

Summary

On April 24, 2023 a community survey opened to the public to gather resident input concerning various topics in Minidoka County, Rupert, and Paul. The survey received 346 total responses. Of the total respondents, 105 live in Rupert, 45 in Paul, and 130 live outside of City Limits but within Minidoka County.

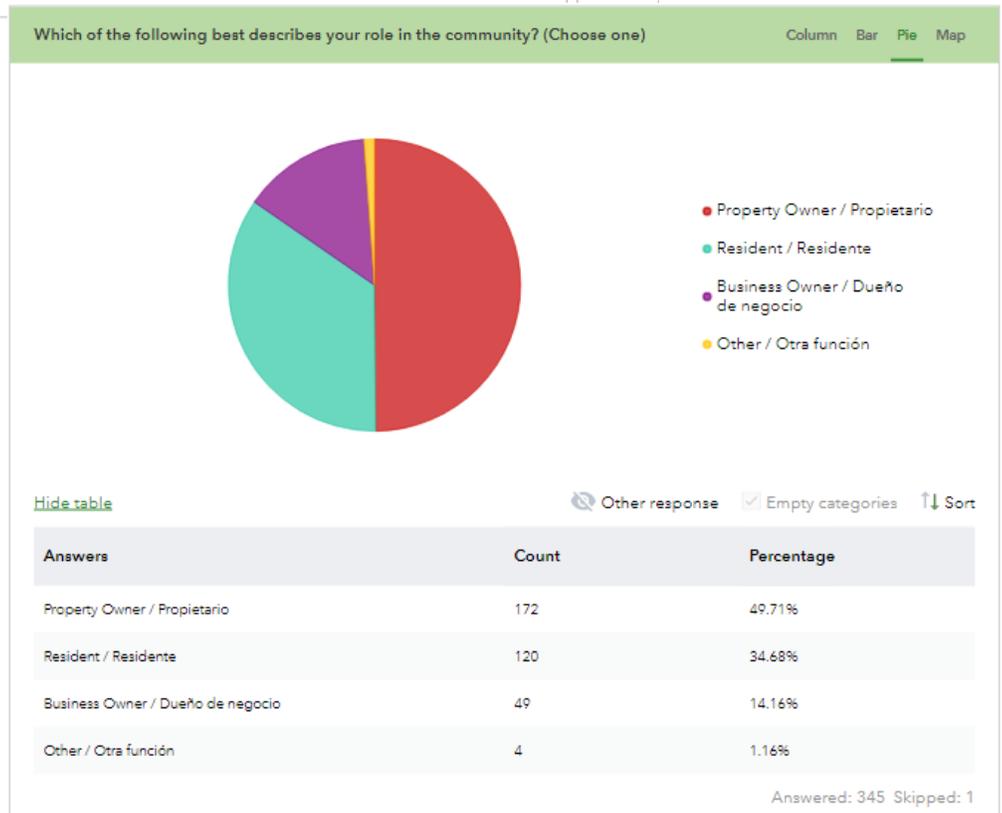
According to the survey, 61.85% of respondents have lived in the area for 20+ years and the majority of respondents were between the ages of 29 and 53.

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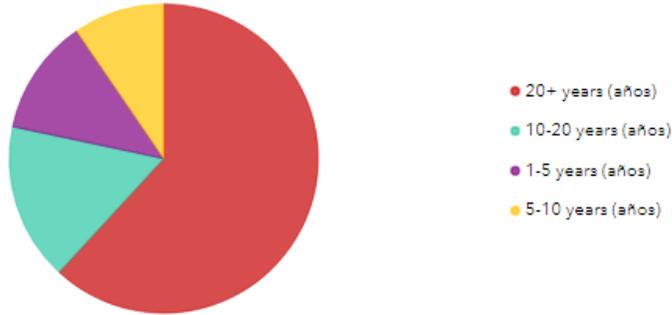


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How long have you lived in the area? (Choose one)

