

Community Assessments

Why ?

- Identify what is already here
- Understand what is important
- Identify where we can help
- Learn about projects in the community

Instrument we used

- **Started with:** Interactive Systems Framework Implementation Model (Capacity + Motivation)
- **Adapted it (a lot!):** Community Research Hub, Input of Community Research Liaison Team

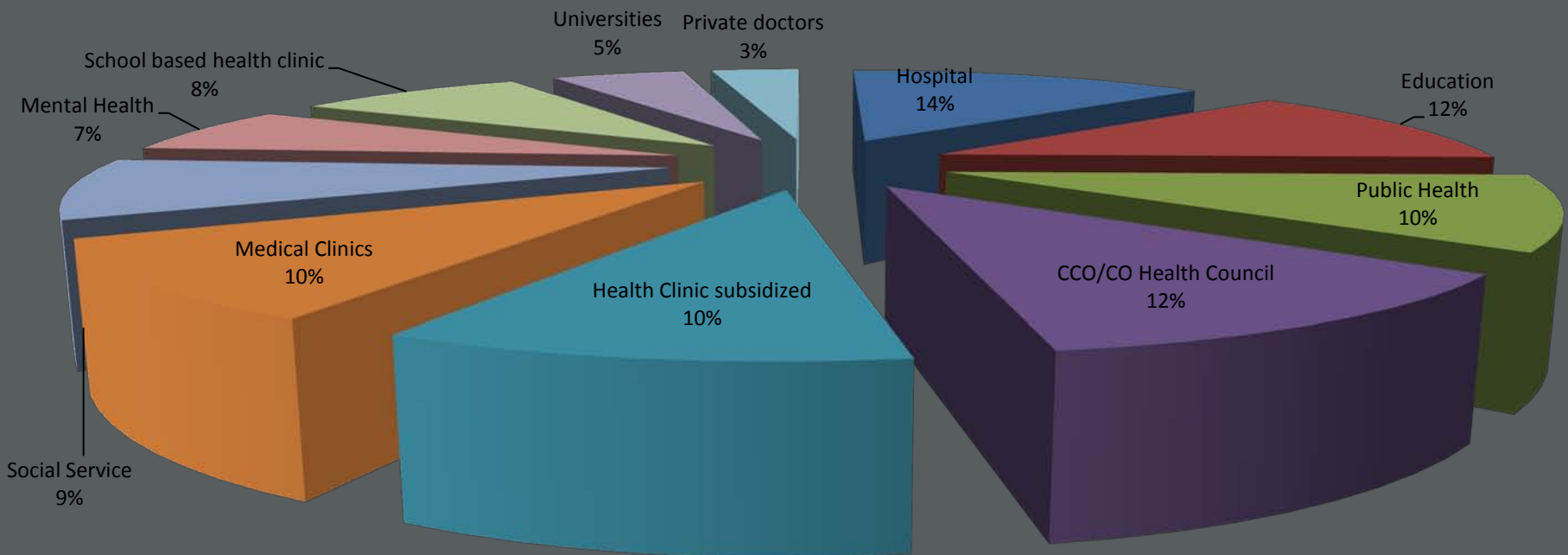
So far

- 19 Interviews
- 7 Sectors
- 3 Counties (Deschutes, Crook, Jefferson)

Interview Question

- *Who do you consider to be the strong health & wellness organizations/leaders in the community?*

Who are the Perceived Health and Wellness Leaders and Organizations in our Community?

