

What We Learned From You

Feedback from Survey and Interviews

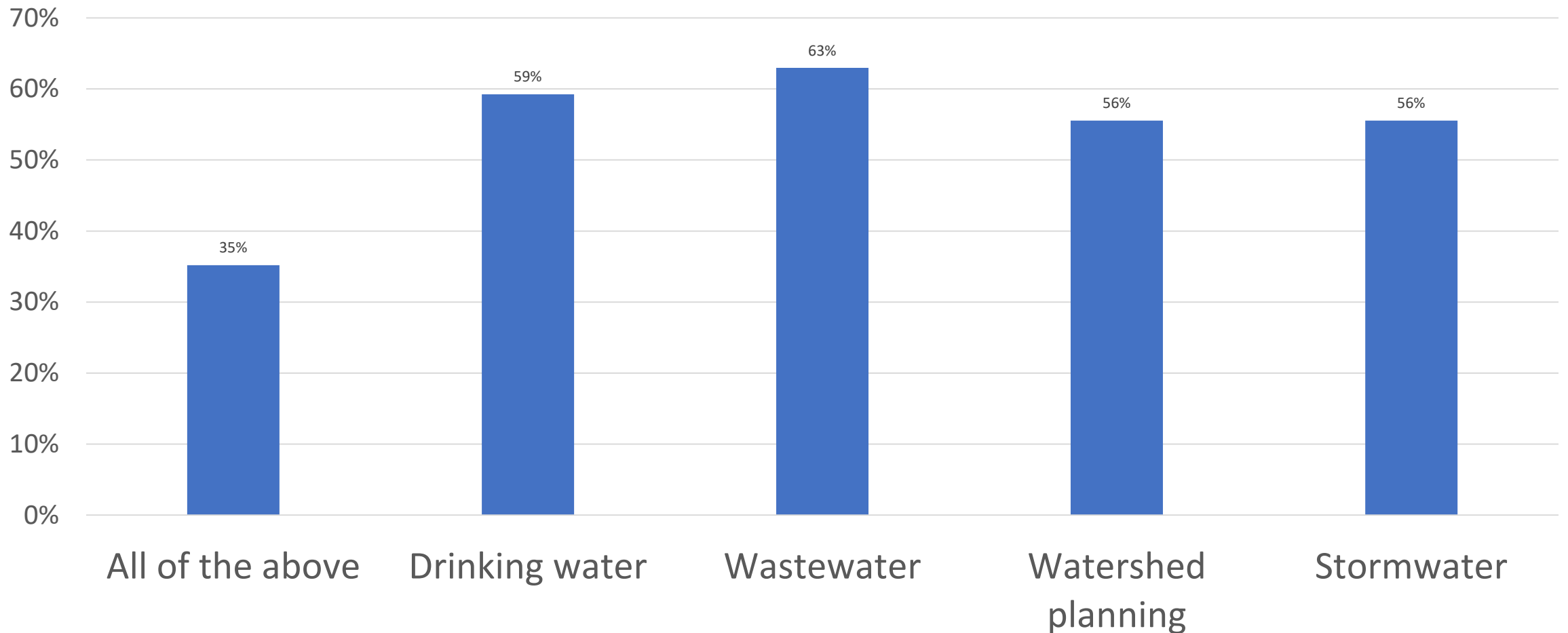
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Thank You For Your Excellent Feedback!

Who Are You?