Column Bar Pie Map



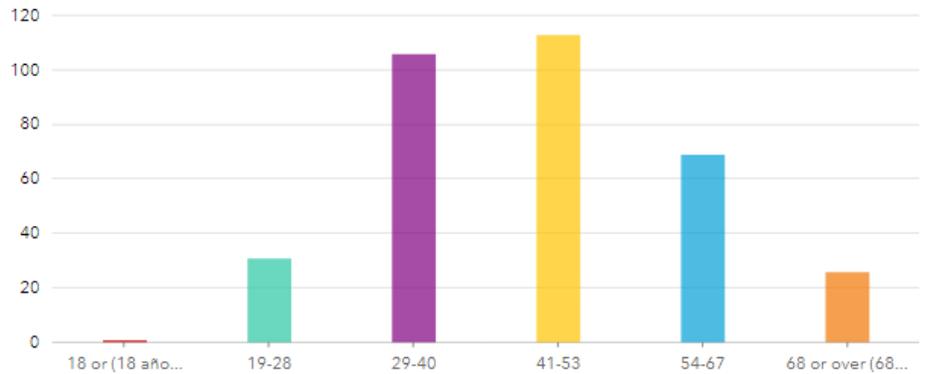
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Answers	Count	Percentage
20+ years (años)	214	61.85%
10-20 years (años)	57	16.47%
1-5 years (años)	42	12.14%
5-10 years (años)	33	9.54%

How old are you? (Choose one)

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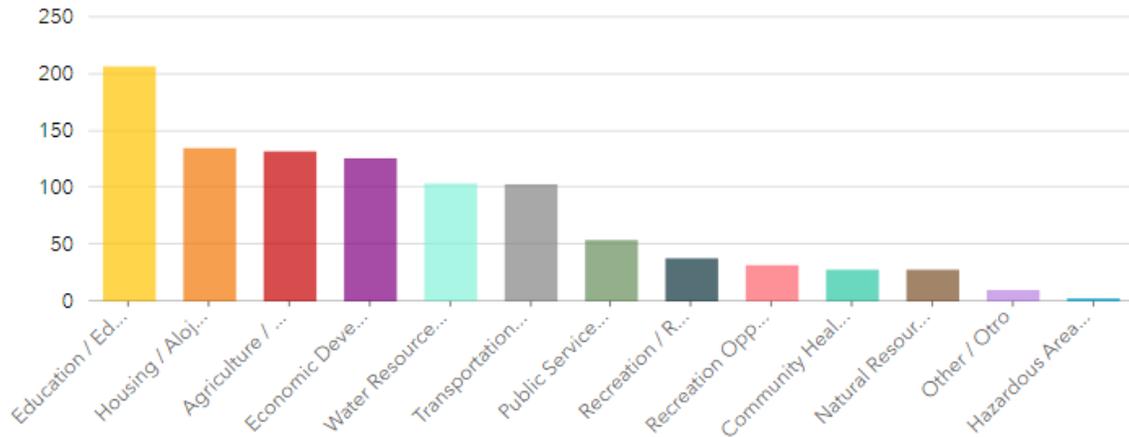
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Answers	Count	Percentage
18 or (18 años o menos)	1	0.29%
19-28	31	8.96%
29-40	106	30.64%
41-53	113	32.66%
54-67	69	19.94%
68 or over (68 o más)	26	7.51%

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What do you think are the top three areas of concern facing Minidoka County/Rupert/Paul in the next 10... Column Bar



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Answers	Count	Percentage
Education / Educación	207	59.83%
Housing / Alojamiento	135	39.02%
Agriculture / Agricultura	132	38.15%
Economic Development / Desarrollo Económico	126	36.42%
Water Resources / Recursos Hídricos	104	30.06%
Transportation (connectivity, roads, sidewalks, pathways)/Transporte (conectividad, carreteras, aceras, caminos)	103	29.77%
Public Services, Facilities and Utilities / Servicios Públicos, Instalaciones y Servicios Públicos	54	15.61%
Recreation / Recreación	38	10.98%
Recreation Opportunities / Oportunidades de recreación	32	9.25%
Community Health / Salud Comunitaria	28	8.09%
Natural Resources / Recursos Naturales	28	8.09%
Other / Otro	10	2.89%
Hazardous Areas / Zonas Peligrosas	3	0.87%

