - - e.g., heard that the Fredericton Farmers Market switched to online. How about elsewhere?
- What are communities doing to connect surplus with need?
- How do local governments communicate appropriately about food security to the public in covid times, especially reaching most at risk populations ? (ex: digital gap)
- How are you supporting community members to direct them to income supports to help them access food through increasing household income.
- How are communities keeping community gardens open? The closure of Community Gardens in Ontario, HRM, etc. Is there information from BC that they have found a way to keep their Community Gardens open during the pandemic? Do they have protocols in place?

Break-Out Meetings Next Week

1. Assisting farmers	Farmers' markets, Labour, CSAs, Online marketing, Connecting with emergency food distribution
2. Community gardens & urban agriculture	Decision on inclusion as essential food services, Guidelines/regulations for gardening + physical distancing
3. Immediate food distribution	How are communities scaling up, identifying need, increasing collaboration, delivering emergency food to vulnerable populations, (Food banks, Emergency food box programs, Meal programs, Pivoting School-based Programs)
4. Buying food, buy local programs	restaurants, grocery stores, buying from farmers, regulations/innovations/customer directories, Supporting local/community businesses selling prepared and/or retail food, Supporting customers to locate locally-produced food on farms
5. Supporting infrastructure for food responses to COVID-19	Finding/replacing volunteers, Pivots among funding to assist at municipal level, Communication Strategies, Coping with requirement for staffing increases
6. Municipal/Community Food Policy Councils	Top items being worked on? Are there topics that are important to be aligning language across food policy councils re. municipal/community-wide response to food insecurity?

STAY IN TOUCH // RESTEZ EN CONTACT

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