# Klawock Community Survey Results

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### SURVEY METHODOLOGY

The Klawock Cooperative Association (KCA) is working to create a comprehensive and coordinated Community Development Action Plan to address prioritized community needs. As part of this process, the KCA is collecting community-specific data. The Klawock Cooperative Association contracted with SALT to conduct a tribal community needs assessment in Klawock.

On February 20th, 2019 the Klawock Cooperative Association (KCA) hosted a planning session to establish short and long-term social and economic strategies for the community in order to increase self-sufficiency and community well-being. Approximately 75 Klawock residents attended the ANB hall event. Community members were asked to identify the initiatives that would bring the most value to Klawock. Through this effort, 17 larger categories emerged. This process was used to develop the survey instrument.

Rain Coast Data designed the survey on behalf of SALT with input from Klawock Cooperative Association. The web-based survey was administered electronically from May 1st through May 30th 2019. The survey asked Klawock residents to respond to 18 questions about their community preferences and priorities.

This analysis incorporates results from the Klawock Tribal Housing Survey Analysis. It also compares some of the current survey findings to a community wide survey fielded in 2006. Finally, it incorporates the in-person prioritization that occurred with the community on February 20th. A total of 91 people in Klawock took the survey. It was open to all community members.

# SURVEY PARTICIPATION TOTAL SURVEYS = 91

### **SUMMARY OF FINDINGS**

At the heart of this survey is a prioritization of 19 different community goals, which emerged during a community planning session in February of 2019. The 75 participants of the community night were asked to prioritize these initiatives in a "dot voting" exercise. The 91 who took the survey were asked to prioritize in two ways: First they were asked to adjudicate each item individually as having a "high level of demand or need" to no demand at all. Finally survey takers were asked to pick only one top priority from the list. Follow up questions provided more details on the specific interests within each category. Based on this input the following top priorities emerged:

#1. Establish a drug/substance abuse program or treatment center
#2. Build more housing (specifically single family homes and 2-3 bedroom units)
#3. Develop a recreation center (most notably for indoor activities for kids, fitness, and cultural activities)

**#4. Job creation/training** (top training of interest is welding, computer science, and diesel mechanics)

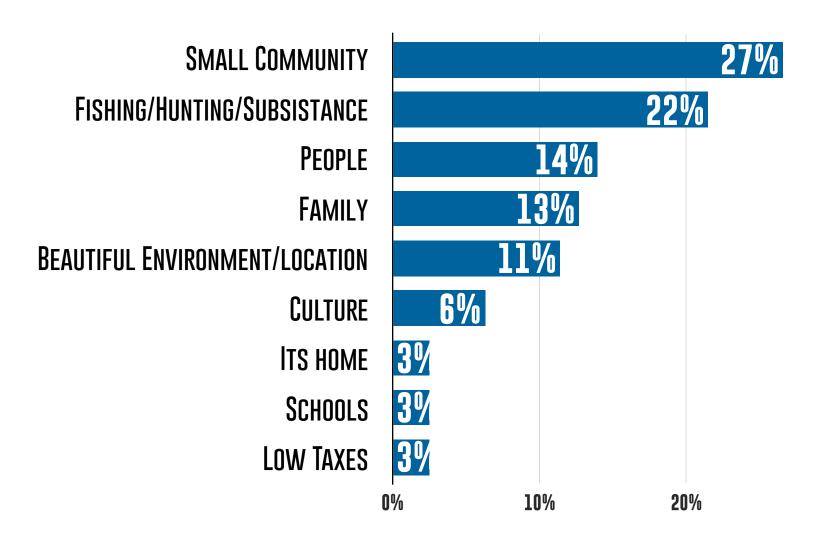
In addition to this critical element, the survey included a number of additional questions. Respondents were asked about what they like the most and the least about their community. While most responses lined up rather closely with 2006 responses, the concern about drug use specifically appears to have dramatically increased over the past 13 years.

#### Best = Small community feel Worst = Drug and alcohol problems

Participants were also asked a similar set of questions to the 2006 survey regarding which improvements they would most like to see in Klawock. The top answer was the removal of junk and debris from the community. Interestingly, most responses lined up closely with 2006 responses, although the demand to remove junk and debris had increased significantly, while the demand for paving appears to have been met during the interim.

Respondents were also asked how they feel about the City of Klawock allowing marijuana sales. A vast majority, 81% of respondents, said that they support or highly support this initiative.

# WHAT DO YOU LIKE THE MOST ABOUT LIVING IN KLAWOCK?



Respondents were asked what they like most about living in Klawock. The top answer was some aspect of the small community living that respondents find appealing. This was followed by access to fishing, hunting, or subsistence. The next two categories, people and family, would be the top answer if combined. The beautiful environment and location of Klawock was also highly sited.

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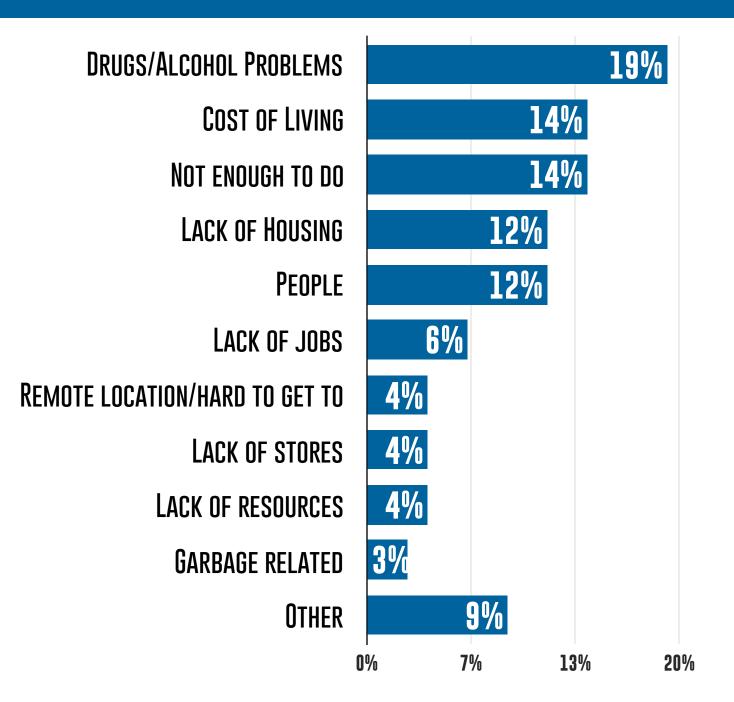
### **2006 RESULTS**

In 2006, a similar survey was developed for the community of Klawock as part of the development of the Klawock Community Plan 2007. RAI Development Solutions shared the response to this same question from 13 years earlier in Klawock. While the analysis below groups responses together, as a whole responses appear to be very similar.

# What are the two or three things that you like most about living in Klawock? 2006

Nature, scenery, location, close to food source, subsistence, clean air, water	181
Small town, you know everyone, close to family, culture, safe	112
Friendly people, caring environment, community comes together to help each other, safe.	70

# WHAT DO YOU LIKE THE LEAST ABOUT LIVING IN KLAWOCK?



Respondents were asked what they like least about living in Klawock. The top response was the community's drug and (to a lesser extent) alcohol related issues. The cost of living and lack of activities also were top answers.

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### **2006 RESULTS**

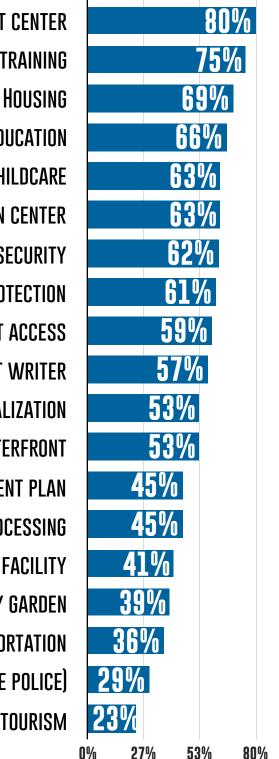
Again, the results from the 2019 analysis are compared to the 2006 survey results to this open ended question. While drug and alcohol use is the clear top concern in 2019, in 2006 even when responses in this category were combined with public safety and health care, it still came in at a distant third. These results indicate that drug use is a problem that has increased exponentially in the period of 13 years between these surveys.

# What are the two or three things you like least about living in Klawock? 2006

Lack of things to do: activities, recreation, movie theater, bowling, hotels, restaurants, place to ride 4 wheelers, paintball; community hall	101
Lack of services, expensive cost of living, isolated, remote, expensive to travel out to shop, lack of jobs, seasonal economy, lack of homes/home sites to buy	82
Lack of adequate public or other services: police coverage, animal control, health care choices, drug and alcohol	50
Need neighborhood improvements: sidewalks, lighting, road improvements, clean up junky areas, improvements to Snider Park & Veterans Field	26

### HOW IMPORTANT ARE THE FOLLOWING COMMUNITY NEEDS IN KLAWOCK?

### HIGH LEVEL OF DEMAND/NEED



DRUG AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE PROGRAM/TREATMENT CENTER **JOB CREATION/TRAINING** The top need for the SUPPORT EDUCATION community, according to the survey findings, includes a AFFORDABLE QUALITY CHILDCARE drug and substance abuse program or treatment facility, **RECREATION CENTER** job training, and housing development. Of the 19 FOOD SECURITY priorities identified by the **RESOURCE PROTECTION** community, tourism development was ranked as MORE INTERNET ACCESS having the lowest demand. **GRANT WRITER** CULTURAL REVITALIZATION IMPROVE AND PRESERVE KLAWOCK WATERFRONT SEA OTTER MANAGEMENT PLAN **CREATE A TANNERY FOR HIDE PROCESSING** ASSISTED LIVING FACILITY **COMMUNITY GARDEN** 

BUS TRANSPORTATION

INCREASED PUBLIC SAFETY CAPACITY (I.E. MORE POLICE)

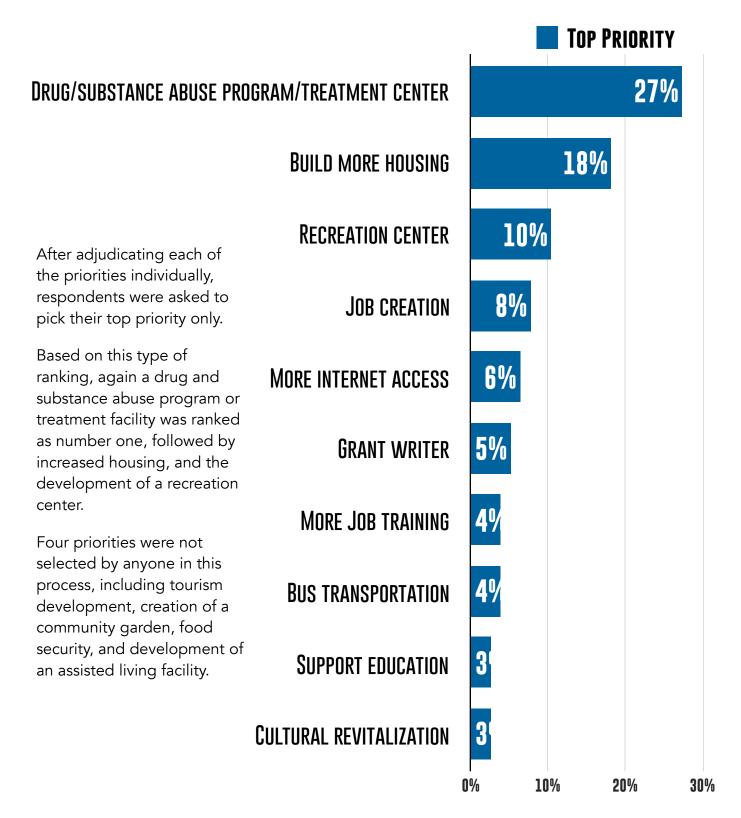
**DEVELOP MORE TOURISM** 

### HOW IMPORTANT ARE THE FOLLOWING COMMUNITY NEEDS IN KLAWOCK?

Answer Options	High level demand/ need	Medium level demand/ need	Low level demand/ need	No need or demand at this time	We need less of this
Drug and substance abuse program or treatment center	80%	13%	5%	3%	0%
Job creation	76%	18%	5%	0%	1%
More Job training	73%	23%	4%	1%	0%
Housing	69%	20%	10%	1%	0%
Support education	66%	24%	10%	0%	0%
Affordable quality childcare	63%	24%	13%	1%	0%
Recreation center	63%	20%	14%	4%	0%
Food security	62%	22%	15%	1%	0%
Resource Protection	61%	24%	14%	1%	0%
More internet access	59%	28%	11%	3%	0%
Grant writer	57%	28%	11%	4%	0%
Cultural revitalization	53%	34%	11%	3%	0%
Improve and preserve Klawock waterfront	53%	33%	11%	4%	0%
Sea otter management plan	45%	33%	18%	4%	1%
Create a tannery for hide processing	45%	21%	20%	10%	4%
Assisted living facility	41%	49%	10%	0%	0%
Community garden	39%	28%	23%	8%	4%
Bus transportation	36%	29%	24%	10%	1%
Increased public safety capacity (i.e. more police)	29%	35%	28%	9%	0%
Develop more tourism	23%	25%	33%	9%	11%
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### WHAT IS THE MOST IMPORTANT PRIORITY FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN KLAWOCK? SELECT ONE



## **COMBINED PRIORITIZATION RANKING**

The table below catalogs the priority rankings for the three different methodologies of determining rankings: Individual adjudication of each element in the survey, allowing survey respondents to select one choice only, and the ranking development on community night. Based on combining these results, the clear top priorities for Klawock are as follows: 1) establish a drug and substance abuse program or treatment center; 2) build more housing; 3) develop a recreation center; and 4) job creation and training.

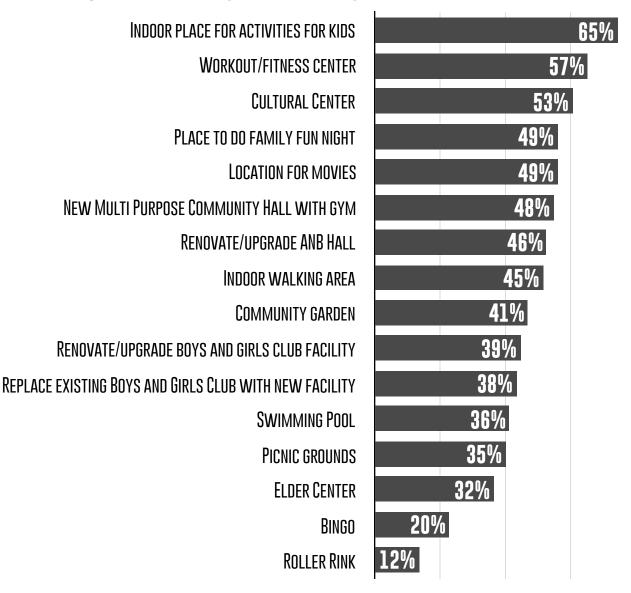
Priorities	Survey: High need	Survey: One choice only	Community Night
#1. Establish a drug and substance abuse program or treatment center	1	1	2
#2. Build more housing	3	2	3
<b>#3. Develop a recreation</b> center	6	4	1
#4. Job creation/training	2	3	7
#5. Support education	4	8	4
#6. Child Care	5	10	8
<b>#7. Revitalize local</b> culture	11	9	6
#8. Grant Writer	10	6	10
<b>#9. More Internet Access</b>	9	5	12
#10. Resource Protection	8	12	9
#11. Create a tannery for hide processing	14	11	5

### **COMBINED PRIORITIZATION RANKING: RESULTS**

- **#1.** Establish a **drug/substance** abuse program or **treatment center**
- **#2.** Build more housing
- **#3**. Develop a recreation center
- #4. Job creation/training
- **#5.** Support education
- **#6. Child Care**
- **#7.** Revitalize local culture
- **#8. Grant** Writer
- **#9**. More **Internet** Access
- **#10. Resource Protection**

## UNDERSTANDING THE PRIORITIES WHAT ELEMENTS OF A RECREATION CENTER ARE IMPORTANT TO YOU?

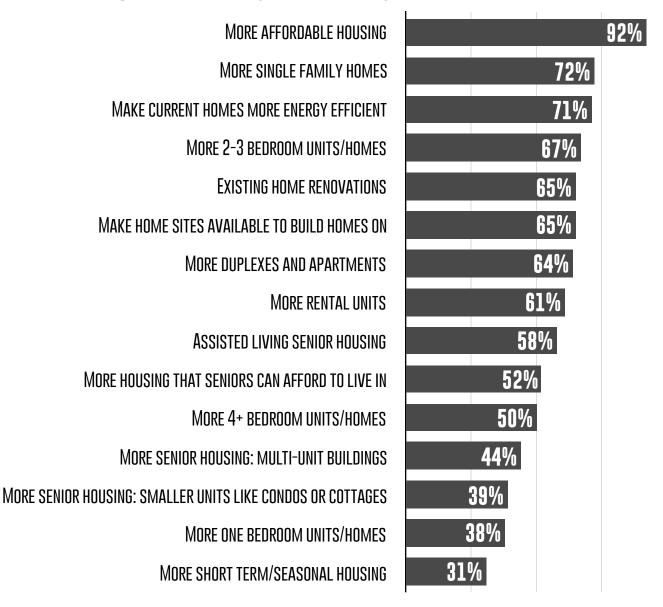
### Respondents saying this has a high level of demand or need



The survey also set out to understand what community members envision when they advocate for specific priorities. Respondents were asked what they mean when they say they want a recreation center. Top answers included the following: An indoor place for kids' activities, a place to exercise, and a cultural center.

### UNDERSTANDING THE PRIORITIES HOW IMPORTANT ARE THE FOLLOWING TRIBAL HOUSING NEEDS?

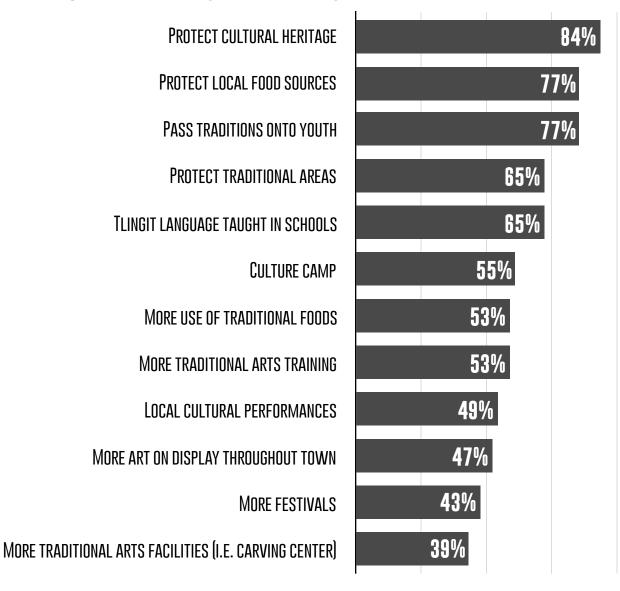
### Respondents saying this has a high level of demand or need



The top housing priorities include 1) more affordable housing, 2) more single family homes; 3) more energy efficient in residential units, and 4) more 2-3 bedroom homes. These results come from a separate Klawock tribal housing survey. To see the full Klawock housing report, see Appendix II.

