

THE LISTENING PROJECT

**A Community-Driven
Project of the Richmond Progressive Alliance**



COMING TO THIS WORK

- 3rd generation Richmond resident
- Frontline impacted community member
- Tia to the next generation
- Community College Professor
- Climate & Social Justice Activist
- Organizer for the Richmond Progressive Alliance
 - Listening Project
- New Organizing and Training Director
 - Safe Return Project



OUR WORK

The Richmond Progressive Alliance goal is to take political decision-making back from corporations and put power in the hands of the people. The RPA mobilizes people in support of progressive policies and candidates.

In support of a transition away from fossil fuels in the City of Richmond, the RPA undertook a community-engagement process we're calling a "listening project" (the Listening Project). The goal of the Listening Project is to better understand the concerns and needs of Richmond communities that have historically suffered the greatest harm from generations of fossil fuel operations in our City.

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OUR TEAM



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OUR PROCESS

LISTEN

To **UNDERSTAND** the needs of the MOST harmed by fossil fuel operations

EDUCATE

To **DISPEL** myths created by Chevron's rhetoric that is embedded in our city

ENGAGE

To **BUILD** relational power and a community-driven campaign

ACTIVATE

To **MOBILIZE** the community with a campaign towards a just transition

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OUR PROCESS

SURVEYS

378 Richmond residents took a climate crisis survey translated into 3 languages



INTERVIEWS

35 of our residents signed up to share their stories and thoughts about the climate crisis



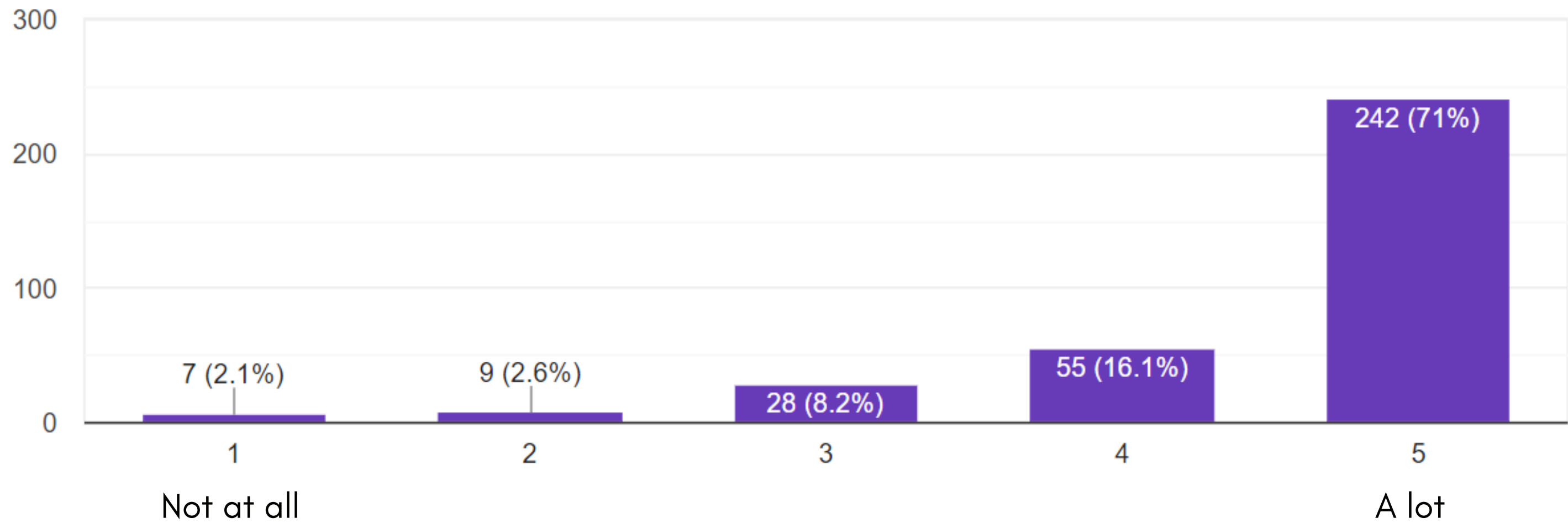
PODCAST

10 episode podcast that embedded our communities' voices for oral history documentation and cultural preservation

OUR SURVEY RESULTS

How much does the climate crisis affect people in Richmond?

