

Breakout Questions for Discussion Jan 16, 2025

In order to set the agenda for the next 2 years for DCHC to make a plan:

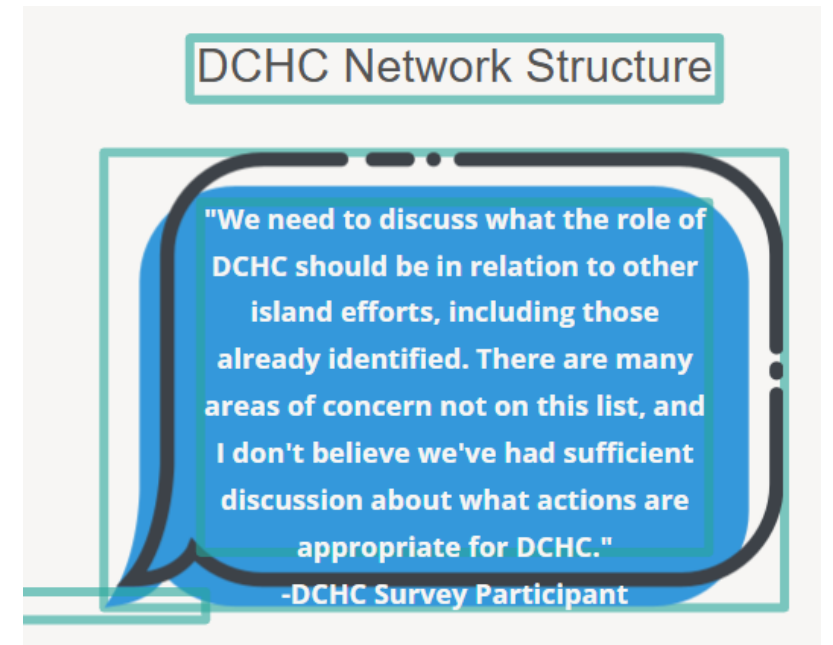
Questions to answer

- What are the 2 MOST important health issues you see on the Island?
- What role if any do you see for the Health Council in these 2 issues?
- What 1 or 2 recommendations do you have based on your thoughts?
- Breakouts – 3-5 people in each group; report from breakout, send us your notes in the chat

DCHC Full Council
BiAnnual Goal Setting
January 16, 2025

Objectives

- Review foundational elements of Council purpose
 - Quick Bylaws review on purpose
- Report out on status of 2021 goals
- Summarize 2023 Rural Scholars recommendations
- Discuss *role* of the Council in breakout rooms:
 - Topical areas
 - Leadership
- Next steps



