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Quality of Life

1. What are the <u>three</u> most important reasons you and your family choose to live in <u>Grant County</u>?	Number of People Choosing This Response	Percent
Agriculture	29	2.29%
Appearance of Homes	8	0.63%
Community Services	27	2.13%
Cost of Home	54	4.27%
Historical Significance	7	0.55%
Low Crime Rate	100	7.90%
Natural Beauty	69	5.45%
Near Family and Friends	234	18.48%
Near Job (Employment Opportunity)	260	20.54%
Property Taxes	5	0.39%
Quality Neighborhood	64	5.06%
Quality Schools	147	11.61%
Recreational Opportunities	21	1.66%
Small Town Atmosphere	241	19.04%
Other: (Please Identify)		
Total	1266	

Community Facilities and Services

2. Rate the following <u>local services</u>.	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	N/A
a. Ambulance Service	202	181	12	3	39
b. Fire Protection	233	168	7	0	25
c. Garbage Collection	241	185	16	0	0
d. Municipal Water System	124	231	65	9	9
e. Park and Recreation Facilities	153	228	43	15	3
f. Police Protection	155	235	44	4	2
g. Public Library	164	217	37	6	13
h. Public School System	191	189	32	7	20
i. Recycling Programs	191	219	29	1	1
j. Sanitary Sewer Service	131	247	43	3	12
k. Snow Removal	109	232	79	13	4
l. Storm Water Management	73	231	90	21	19
m. Street and Road Maintenance	50	174	163	53	0

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2. Rate the following local services.	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	N/A
a. Ambulance Service	46.22%	41.42%	2.75%	0.69%	8.92%
b. Fire Protection	53.81%	38.80%	1.62%	0.00%	5.77%
c. Garbage Collection	54.52%	41.86%	3.62%	0.00%	0.00%
d. Municipal Water System	28.31%	52.74%	14.84%	2.05%	2.05%
e. Park and Recreation Facilities	34.62%	51.58%	9.73%	3.39%	0.68%
f. Police Protection	35.23%	53.41%	10.00%	0.91%	0.45%
g. Public Library	37.53%	49.66%	8.47%	1.37%	2.97%
h. Public School System	43.51%	43.05%	7.29%	1.59%	4.56%
i. Recycling Programs	43.31%	49.66%	6.58%	0.23%	0.23%
j. Sanitary Sewer Service	30.05%	56.65%	9.86%	0.69%	2.75%
k. Snow Removal	24.94%	53.09%	18.08%	2.97%	0.92%
l. Storm Water Management	16.82%	53.23%	20.74%	4.84%	4.38%
m. Street and Road Maintenance	11.36%	39.55%	37.05%	12.05%	0.00%

Communication

3. Fill the circles of the two most effective ways your local jurisdiction could provide Comprehensive Planning information to its landowners and residents.	Number of People Choosing This Response	Percent
Direct Mailings	303	34.71%
Radio	72	8.25%
Newspaper Articles	226	25.89%
Newsletters	235	26.92%
Other: (Please identify)	37	4.24%
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Natural and Cultural Resources

4. How important is it to protect the following:	Very Important	Important	Unimportant	Very Unimportant	N/A
a. Air Quality	341	95	5	0	2
b. Farmland	241	176	18	2	5
c. Forested Lands	241	187	10	0	4
d. Groundwater	335	101	2	0	0
e. Historic and Cultural Sites	140	240	51	7	1
f. Open Space	185	220	28	4	0
g. Rivers and Streams	294	142	4	0	0
h. Rural Character	161	213	55	5	3
i. Scenic Views and Undeveloped Hills / Bluffs	211	198	26	3	3
j. Wetlands	214	174	41	4	6
k. Wildlife Habitat	223	178	33	2	2

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4. How important is it to protect the following:	Very Important	Important	Unimportant	Very Unimportant	N/A
a. Air Quality	76.98%	21.44%	1.13%	0.00%	0.45%
b. Farmland	54.52%	39.82%	4.07%	0.45%	1.13%
c. Forested Lands	54.52%	42.31%	2.26%	0.00%	0.90%
d. Groundwater	76.48%	23.06%	0.46%	0.00%	0.00%
e. Historic and Cultural Sites	31.89%	54.67%	11.62%	1.59%	0.23%
f. Open Space	42.33%	50.34%	6.41%	0.92%	0.00%
g. Rivers and Streams	66.82%	32.27%	0.91%	0.00%	0.00%
h. Rural Character	36.84%	48.74%	12.59%	1.14%	0.69%
i. Scenic Views and Undeveloped Hills / Bluffs	47.85%	44.90%	5.90%	0.68%	0.68%
j. Wetlands	48.75%	39.64%	9.34%	0.91%	1.37%
k. Wildlife Habitat	50.91%	40.64%	7.53%	0.46%	0.46%

