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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	49	6.52%
Appearance of Homes	7	0.93%
Community Services	13	1.73%
Cost of Home	18	2.40%
Historical Significance	5	0.67%
Low Crime Rate	56	7.46%
Natural Beauty	60	7.99%
Near Family and Friends	142	18.91%
Near Job (Employment Opportunity)	119	15.85%
Property Taxes	14	1.86%
Quality Neighborhood	35	4.66%
Quality Schools	71	9.45%
Recreational Opportunities	14	1.86%
Small Town Atmosphere	148	19.71%
Other: (Please Identify)		
Total	751	

Community Facilities and Services

2. Rate the following <u>local services</u>.	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	N/A
a. Ambulance Service	108	109	13	0	21
b. Fire Protection	128	106	7	0	15
c. Garbage Collection	136	104	12	1	2
d. Municipal Water System	40	78	28	6	97
e. Park and Recreation Facilities	64	138	32	4	15
f. Police Protection	70	138	32	8	6
g. Public Library	83	136	20	2	11
h. Public School System	73	136	24	6	16
i. Recycling Programs	105	134	15	0	2
j. Sanitary Sewer Service	48	86	17	4	93
k. Snow Removal	49	121	49	9	24
l. Storm Water Management	26	98	40	15	67
m. Street and Road Maintenance	27	102	95	23	7

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2. Rate the following local services.	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	N/A
a. Ambulance Service	43.03%	43.43%	5.18%	0.00%	8.37%
b. Fire Protection	50.00%	41.41%	2.73%	0.00%	5.86%
c. Garbage Collection	53.33%	40.78%	4.71%	0.39%	0.78%
d. Municipal Water System	16.06%	31.33%	11.24%	2.41%	38.96%
e. Park and Recreation Facilities	25.30%	54.55%	12.65%	1.58%	5.93%
f. Police Protection	27.56%	54.33%	12.60%	3.15%	2.36%
g. Public Library	32.94%	53.97%	7.94%	0.79%	4.37%
h. Public School System	28.63%	53.33%	9.41%	2.35%	6.27%
i. Recycling Programs	41.02%	52.34%	5.86%	0.00%	0.78%
j. Sanitary Sewer Service	19.35%	34.68%	6.85%	1.61%	37.50%
k. Snow Removal	19.44%	48.02%	19.44%	3.57%	9.52%
l. Storm Water Management	10.57%	39.84%	16.26%	6.10%	27.24%
m. Street and Road Maintenance	10.63%	40.16%	37.40%	9.06%	2.76%

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	182	36.40%
Radio	52	10.40%
Newspaper Articles	117	23.40%
Newsletters	133	68.21%
Other: (Please identify)	16	8.21%
	500	

Natural and Cultural Resources

4. How important is it to protect the following:	Very Important	Important	Unimportant	Very Unimportant	N/A
a. Air Quality	195	50	4	1	1
b. Farmland	140	101	8	1	2
c. Forested Lands	138	101	11	1	2
d. Groundwater	198	45	5	0	2
e. Historic and Cultural Sites	67	149	26	7	2
f. Open Space	100	122	23	1	2
g. Rivers and Streams	173	74	2	0	1
h. Rural Character	109	115	24	2	1
i. Scenic Views and Undeveloped Hills / Bluffs	121	106	19	5	1
j. Wetlands	101	115	22	6	6
k. Wildlife Habitat	125	105	14	5	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	77.69%	19.92%	1.59%	0.40%	0.40%
b. Farmland	55.56%	40.08%	3.17%	0.40%	0.79%
c. Forested Lands	54.55%	39.92%	4.35%	0.40%	0.79%
d. Groundwater	79.20%	18.00%	2.00%	0.00%	0.80%
e. Historic and Cultural Sites	26.69%	59.36%	10.36%	2.79%	0.80%
f. Open Space	40.32%	49.19%	9.27%	0.40%	0.81%
g. Rivers and Streams	69.20%	29.60%	0.80%	0.00%	0.40%
h. Rural Character	43.43%	45.82%	9.56%	0.80%	0.40%
i. Scenic Views and Undeveloped Hills / Bluffs	48.02%	42.06%	7.54%	1.98%	0.40%
j. Wetlands	40.40%	46.00%	8.80%	2.40%	2.40%
k. Wildlife Habitat	49.80%	41.83%	5.58%	1.99%	0.80%