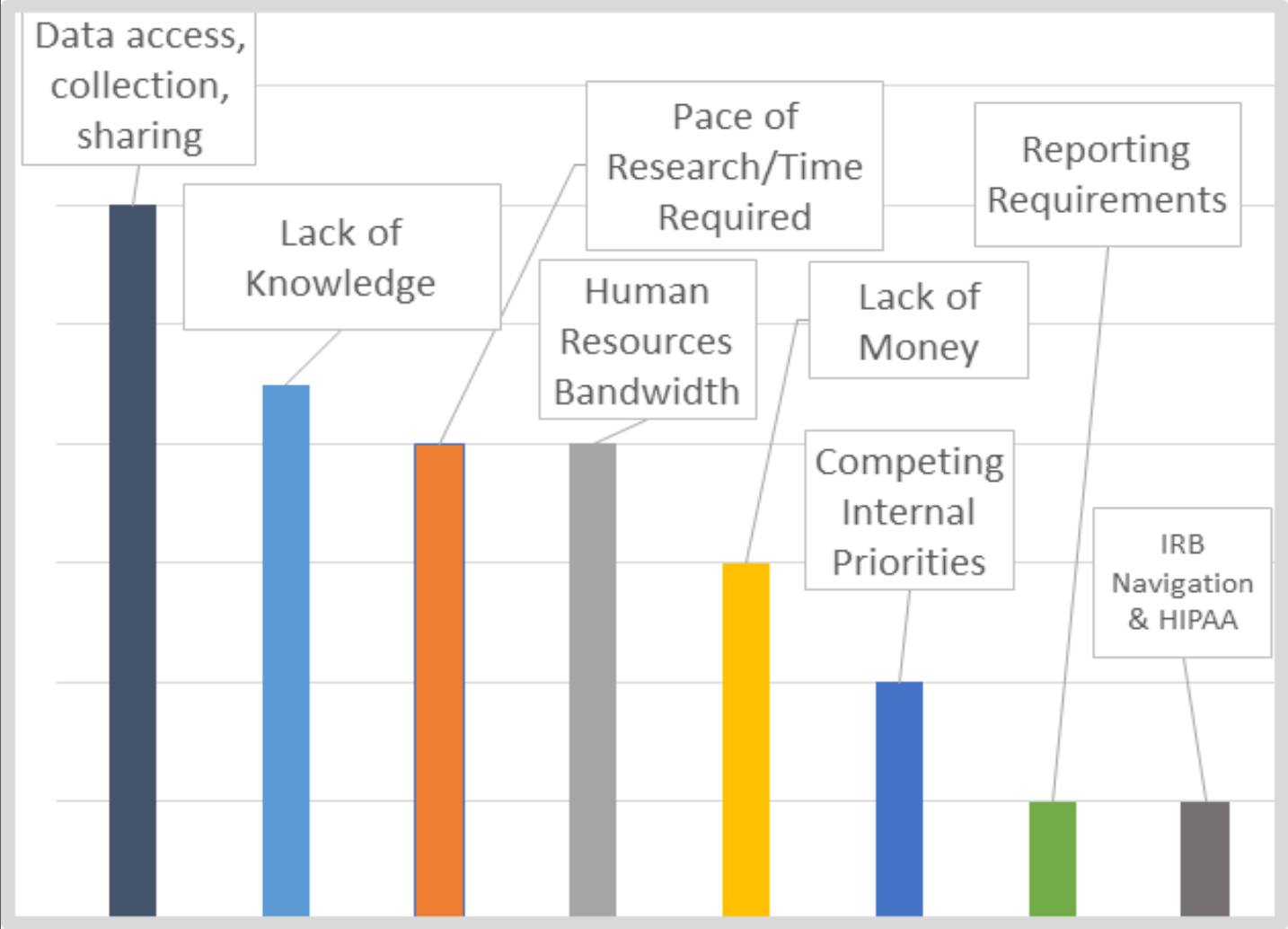


"I would like to see a regional approach to bring Crook County into the regions health topics. We sit in a silo too often."

Interview Question

- *What would you say limits your community /organization in conducting research/asking/answering questions you have around improving health ?*