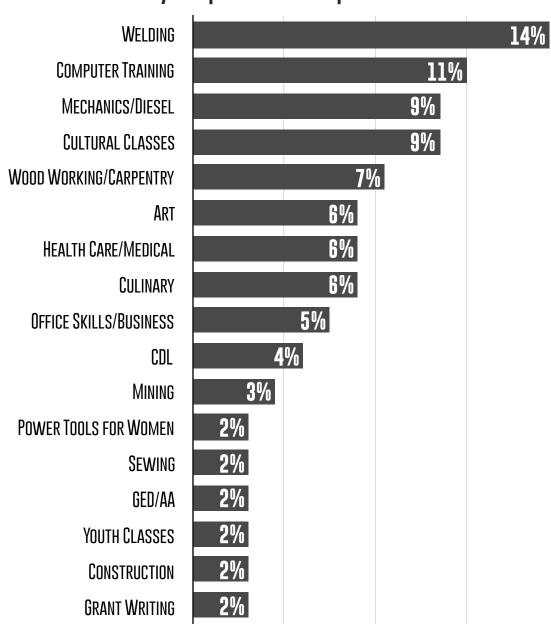
## UNDERSTANDING THE PRIORITIES WHAT ELEMENTS OF CULTURAL REVITALIZATION ARE IMPORTANT TO YOU?

### Respondents saying this has a high level of demand or need



The top cultural priorities include 1) protecting cultural heritage; 2) protecting local food sources; and 3) passing on cultural traditional onto local youth.

## UNDERSTANDING THE PRIORITIES WHAT CLASSES WOULD YOU LIKE TO SEE OFFERED AT THE VOC-ED CENTER?



### **Summary of Open Ended Responses**

Respondents were asked what voc-ed classes they would like to see. The above is a summary of the open-ended responses. The full answers are presented on pages 32 and 33 at the end of this document. Welding and computer training were the top responses.

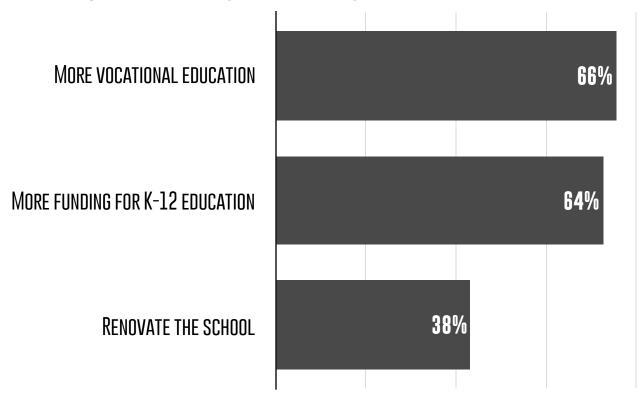
### UNDERSTANDING THE PRIORITIES How much would you be willing to pay for a class like this?



Respondents were also asked how much they would be willing to pay for their classes. 13% were willing to pay between \$0 and \$10 dollars, while 21% were willing to pay more than \$300. The average amount people said they would pay for the classes they wished to take was \$203.

## UNDERSTANDING THE PRIORITIES EDUCATION: WHAT ELEMENTS OF EDUCATION ARE IMPORTANT TO YOU?

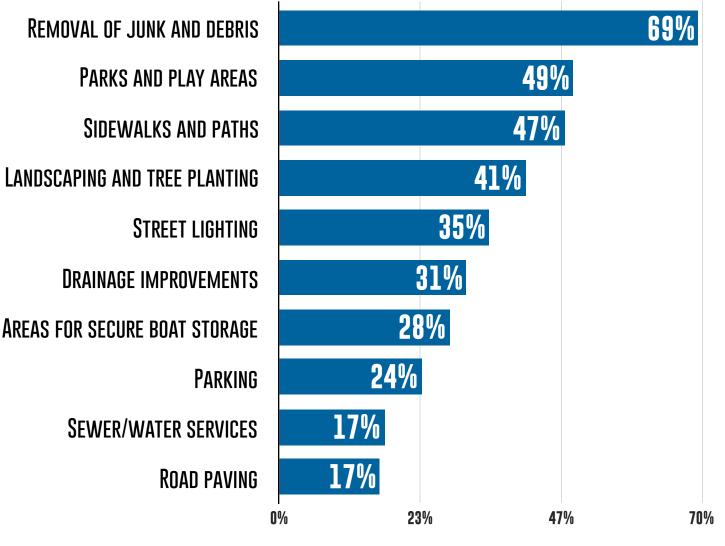
Respondents saying this has a high level of demand or need



Education is a high priority in the community of Klawock. The top aspect of education that respondents say has the highest demand is more vocational education. This is followed by a call for more funding for K-12 education.

### IMPROVEMENTS: WHAT IMPROVEMENTS WOULD YOU LIKE TO SEE HAPPEN IN KLAWOCK

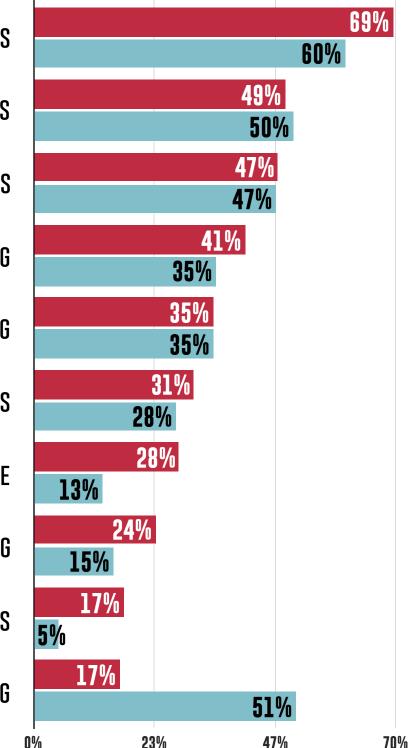
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#### HIGH LEVEL OF DEMAND/NEED 2019

# 2006 RESULTS, COMPARISON

HIGH LEVEL OF DEMAND 2019 HIGH LEVEL OF DEMAND 2006



**REMOVAL OF JUNK AND DEBRIS** 

PARKS AND PLAY AREAS

SIDEWALKS AND PATHS

LANDSCAPING AND TREE PLANTING

STREET LIGHTING

DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS

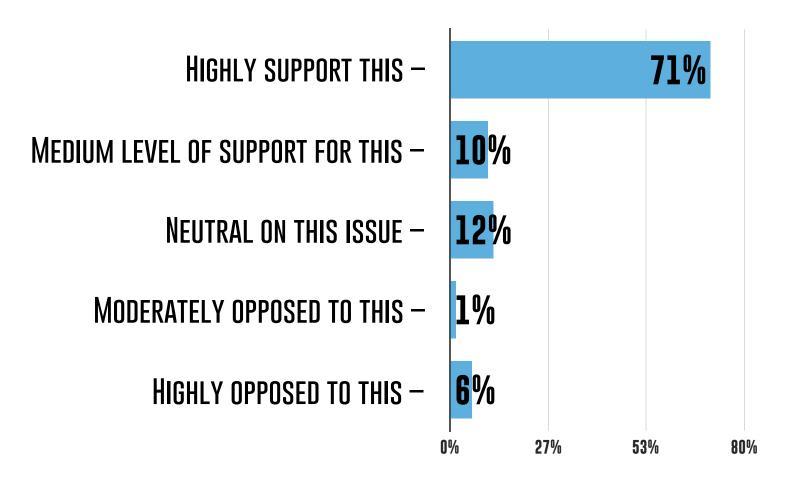
AREAS FOR SECURE BOAT STORAGE

PARKING

**SEWER/WATER SERVICES** 

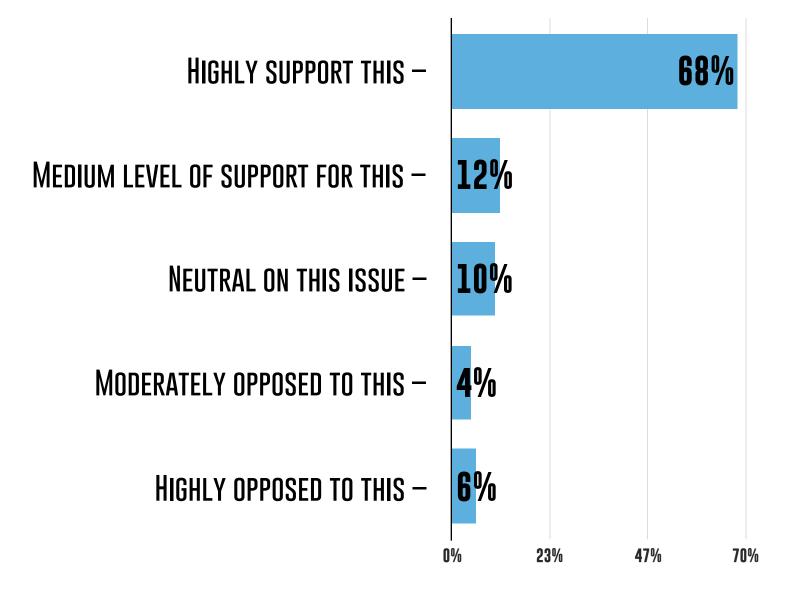
**ROAD PAVING** 

### SHOULD THE CITY OF KLAWOCK ALLOW MARIJUANA TO BE SOLD BY LOCAL BUSINESSES?



The City of Klawock wanted to take advantage of the timing of the survey to better understand public sentiment regarding the sales and distribution of marijuana in the community. Respondents were asked if the city of Klawock should allow marijuana to be sold by local businesses. A vast majority, 81% of respondents, said that they support or highly support this initiative. An additional 7% oppose or highly oppose this initiative. A follow up question regarding the sale of marijuana "edibles" was also asked. A similar number, 80% of respondents, said that they support or highly support this initiative, while 10% say they are opposed or moderately opposed to the sale of edibles.

### SHOULD THE CITY OF KLAWOCK ALLOW MARIJUANA "EDIBLES" TO BE SOLD BY LOCAL BUSINESSES?



### Participant Overview

A total of 91 residents from Klawock responded to the community prioritization survey.

#### Do you consider yourself a?

Answer Options	Response Percent
Middle or High School Student	5%
Adult	83%
Elder	12%

#### Is any member of your household enrolled in the Klawock Cooperative Association?

Answer Options	Response
Yes	72%
No	22%
Not Sure	6%

#### Do you live in Klawock?

Answer Options	Response Percent
Yes	93%
Yes, but only seasonally	1%
No, but I would like to move back	6%

### What is your current employment status? Choose the option that

Answer Options	Response
Full-time employed	50%
Part-time employed	14%
Self employed	13%
Unemployed less than 6 months	6%
Retired	4%
Student	4%
Unemployed more than 6 months	4%
Homemaker	1%
Disability/unable to work	1%
Seasonally employed	1%

### HOW WOULD YOU DESCRIBE THE MOST CRITICAL NEEDS AND ISSUES IN YOUR COMMUNITY?

- A real hospital
- A substantial amount of families live in a multi-family home. There is not enough housing for people to move here and buy a house if that's what they so choose. And if there are houses available, they are way overpriced. Same with property.
- Affordable housing so no one is sharing a house. I hear too much people couch surf.
- After drug care. When you return home there needs to be something for people in after care.
- Anything to support the youth and the addicts
- · balanced City and Tribal Council that puts business first
- Better leadership
- chill
- Cleaning up the junk on Bayview. We cannot promote our community looking like this.
- Close between jobs and housing.
- Community garden
- Counseling needed
- Deal with drug problem
- Dispensary taxation could prove to be a great financial advantage towards developing our Community & moving forward.
- Drug abuse and alcoholism.
- Drug and alcohol abuse.
- drug and alcohol prevention
- Drug education in schools. Activities (indoor during winter) for kids.
- Drug police
- Drugs illegal use
- Economic growth! Number one issue is always the economy. Focus on job training and creation. Other improvements can then naturally follow. Tax \$ from MJ can help fund green spaces, public facilities improvements, and more.
- Educating board members of their role in the position they hold.
- Education
- Eliminate drugs.
- Get the meth and opiates the hell out of town banish those who sell
- Getting people to work instead of waiting for handouts & the drug/alcohol problem that is destroying so many lives
- Help with rehabilitation for opioids and heroine.
- High cost of groceries. Drug use.

- High rates of unemployment, drug use and crime need to be addressed as well as the lack of leadership at every level in every arena. This community is only as good as our leaders. And from the looks of it, we are floundering.
- Housing
- I feel like people are drinking too much
- I think substance abuse is most critical. It affects everyone. The abuser's health, the family's mental health, and the community suffers from theft and property damage.
- I wouldn't say anything is critical. We are resilient, we just need to work with one another and be more open
- Internet
- Lack of housing and increasing substance abuse. Lack of treatment center, transitional housing for substance abuse/addictions.
- Lack of jobs, and the high cost of living here.
- Local government needs to be more active in staying on top of their responsibilities. I.e. audits and grant seeking and acquisition
- · Lots of needs, but hard to say what most critical
- Marijuana revenue. No more needs to be said.
- mental health resources, DV; batterers program, DV Education in the school, law enforcement that has an awareness that DV is a crime against families,
- Meth and heroin are the biggest issues
- More activities for youth movie theatre, bowling alley, pool, workout room, would be awesome for this town
- More jobs needed
- More things to do for the kids
- More treatment facilities and housing.
- More vocational training for younger generation of people.
- Need better employment to keep money in town
- Need more offices and better equipment
- Need more things to do and need housing for people in need and treatment facility
- need to find answers to the drug addictions (heroine)
- No jobs no housing.
- Pretty dire for more job opportunities and places to rent
- Rec center
- Recreational center for all ages
- Teaching youth, culture and traditions, harvesting.
- The negative social issues already here, and historical now for decades, are further complicated by drugs and alcohol use and abuse. The need to address this in a unified community effort is paramount.
- Theft and drugs
- There are so many needs that are tied to one another. There are also several entities in Klawock in position to address these concerns. The most critical issue in Klawock is lack of teamwork. You can go years without hearing the phrase, "crabs in a bucket," you'll hear it hear once a month. Everyone, pulling each other down.
- There is so much historical trauma here. People need healing.
- There's two that I think are critical. We need a treatment facility here for drug and alcohol addiction and we need a tannery here.
- Un known

- We need more affordable housing when we had to move from 1 rental to another it took 4 months to find somewhere, thankfully we had that much time
- We need more opportunities for the public and our youth; whether that be classes and more opportunities to get certifications here in town, or adding more parks or even a recreational center, movie theater etc. Adding more opportunities and/or activities for everyone to do, especially the younger generation, may help with the islands ongoing drug and alcohol problem.
- We need more trash pick ups
- We need to bust the people who are doing and dealing drugs.

### HOW WOULD YOU DESCRIBE THE MOST CRITICAL HOUSING NEEDS AND ISSUES IN YOUR COMMUNITY?

- A few family members are homeless, finding places to stay.
- Affordable
- Affordable housing for single parents n people
- Assisted elderly
- Assisted living
- Availability
- Competent builders!
- Elder assisted living home care elders
- · Everything cost way too much for what you are getting
- Families are living together. 8-10 per house hold or even in their cars at this point.
- Financial Literacy from an early age. High school students need to be exposed
- High, there isn't much housing for youth to move into. So many adult are still living with these parents when getting out of school.
- Home loans for lower income families just starting out
- I believe low income with energy efficiency is needed very badly!
- I'm a mom of 2 both under 2 years old and I'm homeless.
- Klawock has a lack of housing. All; rentals as well as ownership.
- Lack of affordable housing for families. Especially low-income families.
- · Lack of affordable rentals
- Lack of housing
- Many are homeless, so they live with family in small houses with no room.
- Mold/moisture problems
- More affordable, rentals for Elderly and disabled.
- More affordable housing
- More houses
- More housing needed for native and non-natives. seems like there is always someone looking for affordable housing - would allow people to move here for jobs
- More housing units
- More multiple bedroom houses to rent or own at a reasonable price
- More rentals available for larger families at reasonable price
- More single-family rentals or rent to own options.
- Need more affordable housing in our community. AFFORDABLE and not expensive
- Need more housing in southeast
- Need more housing. Very hard to find a place to rent here
- No places to rent for a reasonable amount
- Not enough
- Not enough affordable housing.
- Population is growing, but the housing isn't. Rent is out of control
- Rent should NOT be based on income! This should be done away with!! no

- Rent to own housing would be a huge help for our community
- Timely responses to applicants who submit applications. Timely requests for additional information if needed. Don't make applicants wait for mail when we are in electronic age. Utilize email, phone calls, etc., to ensure timely responses to families on waiting list.
- Very much in need of all housing needs.
- We need more housing.

### WHAT DO YOU LIKE THE MOST ABOUT LIVING IN KLAWOCK?

- · As long as we continue to respect the land, we will never go hungry.
- Beauty of nature
- Being able to hunt and fish.
- Being able to subsistence gather.
- Being close to family, supporting each other when needed
- Close Community
- Close to fishing and schools
- Community is strong
- Culture and small-town living.
- Everyone is good to everyone and my family grew up here and I love how beauty Klawock is
- Everyone knows everyone
- · Everyone knows everyone and everyone treats each other like family
- Family
- Family being close
- Family grew up here
- Family, culture and traditions.
- Fishing
- Fishing/hunting
- Friendly-family like atmosphere. Rural setting and beauty. Access to the island is very good, and better than most places in SE Alaska.
- Gods world. Ocean food paradise
- Home
- How everyone's family. You can count on multiple people to be there for you in the community and in the school.
- I love how close the community is, especially when someone needs help
- I love how much wildlife and how green it is here.
- I love it here in my hometown. I get to put up my Indian food etc.
- It is central to Prince of Wales Road system
- It's a beautiful landscape
- It's a small close-knit community that provides so much nature and sea food.
- it's a nice place to live
- It's my home town. My family is from here
- It's quiet, remote, and surrounded by natural beauty. The people form a caring community.
- Lived here all my life.
- My family, harvesting food, trails and many miles of roads to drive.
- My grandchildren Clean air
- My kids
- Nice and quite

- · No property taxes and freedom to improve property at will; no code issues
- No property taxes.
- Our culture
- Our culture
- Our culture!
- Peaceful.
- Peacefulness, the people
- People care about each other.
- Putting up my Indian food
- Quiet, friendly ppl,
- Quietness / small community life
- Quietness. Friendly.
- School.
- Simplicity
- Small community
- Small community hospitality. Most people are willing to help in just about any situation.
- small know nearly everyone
- Small town but still not to struck with town regulations like other cities.
- Small town, mostly friendly, good environment, recreationally/subsistence from outdoors
- Small, quiet
- Subsistence gathering
- The ability to fish
- The ability to hunt, fish, and trap close to home.
- The ability to put up our traditional food.
- The close community connection and care for one another.
- The community always pulls together for whoever needs it.
- the culture activities
- The environment
- The fish
- The fishing and hunting. Good people.
- The location
- The new dispensary.
- The people
- The people
- The people and location
- The people, community spirit,
- The road out of Klawock.
- The school district and it is just a very beautiful place to live.
- The sense of community
- the small-town home feel
- The views and the people
- Traditional food
- You don't have to go too far to gather our subsistence foods.

