



# Empowering Parents Summit

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Presented by:

The Somerset County Local Management Board





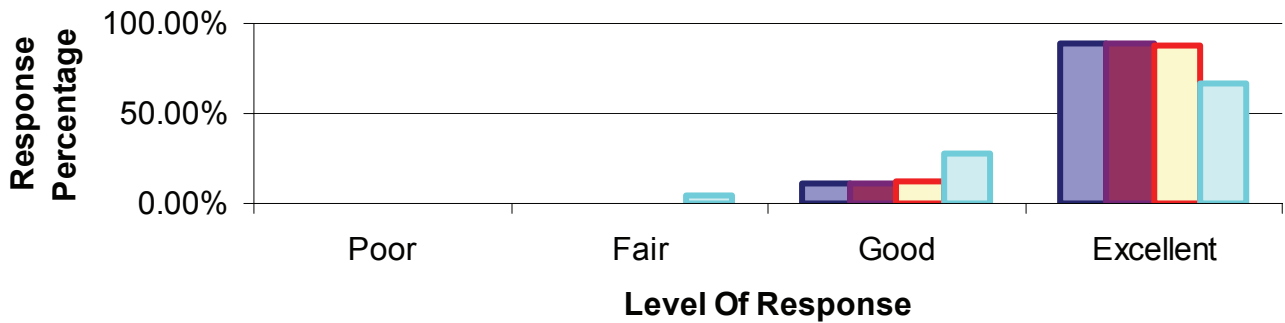
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Survey Results  
Event Summary



# Empowering Parents Summit Survey Results

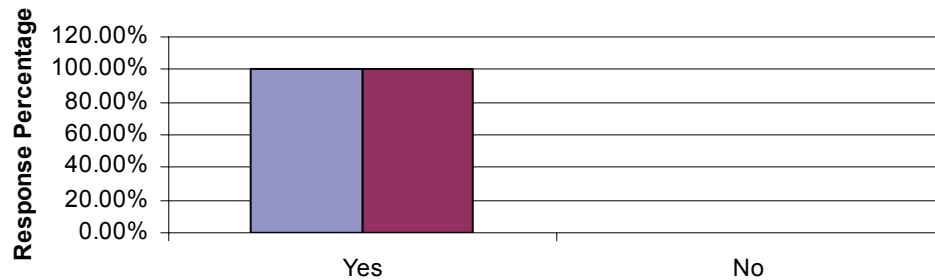
## Total Survey Results - Questions 1 through 4



- The guest speaker was exciting and motivating.
- The workshop was well organized and interesting.
- The volunteers were helpful.
- The meals were...

Question	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
The guest speaker was exciting and motivating.	0.00%	0.00%	11.17%	88.83%
The workshop was well organized and interesting.	0.00%	0.00%	10.97%	89.03%
The volunteers were helpful.	0.00%	0.00%	12.30%	87.70%
The meals were...	0.00%	4.71%	28.29%	67.00%

## Total Survey Results - Questions 5 through 6



- I would attend another summit in the future.
- I would recommend attending a summit to family and/or friends.

Question	Yes	No
I would attend another summit in the future.	100.00%	0.00%
I would recommend attending a summit to family and/or friends.	100.00%	0.00%



