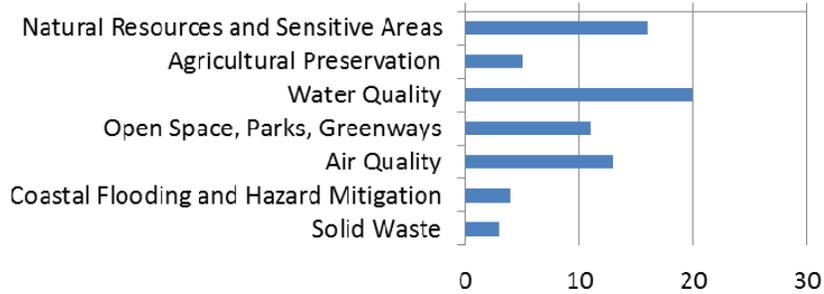


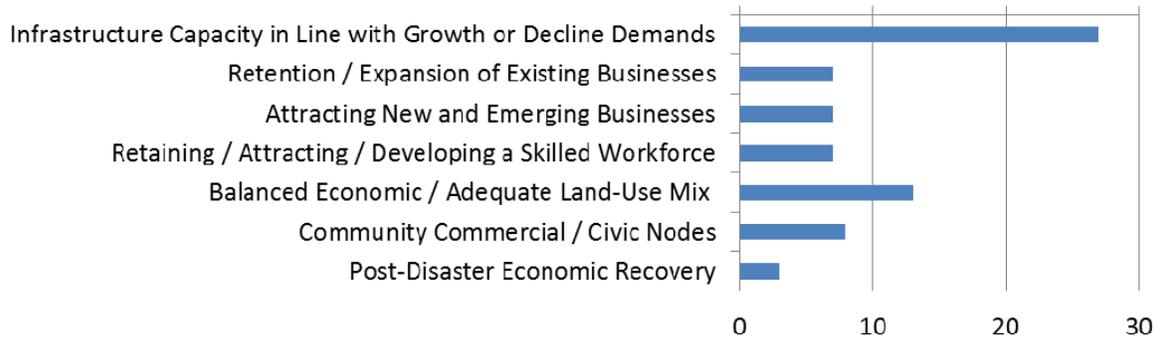
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Topics Survey Results

Planning for the Natural Environment
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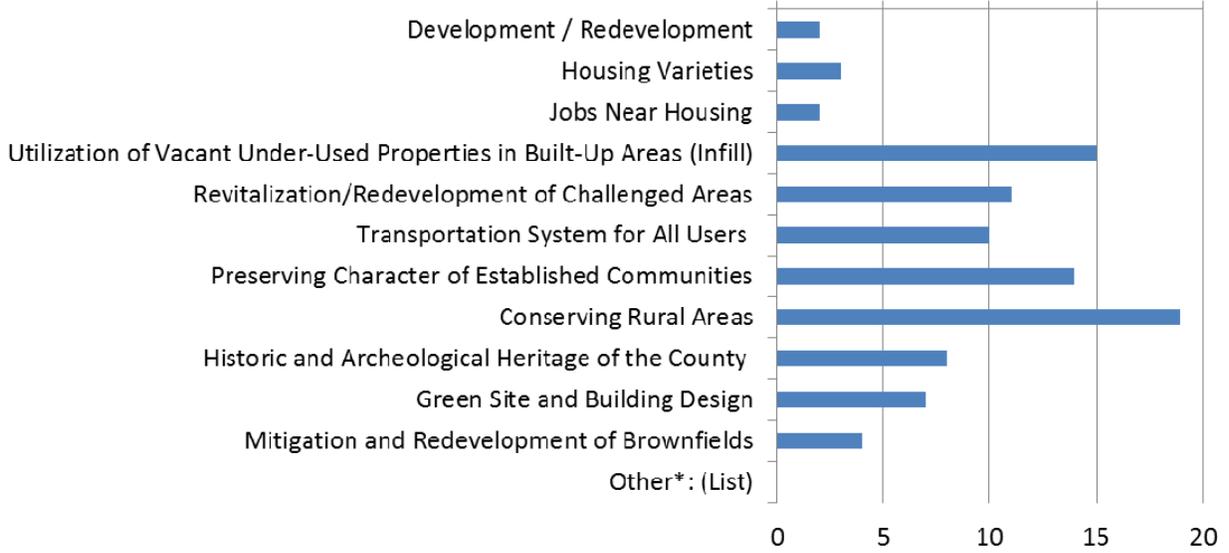


