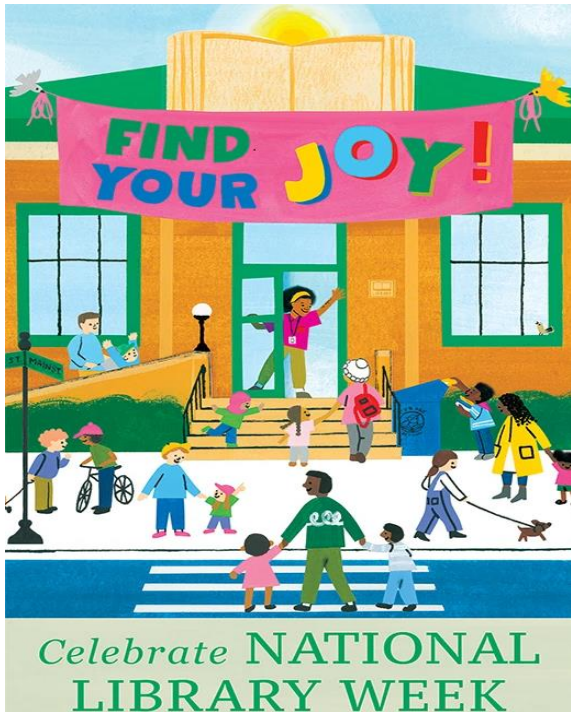




Library Closed

On Sunday, April 5, in recognition of Easter.



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Beaumont Library “Every Story Counts” Survey Results Are Now Available

by Luren Dickinson, Director Emeritus

Since we celebrate National Library Week from April 19 to 25, it seems now is the best time to publish the results of the “Every Story Counts” survey conducted by Beaumont Library District earlier this year.

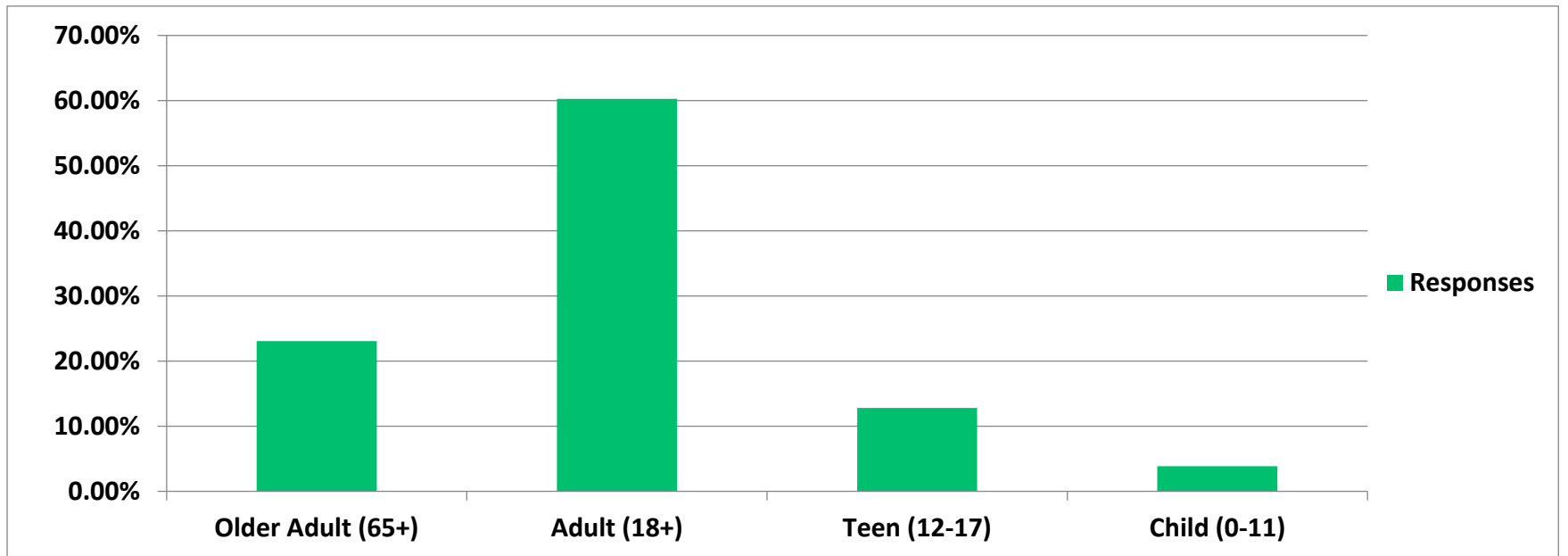
The survey, taken during the week of January 25–31, was part of a statewide initiative to capture data, stories, and photos about how and why Californians use their local public libraries.