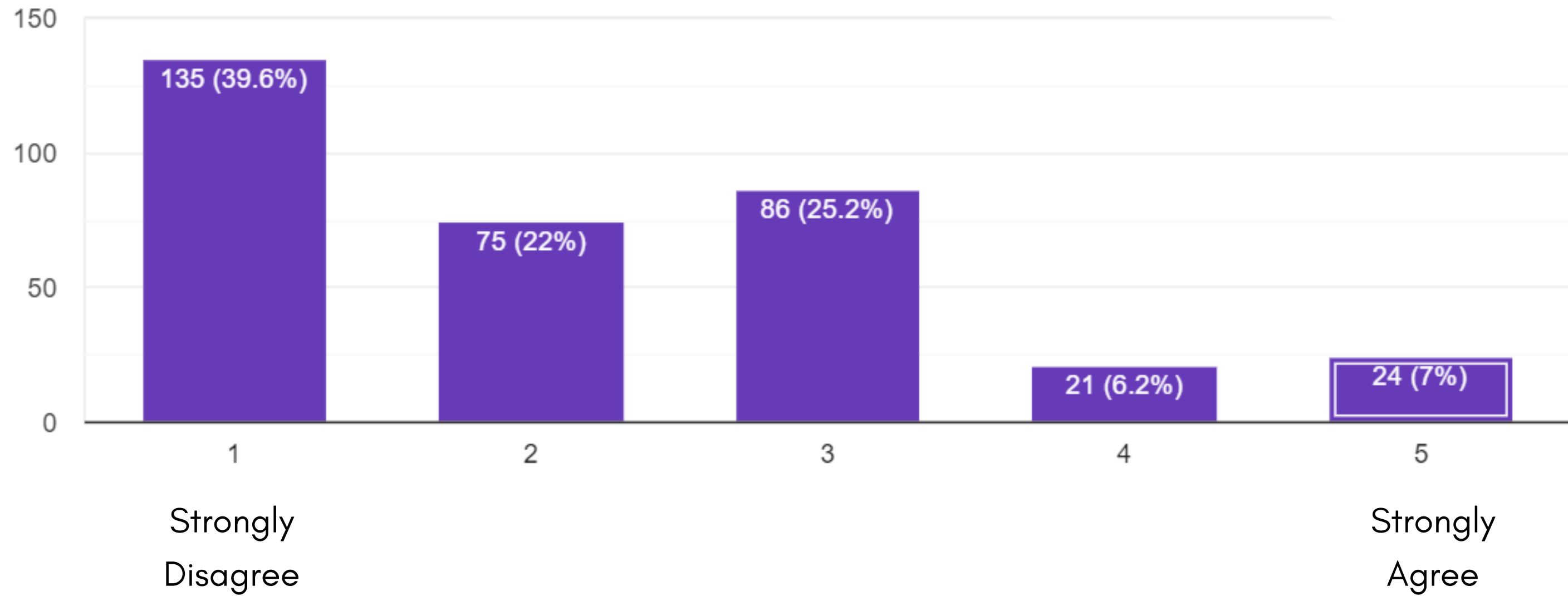
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The Chevron refinery is beneficial to the Richmond community:

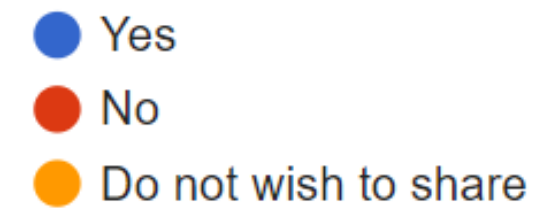
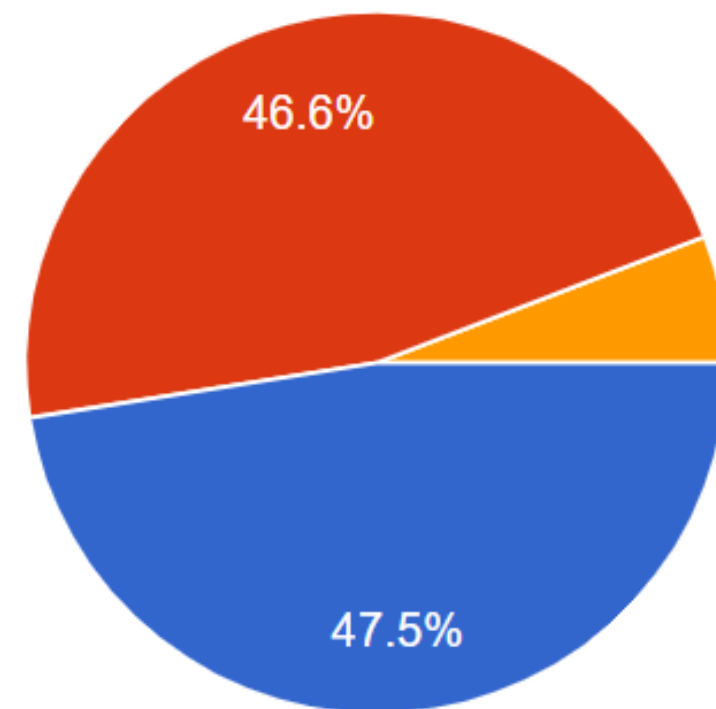
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Do you or your family within Richmond suffer from any chronic respiratory health conditions? (Example: Asthma, lung cancer)

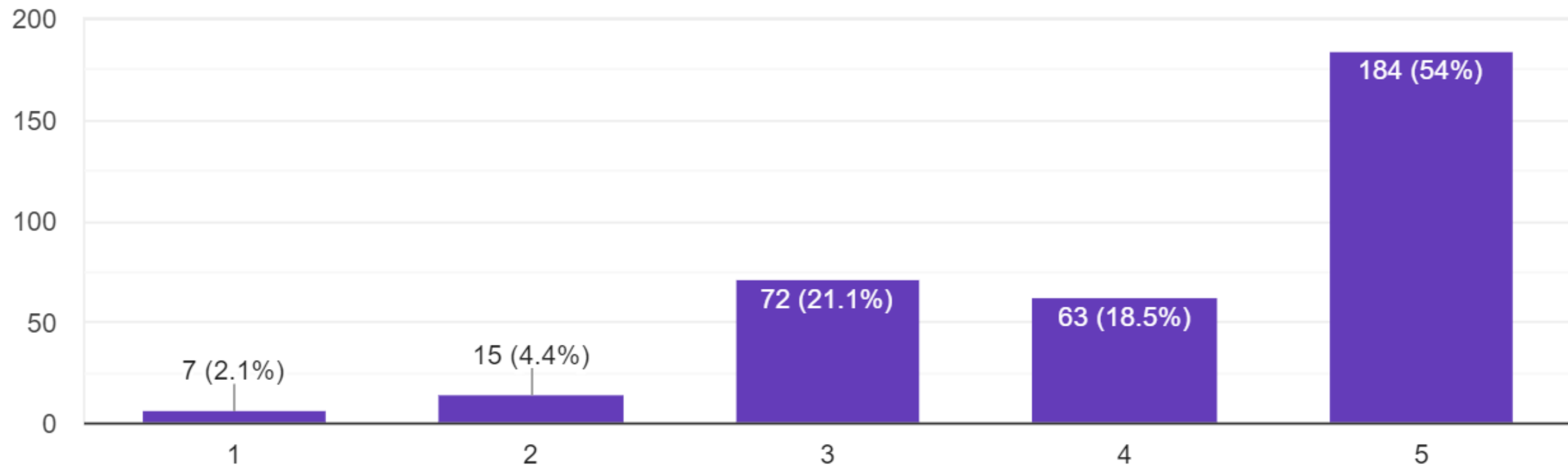
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During the pandemic, Richmond community members were more at risk of severe COVID-19 symptoms because of the health effects due to Chevron's refinery.