Planning for a Healthy Economy
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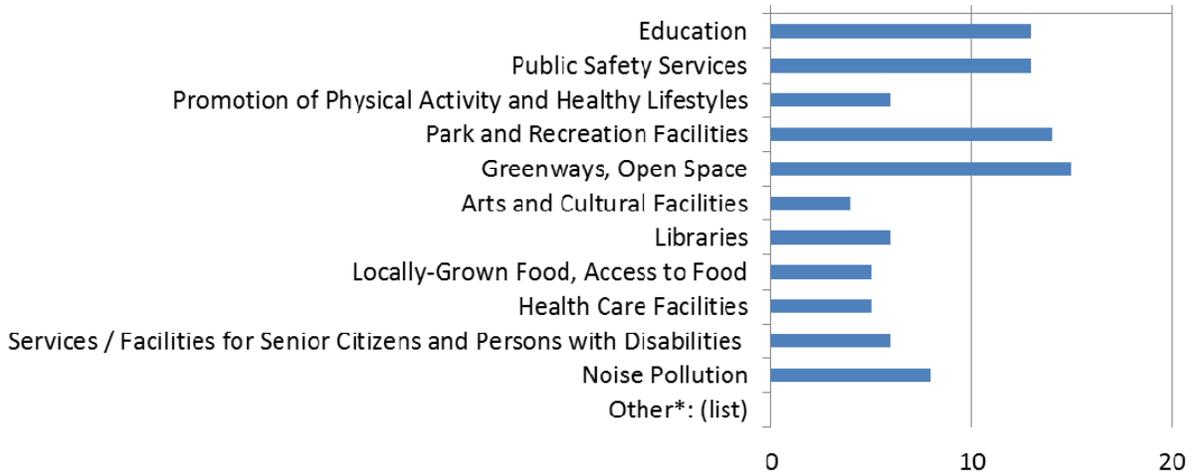
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Planning for the Built Environment
(choose 4)



- *Other:
 • Transitional Housing (1 vote)

Planning for Healthy Communities
(choose 4)



- *Other:
 • Mental Health (1 vote)

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Values Survey Results

What do you like about Anne Arundel County (what are our strengths, opportunities, the things to preserve and enhance)?

- I love that I have beautiful parks and I can drop my kids off at school and pass horse farms but still have great schools
- I love the water communities and programs
- Center of everything – Baltimore, Annapolis, DC, and OC
- Water outlets
- Opportunity
- Blue ribbon schools
- Diversity
- I did like the people; they all was family base
- Too much traffic
- Save the woods and parks
- Try to get water to Fort Smallwood Park
- I live in Pasadena, please stop building; no more!; traffic is horrible
- Strong government structure
- Ideal environmental assets (not well protected)
- Recreational opportunities
- Good roads
- The proximity to work, entertainment, shopping and recreation
- Employment opportunities and continued education opportunities
- Community closeness
- Professional public safety officers
- Its natural beauty: waterways, green forests and open areas, multiple parks, library system is wonderful, community spirit (parades, business events for communities)
- Strengths: I like the new development areas that offer the option of apartments, townhomes, and single family homes all together as a community; these communities allow for economic inclusiveness that is needed to bring people of all classes together; in these communities mailboxes are together allowing people to socialize
- Proximity to water
- Racial and economic diversity
- Love some of the running and bike trails
- Parks
- Low property taxes
- Great natural resources
- Wonderful community feel
- Light rail line
- A few old town centers (Glen Burnie, Brooklyn, Laurel and Annapolis) that can be reformed with mixed-use zoning and complete streets
- A very patient and hardworking Zoning/Planning department

