

THE TOWN OF DAVIDSON 2007 CITIZEN SURVEY

Please complete this questionnaire if you are the adult (age 18 or older) in the household who most recently had a birthday. The adult's year of birth does not matter. Please circle the response that most closely represents your opinion for each question. Your responses are anonymous and will be reported in group form only.

1. Please circle the number that comes closest to your opinion for each of the following questions:

	<u>Excellent</u>	<u>Good</u>	<u>Fair</u>	<u>Poor</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
How do you rate Davidson as a place to live?	1	2	3	4	5
How do you rate your neighborhood as a place to live?	1	2	3	4	5
How do you rate Davidson as a place to raise children?	1	2	3	4	5
How do you rate Davidson as a place to work?	1	2	3	4	5
How do you rate Davidson as a place to retire?	1	2	3	4	5
How do you rate the overall quality of life in Davidson?	1	2	3	4	5

2. Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to Davidson as a whole:

	<u>Excellent</u>	<u>Good</u>	<u>Fair</u>	<u>Poor</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
Sense of community	1	2	3	4	5
Openness and acceptance of the community towards people of diverse backgrounds	1	2	3	4	5
Overall appearance of Davidson	1	2	3	4	5
Opportunities to attend cultural activities	1	2	3	4	5
Shopping opportunities	1	2	3	4	5
Recreational opportunities	1	2	3	4	5
Job opportunities	1	2	3	4	5
Access to affordable quality housing	1	2	3	4	5
Access to affordable quality child care	1	2	3	4	5
Access to affordable quality health care	1	2	3	4	5
Ease of car travel in Davidson	1	2	3	4	5
Ease of bus travel in Davidson	1	2	3	4	5
Ease of bicycle travel in Davidson	1	2	3	4	5
Ease of walking in Davidson	1	2	3	4	5
Educational opportunities	1	2	3	4	5
Overall image/reputation of Davidson	1	2	3	4	5
Overall quality of new development in Davidson	1	2	3	4	5

3. Please rate the speed of growth in the following categories in Davidson over the past 2 years:

	<u>Much too slow</u>	<u>Somewhat too slow</u>	<u>Right amount</u>	<u>Somewhat too fast</u>	<u>Much too fast</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
Population growth	1	2	3	4	5	6
Retail growth (stores, restaurants etc.)	1	2	3	4	5	6
Jobs growth	1	2	3	4	5	6

4. To what degree, if at all, are the following problems in Davidson:

	<u>Not a problem</u>	<u>Minor problem</u>	<u>Moderate problem</u>	<u>Major problem</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
Crime	1	2	3	4	5
Drugs	1	2	3	4	5
Too much growth	1	2	3	4	5
Lack of growth	1	2	3	4	5
Graffiti	1	2	3	4	5
Noise	1	2	3	4	5
Run down buildings, weed lots, or junk vehicles	1	2	3	4	5
Taxes	1	2	3	4	5
Traffic congestion	1	2	3	4	5
Unsupervised youth	1	2	3	4	5
Homelessness	1	2	3	4	5
Weeds	1	2	3	4	5
Absence of communications from the Town of Davidson translated into languages other than English	1	2	3	4	5

5. Please rate how safe you feel from the following occurring to you in Davidson:

	Very safe	Somewhat safe	Neither safe nor unsafe	Somewhat unsafe	Very unsafe	Don't know
Violent crime (e.g., rape, assault, robbery)	1	2	3	4	5	6
Property crimes (e.g., burglary, theft)	1	2	3	4	5	6
Fire	1	2	3	4	5	6

6. Please rate how safe you feel:

	Very safe	Somewhat safe	Neither safe nor unsafe	Somewhat unsafe	Very unsafe	Don't know
In your neighborhood during the day	1	2	3	4	5	6
In your neighborhood after dark	1	2	3	4	5	6
In Davidson's downtown area during the day	1	2	3	4	5	6
In Davidson's downtown area after dark	1	2	3	4	5	6
In Davidson's parks during the day	1	2	3	4	5	6
In Davidson's parks after dark	1	2	3	4	5	6

7. During the past twelve months, were you or anyone in your household the victim of any crime?

- No → Go to question #9
 Yes → Go to question #8
 Don't know

8. If yes, was this crime (these crimes) reported to the police?

- No
 Yes
 Don't know

9. In the last 12 months, about how many times, if ever, have you or other household members participated in the following activities in Davidson?

