



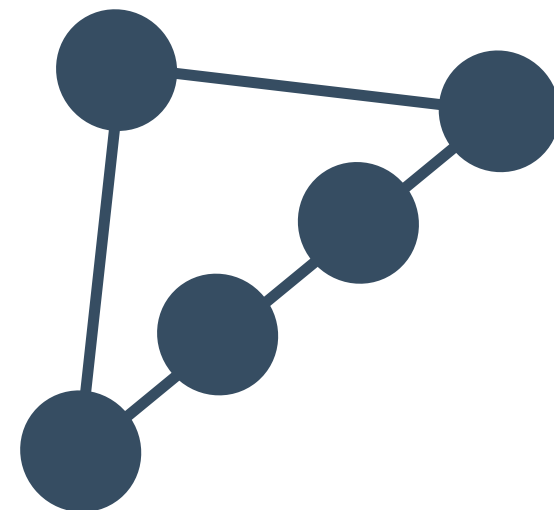
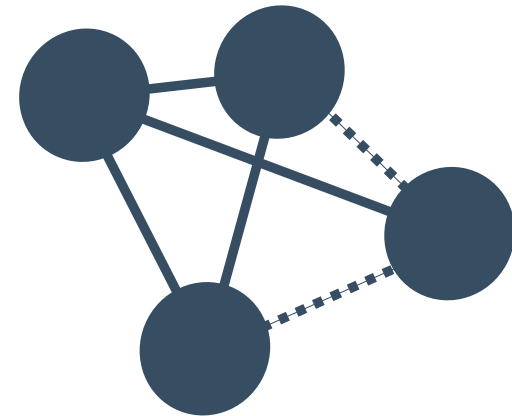
Collaborative Action Network:

October 2024 Partner Reporting & Social Network Analysis

What is Network Analysis?

Network analysis is a method of understanding how actors in a network interact with each other. It can determine the strength of a network, how actors in the network are connected and where there are gaps, and identify where collaboration can be improved¹.

When conducting network analysis, working with a defined network can increase the accuracy of results. At the time this survey was sent out to the Collaborative Action Network, there were 188 organizations listed on the Collaborative Action Network Directory. In addition to the Collaborative Action Network members in the Directory, the survey also asked respondents to define the nature of their collaboration with the region's tribes and tribal health centers, bringing the total number of organizations and tribes to 204. For the purposes of this report, whenever the Collaborative Action Network is mentioned it will be assumed to mean these 204 organizations and tribes.



¹ Visible Network Labs, <https://visiblenetworklabs.com/2022/09/30/network-science-a-reference-guide/>

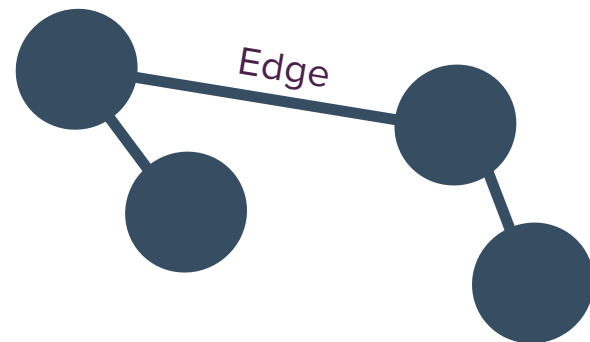
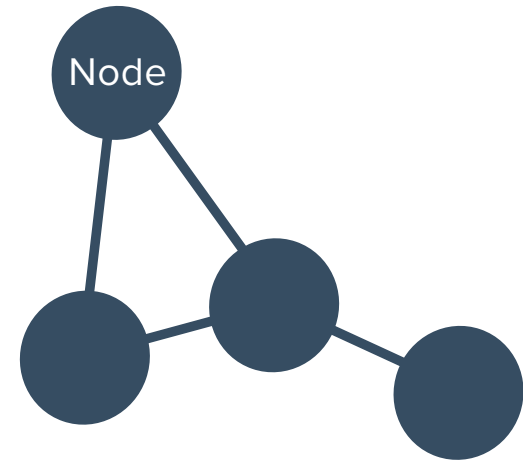
Interpreting a Network Graph

A network graph can be broken down into two basic components: nodes and edges.

Node: a point in a network graph representing a person, organization, or other actor in a network.

Edge: a connection between nodes. This connection could represent a social tie, collaboration between organizations, or any other connection.

By visualizing the nodes and edges that make up a network we can begin to see patterns of connection, identifying where networks are strong and weak, and gaining insights into how the network is functioning.





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Partner Reporting



Survey Overview

One-hundred and eighty-eight Collaborative Action Network organizations were invited to respond to the survey through the month of October, with a final response deadline of October 31 at 5pm. Organizations that completed the survey prior to the closing deadline were eligible to receive a \$500 incentive payment. After three late submissions in early November were included in the results, the total response rate was 60%, with 112 out of 188 organizations completing the survey.

Respondents were asked general questions about their organization's interactions with the Collaborative Action Network, including the time that their organization had been members, and whether their organization had a Tribal Liaison or equivalent position on staff. Respondents were also asked about their familiarity with the North Sound Community Hub.

Network analysis questions provided a list of the entire Collaborative Action Network, as well as the region's tribes and tribal health centers. Respondents were asked to define their collaboration with each organization listed as *never*, *occasionally*, or *often collaborates*, and were also asked if North Sound ACH had helped to facilitate that connection.

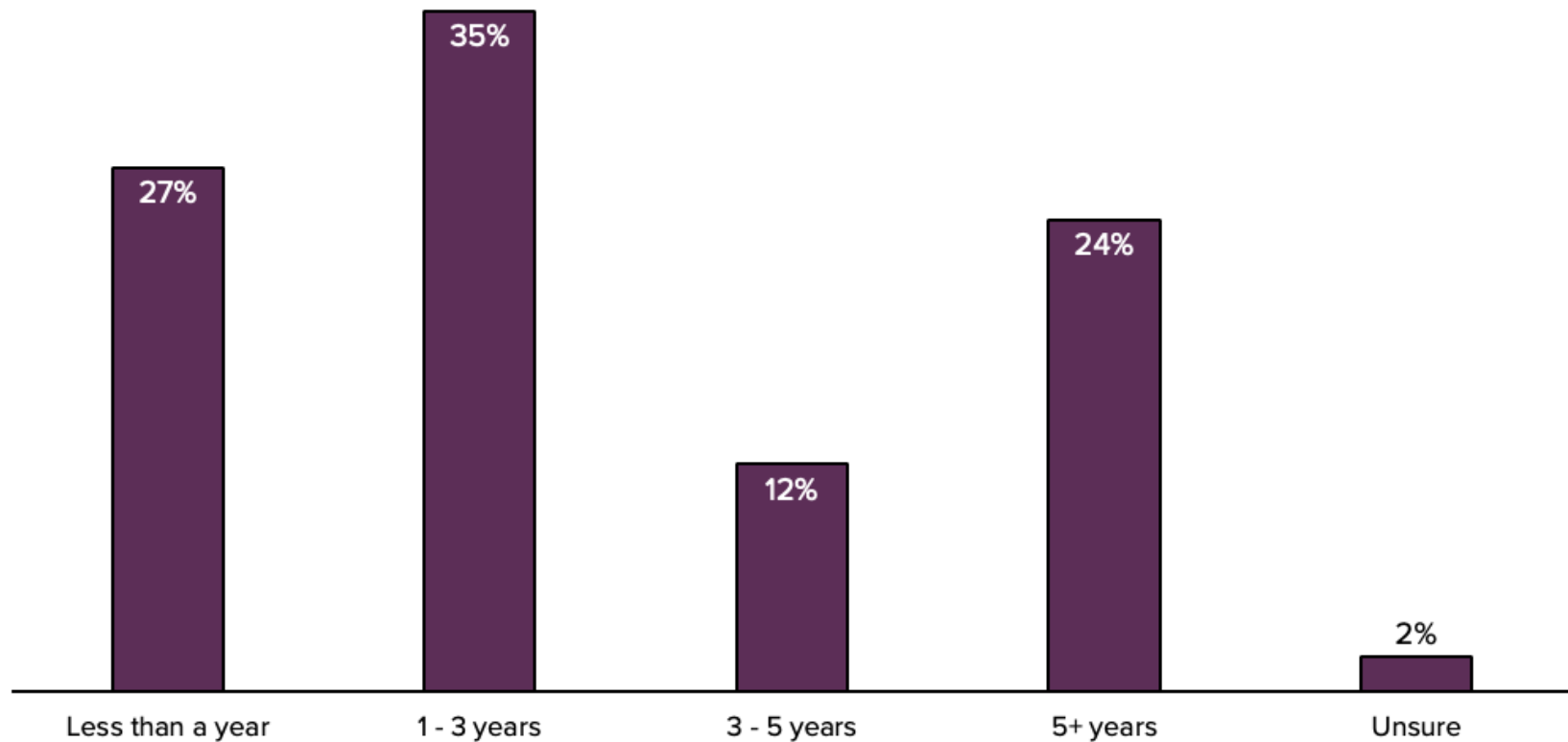
Finally, respondents were asked two open-ended questions regarding what has become possible for their organization after joining the Collaborative Action Network, and what their organizations would be doing if funding was not a barrier to their work.

My organization <u>never</u> collaborates with this organization	My organization <u>occasionally</u> collaborates with this organization	My organization <u>often</u> collaborates with this organization	North Sound ACH helped facilitate this connection
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Length of Involvement with the Collaborative Action Network

Respondents to the survey have been involved with the Collaborative Action Network for a range of time. The largest portion of responders had been engaged for between 1 and 3 years, though new and old voices were also well represented. Only 2% of respondents were unsure how long their organization had been involved with the Network.

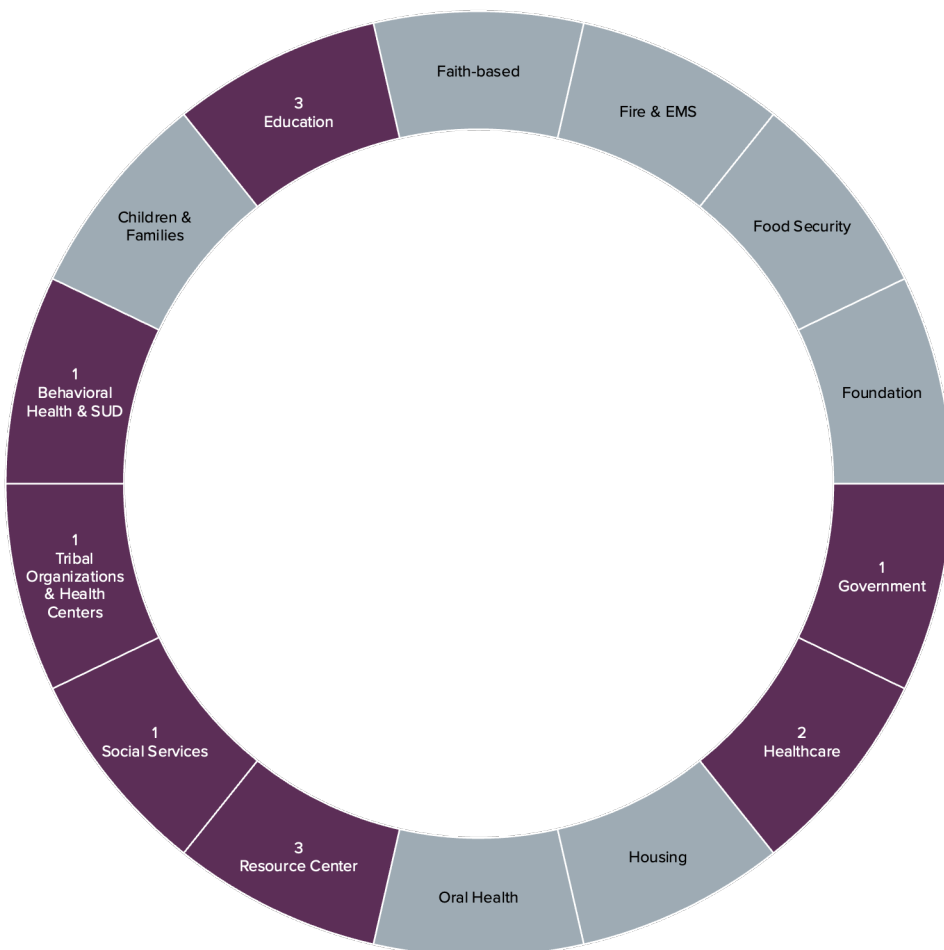
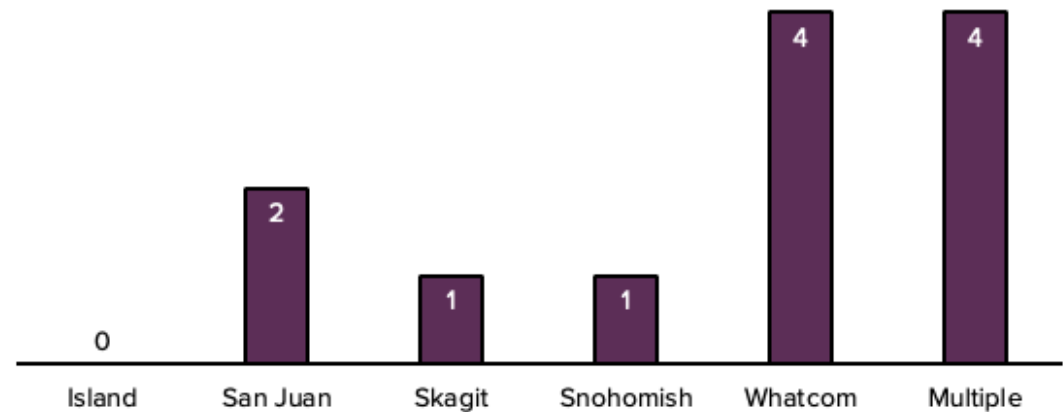
Length of time organizations have been members of the Collaborative Action Network



Tribal Liaisons in the Collaborative Action Network

Twelve responding organizations, 11% of total responses, reported that they had a Tribal Liaison or equivalent position at their organization. Half of the sectors in the Network contain organizations with a Tribal Liaison.