When asked about their experience at Beaumont Library, the vast majority, 87%, said they felt welcome, and nearly two-thirds, 65%, said they planned to come back again.

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Of the 173 people who completed the survey, 72% said they came to the Library to check out a book, magazine, movie, parks pass, ebook, or other items. Sizable numbers, in the 40%-range, came to attend a program, get information, or use our space to read, study, or work.

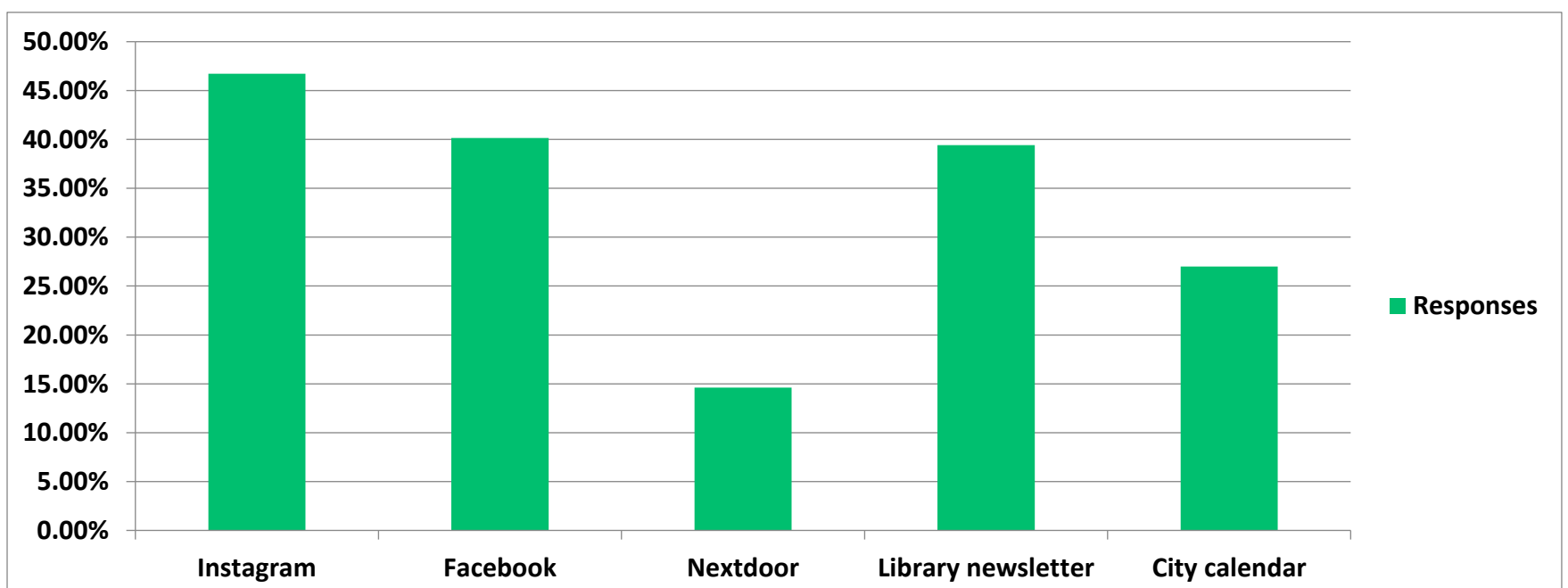
Those who responded represented a cross-section of the community:



When asked to share anything they would like to tell us, the comments were all very positive, such as the following:

- I love Beaumont Library! It's so cozy and relaxing
- I am grateful to have a place with books, learning, and community
- The Library is where dreams, imagination, and knowledge started for me
- I use the Library for my little one to socialize and connect with books
- When studying for my degree in college, I used the Library extensively
- I love bringing my grandchildren to all of the story times
- The Library is a sanctuary from an increasingly hostile, upsetting world
- Mi gran interés son las actividades para niños

