

Appendix A

Citizen Participation Plan

Adopted April 21, 2008
Ordinance No. 17009

CITY OF INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION PLAN

PURPOSE

This Citizen Participation Plan of the City of Independence seeks to provide for and encourage the participation of Independence residents in the development of the City's Consolidated Plan, any substantial amendments to the Consolidated Plan, and the associated annual performance report. The Consolidated Plan document serves as the City's comprehensive housing affordability strategy, community development plan, and submissions for funding under any of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Community Planning and Development formula grant programs, including the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and the HOME Investment Partnership Act (HOME) Programs.

The overall goal of HUD Community Planning and Development programs is to develop viable urban communities by providing decent housing and a suitable living environment and expanding economic opportunities principally for low- and moderate-income persons. While the primary means towards this end is to extend and strengthen partnerships among all levels of government and the private sector, the City of Independence especially aims to encourage participation by low and moderate income persons, residents of low and moderate income areas as determined by the City of Independence, the homeless, persons with disabilities, persons living with AIDs, and representative organizations of these groups.

This Citizen Participation Plan has been designed to meet the regulatory requirements of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, and the Consolidated Submission for Community Planning and Development Programs Final Rule of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) as published on January 5, 1995. Nothing in this Plan shall restrict the responsibility and authority of the City of Independence (City) from developing and executing its Consolidated Plan in accordance with federal requirements. This document may be amended by the City Council.

Copies of this Citizen Participation Plan can be obtained through the City of Independence Neighborhood Services Division, Community Development Department, City Hall, 111 E. Maple, Independence, MO 64050, or on the Web at <http://www.ci.independence.mo.us/comdev/CDBG.aspx>

I. Effective Date: This Citizen Participation Plan will become effective July 1, 2008.

II. Consolidated Plan Development: During the development of the Consolidated Plan, the City shall:

A.) Make available to citizens, public agencies, and other interested parties information that includes the amount of assistance that the City expects to receive from the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnership (HOME) programs and the range of activities that may be undertaken using these funds, including the estimated amount that will benefit persons of low and moderate income; and the plans to minimize displacement of persons and to assist any persons displaced. This information will be made available before the adoption of the Consolidated Plan. With regard to displacement, the general policy of the City is to keep displacement of persons participating in the CDBG or HOME programs to an absolute minimum. In those rare occasions when displacement is necessary, the City will abide by the regulations of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, as amended (URA), and Section 104(d) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974.

B.) Encourage the participation of residents of public and assisted housing developments, along with other low-income residents of targeted revitalization areas, in the process of developing and implementing the Consolidated Plan. The City shall provide direct notice to the Independence Housing Authority (IHA) about Consolidated Plan activities related to IHA developments and surrounding communities so that the public housing agency can make this information available at the annual public hearing required for the PHA Plan.

C.) Publish the proposed Consolidated Plan in a manner that affords citizens, public agencies, and other interested parties a reasonable opportunity to examine its contents and to submit comments. This information will be summarized and published in one or more newspapers of general circulation in Independence, Missouri. The summary will include a description of the contents and purposes of the proposed Consolidated Plan and a list of the locations where copies of the entire proposed Consolidated Plan may be examined.

D.) Make available free of charge to interested citizens and groups copies of the proposed and final Consolidated Plan through the City of Independence Neighborhood and Housing Services Division, Community Development Department, City Hall, 111 E. Maple, Independence, MO 64050, and on the Web at <http://www.ci.independence.mo.us/comdev/CDBG.aspx>.

E.) Provide for at least two (2) public hearings per year to obtain citizens' views and to respond to proposals and questions, to be conducted at a minimum of two (2) different stages of the program year. Together, the hearings must address housing and community development needs, development of proposed activities, and review of program performance. To obtain the views of citizens on housing and community development needs, including priority non-housing community development needs, at least one of these hearings will be held before the proposed Consolidated Plan is published for comment.

1.) The City shall give adequate advance notice of public hearings to citizens by: publishing notices in a newspaper of general circulation in Independence, Missouri which includes information on the purpose, time and location of the hearing; posting notice on

the City of Independence Web site, posting notice with the City Clerk's Office, and providing other notice as determined appropriate by the City.

2.) The City shall hold the hearing at a time and location convenient to potential and actual beneficiaries and with accommodation for persons with disabilities.

3.) In the case where a significant number of non-English speaking residents can be reasonably expected to participate, the City will provide a qualified interpreter at the public hearing to accommodate the needs of these residents.

F.) The City will receive comments on the proposed Consolidated Plan from citizens for a period of not less than thirty (30) days.

G.) Consider any comments or views of citizens received in writing or orally at the public hearing when preparing the final Consolidated Plan. A summary of these comments or views and a summary of any comments or views not accepted and reasons therefore shall be attached to the final Consolidated Plan.

III. Substantial Amendments to the Consolidated Plan: When considering substantial amendments to the Consolidated Plan, the City shall:

A.) Amend the Consolidated Plan if any one of the following actions is proposed:

1.) A change in the City's allocation priorities or a change in the method of distribution of funds covered by the Consolidated Plan;

2.) Implementation of an activity using funds from any program covered by the Consolidated Plan (including program income) not previously described in the action plan; or,

3.) A change in the purpose, scope, location, or beneficiaries of a program funded by the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) or the HOME Investment Partnership (HOME) programs as listed in the Action Plan section of the adopted Consolidated Plan.

- a. A Substantial Amendment in the purpose of an activity will occur when the activity will serve a purpose other than that which was originally intended. In order to clarify purposes, the following eligibility categories are established:
 - i. Housing
 - ii. Public Facilities
 - iii. Public Services
 - iv. Economic Development
 - v. Planning
 - vi. Program Administration
- b. A Substantial Amendment in the scope of an activity will occur when the federal funding allocation for the activity will be increased by 50% or more.
- c. A Substantial Amendment in the location of an activity will occur when a change of location will cause the targeted group of beneficiaries to lose the benefit.
- d. A Substantial Amendment in the beneficiaries of an activity will occur when the targeted groups of beneficiaries will no longer benefit, or when the percentage of

low-income beneficiaries will be less than the minimum required by federal law or regulation.

Any one of the actions listed in Section IV (A) (1-3) shall constitute a "substantial amendment" to the Consolidated Plan.

B.) Provide citizens with reasonable notice and an opportunity to comment on substantial amendments to the Consolidated Plan. Reasonable notice must include a summary of the proposed change and its potential effect on households of low and moderate income. The summary must be published in a newspaper of general circulation in Independence, Missouri and include an opportunity for written comment by interested citizens and groups for a period of not less than thirty (30) days before the amendment is implemented. The published summary must indicate that written comments must be submitted by a specified date to the City.

C.) Consider any comments or views of citizens received in writing or orally at public hearings, if held, in preparing the substantial amendment of the Consolidated Plan. The City shall attach to the substantial amendment to the Consolidated Plan a summary of comments or views accepted and a summary of comments or views not accepted and the reasons therefore.

IV. Performance Reports Associated with the Consolidated Plan: When preparing performance reports associated with the Consolidated Plan, the City shall:

A.) Provide citizens with reasonable notice and an opportunity to comment on performance reports associated with the Consolidated Plan. Reasonable notice must include a summary of the accomplishments and their effect on households of low and moderate income. The summary must be published in a newspaper of general circulation in Independence, Missouri and include an opportunity for comment by interested citizens and groups for a period of not less than fifteen (15) days before the performance report is submitted to HUD. The published summary must indicate that written comments must be submitted by a specified date to the City.

B.) Consider any comments or views of citizens received in writing or orally at public hearings, if held, in preparing the performance report. The City shall attach a summary of these comments or views to the performance report.

V. Availability of the Consolidated Plan and Related Documents to the Public: The City shall make available to the public free of charge and upon request the final Consolidated Plan as adopted, any substantial amendments, and any associated performance reports. Upon request the City will also make available the final Consolidated Plan as adopted, any substantial amendments, and any associated performance reports in a form accessible to persons with disabilities.

VI. Access to Records Associated with the Consolidated Plan: The City will provide reasonable and timely access to information relating to the Consolidated Plan and the City's use of assistance under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) or HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) programs during the preceding five years.

VII. Complaints Associated with the Consolidated Plan and Related Documents: The City will provide a timely, substantive written response within fifteen (15) working days to every written citizen complaint related to the Consolidated Plan, substantive amendments and associated performance reports.

VIII. Technical Assistance: The City shall provide technical assistance to all persons or groups interested in submitting proposals for the consolidated planning process. The assistance provided shall include, at minimum:

1. Access to all forms, guidelines and time schedules pertaining to the annual consolidated planning process.
2. Upon request, technical assistance in understanding proposal requirements.
3. Source information for obtaining required supporting data.
4. Persons/places to be contacted for further information.
5. Notice of available training opportunities.
6. Information regarding the location of all applicable federal rules and regulations.

§24 CFR 91.105 Citizen Participation plan; local governments.

(a) *Applicability and adoption of the citizen participation plan.* (1) The jurisdiction is required to adopt a citizen participation plan that sets forth the jurisdiction's policies and procedures for citizen participation. (Where a jurisdiction, before February 6, 1995, adopted a citizen participation plan that complies with section 104(a)(3) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C. 5304(A)(3)) but will need to amend the citizen participation plan to comply with provisions of this section, the citizen participation plan shall be amended by the first day of the jurisdiction's program year that begins on or after 180 days following February 6, 1995.)

(2) *Encouragement of citizen participation.* (i) The citizen participation plan must provide for and encourage citizens to participate in the development of the Consolidated Plan, any substantial amendments to the Consolidated Plan, and the performance report.

(ii) These requirements are designed especially to encourage participation by low- and moderate-income persons, particularly those living in slum and blighted areas and in areas where CDBG funds are proposed to be used, and by residents of predominantly low- and moderate-income neighborhoods, as defined by the jurisdiction. A jurisdiction also is expected to take whatever actions are appropriate to encourage the participation of all its citizens, including minorities and non-English speaking persons, as well as persons with disabilities. The jurisdiction shall encourage the participation of local and regional institutions and other organizations (including businesses, developers, and community and faith-based organizations) in the process of developing and implementing the Consolidated Plan. The jurisdiction should also explore alternative public involvement techniques and quantitative ways to measure efforts that encourage citizen participation in a shared vision for change in communities and neighborhoods, and the review of program performance, e.g., use of focus groups, and use of the Internet.

(iii) The jurisdiction shall encourage, in conjunction with consultation with public housing agencies, the participation of residents of public and assisted housing developments, in the process of developing and implementing the Consolidated Plan, along with other low-income residents of targeted revitalization areas in which the developments are located. The jurisdiction shall make an effort to provide information to the public housing agency about Consolidated Plan activities related to its developments and surrounding communities so that the public housing agency can make this information available at the annual public hearing required for the PHA Plan.

(3) *Citizen comment on the citizen participation plan and amendments.* The jurisdiction must provide citizens with a reasonable opportunity to comment on the original citizen participation plan and on substantial amendments to the citizen participation plan, and must make the citizen participation plan public. The citizen participation plan must be in a format accessible to persons with disabilities, upon request.

(b) *Development of the Consolidated Plan.* The citizen participation plan must include the following minimum requirements for the development of the Consolidated Plan.

(1) The citizen participation plan must require that, before the jurisdiction adopts a Consolidated Plan, the jurisdiction will make available to citizens, public agencies, and other interested parties information that includes the amount of assistance the jurisdiction expects to receive (including grant funds and program income) and the range of activities that may be undertaken, including the estimated amount that will benefit persons of low- and moderate-income. The citizen participation plan also must set forth the jurisdiction's plans to minimize displacement of persons and to assist any persons displaced, specifying the types and levels of assistance the jurisdiction will make available (or require others to make available) to persons displaced, even if the jurisdiction expects no displacement to occur. The citizen participation plan must state when and how the jurisdiction will make this information available.

(2) The citizen participation plan must require the jurisdiction to publish the proposed Consolidated Plan in a manner that affords citizens, public agencies, and other interested parties a reasonable opportunity to examine its contents and to submit comments. The citizen participation plan must set forth how the jurisdiction will publish the proposed Consolidated Plan and give reasonable opportunity to examine the contents of the proposed Consolidated Plan. The requirement for publishing may be met by publishing a summary of the proposed Consolidated Plan in one or more newspapers of general circulation, and by making copies of the proposed Consolidated Plan available at libraries, government offices, and public places. The summary must describe the contents and purpose of the Consolidated Plan, and must include a list of the locations where copies of the entire proposed Consolidated Plan may be examined. In addition, the jurisdiction must provide a reasonable number of free copies of the plan to citizens and groups that request it.