Collaborative Action Network organizations with a Tribal Liaison - by County



Organization

Bellingham Public Schools

Cares of Washington

Children of the Setting Sun Productions

Empowered Force Counseling

FuturesNW

Lopez Island Family Resource Center

Marysville School District 25

Molina Healthcare

PeaceHealth

San Juan County Health & Community Services

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County

Whatcom

Multiple

Whatcom

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Resource Center

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Behavioral Health & Substance Use Disorders

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Resource Center

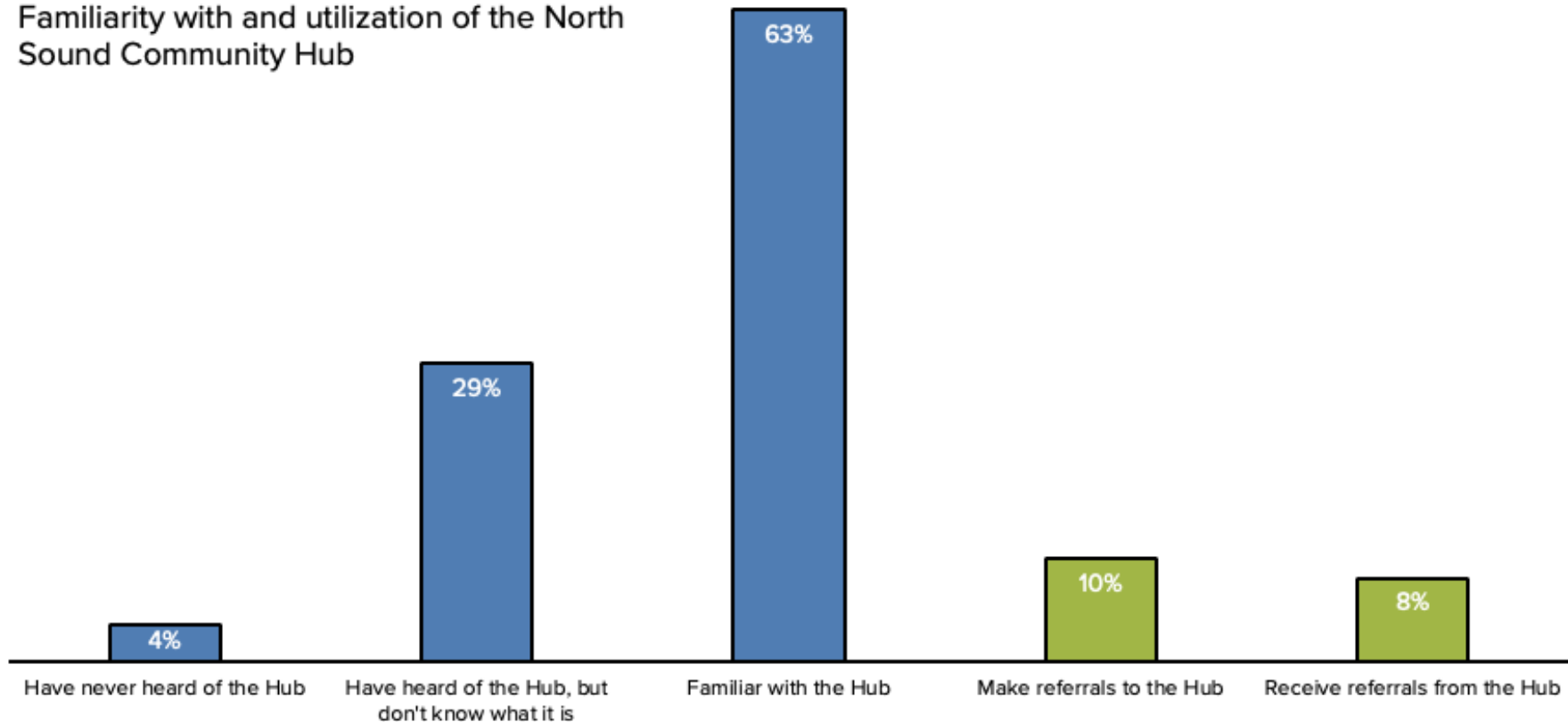
Resource Center

North Sound Community Hub

More than half of respondents (63%) reported that they were familiar with the North Sound Community Hub. Room for education about the Hub exists, however, with 29% of respondents unfamiliar with the Hub and 4% reporting never hearing about the Hub.

Utilization of the Hub was reported to be much lower than general knowledge of the Hub. Only 10% of partners responding to the survey make referrals to the Hub, and fewer work within the Hub system to receive referrals.

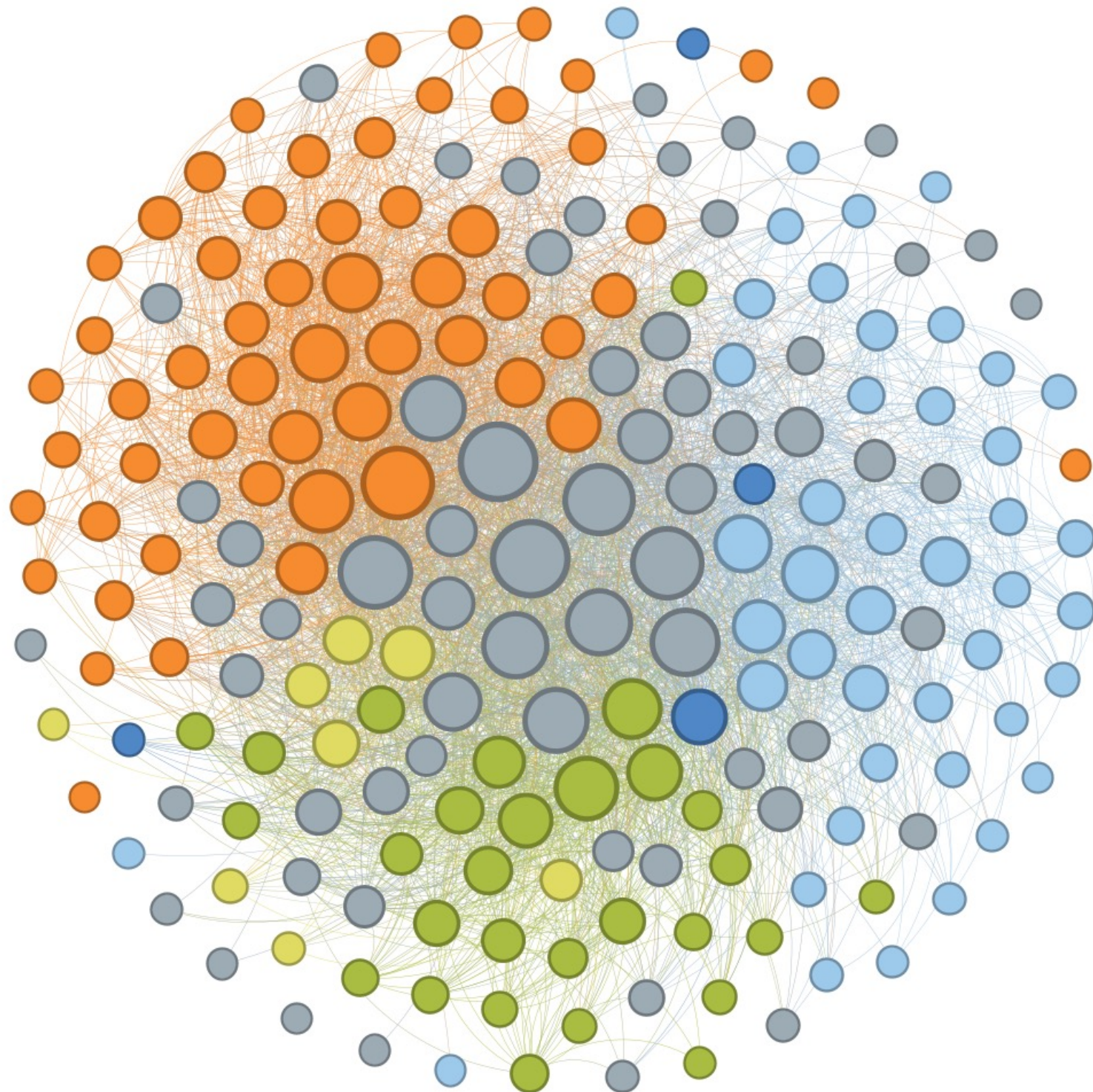
Familiarity with and utilization of the North Sound Community Hub





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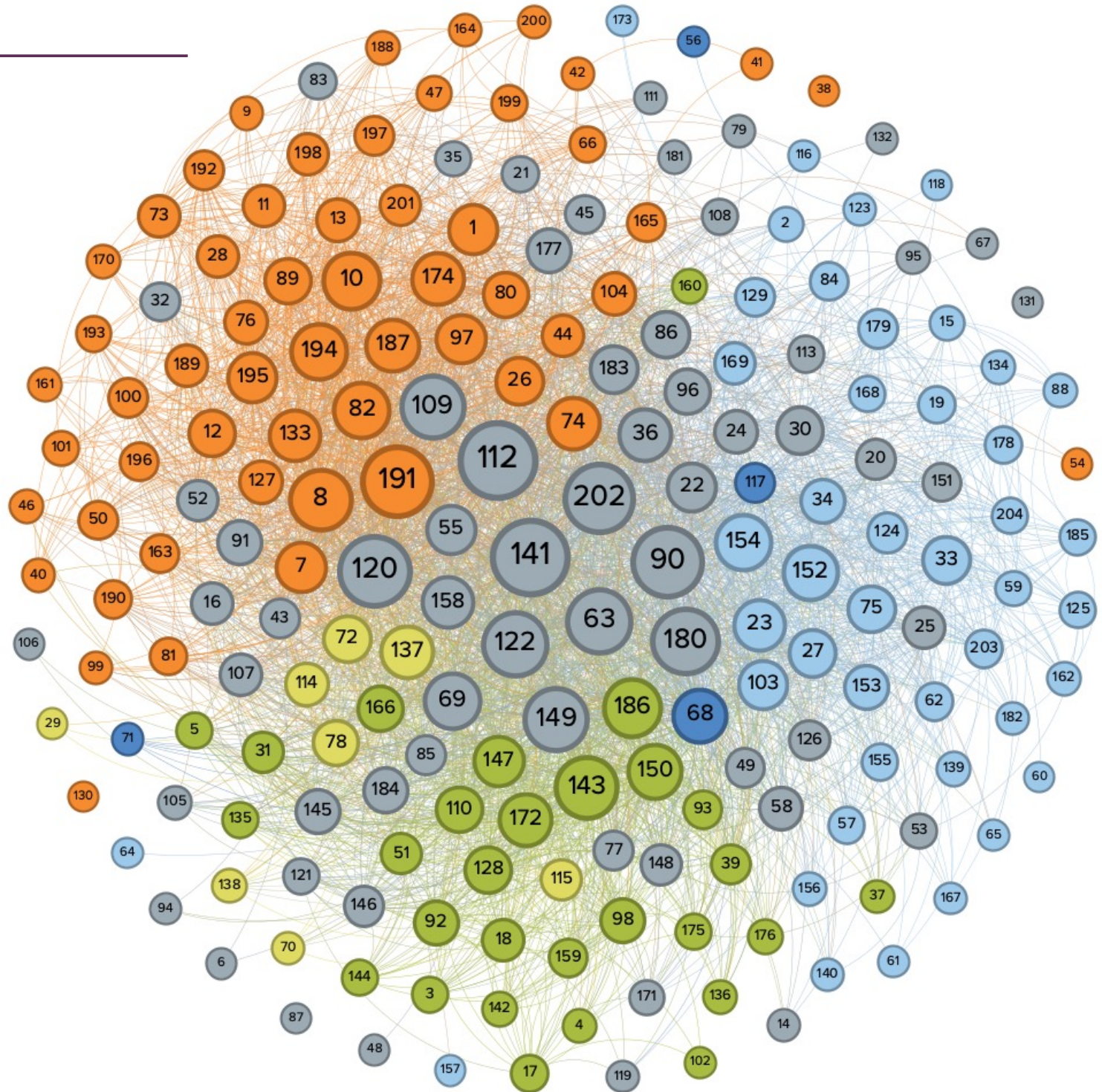
Counties



Organizations tend to group together by county.