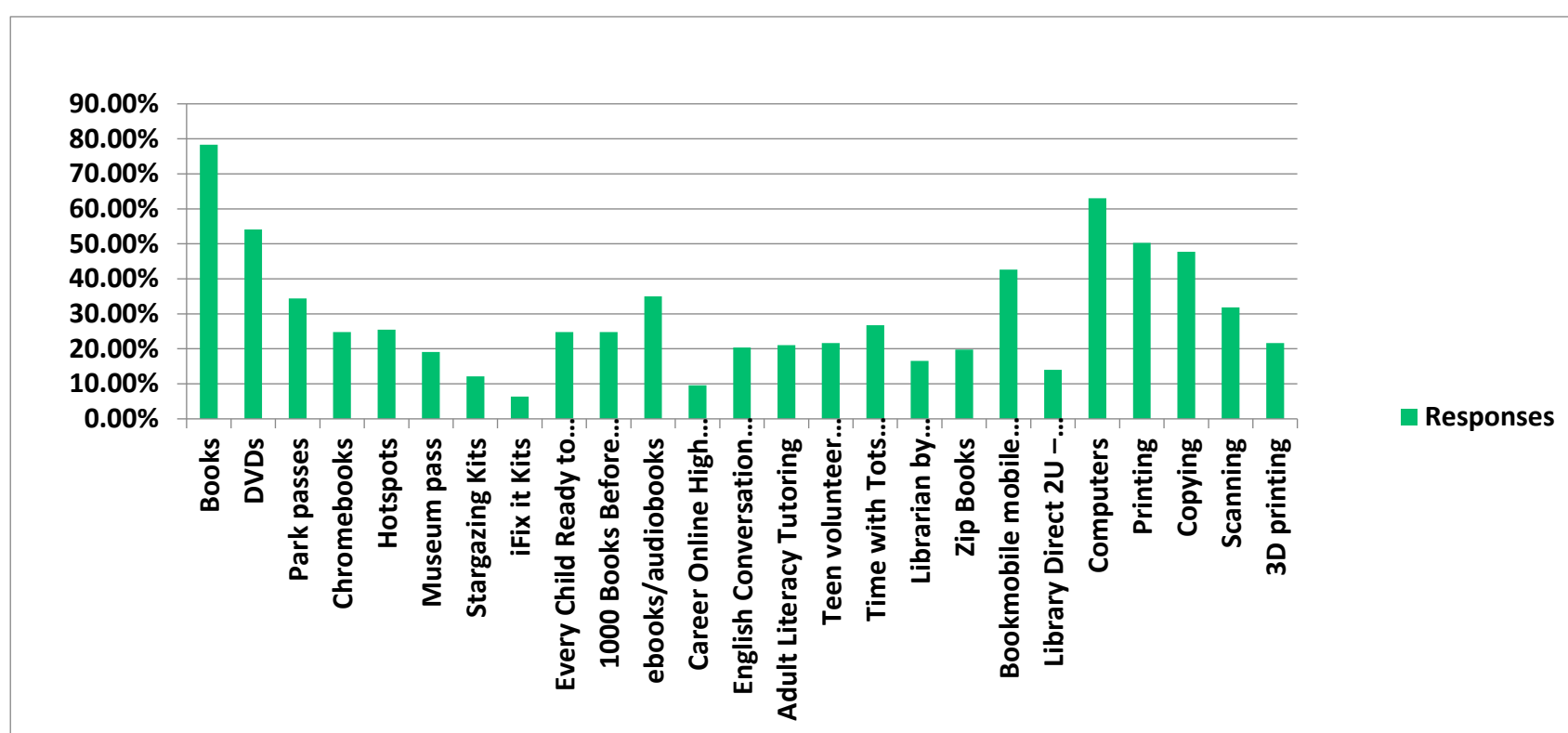
We asked the best way to reach the public and got these responses:



The one community-related question in the survey asked: “What resources do you feel are lacking in the community?” Some people wanted more materials, space, and funding for the Library, along with more classes and activities. Non-library related comments included:

- Restaurants, shopping, enrichment for adults
- Job training and job opportunities for adults with disabilities
- New community member support groups
- More sports seasons and clubs for sports like volleyball and flag football
- Technology education (was cited most often, especially for seniors)
- Immigration workshops and clinic help

The final question asked, from a list of choices, what does the Library offer? Check all that you are aware of. And these are the results:



As usual, books remain the Library’s brand with nearly 80% checking them off! Computers came in second at 63%, ahead of DVDs with 54%, but were closely followed by increasingly popular services like printing at 50%, copying at 48%, and scanning at 32%. In the same range were our Bookmobile service at over 40%, our ebook collection at 35%, and our Park passes at 34%. We do, in fact, offer everything that is on the list!

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Library Hours During Construction

Sunday—1 to 5 p.m.

Monday—10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Tuesday—10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Wednesday—1 to 5 p.m.

Thursday—10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Friday—10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Saturday—1 to 5 p.m.

Bookmobile Stops

Wednesdays—11 a.m., Chatigny—Storytime

Thursdays—11 a.m., Beaumont Presbyterian Church—Storytime

2:30 p.m., Liberty Village

3:30 p.m., Blossom Apartments

Saturdays—9 a.m., Mickelson Park

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