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- The open space is great
- Strengths: Water and access (need more); parks – variety, available; diversity of people and land
- Anne Arundel County is a county that fosters a positive business environment
- The fact that Anne Arundel County has many water-oriented activities which have been improving
- Need to preserve and enhance the APF policies
- Need to enhance Zoning Code as it relates to mixed-use
- Need to preserve the current Critical Area regulations
- Need to enhance opportunity for infill/redevelopment
- Our shorelines are the greatest commodity drawing thousands here yearly
- Our police and fire force are a strong presence; we need to provide them what is needed to preserve our communities
- We should enhance public access to our water lines so many can enjoy what we hold dearly as our heritage to preserve for generations to come
- The water – boating, fishing, crabbing, and swimming
- Our parks – Fort Smallwood, Downs, Quiet Waters - we need a dog park at Fort Smallwood
- Annapolis
- I love living in a watered community, however, the development/building is not only ruining the water, the area is too congested now
- Can we leave some trees? This County seems to hate trees; every time I turn around they are destroying our limited forests
- It still is a nice place to live, despite the encroaching drug problems and all the other dreadful things associated with that lifestyle
- I think the County government has good leadership and try to do their best to support the communities
- The County is truly concerned about the Chesapeake Bay and makes everyone aware of what needs to be done to keep our waterways clean
- I think most parts of the County are very safe; I do worry about speeding on Mountain Road and on Bayside Beach Road, the County had put up a sign about speeding; I feel fortunate to live in a community that is safe; I think the police do a good job protecting us; we had a fire last year and the response was quick; there are no fire hydrants
- I have lived as an adult in five different states, so I feel I have a good background for answering this; I have lived in Iowa, Texas, Alabama, Tennessee, and Maryland, in the capital cities and large cities, as well as in small towns; I like how there are still pockets of undeveloped land with greenery and trees amongst the suburban sprawl; we should not allow too many housing developments to squeeze every last house possible onto this land, nor allow it to be taken over by commercial properties; our library system is wonderful and I like how all the branches share their materials; I have home computer access but I know many do not and I think that is important as well; my children study there after school or check out books and DVDs
- Jobs
- Infrastructure (good)

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- Green spaces
- Anne Arundel County offers residents and visitors a wealth of recreational activities, natural waterways, and suburban living. In addition, schools within the County are focal point for community and family activities
- Strengths: Schools, waterfront, Annapolis is still Capital and a historic town
- Things to preserve and enhance: access to water, green spaces, parks
- Quality of life includes educated population, lower than state and poverty
- Centrally located to a wide variety of activities
- The natural environment, the land and the water, these are key to this County; and the climate; the water is major; the land is in the Goldilocks zone; the climate is close to mild on average
- Water access to the Bay
- Many communities with residents who have lived here all their lives
- Opportunity (Pasadena) – redevelopment with an eye toward attracting new business and improving infrastructure
- Access to the Bay
- Maintaining the natural environment

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What needs to be improved (what are our weaknesses to overcome, what are the negative trends?)

- Too much building
- Too many people on the roads
- Infrastructure (lights on roads)
- County water to CHS campus schools
- Infrastructure
- Accountability
- Transportation, sidewalks, lighting bike paths
- Local transportation option around Pasadena to ease traffic congestion and provide safe route for residents to get around
- New rental housing units that are not overpriced, designed for residents just starting out
- Community centers offering workshops, resource information, and a place for teens to have fun
- Recreation for students in this area other than sports and the ability to get there safely
- Education, public safety, parks and recreation facilities; all of these needed in Pasadena
- Too much traffic; children respecting elders
- You won't stop building! Stop! Too overcrowded
- Zoning Enforcement
- Inadequate recreation facilities near townhouse and condo developments
- Traffic congestion
- Over development and school overcrowding
- Drug problem
- Putting homes on small lots
- Redevelopment of older communities
- Airliner noise on takeoff
- NexGen
- Crowded roads creating accidents
- Shabby areas with trucks
- New developments creating dense population areas thus infrastructure stressed, not able to keep up, opioid drugs, increased homeless in woods (no shelters?)
- Would like to see interfaith centers like the ones modeled in Columbia, MD
- More running/biking lanes
- Too much development without corresponding improvements to infrastructure
- Food options in Pasadena
- Road infrastructure in the County is unsustainable; sprawl requires a great amount of infrastructure per mile then an urban (transit-oriented, mixed use, dense) planning requires while also providing a much lower population density too low to sustain without indirect subsidy; highway funding not made up by gas tax or tolls
- Better advertising of these "Listening" meetings
- Stop developing on the open space areas and brownfields
- Weakness: old infrastructure, poorly maintained