# Empowering Parents Summit

Workshops

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Feedback Summary

Comments



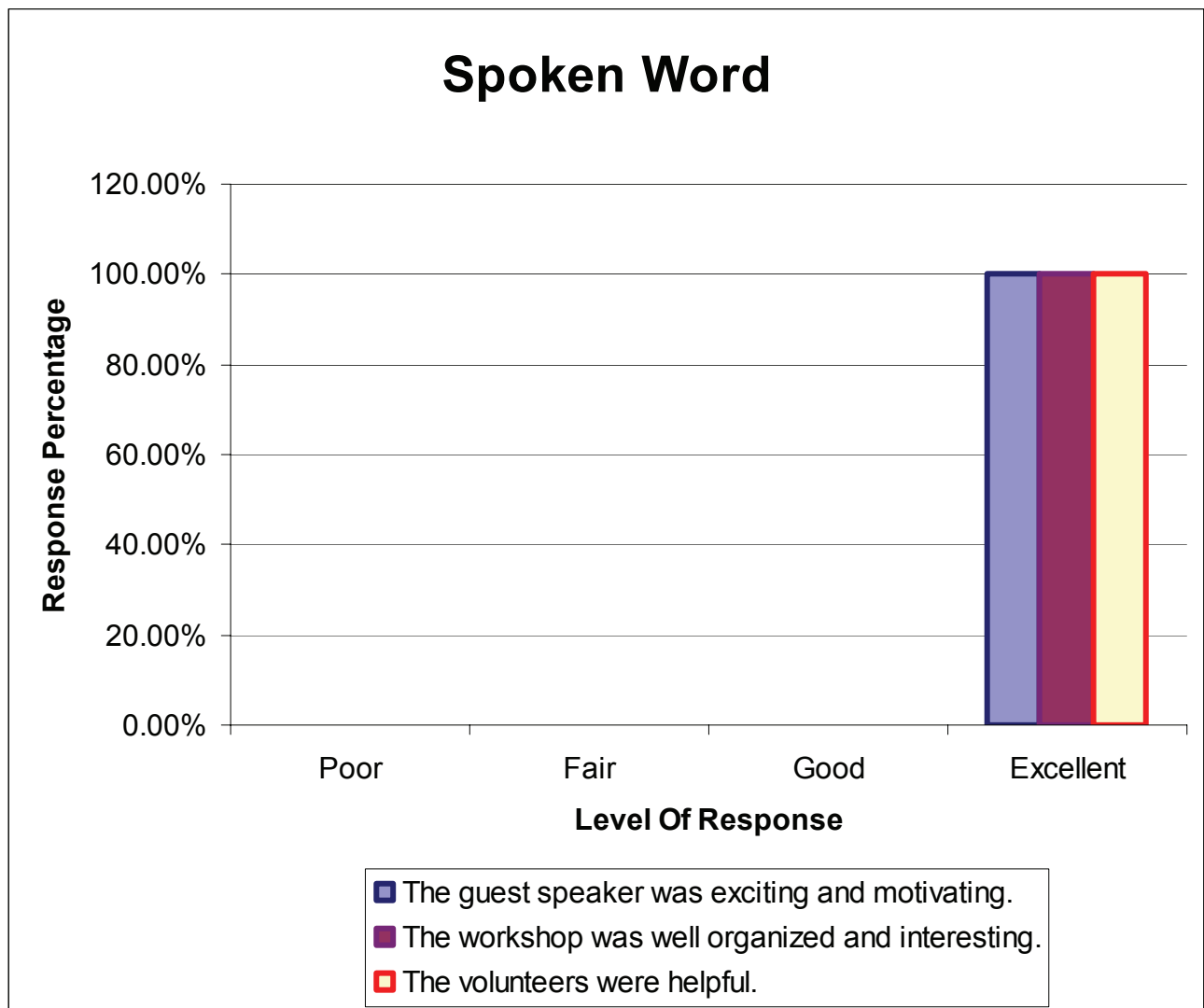
## **Spoken Word Workshop Description**

This workshop helped participants learn how to express themselves through creative writing and poetry. It also stressed the importance of using non-physical outlets to express feelings and emotions, and the power of the written word.

**Presented by:  
The Word in Motion**

# Spoken Word Feedback Summary

Question	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
The guest speaker was exciting and motivating.	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%
The workshop was well organized and interesting.	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%
The volunteers were helpful.	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%



## Spoken Word Comments

- Very important topic. Thanks for your energy and thoughts.
- Excellent, needed more time.
- This workshop was so cleansing. The presenters were excellent.
- Excellent workshop. The presenters were genuine and empowering.
- Very moving experience - Enlightening and Empowering!! Thank you!
- I enjoyed everything that was shared today. Thank you for everything. God Bless each and every one of you!
- I would like to say that this year's summit was really well planned and carried out. I attended last year in Baltimore.
- This workshop helped me a lot with the usage of words.
- The summit was very interesting and next time I will encourage other parents.

## **Keeping Our Children Safe Workshop Description**

This workshop discussed the dangers and warning signs of gang activity, substance abuse, and internet websites such as MySpace. It also examined ways to protect you children and how to help resolve issues that may already be present.

Presented by:

Kendra Hayward

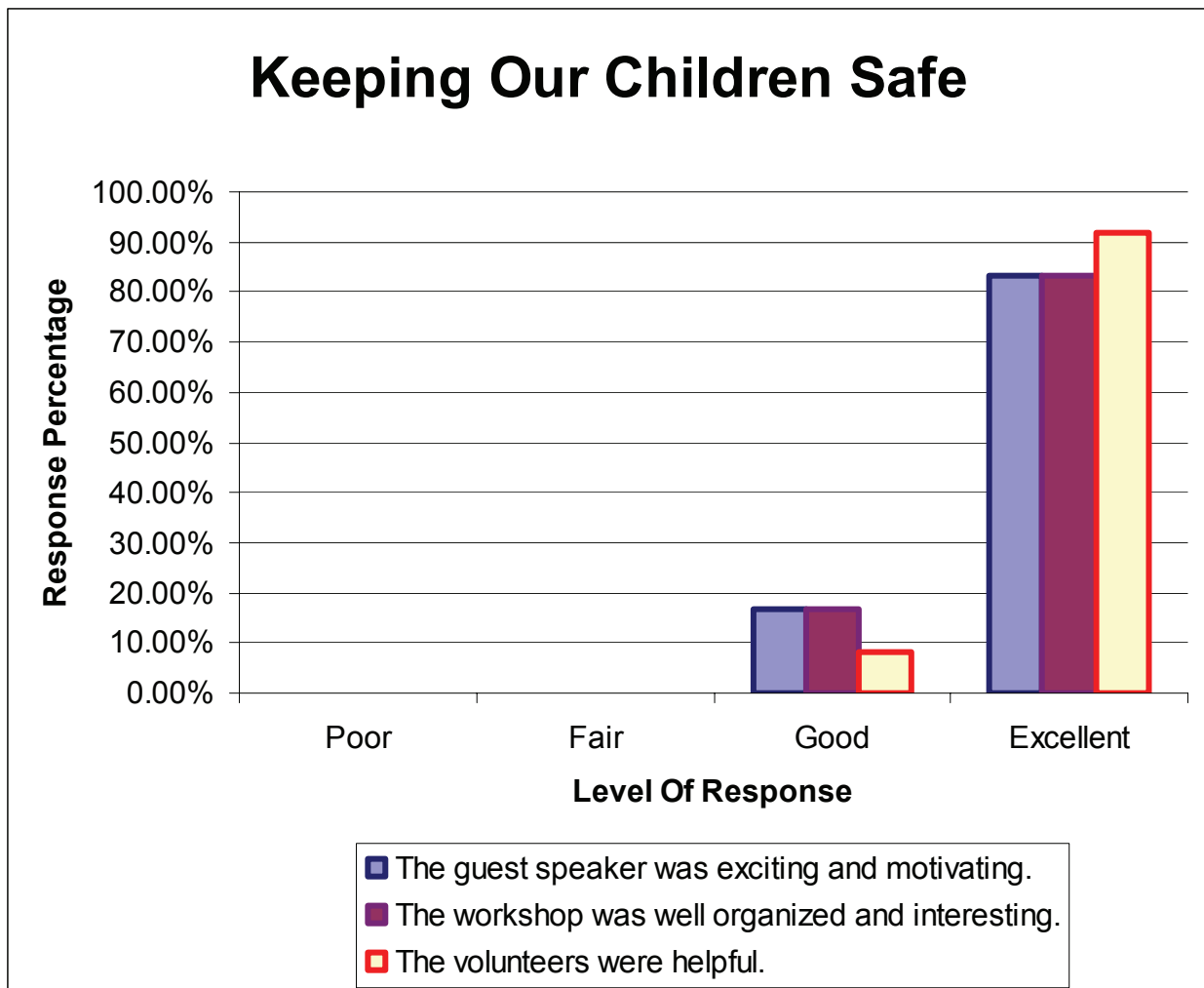
Assistant State's Attorney

Kevin Whittington

Somerset County Health Department

# Keeping Our Children Safe Feedback Summary

Question	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
The guest speaker was exciting and motivating.	0.00%	0.00%	16.67%	83.33%
The workshop was well organized and interesting.	0.00%	0.00%	16.67%	83.33%
The volunteers were helpful.	0.00%	0.00%	8.33%	91.67%



# Keeping Our Children Safe

## Comments

- Information was provided that I did not know about (gangs, substance abuse).
- The workshop was very informative and helpful for my future endeavors.
- I really learned a lot of new information. Thank you!
- The information was helpful and it shed a lot of light on gangs and things going on in this community.
- Very good and helpful information! It was good information to educate the parents about what children are faced with and dealing with.
- More parents need to have attended this workshop - awareness of and warning signs for gangs, drugs and alcohol activity.
- Very informative.
- Thank you for all the work and effort that was put into this workshop. See you next year.
- Very informative and educational - provided information that I was definitely not aware of! Great Workshop!!!
- This message needs to be shared with parent groups around the county!

