

ASB Post-Survey Summary

Method: Paper & Pencil

Population: ASB participants

80 Respondents

73 Completed

Sites

13.58% Pt. Reyes, CA – Environmental

11.11% Arcata, CA – Environmental

11.11% San Juan, UT – Environmental

14.81% Seattle, WA – Hunger & Homelessness

12.35% San Francisco, CA – HIV/AIDS & Poverty

16.05% Portland, OR – Urban Planning

12.35% San Diego, CA – Immigration

8.64% Los Angeles, CA – HIV/AIDS

Item Responses

87.50% of respondents reported that ASB staff provided adequate preparation/training prior to their trip.

97.53% of respondents reported that there was sufficient space in the van used to travel to their ASB site.

95.06% of respondents reported that in general, the lodging for their ASB trip was adequate.

85.00% of respondents reported feeling that their student site leader performed well in her/his role.

96.00% of respondents reported feeling that their staff partner performed well in her/his role.

89.87% of respondents reported that the service agency with which they worked provided adequate training/preparation for their service project.

91.14% of respondents reported feeling that their service experience provided through ASB was meaningful.

85.00% of respondents reported that on looking back, they felt prepared for their experience prior to their trip.

92.50% of respondents reported that their overall knowledge regarding their service issue increased as a result of their ASB experience.

86.08% of respondents reported that their attitude toward their ASB site issue has changed as a result of their experience on their trip.

81.01% of respondents reported feeling that the alcohol and drug-free component of ASB enhanced the overall experience for participants.

66.67% of respondents reported that this ASB experience has had an impact on their future academic plans/goals.

65.38% of respondents reported that this ASB experience has had an impact on their future career plans/goals.

90.00% of respondents reported that as a result of their ASB trip, they are more likely to volunteer/engage in community service in the future.

94.94% of respondents reported feeling safe while travelling on site.

95.00% of respondents reported feeling safe while travelling en-route.

93.75% of respondents reported feeling safe in the lodging on site.

94.87% of respondents reported feeling safe in the lodging en-route.

93.59% of respondents reported feeling safe regarding their service agency.

94.94% of respondents reported feeling safe regarding their work environment.

Additional open-ended responses regarding safety included 4 participants reporting feeling very unsafe emotionally or during discussions.

When asked to indicate the way(s) in which they heard about ASB, respondents reported as follows:

- 42.53% Friend/family member
- 22.99% ASB Website
- 21.84% University club/organization
- 17.24% Tables with information on campus
- 13.79% Print advertising
- 8.05% Staff member
- 6.9% Professor/in class
- 19.54% Other

Respondents reported selecting their ASB site for the following reasons:

- 66.67% Site location
- 52.87% Interest in this issue
- 47.13% Type of service
- 18.39% Friends

16.09% Site leader/Staff partner
14.94% Cost
10.34% Other

When asked to report prior knowledge of the ASB issue associated with their site, respondents indicated the following:

59.30% Work/service experience in this area
52.33% Books/articles/lectures about the issue
32.56% Friends/family involved in the issue
29.07% Internet research
27.91% Movies/TV shows
10.47% No prior knowledge of this issue

63.95% of respondents reported participating in other volunteer projects through campus organizations. Of these respondents, the number of hours reported spent volunteering per week through campus organizations was as follows:

67.27% 1-5 hours
21.82% 6-10
9.09% 11-15
1.82% 16-20

57.47% of respondents reported participating in other volunteer projects outside of the University of Utah. Of these respondents, the number of hours reported spent volunteering per week off-campus was as follows:

84.31% 1-5 hours
13.73% 6-10
1.96% 11-15

When asked to indicate their experience in service/volunteer activities, respondents reported:

73.86% Campus organizations/club
68.18% Community organizations
64.77% Non-profit/charity groups
29.55% Church/religious groups
20.45% Family activities
5.68% None of the above
3.41% Other

61.36% of respondents reported that in general, service/volunteer work currently plays a large part in their lives.

89.77% of respondents reported receiving adequate information about their ASB project.

92.05% of respondents reported they understood ASB-related policies including those related to liability insurance.

94.32% reported their site leader prepared them about what to expect during their ASB experience.

94.32% reported feeling prepared for their ASB experience.

Open-ended Items

When asked what part of their ASB experience had the greatest impact on them, some common themes emerged:

- Being educated regarding the specific issues
- Meeting/Working with new people
- Service/Work experience

When asked what 1 or 2 experiences they will take away from their trip, these themes emerged:

- Friendships and group experience
- Knowledge of issues
- Service experience
- Personal growth experiences
- Fun/Sightseeing experiences

When asked how their trip measured up to their pre-trip expectations, most responses indicated participants' expectations were met or exceeded. Some responses reflected participants' unexpected personal growth experiences (i.e., "I didn't expect to become more open-minded . . .", "more emotional and impacting", and ". . . very eye-opening experience"). Some responses also reflected participants' frustration (i.e., "I did not think there would be so much strife between participants", "I feel disappointed. I expected I was going to interact more with people in the trip but it turned out opposite", "I expected people on my trip would be more open minded").

When asked what they would change about their ASB experience and why, responses involved the following themes:

- Nothing
- Increase service time/activity
- Increase reflection/discussion time
- More preparation/organization
- Increase group cohesion

When asked to provide any additional comments, most responses echoed previous positive statements. A few responses, however reflected problematic experiences (i.e., "There were issues regarding sexual orientation", "I felt the leader did a poor job in her role. She was cliquy and sometimes (maybe inadvertently) attacking. She seemed disrespectful when others were trying to sleep and was sometimes confrontational.").