Housing

5. Your local jurisdiction should focus on improving existing housing quality.	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	No Opinion
	131	222	45	8	24
	30.47%	51.63%	10.47%	1.86%	5.58%

6. The following types of housing are needed:	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	No Opinion
a. Single Family Housing	83	201	69	7	65
	19.53%	47.29%	16.24%	1.65%	15.29%
b. Duplexes (2 units)	34	169	105	30	78
	8.17%	40.63%	25.24%	7.21%	18.75%
c. Apartments (3 or more units)	35	114	134	56	75
	8.45%	27.54%	32.37%	13.53%	18.12%

7. Affordable housing is needed in your local jurisdiction.	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	No Opinion
	148	184	50	11	39
	34.26%	42.59%	11.57%	2.55%	9.03%

8. Elderly housing is needed in your local jurisdiction.	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	No Opinion
	103	203	67	13	51
	23.57%	46.45%	15.33%	2.97%	11.67%

9. Starter (first time buyer) homes are needed in your local jurisdiction.	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	No Opinion
	120	186	68	11	50
	27.59%	42.76%	15.63%	2.53%	11.49%

10. Would you prefer housing built in a traditional design (Option A) or a cluster design (Option B)?	Tradational Design	Cluster Design
	164	242
	40.39%	59.61%

Agriculture and Land Use

11. Productive agricultural land should be allowed to be used for:	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	No Opinion
a. Agricultural Use	338	95	0	0	5
	77.17%	21.69%	0.00%	0.00%	1.14%
b. Residential Use	17	128	171	77	21
	4.11%	30.92%	41.30%	18.60%	5.07%
c. Commercial Use	11	89	188	104	19
	2.68%	21.65%	45.74%	25.30%	4.62%
d. Any Use	14	48	156	151	37
	3.45%	11.82%	38.42%	37.19%	9.11%

12. Large scale farms (500 or more animal units) should be allowed to expand:	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	No Opinion
a. Anywhere in Grant County	32	64	184	109	25
	7.73%	15.46%	44.44%	26.33%	6.04%
b. Nowhere in Grant County	56	43	197	73	40
	13.69%	10.51%	48.17%	17.85%	9.78%
c. Outside a 2 mile radius of incorporated areas	90	195	60	42	33
	21.43%	46.43%	14.29%	10.00%	7.86%

13. Landowners should be allowed to develop land any way they want.	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	No Opinion
	24	63	230	110	12
	5.47%	14.35%	52.39%	25.06%	2.73%

14. The visual impacts (view of the landscape) of development is an important consideration when evaluating proposed development.	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	No Opinion
	119	271	32	4	11
	27.23%	62.01%	7.32%	0.92%	2.52%

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15. It is important to require that driveways will meet standards for providing emergency services.	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	No Opinion
	149	243	19	3	23
	34.10%	55.61%	4.35%	0.69%	5.26%

16. There should be a minimum lot size on residential development in rural areas.	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	No Opinion
	110	207	60	21	36
	25.35%	47.70%	13.82%	4.84%	8.29%

17. In your opinion, what should the minimum lot size be for rural residential development? <u>Fill one circle only.</u>	Less than 1 Acre	1 - 5 Acres	6 - 10 Acres	11 - 40 Acres	41 or more
	108	214	39	23	17
	25.00%	49.54%	9.03%	5.32%	3.94%

18. How many acres of land do you own in Grant County?	Less than 1 Acre	1 - 10 Acres	11 - 100 Acres	101 or more Acres
	372	48	10	11
	84.35%	10.88%	2.27%	2.49%

19. Do you actively farm the land you own?	Yes	No	N/A
	11	267	143
	2.61%	63.42%	33.97%

20. Do you think your land will be actively farmed (by you or someone else) in the next (fill all circles that apply):	0 - 5 Years	6 - 10 Years	11 - 15 Years	16 - 20 Years	N/A
	12	5	4	8	417
	2.69%	1.12%	0.90%	1.79%	93.50%

Transportation

21. The overall road network (roads, streets, and highways) in Grant County meets the needs of its citizens.	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	No Opinion
	45	322	52	4	3
	10.56%	75.59%	12.21%	0.94%	0.70%

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22. The condition of local roads and streets in your local jurisdiction is adequate for intended uses.	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	No Opinion
	24	257	121	21	2
	5.65%	60.47%	28.47%	4.94%	0.47%

23. Biking and walking are important modes of transportation in your local jurisdiction.	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	No Opinion
	112	219	58	10	30
	26.11%	51.05%	13.52%	2.33%	6.99%

24. There should be more biking and walking lanes along public roadways in your local jurisdiction.	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	No Opinion
	116	146	95	25	47
	27.04%	34.03%	22.14%	5.83%	10.96%