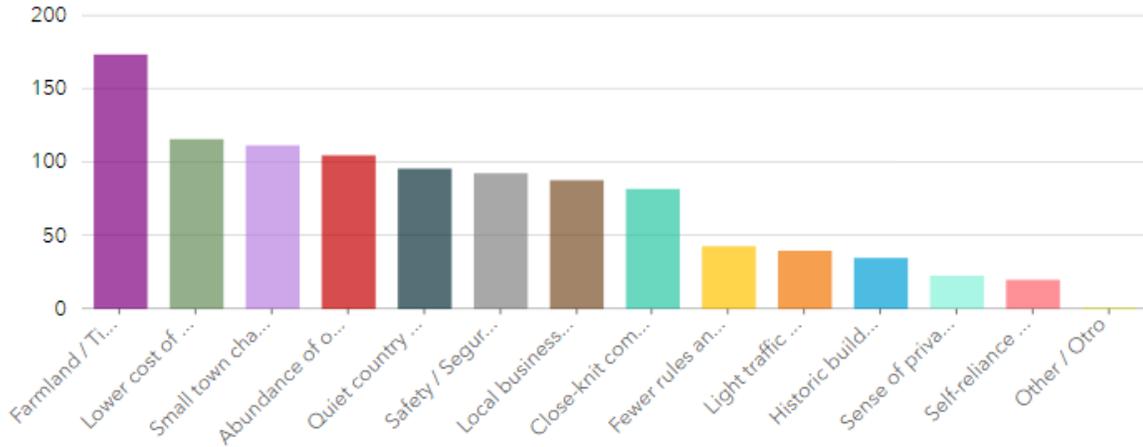
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What top three aspects of living in your city/county do you want to preserve? (Choose three)

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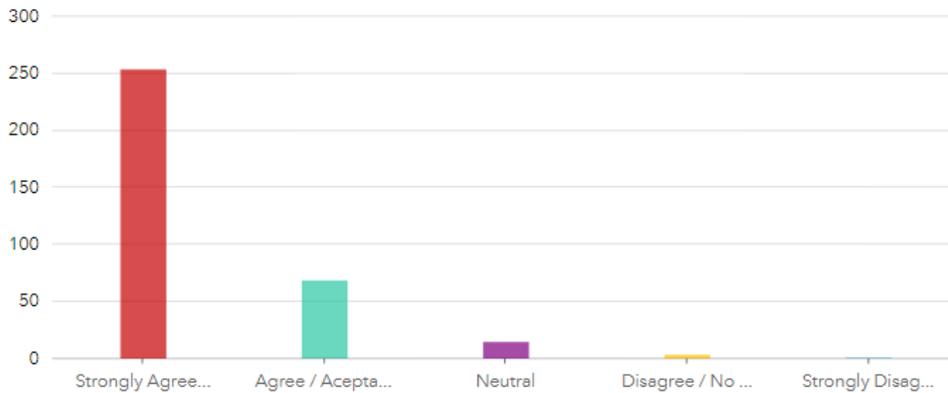
Answers	Count	Percentage
Farmland / Tierras de cultivo	174	50.29%
Lower cost of living / Menor coste de la vida	116	33.53%
Small town character / Carácter de pueblo pequeño	112	32.37%
Abundance of open space / Abundancia de espacios abiertos	105	30.35%
Quiet country life / Vida rural tranquila	96	27.75%
Safety / Seguridad	93	26.88%
Local businesses / Negocios locales	88	25.43%
Close-knit community / Comunidad muy unida	82	23.7%
Fewer rules and regulations / Menos reglas y regulaciones	43	12.43%
Light traffic / Tráfico ligero	40	11.56%
Historic buildings / Edificios históricos	35	10.12%
Sense of privacy / Sensación de privacidad	23	6.65%
Self-reliance / Autosuficiencia	20	5.78%
Other / Otro	1	0.29%

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Preserving agricultural land and agricultural related industries is critical to the future of Minidok... [Column](#) [Bar](#) [Pie](#) [Map](#)