# Educational & Career Opportunities Workshop Description

This workshop explored the educational and career opportunities that are available for parents. Many “hot” careers like nursing and informational technology opportunities that are often not explored were also discussed.

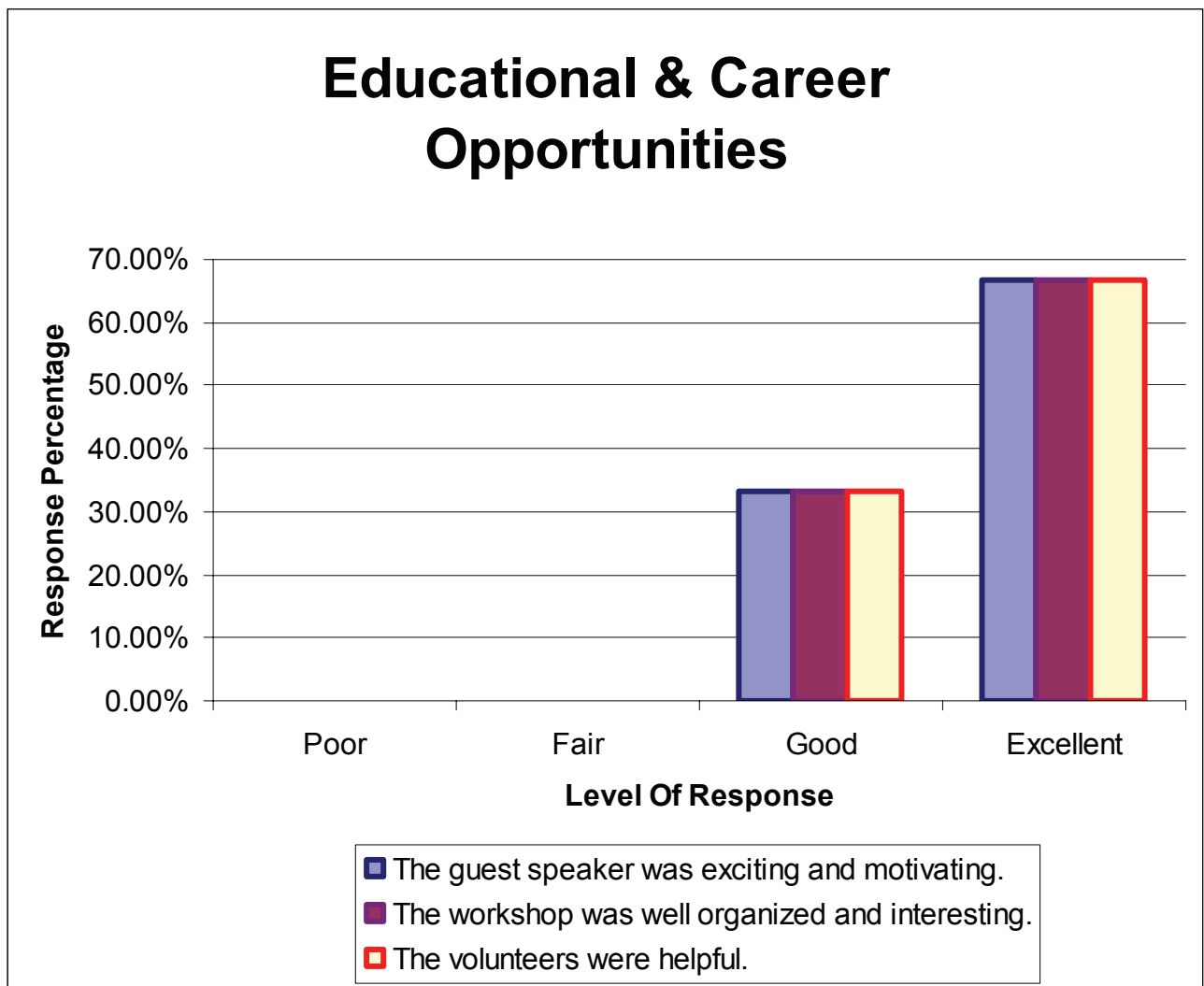
Presented by:

Kim Avery

Urban Leadership Institute

# Educational & Career Opportunities Feedback Summary

Question	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
The guest speaker was exciting and motivating.	0.00%	0.00%	33.33%	66.67%
The workshop was well organized and interesting.	0.00%	0.00%	33.33%	66.67%
The volunteers were helpful.	0.00%	0.00%	33.33%	66.67%



## Educational & Career Opportunities Comments

- . Awesome, great handouts!
- . This session was very helpful. I look forward to next year. I am grateful for this EMPOWERING SUMMIT.
- . Great information, thank you.
- . I really enjoyed having a DJ at lunch, and yes I did the Electric Slide and the Booty Call!