Barriers to Conducting Research



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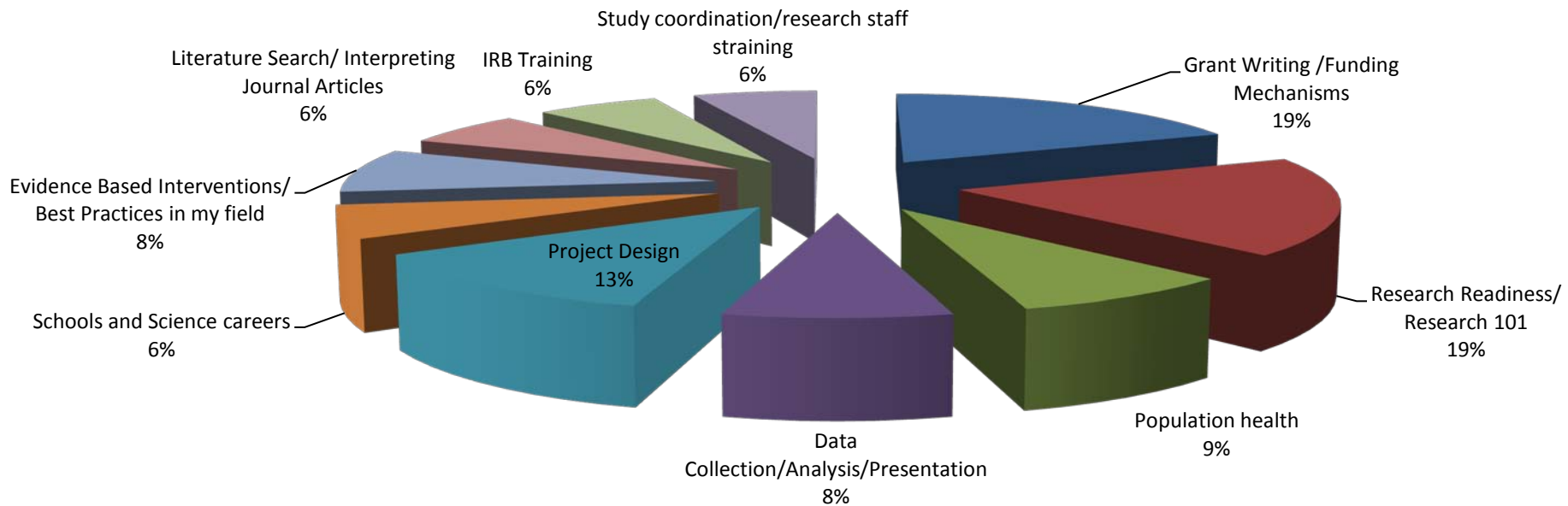
What would you say limits your community or organization from conducting research, that is, asking or answering questions you have around improving health?

Response	Count
Competing internal priorities	9
Lack of funding/money	8
Human Resource bandwidth	7
Lack of knowledge/leaders	5
Less innovation due to less competition/Resistance to change	3
Data access, collection, sharing	3
Mistrust of research	2
IRB navigation/HIPAA compliance	1
Lack of evidence-based interventions available	1
Lack of impact on policy change	1
Time needed to see results/pace of research	1
Total	41

Interview Question

- *What are your interests and priorities around research training?*

Interests in Research Training



“Data can be overwhelming and scary”