Hubs making up organizations that only work in **Whatcom**, **Snohomish**, and **Skagit** counties are easily identifiable. A central hub of organizations that work in **multiple counties** can also be clearly seen.

Island County organizations are spread throughout the Network map, while **San Juan County** organizations tend to align more closely with Skagit and Whatcom County organizations when the full Network is taken into account.



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2	Alzheimer's Association - WA State Chapter	53	Glacier Peak Institute	104	North Sound Race and Health Equity Alliance	155	Stillaguamish Tribe of Indians
3	Anacortes Family Center	54	Healing Through Hope	105	Northwest Agriculture Business Center	156	Stillaguamish Tribe Wellness Clinic
4	Anacortes Fire Department	55	Health Ministries Network	106	Northwest Credible Messengers	157	Suburbia Rising
5	Anacortes School District	56	Heels and Confidence	107	Northwest Regional Council	158	Sunrise Services
6	Baron Visuals	57	Helping Hands Project Organization	108	Northwest Washington Indian Health Board	159	Swinomish Indian Tribal Community
7	Bellingham Fire Department	58	Holman Recovery Center	109	Northwest Youth Services	160	Swinomish Medical Clinic
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12	Bellingham Technical College	63	Ideal Option	114	Orcas Community Resource Center	165	Trans-Wa
13	Bellingham-Whatcom County Commission on Sexual & Domestic Violence	64	Imagine YOUiversity	115	Orcas Island Health Care District	166	Triumph Teen Center
14	Best Dental Help	65	InterCultural Children & Family Services	116	Participatory Justice	167	Tulalip Bay Fire
15	BRE Innovative Solutions	66	Interfaith Coalition of Whatcom County	117	Partners for Young Children in Island County	168	Tulalip Health Systems
16	Brigid Collins	67	IP3	118	Pasado's Safe Haven	169	Tulalip Tribes
17	Burlington Lutheran Church	68	Island County Human Services & Public Health	119	Paths to Understanding	170	Unbridled Spirit 7
18	City of Burlington	69	Island Health	120	PeaceHealth	171	Underground Ministries
19	Camp Fire Snohomish County	70	Island Primary Care - Orcas	121	PFLAG Skagit	172	United General District 304
20	Cares of Washington	71	Island Senior Resources	122	Pioneer Human Services	173	United Negro College Fund
21	Catalyst Therapies/Catalyst Community	72	Joyce L Sobel Family Resource Center	123	Positively Linked	174	Unity Care NW
22	Catholic Community Services	73	KMRE 88.3FM (Kulshan Community Media)	124	Project Access Northwest	175	Upper Skagit Indian Tribe
23	Center for Human Services	74	Lake Whatcom Residential and Treatment Center	125	Project Girl Mentoring Program	176	Upper Skagit Tribal Health Clinic
24	Center for Independence	75	Latino Educational Training Institute	126	Providence	177	Vamos Outdoor Project
25	Center for Justice Social Work	76	LAW Advocates	127	Recovery Café Bellingham	178	Verdant Health Commission
26	Children of the Setting Sun Productions	77	Lifeline Connections	128	Recovery Café Skagit	179	Vets Place NW
27	ChildStrive	78	Lopez Island Family Resource Center	129	Refugee & Immigrant Services Northwest	180	Volunteers of America Western Washington
28	Chuckanut Health Foundation	79	Love Light Energy Art Therapy	130	Resonance Path Consulting	181	Washington Family Engagement
29	Coast Salish Youth Coalition	80	Lummi Nation	131	Retrospect Productions	182	Washington Kids in Transition
30	Communities of Color Coalition (C3)	81	Lummi Nation Health Center	132	Rippl Care	183	Washington State Department of Commerce
31	Community Action of Skagit County	82	Lydia Place	133	Road2Home	184	Washington State University (WSU) Extension - Skagit
32	Community Boating Center	83	Make.Shift Art Space	134	Ruthless Ryderz Foundation	185	Washington West African Center
33	Community Foundation of Snohomish County	84	Marysville School District	135	Samish Indian Nation	186	Welcome Home Skagit
34	Community Health Center (CHC) of Snohomish County	85	Media for Development International	136	Samish Indian Nation Health Services	187	Whatcom Center for Early Learning
35	Community to Community	86	Mercy Housing	137	San Juan County Health & Community Services	188	Whatcom Coalition for Antiracist Education (Whatcom CARE)
36	Compass Health	87	MFR Law Group	138	San Juan EMS	189	Whatcom Community College
37	Consistent Care	88	Millenia Ministries	139	Sauk-Suiattle Indian Tribe	190	Whatcom County EMS
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41	Electric Beauty LLC	92	Mount Baker Presbyterian Church	143	Skagit County Public Health	194	Whatcom Family and Community Network
42	Electrolysis NW	93	Mount Vernon School District	144	Skagit Gleaners	195	Whatcom Family YMCA
43	Empower Next Generations	94	Mutual Aid Solidarity/Neighbors in Action	145	Skagit Legal Aid	196	Whatcom Food Network
44	Empowered Force Counseling	95	NAACP Snohomish County	146	Skagit Pediatrics	197	Whatcom Literacy Council
45	Family Care Network	96	NAMI Washington State	147	Skagit Preschool and Resource Center (SPARC)	198	Whatcom Peace and Justice Center
46	Fatherhood the Foundation	97	NAMI Whatcom	148	Skagit Regional Health	199	Whatcom Waves
47	Ferndale Community Services	98	New Earth Recovery	149	Skagit Valley College	200	Whiteswan Environmental
48	Fob & Dongle Productions	99	Nooksack Health Department Medical Clinic	150	Skagit YMCA	201	Wild Whatcom
49	Food Lifeline	100	Nooksack Indian Tribe	151	Sno-Isle Libraries	202	Within Reach
50	Foothills Food Bank	101	Nooksack Valley Food Bank Association	152	Snohomish County Health Department	203	YMCA of Snohomish County
51	Foundation for Academic Endeavors	102	North Cascades Wild Church	153	Snohomish County Recovery Coalition	204	YWCA Seattle King Snohomish

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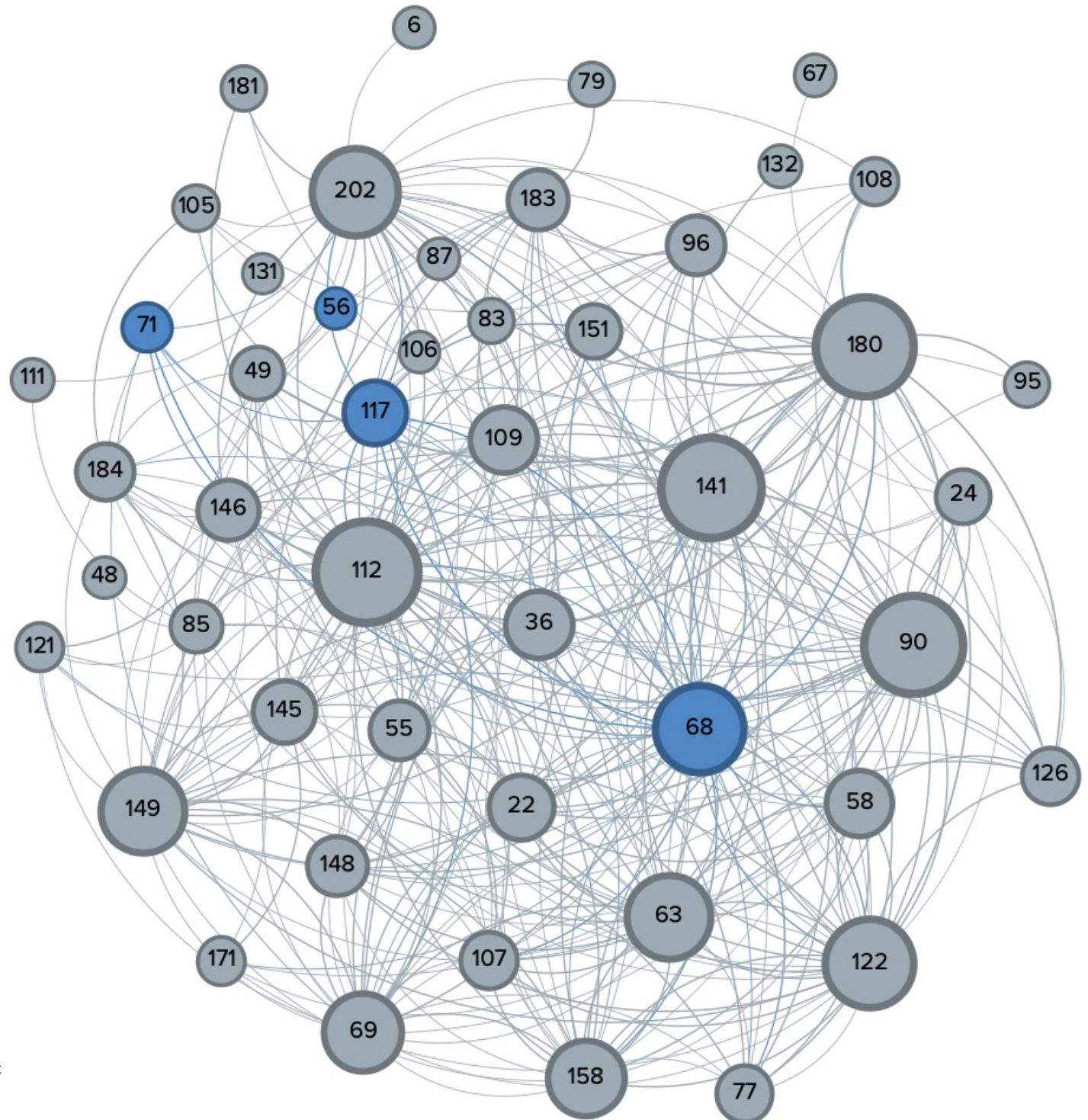
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- 68 Island County Human Services & Public Health
- 71 Island Senior Resources
- 117 Partners for Young Children in Island County