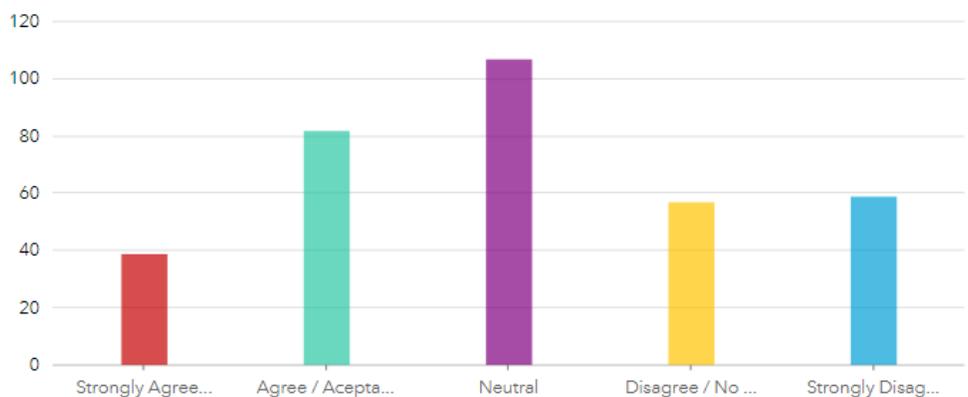


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Answers	Count	Percentage
Strongly Agree / Totalmente de acuerdo	254	73.41%
Agree / Aceptar	69	19.94%
Neutral	15	4.34%
Disagree / No estoy de acuerdo	4	1.16%
Strongly Disagree / Muy en desacuerdo	1	0.29%

Subdivisions of five or more one-acre lots (each on individual well and septic) should be... [Column](#) [Bar](#) [Pie](#) [Map](#)