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- Lack of Affordable (workforce) housing – examples: Montgomery County and DE
- Lack of willingness to invest in public service, not only, salaries but equipment and maintenance
- Continue to build and have vacant buildings unutilized
- Not following previous GDP or Small Area Plans
- Negative trends include: limited mixed-use zoning areas, APF school capacity - there has been a short-sighted approach regarding school capacity; a view of targeted growth areas needs to be adopted; creative ways to fund schools; expansion needs to be explored; the lack of addressing APFs schools will have a long-term, negative impact to the County; Limited infill and commercial properties will also have a negative impact on the tax base
- Negative trends: illegal aliens who the tax payers are footing the bill to live in our County – free schools, free Medicaid, freedom to vote in our elections when they are not citizens, and freedom to get a driver’s license without being a citizen; what is wrong with this you say - who is paying for all of these “freebies” - you and I out of our paychecks while they laugh at us and our “foolishness” allowing non-citizens/illegals a “free ride” into our beloved Country; do something about it – put it on the voting ballot
- No more development
- No townhomes or cluster housing
- Stop allowing developers with money to destroy forests for house, especially townhouses
- Keep the park fees low so we all can enjoy
- I think most residents will agree, negative trends are all the building; it has a negative effect on our watershed, air quality, schools, roads, etc.
- Public notifications about these types of meetings need more attention; as a community leader, I do give accolades to Sara Gannon for calling this to my attention; public awareness improved - I think you would have better attendance
- Smart Growth – stop building on peninsulas and make new rules for contract building in such populated areas; it affects everything: nature, wildlife, traffic, and general freedom of space
- Potholes need to be repaired on a timely basis
- If there is an emergency on our peninsula, there is no way out if the road is blocked
- Overcrowded roadways – obviously our large population was not anticipated; traveling on Mountain Road or Catherine Avenue is horrible, Ritchie highway, 100, and I-97 as well as other major roads have a problematic back up/slow down problem
- Empty stores and empty mall and strip malls
- Too many housing developments being squeezed into the community
- Poor public schools
- Greater community involvement with movements affecting communities (transitional housing, methadone clinics, etc)
- Limit building which leads to heavy freeway traffic
- Development of land needs to be guided by sound understanding of the resources required to meet the needs of our growing County; school size in relation to development size needs to be monitored to prevent overcrowding; this also includes management of traffic, water, wastewater distribution and treatment systems to expand and maintain our current networks

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- Need more water access for boat and recreation
- Stop building on every square inch of soil
- Traffic on Fort Smallwood Road (is too congested) and Mountain Road
- Road capacity, expand major state routes Rte. 32 and Rte. 100
- Local road traffic capacity – example: Mountain Road – address in advance of further approval of new development
- Overall problem is that commute time to work and local events is making life more difficult; hard to enjoy the variety of activities when it takes 30-40 min to drive 20 miles
- The water – before more housing and more people, lots fix what we have in infrastructure to accommodate the people that are here already (wastewater treatment plants)
- Roads
- Sidewalks/bike paths
- Congestion
- Many communities have only one way in and one way out
- Not well planned communities
- Haphazard development – Mountain and Fort Smallwood Roads
- We have had unmanaged growth, all the housing with no improvements in roads or transportation
- Undeveloped roads near the water causing water pollution
- Regulations geared towards what best for business not the house owners

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What is **MOST** important to you as you look to the future of Anne Arundel?

- Keeping great schools
- Keeping the parks and small town feel
- Getting opioid epidemic under control
- Helping to manage mental Health crisis (mental health facilities)

- Public Safety, mental health, mental health checks in school
- Education and education facilities
- Transportation
- Infrastructure
- Mental health awareness
- No schools on well Water!!!
- Clean up of Chesapeake tributaries so the waterfront homes can swim in their creeks, rivers, etc.
- Using most cost efficiency and effective ways to accomplish mission
- Accountability

- Keeping the old ways with families
- Park and activities

- That I will be leaving here! It's crazy and drug infested. Traffic everywhere

- Improve river water quality
- Maintain green space and trees
- Maintain school quality

- Better planning of new houses and new communities including traffic planning and schools
- Attacking the flow of drugs and crime in North County

- Clean water
- Clean air
- Parks sustained
- Community centers
- More playgrounds for families - elementary, middle-school aged
- Access to water areas
- Varied income, so mixed types of restaurants

- Racial, religious, and economic diversity
- Educational opportunities for the young
- Law enforcement outreach to all communities, having a platform for real community relationships

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- Balance of growth versus rate of improvement to infrastructure
- We need transit-oriented mixed use development with zoning reform that eliminates density caps, parking minimums, and yard requirements
- We must pursue “Complete Streets” and avoid road expansions
- We must pursue best practices in urban planning and traffic engineering, not NIMBYism

- Going green
- Roof-top gardens/solar power, etc.

