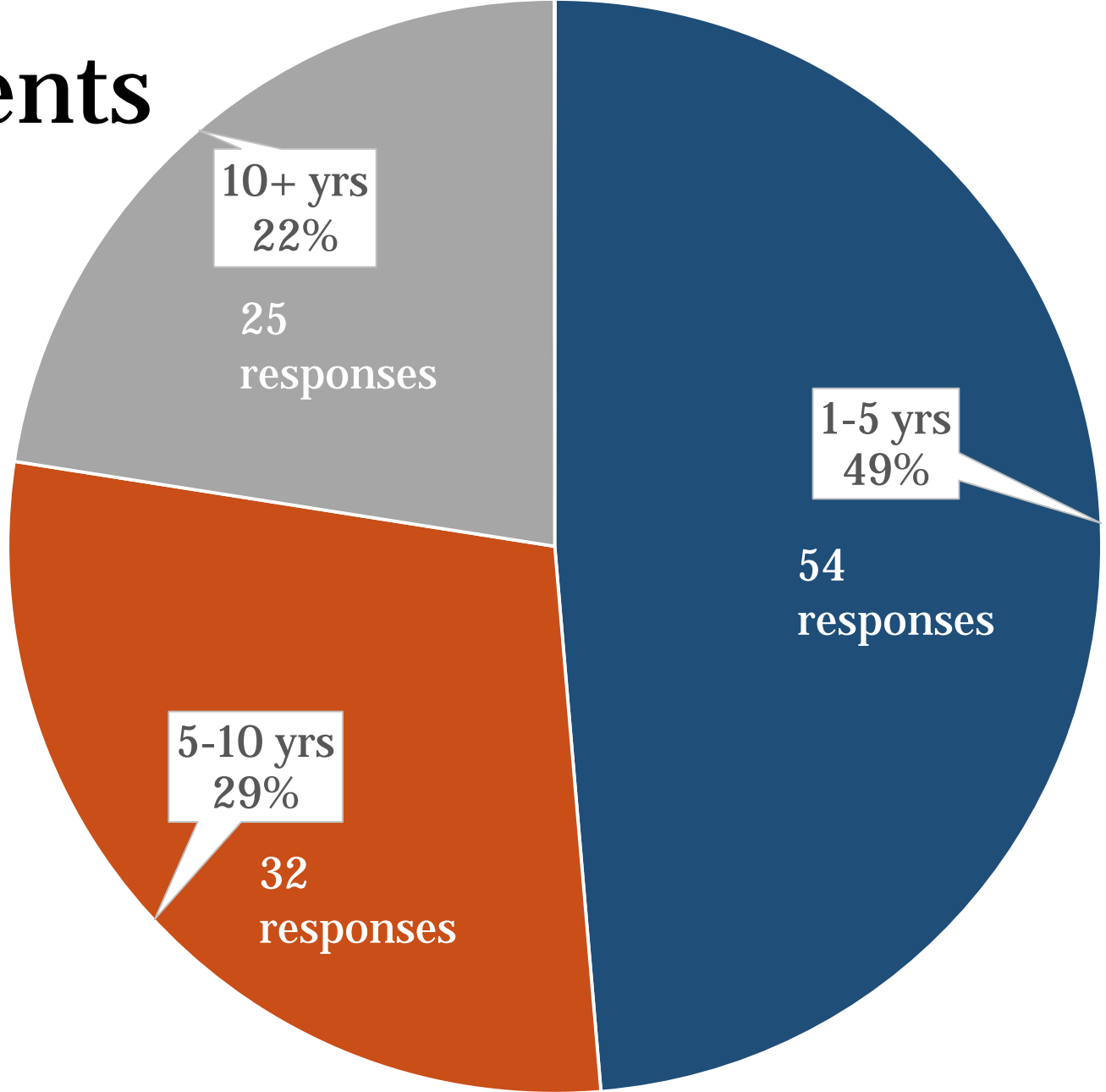




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