# **Raising Sons, Raising Daughters**

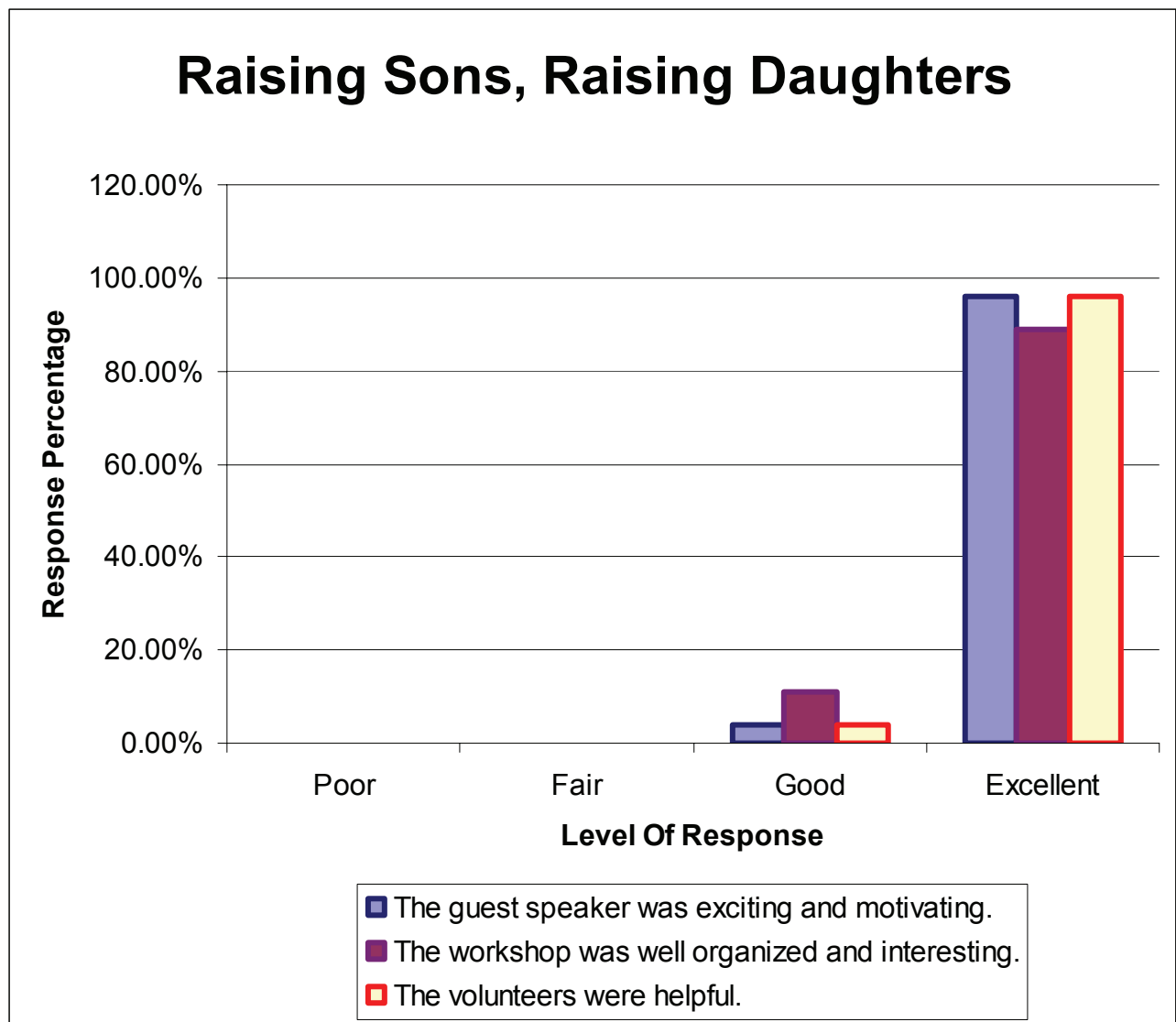
## **Workshop Description**

This workshop addressed the struggles of raising healthy and responsible children in a toxic society. The workshop provided parents with a “tool box” of information and resources to support parenting children and teens of the Hip Hop Generation.

Presented by:  
Kim Armstrong  
Urban Leadership Institute

# Raising Sons, Raising Daughters Feedback Summary

Question	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
The guest speaker was exciting and motivating.	0.00%	0.00%	4.00%	96.00%
The workshop was well organized and interesting.	0.00%	0.00%	11.00%	89.00%
The volunteers were helpful.	0.00%	0.00%	4.00%	96.00%



# Raising Sons, Raising Daughters

## Comments

- I really enjoyed and think this session was very beneficial.
- Great job! Very inspirational.
- Ms. Kim is amazing!! Very honored and privileged to have been at her presentation. Thank you!
- An excellent presentation!
- Appreciate the speaker sharing her personal story.
- Excellent.
- The speaker was informative, and enjoyable.
- Enlightening, inspirational, definitely motivating and interesting.
- Great video - really powerful! Your life experiences really added to the presentation.
- Very informative, need sessions to be 1 1/2 hours please! Good personal stories - keep them in your sessions.

## **Parenting With Purpose Workshop Description**

This workshop introduces the participants to the 40 Developmental Assets, which are essential building blocks to help your children succeed and develop into successful adults.