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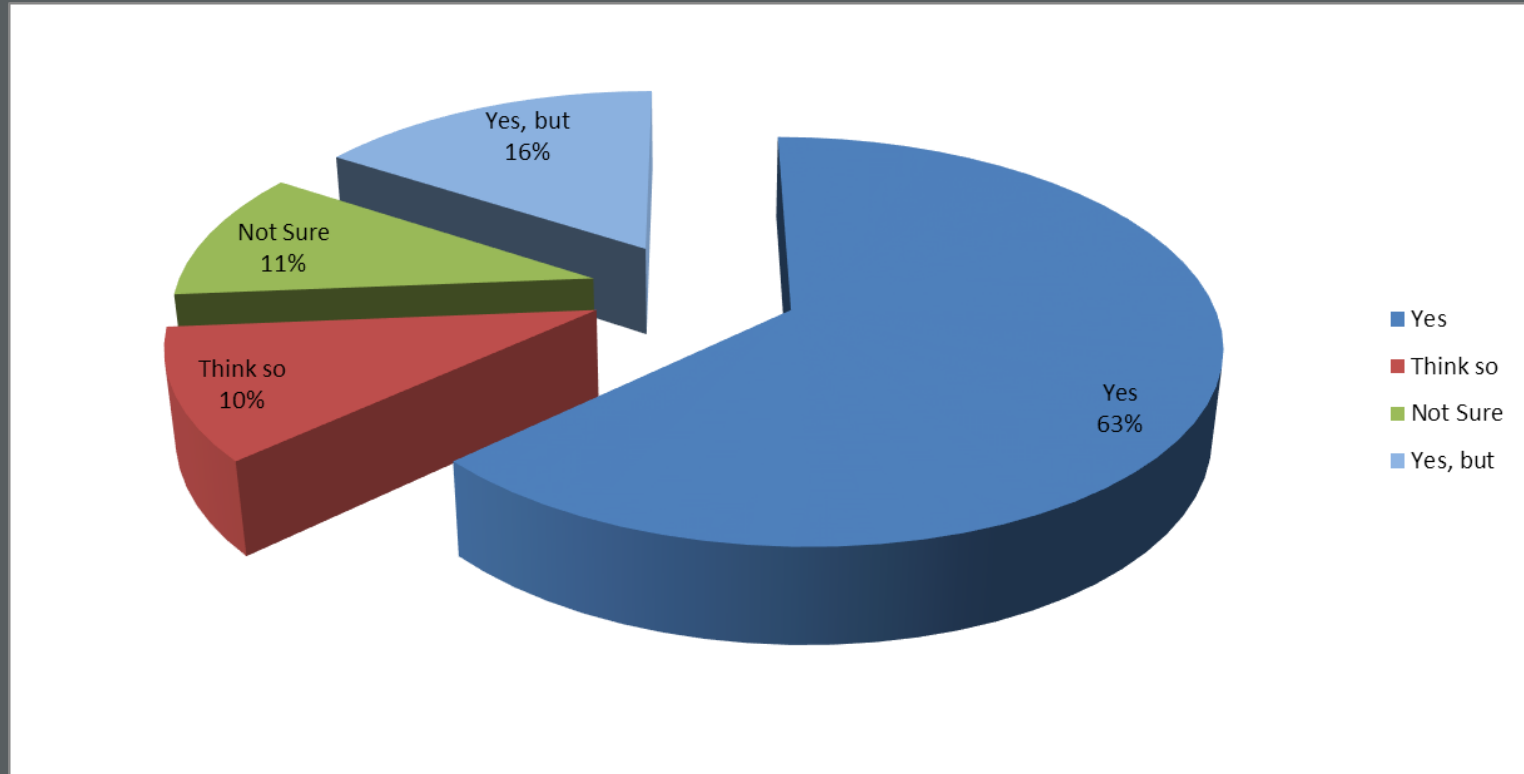
What type of training topics would benefit you and/or your organization most?

Response	Count
Project Design	8
Grant Writing /Funding Mechanisms	5
Research Readiness/Research 101	5
Study coordination/research staff training	4
Literature Search/Interpreting Journal Articles	2
Data Collection/Analysis/Presentation	2
Population health	2
Schools and Science careers	1
Other--Use the 2nd side of your paper form to give us another answer	1
Total	30

Interview Question

- *Do you think that the idea of creating /supporting a research coalition to build research capacity, and a university partnership is a good idea? why?*

Is a Research Coalition a Good Idea?