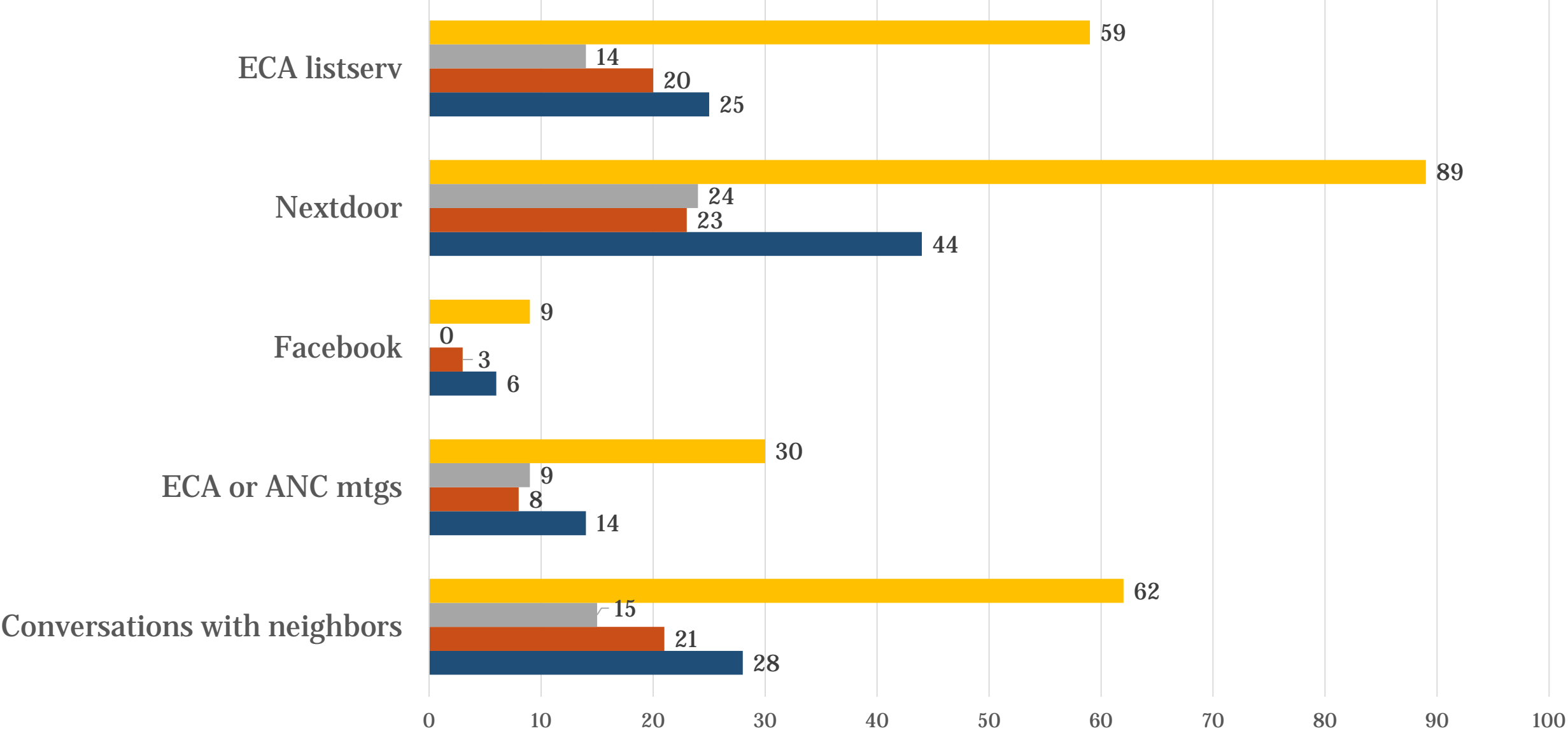
