

Introduction

How the survey was conducted:

A mail was sent to developers@ asking people to raise all the topics that they believe the Foundation should focus on doing and/or funding.

A curated list of all the topics raised was put into a form and the same people (developers@) were asked to rank them.

This absolutely is not meant to tell the Foundation what they should be doing, but more to communicate what the community of developers (limited to the people behind developers@) understands about the role of the Foundation and what developers expect from the Foundation.

Note: for the ordered list, the tool randomized the order of topics for each person to limit bias.

Survey Results:

We got 65 voters!

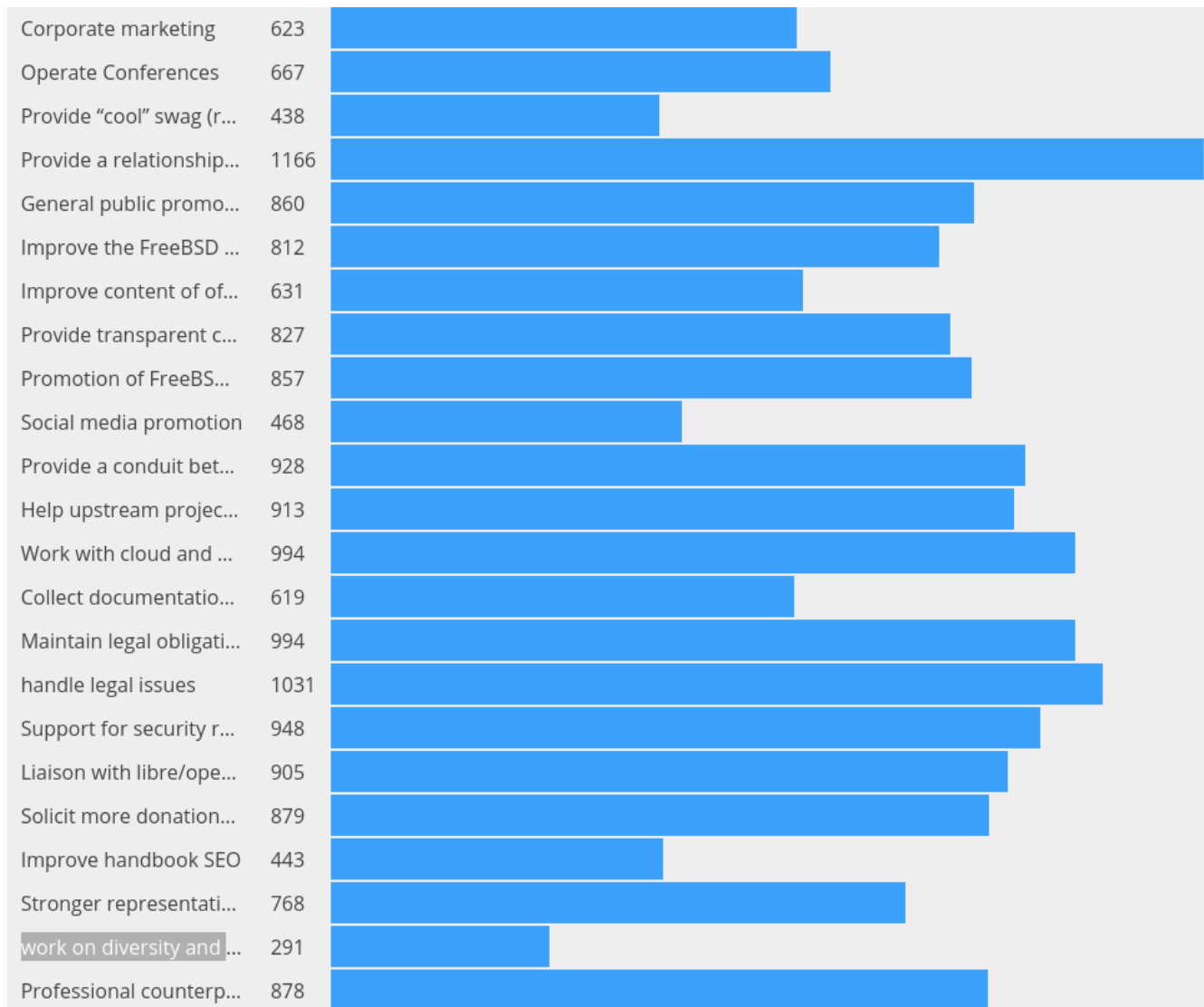
What should the foundation focus on

(ordering with condorcet method schulze)