Housing

5. Your local jurisdiction should focus on improving existing housing quality.	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	No Opinion
	54	126	38	8	23
	21.69%	50.60%	15.26%	3.21%	9.24%

6. The following types of housing are needed:	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	No Opinion
a. Single Family Housing	56	82	56	13	39
	22.76%	33.33%	22.76%	5.28%	15.85%
b. Duplexes (2 units)	23	84	67	28	41
	9.47%	34.57%	27.57%	11.52%	16.87%
c. Apartments (3 or more units)	21	58	90	37	39
	8.57%	23.67%	36.73%	15.10%	15.92%

7. Affordable housing is needed in your local jurisdiction.	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	No Opinion
	58	110	44	15	27
	22.83%	43.31%	17.32%	5.91%	10.63%

8. Elderly housing is needed in your local jurisdiction.	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	No Opinion
	51	115	45	14	29
	20.08%	45.28%	17.72%	5.51%	11.42%

9. Starter (first time buyer) homes are needed in your local jurisdiction.	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	No Opinion
	48	105	56	15	30
	18.90%	41.34%	22.05%	5.91%	11.81%

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10. Would you prefer housing built in a traditional design (Option A) or a cluster design (Option B)?	Traditional Design	Cluster Design
	80	145
	35.56%	64.44%

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	192	51	2	0	7
	76.19%	20.24%	0.79%	0.00%	2.78%
b. Residential Use	13	84	79	53	13
	5.37%	34.71%	32.64%	21.90%	5.37%
c. Commercial Use	12	50	100	64	14
	5.00%	20.83%	41.67%	26.67%	5.83%
d. Any Use	19	23	85	85	27
	7.95%	9.62%	35.56%	35.56%	11.30%

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	25	40	88	75	16
	10.25%	16.39%	36.07%	30.74%	6.56%
b. Nowhere in Grant County	31	34	108	44	22
	12.97%	14.23%	45.19%	18.41%	9.21%
c. Outside a 2 mile radius of incorporated areas	49	104	42	31	19
	20.00%	42.45%	17.14%	12.65%	7.76%

13. Landowners should be allowed to develop land any way they want.	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	No Opinion
	27	52	112	57	8
	10.55%	20.31%	43.75%	22.27%	3.13%

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
	85	134	16	6	11
	33.73%	53.17%	6.35%	2.38%	4.37%

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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
	97	129	18	5	6
	38.04%	50.59%	7.06%	1.96%	2.35%

16. There should be a minimum lot size on residential development in rural areas.	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	No Opinion
	69	115	45	10	15
	27.17%	45.28%	17.72%	3.94%	5.91%

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
	46	137	14	15	10
	18.18%	54.15%	5.53%	5.93%	3.95%

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
	93	99	36	27
	36.47%	38.82%	14.12%	10.59%

19. Do you actively farm the land you own?	Yes	No	N/A
	42	157	47
	17.07%	63.82%	19.11%

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	Not Applicable
	37	23	21	33	181
	12.54%	7.80%	7.12%	11.19%	61.36%

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
	44	181	24	1	2
	17.46%	71.83%	9.52%	0.40%	0.79%

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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
	33	150	53	15	1
	13.10%	59.52%	21.03%	5.95%	0.40%

23. Biking and walking are important modes of transportation in your local jurisdiction.	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	No Opinion
	52	130	40	16	14
	20.63%	51.59%	15.87%	6.35%	5.56%

24. There should be more biking and walking lanes along public roadways in your local jurisdiction.	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	No Opinion
	55	78	71	26	22
	21.83%	30.95%	28.17%	10.32%	8.73%