### WHAT DO YOU LIKE THE LEAST ABOUT LIVING IN KLAWOCK?

- All the drug and alcohol issues
- Cost of groceries and freight.
- Cost of living
- Cost of living
- Cost of living, lack of healthy alternatives, and slow economic development.
- Crappy disrespectful neighbor.
- Drug dealers
- Drug dealers
- Drug houses allowed to stay
- Drug problem
- Drug problems
- Drugs alcohol. Domestic Violence, no resources for batterers, alcohol and drug treatment facility.
- Drugs and alcohol being everywhere.
- Expensive, transportation elsewhere difficult & expensive
- Fireworks
- Hard to get to
- Hardly any jobs.
- · Having the bad drugs around here
- Housing
- How expensive everything is at local stores.
- · How little activities for youth there is and the lack of more grocery store options
- How the drugs are affecting more people.
- it's an on an island
- Kids
- Lack of access
- Lack of activities. The limited availability and variety of fresh fruits and vegetables.
- Lack of affordable Homes
- Lack of housing
- · Lack of housing and cost of groceries
- · Lack of housing.
- Lack of jobs
- lack of resources
- · Lack of resources and fresh ideas
- Lack of store competition.
- Lonely
- No development, not enough jobs, not enough education opportunity.
- No housing/ rental options
- No MCDONALD'S

- No place to throw trash for those walking
- Nosy people. Gossips.
- Not a lot to do year round
- Not enough activities for the public, especially the youth.
- Not enough housing
- Not enough housing options available for new families or you by adults, in general.
- not enough indigenous businesses.
- Not much to do, ugly neighborhoods, expensive
- Not very many jobs
- Nothing to do
- Nothing to really do around here
- People turning a blind eye on, because of who a person is. Close minded support.
- Racism against non-Natives and the incompetence of so many community leaders
- Slow internet....
- Social problems such as severe alcoholism, drug addiction, etc.
- That the dispensary doesn't have any THC.
- That we don't have a rehab center to help our people who struggle
- the backstabbing and selfish politics
- The cost of living here.
- The garbage and litter everywhere
- The high cost of groceries and freight.
- The high price of food, electricity, gas for vehicles, and having to go elsewhere for major medical procedures.
- The high price of groceries and getting freight here.
- The illegal drugs and the theft to support it.
- The lack of effort that is put into the community to make things better. Like parks, trails, youth programs, etc.
- The lack of job opportunities. Ineffective leadership city/ tribal. Town is dirty- private properties look like junk yards. City trailer court is an eyesore. No planning and zoning commission. Blatant nepotism. Outdated plumbing/ sewer lines. Fire & EMS are poorly trained and lack funds for improvement. Cost of housing is too high plus not enough housing. Old dilapidated buildings still in use ANB Hall, Youth Center/ Head start, Tribal offices/old cannery.
- The meth heads, and the slobs
- The rain
- The rich culture and people.
- The trauma
- The way the city is ran
- Theft
- There is no housing no jobs. If they just have a marijuana grow/dispensary Klawock would make money and then there might be more jobs maybe start building housing.
- There is too much historical trauma here. Decades and decades of unresolved grief. Healthy alternatives are desperately needed for all age groups. Our leaders need to resuscitate, or reawaken our cultural identity. Klawock is lost and needs grounding.
- There isn't much you can do around this place other than party drink and smoke grass
- There's nothing for high school kids to really do. If you're not into hunting or fishing there's not much to do on the weekends.
- There's not much to do here

- Too much rain / cost of living, food cost
- Too much alcohol
- Tribe is doing nothing while other tribes on the island are extremely busy utilizing grant funds.

### WHAT CLASSES WOULD YOU LIKE TO SEE OFFERED AT THE VOC-ED CENTER?

- Activities
- Any classes! Use the building for its' intended purpose and become the best at it!
- Any kind of trade that will better the people of Klawock.
- Anything
- Anything and everything! Or use it as a satellite classroom for the University of Alaska. Most people do not have access to the internet. Doing this would provide that space.
- Art
- Art classes
- As many various types as possible, such that the center is fully utilized to serve the needs of the community and island. No particular careers or job types emphasized. If the class offered were one, I needed/wanted to participate in, I'd be willing to pay the amount in Item #10 below.
- Automotive/diesel class Computer programing/network/IT Carpentry and house building Plumbing/water/sewer HVAC
- Cabinet making
- CDL
- classes that support employment at the clinic, boating safety, computer skills, hazmat training, CDL classes and certification/renewal tanning hides, culture; language, beading, weaving,
- Computer classes?
- Computer training for business management, customer service training for hospitality, as well as welding, mechanical, woodworking courses
- Computer training, grant writing, heavy equipment and mechanic operators, culinary arts, welding, medical technicians and nurses courses.
- Diesel mechanic
- Drivers ed, welding, construction, typing/computer
- Hmmmm! City needs state funding. Voc Tech center has failed
- I'm not sure
- I'm not sure. I'd be interested in almost anything to gain more experience.
- · Intro to computers, word, excel, publisher, PowerPoint and access
- Marine diesel, equipment operator, business management.
- Mechanics. Welding. Carpentry. Electrical.
- Medical and culinary
- Medical and culinary arts. The Clinic and the lodges bring in the most people to work.

- Medical field and culinary arts. The clinic and the lodges bring a lot of people in to work, so why not train locals for these positions.
- Mining, other technical
- More cultural classes
- More entry-level certifications for job preparedness.
- More GED classes, vocational training of any. More AA classes.
- Native classes
- Native regalia
- Need to see entities such as SEARHC investing more in training for youth to enter that career path. Using this entity as an example because they just created a long-range plan that states the need to give back to the host communities. Hold them to this plan.
- Northwest Coast native art formline. Haida language. Tlingit language.
- Not certain
- ongoing ceu's
- Painting, crafting, gardening, foraging
- Plumbing.
- Pottery
- Power tools for women
- · Power tools for women, regalia workshops, paddle classes,
- QuickBooks, Office Skills, Construction
- · Resource development, welding computer science in multiple areas
- Sewing
- Skills to earn a living here
- Skin sewing
- summer class for kids in need
- Things that can applied to what is here. Medical field for ARMC, Customer Service, certification for life guard, restaurant management, grant writing
- Thlinget classes
- Traditional foods gathering & preservation. Beginner art classes: weaving, regalia
- Vocational
- welding
- Welding
- Welding
- Welding, auto mechanics
- Welding, carpenter/woodworkers, small business certificates and seminars.
- Welding, carpentry, bookkeeping, EMT,
- Welding, Carpentry, Cooking
- Welding, construction, mechanics.
- Welding, Electrician, Diesel Mechanic, mine training, CDL, nursing programs, dental training
- what classes do they offer?

#### IS THERE ANYTHING ELSE YOU WANT TO LET US KNOW ON ANY TOPIC?

- A lot of people love this town of Klawock and want to see it thrive. Perhaps Klawock will be able to follow a path unique to itself. As Klawock empowers itself more its people will follow.
- I appreciate the efforts going into gathering this data. I want to see Klawock prosper. Thank you.
- A safe home for DV, with services for the victim as well as the batterers. Early intervention in the school. Counseling specific to the children raised in DV homes, one to help and Two to prevent the cycle by including victim rights as well as teaching early about Batterers.
- Better internet speeds
- Don't work on the "frills" as much as needed things such as, employment, housing, and education
- Emergency Response evacuation building with clinic, community garden, water tower, etc.
- Get rid of cannery. Make a casino with a hotel. Have a restaurant. Get a charter. Build a rec center for big tournaments, with a nice weight room. Get a marijuana shop. Have a hatchery. Get seiners. Hire all locals. Get a gas station. All tax free. We would be richer than the natives down south if we got all this running and add more totem poles for tourist. Make this city look nice. And we would have a great future. Nothing seems to get done around here. And reach out to recent grads and help with schooling.
- I support legal marijuana use, sales and taxation. I also would like to see Klawock follow Craig's recent improvements in the look and feel of the City. Get rid of junk, derelict lots, buildings—sell them or RENT them, make money. People are shocked at the view from the highway on that horrible trailer court. Please try to clean up those places. Tourism won't succeed in an environment where it looks like nobody gives a damn.
- It would be really nice if there was affordable, quality, daycare here in Klawock.
- Keep up the good work!!
- Marijuana should be grown and sold to bring money back to Klawock to help pay for housing projects, schools,
- Marijuana will bring in a lot of tax dollars
- Maybe if there was a tannery here, people would do more about the Sea otter problem we have.
- More housing
- More lighting and have trash cans like we used to !!
- Murdered Indian Women without justice.
- Need a better facility than the ANB hall for town gatherings.
- Need change in administration.

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- People are living in dilapidated trailers that are moldy, cold and falling apart but can't afford to move.
- Put a boat ramp in on the other side of the boat ramp. So multiple people can pull their boat and when windy it would be a little easier to pull the boat.
- Should be some 4H animal husbandry for the kids
- The land could support more tourism
- There are still too many drug dealers just selling them out in the public, they are common knowledge who they are and where they live!
- Want more things for kids to do around here
- We need a program to uplift the youth and teach them languages and other social activities!
- We should embrace every opportunity we have to develop our town & support all new forms of commerce. Please consider Marijuana Dispensary Tax to support community/public projects.
- Why is the tribe struggling financially?

### APPENDIX I: KLAWOCK COMMUNITY Strategy Meeting Results

On February 20<sup>th</sup>, the Klawock Cooperative Association (KCA) hosted a planning session to establish short and long-term social and economic strategies for the community in order to increase self-sufficiency and community well-being. Approximately 75 Klawock residents attended the ANB hall event. The planning team, which consisted of KCA, SALT, Corvus Design, Rain Coast Data, and the Tlingit and Haida Regional Housing Authority, introduced the project, presented an economic overview of the community, and ran community members through a visioning exercise. Through this effort, 17 larger categories emerged. Community members were then asked to identify the initiatives that would bring the most value to Klawock.

The community worked together to identify the highest priorities for the community. Six priorities were elevated. These included the following:

- 1. Develop a recreation center
- 2. Establish a drug and substance abuse program or treatment center
- 3.Build more housing
- 4.Support education
- 5. Create a tannery for hide processing
- 6.Revitalize local culture

This information will be used in the development of a community wide survey.

The full visioning exercise with voting results are presented below:

#### 23 = Recreation Center

- •Swimming Pool
- Picnic grounds
- Cultural Center
- •Community Hall
- Boys and Girls Club
- Elder Center
- Water Park
- •Location for movies with popcorn
- Movie hall
- Indoor walking area
- Workout center
- Bingo
- Fitness center
- Working ball field
- •Zip lines for kids
- Place to do family fun night

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- •Archery class for kids
- Upgrade boys and girls club facilities (new and bigger)
- •Roller Rink

#### **19 = Drug and Substance Abuse Programs and Treatment Center**

- •Stop the flow of drugs
- •Local treatment center
- •Local after care resources
- •Substance abuse treatment center
- Drug free
- •Local treatment center
- •Community health

#### **15 = More Housing**

- •More housing
- •New homes
- More housing
- Short term housing
- Long term housing
- Affordable housing
- Rental housing

#### **14 = Education**

- More funding for Education
- Strong education system
- Education Support
- Vo-Tech Center that supports all education

#### 13 = Tannery

• Tannery hide processing station

#### **10 = Cultural Revitalization**

- Re-establish cultural identity and tradition
- More Elizabeth Peratrovich celebrations
- •Culture Camp
- •Tlingit language revitalization
- •Language taught in schools
- •Cultural immersion in schools

#### 8 = Child Care

- •New building for Tlingit and Haida Headstart
- More childcare
- •New preschool building
- Daycare center

#### 6 = Resource Protection

Preserve our fish

- Preserve our "way of life"
- •Clean ocean for our foods
- Food Security
- Elimination of charter boats
- Protect resources: Salmon, deer, timber, seafood
- Protection of natual resources for our "children's children"
- •Get hatchery off of the Klawock River
- Fishing deck by causeway
- Better resource management

#### 6 = Grant Writer

6 = Assisted Living

#### 6 = Job Training

#### 4 = Job Creation

- Development of meaningful jobs
- Economic Self-sufficiency
- More year round jobs
- More stores

#### 4 = More Internet Access

#### 3 = Museum/Zoo/Arts

#### 2 = Parks and Gardens

- •Covered park
- •Indoor park
- Planting flower seed with kids and parents
- Community garden
- Fresh vegetable farm
- Community garden
- Native seed bank
- •Community garden

#### 1 = Emergency Response Public Safety

- •Increase police force
- Disaster planning substation

#### **1** = Improved Transportation

- Bus transportation
- Economic Self-sufficiency
- More year-round jobs
- More stores

### APPENDIX II: KLAWOCK TRIBAL HOUSING Survey Analysis

# KLAWOCK TRIBAL HOUSING Survey Analysis

#### August 2019

Prepared for Klawock Cooperative Association



#### **Regional Housing Authority**

by Rain Coast Data



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# SUMMARY

### **KEY FINDINGS AND ANALYSIS**

The most pressing housing need in Klawock, according to the survey, is more affordable housing, which 92% of survey respondents say is a high priority. This is followed by a call for more single family homes (72%) and a desire to make current homes more energy efficient (71%).

In a forced ranking exercise of six possible answers, 46% of respondents felt that more single family housing available for purchase was the most important priority. When asked which Tlingit Haida Regional Housing Authority (THRHA) housing program was of most interest to Klawock households, the most common answer was "Homebuyer assistance, such as a home loan, down payment assistance, or help with saving to buy a home."

Approximately two-thirds (69%) of households surveyed live in single family homes, and 8% are in multi-family units. Another 22% live in mobile homes. More than one-third (38%) of survey respondents rent their homes in Klawock. Another 57% own their homes. The average household size is 3.2 people, and 54% percent of surveyed households have children living in them. For those homes with children, an average of 2.1 children are present in the home. Sixty-eight percent of survey respondents report that a member of their household would prefer to own a home but do not.

A quarter of the households surveyed include a single parent, 17% have a member over 60 years of age, 12% include a person with a disability, and 8% include a veteran.

"There is a lack of affordable housing for families here. Especially for lowincome families." *Klawock Survey respondent* 

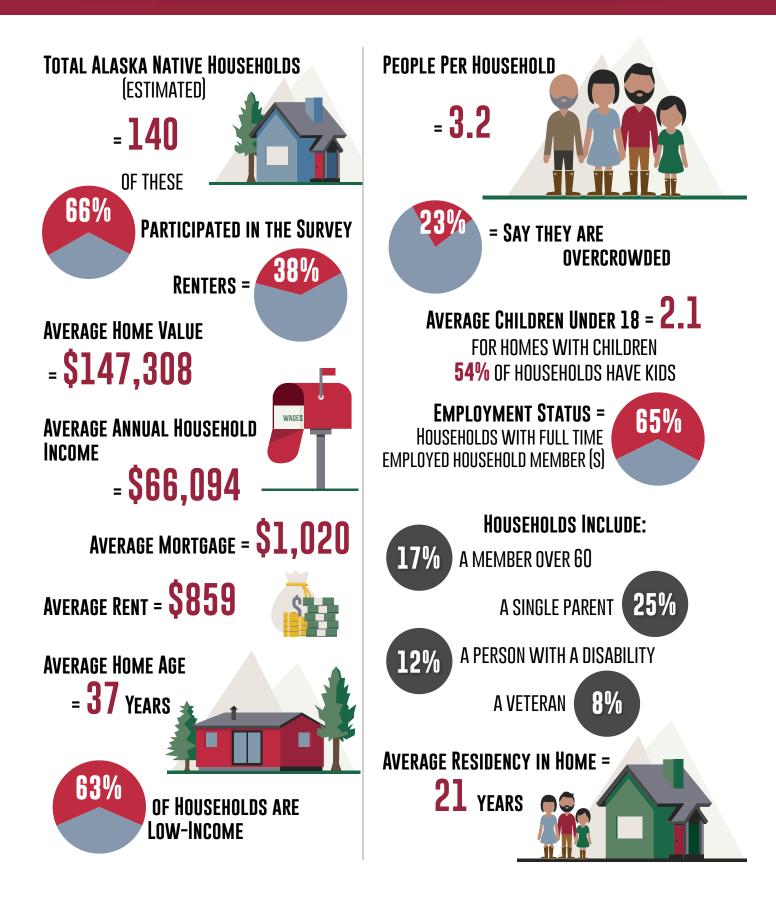
Forty-nine percent of respondents indicate their

homes are in good or excellent condition, while 37% said the condition were adequate. Thirteen percent of respondents said the condition of their homes was poor. More than a third (36%) of households reported at least some problems with mold in their homes. Sixtythree percent of the households are low income, according to federal Housing and Urban Development (HUD) criteria.

Klawock respondents who are homeowners have an average monthly mortgage of \$1,020, Average rent is \$859, before utilities. Forty-seven percent of respondents are cost-burdened, which is defined as spending 30% or greater of household income toward housing costs. This includes the 10% of respondents who are severely cost-burdened, meaning they spend half or more of their household income on housing costs.

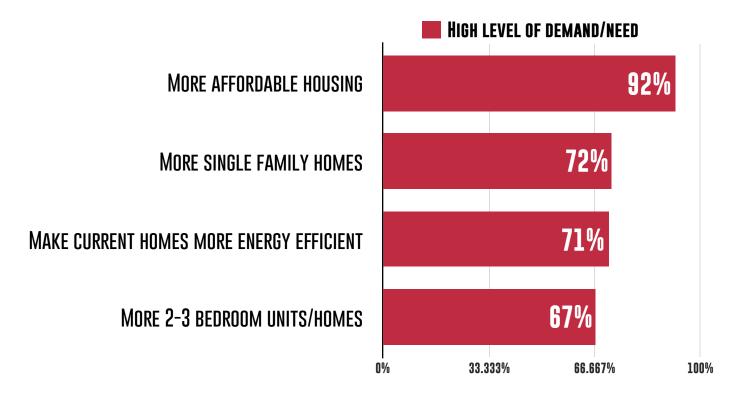
Klawock tribal households have the highest rate of mobile home residency among Tlingit Haida Regional Housing Authority's 12 regional partner communities. Klawock has the lowest percentage of households with veterans.

# **KLAWOCK TRIBAL HOUSING INFOGRAPHIC**



## **KLAWOCK'S TOP PRIORITIES**

#### How important are the following tribal housing needs in Southeast? (Top answers)



# What is the most important tribal priority for housing improvements? (Top choice)



# SURVEY METHODOLOGY

The Tlingit Haida Regional Housing Authority (THRHA) contracted with SALT to conduct a tribal housing needs assessment in each of their 12 tribal partnership communities, including Klawock. A community housing needs assessment survey must to be completed every three years in tribal communities. The housing assessment provides a data-based evaluation of community needs and goals. The survey asked tribal households to respond to 35 questions about their homes, housing preferences, household costs, and finances. This information will be used in the development of Klawock Cooperative Association's three-year housing plan.