(3) The citizen participation plan must provide for at least one public hearing during the development of the Consolidated Plan. See paragraph (e) of this section for public hearing requirements, generally.

(4) The citizen participation plan must provide a period, not less than 30 days, to receive comments from citizens on the Consolidated Plan.

(5) The citizen participation plan shall require the jurisdiction to consider any comments or views of citizens received in writing, or orally at the public hearings, in preparing the final Consolidated Plan. A summary of these comments or views, and a summary of any comments or views not accepted and the reasons therefor, shall be attached to the final Consolidated Plan.

(c) *Amendments* —(1) *Criteria for amendment to Consolidated Plan.* The citizen participation plan must specify the criteria the jurisdiction will use for determining what changes in the jurisdiction's planned or actual activities constitute a substantial amendment to the Consolidated Plan. (See §91.505.) It must include among the criteria

for a substantial amendment changes in the use of CDBG funds from one eligible activity to another.

(2) The citizen participation plan must provide citizens with reasonable notice and an opportunity to comment on substantial amendments. The citizen participation plan must state how reasonable notice and an opportunity to comment will be given. The citizen participation plan must provide a period, not less than 30 days, to receive comments on the substantial amendment before the amendment is implemented.

(3) The citizen participation plan shall require the jurisdiction to consider any comments or views of citizens received in writing, or orally at public hearings, if any, in preparing the substantial amendment of the Consolidated Plan. A summary of these comments or views, and a summary of any comments or views not accepted and the reasons therefor, shall be attached to the substantial amendment of the Consolidated Plan.

(d) *Performance reports.* (1) The citizen participation plan must provide citizens with reasonable notice and an opportunity to comment on performance reports. The citizen participation plan must state how reasonable notice and an opportunity to comment will be given. The citizen participation plan must provide a period, not less than 15 days, to receive comments on the performance report that is to be submitted to HUD before its submission.

(2) The citizen participation plan shall require the jurisdiction to consider any comments or views of citizens received in writing, or orally at public hearings in preparing the performance report. A summary of these comments or views shall be attached to the performance report.

(e) *Public hearings.* (1) The citizen participation plan must provide for at least two public hearings per year to obtain citizens' views and to respond to proposals and questions, to be conducted at a minimum of two different stages of the program year. Together, the hearings must address housing and community development needs, development of proposed activities, and review of program performance. To obtain the views of citizens on housing and community development needs, including priority nonhousing community development needs, the citizen participation plan must provide that at least one of these hearings is held before the proposed Consolidated Plan is published for comment.

(2) The citizen participation plan must state how and when adequate advance notice will be given to citizens of each hearing, with sufficient information published about the subject of the hearing to permit informed comment. (Publishing small print notices in the newspaper a few days before the hearing does not constitute adequate notice. Although HUD is not specifying the length of notice required, it would consider two weeks adequate.)

(3) The citizen participation plan must provide that hearings be held at times and locations convenient to potential and actual beneficiaries, and with accommodation for

persons with disabilities. The citizen participation plan must specify how it will meet these requirements.

(4) The citizen participation plan must identify how the needs of non-English speaking residents will be met in the case of public hearings where a significant number of non-English speaking residents can be reasonably expected to participate.

(f) *Meetings.* The citizen participation plan must provide citizens with reasonable and timely access to local meetings.

(g) *Availability to the public.* The citizen participation plan must provide that the Consolidated Plan as adopted, substantial amendments, and the performance report will be available to the public, including the availability of materials in a form accessible to persons with disabilities, upon request. The citizen participation plan must state how these documents will be available to the public.

(h) *Access to records.* The citizen participation plan must require the jurisdiction to provide citizens, public agencies, and other interested parties with reasonable and timely access to information and records relating to the jurisdiction's Consolidated Plan and the jurisdiction's use of assistance under the programs covered by this part during the preceding five years.

(i) *Technical assistance.* The citizen participation plan must provide for technical assistance to groups representative of persons of low- and moderate-income that request such assistance in developing proposals for funding assistance under any of the programs covered by the Consolidated Plan, with the level and type of assistance determined by the jurisdiction. The assistance need not include the provision of funds to the groups.

(j) *Complaints.* The citizen participation plan shall describe the jurisdiction's appropriate and practicable procedures to handle complaints from citizens related to the Consolidated Plan, amendments, and performance report. At a minimum, the citizen participation plan shall require that the jurisdiction must provide a timely, substantive written response to every written citizen complaint, within an established period of time (within 15 working days, where practicable, if the jurisdiction is a CDBG grant recipient).

(k) *Use of citizen participation plan.* The jurisdiction must follow its citizen participation plan.

(l) *Jurisdiction responsibility.* The requirements for citizen participation do not restrict the responsibility or authority of the jurisdiction for the development and execution of its Consolidated Plan

Appendix B

**Affidavit of Publication and Citizen
Comments Received**

AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

STATE OF MISSOURI)
County of Jackson) } SS.

I, Darvella Sausley, being duly sworn according to law, state that I am the Legal Clerk and agent of THE EXAMINER, a daily newspaper of general circulation in the County of Jackson, State of Missouri, where located; which newspaper has been admitted to the Post Office as a periodical class matter in the City of Independence, Missouri, the city of publication; which newspaper has been published regularly and consecutively for a period of three years and has a list of bona fide subscribers, voluntarily engaged as such who have paid or agreed to pay a stated price for a subscription for a definite period of time, and that such newspaper has complied with the provisions of Section 493.050, Revised Statutes of Missouri 2000, and Section 59.310, Revised Statutes of Missouri 2000. The affixed notice appeared in said newspaper in the following issues:

Commencing on May 4, 2018

and ending on May 4, 2018, being the issues of:

May 4, 2018

being Volume 113 Numbers: 249

Signed Darvella Sausley
Legal Clerk, Darvella Sausley

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 4TH day of

May, 2018
Ramona Williams
Notary Public, Ramona Williams

My commission expires March 13, 2022.



PUBLIC NOTICE
CITY OF INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI
CDBG & HOME Programs
Proposed 2018-19 Annual Action Plan

Notice is given that on or before July 1, 2018 the City of Independence will submit the 2018-19 Annual Action Plan for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnerships Act programs, authorized by the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). A draft of the Plan will be available for viewing beginning May 19, 2018 in the Community Development Department, City Hall, 111 E. Maple, during regular business hours, and online at <http://www.ci.independence.mo.us/ComDev/Default.aspx>.

Interested persons are encouraged to attend a Public Hearing scheduled for May 18, 2018 from 3:00 pm to 4:30 pm in Conference Room D (ground floor), City Hall, 111 E. Maple. Comments regarding the plan may also be submitted in writing to Cheryl Montenguse, 111 E. Maple Independence, Missouri 64050. All written comments received by June 4, 2018 will be addressed in the final Action Plan document.

If accommodations are required due to a disability, limited English proficiency, or other special need, contact Cheryl Montenguse at 816.325.7398. Si las comodidades son requerido debido a la inhabilidad, a la habilidad inglesa limitada, o a la otra necesidad especial, el contacto Cheryl Montenguse en 816.325.7398.

The City shall receive \$829,993 in CDBG Program funding and \$513,941 in HOME Program funding for the 2018-19 Program Year and proposes to allocate this funding towards priority housing and community needs of low and moderate income persons as follows:

CDBG PROGRAM YEAR 44 - FFY 2018-2019

CDBG	
Administration	\$ 165,998.60
Housing - Code Compliance	\$ 195,000.00
Public Facility/Infrastructure Improvements	\$ 344,000.00
Public Service Programs	\$ 124,998.95
Total	\$ 829,993.00
HOME	
Administration	\$ 51,394.10
Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO)	\$ 77,091.15
CHDO Operating Funds	\$ 25,697.05
Single & Multi-Family Housing Projects	\$ 359,758.70
Total	\$ 513,941.00
Total	\$1,343,934.00

PUBLISH DATE: May 4, 2018

Cheryl Montenguisse

From: Angel McDonald <programdirector@mothersrefuge.org>
Sent: Wednesday, February 21, 2018 12:41 PM
To: Cheryl Montenguisse
Subject: Re: Community Needs Survey

I took the survey. We would love to see more affordable housing opportunities for girls ready to take the next step into independence in a safe neighborhood. Many of their options are in crime ridden area's which is scary for a single young mom with a baby. Also, more job opportunities for them.

Hope that helps.

On Wed, Feb 21, 2018 at 11:20 AM, Cheryl Montenguisse <cmontenguisse@indepmo.org> wrote:

The City of Independence, Mo would like your input on the housing and public service needs in the community. We greatly appreciate your participation and will incorporate comments received into the planning of the Annual Action Plan for guidance in the use of Federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Affordable Housing Partnership Program funding administered by the City. You may access the survey at:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/DBY2PJB>

We also encourage comment by e-mail, phone or written correspondence to the contact information below.

Cheryl Montenguisse

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Angel McDonald

Director

Mother's Refuge

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"Do more than is required. What is the distance between someone who achieves their goals consistently and those who spend their lives and careers merely following? The extra mile."

- Gary Ryan Blair

Hope House would like to encourage the City of Independence to prioritize both housing and supportive services for domestic violence victims when determining the housing and public service needs of the community. As evidence of the prevalence of domestic violence in the community of Independence, consider the following statistics:

Domestic Violence Cases in the 16 th Circuit Court of Jackson County:	2015	2016
Domestic Violence Filings	7,042	6,958
Ex Parte Orders of Protection Issued	3,835	4,762
Full Orders of Protection Issued	1,483	1,633
Pending Cases on 12/31	408	575

City Level Data	2016	2017
Independence Municipal Court Cases for Domestic Violence	2,955	2,642

Number of Domestic Violence-Related Calls to 9-1-1			
City	2014	2015	2016
Independence (Population 117,000)	4,036	4,202	3,337

Lethal Incidents

For some victims, domestic violence may be lethal. In the eastern Jackson County area, since 2010, twenty-three (23) people lost their lives as a direct result of domestic violence. That number represents nearly a quarter of all homicides in the same area and region. Moreover, of the women killed in that time, 50% were as a result of domestic violence. When looking more closely at these tragedies, one finds a commonality in that only 14% were known to have a protection order before the murder, and only 29% had any contact with law enforcement at all.

In an attempt to intervene before assaults turn deadly, the Independence Police Departments implements, in conjunction with Hope House, a Lethality Assessment Program (LAP) protocol in incidents of intimate partner violence. The LAP protocol provides first responders with a tool to help victims assess safety and also reduces the potential for future assault.

2016 Independence Police-Referred Lethality Assessment Results	
# of Lethality Screens Completed	511
# High Danger Screens	377
% in High Danger	74%

WHAT CAN BE DONE TO HELP?

Domestic violence is a complex issue, making permanent separation from an abuser more complicated than simply walking away. Both primary and secondary victims of domestic violence need access to

comprehensive, trauma informed strategies that address ways to overcome the violence perpetrated against them. Among other issues, this includes crisis intervention; access to available services; an understanding of their rights and available legal remedies; a safe place to stay; confidence that their basic physical needs and those of their dependents will be met; assistance with ongoing safety planning; a stable, sustaining income; help with identifying and accessing information and resources to address the practical problems created by domestic violence; relief from post-separation violence; and emotional, psychological, and social support. It is important for these supports to be offered at a time and in a manner that the victim is ready to receive them. For instance, research shows there is an “open window” following an assault during which a victim may be most likely open to intervention. Additionally, trauma informed best practices suggest that comfort and safe respite are high priorities immediately following a traumatic event. Best practice also suggests that once the immediate needs of victims are met through crisis services, service providers must focus on the long-term welfare of victims.

Financial stability and safe affordable housing

Research indicates that the victims who are most likely to access shelter services are those who are experiencing severe violence¹, as well as those who are living on the edge financially and emotionally and who have lower education levels, little external support, and/or are less employable². According to the U.S. Department of Justice Bureau of Justice Statistics, the rate of intimate partner violence against women generally increases inversely with household income level.³ At Hope House, an overwhelming 76% of shelter clients had household incomes of \$9,999 or less; 58% reported no income at all. Less than 3% had incomes greater than \$35,000. Just 8% had private insurance, 27% were uninsured, and 58% used some combination of Medicaid or Medicare. However, of those that reported their education level, 75% had at least a high school diploma with 1.1% having completed a college or graduate level degree.