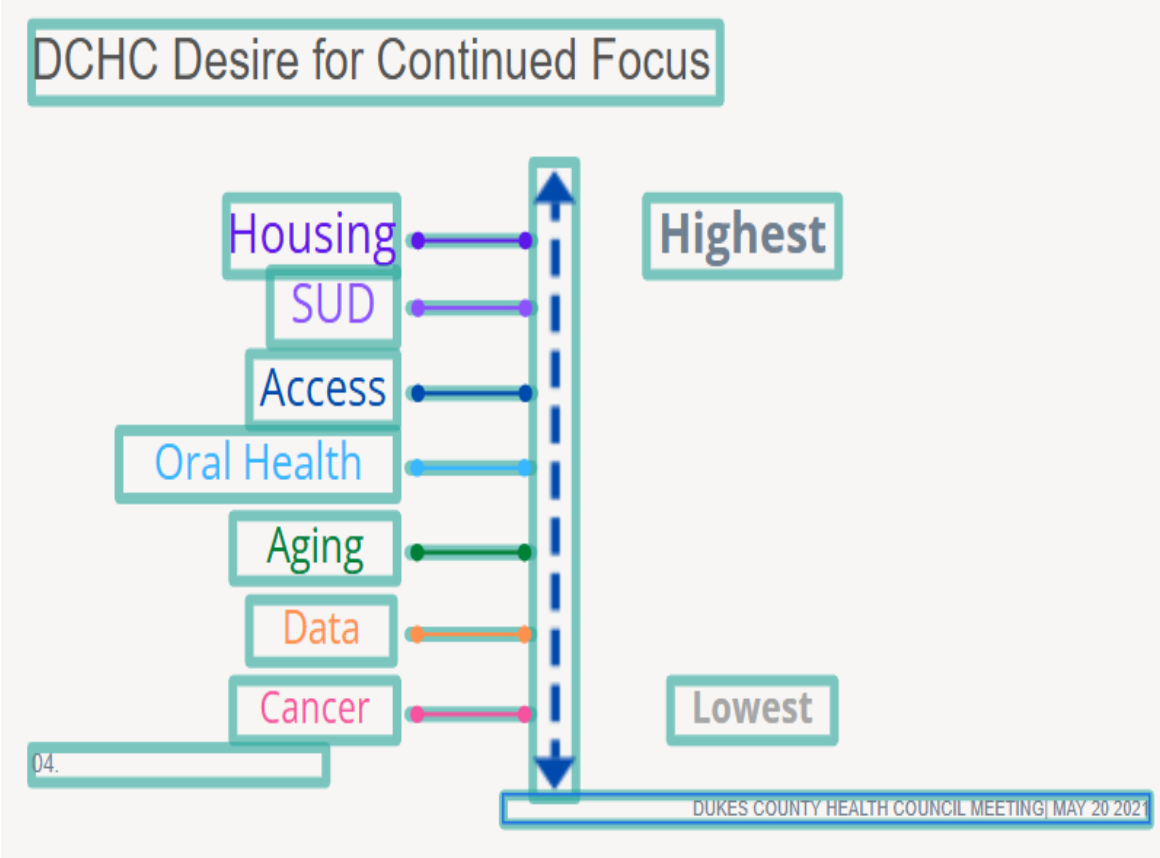
DCHC ByLaws Responsibility Review



The Dukes County Health Council is responsible:

- "To identify community health needs, assess services and foster the development of programs to meet those needs in concert with appropriate town and county governments as well as other appropriate local resources."
- "To identify the health education needs of the community and foster the development of programs to meet these needs."
- "To review . . . health status indicators and recommend priorities to be addressed."
- "To support community relations programs that will gather and distribute information, and educate the public."

DCHC identified priority areas 2021



Housing: Testify at State House, letters (multiple) of support to legislature, Housing Committee MVC
SUD: has had some progress and setbacks, has identified goals and objectives. Needs new admin/champion. What is the status of OUD settlement? New Court.

Access: HCA continues under new leadership of Lenore Maniaci

Oral Health: IHC opened new Dental Center early December 2024

Aging: Healthy Aging has new chair, continues to deepen involvement in advocacy and service access

Data: Has a new co-chair. Proposal to hire admin to support web edits has been advanced. Great presentation by hospital on population health data and activities. IHC and MVH talking about SAC/CHNA collaboration.

Cancer: Dukes has very high incidence. Need activities in this area.

Emerging opportunities

New Focal Areas: 2021



Emergency Preparedness

- General
- Post COVID protocols
- Pandemic preparedness
- Unified, consistent protocols for health care workers during any emergency



Special Health Topics

- Women's health
- Reproductive health
- Mental health
- Tick diseases
- Environmental effects on health



Health Equity

- LGBTQ+ health
- DEI trainings and programs for Health System
- Difficulties in community health
- Youth health and wellness, wrap around supports
- Representation of diverse needs of county



Workforce Development & Shortages

- Health and human services workforce growth and development/specialists
- Specialists on Island (e.g., Neurologist)
- FT Endocrinologist



Communication & Engagement

- Forms of transportation: walking, biking, etc.
- Community engagement and involvement
- First Stop navigations/reorganization
- Centralized source of information for home health care