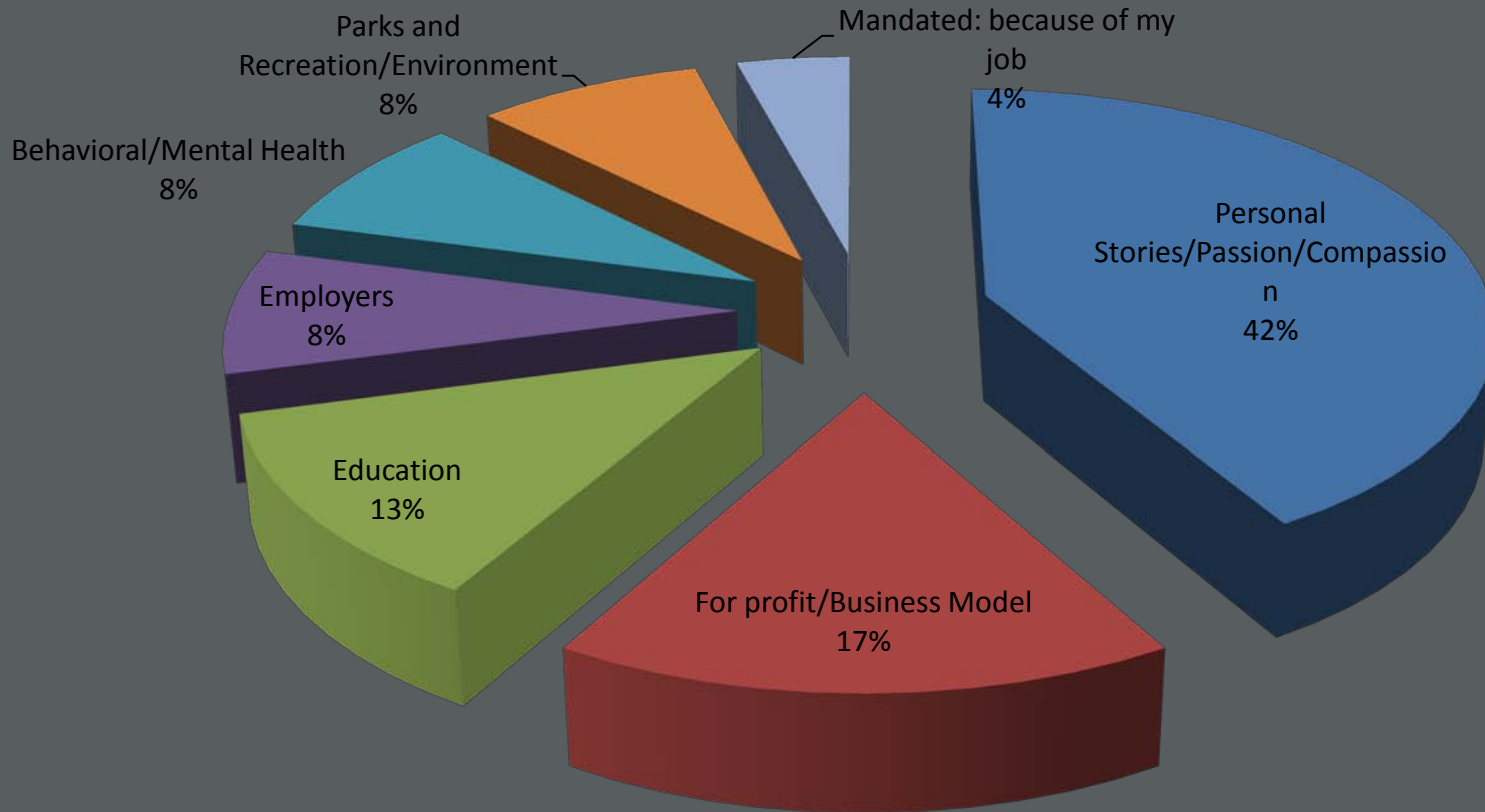
Yes, there is interest and a need!

“There is no umbrella organization that is helping us to grow health and wellness. It is more grass roots, working in silos.”

Interview Question

Where would you say most of the motivation behind improving health and wellness in the community is coming from?