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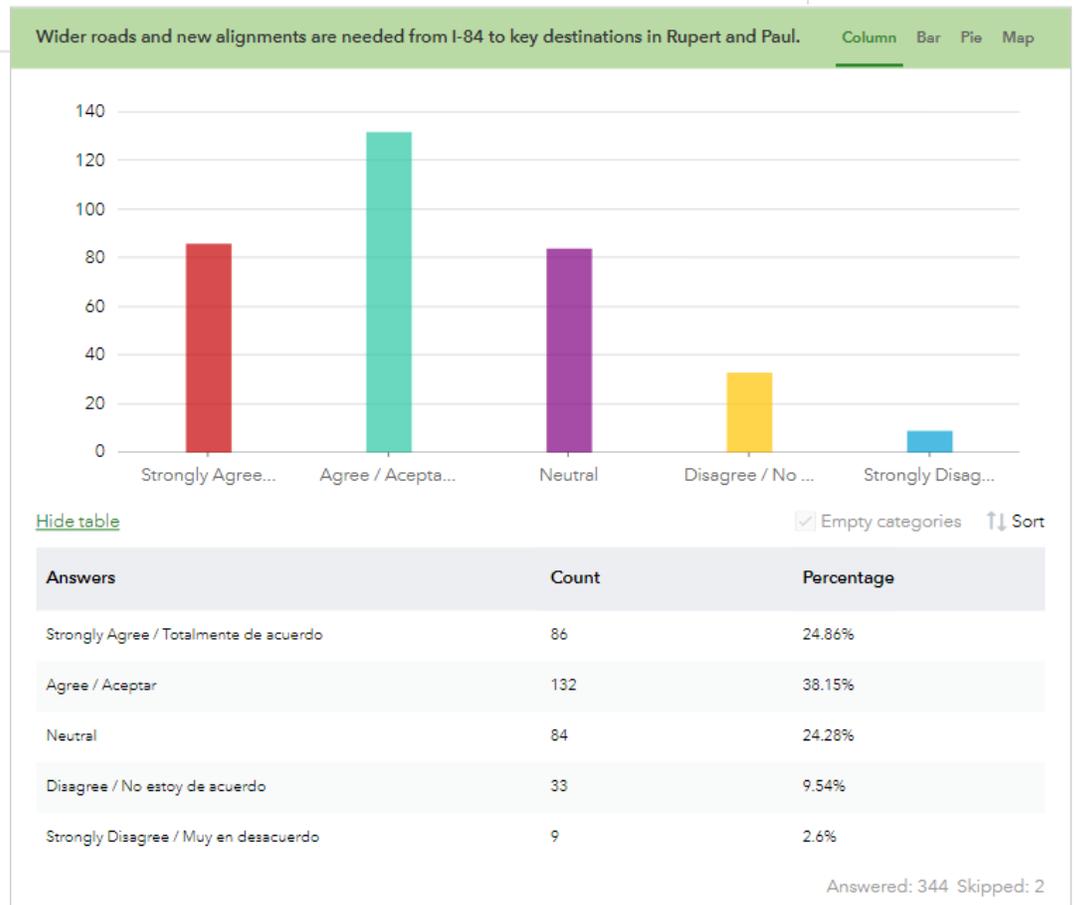
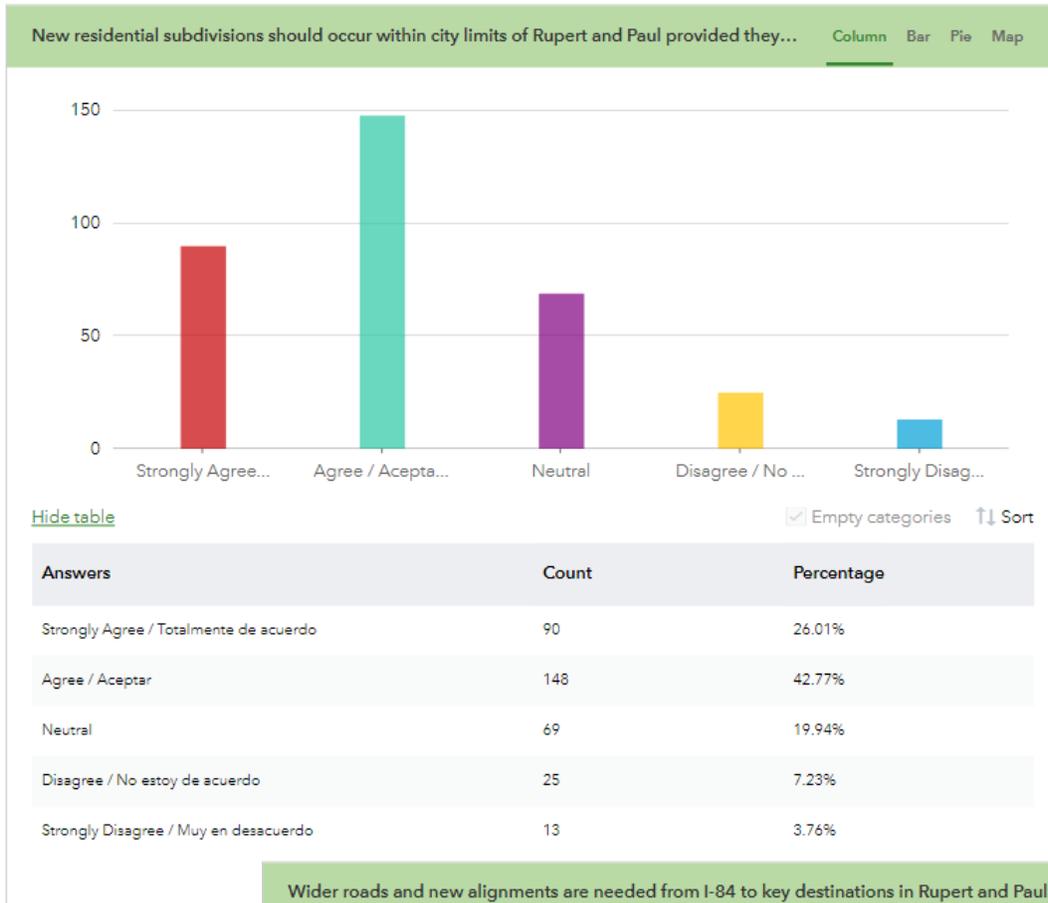
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Answers	Count	Percentage
Strongly Agree / Totalmente de acuerdo	39	11.27%
Agree / Aceptar	82	23.7%
Neutral	107	30.92%
Disagree / No estoy de acuerdo	57	16.47%
Strongly Disagree / Muy en desacuerdo	59	17.05%