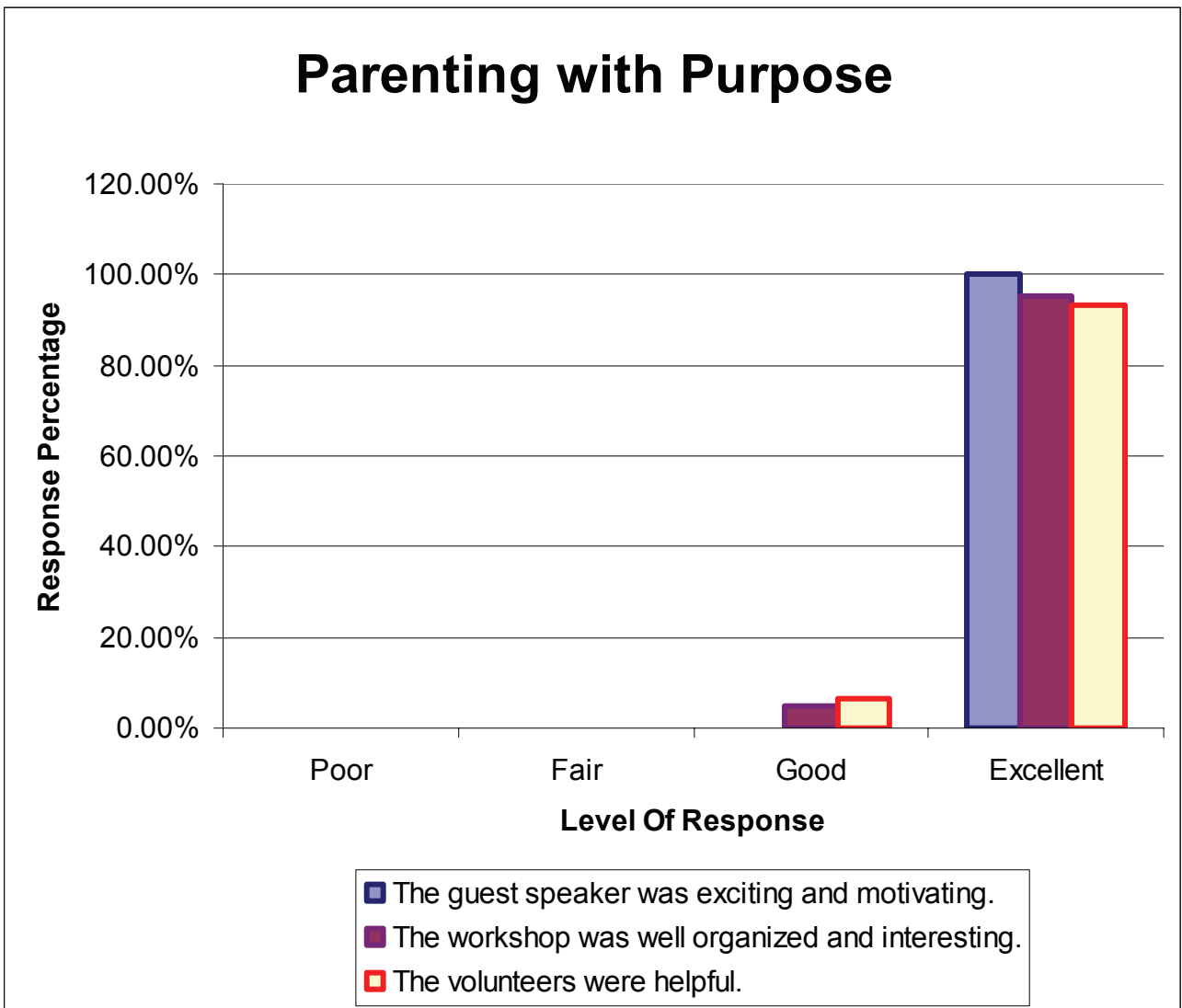
**Presented by:**

**Patsy Roybal**

**Vision Training Associates**

# Parenting With Purpose Feedback Summary

Question	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
The guest speaker was exciting and motivating.	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%
The workshop was well organized and interesting.	0.00%	0.00%	4.67%	95.33%
The volunteers were helpful.	0.00%	0.00%	6.67%	93.33%



# Parenting With Purpose

## Comments

- The speaker was very excited about what she spoke about. It was very encouraging. I will be using the material at home.
- Good handouts, interactive.
- Great job, thanks for the information.
- Patsy was very warm, personable, and encouraging as a presenter.
- Speaker did a good job at holding everyone's attention.
- Speaker very motivating and showed care and concern for the topic.
- The asset building model is a very effective positive resource for parents and educators.
- This message needs to be spread throughout our community.
- Very well organized and gave good information. Very knowledgeable about the topic and materials.
- This workshop was really beneficial. Really had me thinking about things to do differently and great suggestions given!
- Great information, very helpful, thank you.

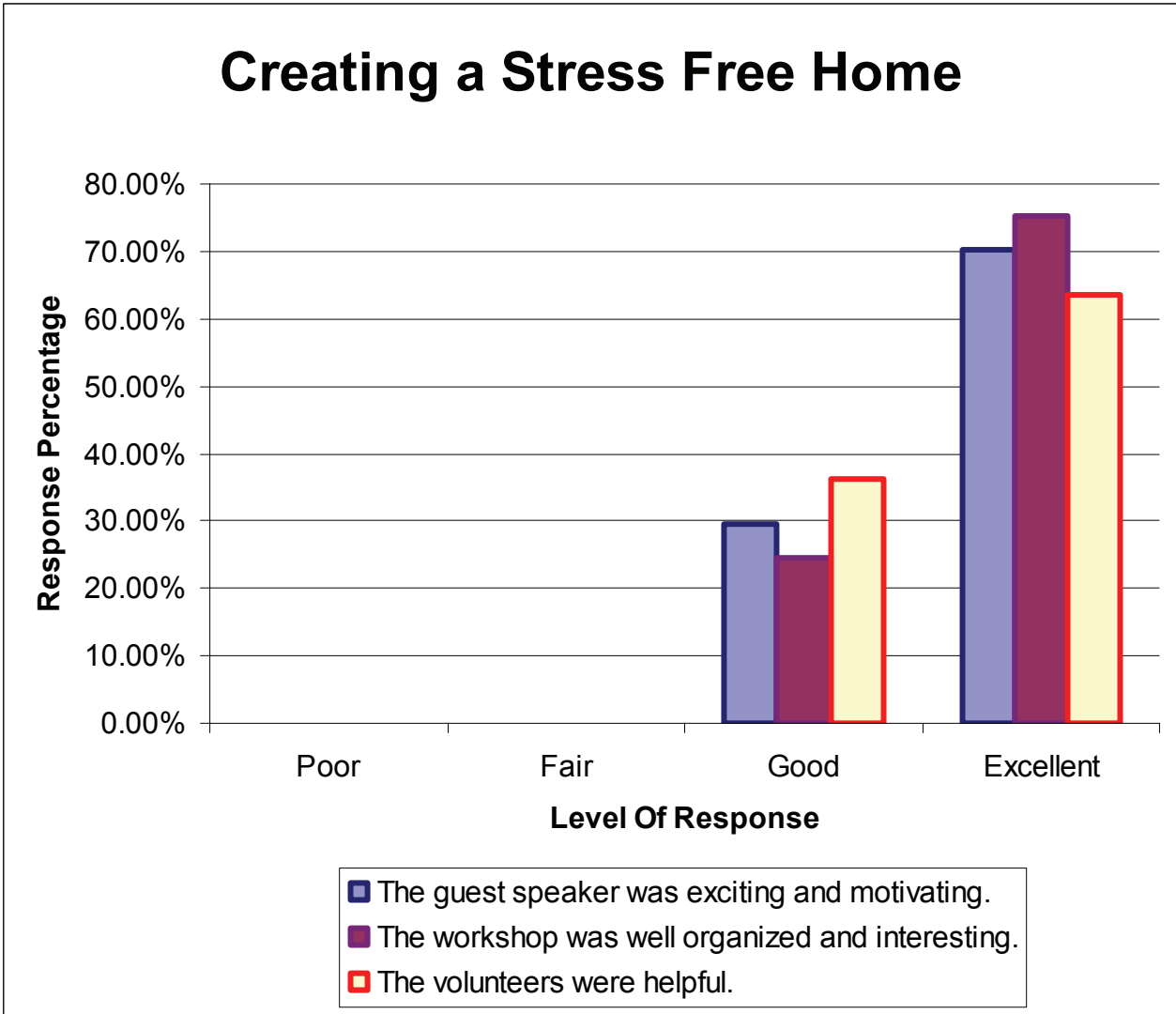
## Creating a Stress Free Home Workshop Description