Multiple Counties

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- 6 Baron Visuals
- 22 Catholic Community Services
- 24 Center for Independence
- 36 Compass Health
- 48 Fob & Dongle Productions
- 49 Food Lifeline
- 55 Health Ministries Network
- 58 Holman Recovery Center
- 63 Ideal Option
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- 122 Pioneer Human Services
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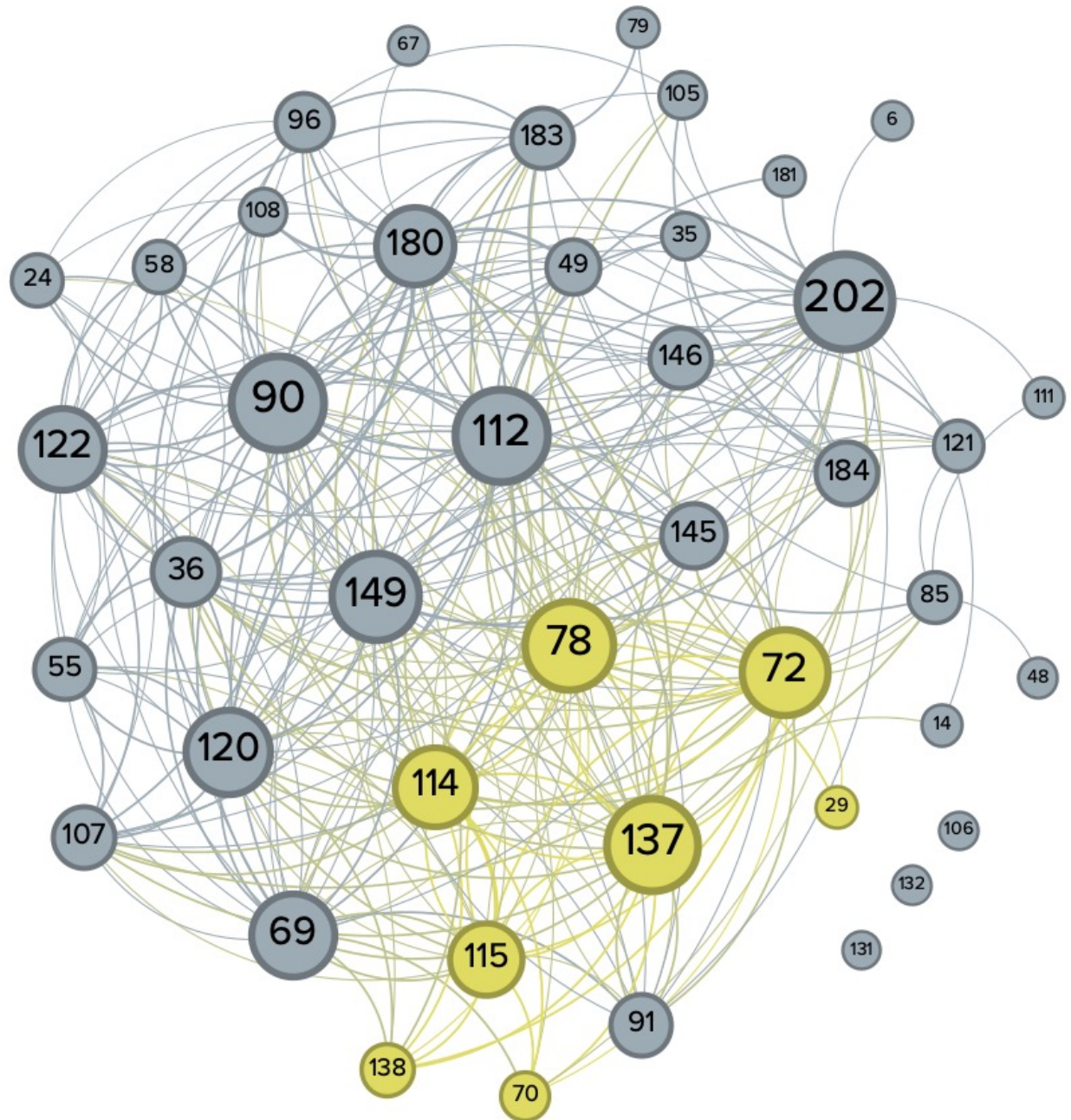
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- 29 Coast Salish Youth Coalition
- 70 Island Primary Care - Orcas
- 72 Joyce L Sobel Family Resource Center
- 78 Lopez Island Family Resource Center
- 114 Orcas Community Resource Center
- 115 Orcas Island Health Care District
- 137 San Juan County Health & Community Services
- 138 San Juan EMS

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- 6 Baron Visuals
- 14 Best Dental Help
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- 35 Community to Community
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Skagit County

ID Organization

- 3 Anacortes Family Center
- 4 Anacortes Fire Department
- 5 Anacortes School District
- 17 Burlington Lutheran Church
- 18 City of Burlington
- 31 Community Action of Skagit County
- 37 Consistent Care
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- 92 Mount Baker Presbyterian Church
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- 128 Recovery Café Skagit

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- 143 Skagit County Public Health
- 144 Skagit Gleaners
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- 150 Skagit YMCA
- 159 Swinomish Indian Tribal Community
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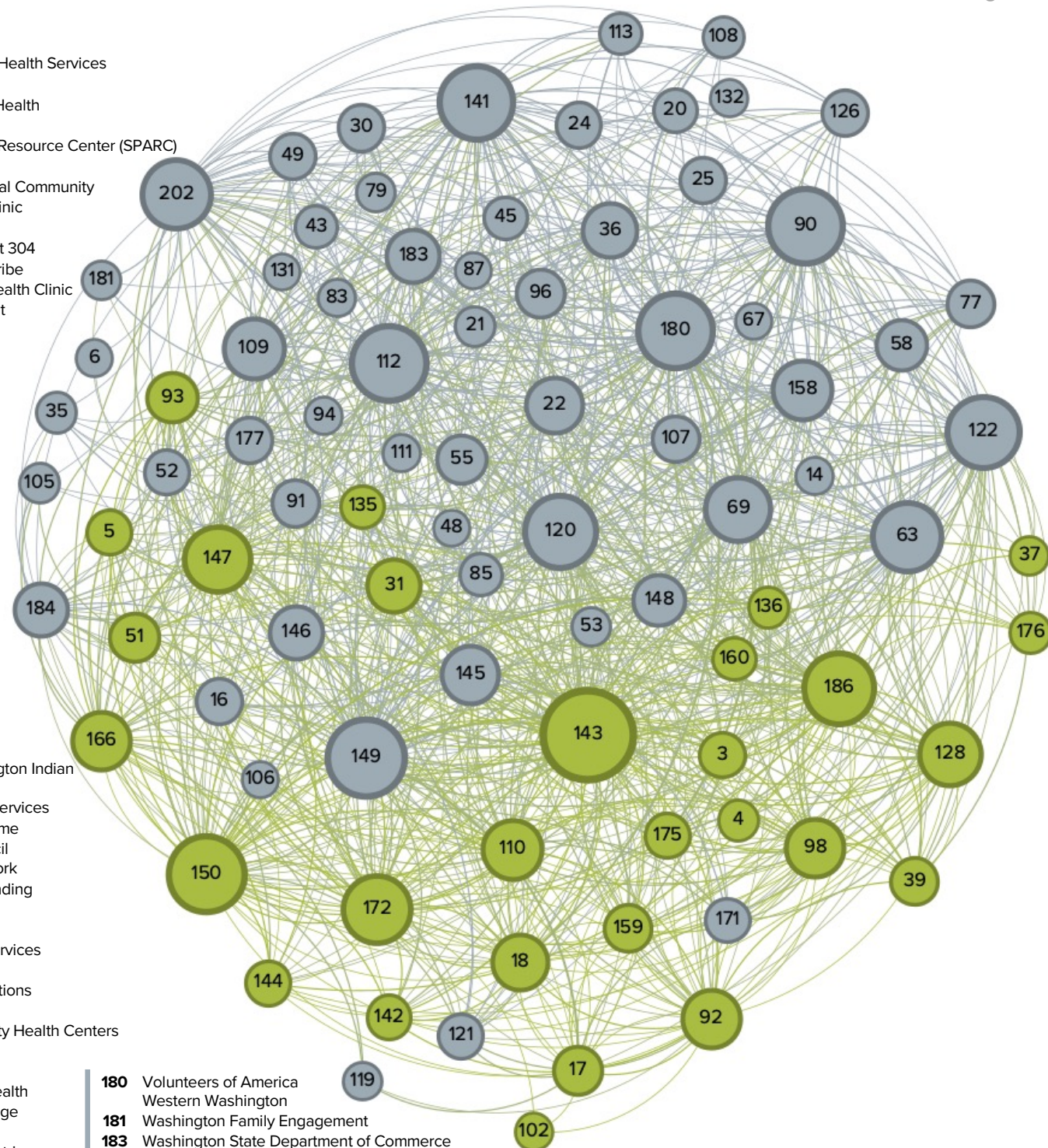
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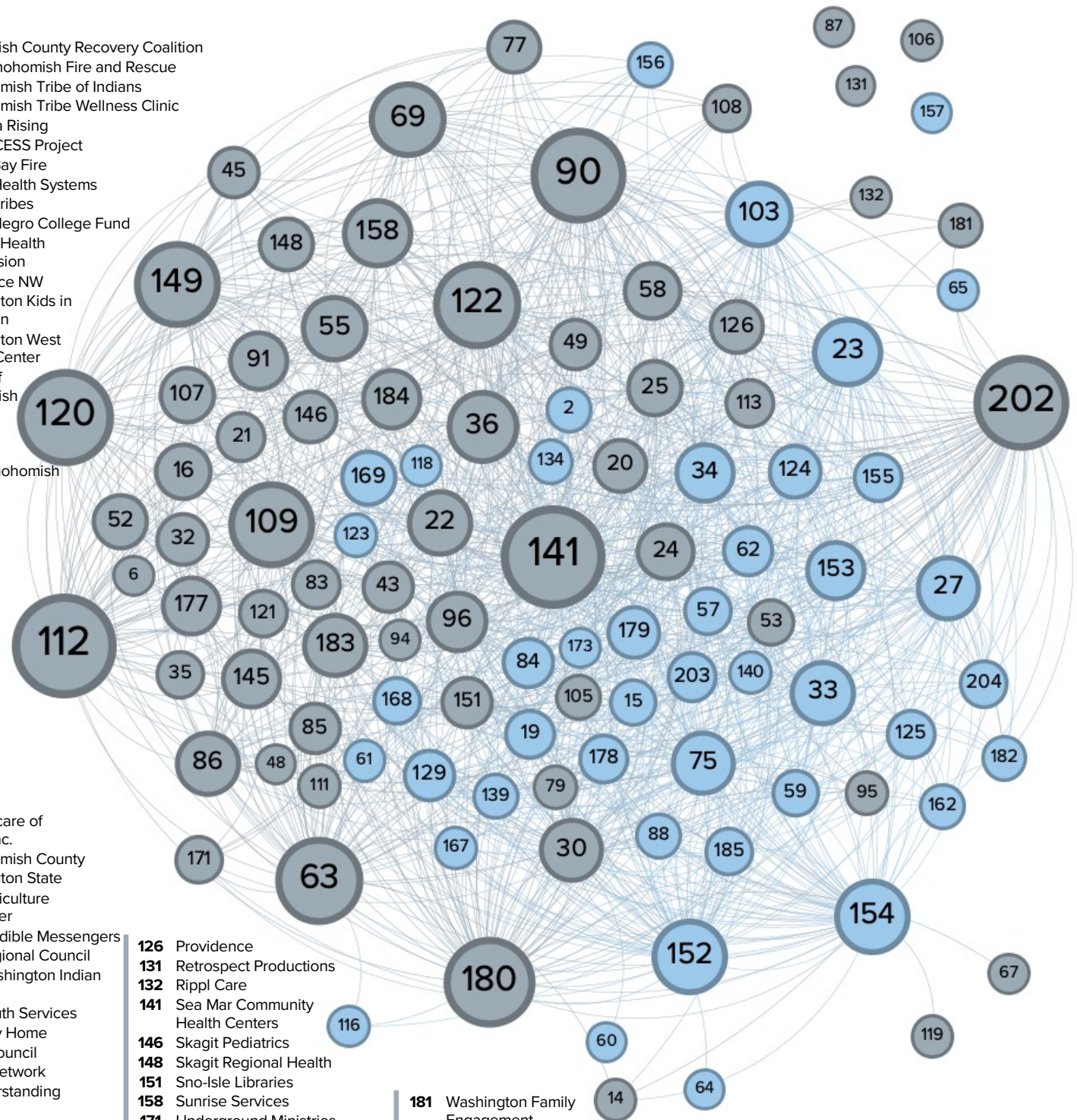
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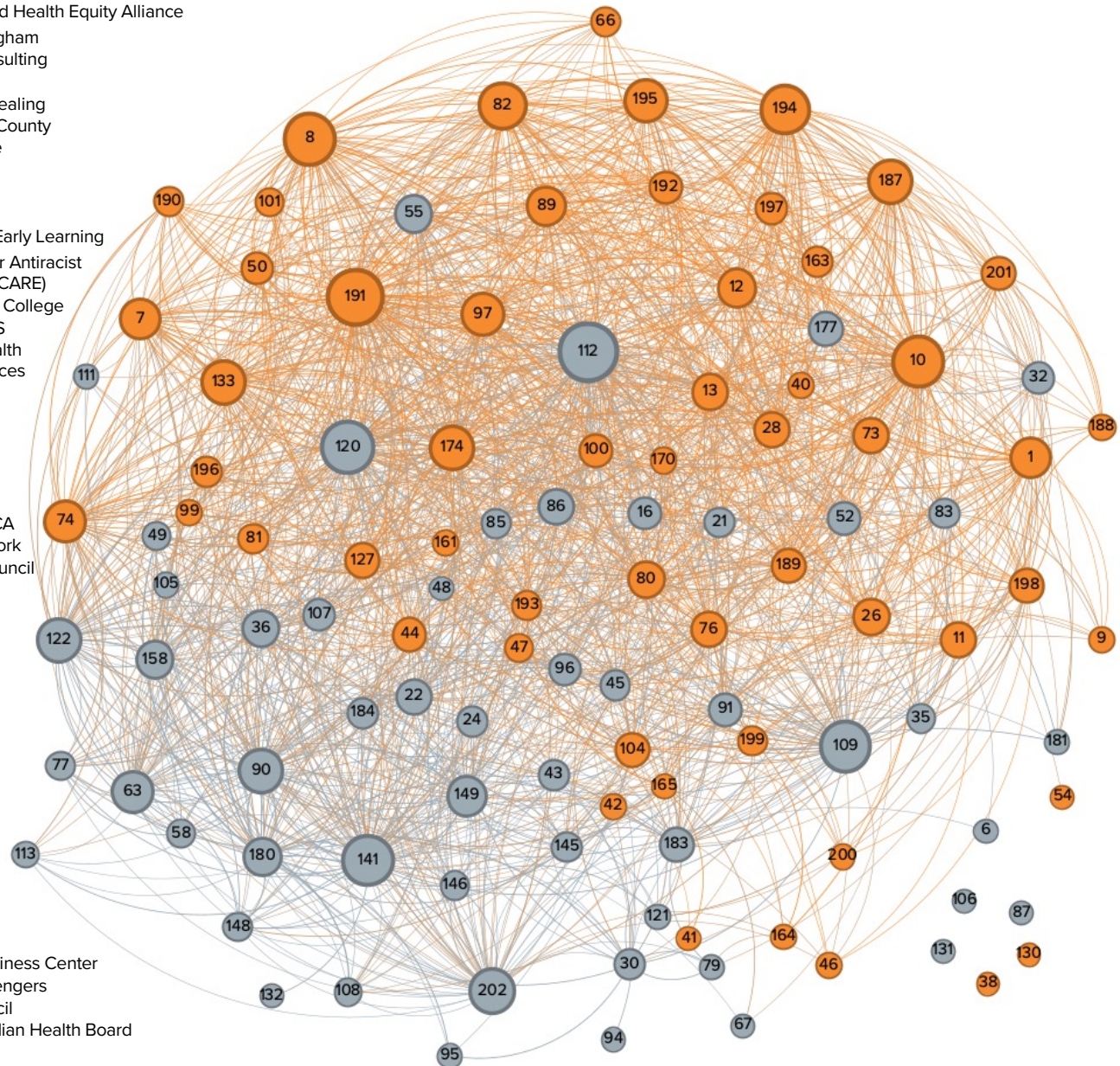
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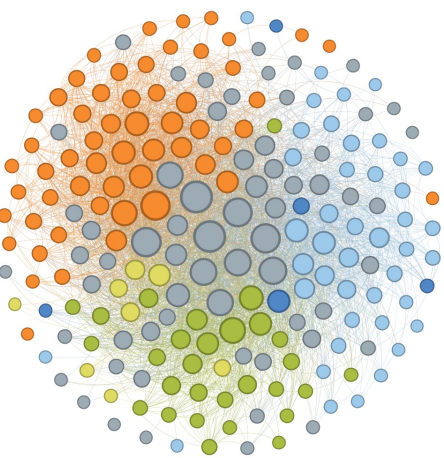