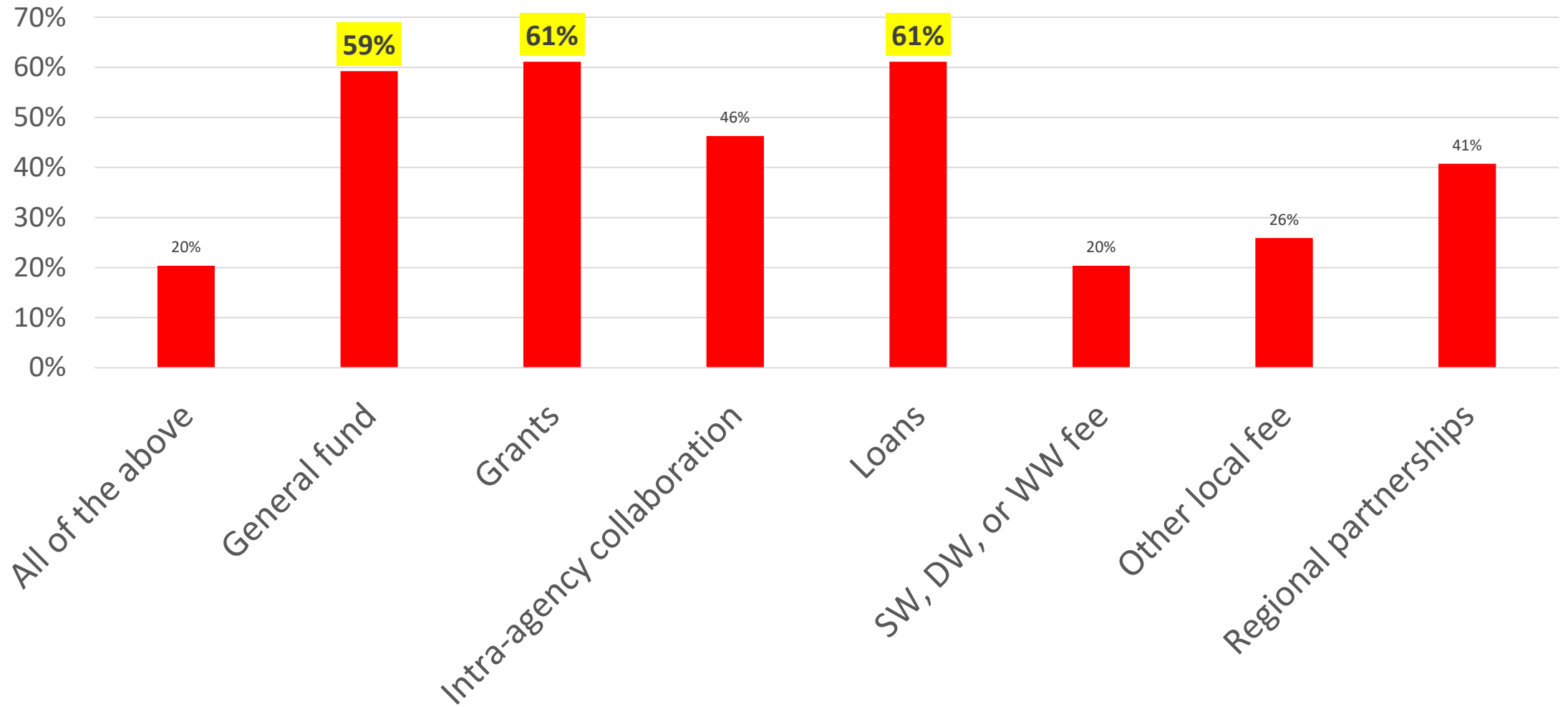
Based on 54 Survey Responses,
10 interviews