Rain Coast Data designed the survey instrument on behalf of SALT with input from THRHA. The web-based survey was administered electronically from April 1st through April 30th 2019. Paper copies were also made available to survey participants.

A total of 93 Klawock Alaska Native households responded to the survey. Responses received total 66% of all Alaska Native households in Klawock. Due to this high response rate, the survey findings have a 95% confidence level with a 6% confidence interval. There are an estimated 140 Alaska Native or American Indian households in Klawock, out of 310 total occupied households in the community.

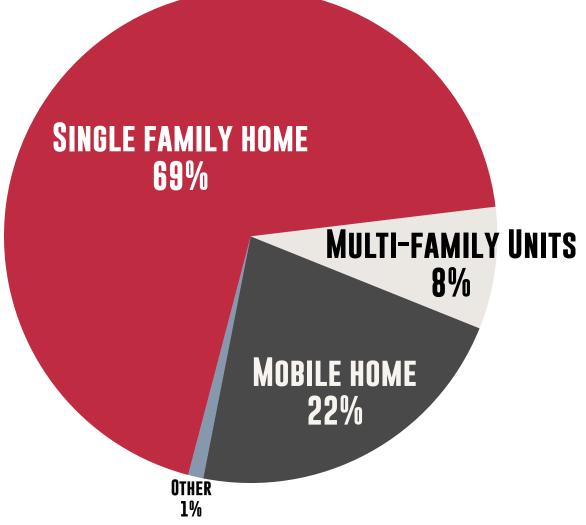
THRHA is the tribally designated housing entity for 12 tribes in Southeast Alaska, including the Klawock Cooperative Association. THRHA's mission is to connect Southeast Alaskans with sustainable housing opportunities and innovative financial solutions.

All 12 community survey reports, as well as the overall regional report, can be found on THRHA's website: *www.regionalhousingauthority.org*.

#### Survey Responses and Tribal Households in Klawock, Alaska

Occupied Housing Units by Race of Householder	Count
Alaska Native Households (only)	119
Alaska Native Households in combination (estimated)	21
Estimated Alaska Native Households	140
Total Households Surveyed	93
Percent of Total Tribal Households Surveyed	66%
Data confidence level with a 6% confidence interval	95%
Data Source: 2013-2017 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates.	

# HOUSING STRUCTURES WHAT TYPE OF HOME DO YOU LIVE IN?



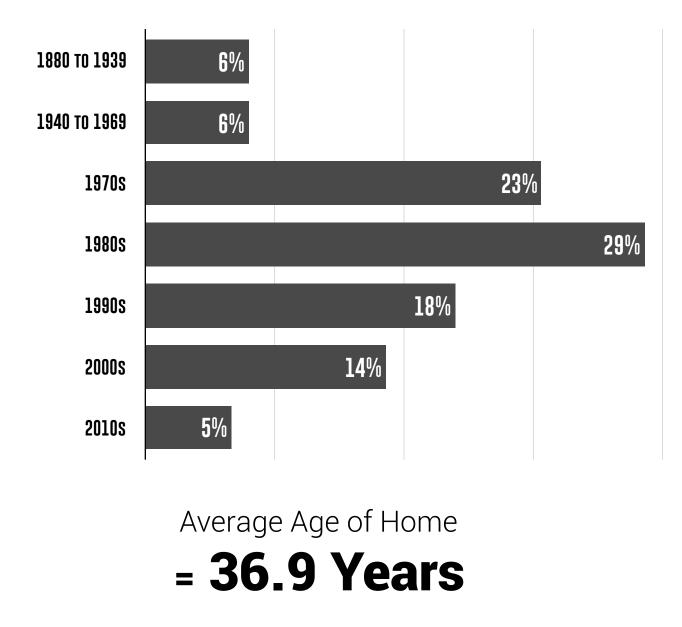
More than two-thirds (69%) of tribal households in Klawock live in single family home structures. Eight percent of households live in a multi-unit structure, such as an apartment or duplex, while an additional 22 percent live in mobile homes.

Klawock tribal households have the highest rate of mobile home residency among THRHA's 12 regional partner communities.

Answer Options	Response Percent
Single family home	69%
Multi-family (apartment/duplex)	8%
Mobile home	22%
Elder housing	1%
Other	0%

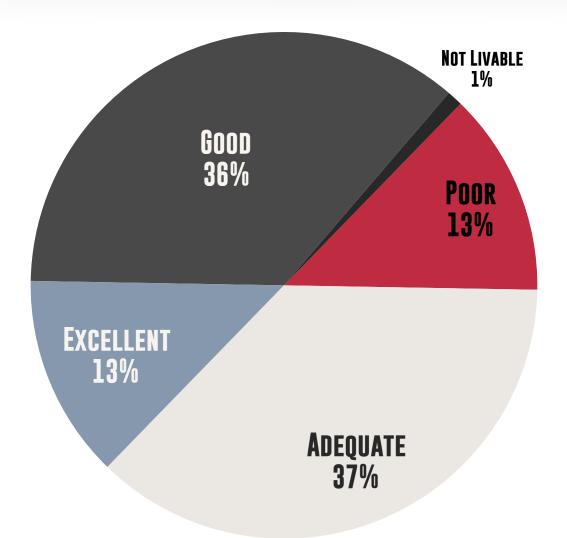
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# WHAT YEAR WAS YOUR HOUSE BUILT?



The homes in the community are an average of 36.9 year years old, with just over half of the community's homes built in the 1970s and 1980s. Nineteen percent of respondents' homes have been built in the last 20 years. Another 6% of all housing was built prior to 1940.

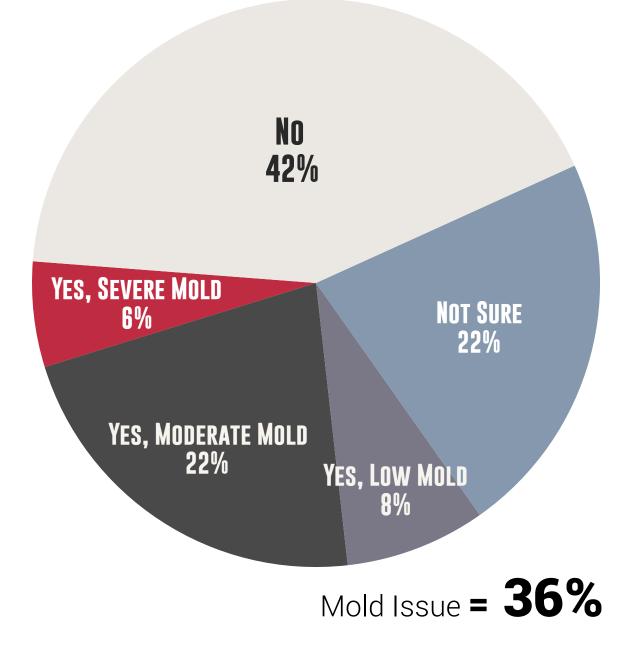
### **RATE THE OVERALL CONDITION OF YOUR HOME**



Forty-nine percent of tribal members said their homes were in good or excellent shape. Thirty-seven percent indicated that their living conditions were adequate, while 13% said the condition of their homes were poor. One percent said their homes were not in a livable condition.

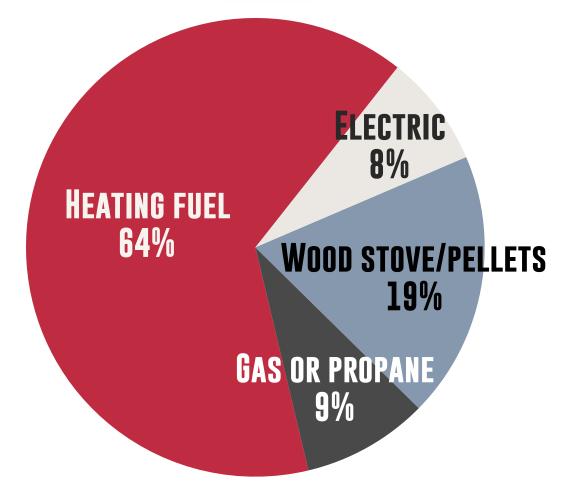
Answer Options	Response Percent
Adequate (repairs needed to improve living conditions)	37%
Excellent (very few repairs or changes needed)	13%
Good (a few minor repairs would be nice)	36%
Not Livable (we are currently unable to live in our home)	1%
Poor (major repairs needed to make it safe and livable)	13%

### **DOES YOUR HOME HAVE ISSUES WITH MOLD?**



More than a third (36%) of tribal households have a problem with mold in their homes. Six percent called their mold issues "severe." Severe mold is defined as more than 10 square feet, moderate is defined as mold spots throughout the house, while low is a mold in a single room only. Less than half of households (42%) said they have no mold in their homes, while an additional 22% were not sure.

#### WHAT DO YOU USE PRIMARILY TO HEAT YOUR HOME?



Nearly three-quarters (64%) of tribal households heat their home using heating fuel, while 19% use wood or a pellet stove, 8% use electric, and 9% use gas or propane. The average reported winter heating fuel cost was \$400 per month, while the average cost of electric heating was estimated to be \$427 in winter months. Wood/pellet heat has lower average costs, at \$281 in winter months. Overall, the average cost of heating was estimated at \$379 in a winter month.

What is your heating fuel bill in a winter month?	Average response
Electric	\$427
Gas or propane	\$408
Heating fuel	\$400
Wood stove/pellets	\$281
Overall Average	\$379

# HOME FINANCES What is the assessed value of your home?

# Average Value = \$147,308



Mobile Home Value **= \$49,333** 



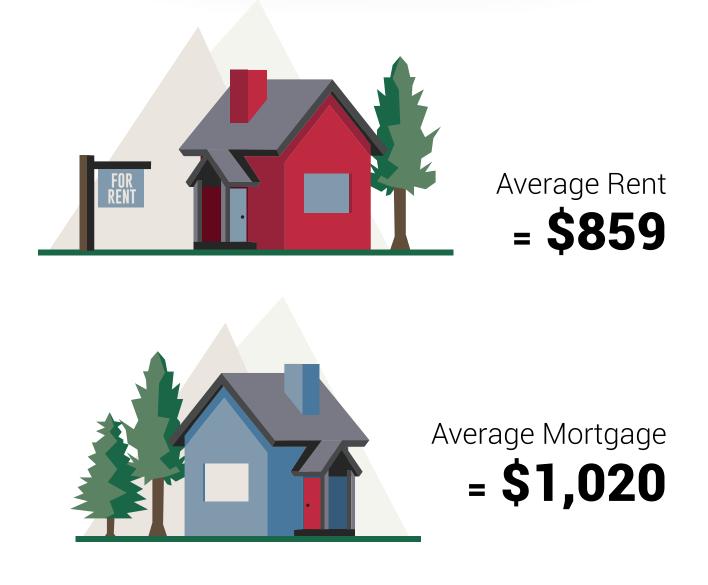
Single Family Home Value **= \$187,500** 



Multi Family Home Value **= \$170,000** 

The average value of a home owned by an Alaska Native in Klawock is \$147,308. Mobile homes are worth an average of \$49,333, single family homes are valued at \$187,500, and multi-family housing units—including attached homes, duplexes or condos—have an average value of \$170,000.

### WHAT IS YOUR CURRENT MORTGAGE OR RENT (EXCLUDING UTILITIES)?



#### Own home with no mortgage = **26%**

The average monthly rent paid by THRHA tribal householders is \$859, while the average mortgage (excluding those who have completed paying off their house and have no payments) is \$1,020. These figures do no include heat, electricity, water, or sewer. Twenty-six percent of all tribal households own their own homes, but no longer have a mortgage.

# WHAT IS YOUR APPROXIMATE ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME?

# Average Household Income = \$66,094

WAGES

- Rental Household = \$57,810 average
- Home Ownership Household = \$76,947 average

The average income of tribal households (of those reporting an income above \$0) in Klawock is between \$66,094. Those paying rent had an average household income of \$57,810, while those who own their own homes earn an average of \$76,947 annually.

#### WHAT IS YOUR APPROXIMATE ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME? (By number of household members)

	Household Size (Number of People)								
Household Income	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Less than \$16,000	1.4%	2.8%	1.4%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	5.6%
\$16,000 - \$20,000	4.2%	1.4%	0.0%	0.0%	1.4%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	6.9%
\$21,000 - \$25,000	4.2%	2.8%	1.4%	0.0%	1.4%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	9.7%
\$25,100 - \$27,000	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	2.8%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	2.8%
\$27,100 - \$30,000	2.8%	1.4%	0.0%	1.4%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	5.6%
\$30,100 - \$34,000	0.0%	0.0%	1.4%	4.2%	0.0%	1.4%	0.0%	0.0%	6.9%
\$34,100 - \$36,000	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	1.4%	0.0%	0.0%	1.4%
\$36,100 - \$38,000	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
\$38,100 - \$40,000	0.0%	2.8%	0.0%	1.4%	0.0%	1.4%	0.0%	0.0%	5.6%
\$40,100 - \$42,000	0.0%	0.0%	1.4%	0.0%	1.4%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	2.8%
\$42,100 - \$45,000	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
\$45,100 - \$48,000	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
\$48,100 - \$51,000	0.0%	2.8%	1.4%	1.4%	0.0%	1.4%	0.0%	0.0%	6.9%
\$51,100 - \$56,000	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
\$56,100 - \$62,000	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	2.8%	2.8%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	5.6%
\$62,100 - \$67,000	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	1.4%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	1.4%
\$67,100 - \$72,000	0.0%	0.0%	1.4%	2.8%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	4.2%
\$72,100 - \$77,000	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	1.4%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	1.4%
\$77,100 - \$82,000	1.4%	2.8%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	4.2%
\$82,000 - \$100,000	1.4%	4.2%	2.8%	1.4%	1.4%	1.4%	0.0%	0.0%	12.5%
\$100,000 - \$130,000	4.2%	0.0%	2.8%	2.8%	2.8%	1.4%	0.0%	0.0%	13.9%
\$130,000 or more	1.4%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	1.4%	0.0%	0.0%	2.8%
Total	20.8%	20.8%	13.9%	22.2%	12.5%	9.7%	0.0%	0.0%	100%

This chart can be used to better understand the number of people in the community living in poverty, as the threshold for poverty levels change depending on the number of people per household. More than one-third (38%) of households earn \$34,000 or less annually. Twenty-two percent of households contain five or more residents.

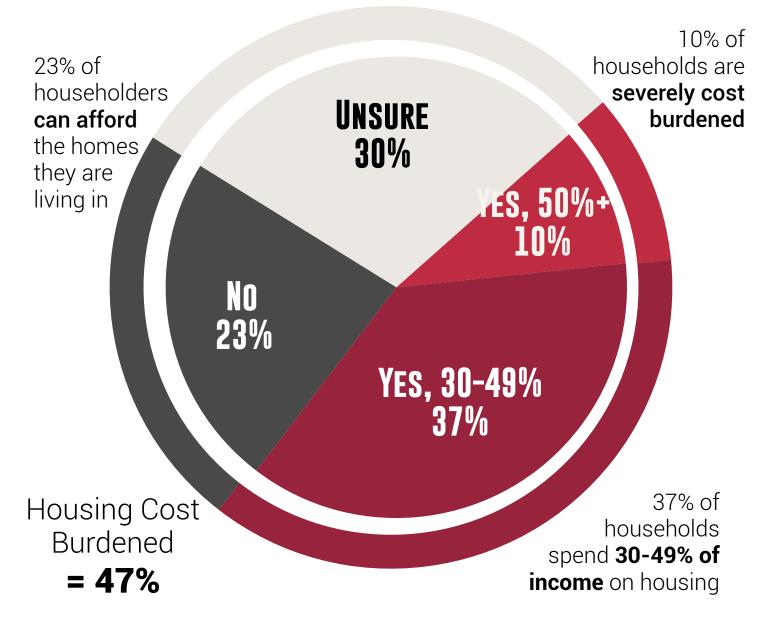
#### HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT INCOME LIMITS (By number of household members)

	HUD Income Limits by Household Size for Klawock							
Household Income	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Extremely Low (30%) Income Limits	\$17,500	\$21,130	\$26,660	\$32,190	\$37,720	\$43,250	\$48,780	\$54,310
Very Low (50%) Income Limits	\$29,200	\$33,400	\$37,550	\$41,700	\$45,050	\$48,400	\$51,750	\$55,050
Low (80%) Income Limits	\$46,700	\$53,400	\$60,050	\$66,700	\$72,050	\$77,400	\$82,750	\$88,050

	Percentage of Klawock households within HUD Income Limits (by number of household members)								
Household Income	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Housholds in category
Extremely Low (30%) Income Limits	1.4%	4.2%	2.8%	8.3%	2.8%	4.2%	0.0%	0.0%	23.6%
Very Low (50%) Income Limits	12.5%	8.3%	4.2%	9.7%	4.2%	4.2%	0.0%	0.0%	43.1%
Low (80%) Income Limits	12.5%	13.9%	6.9%	15.3%	8.3%	5.6%	0.0%	0.0%	62.5%

According to HUD's 2019 income limits, 62.5% of Klawock households are low income, 43.1% are very low income, and 23.6% are extremely low income.

#### **DO YOU SPEND MORE THAN 30% OF YOUR** HOUSEHOLD INCOME TOWARDS HOUSING COSTS?



Costs of housing are a burden or severe burden to 47% of Klawock respondents. The balance of residents have affordable costs, or are unsure of the monthly cost relative to income.

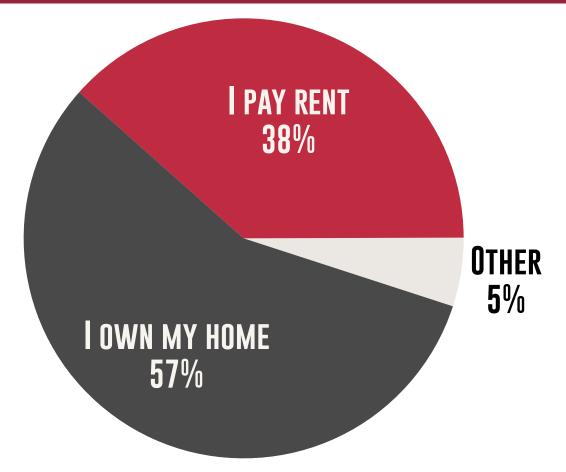
The 47% of respondents who are cost-burdened or severely cost-burdened—spending 30% or more of household income toward housing costs—includes 10% of respondents who are severely cost-burdened, meaning they spend half or more of their household income on housing costs.

An additional 30% say they are uncertain what portion of their total household income goes to toward housing costs.

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# HOUSEHOLDERS

#### WHAT IS YOUR CURRENT HOUSING SITUATION?



Fifty-seven percent of tribal householders live in a house that they own. More than onequarter of respondents own their home and no longer pay a mortgage (26%). Just over onethird (38%) pay rent, either to a landlord, friend, or family member.