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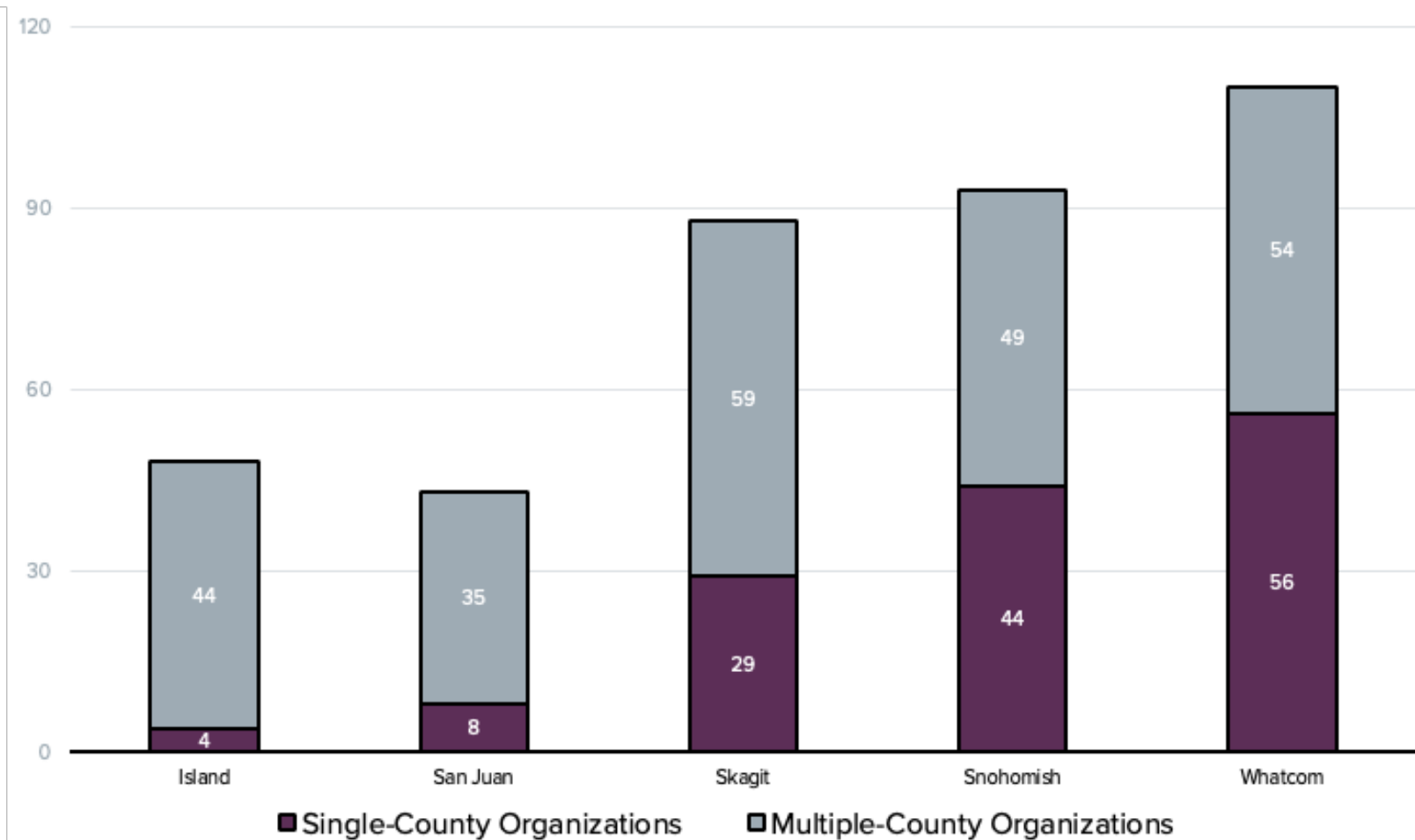
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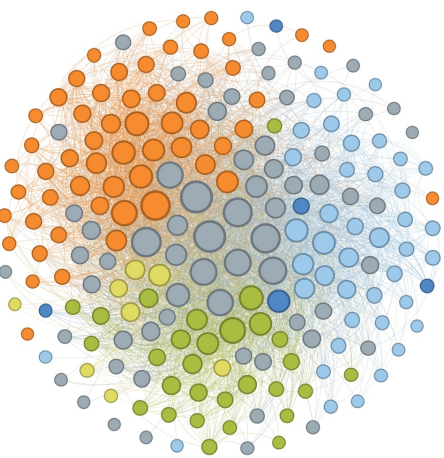


Island and San Juan Counties are under-represented in overall Network membership

Organizations that serve multiple counties make up the majority of Network partners in all counties except for Whatcom. This is especially true in Island and San Juan counties, where local organizations make up a small portion of the county's overall network.

Number of Network partners serving each county

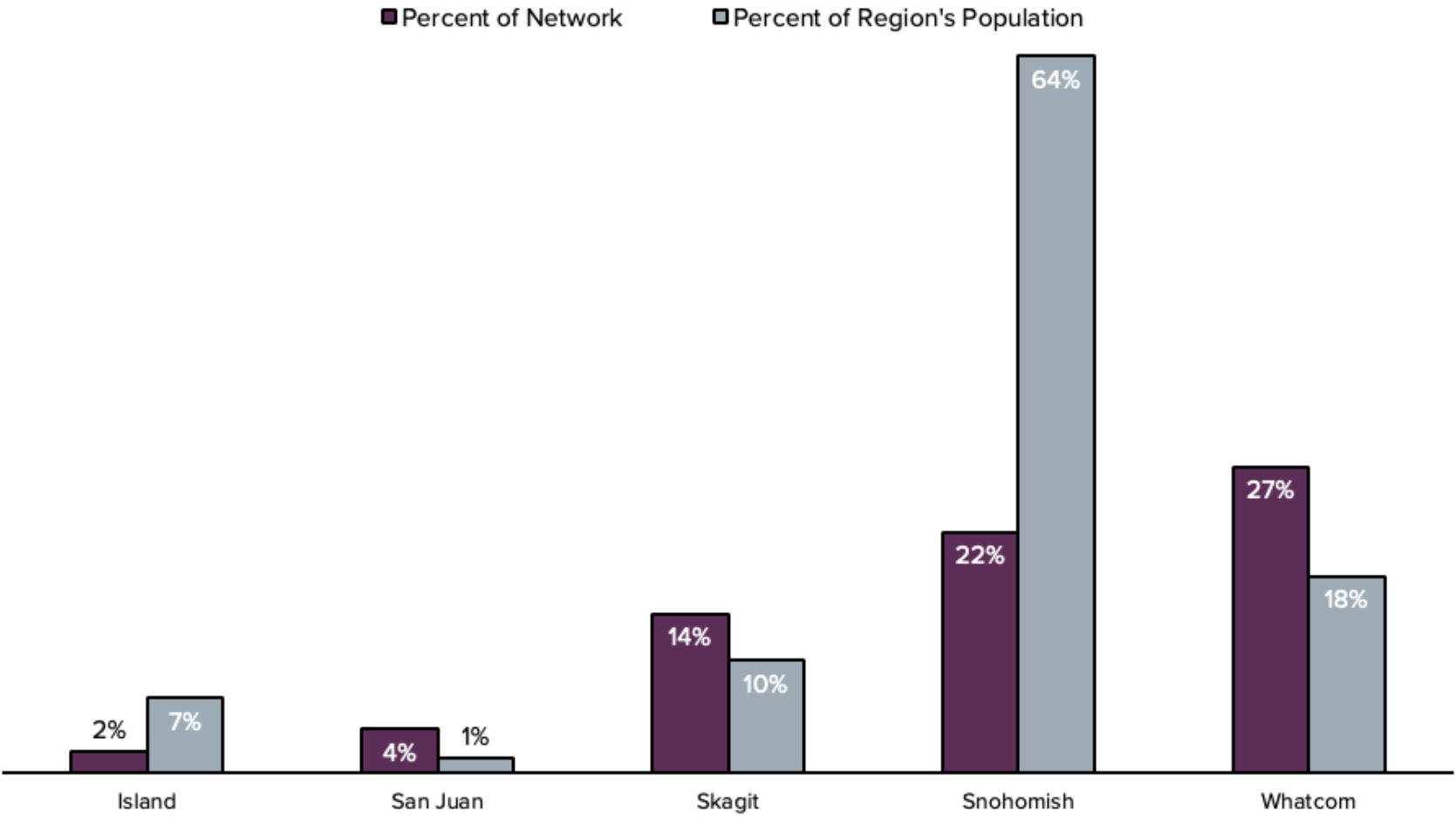




Island and Snohomish Counties are under-represented in the Collaborative Action Network when compared to their population

Snohomish County, with a population of 827,957, makes up 64% of the North Sound Region's total population, yet organizations that serve only Snohomish County make up just 22% of the Collaborative Action Network. Island County, while a lower share of the region's total population, is similarly under-represented when compared to the wider Network.