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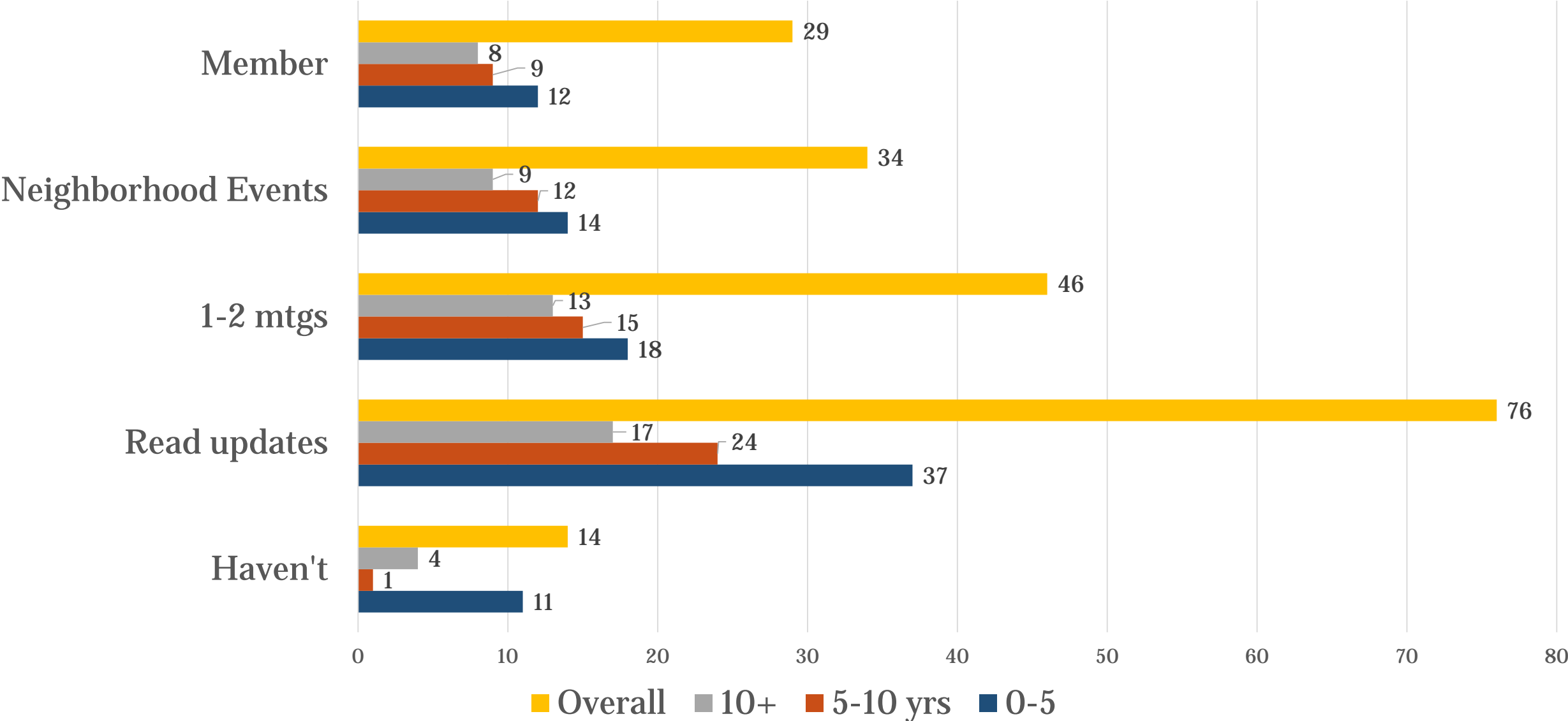