1. Provide a relationship between vendors and developers (for specs, hardware, NDA execution): 1166
2. handle legal issues: 1031
3. Work with cloud and VM hosts to ensure they provide FreeBSD options (Hetzner, OVHCloud, Digital Ocean etc.) 994
4. Maintain legal obligations (copyrights, trademarks, other IP)
5. Support for security response 948
6. Provide a conduit between funders and developers seeking sponsorship, especially small sponsorships (e.g. personal development server) 928
7. Help upstream projects connect with FreeBSD developers 913
8. Liaison with libre/open computer makers (desktops/laptops/embedded) to improve support for FreeBSD 905
9. Solicit more donations / enhanced fundraising 879
10. Professional counterparty to companies: relationship, guide contributions and interaction with the project 878
11. General public promotion of and advocacy for FreeBSD 860
12. Promotion of FreeBSD to students via Universities, Colleges, Schools 857
13. Provide transparent calls for funding 827
14. Improve the FreeBSD desktop experience 812
15. Stronger representation of the FreeBSD project in relevant non-BSD events 768

- 16. Operate Conferences 667
- 17. Improve content of official documentation 631
- 18. Corporate marketing 623
- 19. Collect documentation and turn it into official docs, make sure they are indexed 619
- 20. Help upstream projects connect with FreeBSD developers 613
- 21. Social media promotion 468
- 22. Improve handbook SEO 443
- 23. Provide “cool” swag (refreshed FreeBSD Mall, branded products) 438
- 24. work on diversity and inclusion initiatives 291

Raw results:

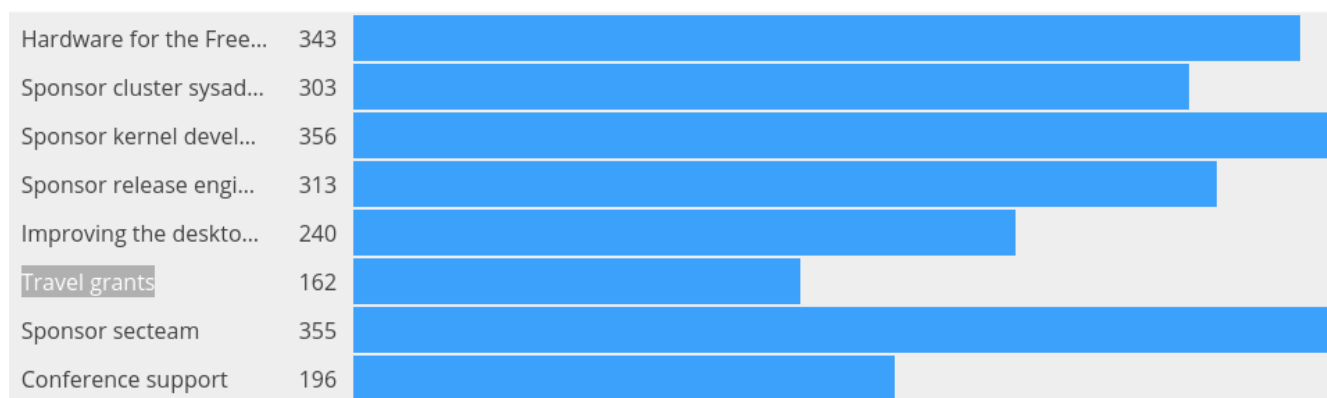


What should the foundation provide funds for:

(ordering with condorcet method schulze)

1. Sponsor kernel development 356
2. Sponsor secteam 355
3. Hardware for the FreeBSD cluster 343
4. Sponsor release engineering 313
5. Sponsor cluster sysadmins 303
6. Improving the desktop experience 240
7. Conference support 196
8. Travel grants 152

Raw results: (note 2 persons did not reply)