Domestic violence often leaves victims financially dependent, drastically limiting their ability to consider leaving their situations and affecting their feelings of self-worth. While victims may recognize the link between economic independence and the ability to be free of their abuser, they often do not have the resources or support to overcome their barriers and become self-sufficient. Those who choose to leave a violent relationship and seek alternate safe housing require some degree of financial stability and independence. In fact, studies show that economic dependency is the strongest predictor of a victim’s decision to remain in, leave, or return to an abusive relationship – even stronger than physical safety issues⁴. When the abuser’s coercive tactics include economic abuse, i.e., “behaviors that control a woman’s ability to acquire, use, and maintain economic resources,” the ability to leave becomes even

¹ Panchandadeswaran, S., & McCloskey, L. A. (2007). Predicting the timing of women’s departure from abusive relationships. *Journal of Interpersonal Violence, 22*, 50-65.

² Grossman, S., Lundy, M., George, C., & Crabtree-Nelson, S. (2010). Shelter and service receipt for victims of domestic violence in Illinois. *Journal of Interpersonal Violence, 25*(11), 2077-2093.

³ Bureau of Justice Statistics. (1998). *Violence by Intimates: Analysis of Data by Current or Former Spouses, Boyfriends, and Girlfriends*.

⁴ The Allstate Foundation. “Crisis: Economics and Domestic Violence” poll, May 2009.

more difficult⁵. Nationally, 22% of female victims reported their abusers kept them from having money of their own⁶.

If victims are able to become financially stable, those served by Hope House also face a severe affordable housing shortage. According to the National Low Income Housing Coalition, in Jackson County, for every 100 families who meet federal poverty limits, there are only 33 affordable rental units available. This is less than the national average of 35 units per 100, and nearly 25% less available housing than the rest of the state. For those lucky enough to find housing, nearly 87% pay more than 30% of their income in housing costs, while 73% pay more than 50% of their income. In order to shoulder these incredibly heavy housing cost burdens, most victims must sacrifice their own health and wellbeing, as well as time rebuilding relationships with their family and friends, in order to work two or three jobs. In Jackson County, the "housing wage," or the amount someone would need to make per hour in order to work 40 hours a week and remain housed is \$17.17. Someone would need to work for 88 hours per week to afford housing on minimum wage.

Hope House understands that this is a systemic and nationwide issue that must be addressed on many fronts. Hope House has identified that devoting personnel to the issue of housing assessment and advocacy will increase its ability to successfully assist victims in finding permanent, self-supported housing, which studies have shown results in a lower chance for further abuse. The City of Independence, by prioritizing the needs of domestic violence victims, will also play a part in addressing this systemic issue that effects the entire community.

⁵ Adams, Adrienne E., Sullivan, Cris M., Bybee, Deborah, and Greeson, Megan R. (2008). Development of the Scale of Economic Abuse, 14 (5), 563-588.

⁶ Black, M.C., Basile, K.C., Breiding, M.J., Smith, S.G., Walters, M.L., Merrick, M.T., Chen, J., & Stevens, M.R. (2011). The National Intimate Partner and Sexual Violence Survey (NISVS): 2010 Summary Report. Atlanta, GA: National Center for Injury Prevention and Control, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Cheryl Montenguise

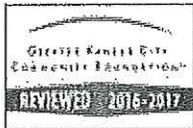
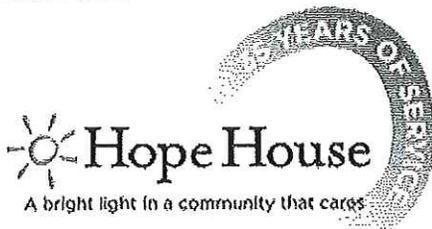
From: Traci Francis <TFrancis@hopehouse.net>
Sent: Tuesday, February 27, 2018 4:58 PM
To: Cheryl Montenguise
Subject: RE: Community Needs Survey
Attachments: Request for Public Input.docx

Ms. Montenguise,
Hope House would like to submit the attached written comments in response to the housing and public service needs of the community.

Thank you!
Traci

Traci Francis, MSW
Chief Quality Officer
Hope House, Inc.
O: 816-257-9349 | C: 816-289-9514 | **24 Hour Hotline: (816) 461-HOPE (4673)**

Hope House



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Sent: Wednesday, February 21, 2018 11:20 AM

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Subject: Community Needs Survey

The City of Independence, Mo would like your input on the housing and public service needs in the community. We greatly appreciate your participation and will incorporate comments received into the planning of the Annual Action Plan for guidance in the use of Federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Affordable Housing Partnership Program funding administered by the City. You may access the survey at:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/DBY2PJB>

We also encourage comment by e-mail, phone or written correspondence to the contact information below.

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City of Independence Meeting with IHA Employees to Discuss Annual Action Plan

March 27, 2018

- I. Increased Police Presence**
 - a. Concern voiced regarding cars being broken into
 - b. They will look into crime statistics
- II. More Transitional Housing and Shelters**
 - a. CSL helps people obtain identification cards/papers
 - b. More is needed to fit the needs while waiting for housing
 - i. Waiting list for public housing is 9 to 12 months
 - ii. Waiting list for Section 8 is 3 to 4 years but that depends on when the applicant has applied and positioned on the waiting list. For example, if the Section 8 waiting list is opened on May 1 and closed on August 1, the applicants that apply upon the opening date should be higher on the waiting list than someone that applies towards the closing of the waiting list. Applications are Score – 1st and Date/Time – 2nd ...
 - iii. Homeless, veterans, and displaced individuals receive a higher preference
- III. Family Housing**
 - a. More housing to fit our standards and more housing for families
 - b. More education from the city regarding the rental ready program
- IV. Financial Literacy Program**
 - a. Education on budgeting
 - i. Tenants having issues paying deposits, utilities, being told no funding being available
- V. Home Ownership Program**
 - a. Some people do not want to own a home in Independence due to being established in other cities
 - b. There are agencies that assist with repairs
- VI. Youth Summer Programs and Activities**
 - a. Providing activities closer to Hocker or providing transportation
- VII. Street Improvements**
 - a. Putting speedbumps on Hocker Ter.
 - b. Putting a speed sign at Southview Manor



EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The City of Independence is updating the Comprehensive Plan; the first update since 1993. The Comprehensive Plan is a document that identifies the vision, values and priorities of a community for the next 15-20 years.

The Plan is called "Imagine Independence 2040 – A Community Vision". Public engagement played a major role in this update.

The Plan is split into four topics:

- Business & Jobs
- Neighborhoods & Housing
- Community Identity
- Public Facilities

Imagine Independence Community Vision 2040 took place from April to August 2017. The comprehensive plan update follows the city's strategic plan, prepared the year before by elected officials and city staff.

Vision

The Vision for Independence in 2040 was defined in the City's Strategic Plan called Independence for All, 2016. The elements of this vision were supported through public input during the Imagine Independence 2040 process.

Our Vision:

Our quality neighborhoods, 21st century jobs, growing economy, safe, family-friendly community, and cultural diversity makes Independence, Missouri a nationally recognized city with a unique history and sense of place.



BUSINESSES AND JOBS

Independence for All Strategic Plan Goal: Increase Economic Prosperity of the Community by attracting and retaining quality employers and growing retail and commercial business.

Imagine Independence Public Input Themes for Business & Jobs:

- Transit service needs to get people to and from jobs

- Look for complimentary businesses that support our strong existing businesses
- Adapt the retail sector to accommodate online shopping
- More neighborhood shopping and unique boutiques
- Develop the workforce of the future
- Invest in small business start-ups and innovation



**NEIGHBORHOODS
AND HOUSING**

Independence for All Strategic Plan Goal:

Achieve livability, choice, access, health and safety through a quality built environment by stabilizing neighborhoods, reducing blight, reducing crime, improving the perception of safety and building new housing units.

Imagine Independence Public Input Themes for Neighborhoods & Housing:

- Promote and celebrate the diversity of neighborhoods
- Revitalize neighborhoods in older areas of the community
- Add sidewalks to neighborhoods to make them more walkable
- Provide a mix of housing types so poverty is not concentrated
- Focus on code enforcement to improve properties and make neighborhoods and housing secure and welcoming
- Address homelessness



**COMMUNITY
IDENTITY**

Independence for All Strategic Plan Goal: Achieve livability, choice, access, health and safety through a quality built environment by improving the visual appearance of the community.

Imagine Independence Public Input Themes for Community Identity:

- Make the corridors and entrances to the city more welcoming in appearance
- Focus on tourism to promote cultural heritage, Truman's legacy, and trails
- Promote local festivals, celebrations, and gatherings in all parts of the community
- Encourage events and businesses that bring visitors to Independence and keep them coming back
- Build and revitalize community centers to help build community



PUBLIC FACILITIES

Independence for All Strategic Plan Goal: Achieve livability, choice, access, health and safety through a quality built environment by improving public infrastructure and facilities.

Imagine Independence Public Input Themes for Public Facilities:

- More routes and reliable transit so people can get to where they need to go, not just 8-5 but after hours
- Invest in community appearance
- Bury utility lines in corridors
- Make it easier to get around for all users (transit, pedestrians, bicyclists, motorists)
- Clean up properties along the corridors
- Incorporate public art into designs
- Build community gatherings spaces within walking distance of neighborhoods
- Create outdoor spaces that are safe and within walking distance of neighborhoods

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT SUMMARY

Local officials, steering committee members, and the community came together to develop a vision for the future of Independence. Thousands of community members provided input on the plan, served on steering committees, attended public events, participated in meetings and expressed their love and concern for the city. They brainstormed ideas for businesses and jobs, neighborhoods and housing, community identity, and public facilities. The following details the process.



Community Survey

June 19, 2017- August 15, 2017

Independence residents, business owners, stakeholders, and interested people were invited to take a community survey for the Imagine Independence Community Vision 2040. Between June 29 to August 15, 2016, 1170 people responded to the survey. The survey had 14 questions and took about 10 minutes to complete. Respondents could respond online or by completing a paper survey. To incent participation in the survey, tickets to a Royals game were offered. The results of the survey were reviewed and evaluated to highlight significant themes and ideas.

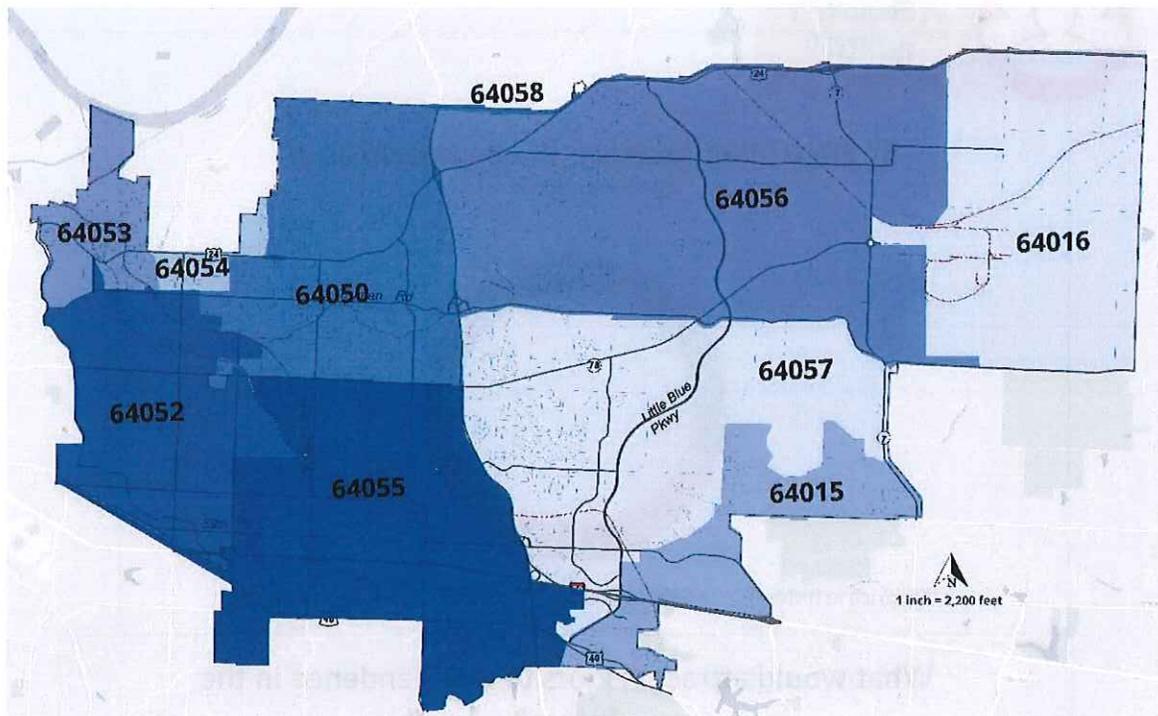


Figure I. Participation in Community Survey by Zip Code

Highlights of Survey Questions (Summarized to Determine Major Themes)¹

Survey respondents want Independence to be known for:

- Historic places (815)
- Unique businesses districts and neighborhoods (546)
- Boulevards where you can bike, walk and drive (376)

¹*not all questions will add up to the total number of survey participants because not all participants completed the survey

- Connected parks and greenways (340)

Most critical issues to address in the next ten years:

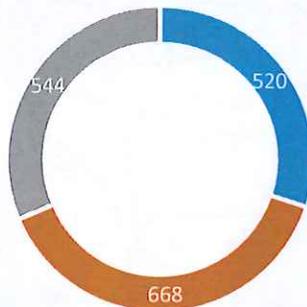
- Crime and perception of public safety (872)
- Attracting and retaining major employers (581)
- Maintaining and providing public facilities and infrastructure (427)
- Property maintenance (398)



**COMMUNITY
IDENTITY**

By 2040 Independence will be known as a:

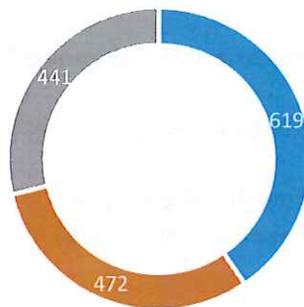
top three are shown



■ Place rich in history ■ Safe community ■ Family-friendly community

What would attract visitors to Independence in the future?

top three are shown



■ History ■ Unique shopping and entertainment ■ Welcoming businesses



PUBLIC FACILITIES

- Improve the appearance and function of key commercial streets and highway
- Increase accessibility to neighborhood parks
- Provide connectivity to other parks and special interests



BUSINESSES AND JOBS

What are the most important ways to ensure that all residents prosper? (top three)

- Provide public transportation that connects residents to quality jobs
- Develop an industrial/ office park to attract new jobs
- Address homelessness



NEIGHBORHOODS AND HOUSING

By 2040, Independence should have housing that: (top three)

- Attracts young professionals
- Includes starter homes and mid-level price ranges
- Includes elderly care facilities

By 2040, neighborhoods in Independence should: (top three)

- Have attractive landscaping
- Be designed so people can drive slowly and safely
- Have adequate parking/off street parking

Detailed survey results can be found in the Appendices.

Public Meeting June 22, 2017

The first public meeting for Imagine Independence 2040 was June 22, 2017 from 6:00 p.m.– 8:00 p.m. at Mid-Continent Library. Approximately 100 people attended the meeting. A complete meeting summary is included Appendix C. The following provides highlights.

The meeting provided general information to the attendees and allowed attendees to provide feedback on a comprehensive plan for Independence in the next 10-15 years. Meeting participants received an overview of the planning process and received information about general demographics and trends occurring in Independence.

At stations, participants discussed neighborhoods and housing, community identity, public facilities and businesses and jobs.

Figure 2. Location of Origin, Meeting Attendees

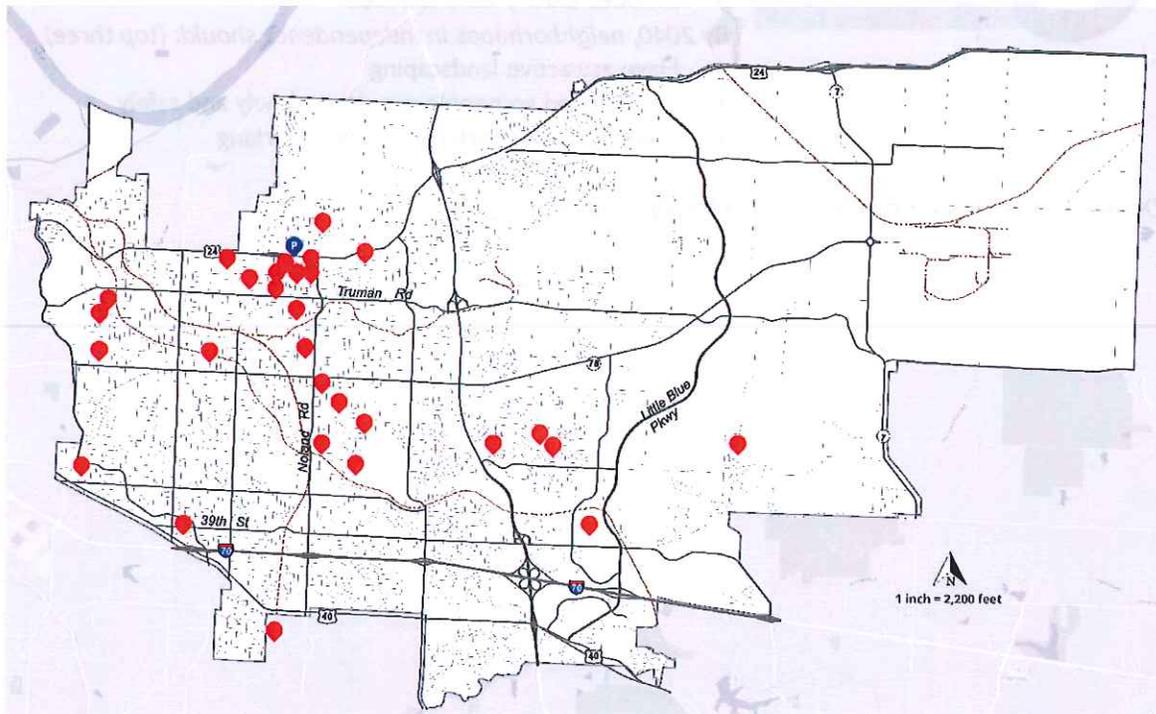


Figure 2. shows where people came from to attend the public meeting. One represents more than one person. This is an estimate not everyone who attended the public meeting provided an address.

Project Website

January 1, 2017- July 19, 2017

A project website www.indep.us/2040, linked to the City's website, acted as the central location for people to receive information about the planning process. The website promoted public meetings and activities, provided background information, and allowed for people to sign up for notifications directly on the site.

Over the course of the planning period, the website received over 700 visitors, includes revisits by same user, who viewed the website pages 354 times.

Social Media

In addition to the project website we used social media to spread our reach. People received notifications about the public meeting and were encouraged to participate in the survey. We used social media to advertise community events and promote the public meeting.



Facebook

The public meeting was broadcasted on Facebook Live. This helped us reach people who couldn't make it to the meeting. There were 4,400 impression of the live event, with 990 unique viewers. There were 60 engagements on Facebook which includes reactions such as likes, loves, shares and comments.



Twitter

We posted a promotional video on Twitter. It received 1,714 impressions with 334 views and 43 engagements.



Instagram

There were 32 views and 3 likes of a post on Instagram.



Nextdoor

The city joined Nextdoor in June and posted a link to the survey. It received 14 thank yous and 8 replies

Community Events

Figure 3. Location of Community Events

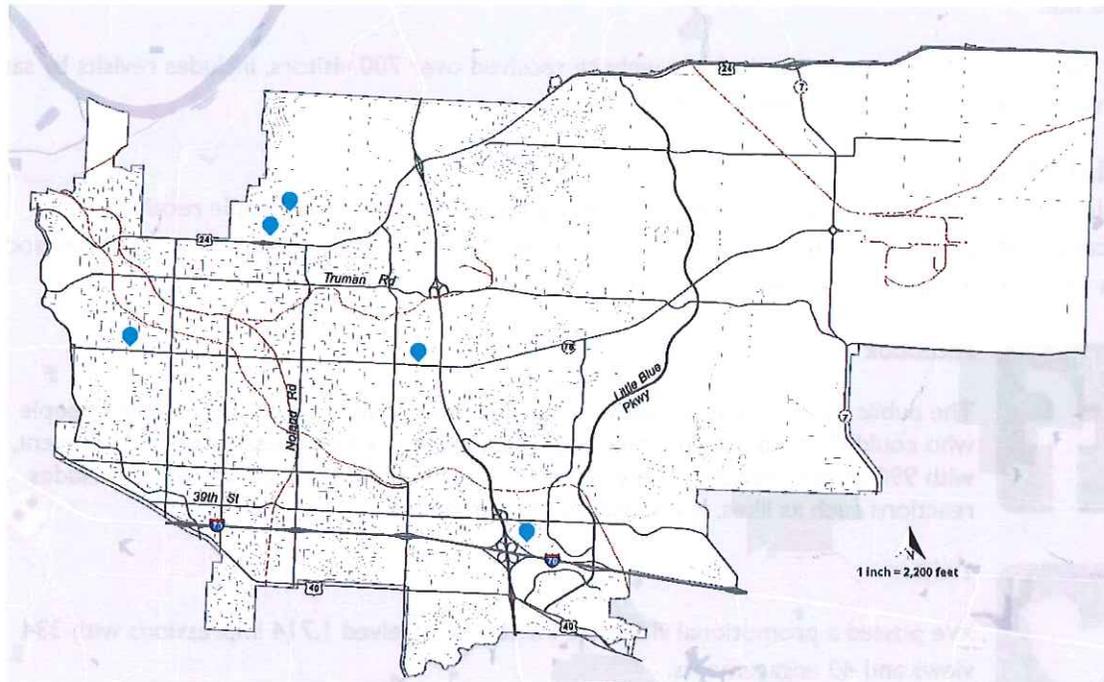


Figure 3. shows the locations of some of the community events. Based on steering committee and staff recommendations, more events were added to reach different areas of the community they are noted below with asterisks.

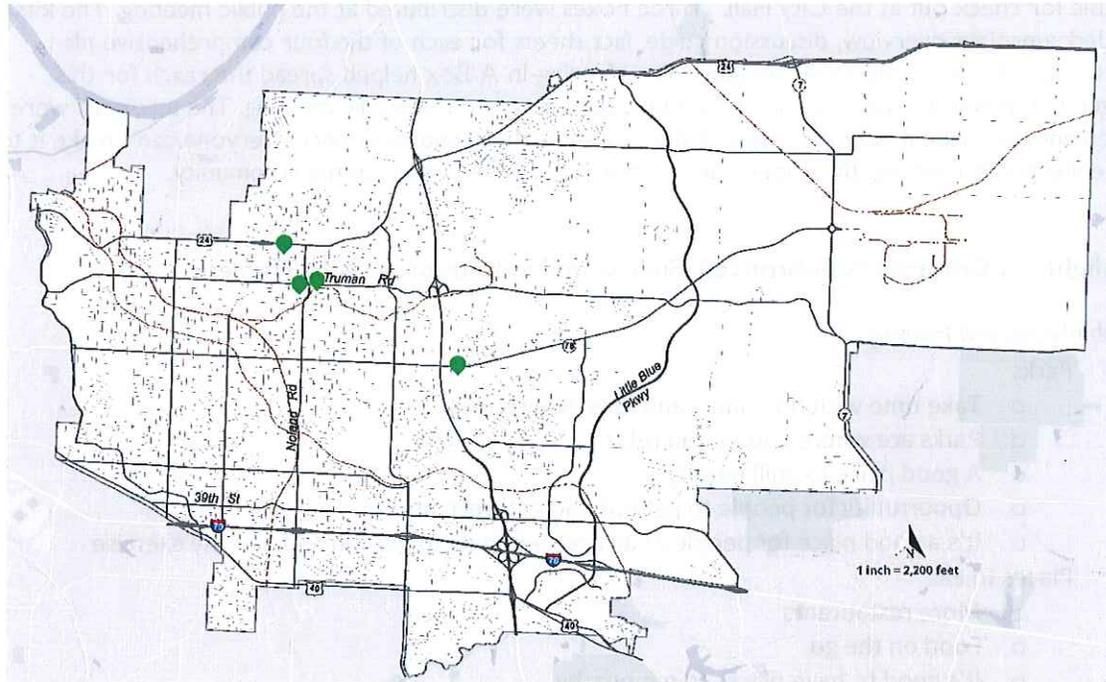
The project team engaged with people at community events held at the following locations.