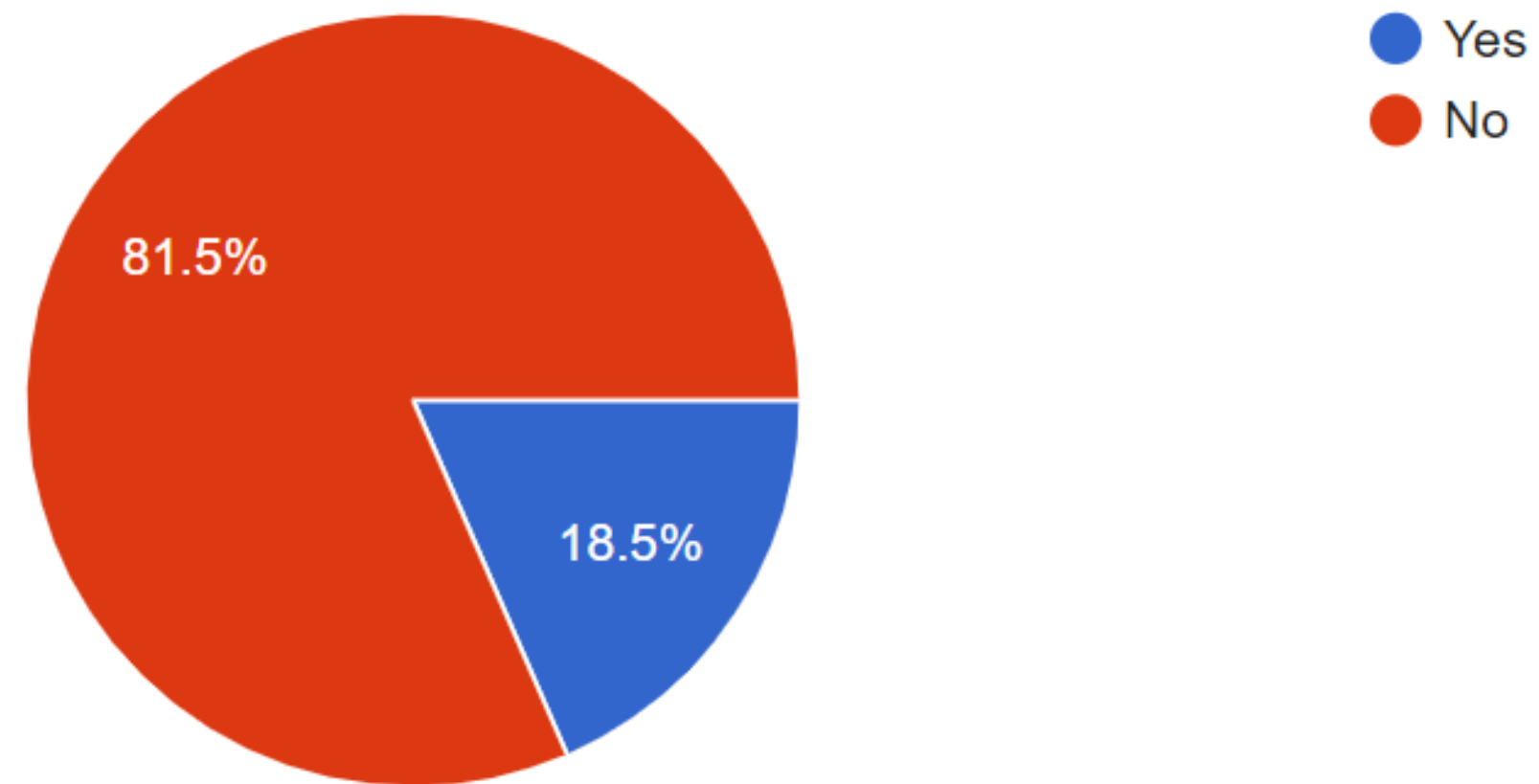
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Do you, or someone you know, work for the Chevron refinery?