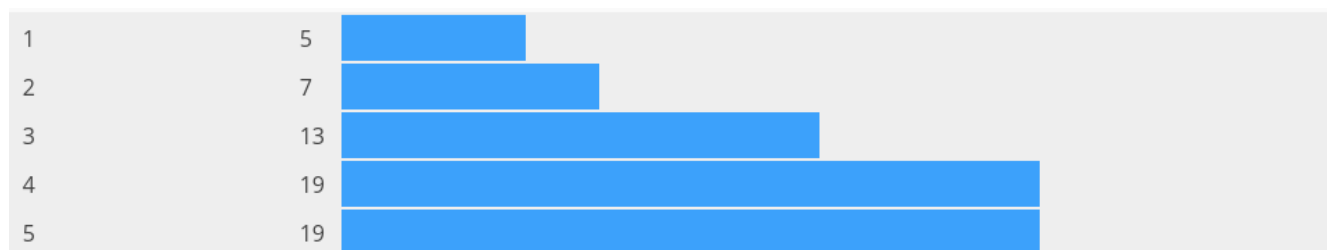


Rate the importance of funding

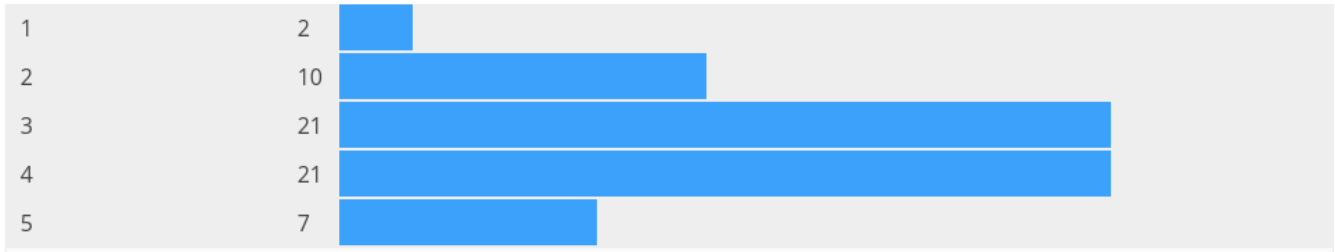
1 being the less important, 5 the most important

(Note that 1 person did not reply)

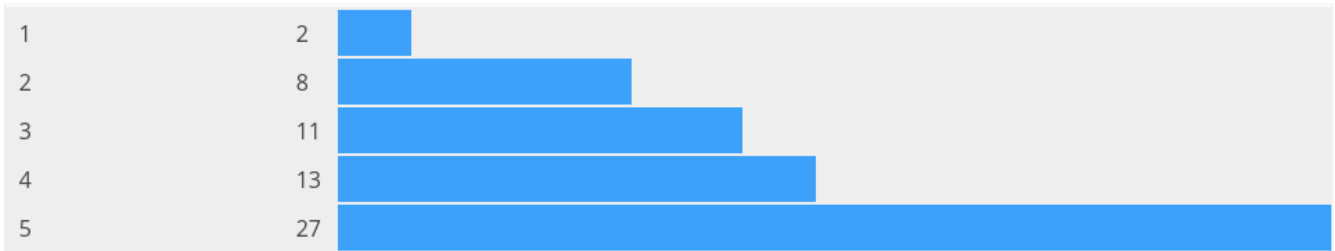
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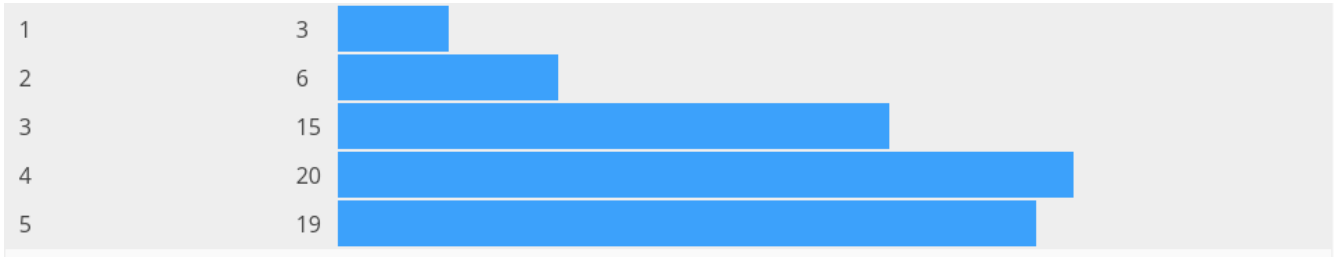
Sponsor cluster sysadmins



