

Loaves and Fishes

2018 Survey

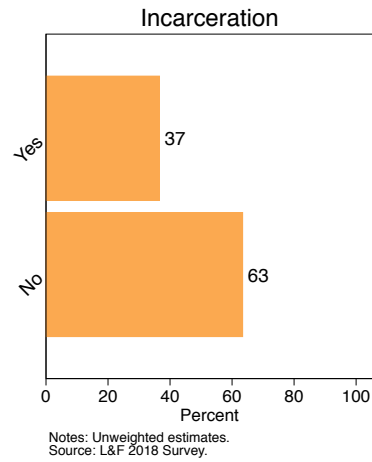
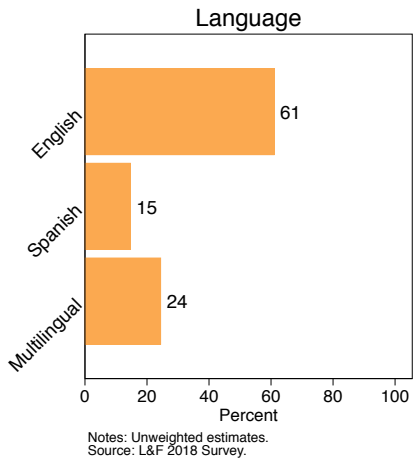
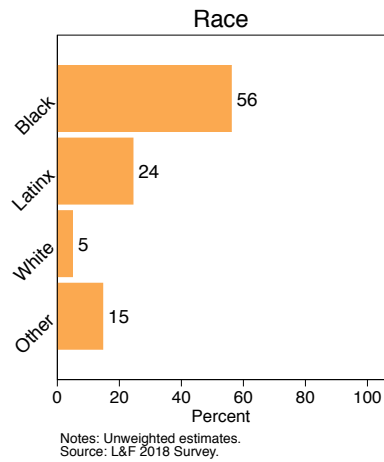
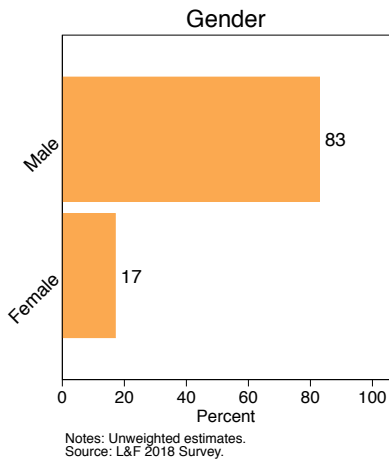
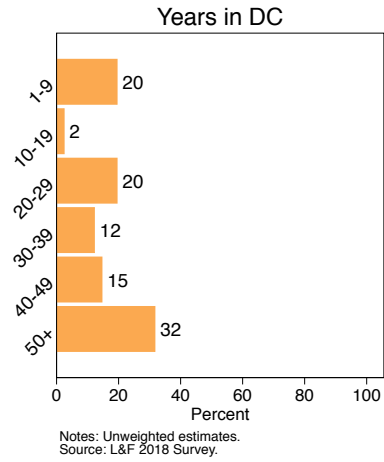
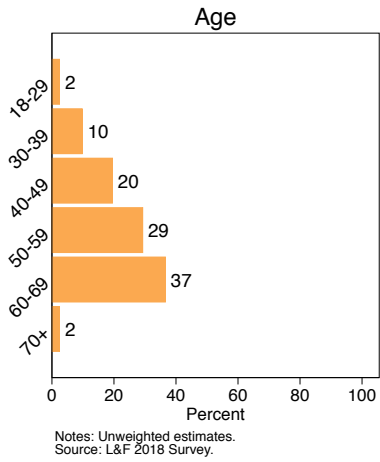