- Real input from citizens
- Elective official who will follow the plan developed
- Willingness to explore nontraditional ideas, not doing things the same old way
- Increasing our younger demographic of workers (Have our kids come back to live and work here after school)

- Addressing school capacity
- Increasing mixed use and commercial properties
- Allowing flexibility in the Zoning code

- Our personal safety! There are far too many illegal immigrants moving in because the government has called this a “sanctuary city”. I’m offended that we the people NEVER had a vote or say in this matter. And why not? I’m a citizen here, born and raised. My tax dollars go to support illegals, some of whom commit horrendous crimes to our citizens. Our tax dollars are draining away to support non-citizens, and it’s time we put a stop to it.

- Clean up our environment: Water, Air pollution, Noise

- Stop building, replant trees
- Stop ruining Anne Arundel County please
- Tougher penalties for polluters
- Encourage “leave no trace” especially at parks, etc.

- From a social network, we need to get new restaurants, a nice mall instead of the once new and exciting Marley Station Mall. It’s practically empty, depressing and no big box stores to employ local people and provide convenient shopping. K-Mart is dead space, get a Trader Joes. X-Goodwill, Jumpers Hole Road, by Shell - open a new business

- Overcrowding

- Quality of life in terms of traffic problems, water and air quality, and low crime
- Proximity to high paying employment

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- Balancing land use with our growing population.
- Successfully integrating mixed economic populations from other counties

- Smart and controlled growth to maintain land value and provide superior public educational facilities

- Strong and well maintained schools
- Access to green spaces and recreational resources (waterfront, boat launch)

- See visible signs of improvement in local vehicle traffic flow
- Stop seeing more new development, especially town homes

- Housing moratorium

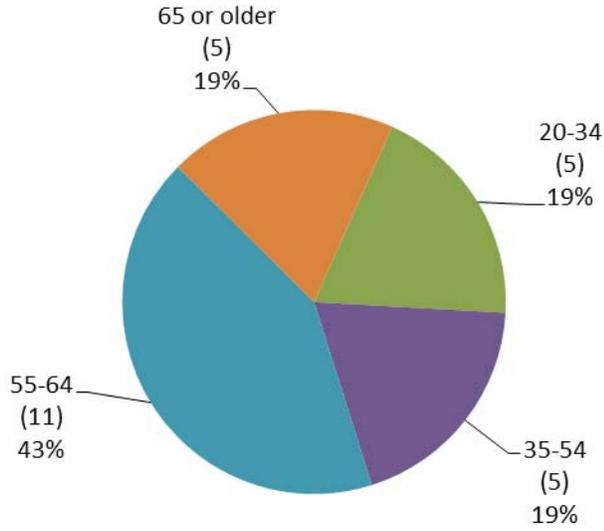
- Grow and develop smartly - right now, development seems random and ill-conceived
- Protect the environment as much as possible
- Sustainable development (as much as is possible)

- Avoiding more congestion!!! We need to focus on infrastructure and Bay preservation
- Stop building!!!

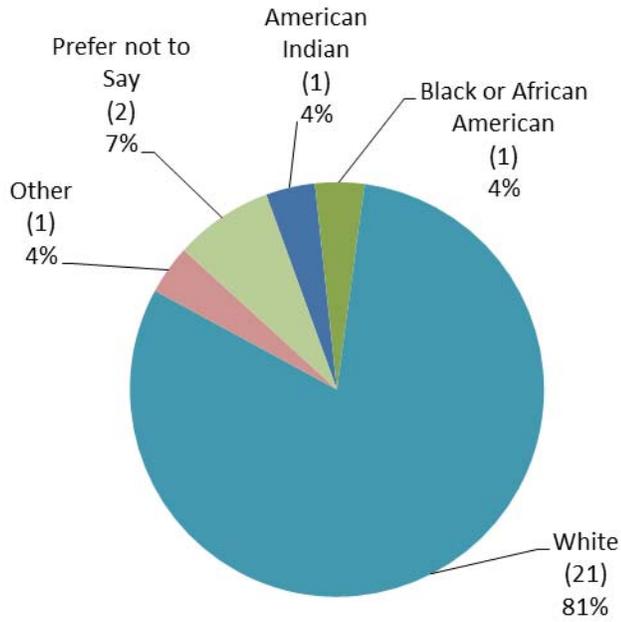
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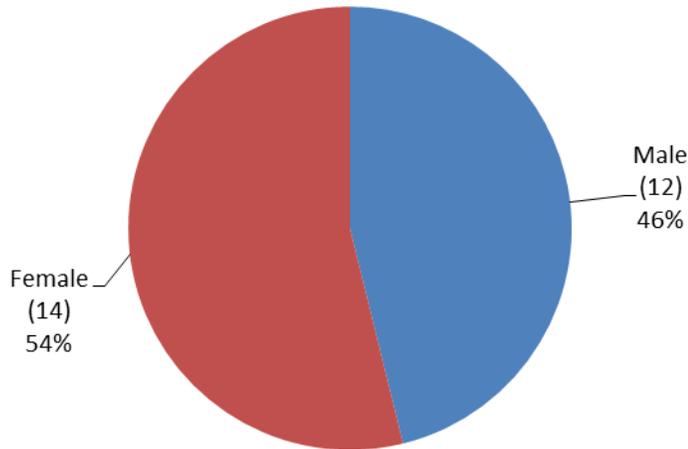