Broad Representation Here Today

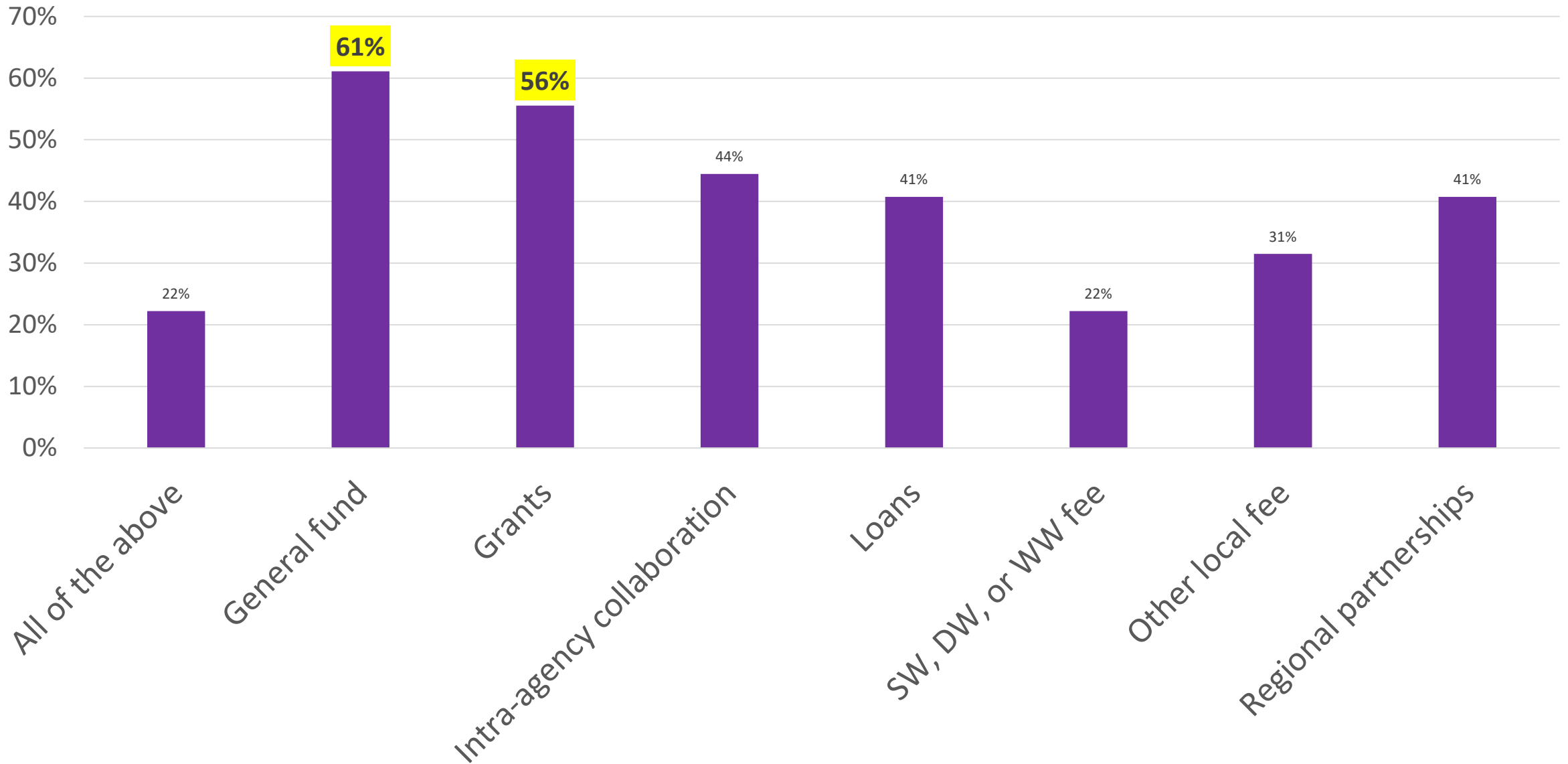
- All islands represented
- Wastewater, Drinking Water, Stormwater Program municipal managers
- Watershed Management and Restoration advocates
- Looking for funding for YOUR projects
- Local NGOs
- Private entities and consultants
- Many state/federal agencies that provide funding

How Do You Fund Capital Projects Now?



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How Do You Fund Program O&M Now?