- Hill Park
- Independence Center*
- Truman Library
- Vaile Mansion
- The Square*
- Transit Center
- Sermon Community Center
- Farmer's Market*
- Fairmount Community Center*

Signage

June 19, 2017- August 22, 2017

Figure 4. Locations of Signage



The signage included brief information about the planning process, encouraged people to check out a Meeting-In-A-Box, take the community survey, visit the website and follow on social media. These signs were displayed at the following locations:

- Mid-Continent Library,- North Independence Branch 317 W US Highway 24, Independence
- Trails West Public Library, 11401 East 23rd St S, Independence
- Sermon Community Center, 201 N Dodgion St, Independence
- City Hall, 111 E Maple Ave, Independence
- City of Independence Utilities Center, 17221 East 23rd St S, Independence

Meeting-In-A-Box

June 22, 2017- TBD

Summary

The meeting-in-a-box tool was used by approximately 30 individuals. Eight Meeting-In-A-Box kits were available for check out at the City Hall. Three boxes were distributed at the public meeting. The kits included: a project overview, discussion guide, fact sheets for each of the four comprehensive plan topics, and slides from the public meeting. The Meeting-In-A-Box helped spread the reach for this engagement. It was a good tool for those who couldn't attend the public meeting. The materials were convenient and made it easy for respondents to give us their feedback. Since everyone can't make it to an evening public meeting, this tool helped us hear from other voices in the community.

Highlights of Comments Submitted (Summarized to Determine Major Themes)

Neighborhoods and Housing

- Parks
 - Take time with the family and take away stress
 - Parks are where people can relax
 - A good place to chill nearby
 - Opportunity for people to get out and get fresh air
 - It's a good place for people of all ages and pets to get fun and healthy exercise
- Places to Eat
 - More restaurants
 - Food on the go
 - It's good to have places to eat nearby
- Schools
 - More education for professionals
 - Help smart people make smart decisions
 - Not really important, plenty of schools already
- Transit
 - Slow transportation
 - How else are we going to get around
 - Good so people who don't drive can get around better
- Religious Institutions
 - Make respectful religious institutions for all citizens
 - We have a right to believe what we want
 - It would be good if people could walk to church
 - This is good for people to be closer to places of worship
- Sports and Recreation
 - Keep people active and fit
 - Good so people can exercise and stay fit
- Community Center
 - A great place for people to socialize
 - It's good to have a local place for people to gather

- A good space for teens and families to hang out and have fun
- Shopping
 - It's good to have options nearby so people won't have to travel
 - Make it easier for people to get groceries
- Workplace
 - More jobs and programs to help the homeless
- What types of housing do you want to see?
 - Attracts young professionals
 - Includes elderly care facilities
 - HUD housing for \$40,000 and under
- What should neighborhoods look and feel like?
 - Walkable/bikable
 - Tree lined streets
 - Designed so people drive safely/slowly
 - Adequate parking/off street parking
 - Be near places people want to go
 - Driverless cars

Public Facilities (Ranked in Order of Most Popular to Least)

- What facilities and infrastructure are needed for the future?
 - Parks, playground, swimming pools, etc.
 - Improve sidewalks and create sidewalks in neighborhoods without them
 - More multipurpose outdoor space that is flexible and safe to accommodate sports, festivals and community gatherings

Business and Jobs (Comments)

- Provide transit options outside of 8-5 because not everyone works 8-5.
- Jobs for young people we want young people to have activities when they are out of school, so they won't get into trouble

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APPENDIX A

Year	2010	2011	2012
Q1	100	100	100
Q2	100	100	100
Q3	100	100	100
Q4	100	100	100
Annual	100	100	100

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CITY OF INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI
Independence for All
STRATEGIC PLAN
2017 - 2021

Our Vision:
 Our quality neighborhoods, 21st century jobs, growing economy, safe, family-friendly community, and cultural diversity makes Independence, Missouri a nationally recognized city with a unique history and sense of place.

Our Mission:
 Transforming our community through engagement, innovation, and sustainable services.

	Goals	Objectives
CUSTOMER-FOCUSED	Improve customer service and communication	Improve customer service Communicate more effectively internally and externally
FINANCIALLY SUSTAINABLE	Ensure City finances are stable and sustainable	Control long-term costs Optimize resources Improve long-range financial planning and decision-making
GROWTH	Increase economic prosperity of the community	Attract and retain quality employers Grow retail and commercial business
QUALITY	Achieve livability, choice, access, health and safety through a quality built environment	Reduce blight Improve visual appearance Improve public infrastructure and facilities Reduce crime and disorder Increase perception of safety Stabilize and revitalize neighborhoods Build new housing units

Values

How we use resources:

Responsible – We practice fiscal responsibility. We carefully plan for and spend our resources in appropriate, cost-effective ways.
Sustainable – We manage our resources wisely, using only what we need to meet the current needs of our citizens while also keeping in mind the needs of future generations.

Services are:

Quality – We provide safe, sustainable, and well-maintained public facilities and municipal services to residents and visitors.
Reliable – We protect public health and the environment by providing consistent, reliable, and efficient city services.

Solutions are found through:

Collaboration – We get more work done when we work across departments and partner with the community.
Open communication – We are clear with our ideas and decisions. We aim to build respect and trust, resolve our differences, and create a positive environment.

Our attitude is:

Congenial – We maintain a positive attitude and atmosphere because we treat everyone with respect and fairness.
Empathetic – We are able to step into someone else's shoes, listen, and understand another point of view.
Engaging – We actively engage our citizens to ensure that community concerns and aspirations are consistently understood and considered.
Responsive – We always respond to citizen concerns in a timely and efficient manner.

Trustworthy – Our promises instill trust in our actions and decisions.

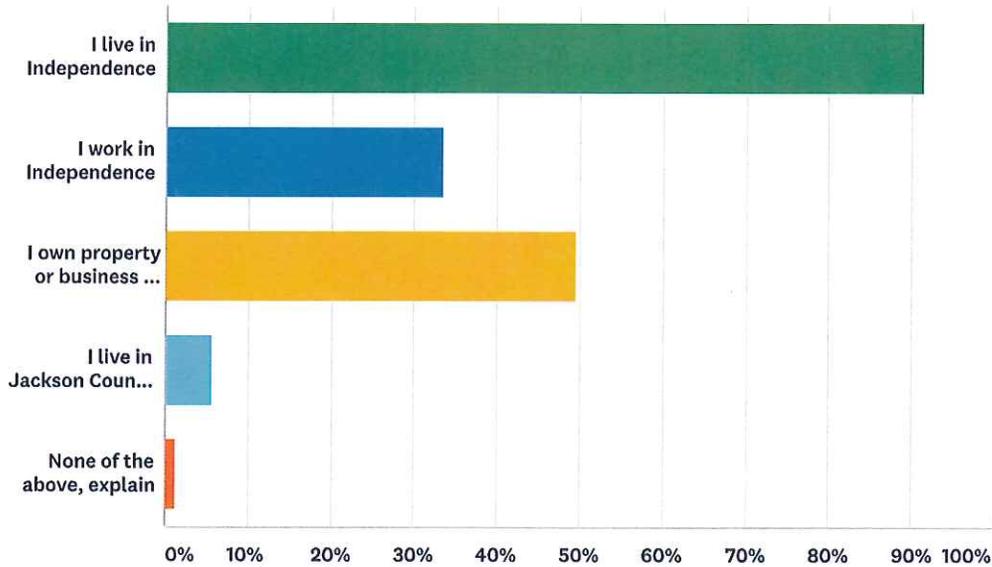
Decision making:

Accountable – We accept responsibility for our actions. Our decisions have a real impact on the community and we follow our words with actions.
Credible – We employ experienced and qualified staff. We use trusted sources and our decisions are based on balanced and objective information.
Innovative – We don't shy away from new ideas. We think of creative ways to work together. Our open thinking helps us accomplish our goals.
Ethical – We make equitable, fair and just decisions because that's the right thing to do.
Transparent – We are open and honest with our decisions and supporting data.
Visionary – We make smart, long-term decisions that consider future needs.

APPENDIX B

Q1 Please check all that apply.

Answered: 1,165 Skipped: 5



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
I live in Independence	91.42% 1,065
I work in Independence	33.56% 391
I own property or business in Independence	49.53% 577
I live in Jackson County outside city limits	5.75% 67
None of the above, explain	1.29% 15
Total Respondents: 1,165	

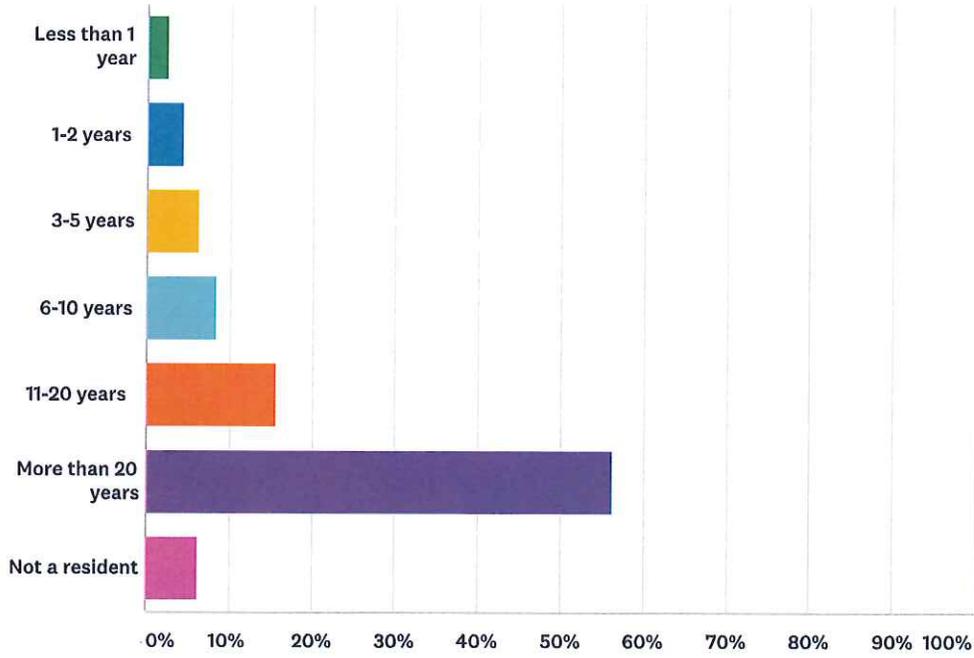
#	NONE OF THE ABOVE, EXPLAIN	DATE
1	No answer provided	8/23/2017 11:21 AM
2	I was an Independence resident for 10 years.	8/1/2017 11:30 AM
3	X	7/31/2017 12:51 PM
4	Lived in Independence until two years ago (job). Plan on moving back soon so I care a lot about the city.	7/31/2017 7:35 AM
5	Retired city employee	6/29/2017 12:39 PM
6	I lived in Independence before. I moved a couple of years ago but plan on moving back.	6/29/2017 5:27 AM
7	Sue Wise	6/28/2017 8:39 PM
8	RETIRED	6/28/2017 5:51 PM
9	Thanks	6/28/2017 4:27 PM
10	I've been a long standing citizen, moving back soon	6/28/2017 1:30 AM
11	S	6/27/2017 10:01 PM
12	Ho	6/27/2017 3:21 PM

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13	I volunteer in Indepence	6/26/2017 3:33 PM
14	Im Retired	6/26/2017 9:09 AM
15	clean drinking water	6/22/2017 4:33 PM

Q2 If you are a resident, how many years have you lived in Independence?