	Never	Once or twice	3 to 12 times	13 to 26 times	More than 26 times
Participated in a recreation program or activity	1	2	3	4	5
Visited a Town park	1	2	3	4	5
Attended a meeting of local elected officials or other local public meeting.....	1	2	3	4	5
Recycled used paper, cans or bottles from your home.....	1	2	3	4	5
Volunteered your time to some group/activity in Davidson	1	2	3	4	5
Read Davidson Town Message Newsletter.....	1	2	3	4	5
Used the Internet for anything	1	2	3	4	5
Used the Internet to conduct business with Davidson.....	1	2	3	4	5
Purchased an item over the Internet	1	2	3	4	5

10. How do you rate the quality of each of the following services in Davidson?

	<u>Excellent</u>	<u>Good</u>	<u>Fair</u>	<u>Poor</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
Police services.....	1	2	3	4	5
Fire services	1	2	3	4	5
Ambulance/emergency medical services	1	2	3	4	5
Crime prevention	1	2	3	4	5
Fire prevention and education	1	2	3	4	5
Traffic enforcement.....	1	2	3	4	5
Garbage collection.....	1	2	3	4	5
Recycling	1	2	3	4	5
Yard waste pick-up	1	2	3	4	5
Street repair	1	2	3	4	5
Street cleaning.....	1	2	3	4	5
Street lighting.....	1	2	3	4	5
Sidewalk maintenance.....	1	2	3	4	5
Traffic signal timing.....	1	2	3	4	5
Amount of public parking	1	2	3	4	5
Bus/transit services.....	1	2	3	4	5
Storm drainage	1	2	3	4	5
Town parks	1	2	3	4	5
Recreation programs or classes.....	1	2	3	4	5
Range/variety of recreation programs and classes	1	2	3	4	5
Accessibility of parks	1	2	3	4	5
Accessibility of recreation centers/facilities	1	2	3	4	5
Appearance/maintenance of parks.....	1	2	3	4	5
Land use, planning and zoning	1	2	3	4	5
Code enforcement (weeds, abandoned buildings, etc)	1	2	3	4	5
Animal control	1	2	3	4	5
Economic development	1	2	3	4	5
Services to seniors	1	2	3	4	5
Services to youth	1	2	3	4	5
Services to low-income people.....	1	2	3	4	5
Public information services.....	1	2	3	4	5
Public schools.....	1	2	3	4	5
Cable television	1	2	3	4	5

11. Overall, how would you rate the quality of the services provided by each of the following?

	<u>Excellent</u>	<u>Good</u>	<u>Fair</u>	<u>Poor</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
The Town of Davidson.....	1	2	3	4	5
The Federal Government	1	2	3	4	5
The State Government	1	2	3	4	5

12. Have you had any in-person or phone contact with an employee of the Town of Davidson within the last 12 months (including police, receptionists, planners or any others)?

- No → Go to question #14 Yes → Go to question #13

13. What was your impression of employees of the Town of Davidson in your most recent contact? (Rate each characteristic below.)

	<u>Excellent</u>	<u>Good</u>	<u>Fair</u>	<u>Poor</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
Knowledge	1	2	3	4	5
Responsiveness.....	1	2	3	4	5
Courtesy	1	2	3	4	5
Overall impression	1	2	3	4	5

14. Please rate the following statements by circling the number that most clearly represents your opinion:

	Strongly agree	Somewhat agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Somewhat disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know
I receive good value for the Town of Davidson taxes I pay	1	2	3	4	5	6
I am pleased with the overall direction that the Town of Davidson is taking	1	2	3	4	5	6
The Town of Davidson government welcomes citizen involvement	1	2	3	4	5	6
The Town of Davidson government listens to citizens	1	2	3	4	5	6

15. What impact, if any, do you think the economy will have on your family income in the next 6 months? Do you think the impact will be:

- Very positive
 Somewhat positive
 Neutral
 Somewhat negative
 Very negative

16. Please check the response that comes closest to your opinion for each of the following questions:

a. To what degree would you support or oppose funding each of the following amenities with your tax dollars?