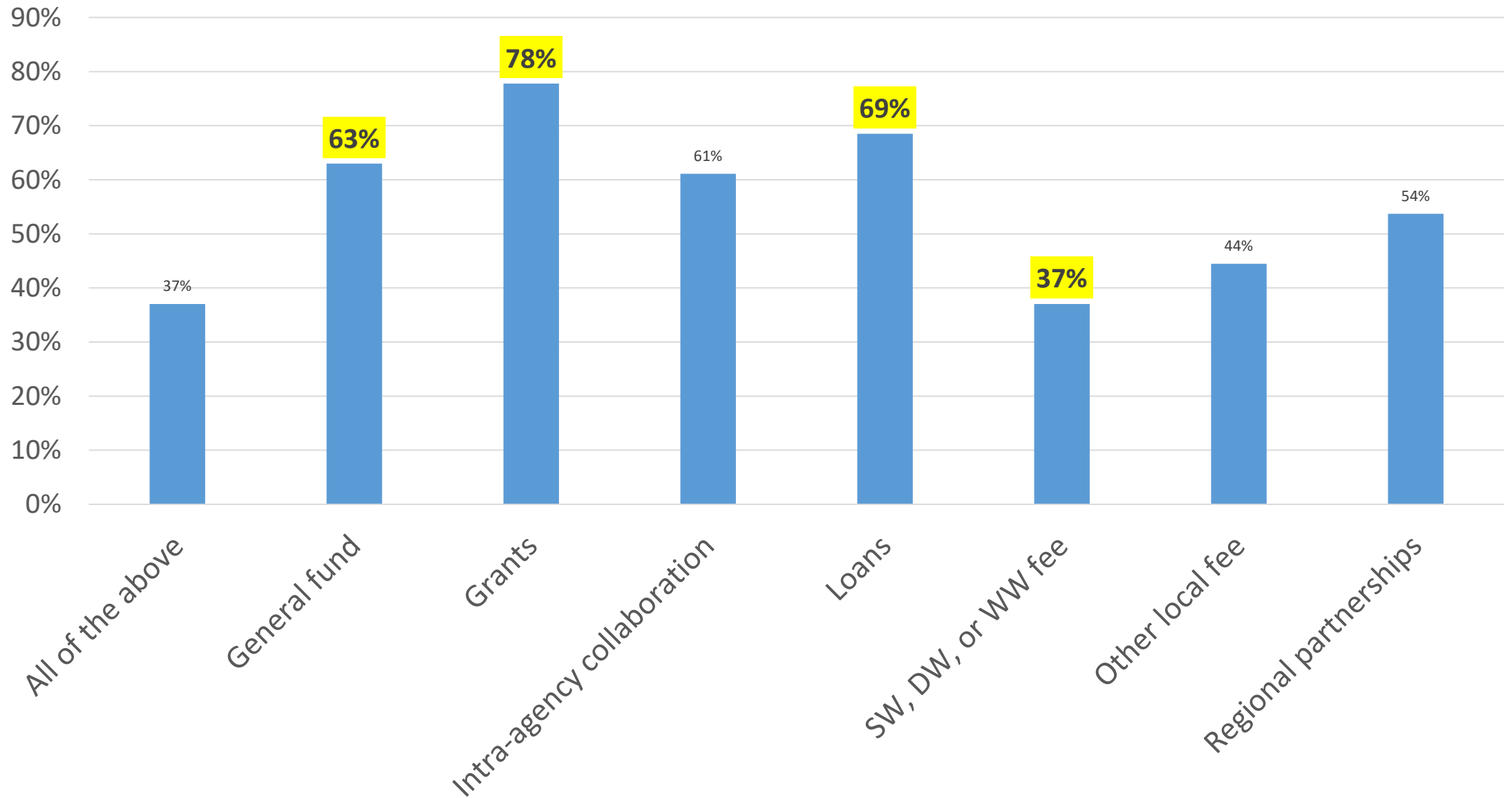


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Messages on Current Funding

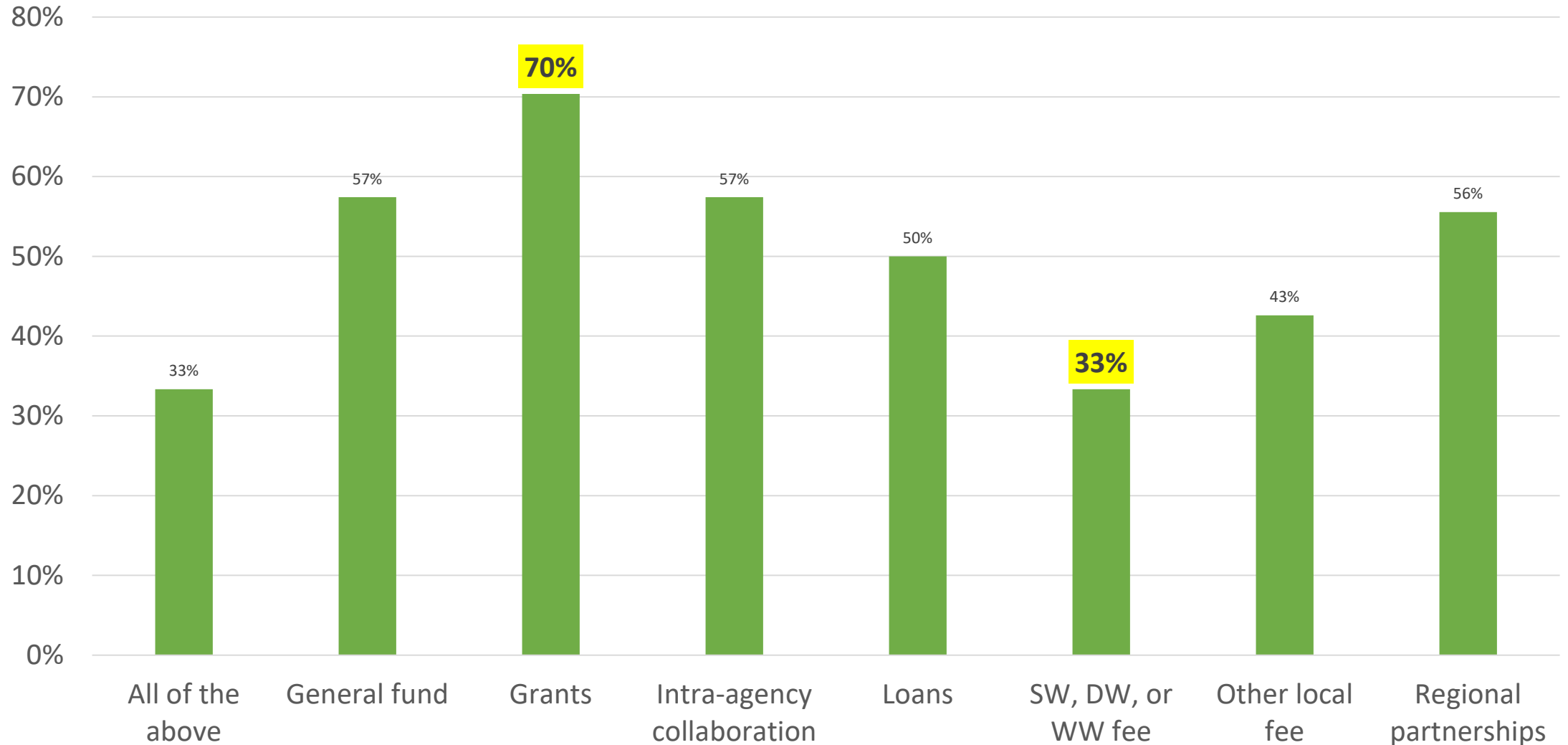
- Heavy reliance on general funds and grants, loans for capital
 - These sources are vulnerable and limited
- But, having multiple sources of funding can increase resilience and ability to respond to changes.
 - Always useful to have some funding that is flexible
- Funding vs Finance

Anticipated Future Funding For Capital Projects?



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Future Funding For Program Management?