County's percent of the Network compared to regional population





Collaborative Action Network:

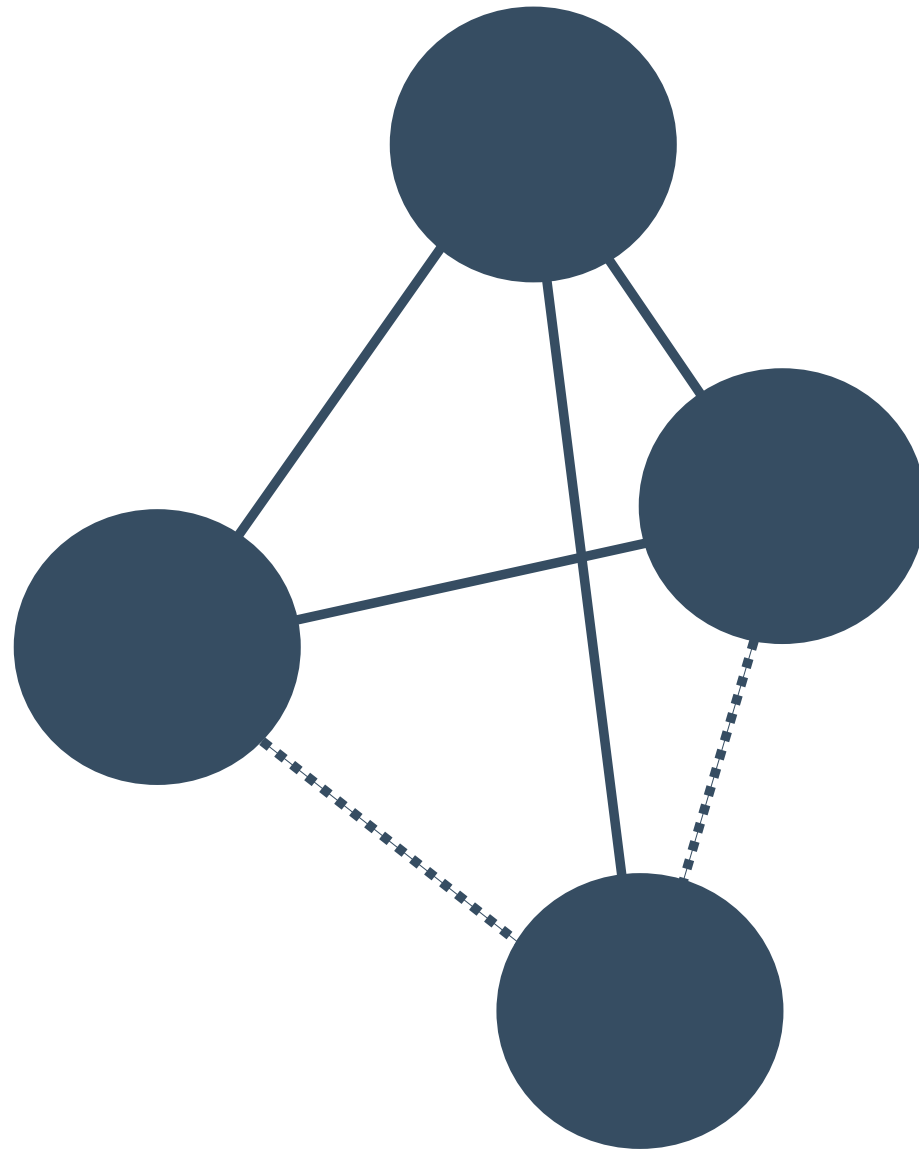
Network Density

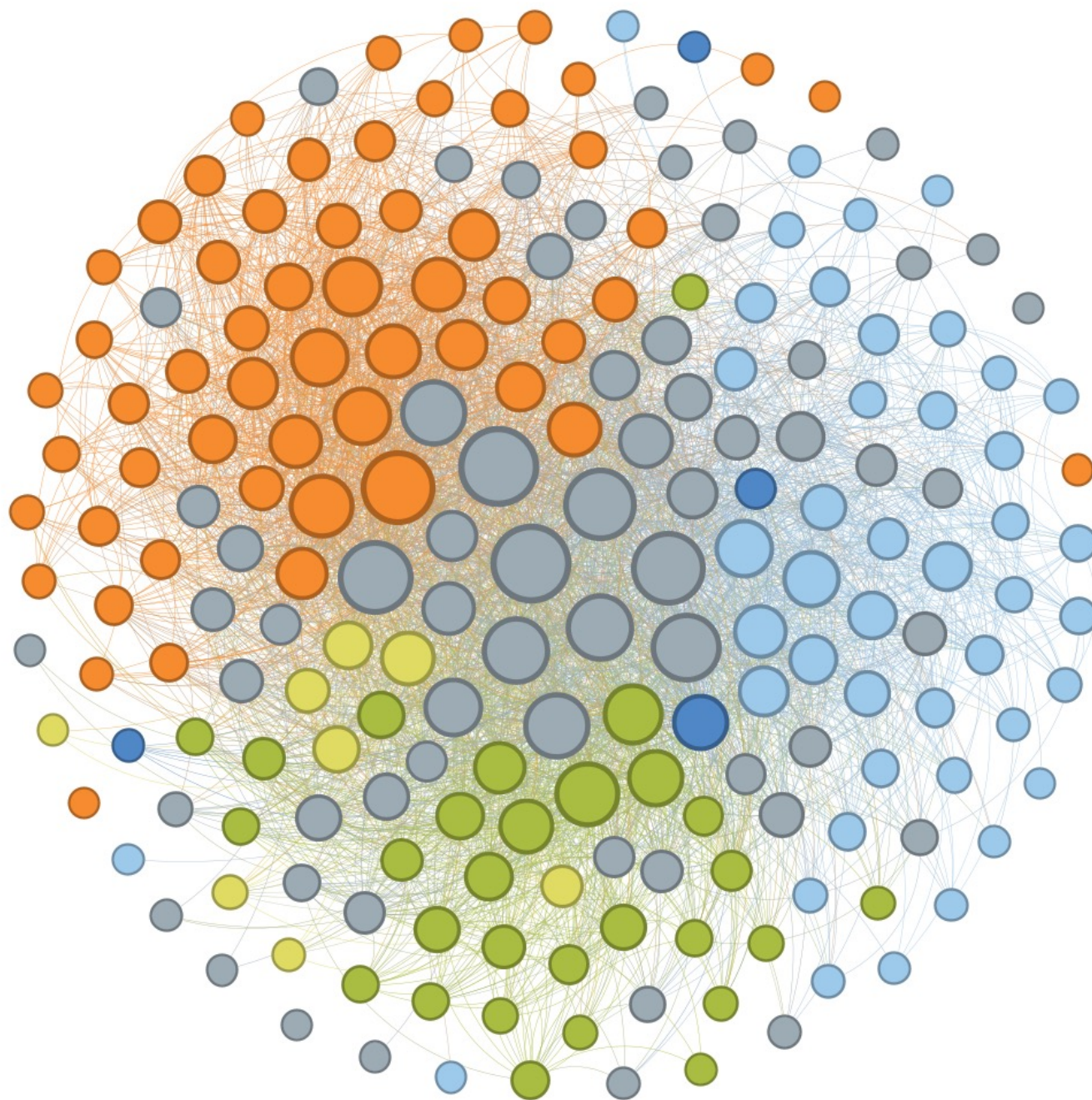
What is network density?

The density of a network is the percentage of total connections that are possible between every node in the network, and is found by dividing the number of existing connections by the total number of possible connections.

In this example there are four nodes, with existing connections shown as purple lines between the two nodes, and possible connections shown with grey dotted lines.

Four of the possible six connections have been made, so by dividing the existing and possible connections ($4/6$) we can determine that this network has a density of 0.66, or 66%.

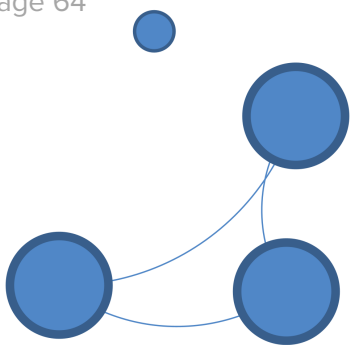




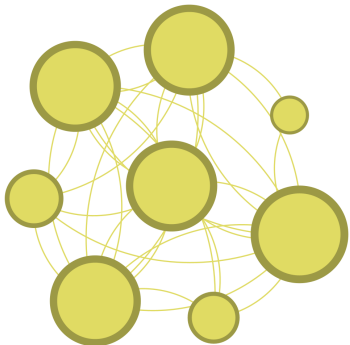
Collaborative Action Network density: **16%**

The Network as a whole is a low-density network, with 16% of the total possible connections between organizations reported. As the Network is an affiliation of many different organizations and sectors spanning multiple counties, a lower density is not unexpected.

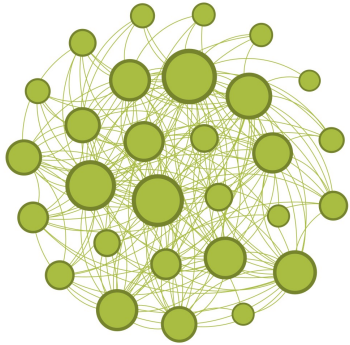
Actors in a low-density network tend to experience more freedom and flexibility, though some actors may experience isolation from the greater network and face barriers to collaboration and communication.



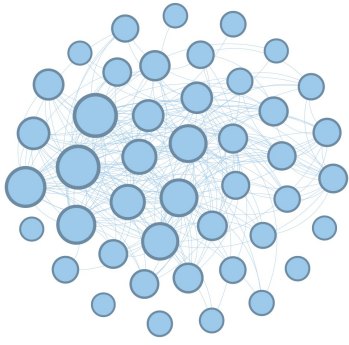
Island County
density:
50%



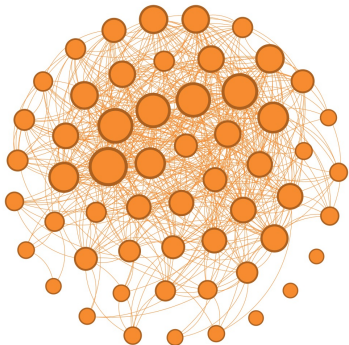
San Juan County
density:
75%



Skagit County
density:
42%

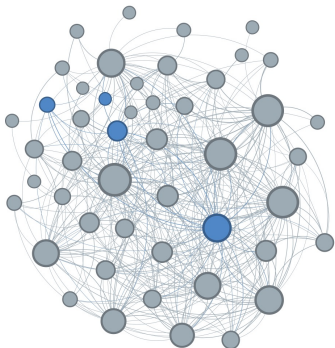


Snohomish
County density:
24%

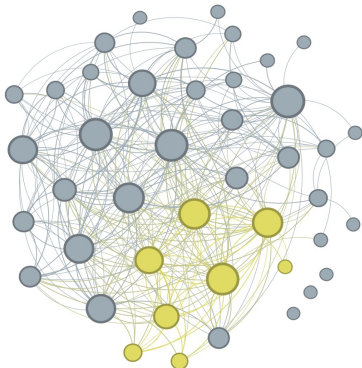


Whatcom County
density:
33%

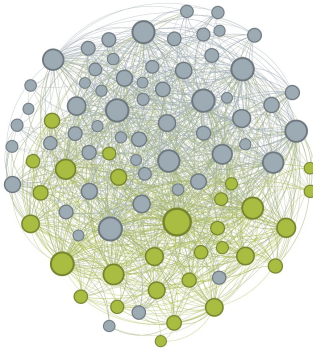
Island and
multiple county
density:
27%



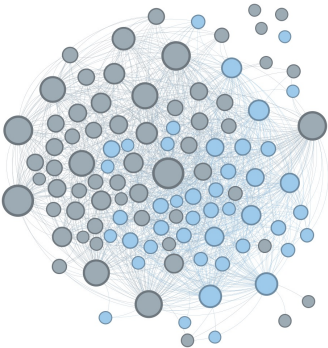
San Juan and
multiple county
density:
28%