This workshop consisted of teaching participants how to recognize the signs and symptoms of stress, relaxation exercises, and mindful living. The workshop was done in a relaxing environment where each topic was discussed and relaxation exercises were done. A rejuvenating ambience was created with candles and relaxing music and the participants were taught jewels that they could start using today for stress free tomorrows.

Presented by:  
Maxine Dennis  
Urban Leadership Institute

# Creating a Stress Free Home Feedback Summary

Question	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
The guest speaker was exciting and motivating.	0.00%	0.00%	29.67%	70.33%
The workshop was well organized and interesting.	0.00%	0.00%	24.67%	75.33%
The volunteers were helpful.	0.00%	0.00%	36.33%	63.67%



# Creating a Stress Free Home Comments

- The flower petals and music were wonderful!
- She was very enlightening and very helpful and help with my stress.
- This was a very informative, relaxing and beautiful course. Thank you.
- It was a pleasure. Thank you and God Blessed!
- This workshop was relaxing. The presenter Maxine was very motivating.
- This workshop was very, very nice and soothing. The speaker was very inspiring and motivating. Maxine seems to be very nice. I liked how she included a piece of her own life.
- I'm very thankful that my daughter told me about the Parent Conference. I'm well pleased with this conference.
- Very interesting presenter, very refreshing. Just beautiful. Setting was relaxing and peaceful with the music playing.
- You did a good job, keep up the good work.
- Very good stress reducing ideas.
- Very pertinent topic - excellent speaker.
- Very informative.

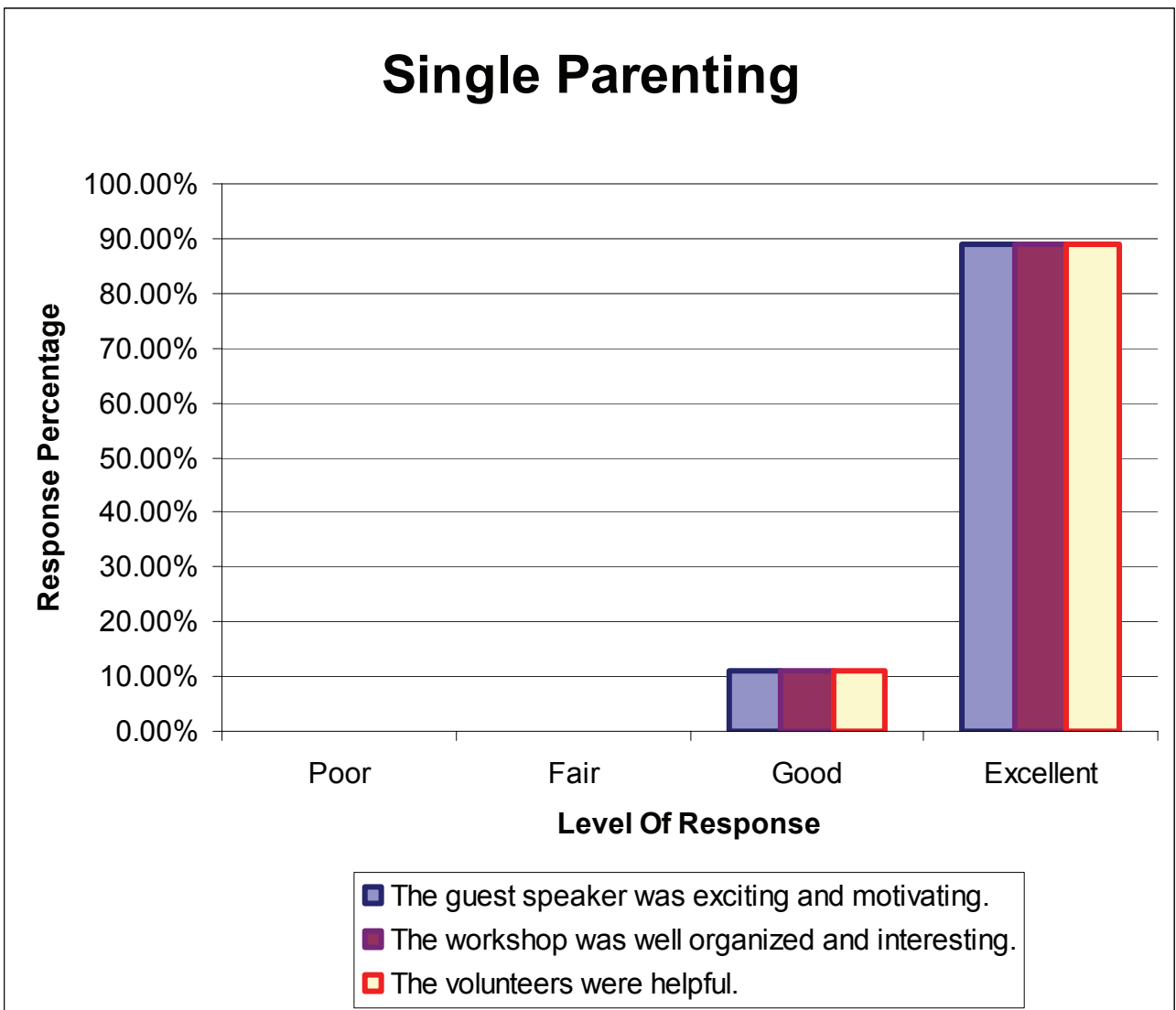
## **Single Parenting Workshop Description**

This workshop explored the world of single parenting. Often our children are not aware of the daily struggles and sacrifices of single parents.