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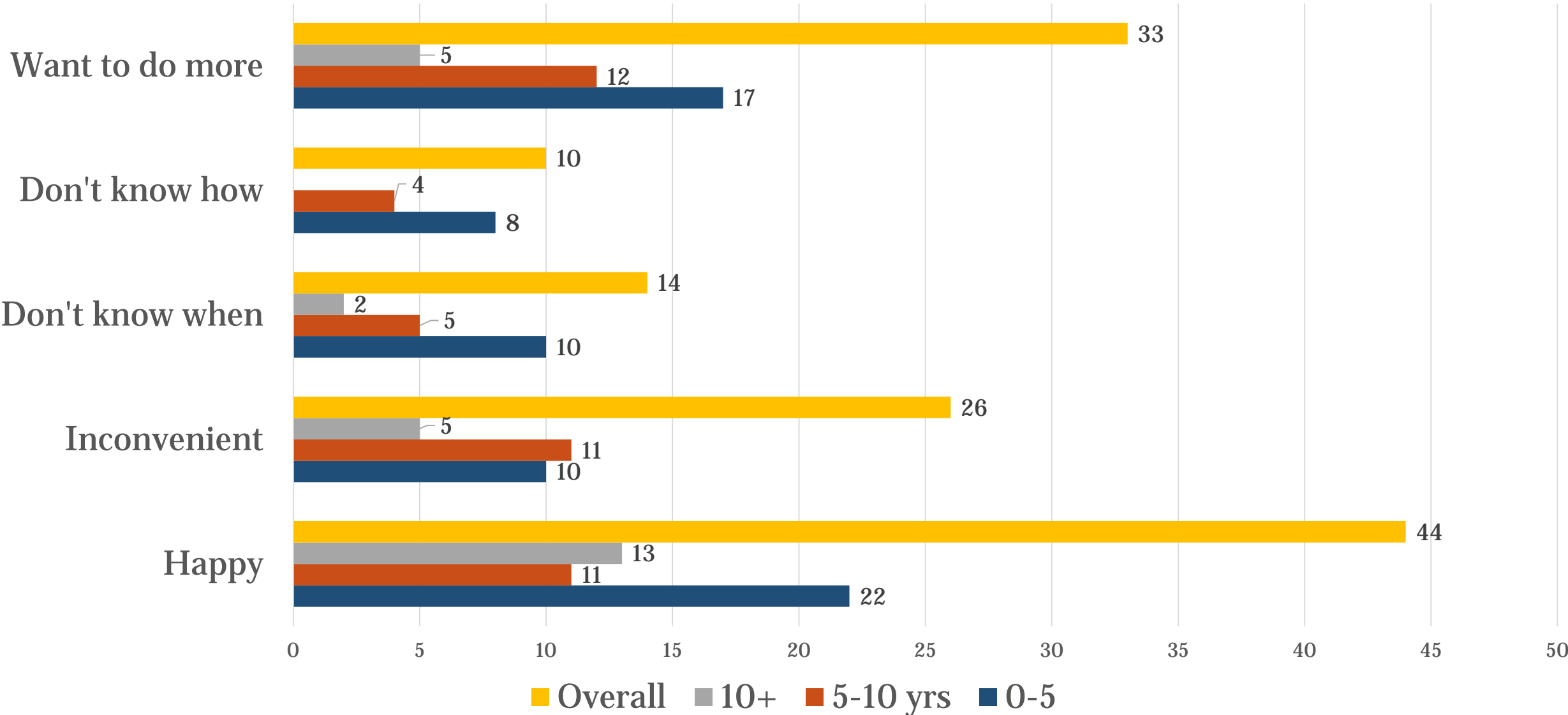
Where do you get info about the neighborhood?