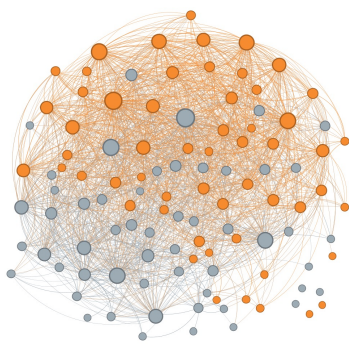
Skagit and
multiple county
density:
25%



Snohomish and
multiple county
density:
19%



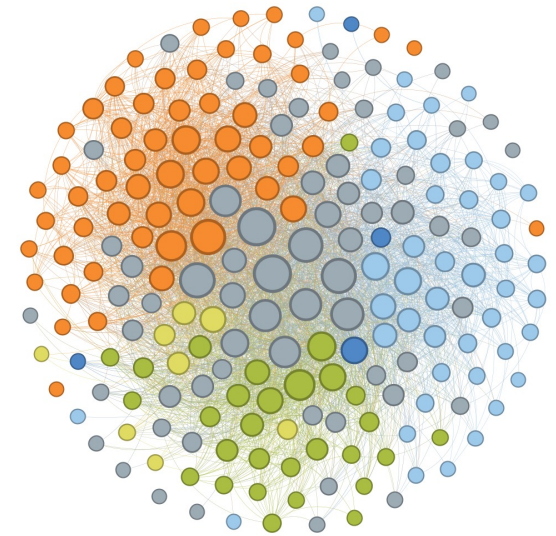
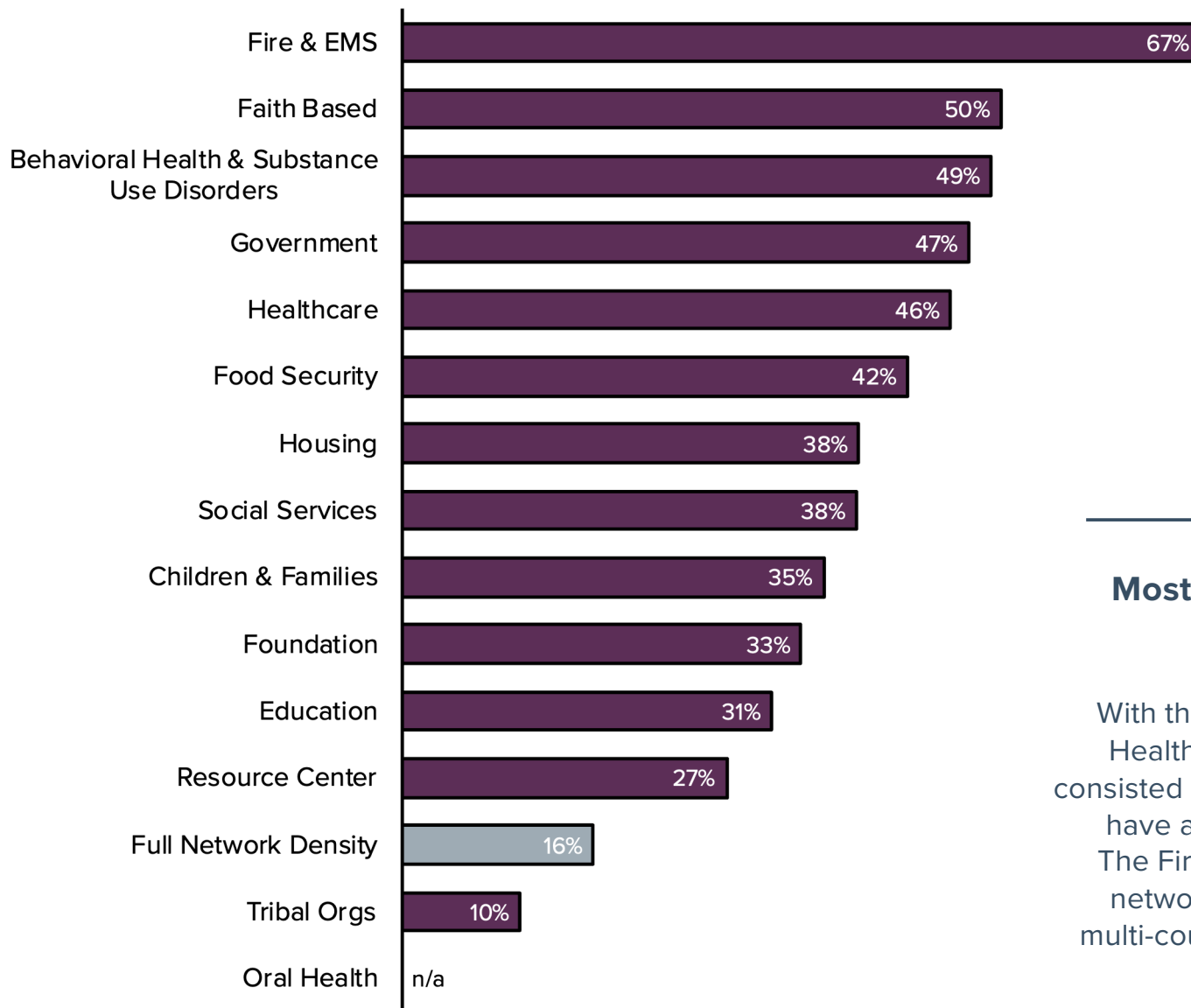
Whatcom and
multiple county
density:
25%



More collaboration is happening within counties than between counties.

At a county level, networks are more dense when they only include local organizations (organizations that serve only one county) as opposed to when they include local and multi-county organizations. This is most clear in San Juan County, where 75% of the connections between local organizations in the Collaborative Action Network have been realized, but far fewer of the connections with multi-county organizations exist.

Density of Network sectors



Most sector networks have a higher density than the full Network

With the exception of Tribal Organizations & Health Centers and Oral Health (which only consisted of one organization), sector networks have a higher density than the full Network. The Fire & EMS sector is the highest density network, despite the fact that it contains no multi-county organizations to aid connections across counties.





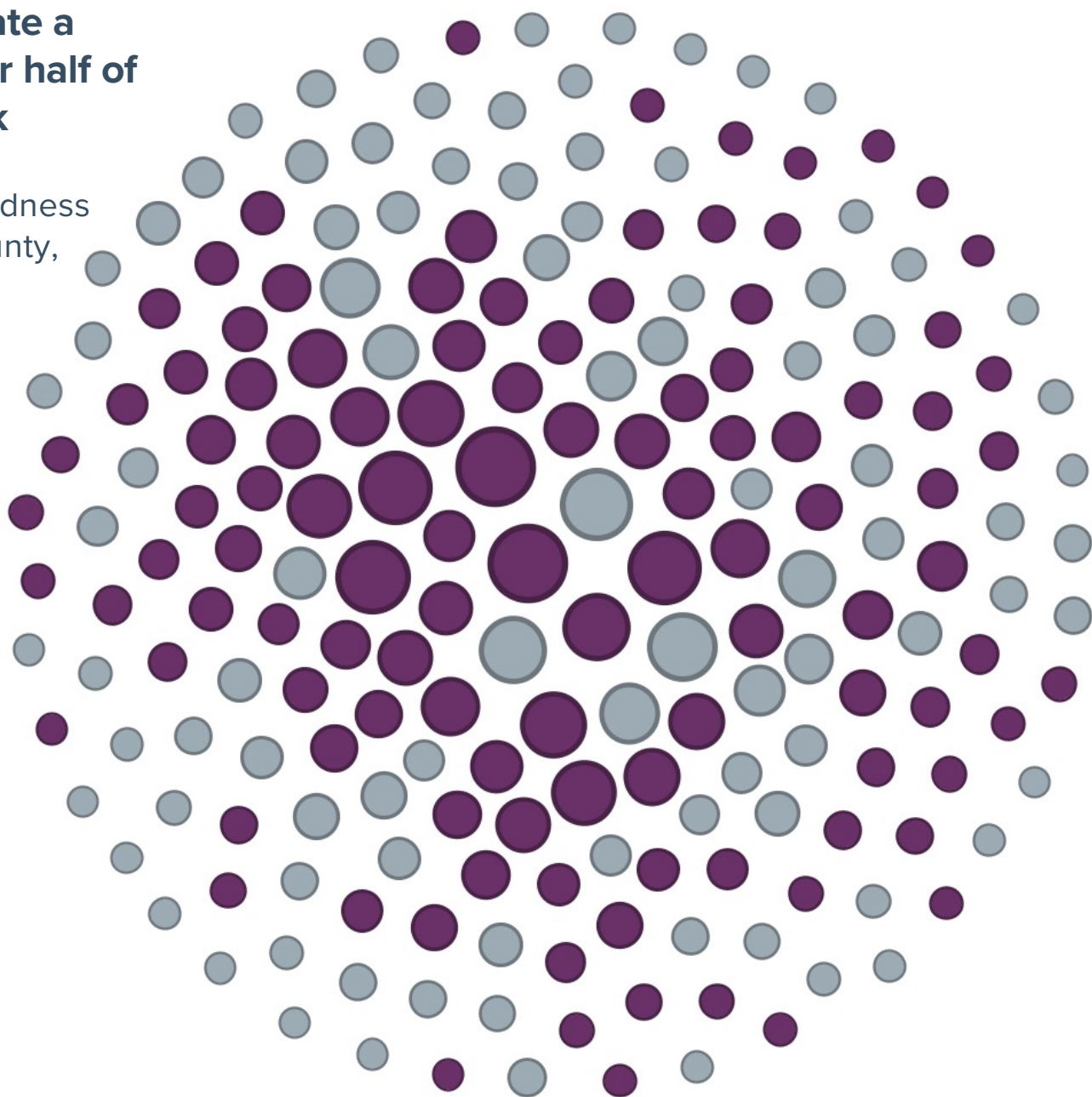
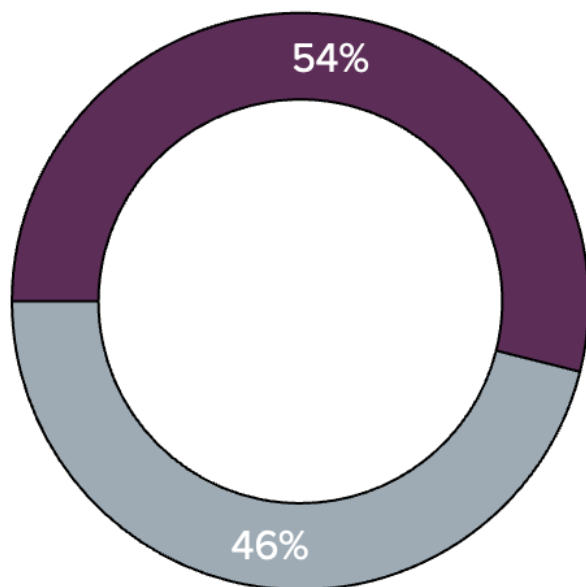
Collaborative Action Network:

Collaboration & Connection

North Sound ACH helped facilitate a connection either to or from over half of the organizations in the Network

Organizations at all levels of connectedness in the Network, as well as in every county, reported that North Sound ACH had helped them to connect to another Network partner in some capacity.

■ ACH aided connection ■ ACH did not aid connection



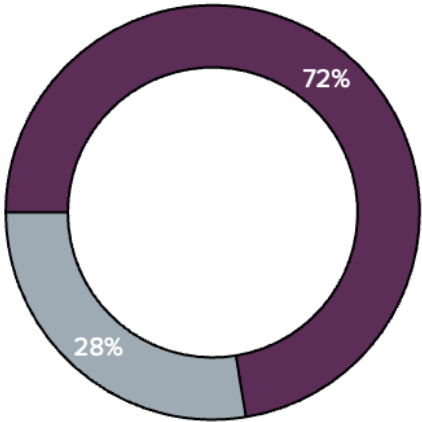
Most ACH-aided connections were cross-county connections.

North Sound ACH plays an important role as a regional connector, helping partner organizations expand their networks beyond county borders. Of the 156 connections that were reported to be aided by North Sound ACH, 72% were connections formed between organizations across counties.