Answer Options	Response Percent
I own my home and pay a mortgage	30%
I own my home and do not pay a mortgage	26%
l pay rent	25%
I live with a friend or family member and pay rent	9%
I live with a friend or family member and do not pay rent	3%
Own trailer, rent lot	3%
Rent to own	1%
Other	2%

# NUMBER OF PEOPLE PER HOUSEHOLD

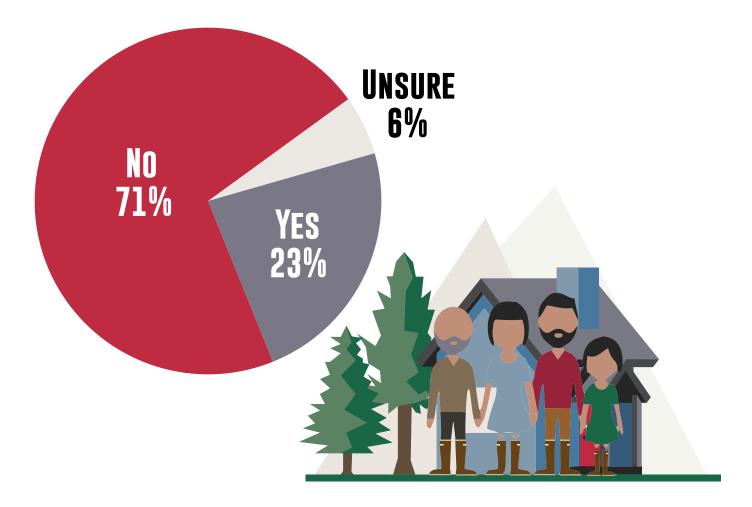


#### Average Household Size

### **= 3.2**

The average household size of survey respondents is 3.2.

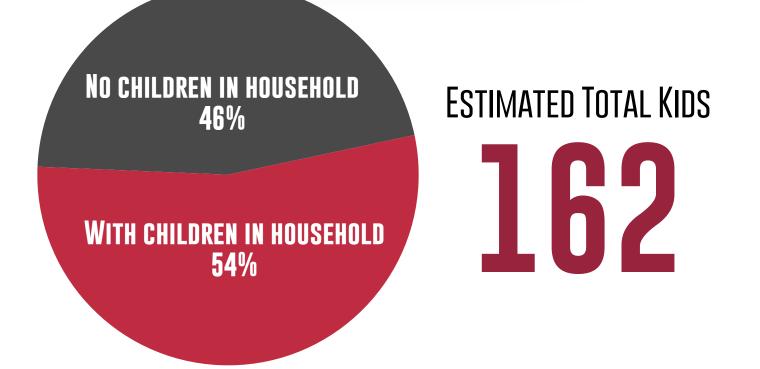
# **IS YOUR HOME OVERCROWDED?**



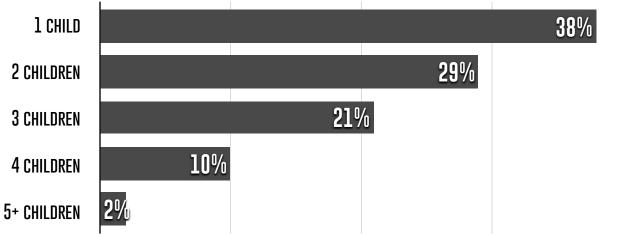
#### Average Household Size = 3.2 Average Household Size for "Yes" = 4.6 Average Household Size for "No" = 2.7

Just under one-quarter (23%) of households survey say their homes are overcrowded. The overall average household size is 3.2 members. Those who say their home is overcrowded have a higher average household size of 4.6 people. Those who say that their homes are not overcrowded have an average household size of 2.7 people.

### HOW MANY CHILDREN UNDER AGE 18 LIVE In Your Household?

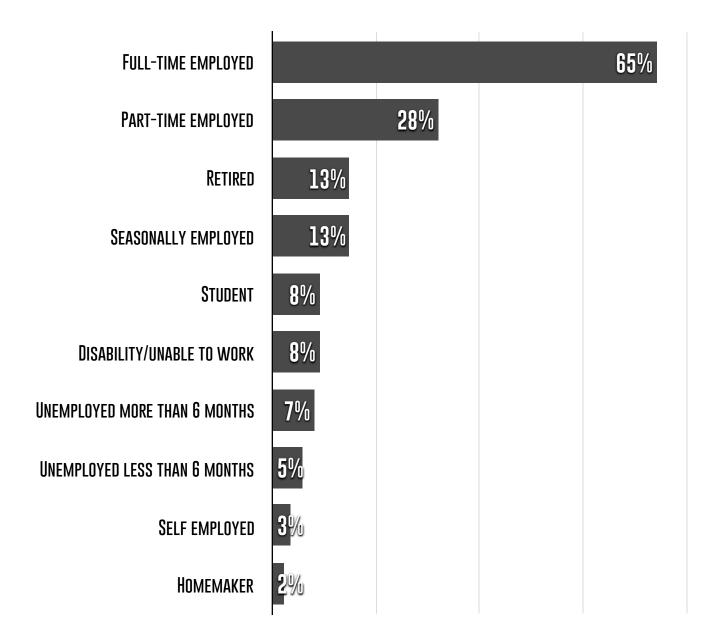


Average number of children in homes with children = **2.1** 



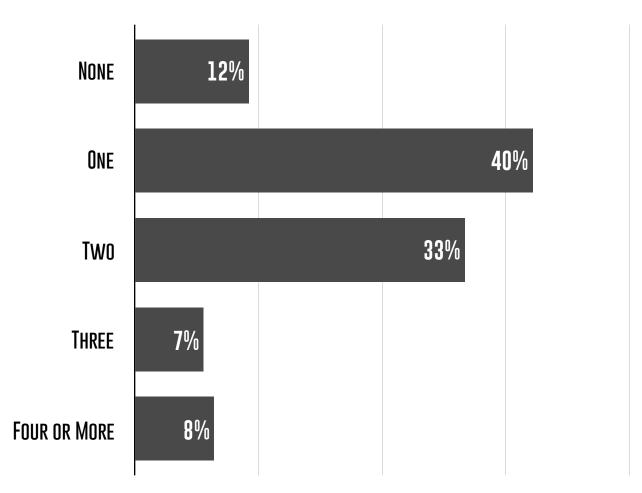
More than half of THRHA's tribal households in Klawock (54%) have at least one child under the age of 18. The average number of children in a THRHA tribal household with children is 2.1. For homes with children, 38% have one child, 29% have two children, and 33% have three or more children. There are an estimated 162 kids in Alaska Native households in Klawock.

#### WHAT IS THE CURRENT EMPLOYMENT STATUS OF HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS? (Check all that apply)



Nearly two-thirds of households (65%) reported having at least one full-time employed householder. More than one-quarter (28%) of households have a member who is employed part-time. Approximately 12% of respondents have a household member who is unemployed, including 7% with a member unemployed for more than six months.

### HOW MANY ADULTS IN YOUR HOUSEHOLD ARE CURRENTLY EMPLOYED?

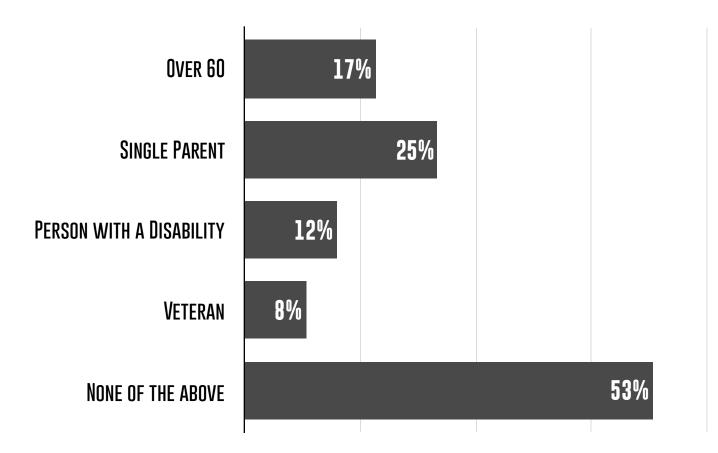


#### Average employed adults per household = 1.6

We asked how many adults are currently employed in the household of the respondent. The most common response was one working adult, with 40% of respondents selecting this answer. Another third of houses (33%) include two working adults. The average response was 1.6 working adults per household.

## **MEMBERS OF HOUSEHOLD**

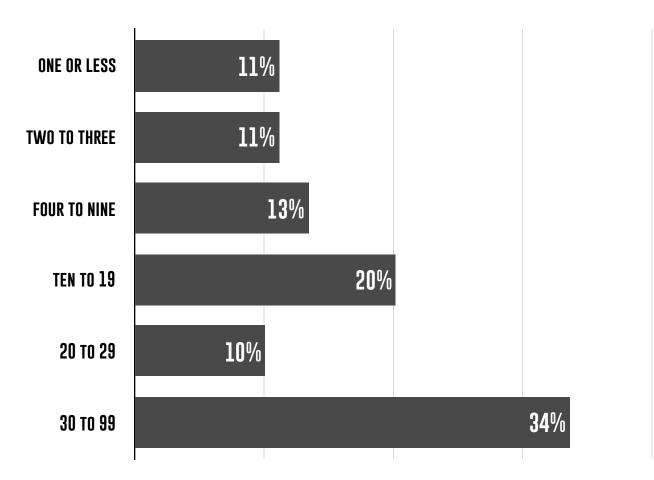
Check all that apply if any members of your household are:



Seventeen percent of all tribal households contain a person over the age of 60 and 12% have a member with a disability. Twenty-five percent include a single parent, while 8% of tribal households include a veteran.

Klawock has the lowest percentage of households with veterans in the THRHA region.

## WHAT YEAR DID YOU (OR FIRST HOUSEHOLD MEMBER) MOVE INTO YOUR CURRENT HOME?

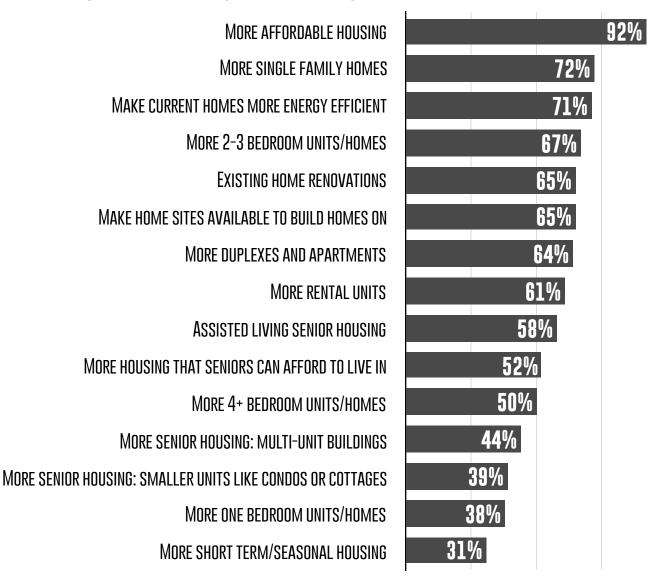


# Average number of years in current home = 21

Klawock tribal members tend to reside in their homes long-term. Forty-four percent of respondents had lived in their home for more than 20 years, including 34% who had been in their homes longer than 30 years. Another 20% had lived in their homes for 10 to 20 years. Twenty-two percent had been in their home for 3 years or fewer. The average tenure of a tribal household at the point this survey was conducted was 21 years.

# PRIORITIES AND PREFERENCES How important are the following tribal housing needs?

#### Respondents saying this has a high level of demand or need



The most pressing housing need, according to the survey, is more affordable housing, which 92% of survey takers say has high demand. This is backed up by a call for more single homes (72%) and a desire to make existing homes more energy efficient (71%).

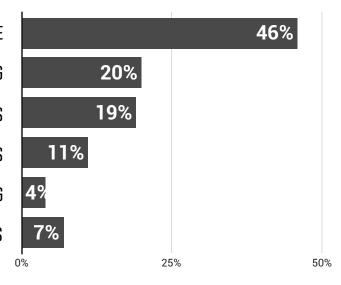
The following table shows a breakdown of responses to these questions and responses.

### HOW IMPORTANT ARE THE FOLLOWING TRIBAL HOUSING NEEDS?

Answer Options	High level demand/ need	Medium level demand/ need	Low level demand/ need	No need or demand at this time	We need less of this
More affordable housing	92%	8%	0%	0%	0%
More single family homes	72%	27%	1%	0%	0%
Make current homes more energy efficient, reducing energy costs	71%	26%	4%	0%	0%
More 2-3 bedroom units/ homes	67%	30%	3%	0%	0%
Existing home renovations: Improve quality of existing home	65%	31%	4%	0%	0%
More duplexes and apartments	64%	23%	12%	1%	0%
Make home sites available to build homes on	65%	23%	6%	4%	1%
Assisted living senior housing	58%	31%	12%	0%	0%
More rental units	61%	27%	6%	4%	1%
More housing that seniors can afford to live in	52%	38%	8%	3%	0%
More 4+ bedroom units/ homes	50%	32%	16%	3%	0%
More senior housing: multi- unit buildings	44%	37%	12%	6%	1%
More senior housing: smaller units like condos or cottages	39%	42%	14%	4%	1%
More one bedroom units/ homes	38%	38%	17%	5%	3%
More short term/seasonal housing	31%	25%	37%	4%	3%

### OF THE FOLLOWING, WHAT IS THE MOST IMPORTANT TRIBAL PRIORITY FOR HOUSING IMPROVEMENTS?

#### Respondents ranking the following as their top priority



More Single Family Housing Available for Purchase More Rental Housing Renovate existing Homes Increase Energy Efficiency of Existing Homes Provide More Elder Focused Housing More one Bedroom Housing Units

Answer Options	Rank 1	Rank 2	Rank 3	Rank 4	Rank 5	Rank 6
More single family housing available for purchase	46%	14%	6%	14%	13%	6%
More rental housing	20%	30%	17%	14%	13%	6%
Renovate existing homes	19%	20%	26%	22%	7%	6%
Increase energy efficiency of existing homes	11%	18%	29%	25%	13%	4%
Provide more elder focused housing	4%	8%	14%	17%	40%	17%
More one bedroom housing units	7%	7%	10%	8%	11%	58%

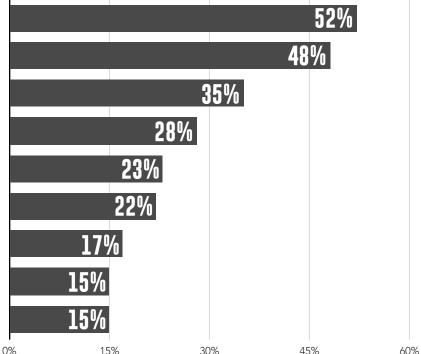
Tribal households were also asked to rank a selection of six housing options by priority. Nearly half of respondents (46%) said that *more single family housing units available for purchase* was their top choice. *More rental housing* was the second ranked choice, with 20% calling it their top priority, followed by *renovation of existing homes*, which was a top priority for 19% of respondents.

### HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS THAT WOULD PREFER TO OWN A HOME BUT DO NOT

Would you, or any member of your household, prefer to own a home but do not?	Response Percent
Yes	68%
No	21%
Maybe	11%

If you, or household members living in your housing unit, would prefer to own a home but do not, what are the obstacles? (mark all that apply)





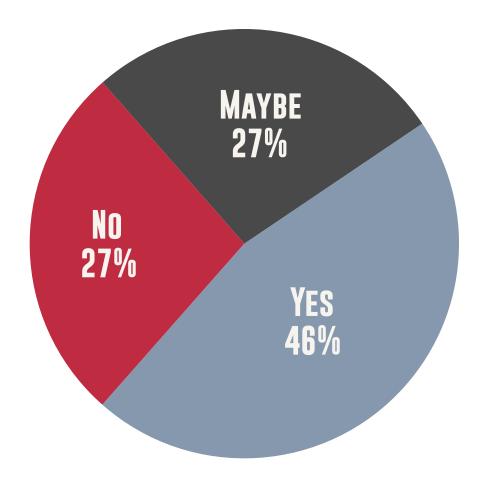
How much would you/they willing to pay each month for housing ownership (excluding home heating costs, electricity, water, and sewer)?

# Willing to pay = **\$739/month**

More than two-thirds (68%) of households responding noted that they have member who would prefer to be in their own home. The top barrier was the expense of living in a separate household (52%) followed by a general lack of availability (48%). Eligibility for financing was indicated as a barrier by 35% of respondents. Tribal members would be willing to spend \$739 per month for their own housing.

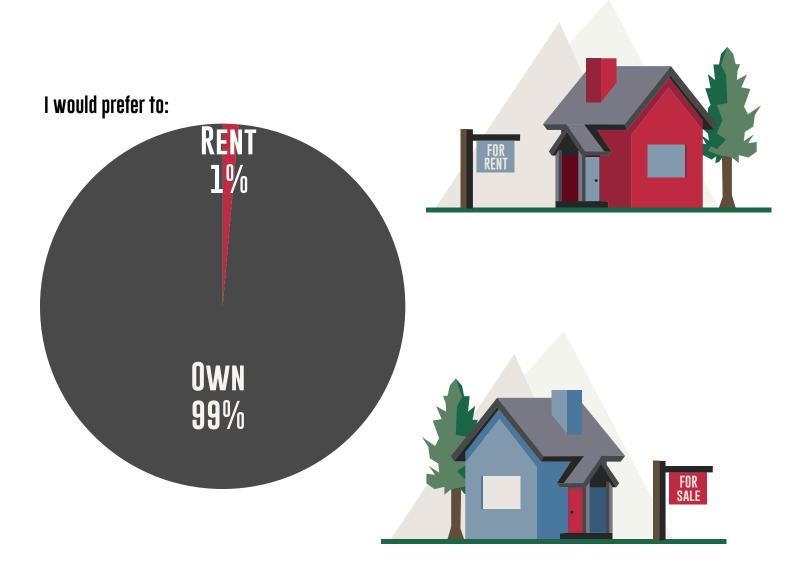
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### WOULD YOU BE WILLING TO LIVE IN A SMALL Home (600-800 Sq FT) or unit if it was More Affordable?



When asked, nearly one-half (46%) of tribal members surveyed said that they would be willing to live in a small (up to 800 square foot home) in order to cut costs.

# **REGARDLESS OF YOUR HOUSING SITUATION NOW, WOULD YOU PREFER TO RENT OR OWN?**



Despite the fact that only 57% of respondents in this survey currently own their own home, nearly all respondents (99%) said they would prefer to own their own home rather than rent.

# **ADDITIONAL FINDINGS**

# What type of housing program are you most interested in, either now or in the future?

Answer Options	Response Count
Homebuyer assistance, such as a home loan, down payment assistance, or help with saving to buy a home.	32
Access to funding to help renovate my home.	23
I would like to participate in a "sweat equity" housing program, where I help build my home.	18
I have land and need access to a loan to build my own home.	16
I am not interested in a housing program at this time.	16
Home maintenance education program.	13
A rental unit to move into.	8
Financial literacy program.	7
Other	1

See next page for "other" responses.