	Strongly support	Somewhat support	Somewhat oppose	Strongly oppose	Don't know
Community center.....	1	2	3	4	5
Open space	1	2	3	4	5
Greenways.....	1	2	3	4	5
Town swimming pool	1	2	3	4	5
Park facilities (e.g. playgrounds, picnic shelters etc....)....	1	2	3	4	5
Athletic facilities (e.g. ball fields, tennis courts and soccer fields)	1	2	3	4	5

b. To what degree would you support or oppose funding each of the following projects with your tax dollars?

	Strongly support	Somewhat support	Somewhat oppose	Strongly oppose	Don't know
Additional street connections.....	1	2	3	4	5
Traffic calming initiatives	1	2	3	4	5
Burying overhead utility lines.....	1	2	3	4	5
Affordable housing.....	1	2	3	4	5
Additional bike lanes.....	1	2	3	4	5
Sidewalks and walking paths.....	1	2	3	4	5

c. How important, if at all, is the issue of managing growth for the Town of Davidson?

- Essential
 Very important
 Somewhat important
 Not at all important
 Don't know

d. Is the Town of Davidson on the right path for handling new growth in the area?

- Yes, the Town is completely on the right path
 Yes, the Town is somewhat on the right path
 No, the Town is not on the right path
 I need more information to decide

Our last questions are about you and your household. Again, all of your responses to this survey are completely anonymous and will be reported in group form only.

17. Do you live within the Town limits of the Town of Davidson?

- No Yes

18. Are you currently employed?

- No → Go to question #19
 Yes → Go to question #18a

18a. What one method of transportation do you usually use (for the longest distance of your commute) to travel to work?

- Motorized vehicle (e.g. car, truck, van, motorcycle etc...)
 Bus or other public transportation
 Walk
 Work at home
 Other

18b. If you checked the motorized vehicle (e.g. car, truck, van, motorcycle, etc.) box in 18a, do other people (adults or children) usually ride with you to or from work?

- No Yes

19. How many years have you lived in Davidson?

- Less than 2 years 11-20 years
 2-5 years More than 20 years
 6-10 years

20. Which best describes the building you live in?

- One family house detached from any other houses
 House attached to one or more houses (e.g., a duplex or townhome)
 Building with two or more apartments or condominiums
 Mobile home
 Other

21. Is this house, apartment, or mobile home...

- Rented for cash or occupied without cash payment?
 Owned by you or someone in this house with a mortgage or free and clear?

22. Do any children 12 or under live in your household?

- No Yes

23. Do any teenagers aged between 13 and 17 live in your household?

- No Yes

24. Are you or any other members of your household aged 65 or older?

- No Yes

25. Does any member of your household have a physical handicap or is anyone disabled?

- No Yes

26. What is the highest degree or level of school you have completed? (mark one box)

- 12th Grade or less, no diploma
 High school diploma
 Some college, no degree
 Associate's degree (e.g. AA, AS)
 Bachelor's degree (e.g. BA, AB, BS)
 Graduate degree or professional degree

27. How much do you anticipate your household's total income before taxes will be for the current year? (Please include in your total income money from all sources for all persons living in your household.)

- Less than \$24,999
 \$25,000 to \$49,999
 \$50,000 to \$99,999
 \$100,000 or more

28. Are you Spanish/Hispanic/Latino?

- No Yes

29. What is your race? (Mark one or more races to indicate what race you consider yourself to be)

- American Indian or Alaskan native
 Asian or Pacific Islander
 Black, African American
 White/Caucasian
 Other

30. In which category is your age?

- 18-24 years 55-64 years
 25-34 years 65-74 years
 35-44 years 75 years or older
 45-54 years

31. What is your sex?

- Female Male

32. Are you registered to vote in your jurisdiction?

- No Yes Don't know

33. Did you vote in the last election?

- No Yes Don't know

34. Are you likely to vote in the next election?

- No Yes Don't know

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