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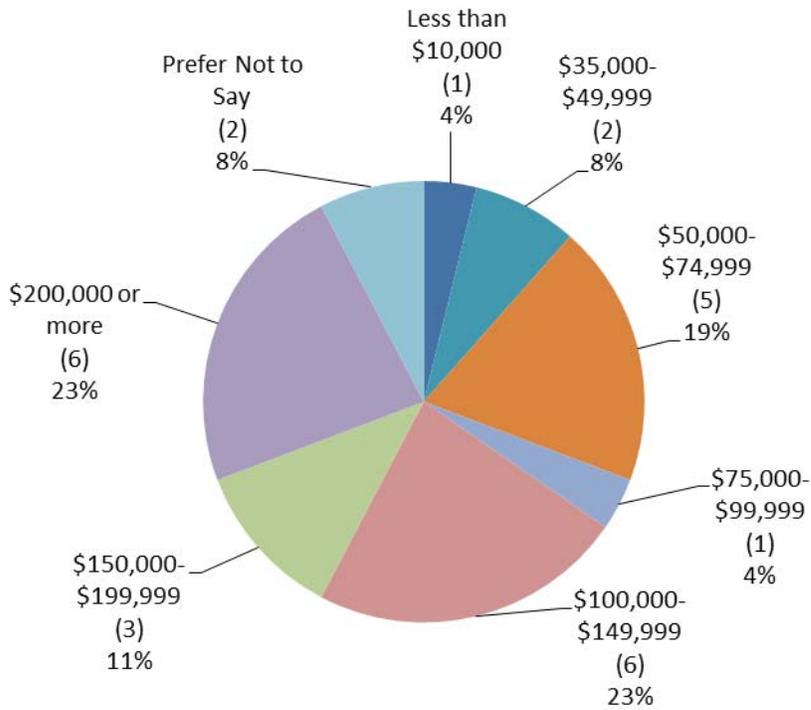


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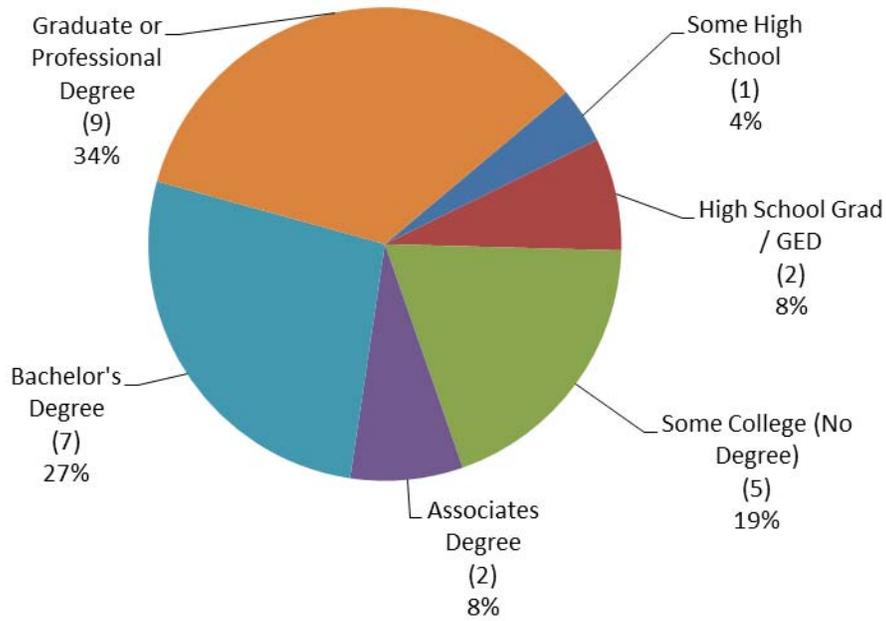


