CHAPEL HILL PEOPLES ACADEMY

INAUGURAL YEAR IN REVIEW

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WAHT YOU WILL HEAR TODAY:

outreach & publicity program highlights lowering barriers outcomes



PROGRAM GOALS

- Increase diversity on boards & commissions
- Improve civic engagement by prioritizing groups that aren't at the table
- Educate the community on what we do and how we do it

OUTREACH

PUBLICITY

PROGRAM DESIGN

REPORTING





WHO IS MISSING?

What "diversity" and "who isn't at the table" meant to us and our partners:

- Racial and ethnic minorities
- Immigrants, refugees and others with limited English proficiency (LEP)
- Parents of school-aged children
- Teens and UNC students
- Those served by IFC, affordable or public housing

20

Potentially or definitely need childcare to participate

HOW DID
WE DO:

40

Non-white

8

Potentially or definitely need transportation to participate

22

Served by public housing or community housing partner

12

Under 24 years old

HOW DID
WE DO?

68%

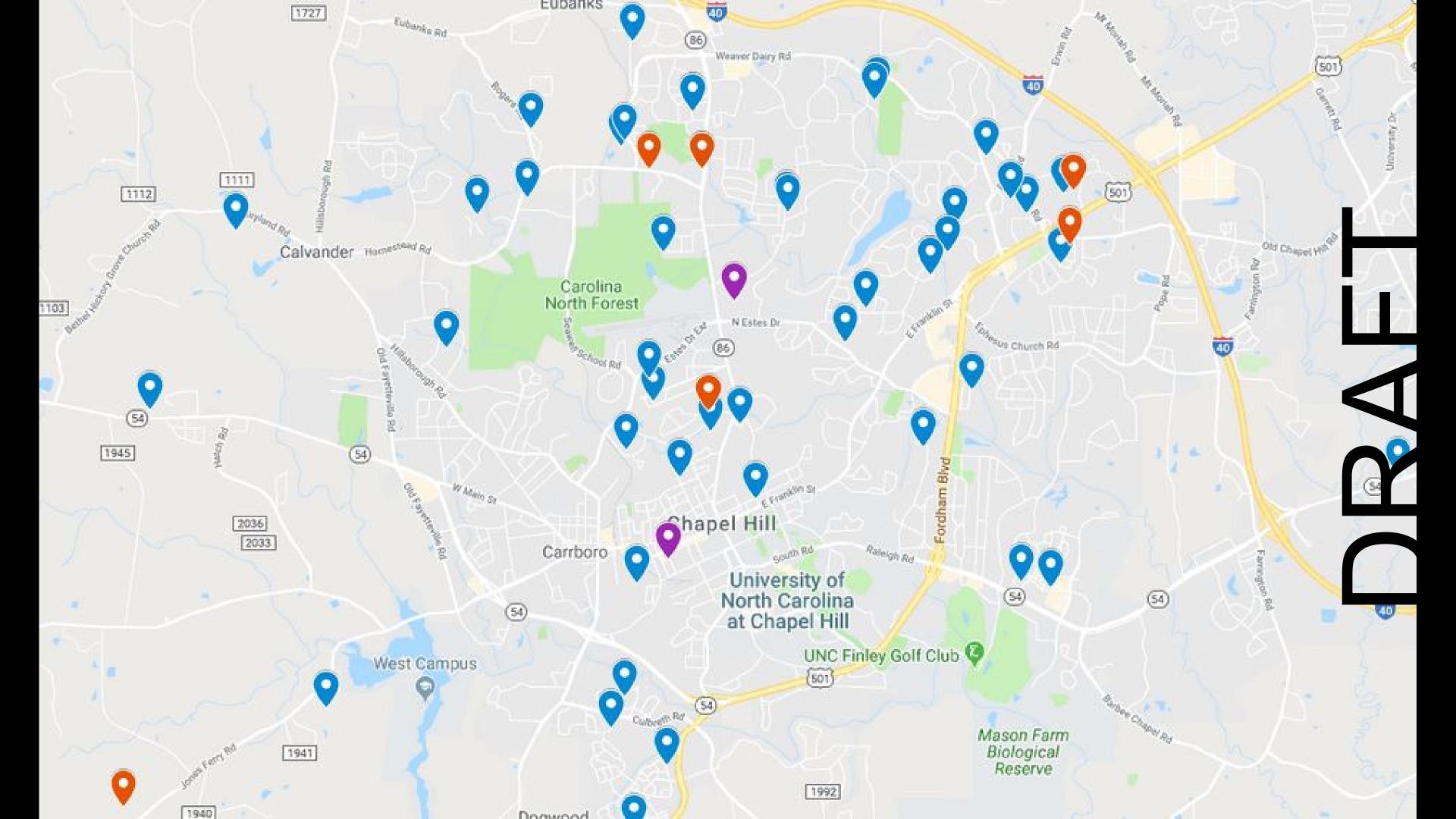
Know a little or nothing at all about Town government