Food Insecurity & Nutrition

- Community-wide information on healthy local food access
- Education on healthy eating

Internal Operations

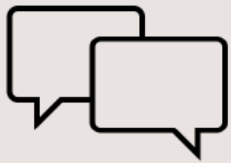
- Governance
 - Membership
 - Nominations Committee – reconstituted in 2024
 - Meetings
 - Coordinating Committee – meaningful programs and Health Council advocacy for topical areas identified by membership at regular intervals
- SubCommittees
 - Rural Scholars
 - Health AgingMV
 - SUD
 - BH/MH
 - Climate Action/Health Effects of Climate Change
 - Youth Task Force
 - Data and Information

Nominating Committee:
Recruit, outreach to new (possible) members, orient, communicate with membership.

Coordination Committee: Open Meetings, zoom, parliamentary, secretary, treasurer, plan/arrange 1-3 topical presentations/month, meeting summary.

Themes identified over time by Rural Scholars

Primary Themes



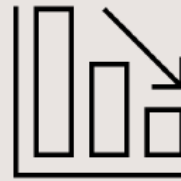
Communication
And Language



Housing



Mental Health



Shortage of
Services



Stigma

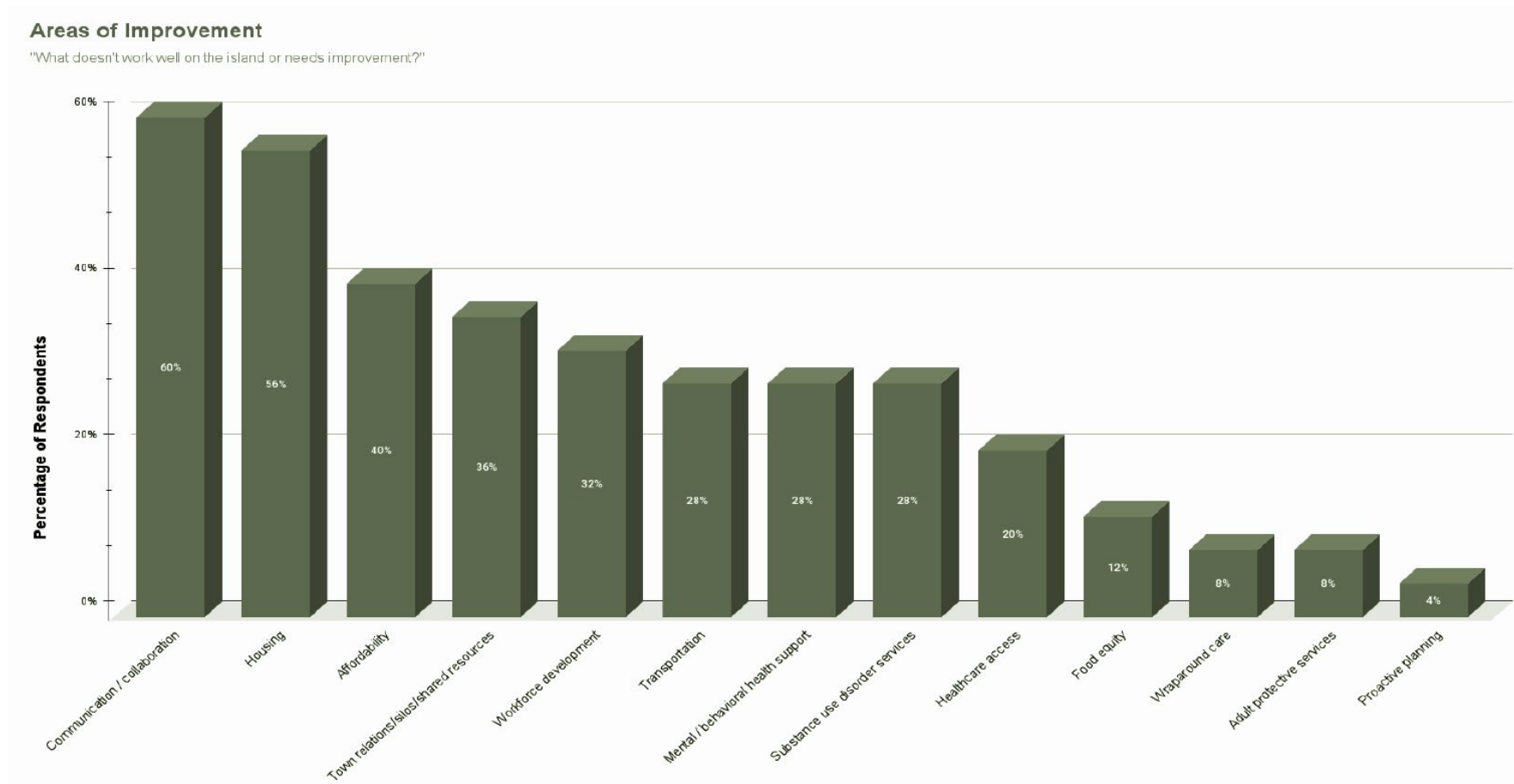


Wraparound
Care

What doesn't work well?

60 % Communication/collaboration

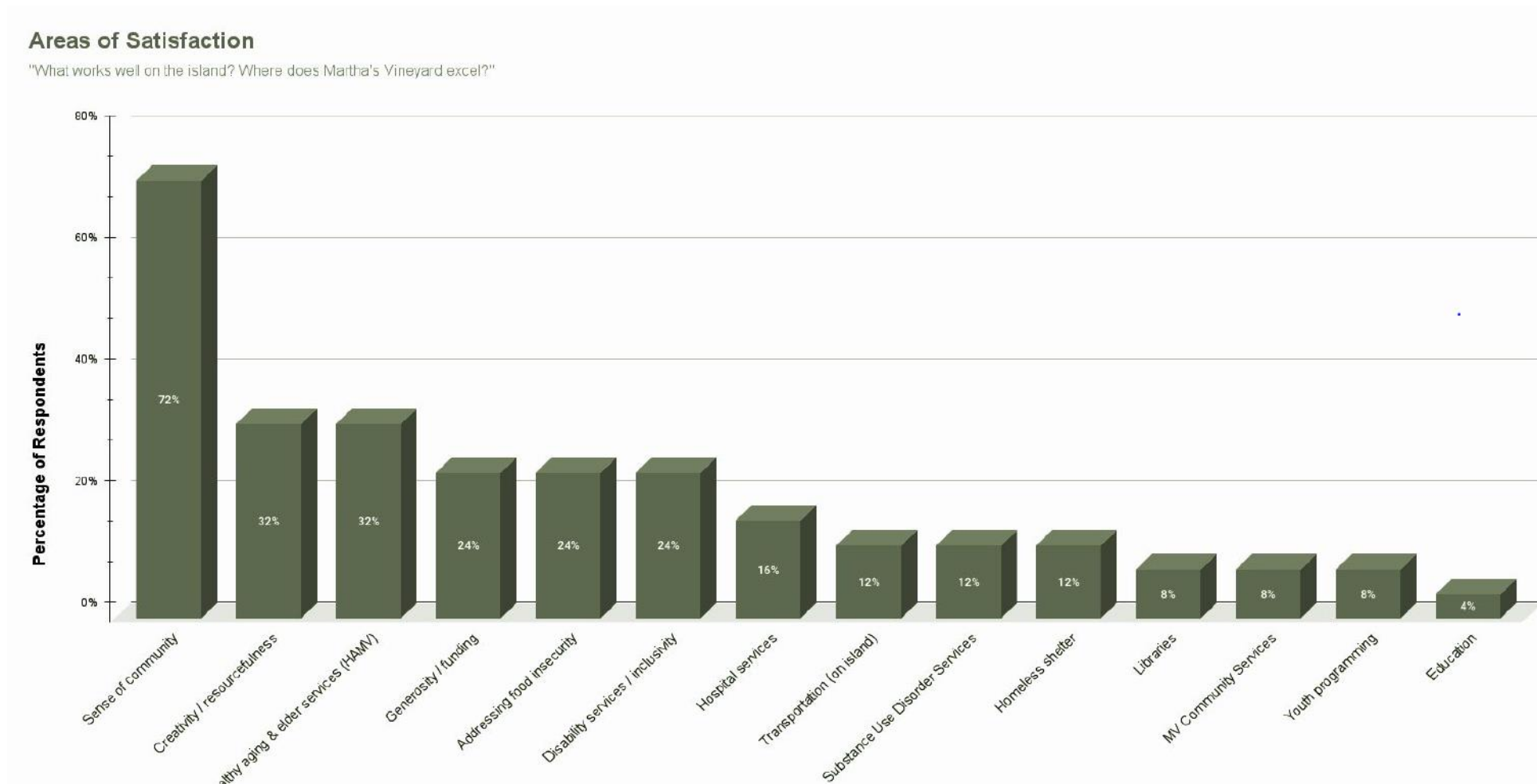
36% Town relationships and shared resources