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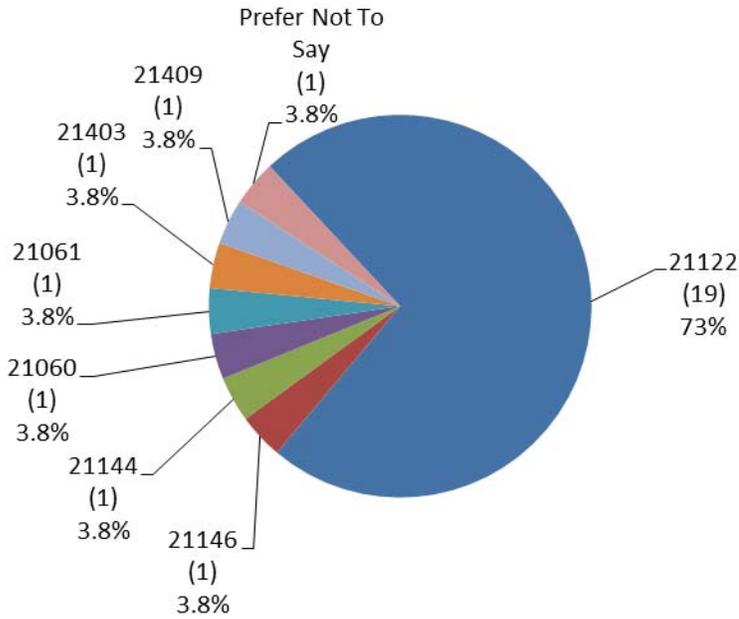


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Educational Attainment:



Zip Code:



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Open Comments

- Lots of development has occurred over the past 50 years. Pasadena used to be a place where there were family values and people respected each other. Instead of building communities, townhouses are built, Section 8 housing is built, woods are ripped out and kids are disrespectful. We need to bring back family values and build communities. There used to be wildlife in the yards and neighborhoods, now they have disappeared. We need to bring back the wildlife and have good water quality. Water quality is important, and residents need notification when there are spills in the water. There are also issues with runoff in the creeks.
- Business owner for 18 years in the County. Would like to see the Plan provide more appropriately zoned land that is targeted into growth areas. More mixed-use areas to consolidate growth. APF policies, particularly for schools, are not currently working and needs to be revisited. There should be a focus on incentives to reinvest and revitalize in built areas. There should be encouragement and incentives for public/private partnerships for development.
- Been here 4 years, from Ohio. Concerned about sanctuary cities/sanctuary state status. Does not feel safe here with this status. Receiving flyers in the mail about Pasadena being a sanctuary area. Tired of tax dollars supporting people who aren't citizens, getting free things – housing, medical care, etc. Someone needs to look into it this issue. Can this be put on the ballot?
- Most people think about people/housing when they think about development. For developers, it's all about the money. Rock Creek is dead, killed by the Chesterfield development. We need a moratorium on housing because we can't afford the services for all the development. With more people comes crime. Crime has increased in Annapolis, and there has been more crime such as break-ins in Pasadena as well. Didn't used to have to lock your doors. We need to have a moratorium on housing development before Pasadena turns into Essex.
- There is a ridiculously small notification radius around any proposed development that many people don't know about it. The notification radius should be one or two miles. Also, the Ft Smallwood corridor and Mountain Rd corridor should be focus of redevelopment in the GDP to improve greenspace, public safety and transportation improvements to improve these two main arteries in Pasadena.
- Concerns with brick and mortar retail closures. Need to be proactive about business retention to avoid closures and the area being a ghost town. Also housing developments around here are developed in strange ways. Every piece of land is crammed with maximum units, strange access drives. Every sliver of land that can be built on is built, with access roads, and the appearance is haphazard; makes the community look bad. Particularly in Severna Park.