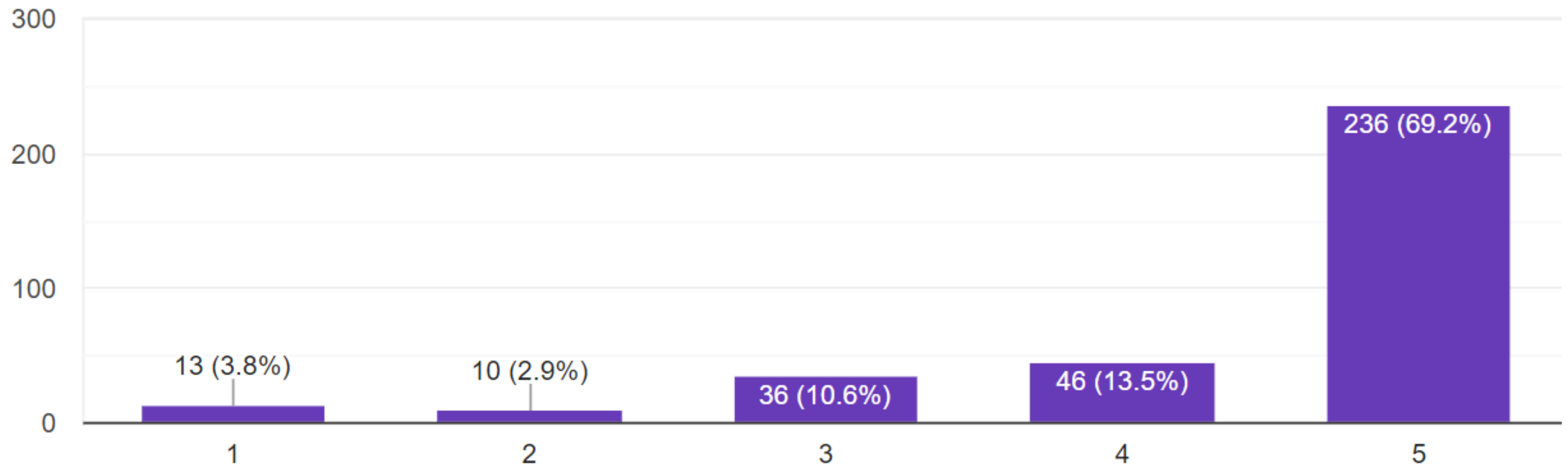
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The Chevron refinery plays a large role in the climate crisis in Richmond.

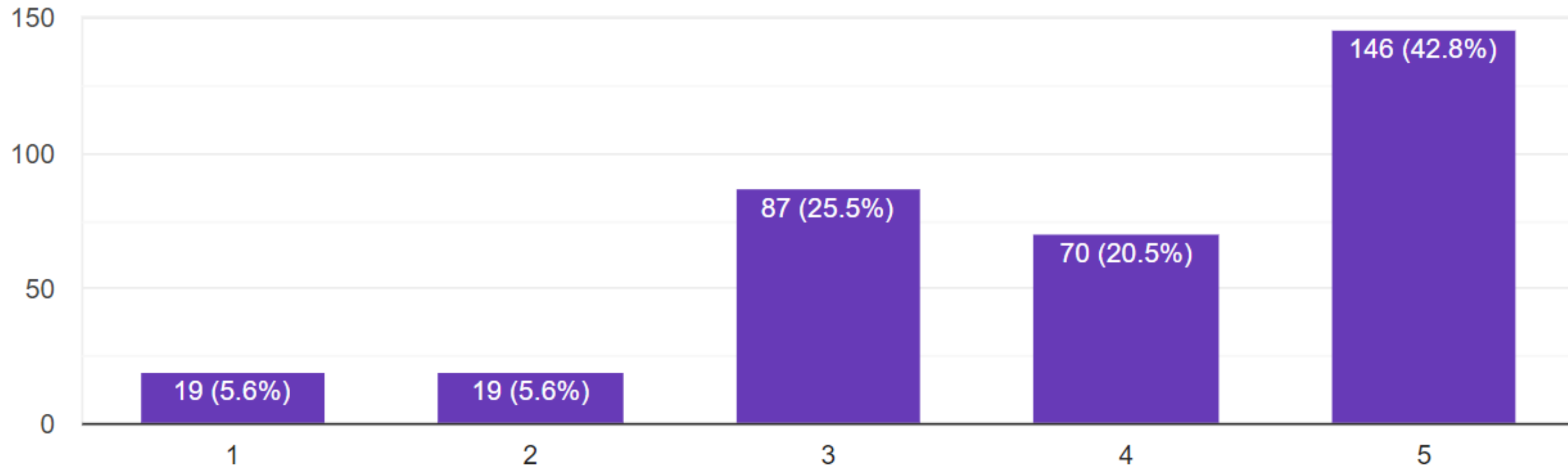
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Chevron leaving Richmond would affect the community positively.

