Summary of Responses from 2024 WWVDN Annual Survey Responses: 54 English, 6 Spanish

1. What county do you live in?

Walla Walla - 52 Columbia - 5	Umatilla - 0	Other - 3
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2. How do you identify yourself? (choose all that apply)

Two-parent household that includes person with a disability - 29	Grandparent caregiver for a person with a disability - 1
Single parent/caregiver household that includes person with a disability - 13	Extended family of someone with a disability - 5
Self-advocate, a person with a disability - 6	Parent of person with a disability who lives outside the family home - 2
Professional or service provider - 7	

3. In what age category is the individual(s) with a disability in your family?

0-3 yrs	1	7-10 yrs	5	19-40 yrs	27	No one w/ disability	2
4-6 yrs	0	11-18 yrs	25	Over 40 yrs	5		

4. Do you feel like your child/adult's sensory and emotional needs are being met?

Yes, sensory & emotional needs are currently being met - 37	Not applicable - 10
No, sensory & emotional needs are unfulfilled - 12	

5. If you use social media, on which platform(s) would you like to see information from WWVDN, SOAR, or Parent to Parent about events and activities in the WW Valley area?

Facebook - 35	WWVDN emails - 10	Other - 3
Instagram - 7	Do not use social media - 15	

6. How did you hear about WWVDN?

Friend - 28	Doctor / Medical Professional - 2	School Personnel - 15	Employer - 4
Akin - 0	Birth to Three - 7	Social Media/Internet - 8	Other - 5

7. How are you being supported in your community? (choose all that apply)

Aging/Long Term Care - 5	Birth to 3 - 4	Valley Residential Services - 4	Other - 4
Akin (formerly Children's Home Society) - 1	Social Security Admin - 31	WWVDN, Parent to Parent, SOAR - 43	N/A - 4
Developmental Disabilities Administration (DDA) - 36	Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR) - 17	Lillie Rice Center / Blue Mountain Industries - 3	

8. Have you been trained to be a volunteer Helping Parent through the Parent to Parent program?

Yes - 13	No - 47
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9. What is your status with DDA (Developmental Disabilities Administration)?

Eligible & receiving paid services - 26	Eligible, but not receiving paid services - 10
Not eligible or denied services - 6	Have not applied - 11
Other - 5	

10. How have Parent to Parent or WWVDN programs affected your family's quality of life?

Greatly - 37	Moderately - 10	Minimally - 3	No effect - 3	N/A - 4	Considering
					relocating - 1

11. What causes you worry or concern, either now or for the future?

Social Connection - 33	Finances - 19	Housing - 25
Employment - 31	Medical Issues - 19	Life after parents/caregivers pass away - 43
Community Inclusion - 27	School issues - 11	Mental Health - 20
Daily Activities (filling time) - 37	Transportation - 17	Safety - 2
None of the above - 1	Support & Resources - 2	

12. Of the programs WWVDN provides, which do you attend? (choose all that apply)

Social Events - 42	Trainings or Workshops - 24
Recreation Events - 38	None of the above - 9
Support Meetings - 17	

13. What is the diagnosis of the person(s) in your family with a disability? (choose all that apply)

Autism	24	Sensory Disorder	2
Intellectual Disability	23	Traumatic Brain Injury	2
Learning Disability	12	Muscular Dystrophy	1
Down syndrome	12	Spina Bifida	1
Genetic & Chromosomal Disorders	9	Seizure Disorder	2
Blind / Vision Impairment	3	n/a	1
Deaf or Hard of Hearing	2	Other	3
Cerebral Palsy	1		

14. What would you like to see offered that we are currently not offering?

sensory friendly movie opportunities

Support for people who are late life diagnosed. Helping support people who are grieving their diagnosis.

Sibling group, wider range of offerings for all disability categories

I joined to learn more but not sure if it makes sense since I'm in Kitsap

I love all your programs

WWVDN is currently offering the most amazing supports - I would only recommend continuing or building upon what you are already doing, as it is 5-star!

We used to live in the Seattle Bellevue area, and my son attended the Alyssa Burnett center. They offered all kinds of classes from drawing to cooking to music, etc. it would be nice to have more of those options here particularly for lower functioning adults.

Their choices are offered

More weekend SOAR Events

Sibshops

I can't think of anything.

None

Baking class, Zumba

Place with obstacles for young people they can do workout with something fun.

Really enjoy all the programs and gatherings offered.

Continue SOAR events with activities for younger youth

I think your organization does a fantastic job advocating for people with disabilities! Orchids to you all for your commitment and dedication! Shout out to Angie and Ysabel! Your board should be so proud of you! Thanks to Carla for her constant cheerleading!

Unsure

Happy with what we have available now.

I don't know. I am not aware of what DDD offers.

Please keep social engagement opportunities

A trip to Ski Bluewood

If there is a smile on my daughters face, it usually has something to do with a SOAR event or Rec activity.

Information on adult services, such as college opportunities or adult/teenage trips away from home with support.

Dancing activities and musical instrument activities

I don't know at this time

Mas tiempo de actividades para los adultos (More activity time for adults).

Reuniros una vez porsemana con los ninos comer nieve Baskin Robin (Meet once a week with the children and eat Baskin Robin ice cream).

Mas ayuda para los nino Especiales (More help for special children)