5

UNC students

10%

Has served or is serving on a Board or Commission



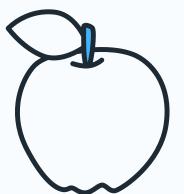
PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

10 CLASSES 6 LOCATIONS

ONE LOCAL
LEADER PANEL

ALL DEPARTMENTS ONE BUS TOUR

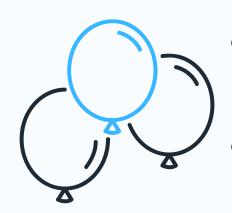
LOWERING BARRIERS TO PARTICIPATION...



- Provided snacks during afternoon and Saturday session
- Provided dinner at evening session



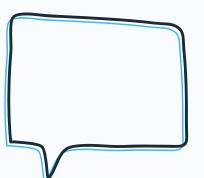
- Picked up/dropped off participants
 who couldn't access transit
- Provided extensive info on business



- Provided childcare in adjacent room on Thursdays
- Kids allowed at all tours with their parents



- Provided afternoon and evening options on Thursdays
- Tours done on Saturdays



- Publicity and application in Spanish, Karen & Burmese,
- Budgeted for interpreter



"I can be an effective citizen from where I am."

-Peoples Academy participant

Invited to participate

HOW DID

48

Attended at least one session

43

Completed minimum number of sessions to graduate

WE DO?

\$4,763

Total cost of 2018 Academy

29 vs 20

Average attendance at afternoon vs evening Thursday session

HOW DID
WE DO:

19

Children attended at least one session

10%

Graduates needed rides to a least one session

0

Requested language interpretation

74%

Report now know "a lot" about Chapel Hill town government

HOW DID

100%

Feel "very well" or "well" informed about town events and news

70%

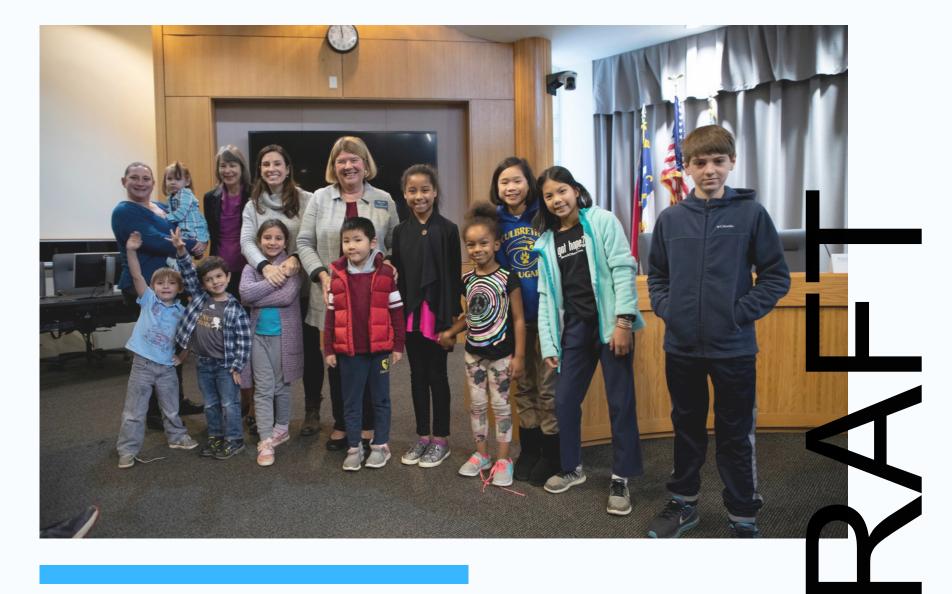
Considering serving on a board or commission (6 application received to date)

67% - 78%

Pre- and post-report they serve as a leader in their community



"We, the people of Chapel Hill, have more in common than the fundamental differences that set us apart. The people working in service positions (departments) are our neighbors. To lead others, we must hear each other's voice or viewpoint. I am a servant leader."



"I feel a greater sense of pride about my Communitation and how it operates. What a valuable investment of time this was! I am also grateful to have been able to include my daughter, Rachel, in this experience. She too appears to have a greater sense of interest and knowledge of our town now. This will certainly impact her discussions at school."

WHAT'S NEXT?

- Plan for second Academy in Fall 2019
- Expand on outreach to groups not at the table
- Open applications during the Summer
- We will share application information with you!

