

Volunteer Screening Trends & Best Practices

We surveyed 700+ volunteer experts to find out how they're managing their volunteer programs. Here's what we discovered!

1 Volunteer managers and experts face the same challenges.



Risk Management

Developing effective plans and procedures specific to your volunteers.



Budget

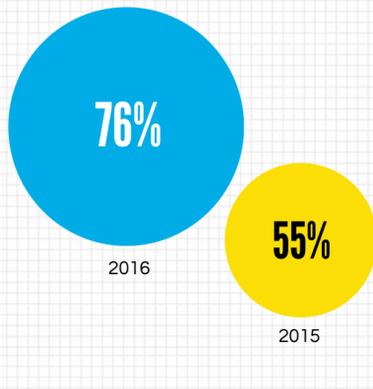
Getting the funds needed to run a successful volunteer program.



Recruiting

Competing for volunteers when there are so many service options available.

WE ALSO LEARNED...

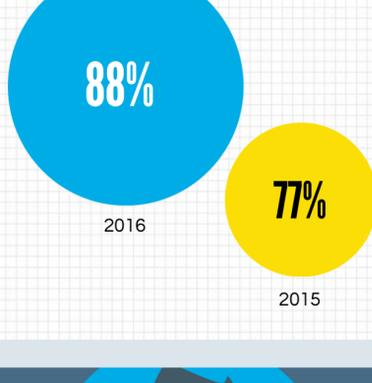


2 Volunteer Numbers are Growing

The number of organizations with more than 50 volunteers has risen from 55% to 76%

3 More Organizations Are Serving Vulnerable Populations

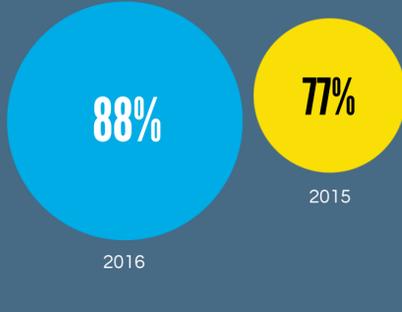
The percentage of organizations that serve vulnerable populations has increased to 88% from 77%



IN LIGHT OF THESE TRENDS...



4 More Organizations Expect to do More Volunteer Background Checks



The percentage of organizations that anticipate performing more background checks "next year" has increased from 48% to 61%

5 Organizations Are Spending More Per Volunteer Background Check

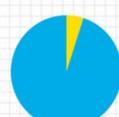
The percentage of organizations spending more than \$30 per background check doubled from 2014 to 2015.



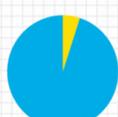
GOOD NEWS!

6 The majority of Americans believe in background checks

In a 2016 survey conducted among the American population on the subject of employment background checks, we found that:



95% of respondents believe in mandatory criminal background checks.



84% believe that the safety provided by background checks is more important than an applicant's right to refuse a background check.*

*Source: Employment Background Checks: Survey of American Citizens, white paper, Sterling Talent Solutions with Kellon Research, June 2016

7 Volunteers are happy to contribute towards the cost of their background check.

Verified Volunteers clients who provide volunteers with the option to contribute towards the cost of their check experience 36% budget savings.



Find out more!



Download the full report for complete research results, key insights and tips to improve your volunteer program.

SOURCE

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