#### Do you own land in your community?

Answer Options	Response Percent	
Yes, and I would like to build a home on that land.		30%
Yes, but I'm not interested in building a home on my land.		10%
No		55%
Other		5%

#### Do you currently reside in a home managed by Tlingit Haida Regional Housing Authority?

Answer Options	Response Percent
Yes	16%
No	78%
Not Sure	6%

#### How many bedrooms are in your house?

Average Number of Bedrooms

= 2.9

# **OPEN ENDED RESPONSES**

# HOUSING PROGRAMS "OTHER"

What type of housing program are you most interested in, either now or in the future? Response: "Other"

Rent to own

# **MOST CRITICAL HOUSING NEED** Most Frequently Mentioned Words

#### How would you describe the most critical housing needs and issues in your community?

Respondents were also provided an opportunity to report the most critical housing need in their own words. This graphic visualized the 41 responses, with more frequently used terms appearing more prominently.

A full list of responses is included on the following pages.



## HOW WOULD YOU DESCRIBE THE MOST CRITICAL HOUSING NEEDS AND ISSUES IN YOUR COMMUNITY?

- A few family members are homeless, finding places to stay.
- Affordable
- Affordable housing for single parents n people
- Assisted elderly
- Assisted living
- Availability
- Competent builders!
- · Elder assisted living home care elders
- Everything cost way too much for what you are getting
- Families are living together. 8-10 per house hold or even in their cars at this point.
- Financial Literacy from an early age. High school students need to be exposed
- High, there isn't much housing for youth to move into. So many adult are still living with these parents when getting out of school.
- · Home loans for lower income families just starting out
- I believe low income with energy efficiency is needed very badly!
- · I'm a mom of 2 both under 2 years old and I'm homeless.
- Klawock has a lack of housing. All; rentals as well as ownership.
- Lack of affordable housing for families. Especially low-income families.
- · Lack of affordable rentals
- Lack of housing
- Many are homeless, so they live with family in small houses with no room.
- Mold/moisture problems
- More affordable, rentals for Elderly and disabled.
- More affordable housing
- More houses
- More housing needed for native and non-natives. seems like there is always someone looking for affordable housing would allow people to move here for jobs
- More housing units
- More multiple bedroom houses to rent or own at a reasonable price
- More rentals available for larger families at reasonable price
- More single-family rentals or rent to own options.
- Need more affordable housing in our community. AFFORDABLE and not expensive
- Need more housing in southeast
- Need more housing. Very hard to find a place to rent here
- · No places to rent for a reasonable amount
- Not enough
- Not enough affordable housing.
- Population is growing, but the housing isn't. Rent is out of control
- Rent should NOT be based on income! This should be done away with!! no
- · Rent to own housing would be a huge help for our community

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- Timely responses to applicants who submit applications. Timely requests for additional information if needed. Don't make applicants wait for mail when we are in electronic age. Utilize email, phone calls, etc., to ensure timely responses to families on waiting list.
- Very much in need of all housing needs.
- We need more housing.

## IS THERE ANYTHING ELSE YOU WOULD LIKE TO LET THE TLINGIT HAIDA REGIONAL HOUSING AUTHORITY KNOW?

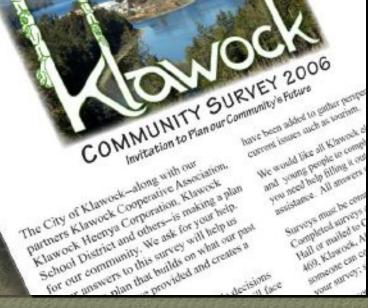
- Better resources for villages
- Fence your existing houses people tend to take over other people's property and around these houses is like a dump site garbage stacked in old cars need let these owners it's disgust
- Help the people who need help filling out all the red tape endless forms! Provide telephone interviews for people with disabilities to fill out those forms!!
- I appreciate everything you have done!
- I appreciate having Senior housing available but would really like to be in my hometown of Craig, Alaska!
- I think those houses on E street in Klawock should not be rental units. Build an apartment complex instead.
- I would like information on improving my credit so I can apply for a home loan. There is a house that my grandfather lived in, but he passed away a year ago and we don't want to lose that house
- I would like to be able to buy building materials and appliances through THRHA which means when you buy stuff for new homes, but extra to sell us
- Klawock loves Joanne Wiita.
- Larger homes for families that are willing to foster native children would be helpful. Many families would like to foster but don't have the room
- Love the renovations being done on currant home.
- Many homes have drugs sold out of them. Someone at the local level needs to be attentive to these issues.
- More rent to own houses
- Multiple generations live in one home because there are no affordable rentals and no affordable homes to buy. A 40-year-old HUD/ Tlingit & Haida home is selling for 189 thousand dollars in Klawock. That's ridiculous.
- Need more 4-5-bedroom homes.
- Please put back up generators in Klawock senior home
- Rent to own
- · Se Alaska needs elderly and small houses
- Stop focusing on Juneau urban needs invest in rural and renewable energy alternative like wind and solar
- Thank you for being here for us, you are all very much appreciated.
- Thank you for everything
- Treat all communities equally
- We need more homes.
- We need more rent to own housing in Klawock
- · Would like to see more homes available to buy that is affordable

# APPENDIX III: A SUMMARY OF THE 2006 COMMUNITY SURVEY

#### KLAWOCK COMMUNITY PLAN

# The People Speak ...

A SUMMARY OF THE 2006 COMMUNITY SURVEY



The survey was well received...

500 were distributed 181 were completed (36%!)

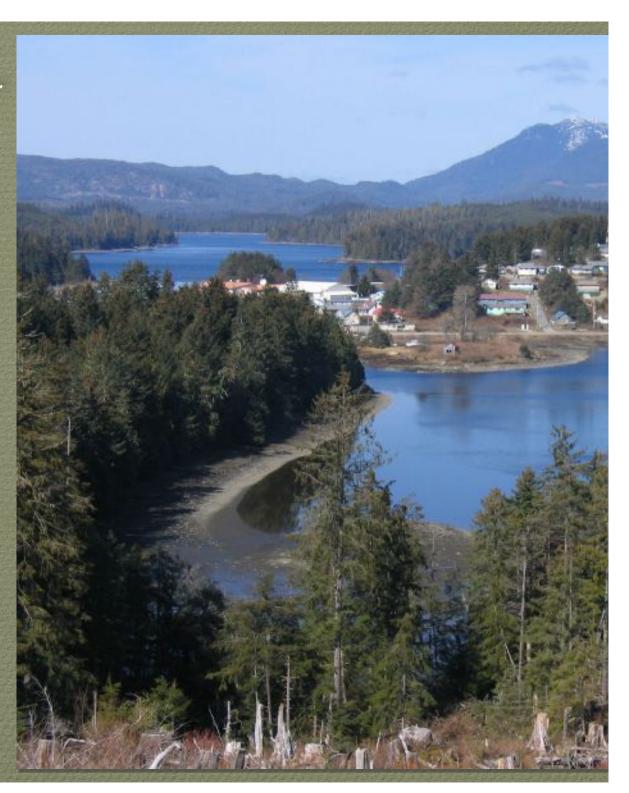
#### Allage groups participated...

58 students 94 adults 29 elders

#### We learned a lot...the people:

R<u>eally</u> care about their community Want jobs & growth--but on Klawock terms Really care about protecting cultural heritage and remaining natural areas Appreciate the "walkability " of Klawock but want better and safer trails/ sidewalks

Want more land for single family houses Want improvements in their neighborhoods Want to improve the downtown waterfront



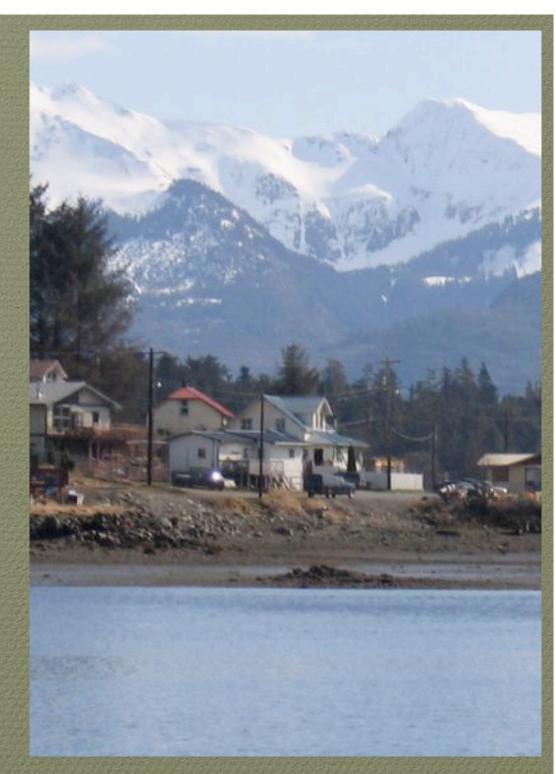
#### 1. Living in Klawock

Nearly all people (181) cited Klawock's beautiful location, clean air and water, and access to local subsistence foods as the primary reasons they like living here.

Nearly 60% said that the lack of things to do (such as recreation, a movie theater, restaurants, etc.) was what they liked least about living here. Lack of local services, the expensive cost of living, and the isolated location was noted by over half of the respondents.

In order of priority, Klawock people said they hope the plan will help:

- bring new job opportunities into the community
   protect Klawock's cultural heritage
   provide more recreational opportunities (44%)
   protect the environment
- 🥌 bring in more commercial activity
- Provide better housing and care for the elderly
- improve the youth center, school facilities, roads and sidewalks, and
- 💿 create more places for people to gather.



#### 2. Community Growth

The majority of respondents (nearly 70%) would like to see Klawock grow in the coming years. People were split evenly on whether this growth should provide jobs and services for current residents (98) vs. attracting new residents (96).

Most people envisioned economic expansion centered on fisheries and cold storage processing, retail stores, and hotels and restaurants.

Not surprisingly, most people (70%) thought that the City should take an active role in promoting economic growth. A number of people noted the importance of working together with others, especially IRA and Klawock Heenya Corporation.





#### 3. Jobs/Employment

While people want all kinds of jobs, fishing and logging were cited most frequently. In terms of future jobs, about 33% of respondents envisioned fisheries as an important way for people to support themselves, another 33% saw their future in other work (logging, professional careers, small businesses) and the remaining third were unsure (60% of students were not sure).

The majority of people see the need for year-round employment.

About 33% of respondents (63) work in Klawock, 25% (50) work elsewhere. 10 people said they were unemployed and 23 retired.

33% of respondents felt that their job prospects were either secure or hopeful. 64% said they would like more education or training to improve their job prospects.

#### 4. Neighborhoods and Housing

Almost 80% of respondents see young families as most in need of housing, followed by the elderly and infirm (52%). Single family houses are most needed (97), followed by apartments (72) and multi-family units (67). Only 20 respondents want more mobile home parks (if kept up well), and more recreational cabins was noted by 31 respondents.

Eighty-four people said that more building lots should be made available. There was no clear indication of where such lots should be located; 29 people did say "in town".

Neighborhood improvements most frequently checked were improved sidewalks and paths, removal of junk and debris, and road paving.





#### 5. Cultural Heritage & Historic Preservation

Virtually everyone agreed that it is important to protect the lands along the Klawock River, burial grounds and gravesites, and historic buildings. Most people also agreed that important natural areas along roadways and along the shorelines on east sides of Bayview and Klawock islands needed to be protected.







#### 6. Recreation and Youth/Adult Programs

While all types of recreational facilities and equipment received some votes, the top ones listed were bike and hiking trails (91), gymnasium for year-round indoor sports (87), baseball/football/track/soccer field (84), and swimming pool (73).

A new youth center should have space for movies and live theater, as well as dances and computer/ internet access.

Respondents thought that a new tribal hall should have space for meetings and educational classes (117), movies (91) and bingo and other games (78).

The public library needs larger space, internet access, and more open hours.

When asked about what additional activities were needed in the community, most people (17) said an indoor recreation center (for year round activities such as basketball, dance and exercise classes), followed by 13 wanting classes in Native culture and language (open to all).

Over 65% of respondents want more vocational and technical education programs, followed by community college courses and adult education opportunities.



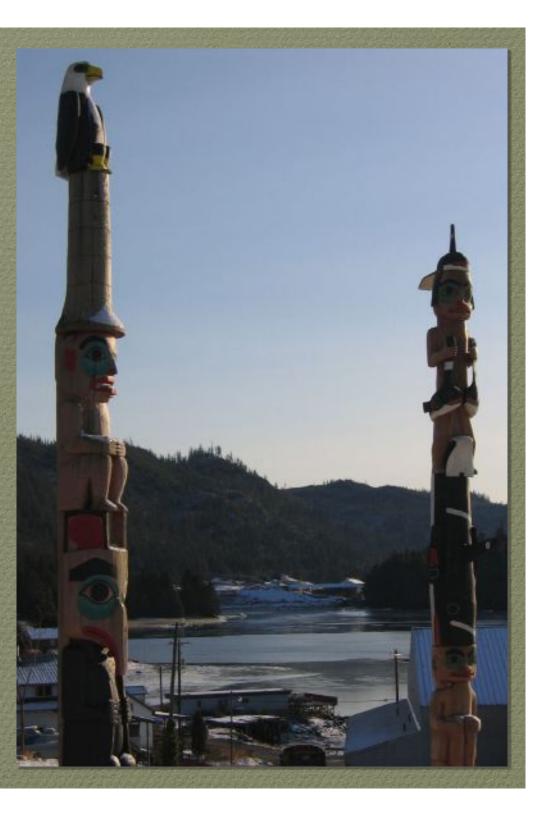
#### 7. Visitor Industry

70% of survey respondents thought that tourism could benefit Klawock without negatively affecting traditional lifestyles.

In tourism planning the three most important objectives were providing local employment and income (105), having Native history told by Natives (97) and protection of cultural heritage sites (88). People also wanted new facilities and improvements that benefit the local population (84), and continuity of Native culture and traditions (81).

In addition to the Totem Park, saltwater/freshwater fishing and boating was seen as the prime local attraction, followed by the Tribal House and Carving Center, hunting and festivals and events.

When asked which specific development actions should be taken to support tourism, most cited small cruise ship visits (71). More accommodations (lodges, bed and breakfasts, hotels) was next (65), followed by public restrooms (64) and more festivals and events (59).



#### 9. Bayview Island Waterfront

Of the improvements suggested for the Bayview waterfront, most people (129) wanted to rebuild the boardwalk (with benches and public areas) from the cannery to the ANB/ANS building. This was followed by cleaning up shoreline debris (121), and building public restrooms by the small boat harbor (98).

In the Totem Park, people see the need for signs and visitor information, improvements to the carving classroom area, and relocating the library to make room for park expansion.

Almost 90% of survey respondents agreed that the existing open space along the Bayview Island shoreline should be protected.





# APPENDIX IV: KLAWOCK ECONOMIC SNAPSHOT POWERPOINT

# Klawock Prince of Wales

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#### Rain Coast Data

# Economic Snapshot Feb. 20, 2019

**Prince of Wales 4,100 people 3rd largest island in US** 97th largest in world 10% of Southeast AK **12 communities** 2,000 miles road

# 4,105 People (-59 last year -1%)

# Prince of Wales Demographics

Photo Credit: Carolyn Chapman.

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# Klawock Population 777 People (-56 last year -7%)

19%

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00	33	02	03	4	<b>05</b>	96	27	80	60	10	2	12	3	14	15	16	17	18

# 2018 Change Sitka -96 Klawock -56 Juneau -55 Coffman Cove - 30 Metakata -26 Yakutat -20

# 21%

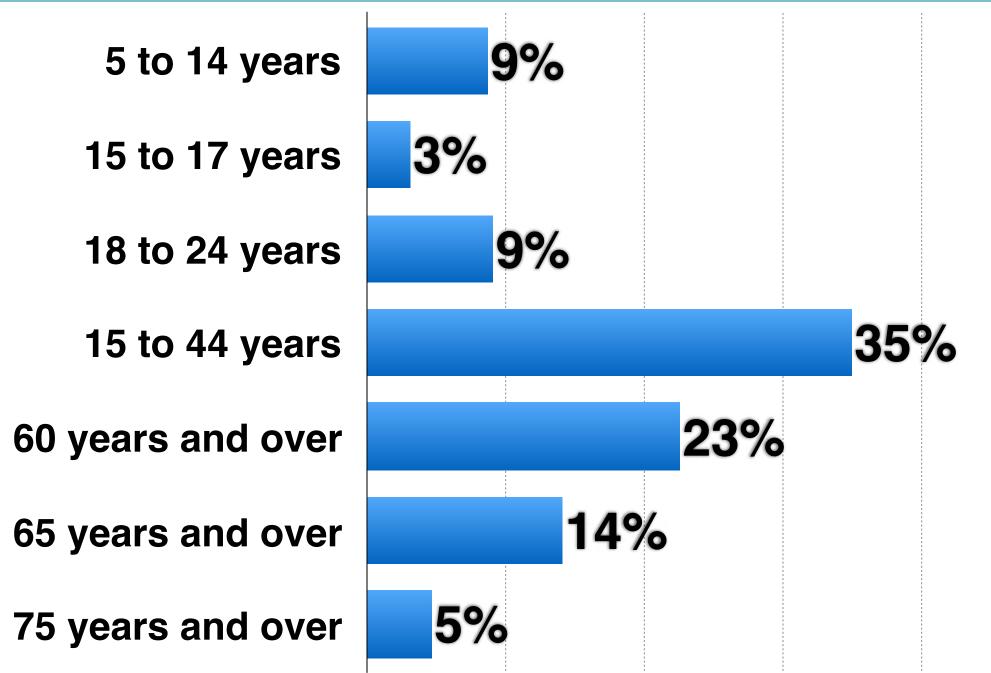
POW Residents 60+

# Median Age AK=35 POW=41 Klawock=42.5

# Those 65-79 increased by 29% in Last 5 Years

Photo Credit: Carolyn Chapman.

