The Emotional and Economical Distress of COVID-19 in this South Seattle Community

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BACKGROUND
South Seattle is home to hundreds of small businesses and it is one of the most diverse communities in Washington. To see the toll and effect COVID-19 had, we did a quantitative and qualitative analysis on the community and surrounding business and recorded the information obtained.

METHODS
- Surveys were taken
  - Survey monkey
  - Paper and pen surveys
- Events put together
  - Giveaways
- Anonymous text line
- Donation
- Community needs meeting

ECONOMICAL IMPACT
Has your business experienced loss of Revenue?

- 36% Yes
- 64% No

64% of businesses reported a loss of income and 50% of businesses had to lay off some employees

EMOTIONAL IMPACT
- Total of 25 kids participated

- 46% of the youth didn’t feel acknowledged
- 85% felt unmotivated.
- All the youth mentioned feeling depressed or anxious at least once since pandemic started

624 Seattle restaurants and bars have closed during the COVID-19 pandemic, survey finds

How have you felt within the last few weeks?

- Anxious: 36%
- Sad: 32%
- Depressed: 8%
- Happy: 4%