What works to get things done?

72 % Sense of community

32 % Creativity and resourcefulness

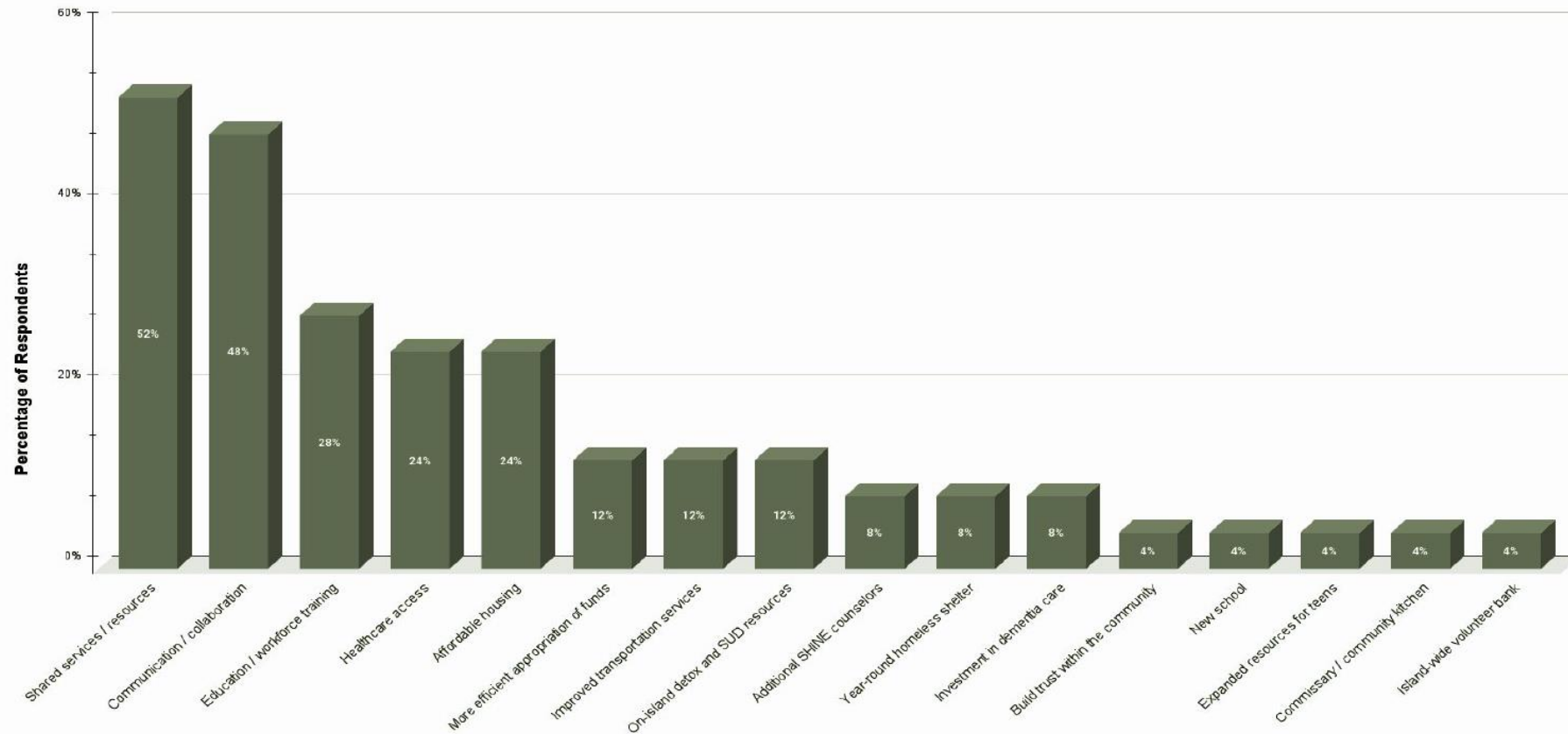


What would we like to see in place tomorrow?

52% Shared services and Resources