# **Klawock Ages**

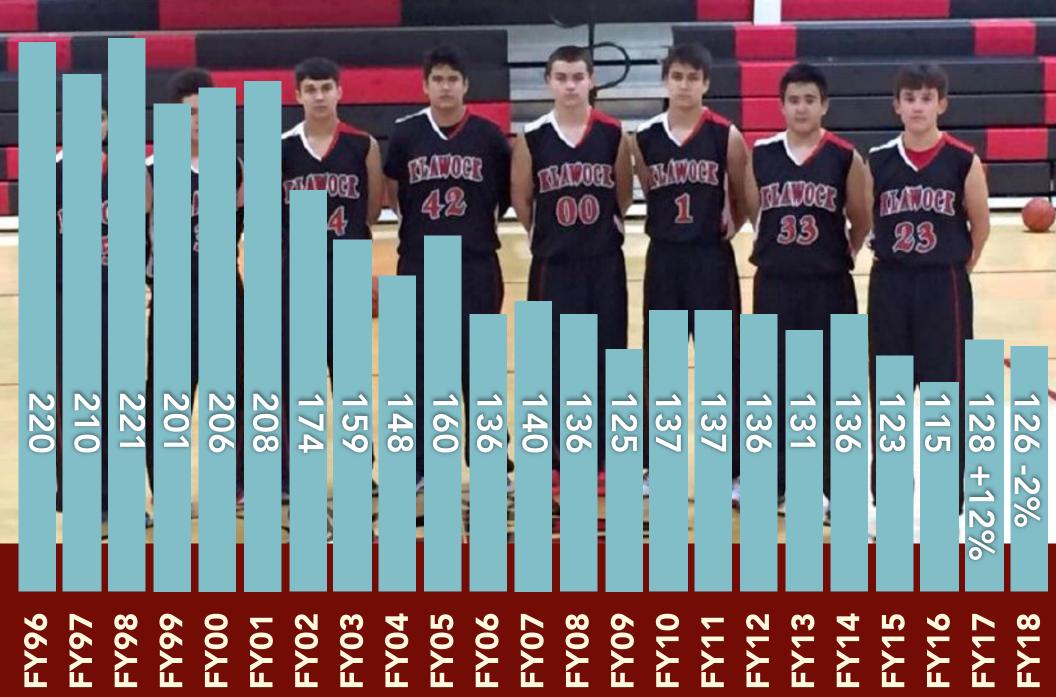




# Population 2018 = 777Population 2006 = 776

65+2018 = **112** 65+2006 = **56** 

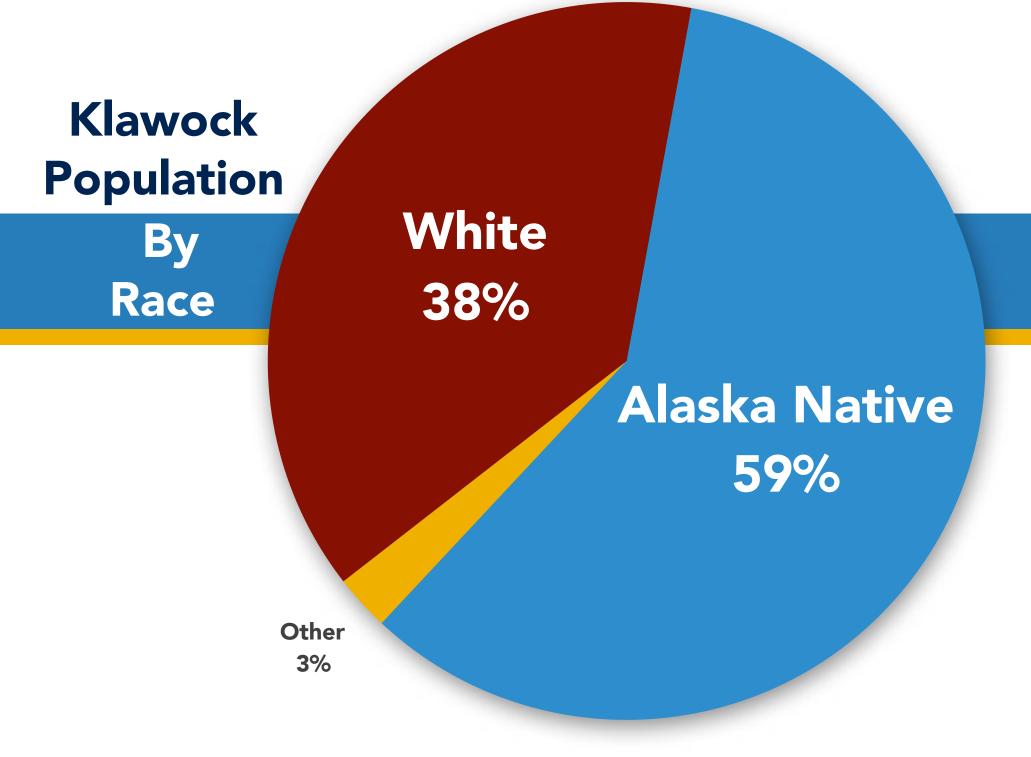
# Klawock Schools = 126



# About Southeast Alaska

- 34 Communities
- 1,000+ Islands
- 500 Miles
- 18,500 shoreline
- 10% of AK Economy

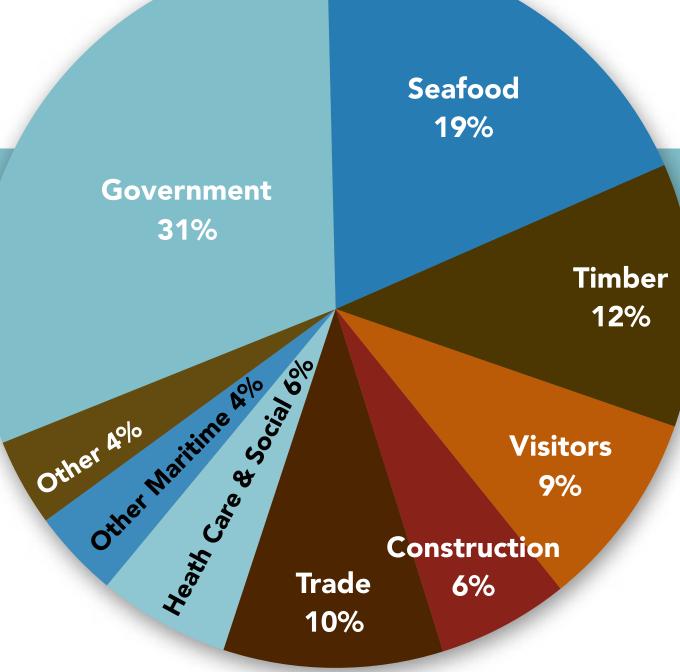




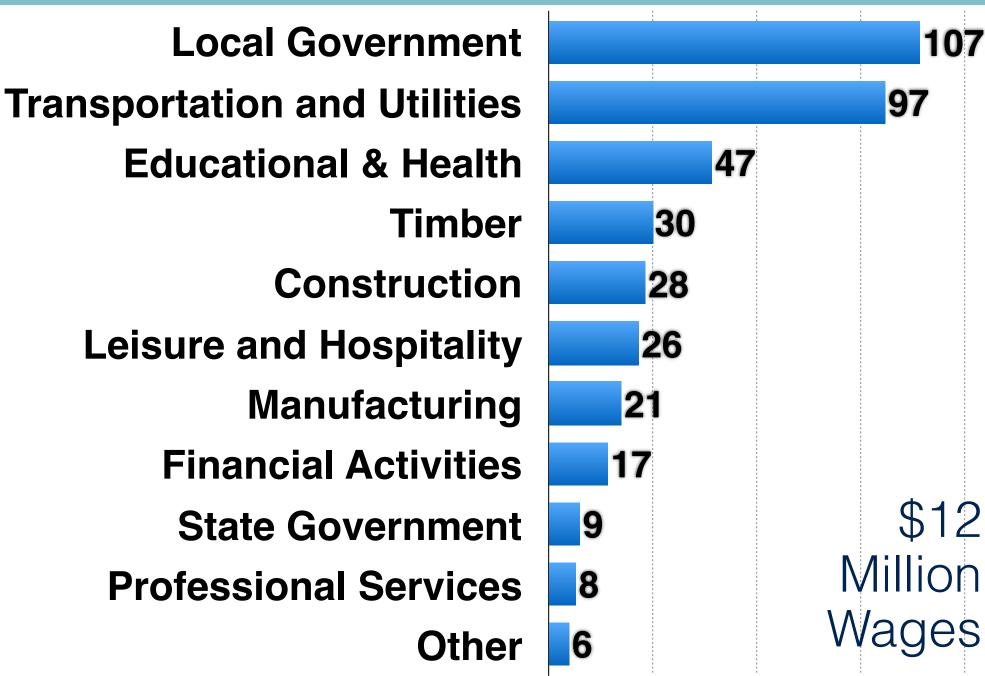
Prince of Wales Island Employment Earnings

> \$78 million 1,935 Jobs

4% of all SE wages and jobs



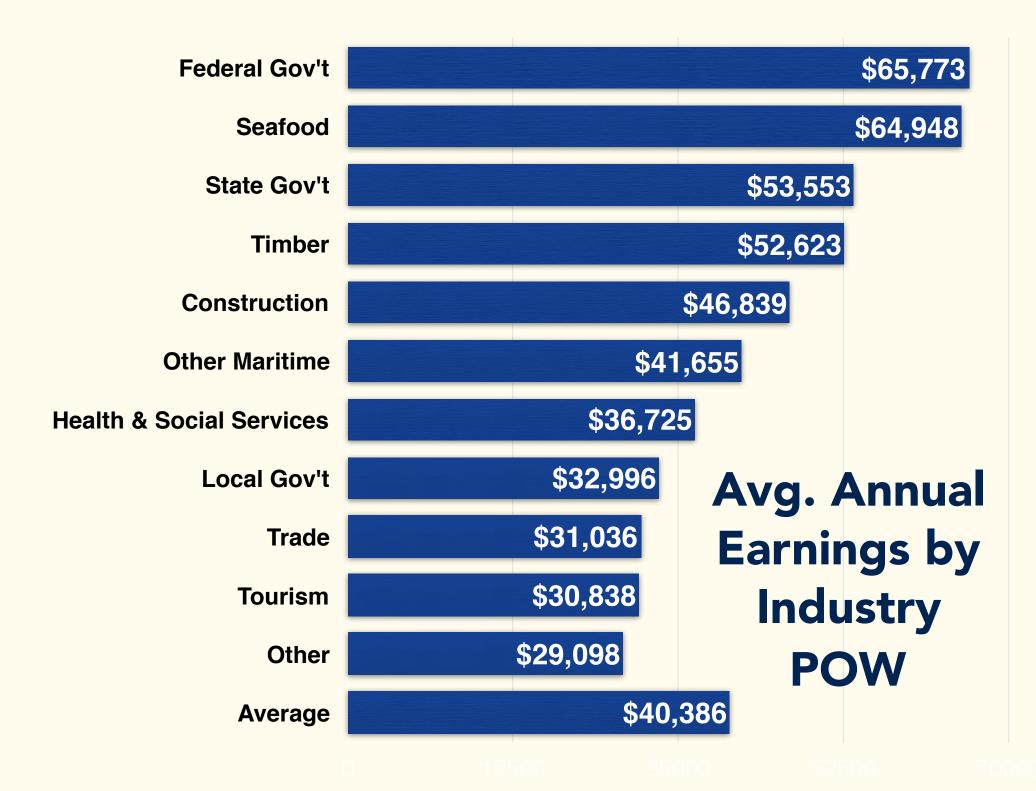
# Klawock Jobs by Count



# Klawock

- 396 Employed
- 97 Unemployment Claimants
- \$12 million Wages
- 29% Government
- 71% Private

Mining 5%



Local 25% **Government** 670 Jobs POW

Government wages = 31% of all employment earnings last year

Rederal 200

116 Klawock

	POW	Klawock			
Federal	5	52	?		
State	3	33	9		
Local	58	31	107		

# Seafood Industry 230 Jobs \$15 million earnings

#### Other Salmon 39%

Pink Salmon 57%



Photo Credit: Carolyn Chapman.

16 Million Pounds ofSeafood 2015(Landed on Prince of Wales only)

KLAWOCK: Andersons Processing, The Shrimp Shoppe, Wildfish Company

#### VALUE & POUNDS OF SEAFOOD LANDED IN SOUTHEAST ALASKA TEN YEARS

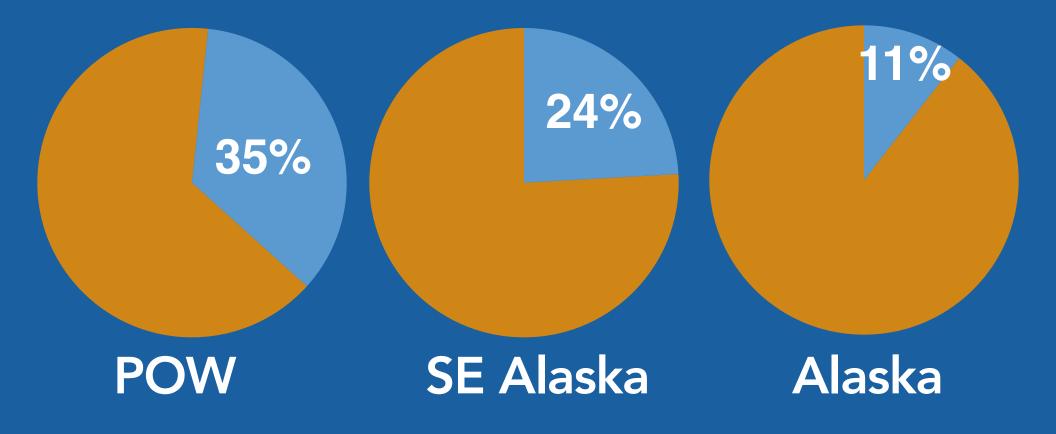


# Maritime 2015

POW

## 300 jobs (230 Seafood) \$18 million earnings

#### Maritime as a % of all private sector earnings



# Timber Industry POW 175 jobs

Half of all Southeast timber jobs

1983 1985 1987 1989 1991 1993 1995 1997 1999 2001 2003 2005 2008 2010 2012 2014

#### Island Jobs Associated With Viking Lumber



# Visitor Industry POW 230 Jobs

MAINSTREAM

Photo Credit: Carolyn Chapman.

# Passengers Arrivals 2015 37,000

22,100

Air

1,000

Small

Cruise

IFA

7,500 15,000 22,500

13,500

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# 105 Jobs POW / 19 Klawock

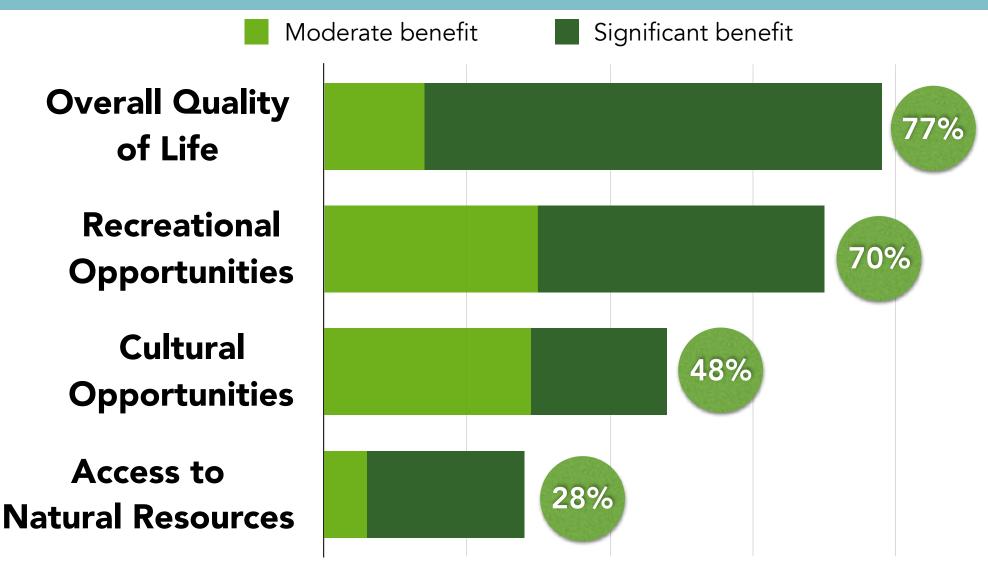
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# Construction Industry

# Health Care 123 Jobs Industry

#### Top **Benefits**

#### What are the Top Benefits to Operating Your Business in Prince of Wales?



#### Top **Barriers**

#### What are the Top Barriers to Operating Your **Business in Prince of Wales?**

Significant barrier Moderate barrier **Cost of transportation (freight)** 86% 85% 72% 62% 60% 60% 59% 57%

**Overall cost of business** 

**Cost of transportation (people)** 

Federal regulations

Local suppliers for your business

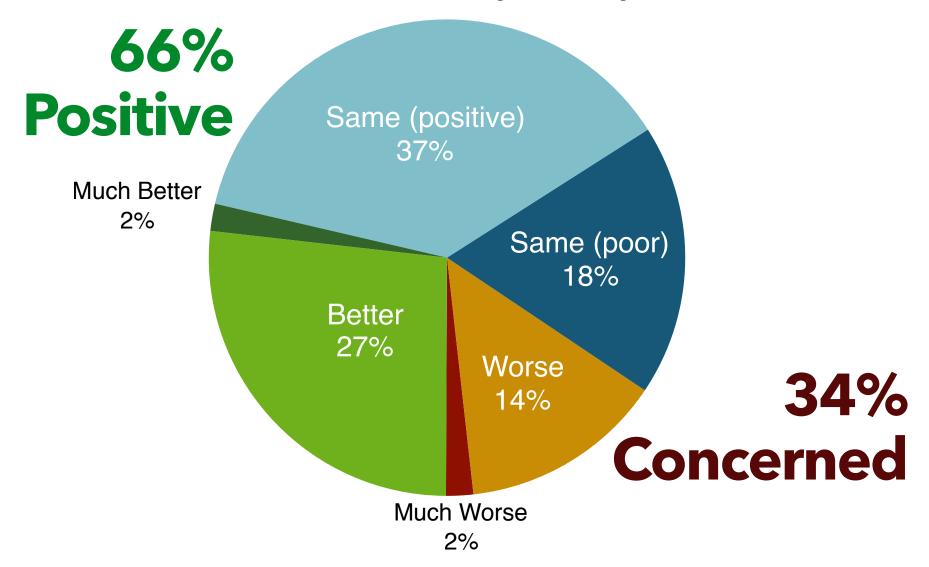
Availability of worker pool

The cost of electricity

State regulations

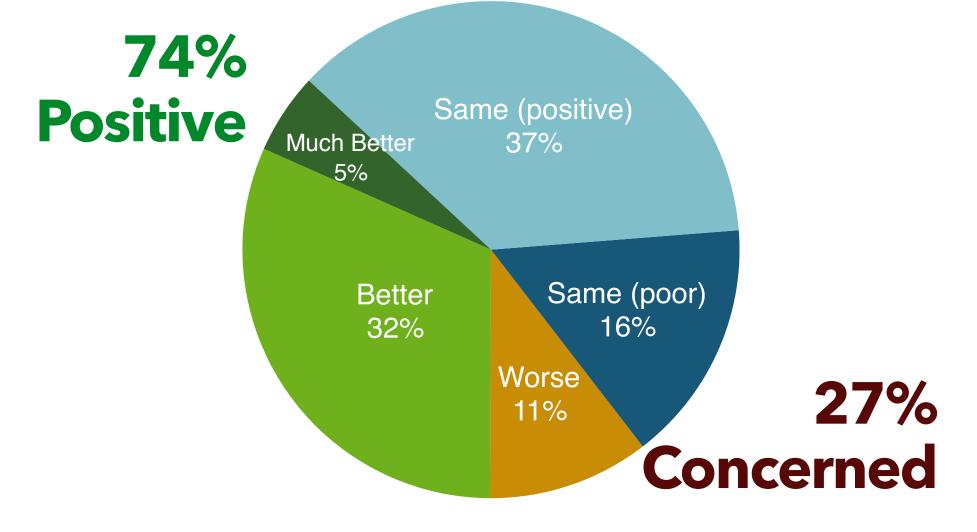
#### **SE Annual Business Confidence**

What is the economic outlook for your business or industry this year?