Motivation Behind Improving Health and Wellness

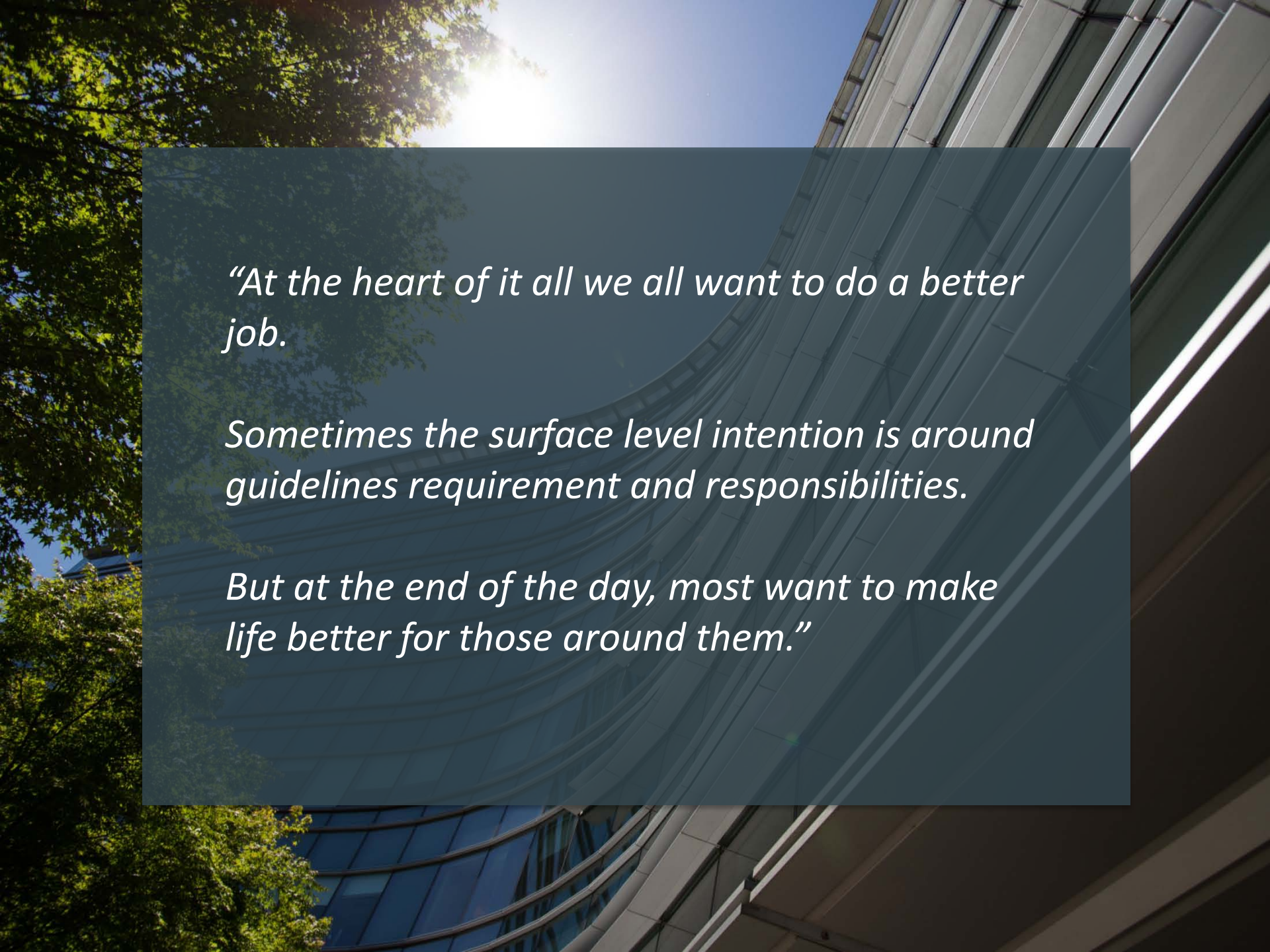


"I think there is a high degree of interest on what is working and having expertise since health and wellness is a broad subject."

RESULTS for Immediate Polling Question:

From where would you say your interest and motivation behind improving health and wellness comes?

Response	Count
Personal Stories/Passion/Compassion	12
Education	4
Parks and Recreation/Environment	3
Behavioral/Mental Health	2
Other--Use the 2nd side of your paper form to give us another answer	1
For profit/Business Model	1
Total	23



“At the heart of it all we all want to do a better job.

Sometimes the surface level intention is around guidelines requirement and responsibilities.

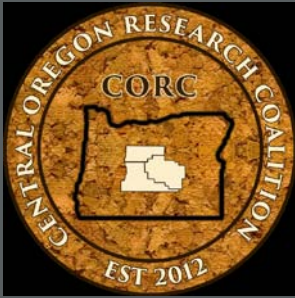
But at the end of the day, most want to make life better for those around them.”

What is a Coalition?

- A group of individuals and/or organizations with a common interest (RESEARCH!) who agree to work together as a common goal

What is my Role as a Liaison?

- Help locate funding opportunities
- Project design & grant writing assistance
- Providing letters of support
- Identifying and accessing biostatistical expertise
- Connections to human subjects protection consultation
- Coordinating or leading training opportunities for research best practices



CORC Present

CORC Mission:

Create sustained community and academic partnerships for health related research in Central Oregon.

CORC Vision:

Increase funding and opportunities for innovative research to improve health outcomes in Central Oregon.

CORC's Current Capabilities

CORC now has employed a Community Liaison

Identify and support existing research expertise in Central Oregon

Statewide connections to support research best practices

Originally developed by community leaders

[CORC Website](#)



Our Future!

**Never believe that a few caring people
can't change the world. For, indeed,
that's all who ever have.**

Margaret Mead