48% Communication/Collaboration

Goals / Wishlist

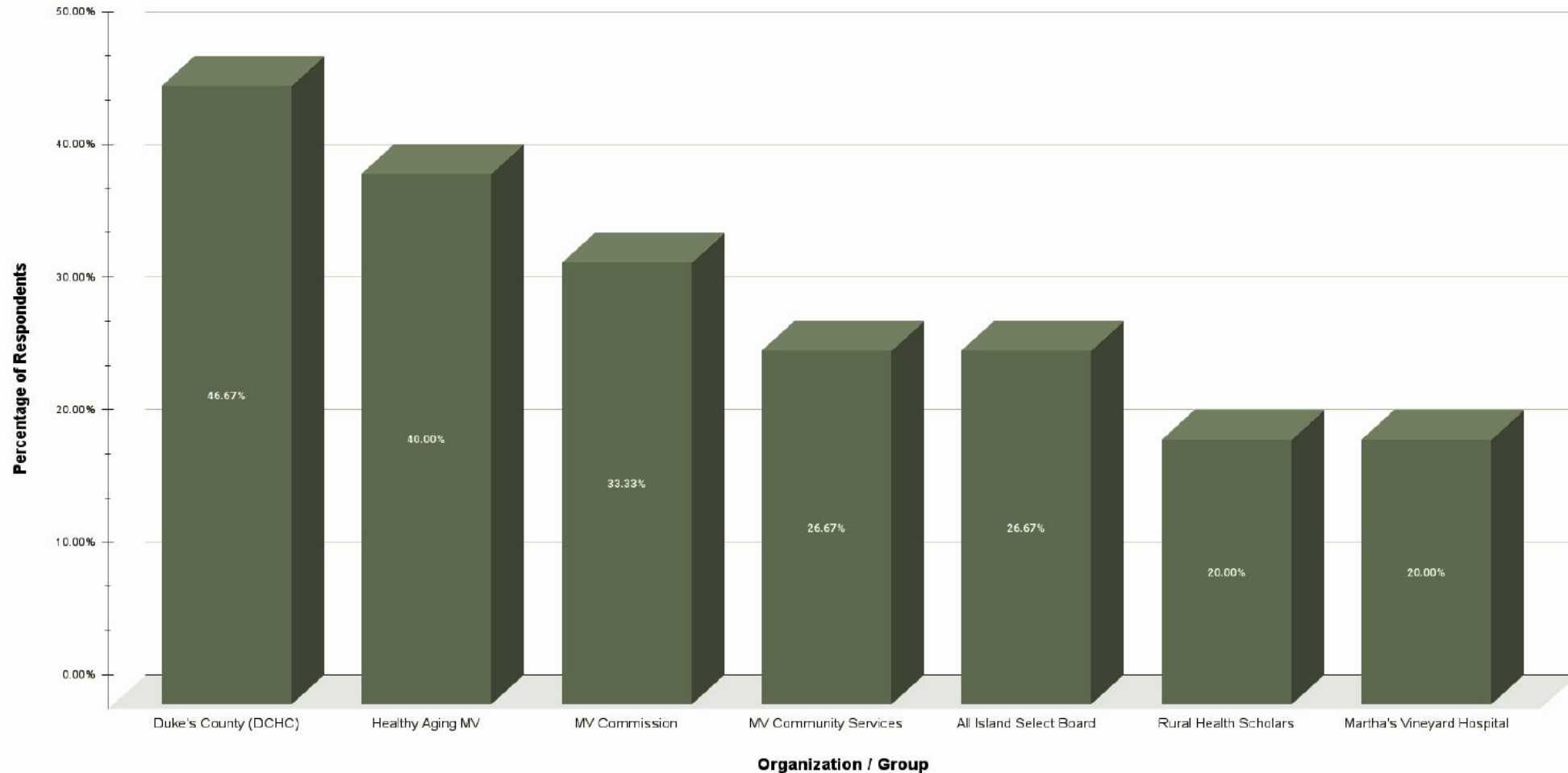
"If there were no obstacles in the way, what would you like to see in place on Martha's Vineyard tomorrow?"