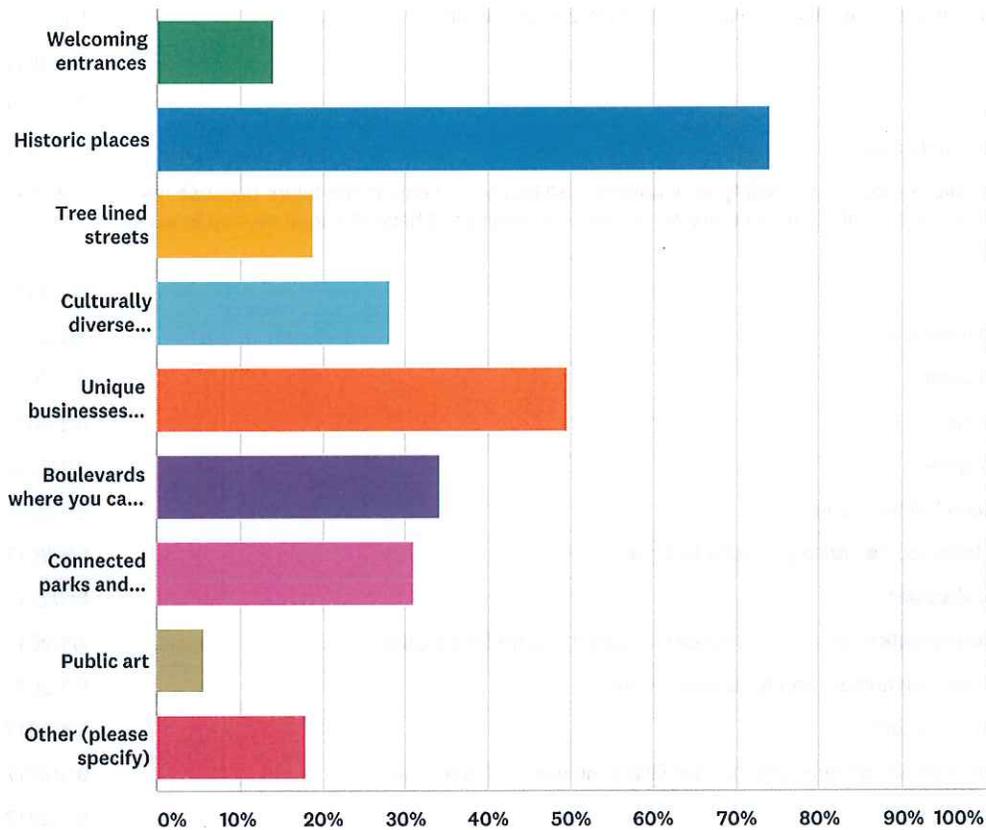
Answered: 1,160 Skipped: 10



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Less than 1 year	2.59%	30
1-2 years	4.48%	52
3-5 years	6.29%	73
6-10 years	8.28%	96
11-20 years	15.78%	183
More than 20 years	56.21%	652
Not a resident	6.38%	74
TOTAL		1,160

Q3 In 2040, Independence will be most known for its.... (Please choose your top three.)

Answered: 1,101 Skipped: 69



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Welcoming entrances	14.08% 155
Historic places	74.02% 815
Tree lined streets	18.80% 207
Culturally diverse neighborhoods	28.07% 309
Unique businesses districts and neighborhoods	49.59% 546
Boulevards where you can bike, walk and drive	34.15% 376
Connected parks and greenways	30.88% 340
Public art	5.63% 62
Other (please specify)	17.89% 197
Total Respondents: 1,101	

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	family n'hoods	8/23/2017 10:24 AM

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2	Lack of progress	8/15/2017 6:23 AM
3	crime and drug problems	8/10/2017 8:39 AM
4	protection of natural resources	8/8/2017 9:53 AM
5	Crime & Homeless habitat	8/8/2017 12:38 AM
6	Low crime rates	8/7/2017 9:11 PM
7	I'm not sure. It seems like the city has only been decreasing in all of these areas.	8/3/2017 8:12 AM
8	crime	8/3/2017 7:34 AM
9	Crime	8/3/2017 7:33 AM
10	schools & county seat	8/2/2017 10:05 AM
11	It's impossible to know with certainty what anything will be like 20 years in the future because we can't know what the state of the country will be and leaderships will have changed several times in twenty years.	8/2/2017 8:19 AM
12	Crime	8/2/2017 8:08 AM
13	crime rate increase	8/1/2017 4:25 PM
14	Safe Community	8/1/2017 3:24 PM
15	Lack of crime	8/1/2017 3:16 PM
16	Safe from crime.	8/1/2017 2:16 PM
17	Environmental Stewardship	8/1/2017 1:16 PM
18	A place where you can raise your kids to thrive	8/1/2017 12:07 PM
19	Crime and disorder	8/1/2017 12:00 PM
20	animal overpopulation and a City Council that does not care for it's citizens	8/1/2017 11:34 AM
21	Blight, low income homes, barely surviving business	8/1/2017 11:34 AM
22	learning environment	8/1/2017 11:19 AM
23	Revamped, lean city government that has little to no waste of resources	8/1/2017 11:19 AM
24	na	8/1/2017 11:14 AM
25	A great community to purchase a home in!	7/31/2017 7:53 PM
26	drugs/crime if things don't change..	7/31/2017 6:50 PM
27	Only certain areas are a pleasure to visit. A lot of vacant buildings.	7/31/2017 4:24 PM
28	I wish I could check another one, but sadly, none apply	7/31/2017 1:39 PM
29	Themed Square	7/31/2017 9:55 AM
30	Ease of getting around. (Traffic patterns)	7/31/2017 9:10 AM
31	Crime	7/31/2017 8:17 AM
32	Crime	7/31/2017 5:30 AM
33	Hopefully not the meth capitol of the world	7/31/2017 4:54 AM
34	Crime, deterioration	7/30/2017 5:52 PM
35	none	7/29/2017 3:44 PM
36	I have no idea. Would hope historic relevance.	7/28/2017 10:45 PM
37	Independence Square and Santa Cali Gon	7/28/2017 1:58 PM
38	Governmental and economic mediocrity.	7/28/2017 6:48 AM
39	Being a great place to live in, unique and worth visiting	7/27/2017 8:44 PM
40	Trashed housing. And dirty neighborhoods	7/27/2017 5:51 PM

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41	crime	7/27/2017 5:02 PM
42	Downtown Square	7/27/2017 4:09 PM
43	city square	7/27/2017 4:07 PM
44	UN Agenda 21 utopia	7/26/2017 8:17 AM
45	aging population & access	7/25/2017 7:57 AM
46	Areas not maintained that look like the projects	7/20/2017 1:49 PM
47	The amount of discount smokes and liquor stores, cash for gold shops, and cell phone stores	7/18/2017 2:52 PM
48	drug addicts.thieves,vandelisim	7/14/2017 8:18 PM
49	I read the other answers and don't think they apply.	7/11/2017 10:03 PM
50	Crime rate	7/11/2017 4:25 PM
51	Jobs	7/10/2017 6:21 PM
52	overbuilt eastside vs under maintained westside.	7/10/2017 6:13 PM
53	I hope safest city.	7/8/2017 9:24 AM
54	All would be nice but has none now	7/2/2017 6:53 PM
55	A city that is still alive, prosperous and not the armpit of Eastern Jackson County	7/2/2017 6:03 PM
56	Harry Truman	7/1/2017 1:21 PM
57	affordable living/good schools	6/30/2017 4:37 PM
58	drugs	6/30/2017 1:12 PM
59	On going drug problems	6/30/2017 12:46 PM
60	Public Safety: Police, Fire, Hospital	6/30/2017 12:22 PM
61	being a place where you feel safe	6/30/2017 9:57 AM
62	an up and coming hip area that used to be in shambles	6/29/2017 11:40 PM
63	Top rated schools & top rated safety	6/29/2017 6:24 PM
64	The best place to live	6/29/2017 5:31 PM
65	All things Tuman	6/29/2017 3:06 PM
66	SAFE and beautiful neighborhoods	6/29/2017 1:42 PM
67	Caring and involved citizens.	6/29/2017 1:39 PM
68	Drug dealers and strip clubs	6/29/2017 12:19 PM
69	Less biker bars, more restaurants and pubs	6/29/2017 8:44 AM
70	blight	6/29/2017 7:56 AM
71	Energy efficient housing	6/29/2017 7:38 AM
72	Crime	6/29/2017 7:13 AM
73	Harry Truman	6/29/2017 6:38 AM
74	Low crime, Good roads, low tax rate	6/29/2017 4:26 AM
75	Safe and well maintained city	6/29/2017 1:23 AM
76	A place to raise a family	6/28/2017 11:21 PM
77	Rough streets	6/28/2017 11:18 PM
78	Low income housing	6/28/2017 10:29 PM
79	Crumbling businesses along 40 highway	6/28/2017 10:27 PM
80	Run down rentals	6/28/2017 10:06 PM
81	Unfortunately, Crime rate	6/28/2017 10:01 PM

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82	Public safety, rooting out bad landlords and dangerous hotel properties	6/28/2017 9:44 PM
83	Ran down unkept areas	6/28/2017 9:21 PM
84	Friendly people who greet each other and smile.	6/28/2017 8:44 PM
85	pot holes and rough shoddy patchwork on streets.	6/28/2017 8:30 PM
86	I worry about this. I think Independence will be known for drugs, crime, poverty and run down neighborhoods. It makes me sad.	6/28/2017 8:22 PM
87	Crime, blight, terrible schools	6/28/2017 8:01 PM
88	Bully Breed Dogs are allowed to live in Independence.	6/28/2017 7:34 PM
89	I have no idea	6/28/2017 6:28 PM
90	HONEST GOVERNMENT	6/28/2017 5:53 PM
91	crime,drugs	6/28/2017 5:46 PM
92	Blight. I'm sure you don't want to hear that but a cruise through most parts of the city display it well.	6/28/2017 5:34 PM
93	another dying city, as it is now	6/28/2017 3:45 PM
94	SAFETY	6/28/2017 3:22 PM
95	inexpensive utility rates	6/28/2017 3:18 PM
96	Crime (sadly)	6/28/2017 2:49 PM
97	Crime, Slum Lords, Drugs	6/28/2017 2:05 PM
98	Unique restaurants	6/28/2017 1:31 PM
99	Family friendly event places ie more park space, swimming pools etc	6/28/2017 1:17 PM
100	Low income community :(6/28/2017 1:01 PM
101	Sorry to say, run down neighborhoods	6/28/2017 12:44 PM
102	Low class... and drugs.....section 8 housing	6/28/2017 12:40 PM
103	None of the above	6/28/2017 12:25 PM
104	crime and poverty	6/28/2017 12:19 PM
105	A marriage of new tech resources with historical preservation.	6/28/2017 11:37 AM
106	Pit Bull friendly	6/28/2017 11:30 AM
107	Schools	6/28/2017 11:19 AM
108	Action on climate change.	6/28/2017 11:09 AM
109	Independence has been for years a tourist town. With the development in east Independence, restaurants, hotels, event center and Bass Pro, we really need family places such as Go cart tracks, professional and family track. Built near Bass Pro and the likes. To many restaurants have closed down and half the strip malls are empty. Need affordable housing all around the area to support the area. You keep zoning every new area commercial and you need people to support these businesses. West Independence is ignored and is where most if not all the Historic sites are. Also the most run down part of Independence. Thank goodness individuals have been willing to improve this side of town.	6/28/2017 10:54 AM
110	40 Hwy. blight.	6/28/2017 10:51 AM
111	At this rate it will be the new ghetto for lack of better word	6/28/2017 10:40 AM
112	Friendly casual restaurants with outdoor seating and great selection of beer and wine; live music is always a plus	6/28/2017 10:28 AM
113	I don't know the top three.	6/28/2017 10:23 AM
114	High crime and drug area if things don't change	6/28/2017 10:11 AM

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115	As of right now, it'll still be known as the "meth capital" of the world unless we get the community cleaned up! It's gotten such a bad reputation. Would love for it to be down for everything listed above. Right now, it's embarrassing to tell people you are from Independence as comments about crime, drugs are always a following remark.	6/28/2017 10:06 AM
116	Government housing	6/28/2017 10:05 AM
117	Crime & animal attacks	6/28/2017 10:01 AM
118	Unfortunately crime	6/28/2017 9:59 AM
119	Neighborhood blight unless something is done.	6/28/2017 9:48 AM
120	Beauracracy	6/28/2017 9:36 AM
121	Free and independent residents, where liberty and freedom of the individual are respected.	6/28/2017 9:21 AM
122	taking care of meth problem	6/28/2017 9:20 AM
123	crime	6/28/2017 9:11 AM
124	Opiates, heroin, meth, Comcast as the only internet option, no decent paying/full time jobs, and no fiber options for internet.	6/28/2017 9:09 AM
125	Religious Sites	6/28/2017 9:08 AM
126	Won't be greenways, city's taking that away	6/28/2017 8:59 AM
127	Drug crime	6/28/2017 8:54 AM
128	The mall	6/28/2017 8:53 AM
129	Nothing positive unless things change dramatically.	6/28/2017 8:52 AM
130	It's transformation into another failed liberal suburb	6/28/2017 8:51 AM
131	No clue	6/28/2017 8:50 AM
132	nothing unless the City Govt. acn rescue the city	6/28/2017 8:49 AM
133	I see no change, and the first 2 dont count...I had to answer with 3	6/28/2017 8:48 AM
134	Blighted areas, crime, and foreclosed shopping areas	6/28/2017 8:43 AM
135	Section 8 housing	6/28/2017 8:42 AM
136	honestly, i don't see any of this taking place under the current leadership of the city.	6/28/2017 8:42 AM
137	low crime rate	6/28/2017 8:38 AM
138	Crime and trashy neighborhoods	6/28/2017 8:37 AM
139	terrible crime-ridden neighborhoods, if that Walmart is still on 40 highway and Independence Ave & 23rd st area is never improved.	6/28/2017 8:36 AM
140	100% Clean, renewable energy, electric monorail mass transit system, good government.	6/28/2017 7:02 AM
141	None of the above, I do not think Independence will fair well in the future	6/28/2017 7:00 AM
142	Low income housing and rising crime	6/28/2017 4:02 AM
143	Criminal activity	6/28/2017 1:31 AM
144	Meth	6/28/2017 1:29 AM
145	Crime unfortunately	6/27/2017 10:45 PM
146	A friendly and safe community	6/27/2017 10:35 PM
147	Urban area with openspaces and large lots.	6/27/2017 10:29 PM
148	Community participation	6/27/2017 10:18 PM
149	Crime and drugs	6/27/2017 10:12 PM
150	abandoned buildings	6/27/2017 10:01 PM
151	Oppressive police department	6/27/2017 9:56 PM