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WHAT DOES THIS MEAN

Frontline communities need to be listened to & centered in our fight towards a Just Transition.

PODCAST

OUR STORIES. OUR VOICES.

- Episode 1: Lay of the Land
- Episode 2: At Our Expense
- Episode 3: Chevron en la Comunidad
- Episode 4: Silent Killer
- Episode 5: Asthma Club
- Episode 6: Polluting Politics
- Episode 7: Buying Us Out
- Episode 8: Union Proud
- Episode 9: We Deserve Nothing Less
- Episode 10: Imagine



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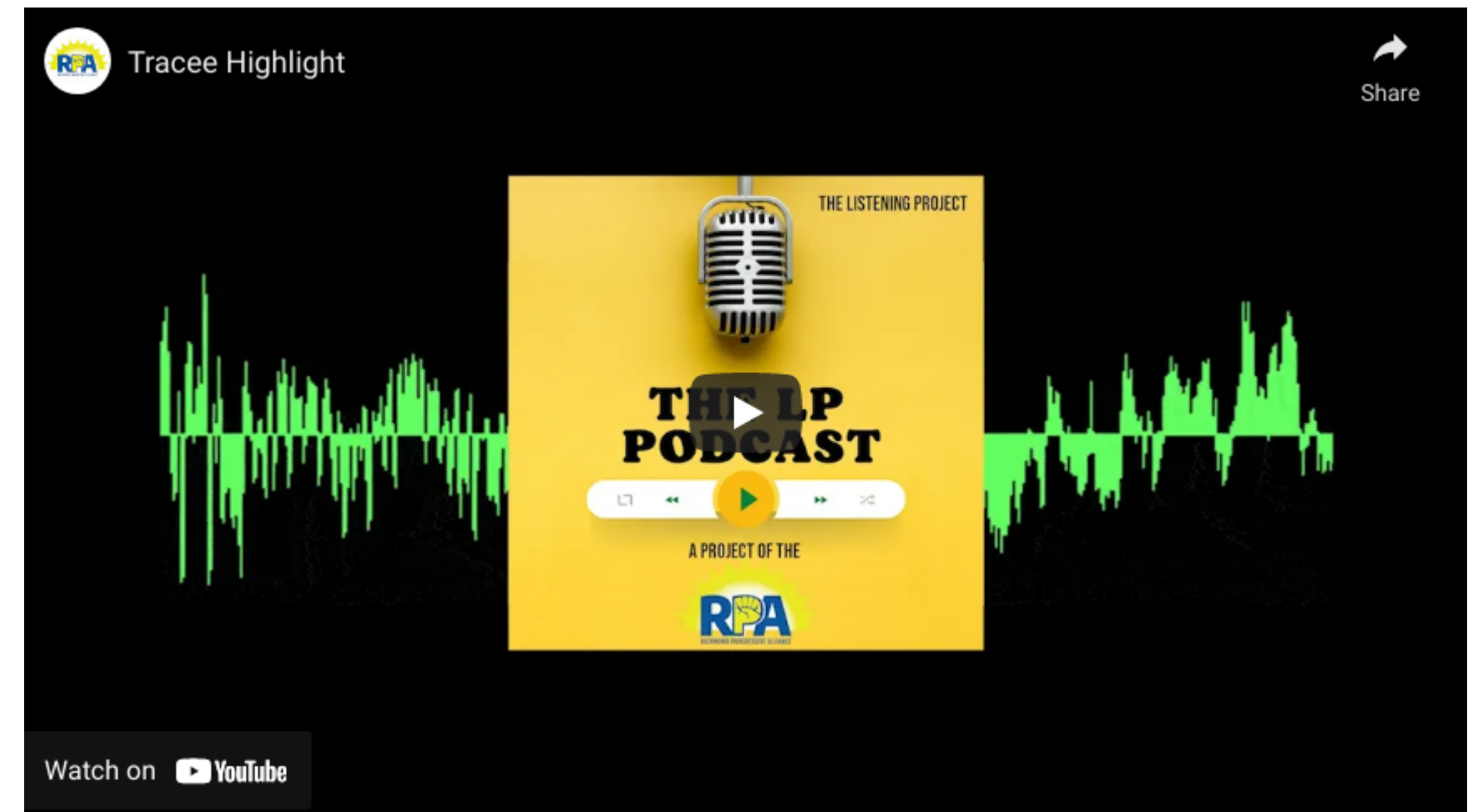
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EDUCATION