Organization best positioned to bring stakeholders together to promote collaboration.

Collaborative Leadership

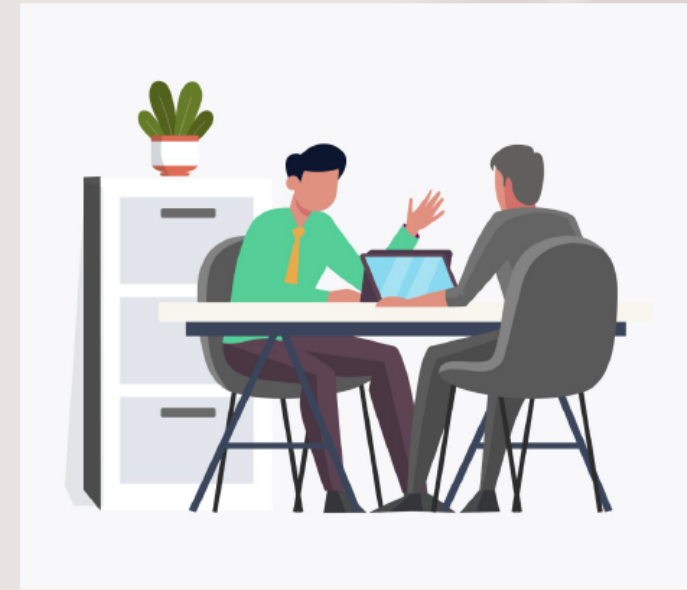
Which organization is best positioned or has the largest responsibility for bringing stakeholders together to promote collaboration across the island?



Steps to collaboration

Summary of Findings

- Appropriation of funds should be consistent with *needs and strategic priorities* of community
- Need for continued focus on strengthening *on-island* resources and services
- Incredible progress being made
 - Opportunity to better *communicate* and raise awareness of resources
- Remaining issues require *collaboration* and *sharing* of resources, efforts, and ideas
- Key stakeholders *want to work together*, but need community leaders to *take charge*





Healthy People 2030's objective for collaboration is to promote multisector collaboration to help stakeholders work toward the goal of improving health and well-being for all. Healthy People 2030 also provides data monitoring tools and highlights evidence-based resources and practices.