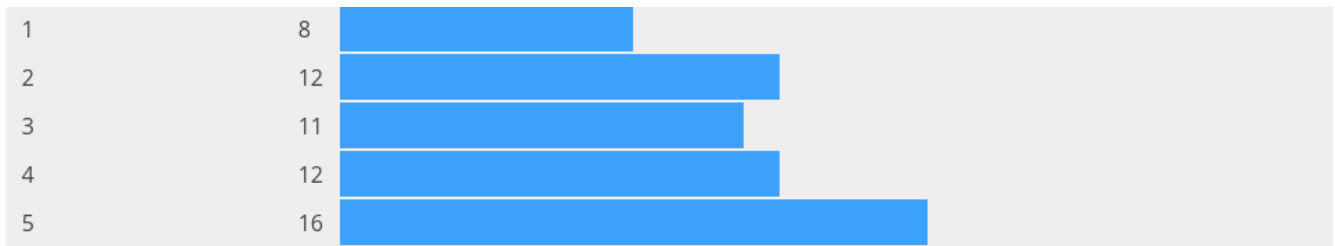
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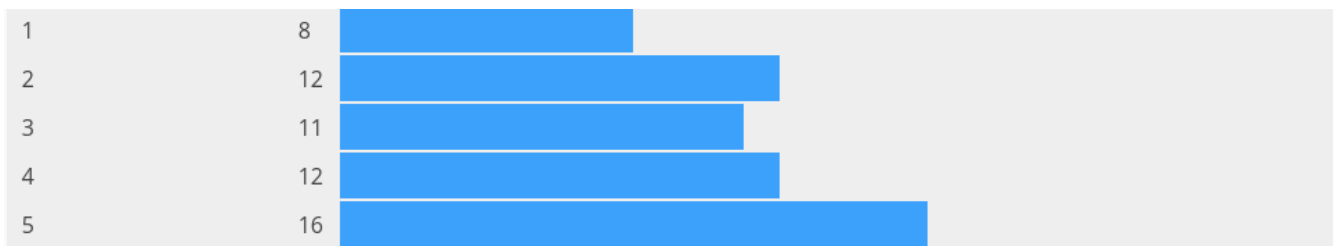
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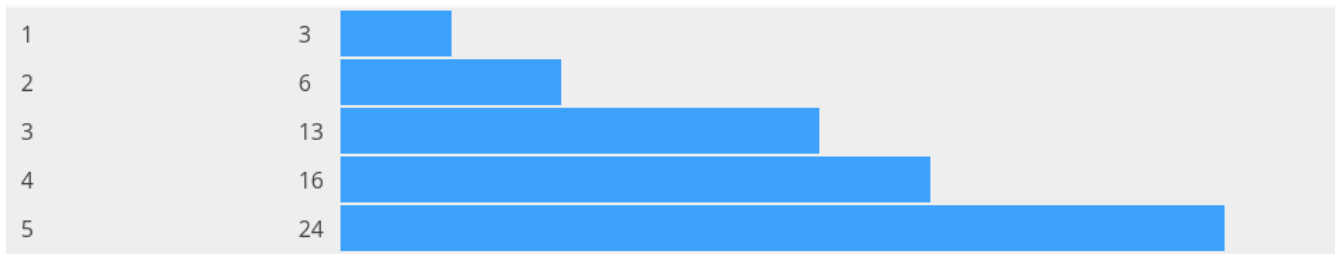
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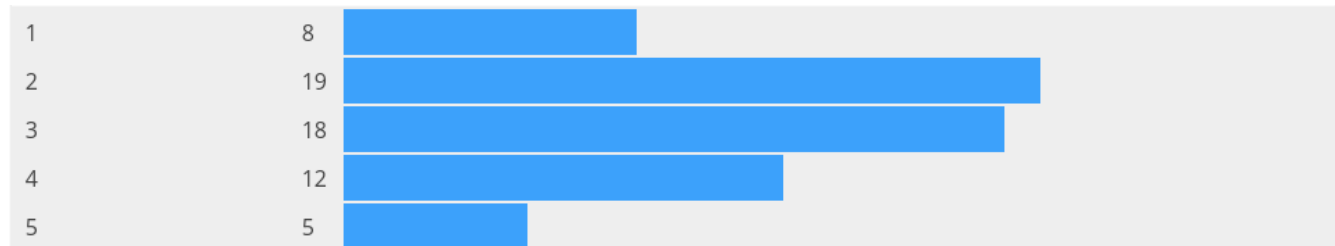
Travel Grants



Sponsor Secteam



Conference Support



Do you trust the current organization

(Note that 1 person did not reply)