How have you engaged with ECA?



What's true about your membership?



Reflections & What's Next

- Untapped energy: 20 people said they'd like to participate but don't know when and/or how. 33 people want to do more to help.
- Many don't know the difference between ECA's mandate vs. ANC vs. agencies/council, 311.

What members can do:

- Discussions with neighbors are a big source of information. Tell your neighbors about ECA, pass on information that you find useful.

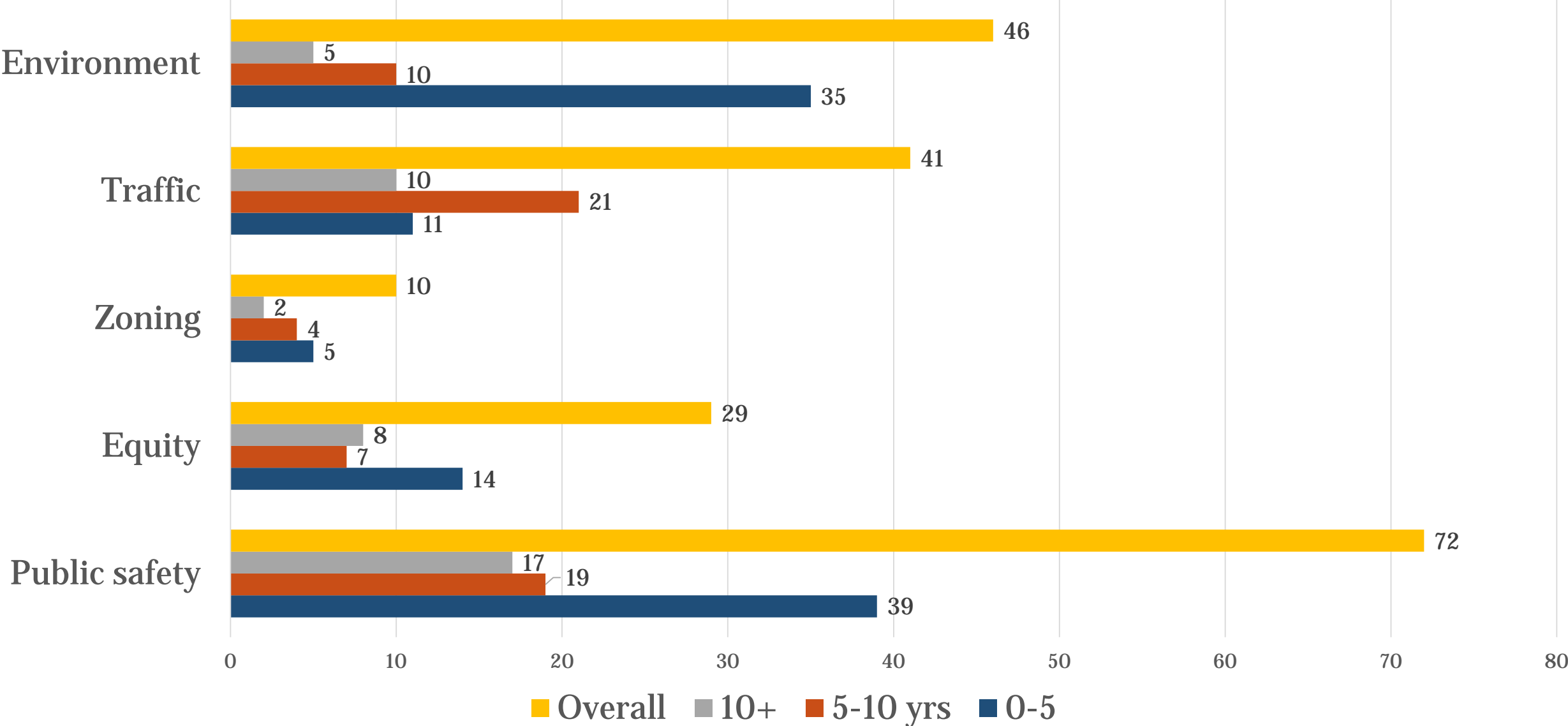
ECA board will:

- Leverage Nextdoor
- Better advertise how to subscribe to the newsletter (and follow on social media)
- Coordinate with other (less mentioned) resources: Sylvia Pinkney's newsletter, Scott Roberts' newsletter, Eckington Parks newsletter
- Explore additional meeting times (e.g., "office hours" once per quarter, alongside a block meeting or on a Saturday at the park) to accommodate folks who find this time inconvenient
- Seek to provide more advance communications about meetings.
- More clearly state our goals, mandate, and how we seek to coordinate with ANCs, agencies, etc.

Priority Issues & Activities

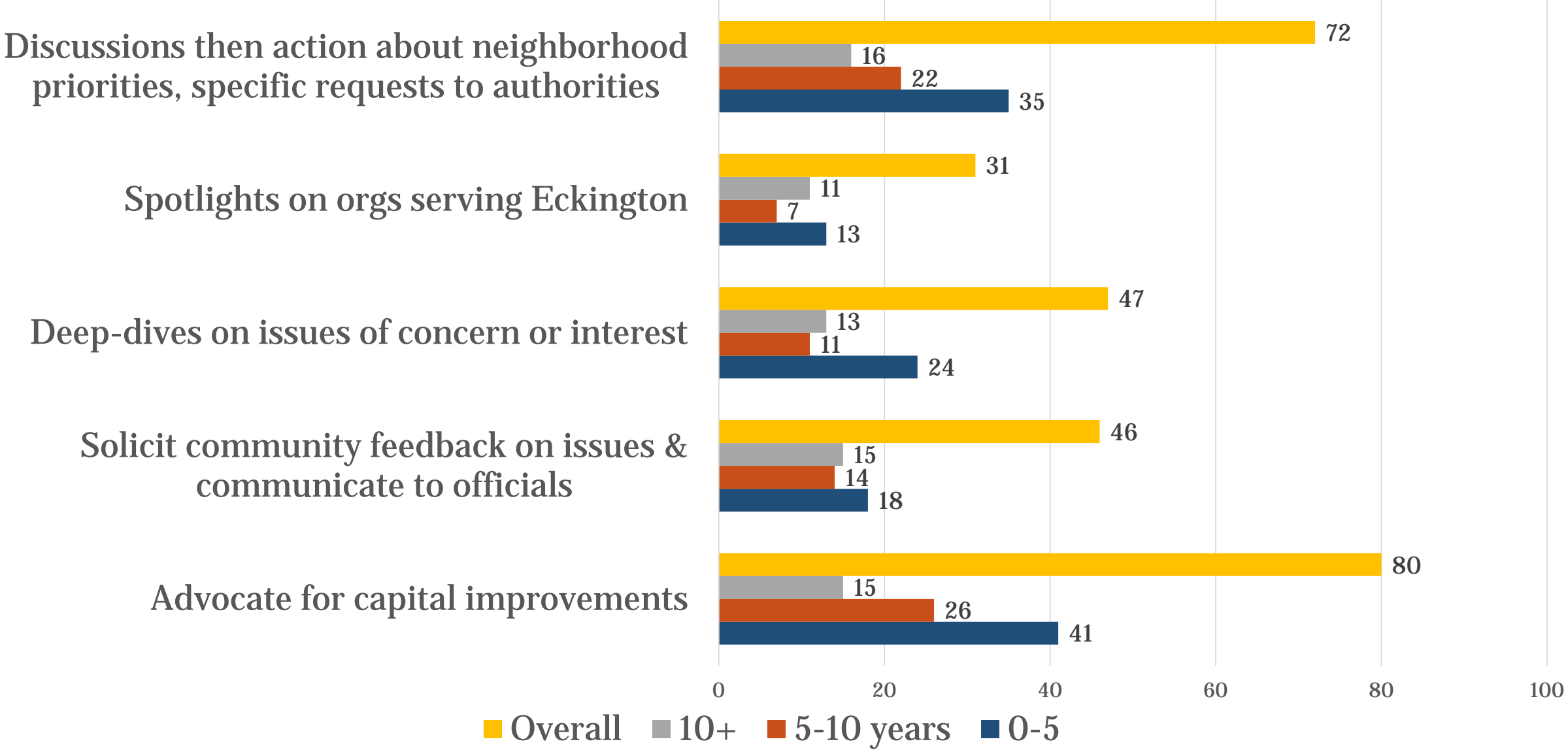


2 Most Important Issues





What should ECA do more of?



Notes: What should ECA do more of?

- Safety & crime mentions: car break-ins/package theft; increase lighting/monitor hard-hit areas; police presence & follow up; more coordination on home cameras; late-night parking
- Other: community events, cleanups, volunteering; road & pedestrian safety; DC statehood; advocate for more trash service, green space, sidewalk/alley repairs & draining; Ft. Meyer trucks; wire cleanup; exercise equipment on MBT
- Be strategic about the issues facing the “Eckington of tomorrow” (traffic, policing, connectivity to other neighborhoods)

What's Next:

What members can do:

- Join strategy session on public safety & violence prevention by signing up here <https://forms.gle/i3SLpaKHSHz6e9JK9>:
 - We'll discuss priorities and explore how to pursue them; possibly via block captains, two-way information chains to communicate issues to neighbors and communicate priorities to MPD, etc.
- Pass relevant news to the officers; suggest topics of interest for mtgs

ECA board will:

- Increase info sharing about community clean ups, opportunities for members and residents to weigh in on capital improvements, traffic/safety issues
- Reflect feedback in our agendas, i.e., prioritize updates on capital improvements, public safety, but also weave in deep dives and organizational spotlights

Equity & Inclusion

Who is missing, how can we remove barriers?

- Printed newsletter *; post in park; install bulletin boards around neighborhood
- Continue online options post-COVID (also in person) *
- Intentional outreach to missing communities
- Engage younger generation
- Block meetings
- More surveys
- Alternate mtg times

* many people said this

Reflections

- A fair amount of interest in promoting equity in the neighborhood but not a lot of specific suggestions apart from promoting discussion among diverse neighbors.
- Written updates are seen as important. Many people recommend a printed newsletter for those who don't have regular internet access or aren't internet savvy. This could be a volunteer committee, using Little Free Libraries, Yang's, etc.
- Thoughts on how best to engage youth to reflect their concerns?
- Other ideas for promoting equity and inclusion via the ECA?

What's Next:

What members can do:

- Volunteer to join and/or lead committee to produce and distribute a written newsletter. Sign up here: <https://forms.gle/YXSdiigfVH9DAjau8>.

ECA board will:

- Make recurring space on the agenda for updates from & discussions led by committees
- Continue to seek mechanisms for promoting engagement (including in-person/online hybrid mtgs post pandemic, periodic “office hours,” block mtgs at alternate times)
- Seek to engage with organizations who are providing support to youth in the neighborhood (e.g., Gearin' Up Bicycles).