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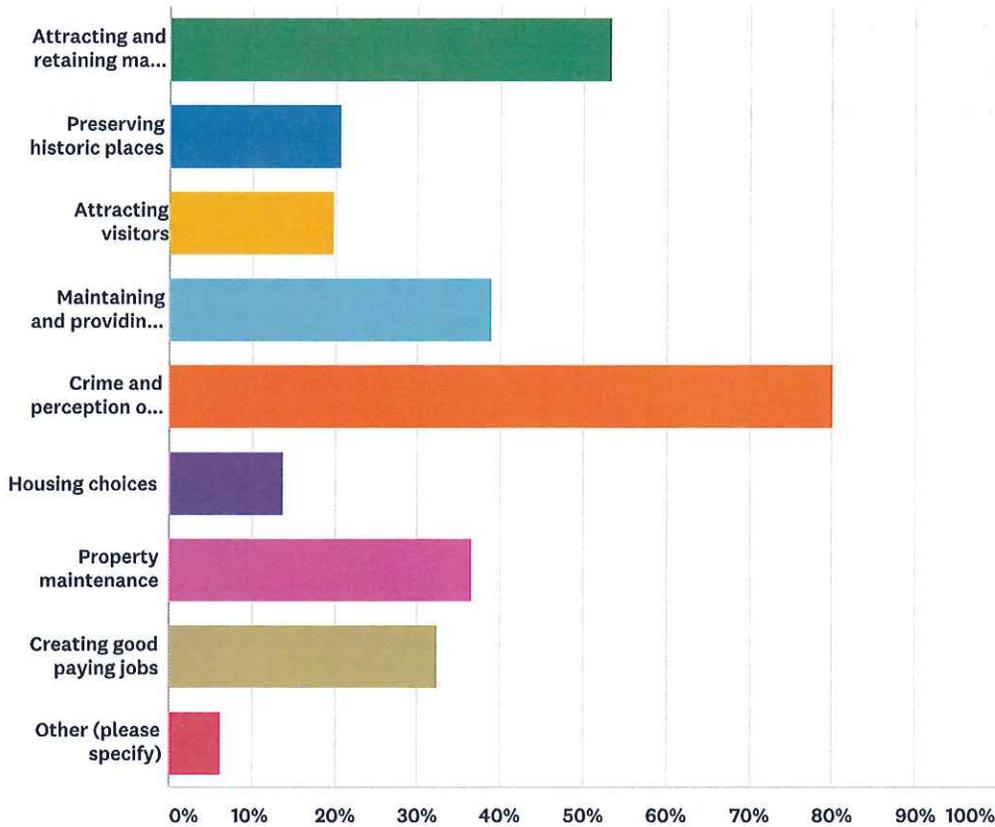
152	section 8 housing	6/27/2017 9:46 PM
153	Closeness to KC	6/27/2017 9:33 PM
154	Outreach to help low income residents	6/27/2017 9:11 PM
155	Rough neighborhoods and low paying jobs	6/27/2017 8:59 PM
156	Abusive police force	6/27/2017 8:59 PM
157	Drugs and crime	6/27/2017 8:56 PM
158	Hate to be negative, but being rundown.	6/27/2017 8:43 PM
159	Drugs	6/27/2017 8:37 PM
160	Lower class and poverty, and lots of trash	6/27/2017 8:23 PM
161	Unfortunately Independence has not done a quality job of recognizing,embracing and celebrating the cultural and ethic diversity that comprises the 'new Independence.' This will soon become a city known for great disenfranchisement if we don't make quality time in celebrating our current and future as we do our rich history.	6/27/2017 8:14 PM
162	Clean, well maintained city. The entire city.	6/27/2017 8:07 PM
163	None of the above	6/27/2017 7:42 PM
164	Drugs, Crime and disorder. Possibly the capital of cell phone and smoke stores	6/27/2017 6:52 PM
165	None of the above	6/27/2017 6:48 PM
166	People. What kind of people choose to live here?	6/27/2017 6:29 PM
167	Worn out strip malls, and empty storefronts.	6/27/2017 6:01 PM
168	I only checked three because it would not let me go forward. I wish I could believe one of the above. I want to. But, right now it is still known for meth and broken down rental homes and vacant homes.	6/27/2017 5:55 PM
169	A place where you can start a career and keep advancing	6/27/2017 5:16 PM
170	Drug use	6/27/2017 5:12 PM
171	*its	6/27/2017 5:03 PM
172	Great retail shopping	6/27/2017 5:00 PM
173	Crime	6/27/2017 4:56 PM
174	Nothing will be known	6/27/2017 4:54 PM
175	Crime	6/27/2017 4:52 PM
176	.	6/27/2017 4:40 PM
177	None of the above	6/27/2017 4:40 PM
178	Nightlife that will make Independence a destination	6/27/2017 4:34 PM
179	Great Schools, job availability	6/27/2017 4:34 PM
180	Mom and Pop locations may not be there.	6/27/2017 4:32 PM
181	Crime	6/27/2017 4:13 PM
182	Green energy initiatie	6/27/2017 4:12 PM
183	Well maintained homes and streets.	6/27/2017 4:07 PM
184	Drugs	6/27/2017 3:52 PM
185	Crime	6/27/2017 3:44 PM
186	Entertainment	6/27/2017 3:41 PM
187	Safety and schools	6/27/2017 3:38 PM
188	Street, Bridge, Walkway lighting.	6/27/2017 3:30 PM

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189	Not drug infested	6/27/2017 3:26 PM
190	Economic Development	6/27/2017 1:47 PM
191	Trash, if we do not get recycling back!	6/26/2017 11:25 AM
192	Single family owned residences, not rentals. Rentals as in apartments LESS HUD HOUSING	6/23/2017 5:39 PM
193	Professional sports at the Indep. Events Center	6/23/2017 5:04 PM
194	Blighted. Neighborhoods	6/23/2017 3:55 PM
195	crime rate	6/23/2017 3:21 PM
196	oppression-with the gov't we have now still in place	6/23/2017 2:47 PM
197	Schools	6/22/2017 8:54 PM

Q4 What do you think will be the most critical issues facing Independence in the future? (Please choose your top three.)

Answered: 1,101 Skipped: 69



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Attracting and retaining major employers	53.41% 588
Preserving historic places	20.62% 227
Attracting visitors	19.89% 219
Maintaining and providing public facilities and infrastructure	38.96% 429
Crime and perception of public safety	80.11% 882
Housing choices	13.90% 153
Property maintenance	36.69% 404
Creating good paying jobs	32.33% 356
Other (please specify)	6.27% 69
Total Respondents: 1,101	

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	No answer provided	8/23/2017 11:11 AM

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2	Keeping our young people and families in the area	8/15/2017 6:23 AM
3	Opening the cable/internet monopoly that is held by Comcast.	8/6/2017 8:26 AM
4	Wasting tax payers money and over spending on projects that are not the local governments job like providing entertainment.	8/2/2017 8:19 AM
5	tax base due to eroding brick and mortar stores	8/1/2017 11:45 AM
6	Health risks that come from unsuitable pet owners	8/1/2017 11:34 AM
7	If the city government reassesses itself to eliminate wasted resources and focus on its basic responsibilities then the other positive outcomes will occur on their own.	8/1/2017 11:19 AM
8	End corporate welfare and favoritism, focus on building a simple, low-tax environment for ALL businesses	8/1/2017 11:18 AM
9	Tax money leaving independence going east that benefits Blue Springs	7/31/2017 4:24 PM
10	Keeping Independence Square the focal point of the City	7/28/2017 1:58 PM
11	The average age and economic strata of our citizens.	7/28/2017 6:48 AM
12	N	7/27/2017 5:33 PM
13	get rid of drug houses	7/14/2017 8:18 PM
14	maintaining good schools	6/30/2017 4:37 PM
15	Eliminating the meth problem!	6/30/2017 1:14 PM
16	meth eradication	6/29/2017 8:52 PM
17	Cleaner streets, cleaning up abandon buildings on main roads	6/29/2017 8:44 AM
18	Making others realize that Independence is great and doesn't deserve its bad reputation	6/28/2017 11:39 PM
19	Maintaining sidewalks and roadways	6/28/2017 10:39 PM
20	Keeping the mall	6/28/2017 10:04 PM
21	Lack of funds and attention to Northern part of the city	6/28/2017 8:16 PM
22	Failing schools	6/28/2017 8:01 PM
23	Drugs	6/28/2017 7:36 PM
24	CORPORATE CONTROL AND EXPLOITATION	6/28/2017 5:53 PM
25	Better shopping choices, specially grocery stores.	6/28/2017 5:34 PM
26	make it like it was when the actually wagon trains gathered here, and have more of a historic place instead of trying to fix something you keep killing every few years changing to the likes of those on the council and Big money people, make something like the amusement park that used to be in fairmount. Make a place for everyone and stop trying to please the people with big money, the rulers of independence, who do not have the heart of independence and actually many do not live in independence and could care less as they take businesses closer to where the live in outlying cities.	6/28/2017 3:45 PM
27	unaffordable utility rates	6/28/2017 3:18 PM
28	restructure rewriting of city codes for 21st century	6/28/2017 2:35 PM
29	Attracting and keeping unique, local stores and restaurants	6/28/2017 1:38 PM
30	schools	6/28/2017 1:32 PM
31	Having an educated community/workforce.	6/28/2017 1:01 PM
32	Growing homeless population	6/28/2017 12:37 PM
33	We're an integral part of greater KC. Our opportunities lie there. My west central side has no sidewalks although we are the original part of Independence. We do retain some individuality. The very "promoted" eastern side is commercial, non personal, lacks individuality.	6/28/2017 12:25 PM
34	we are not a progressive city, very white, not very educated, lower middle class as best. We need more diversity education and acceptance and just a better education system period.	6/28/2017 12:19 PM

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35	Climate change	6/28/2017 11:09 AM
36	You have acres of land between Little Blue Parkway and Jackson/Jones Rd. You could get and auto plant built between 24 highway and 23rd street or some other plant that would hire hundreds of employees and bring people to Independence. Pick up the ball and run with it. More housing, affordable housing.	6/28/2017 10:54 AM
37	40 Hwy. blight	6/28/2017 10:51 AM
38	attracting and keeping residents	6/28/2017 9:38 AM
39	Being citizen concentric	6/28/2017 9:36 AM
40	Property Value	6/28/2017 9:11 AM
41	All of the above	6/28/2017 8:59 AM
42	attracting employers by having skilled and educated population	6/28/2017 8:57 AM
43	Stop anything that has to do with dog bread bans	6/28/2017 8:53 AM
44	Independence center	6/28/2017 8:49 AM
45	School district	6/28/2017 8:49 AM
46	Our police seem to use force more than other departments in the area. Better focus on making sure our officers don't overreact.	6/28/2017 8:44 AM
47	giving attention to the lesser public areas like Susquehanna...its not 39th Street, but it could be	6/28/2017 8:42 AM
48	School district	6/28/2017 7:44 AM
49	Shortages of food and water due to lack of a proper response to the climate crisis.	6/28/2017 7:02 AM
50	Meth & Poverty	6/28/2017 1:29 AM
51	Homeless on every corner	6/28/2017 12:05 AM
52	Getting rid of or filling the empty buildings instead of building new ones.	6/27/2017 11:16 PM
53	The perception and reality of the police department	6/27/2017 9:56 PM
54	School quality	6/27/2017 9:20 PM
55	Use of the are area surrounding the Little Blue Parkway from 39th street to 24 highway	6/27/2017 8:59 PM
56	All of these will be critical issues	6/27/2017 8:42 PM
57	A competitive school district.	6/27/2017 8:33 PM
58	Attracting and retaining small businesses	6/27/2017 8:20 PM
59	Perception of an inclusive and welcoming Community for all walks of life	6/27/2017 8:14 PM
60	Jails being full and letting repeat offenders out.	6/27/2017 7:50 PM
61	None of these. Gov't should have very little role in most of these.	6/27/2017 6:29 PM
62	See above	6/27/2017 5:55 PM
63	Keeping young people living and working in Independence	6/27/2017 4:34 PM
64	Grocery store near the square	6/27/2017 4:21 PM
65	Sustainability, walk-ability, bike-ability, green spaces, trails, etc.	6/27/2017 4:21 PM
66	Recycling	6/26/2017 11:25 AM
67	finding visionaries in leadership roles. Finding monies for up-keep	6/24/2017 8:58 AM
68	Attracting small businesses	6/23/2017 6:47 PM
69	Offering entertainment between supper and midnight: nightclubs, dance clubs, coffee houses, theater with decent seats; shopping past 6 p.m.; restaurants open until midnight on the Square:	6/23/2017 3:12 PM

Q5 In your opinion, what is Independence's greatest strength - what differentiates Independence from any place else?