Key Findings

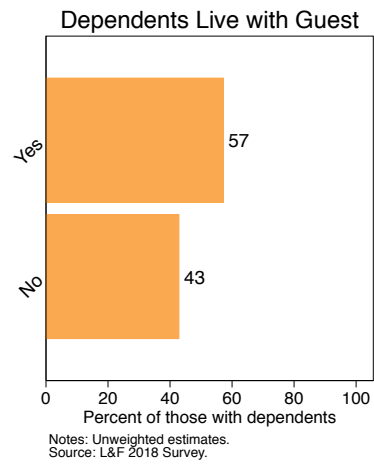
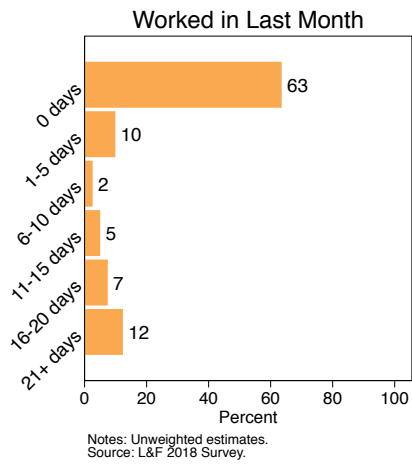
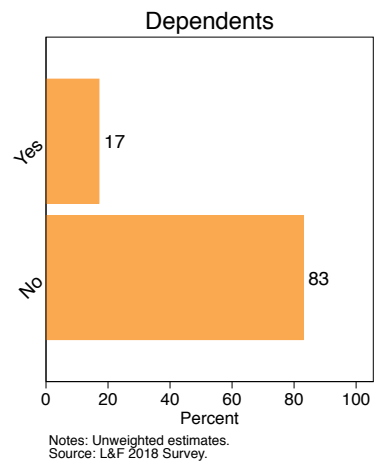
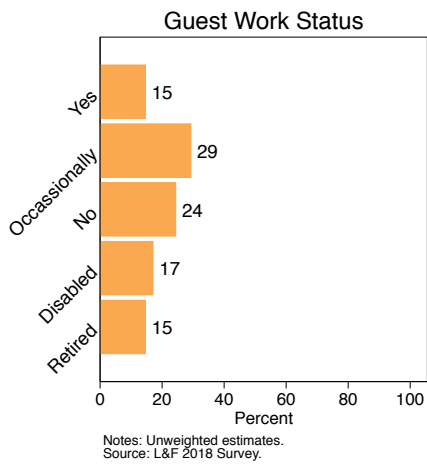
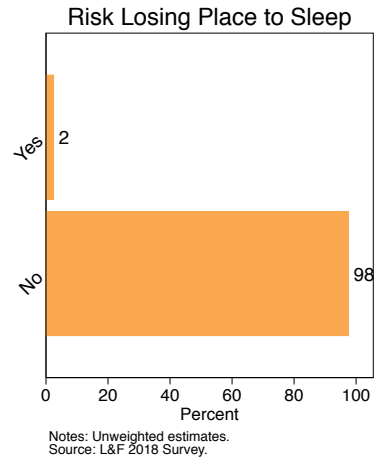
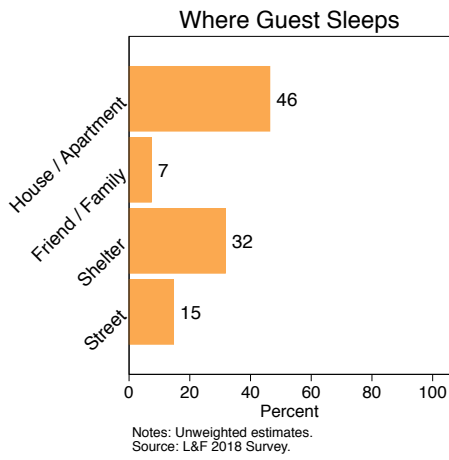
- L&F serves many seniors in our community with two-thirds of guests being 50 or older
- The vast majority (81%) are long-term DC residents of 20+ years
- Most guests are male (83%)
- The majority (56%) of guests are African American, while a quarter are Latinx, 5% are white and 15% are multiracial
- The majority speak English (61%) or are multilingual (24%), while 15% only speak Spanish
- A minority have been incarcerated (37%)
- L&F serves many poor with housing – 46% live in a home or apartment while 7% are staying with family or friends – but many sleep in a shelter (32%) or on the street (15%)
- Nearly all (98%) say they are not at risk of losing their place to sleep
- Nearly half (44%) work at least occasionally, while a quarter do not work, 17% are disabled, and 15% are retired
- 36% of guests say they have worked in the last month
- Only 17% of guests have dependents and just over half (57%) of these live with their dependents
- On weekdays, a quarter eat at home, a third go to Thrive DC, a quarter go to various other feeding programs, and 15% report not eating
- On weekends, 63% do not go anywhere other than L&F, 12% sometimes eat at home, and 24% report going to other feeding programs in DC
- The majority (63%) say they have access to other services such medical treatment, food stamps, or case management
- Two-thirds say they do not need L&F to provide additional services, but among those who do there is not a common request
- Two-thirds have been coming to L&F for 9 years or less
- Two-thirds require less than 30 minutes to get to L&F, with the vast majority of all guests walking or taking the bus or metro
- The reasons for coming to L&F vary, with many citing the food (27%), friends (17%), the good environment (12%), and the location (10%)