**Presented by:  
Darlene Brown  
Urban Leadership Institute**

# Single Parenting Feedback Summary

Question	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
The guest speaker was exciting and motivating.	0.00%	0.00%	11.00%	89.00%
The workshop was well organized and interesting.	0.00%	0.00%	11.00%	89.00%
The volunteers were helpful.	0.00%	0.00%	11.00%	89.00%



## Single Parenting Comments

- Keep up the good work.
- Good information.
- Just wasn't long enough.
- She gave great ideas - wasn't long enough.
- The presenter was informative.
- Thank you!
- This workshop was very insightful.
- The speaker was very uplifting and encouraging. I really enjoyed everything that she shared. I also liked how she included her life into the workshop.
- Very interesting, the speaker is very knowledgeable. Thank you!
- Thanks.

## **It's All About You Workshop Description**

This workshop explored the necessity of parents realizing the importance of creating personal time and space.

Often parents struggle to create personal time for themselves.

Whether it's taking a walk, going to the gym, or relaxing and reading a book, parents need to create a space for personal development.

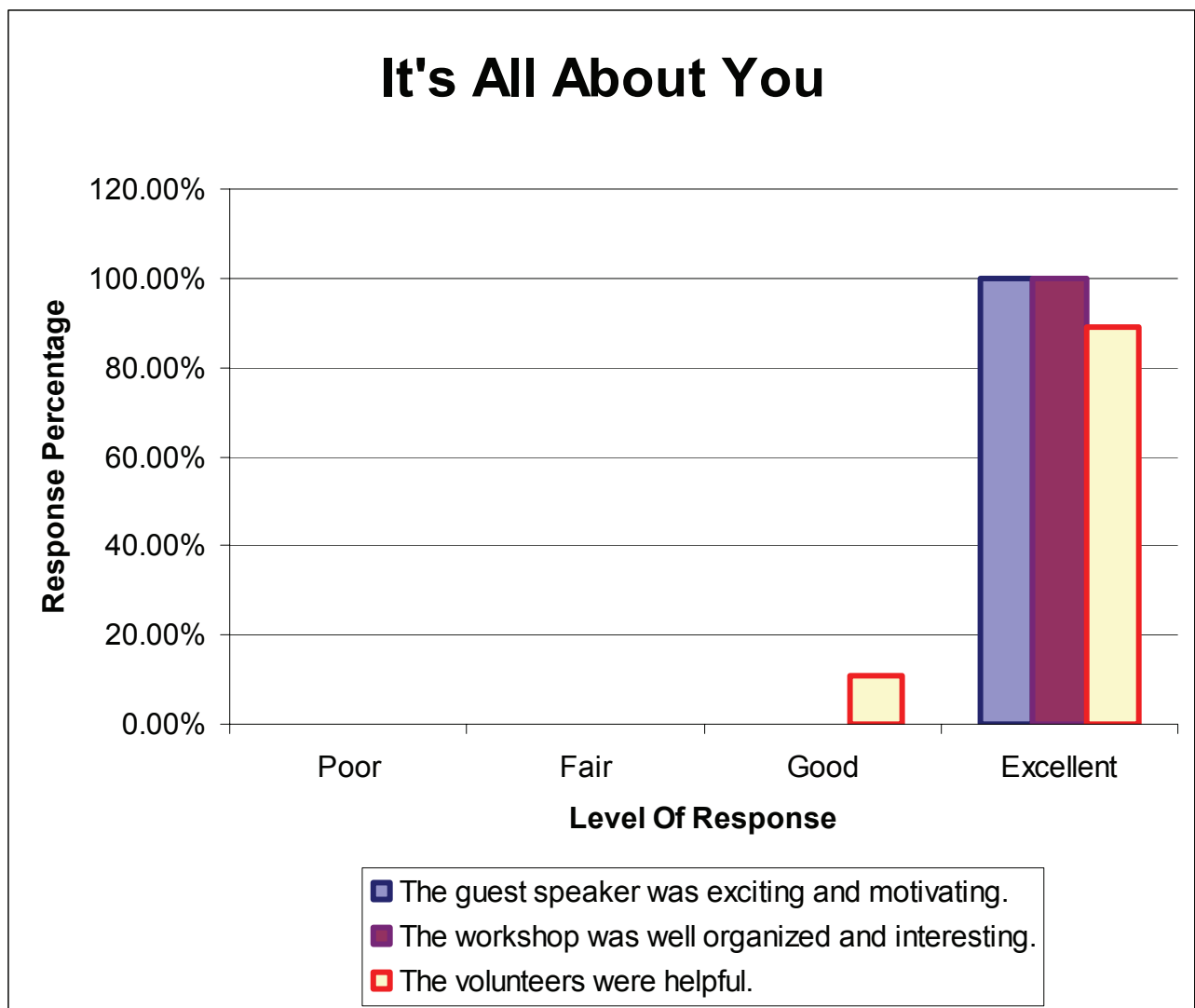
**Presented by:**

**Tchaka Sapp**

**Urban Leadership Institute**

# It's All About You Feedback Summary

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The guest speaker was exciting and motivating.	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%
The workshop was well organized and interesting.	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%
The volunteers were helpful.	0.00%	0.00%	11.00%	89.00%



## It's All About You Comments

- . Info on how you can manage your own exercise program.
- . Very good information to use beyond this day.
- . He emphasized the importance of taking care of ourselves as women.
- . Very empowering and motivated.
- . Good job!
- . Very inspirational!
- . I really enjoyed this workshop. It was very beneficial. He's a dynamic speaker!
- . All speakers and workshops were excellent. I learned a lot.
- . Really good suggestions!

## **Helping Your Child Succeed in School Workshop Description**

This workshop presented participants with a blueprint designed to increase parent's awareness of their role in producing high achieving students.