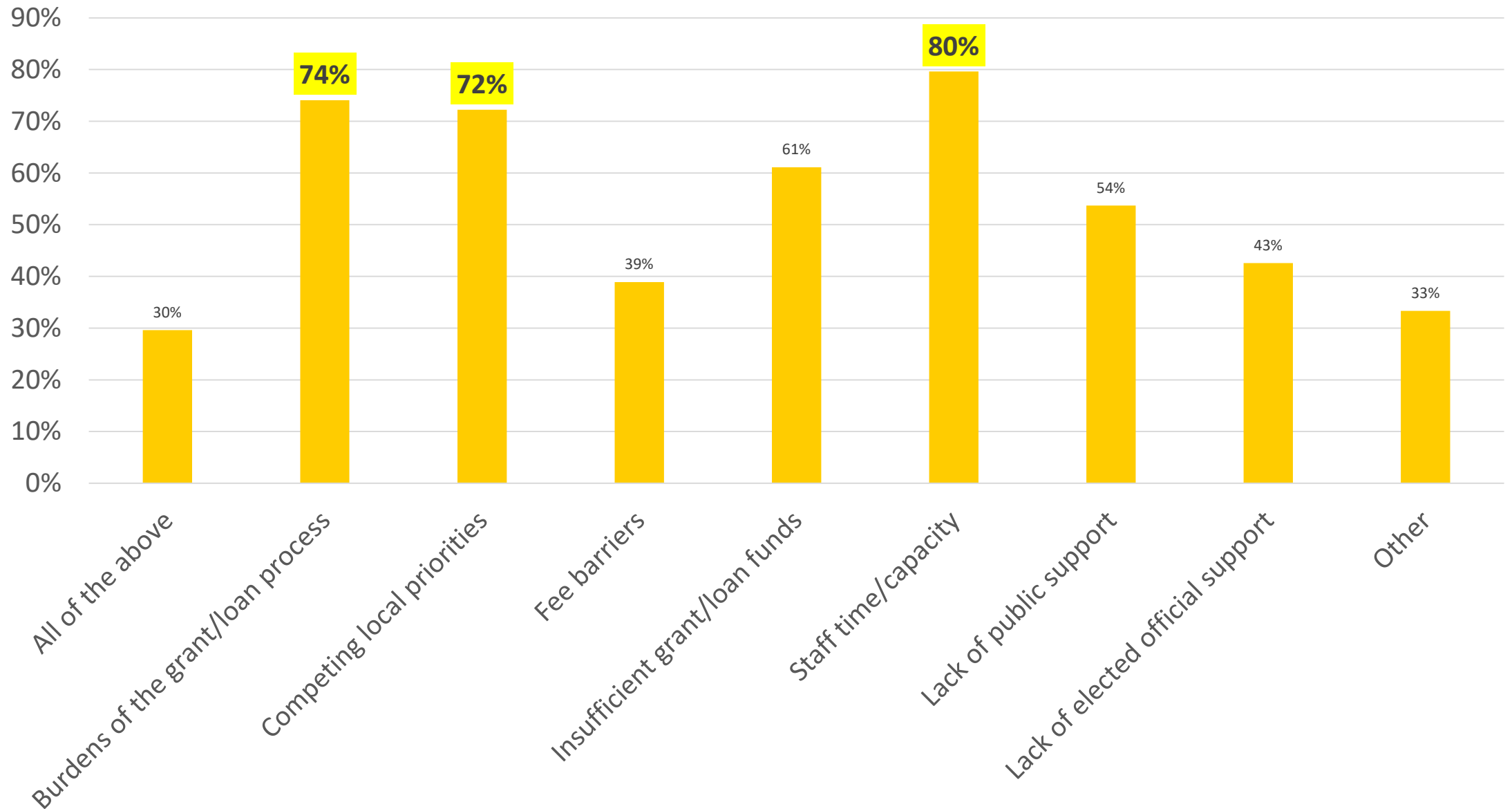


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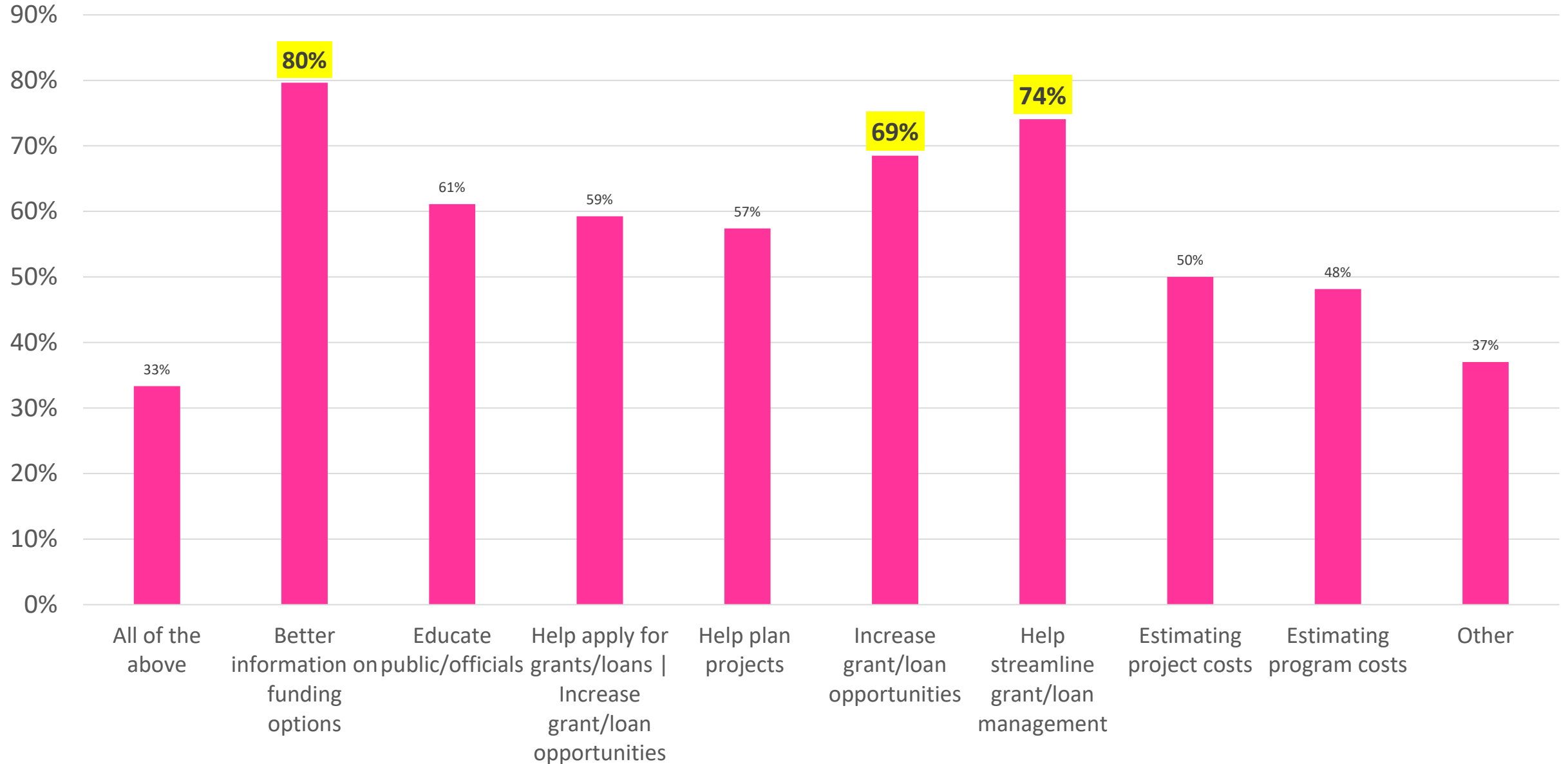
Messages of Future Funding

- Heavy reliance on grants and loans, which are very competitive
- Differences in capital vs operations costs and funding methods
- Regional partnerships/interagency collaboration- what do you mean?

Key Impediments to Obtaining Funding?



What Help/Support Are You Seeking?



Takeaways

- Constraints:
 - Competing priorities, limited staffing/capacity
 - Burdensome grant/loan processes
 - No single solution to funding
- Help wanted:
 - Info on \$ sources
 - More grant/loan opportunities
 - Streamline grant/loan management
 - Help educating/motivating public and local officials