- Guests say they most like the food at L&F (32%), followed by the good environment (22%), the people (12%), the safe space (7%), the location (5%), and “everything” (5%)
- When asked what they don’t like about L&F, the vast majority (68%) say “nothing”, followed by the food (15%), the staff (5%), and the environment (2%)
- When asked what L&F should change, most (63%) say “nothing” followed by the food (12%), more entertainment (10%), and less hassling from staff (5%)
- 41% say they would be interested to participate in a worship service or Bible study

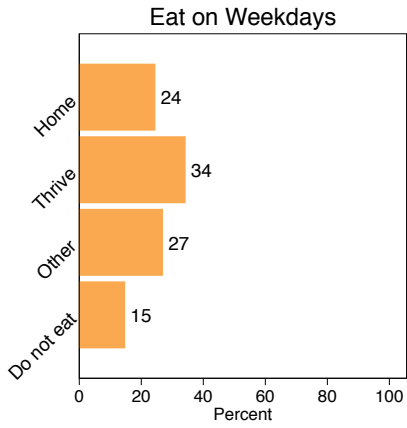
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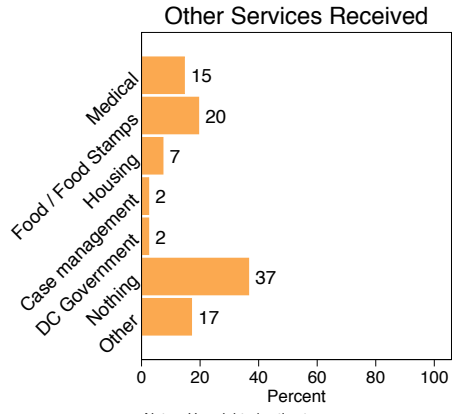
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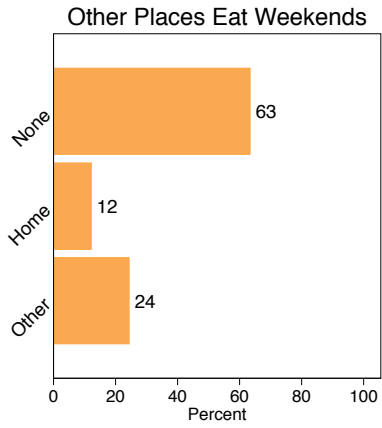
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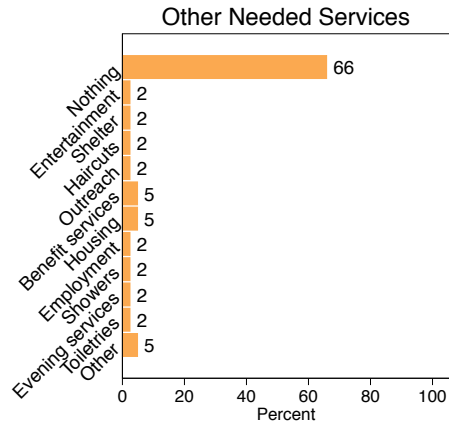
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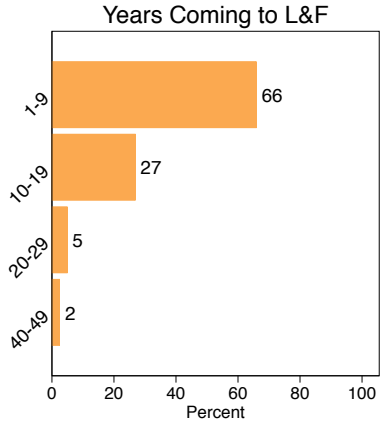


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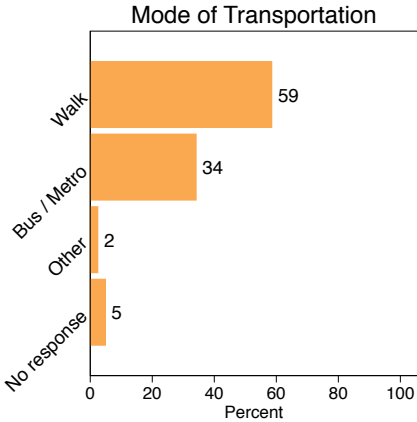


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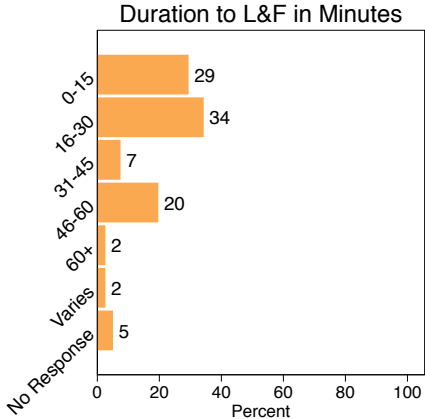
Loaves and Fishes Background



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Views of Loaves and Fishes