Whether it's creating study time, maintaining consistent communication with your child's teachers and/or structuring weekend academic experiences, parents play a major role in their child's life.

**Presented by:**

**Lynn Pinder**

**Urban Leadership Institute**

# Helping Your Child Succeed in School

## Feedback Summary

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The guest speaker was exciting and motivating.	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%
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The volunteers were helpful.	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%



## Helping Your Child Succeed in School Comments

- This speaker was very helpful! I've left with some information that I can put to real use. I look forward to the next summit.
- I really enjoyed this summit. I think it will greatly benefit me and my family, as well as our school.
- Speaker very knowledgeable.
- I liked the conversations that came about while doing the Scavenger Hunt.
- I look forward to the next summit.
- Great job! Meaningful activities.
- Very informative. Useful handouts. Useful communication between parents and facilitators!
- Very informative and knowledgeable material. Speaker was excellent.

# **Financial Literacy “Boot Camp” Workshop Description**

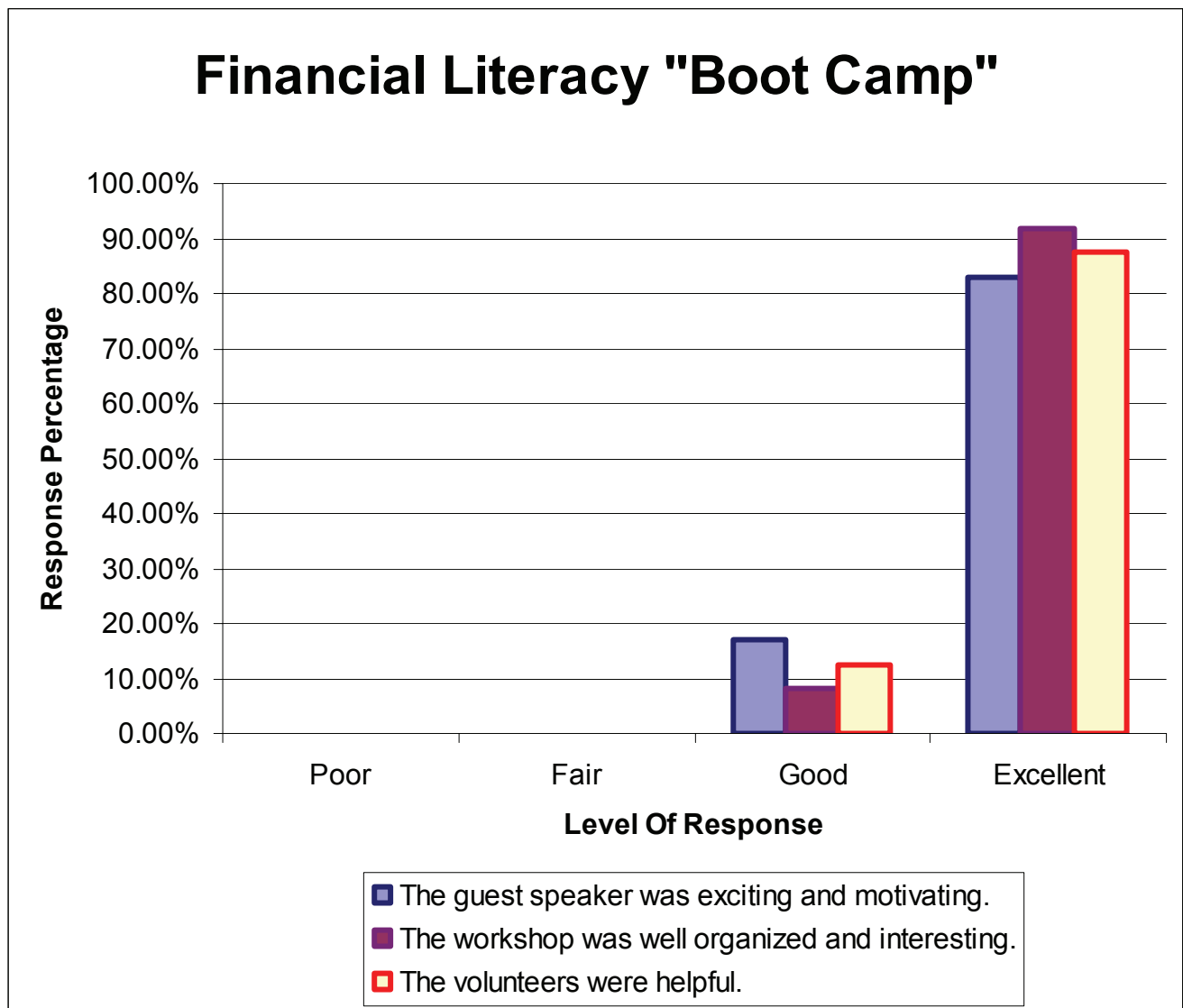
This workshop presented 10 keys to financial literacy. Often people are unaware of ways to use money as a tool. The workshop talked about the importance of getting out of debt and the keys to financial freedom.

Participants also received a copy of Ms. Freeman’s book “How to Get Out of Debt”.

**Presented by:  
Harrine Freeman  
Urban Leadership Institute**

# Financial Literacy “Boot Camp” Feedback Summary

Question	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
The guest speaker was exciting and motivating.	0.00%	0.00%	17.00%	83.00%
The workshop was well organized and interesting.	0.00%	0.00%	8.33%	91.67%
The volunteers were helpful.	0.00%	0.00%	12.33%	87.67%



# Financial Literacy “Boot Camp” Comments

- Excellent, good info! Not enough time.
- Well informed class.
- Was very helpful!!
- Information was very knowledgeable and helpful.
- Too much info - too short time!
- Very informative.
- Very helpful. Info given was crucial. Speaker was super knowledgeable.
- Very good job. Thanks!
- The instructor was very helpful and knowledgeable about money management.
- The presenter was very interesting and informative. She was willing to answer all questions and was very thorough. She was energetic and I thoroughly enjoyed the workshop.
- This was very helpful and it helped me. Many more parents need this help.
- This workshop has been very helpful and informative. Thank you so much.
- She really knew her material very well and was very informative.
- Thank you.
- Keep up the good work, I really enjoyed it.
- This speaker gave a lot of useful info.