25. Rate the following in your local jurisdiction:	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	N/A
a. Roads	25	240	127	36	0
	5.84%	56.07%	29.67%	8.41%	0.00%
b. Sidewalks	16	207	148	38	17
	3.76%	48.59%	34.74%	8.92%	3.99%
c. Bike Trails	14	162	134	52	60
	3.32%	38.39%	31.75%	12.32%	14.22%
d. Airports	8	177	100	28	108
	1.90%	42.04%	23.75%	6.65%	25.65%
e. Bus Service	0	15	18	122	264
	0.00%	3.58%	4.30%	29.12%	63.01%
f. Shared Ride Van Services	4	41	58	86	225
	0.97%	9.90%	14.01%	20.77%	54.35%
g. Railroads	0	5	9	80	325
	0.00%	1.19%	2.15%	19.09%	77.57%
h. Other					

Economic Development

26. Commercial or industrial buildings and activities involving truck traffic and manufacturing should be located:	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	No Opinion
a. In an existing city or a village	45	157	134	28	45
	11.00%	38.39%	32.76%	6.85%	11.00%
b. Near a city or village	49	286	30	9	33
	12.04%	70.27%	7.37%	2.21%	8.11%
c. Anywhere in Grant County	19	86	158	82	58
	4.71%	21.34%	39.21%	20.35%	14.39%

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27. Grant County should work to coordinate efforts to actively recruit new business and industry.	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	No Opinion
	229	163	18	2	12
	54.01%	38.44%	4.25%	0.47%	2.83%

28. All Grant County communities should provide at least some land with infrastructure (water, sewer, access, etc.) for industrial and commercial uses either owned publicly or privately.	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	No Opinion
	75	184	90	13	61
	17.73%	43.50%	21.28%	3.07%	14.42%

29. Development at the edge of cities and villages should be required to have municipal water and sewer services.	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	No Opinion
	102	215	52	6	47
	24.17%	50.95%	12.32%	1.42%	11.14%

30. Grant County jurisdictions should pursue the following energy alternatives as a form of economic development:	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	No Opinion
a. Ethanol Plants	79	160	107	40	43
	18.41%	37.30%	24.94%	9.32%	10.02%
b. Solar Energy	175	211	15	3	27
	40.60%	48.96%	3.48%	0.70%	6.26%
c. Wind Energy	207	198	12	3	16
	47.48%	45.41%	2.75%	0.69%	3.67%
d. Other					

31. Rate the importance of the following:	Very Important	Important	Unimportant	very Unimportant	No Opinion
a. Agricultural Related Businesses	255	173	6	1	4
	58.09%	39.41%	1.37%	0.23%	0.91%
b. Commercial and Retail Development	168	249	18	3	1
	38.27%	56.72%	4.10%	0.68%	0.23%
c. Downtown Development – “Main Street”	133	229	58	15	4
	30.30%	52.16%	13.21%	3.42%	0.91%
d. Home Based Businesses	66	218	110	14	20
	15.42%	50.93%	25.70%	3.27%	4.67%
e. Industrial and Manufacturing Development	156	258	19	2	2
	35.70%	59.04%	4.35%	0.46%	0.46%
f. Tourism and Recreation	171	239	23	3	3
	38.95%	54.44%	5.24%	0.68%	0.68%

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Demographics

35. Gender	Male	Female
	224	210
	51.61%	48.39%

36. Age	18 - 24	25 - 34	35 - 44	45 - 54	55 - 64	65 and older
	1	37	46	93	108	159
	0.23%	8.33%	10.36%	20.95%	24.32%	35.81%

37. Employment Status	Employed Full Time	Employed Part Time	Self Employed	Unemployed	Retired
	193	29	38	6	164
	44.88%	6.74%	8.84%	1.40%	38.14%

38. Place of Residence	Own	Rent
	438	2
	99.55%	0.45%

39. Number of Adults (18 or older) in Household:	0	1	2	3	4	5+
	90	306	29	8	1	0
	20.74%	70.51%	6.68%	1.84%	0.23%	0.00%

40. Number of Children (under 18) in Household:	0	1	2	3	4	5+
	296	45	37	12	7	4
	73.82%	11.22%	9.23%	2.99%	1.75%	1.00%

41. Household Income Range:	Less than 15,000	15,000-24,999	25,000-49,999	50,000-74,999	75,000-99,999	100,000 or more
	9	34	129	127	75	54
	2.10%	7.94%	30.14%	29.67%	17.52%	12.62%

42. How many years have you lived in Grant County?	Less than 1	1-4 years	5-9 years	10-24 years	25+
	5	28	37	81	291
	1.13%	6.33%	8.37%	18.33%	65.84%