Types of connections facilitated by North Sound ACH

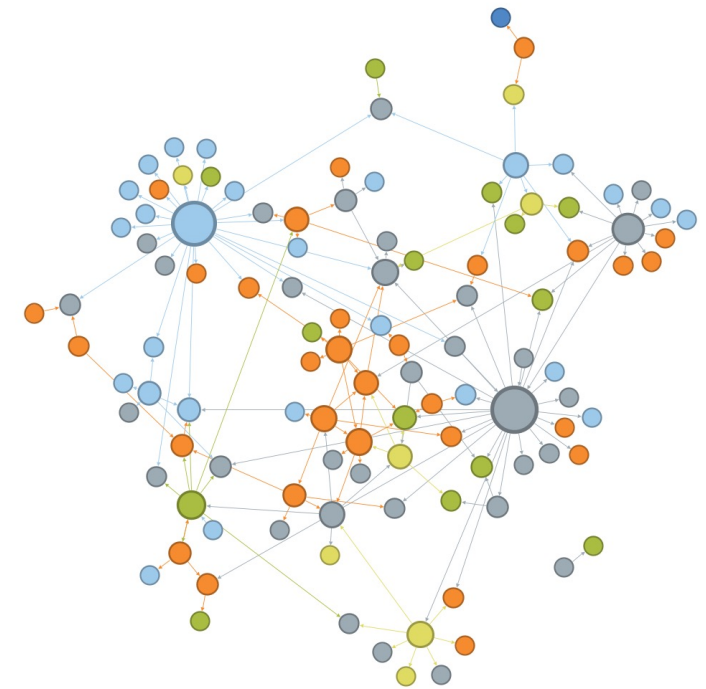
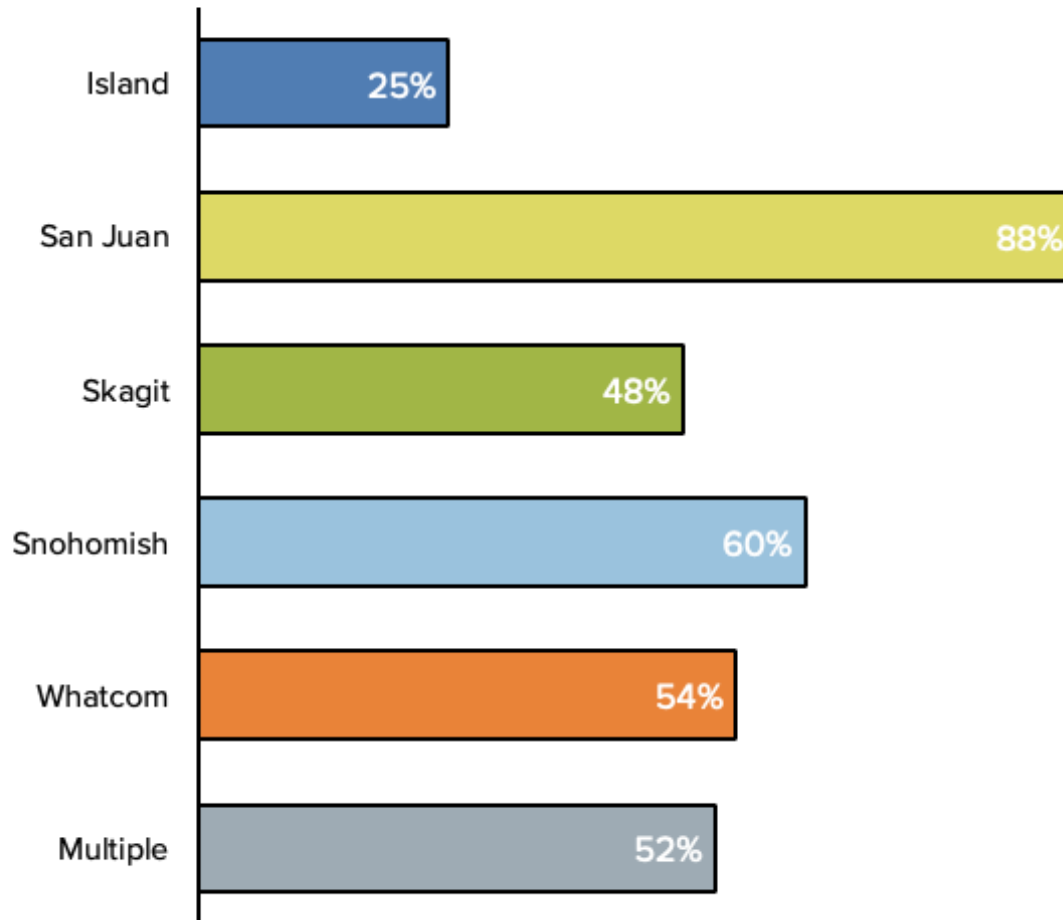
- Between Counties
- Within Counties



- Island County
- San Juan County
- Skagit County
- Snohomish County
- Whatcom County
- Multiple Counties

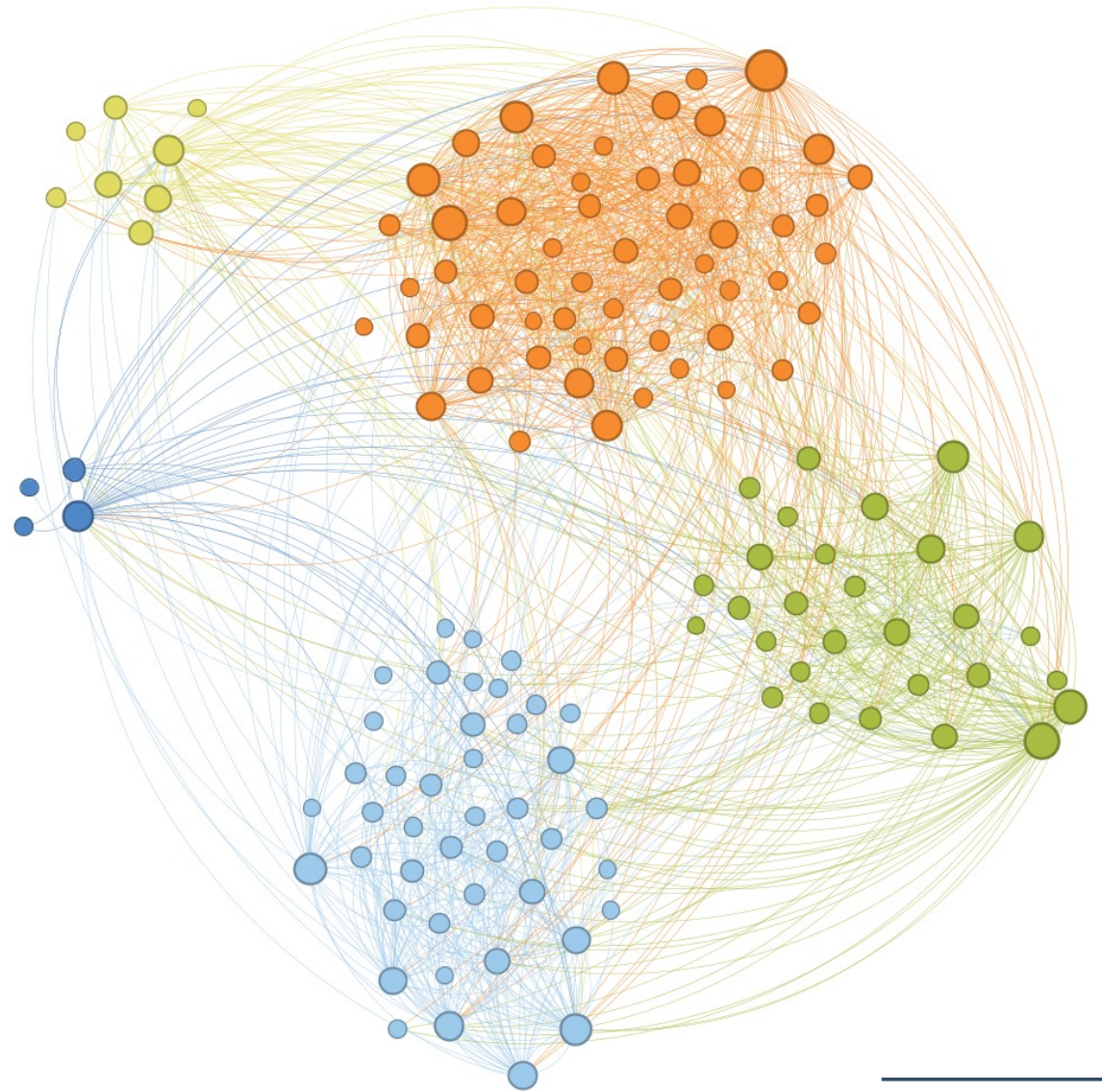


Percentage of Network organizations aided in a connection by North Sound ACH - by county



ACH support in connection building was relatively consistent – with two exceptions

Generally speaking, North Sound ACH assisted about half of the partner organizations in each county with a connection to another Network partner. The two exceptions were in Island and San Juan counties, which reported much lower and higher rates of assistance, respectively.



Multi-county organizations help to bind the Network more closely together.

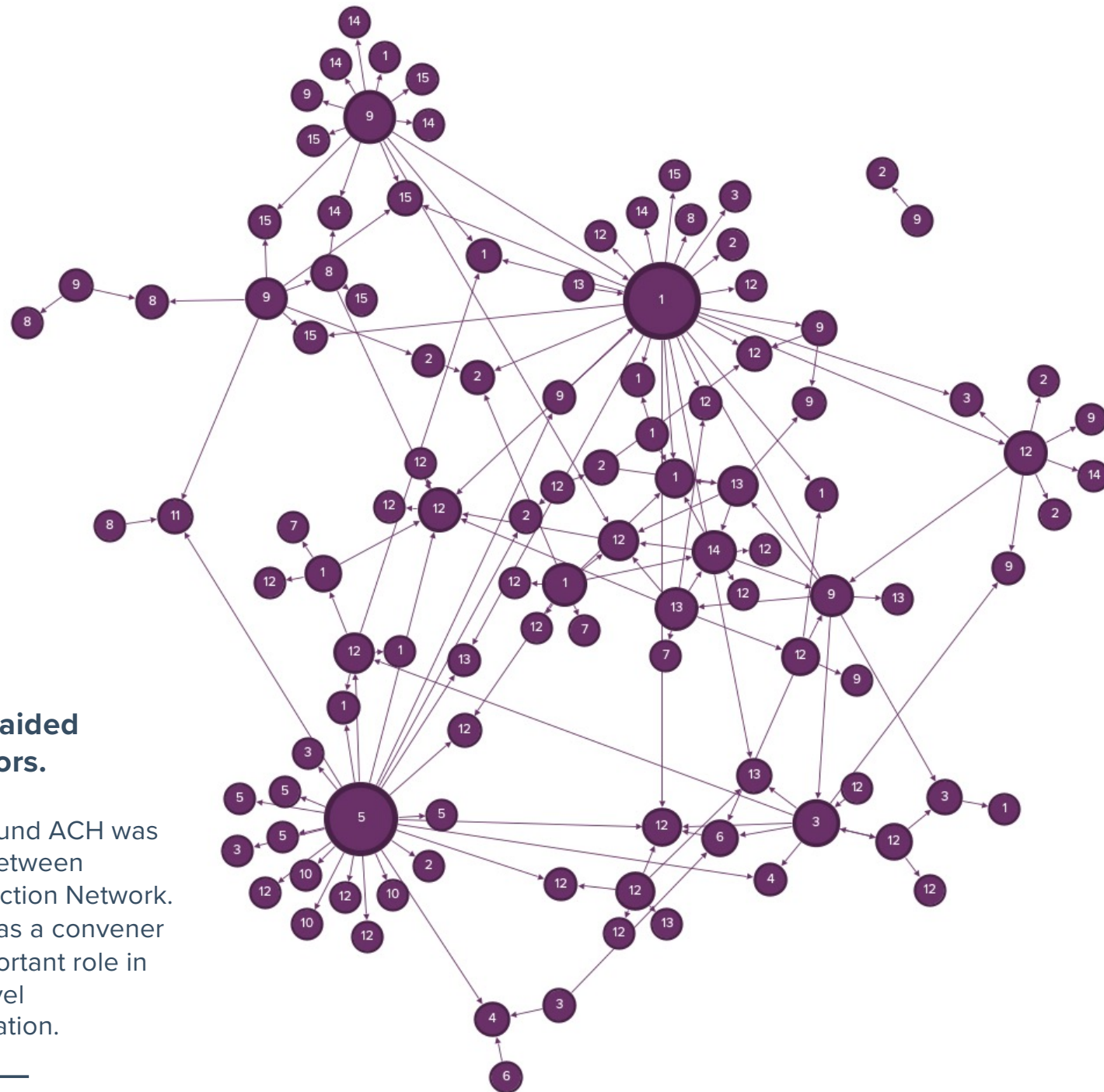
The network's diameter increases from 4 to 5 when multi-county organizations are removed from the network, and the average path length increases from 1.96 to 2.15. While multi-county organizations do not increase the density of internal county networks, they do make a meaningful difference in facilitating connections between counties.

ID Sector

- 1 Behavioral Health & SUD
- 2 Children & Families
- 3 Education
- 4 Faith-Based
- 5 Fire & EMS
- 6 Food Security
- 7 Foundation
- 8 Government
- 9 Healthcare Provider
- 10 Housing
- 11 Oral Health
- 12 Resource Center
- 13 Social Services
- 14 Tribal Organizations & Health Centers
- 15 Tribes

A majority of North Sound ACH-aided connections were between sectors.

Of all of the connections that North Sound ACH was reported to help facilitate, 85% were between different sectors of the Collaborative Action Network. In addition to North Sound ACH's role as a convener across geography, it also plays an important role in bridging sectors together, creating novel opportunities for cross-sector collaboration.





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