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Curriculum
Reached over 650
listeners

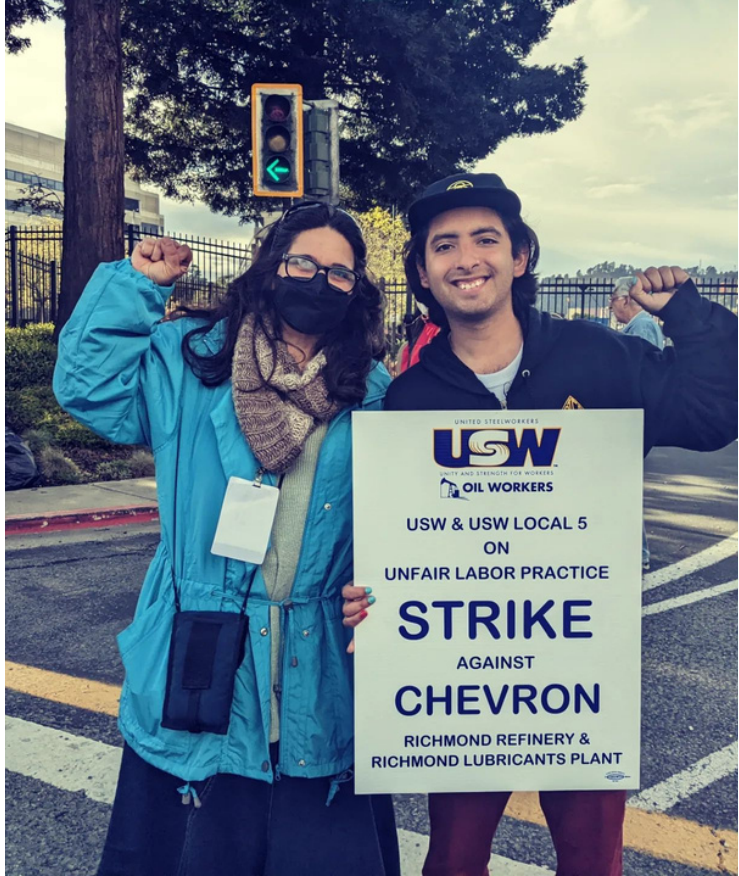


ENGAGEMENT

Create an open door
for the most harmed
residents to engage
in a Just Transition
Campaign

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OUR IMPACT



OUR WORK CONTINUES

- Presented at the California Air Resources Board Brown Bag Lunch Series
- Every Friday at 10a.m. LP Episodes will be featured on [El Show de Andres](#) for 5 weeks starting April 22nd!
- Working with RPA + EJ Allies to support USW workers fighting Chevron's greed
- Othering + Belonging Institute at UC Berkeley: Cumulative Impacts Reports coming out in May
- Community Education and Engagement!
 - Save the Date: Earth Day Event, Saturday, April 23rd join the LP Team at Unity Park for Screen Printing, Listening stations, and how we envision a Just Transition

CALL TO ACTION

AB 1897: Wicks. Nonvehicular air pollution control: refineries: Penalties



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