25. Rate the following in your local jurisdiction:	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Not applicable
a. Roads	30	148	50	22	1
	11.95%	58.96%	19.92%	8.76%	0.40%
b. Sidewalks	9	80	60	18	83
	3.60%	32.00%	24.00%	7.20%	33.20%
c. Bike Trails	22	82	67	20	59
	8.80%	32.80%	26.80%	8.00%	23.60%
d. Airports	16	89	59	15	71
	6.40%	35.60%	23.60%	6.00%	28.40%
e. Bus Service	4	17	14	65	147
	1.62%	6.88%	5.67%	26.32%	59.51%
f. Shared Ride Van Services	5	25	33	52	134
	2.01%	10.04%	13.25%	20.88%	53.82%
g. Railroads	2	3	17	35	193
	0.80%	1.20%	6.80%	14.00%	77.20%
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	33	104	64	22	23
	13.41%	42.28%	26.02%	8.94%	9.35%
b. Near a city or village	34	165	21	6	17
	13.99%	67.90%	8.64%	2.47%	7.00%
c. Anywhere in Grant County	16	68	93	44	20
	6.64%	28.22%	38.59%	18.26%	8.30%

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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
	119	110	13	3	5
	47.60%	44.00%	5.20%	1.20%	2.00%

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
	41	120	52	16	23
	16.27%	47.62%	20.63%	6.35%	9.13%

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
	46	108	54	15	25
	18.55%	43.55%	21.77%	6.05%	10.08%

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	40	82	68	26	33
		16.06%	32.93%	27.31%	10.44%	13.25%
	b. Solar Energy	97	120	8	2	21
		39.11%	48.39%	3.23%	0.81%	8.47%
	c. Wind Energy	120	110	6	3	12
		47.81%	43.82%	2.39%	1.20%	4.78%
	d. Other					

31. Rate the importance of the following:	Very Important	Important	Unimportant	very Unimportant	No Opinion	
	a. Agricultural Related Businesses	143	106	3	1	1
		56.30%	41.73%	1.18%	0.39%	0.39%
	b. Commercial and Retail Development	90	152	10	1	1
		35.43%	59.84%	3.94%	0.39%	0.39%
	c. Downtown Development – “Main Street”	68	122	47	10	7
		26.77%	48.03%	18.50%	3.94%	2.76%
	d. Home Based Businesses	44	121	71	6	11
		17.39%	47.83%	28.06%	2.37%	4.35%
	e. Industrial and Manufacturing Development	97	134	22	1	0
		38.19%	52.76%	8.66%	0.39%	0.00%
	f. Tourism and Recreation	95	127	24	4	3
		37.55%	50.20%	9.49%	1.58%	1.19%

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Demographics

35. Gender	Male	Female
	128	126
	50.39%	49.61%

36. Age	18 - 24	25 - 34	35 - 44	45 - 54	55 - 64	65 and older
	3	15	37	70	56	75
	1.17%	5.86%	14.45%	27.34%	21.88%	29.30%

37. Employment Status	Employed Full Time	Employed Part Time	Self Employed	Unemployed	Retired
	97	21	47	5	70
	40.42%	8.75%	19.58%	2.08%	29.17%

38. Place of Residence	Own	Rent
	251	4
	98.43%	1.57%

39. Number of Adults (18 or older) in Household:	0	1	2	3	4	5+
	45	175	19	8	2	0
	18.07%	70.28%	7.63%	3.21%	0.80%	0

40. Number of Children (under 18) in Household:	0	1	2	3	4	5+
	155	32	31	13	3	2
	65.68%	13.56%	13.14%	5.51%	1.27%	0.85%

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
	18	25	52	67	39	42
	7.41%	10.29%	21.40%	27.57%	16.05%	17.28%

42. How many years have you lived in Grant County?	Less than 1	1-4 years	5-9 years	10-24 years	25+
	1	15	21	47	174
	0.39%	5.81%	8.14%	18.22%	67.44%