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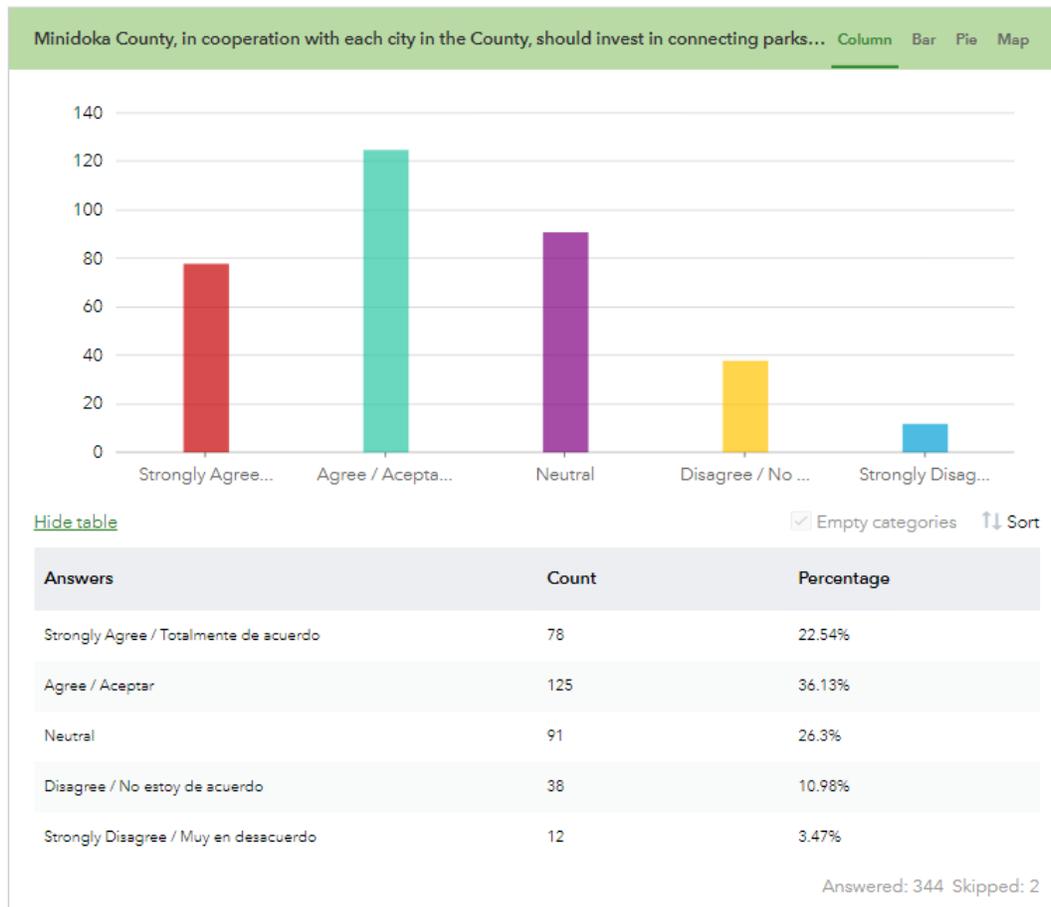
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Open Ended Responses: Key Themes

The open comment question “Do you have other concerns regarding the future of Minidoka County, and the Cities of Rupert and Paul?” received 122 responses. Of these comments, the top concerns were schools, growth, housing, sidewalks, and farmland.

Many comments expressed concern for school capacity in the face of growth. Residents felt that schools in the area are unable to keep up with the influx of new students in the area. Not enough teachers and not enough schools was a common theme. Connectivity to schools was also a perceived issue. Many people are worried about the safety of their children when walking to school as streets around schools lack sidewalks.

Aside from student safety, other comments call for sidewalk improvements to accommodate commuters who want to walk and bike and for wheelchair accessibility.

Feelings on growth were mixed; while many respondents do not want to see their communities change, others realize the inevitability of and the benefits that can come with growth. Across the board, respondents acknowledge the need to plan adequately