#### **POW Annual Business Confidence**

What is the economic outlook for your business or industry this year?



# **Housing Klawock**

# 310 occupied units (355 total) 1/3 Rentals

# 5.5% Vacancy rate

# **Klawock Housing Prices**

# Median Rent = \$620 (half SE)

# Median Home Value = \$154,000 (half SE)

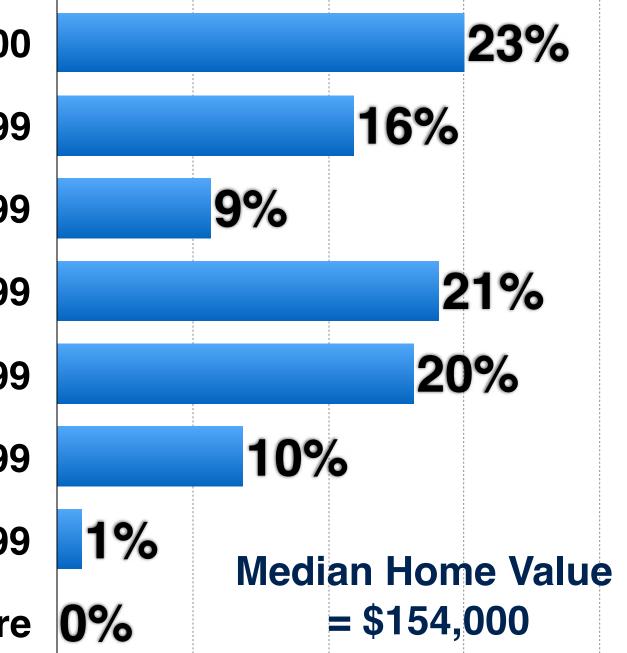
# Klawock Housing By Type

One Unit 59%

#### Multi Unit 13%

## Boat or RV 3% (SE is 7%)

# **Klawock Housing Value**



Less than \$50,000

\$50,000 to \$99,999

\$100,000 to \$149,999

\$150,000 to \$199,999

\$200,000 to \$299,999

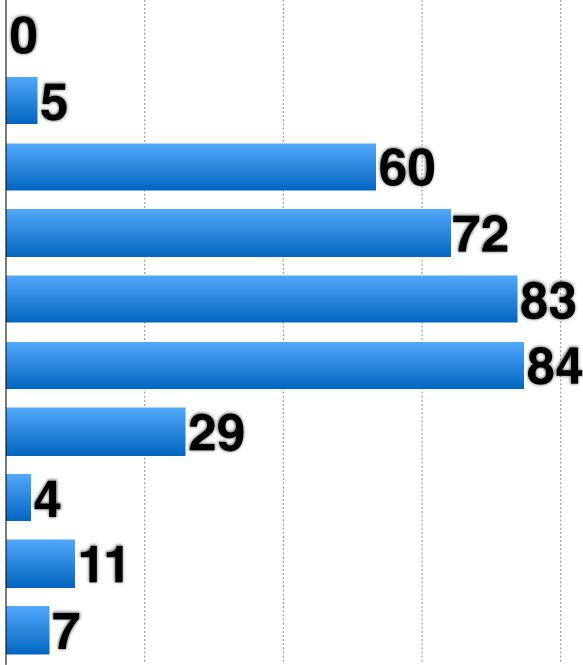
\$300,000 to \$499,999

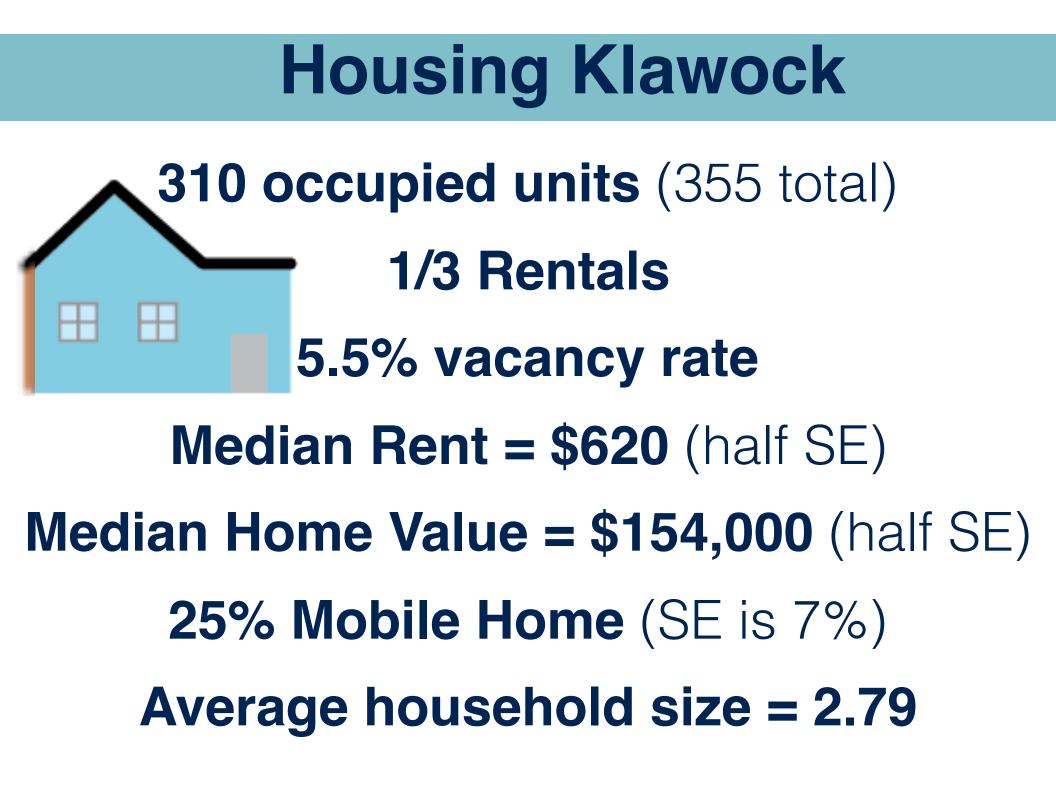
\$500,000 to \$999,999

\$1,000,000 or more

# **Klawock Housing Built**

Built 2014 or later Built 2010 to 2013 Built 2000 to 2009 Built 1990 to 1999 Built 1980 to 1989 Built 1970 to 1979 Built 1960 to 1969 Built 1950 to 1959 Built 1940 to 1949 Built 1939 or earlier

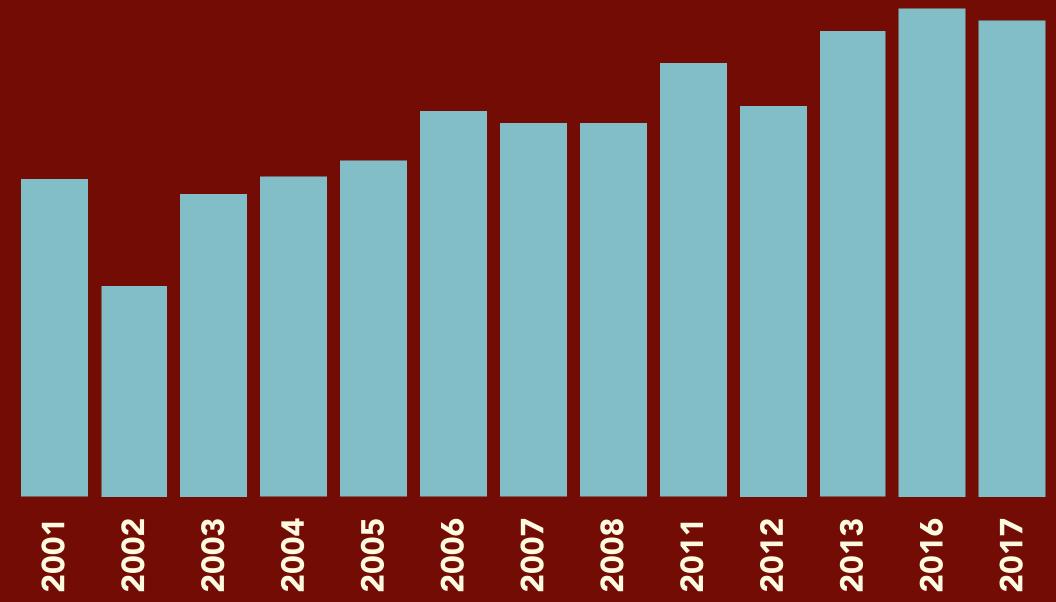




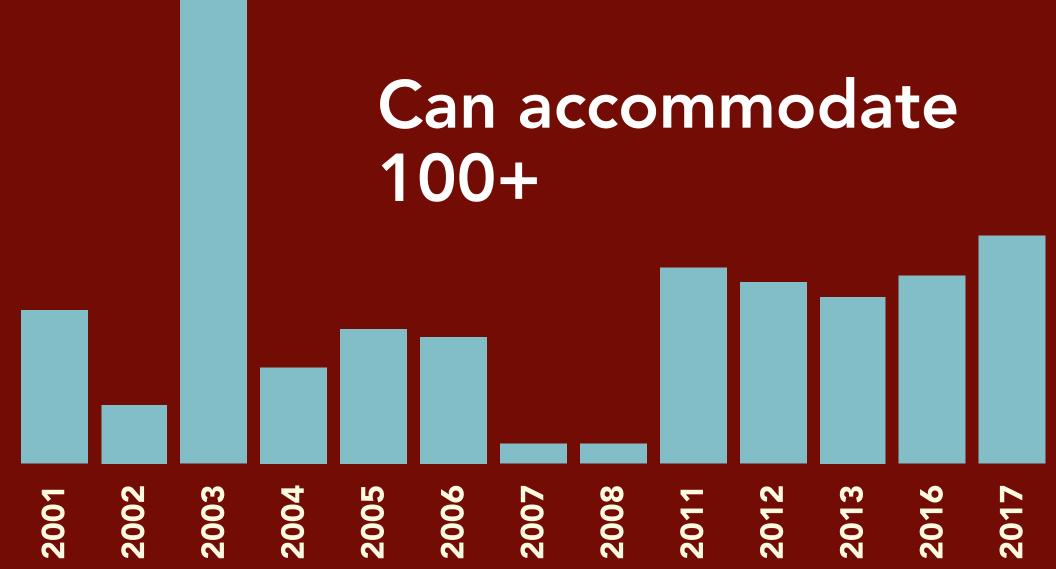
# **Poverty Status Klawock**

- 24% Total (9% SE)
- 33% Kids (14% SE)
- 57% 18-34 year olds (12% SE)
- 28% Whites (6% SE)
- 19% Alaska Natives (22% SE)
- Median Earnings = \$20,357
   (\$38,389 SE)

## Sales Tax Klawock \$662,000 +18% since 2012



# Bed Tax Klawock \$14,000 +26% since 2012



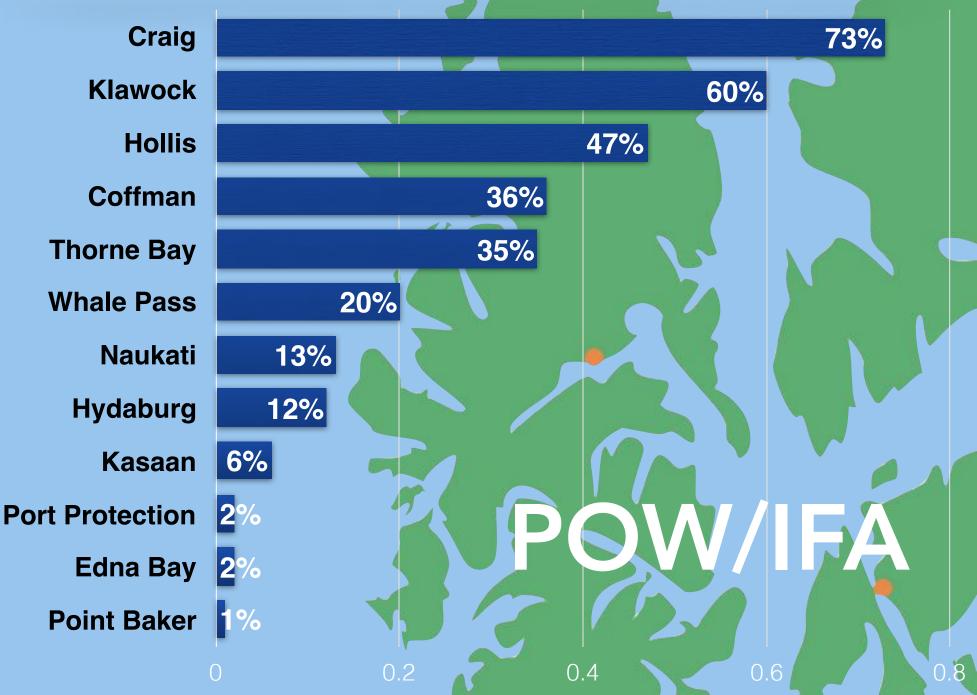
# **IFA Tourism**





#### 2,265 summer tourists and 800 Ketchikan hunters came to POW on the IFA, accounting for 3,000 visitors.

### Where did you go (or plan to go)?



# How long did you stay (in days)?

# 12.7 Days SE Avg. 5.5

# POW/IFA

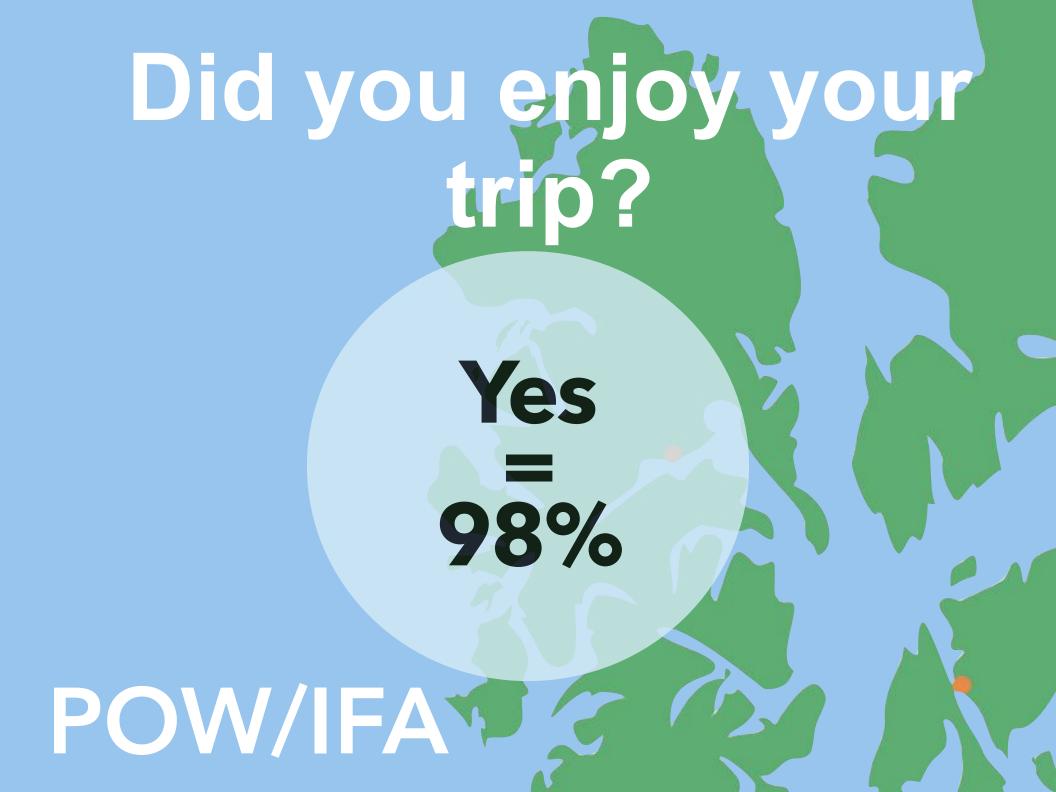
#### Estimated Spending per IFA Tourist

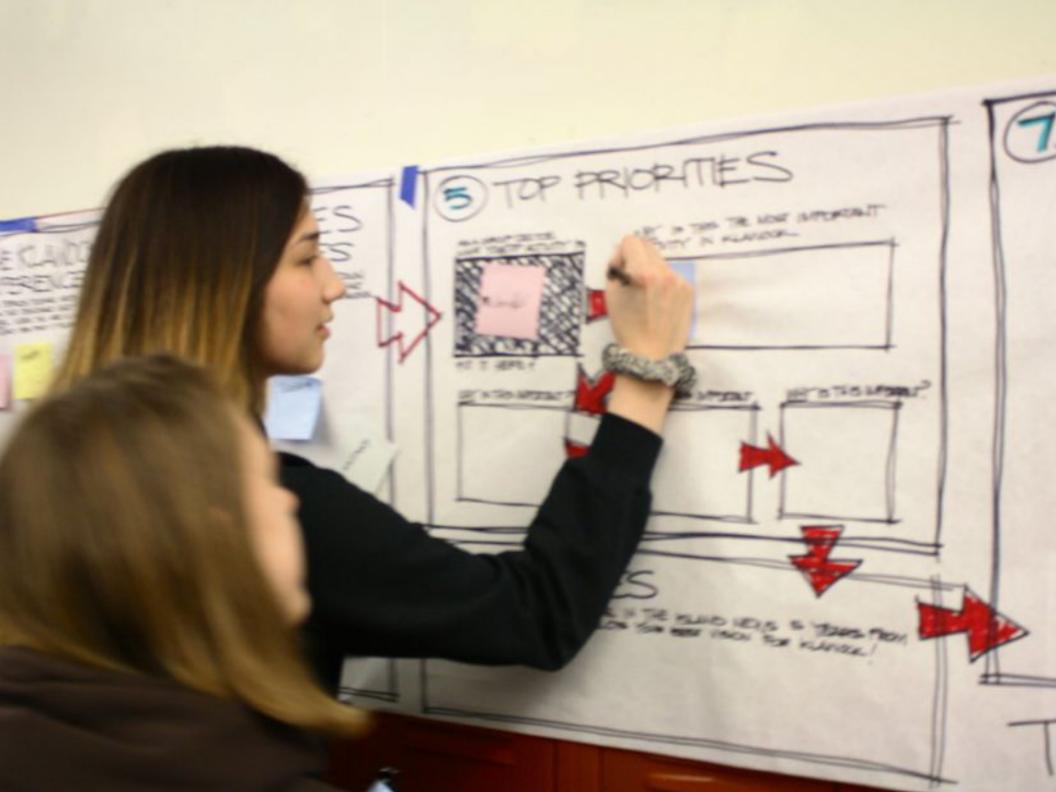
# \$3,340 SE Avg. \$657

# POW/IFA

# Had you been to Prince of Wales before?

# Yes SE 29% in AK before 60% POW/IFA







# Thank You

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