Answered: 1,013 Skipped: 157

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Having a strong community	8/23/2017 11:46 AM
2	a union of people who voluntarily support the community	8/23/2017 11:45 AM
3	No answer provided	8/23/2017 11:19 AM
4	No answer provided	8/23/2017 11:17 AM
5	No answer provided	8/23/2017 11:14 AM
6	No answer provided	8/23/2017 11:12 AM
7	No answer provided	8/23/2017 11:09 AM
8	No answer provided.	8/23/2017 11:07 AM
9	Neighborhoods	8/23/2017 11:05 AM
10	I really think Independence is the safest area to raise a family. It's the reason why I choose to live and raise my kids.	8/23/2017 11:03 AM
11	No answer provided.	8/23/2017 11:01 AM
12	It's a big town with a small town feel.	8/23/2017 10:58 AM
13	Culturally diverse neighborhoods	8/23/2017 10:44 AM
14	No answer provided	8/23/2017 10:42 AM
15	That there is different skin and culture here & we welcome all of those who are different.	8/23/2017 10:39 AM
16	Independence has great schools	8/23/2017 10:27 AM
17	people	8/23/2017 10:25 AM
18	Can be quiet in some areas; peaceful	8/23/2017 10:22 AM
19	cultural diversity	8/15/2017 6:25 AM
20	Great water	8/14/2017 8:02 AM
21	Historic sites	8/10/2017 2:28 PM
22	excellent police and fire departments	8/10/2017 8:41 AM
23	Its' people	8/8/2017 5:36 PM
24	The birthplace and home of Harry S. Truman	8/8/2017 3:57 PM
25	competent city leasership	8/8/2017 9:55 AM
26	Unknown	8/8/2017 9:32 AM
27	Lots of room to grow, hopefully good housing is put in to draw residents to increase population which has stayed the same for years	8/8/2017 8:04 AM
28	Home of Harry S Truman	8/8/2017 7:11 AM
29	None. City has ignored its problems for years.	8/8/2017 12:40 AM
30	History	8/7/2017 9:12 PM
31	Community support	8/7/2017 10:47 AM
32	Tie to presidential history	8/6/2017 8:28 AM

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33	It is a blue collar town full of good people, but the police are outmatched as they are at the same staffing as 20 years ago, but there is more crime	8/5/2017 6:51 AM
34	history	8/4/2017 4:59 PM
35	Small town feel with modern convenience (We have the Square, but we also have 39th St. and easy access to Downtown.)	8/4/2017 4:50 PM
36	History	8/4/2017 3:15 PM
37	na	8/4/2017 1:57 PM
38	It's rich history. Harry Truman, Frontier Trails	8/4/2017 1:26 PM
39	Independence's greatest strength is that it is moving toward a future fueled off renewable energy.	8/3/2017 2:41 PM
40	location to neighboring cities/attractions	8/3/2017 2:02 PM
41	History	8/3/2017 10:07 AM
42	Lower tax rates, and convenience of getting around	8/3/2017 9:07 AM
43	historic square	8/3/2017 8:17 AM
44	Big city that feels small	8/3/2017 8:11 AM
45	Ignoring community crime.	8/3/2017 7:41 AM
46	Restaurants	8/3/2017 7:35 AM
47	Historic sites	8/3/2017 4:42 AM
48	History	8/2/2017 10:49 AM
49	historical significant of Truman, Trails, Mormons	8/2/2017 10:09 AM
50	it a friendly and peaceful plae	8/2/2017 9:58 AM
51	It's people and strong sense of community	8/2/2017 9:48 AM
52	Residents love Independence	8/2/2017 8:52 AM
53	It has a history like no other city around here. Everything else is the same.	8/2/2017 8:30 AM
54	They have pretty good water.	8/2/2017 8:10 AM
55	That we have the most Fast Food Restaurants	8/2/2017 7:46 AM
56	History- Truman and Oregon Trail	8/1/2017 7:01 PM
57	Growing population while maintaining small town culture	8/1/2017 5:54 PM
58	History	8/1/2017 5:01 PM
59	It's history	8/1/2017 4:59 PM
60	Small Town Values	8/1/2017 3:27 PM
61	Its rich history	8/1/2017 3:18 PM
62	the great police dept	8/1/2017 3:05 PM
63	It's history	8/1/2017 3:04 PM
64	Harry Truman	8/1/2017 3:02 PM
65	History/ The Square	8/1/2017 2:34 PM
66	History	8/1/2017 2:22 PM
67	Historic places & rich history	8/1/2017 2:10 PM
68	Low cost of living.	8/1/2017 2:08 PM
69	It's people	8/1/2017 1:51 PM
70	It's history	8/1/2017 1:32 PM
71	Geography	8/1/2017 1:22 PM

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72	It is large enough to support more business and retail/entertainment options	8/1/2017 1:21 PM
73	Truman Library and home	8/1/2017 1:14 PM
74	Don't have an answer for this question. Use to be that it was the small town feel but that has changed.	8/1/2017 1:13 PM
75	The versatility in housing and employment.	8/1/2017 12:54 PM
76	Independence is a larger town but with a small town feel and a great history base.	8/1/2017 12:41 PM
77	major highways thru or nearby	8/1/2017 12:37 PM
78	Don't have any	8/1/2017 12:36 PM
79	We have such a rich, diverse history	8/1/2017 12:30 PM
80	History	8/1/2017 12:29 PM
81	Truman legacy	8/1/2017 12:28 PM
82	Diversity	8/1/2017 12:18 PM
83	history; and living, working, shopping	8/1/2017 12:11 PM
84	The history and opporunities in the east.	8/1/2017 12:09 PM
85	A community that cares about it's people	8/1/2017 12:06 PM
86	Dedicated employees that have learned to get by with less.	8/1/2017 12:03 PM
87	History	8/1/2017 12:01 PM
88	Famous Historic Ties	8/1/2017 11:59 AM
89	Nothing at this time.	8/1/2017 11:56 AM
90	It's size and area covered. We have resources we don't even use.	8/1/2017 11:49 AM
91	History	8/1/2017 11:48 AM
92	History - Truman	8/1/2017 11:45 AM
93	small business owners	8/1/2017 11:45 AM
94	people	8/1/2017 11:43 AM
95	history	8/1/2017 11:42 AM
96	Historical sites, easy access to I-70, Close to Royals & Chiefs Stadiums, Part of the rail system	8/1/2017 11:39 AM
97	Being located to major thorofares	8/1/2017 11:38 AM
98	The small town feel close to the city	8/1/2017 11:37 AM
99	Easy to get from point A to point B	8/1/2017 11:37 AM
100	Its historic value to Jackson County and the westward expansion, eg. legal county seat, Three Trails, President Truman, etc.	8/1/2017 11:37 AM
101	The historical background	8/1/2017 11:35 AM
102	Affordability	8/1/2017 11:28 AM
103	values	8/1/2017 11:27 AM
104	history	8/1/2017 11:26 AM
105	Independence's greatest strength is its low cost of living and potential opportunities for the future	8/1/2017 11:26 AM
106	the historical significance	8/1/2017 11:25 AM
107	Affordability	8/1/2017 11:23 AM
108	strong sense of community	8/1/2017 11:22 AM
109	historical places and the square	8/1/2017 11:22 AM
110	The Square	8/1/2017 11:21 AM

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111	Close to KC, but not too close	8/1/2017 11:21 AM
112	Beauty	8/1/2017 11:20 AM
113	?	8/1/2017 11:20 AM
114	history	8/1/2017 11:19 AM
115	Variety of homes available and affordable, historic sites	8/1/2017 11:19 AM
116	History and unique neighborhood retail	8/1/2017 11:19 AM
117	Deep history, very connected residents	8/1/2017 11:17 AM
118	It's rich history	8/1/2017 11:17 AM
119	Location. Easy access to major highways and within 30 minutes of just about everything.	8/1/2017 11:16 AM
120	Historical value	8/1/2017 11:16 AM
121	History. Entertainment on square	8/1/2017 12:37 AM
122	Public Safety	7/31/2017 8:40 PM
123	Independence School District	7/31/2017 7:55 PM
124	homes of different styles/ historical	7/31/2017 6:53 PM
125	Independence is a welcoming city.	7/31/2017 4:31 PM
126	Truman Library and The Square	7/31/2017 4:25 PM
127	its small town feel for a large municipality	7/31/2017 4:00 PM
128	?	7/31/2017 3:19 PM
129	History	7/31/2017 1:40 PM
130	Small town feel	7/31/2017 12:56 PM
131	Diversity of residents	7/31/2017 12:21 PM
132	I	7/31/2017 11:22 AM
133	historical places and a connection to various religions	7/31/2017 10:59 AM
134	The Square	7/31/2017 10:30 AM
135	Historic, that's all it has going for it, unfortunately.	7/31/2017 10:11 AM
136	Its rich history, and historic places	7/31/2017 9:58 AM
137	The trails	7/31/2017 9:58 AM
138	A beautiful downtown	7/31/2017 9:38 AM
139	we have Harry!!	7/31/2017 9:32 AM
140	Diversity	7/31/2017 9:31 AM
141	Our Historical sites!	7/31/2017 9:27 AM
142	Close to business and attractions in the metro	7/31/2017 9:13 AM
143	Historical significance	7/31/2017 9:12 AM
144	Independence Center. Most big (Indoor) malls have closed	7/31/2017 8:20 AM
145	.	7/31/2017 8:06 AM
146	Historical sites, great public utilities like water, , schools	7/31/2017 7:47 AM
147	History, Harry Trumans Birth place.	7/31/2017 7:44 AM
148	The history in Independence is the richest in the area. LBJ signed legislation about Medicare there. JFK visited Truman in 1959. Marketing that history and Revitalizing historical areas and reducing crime should be a major effort. That history sets the area apart.	7/31/2017 7:40 AM
149	Cultural Diversity and grassroots efforts	7/31/2017 7:25 AM

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150	History in shaping our country.	7/31/2017 7:13 AM
151	Historical significance and friendly, welcoming communities	7/31/2017 7:05 AM
152	The historic sites	7/31/2017 7:00 AM
153	None	7/31/2017 6:58 AM
154	Affordability	7/31/2017 5:32 AM
155	We still maintain a shopping mall	7/31/2017 4:56 AM
156	Strong history	7/30/2017 10:28 PM
157	Nice downtown with Truman home and library	7/30/2017 10:17 PM
158	History and small town character	7/30/2017 8:30 PM
159	It's unique history.	7/30/2017 8:27 PM
160	History	7/30/2017 5:53 PM
161	Cost of living	7/30/2017 5:00 PM
162	History & relatively large population	7/30/2017 4:24 PM
163	Diversity	7/30/2017 3:58 PM
164	Her place in history.	7/30/2017 3:16 PM
165	Hometown atmosphere.	7/30/2017 1:16 PM
166	It is a very good place to live. I like the history Independence has.	7/30/2017 12:59 PM
167	Has alot of history	7/30/2017 12:18 PM
168	We have such a unique historical contribution. We need to find ways to honor that while being open to changing, growing, and improving.	7/30/2017 11:25 AM
169	Small town feel	7/30/2017 10:30 AM
170	Friendlyness and courtesy	7/30/2017 9:14 AM
171	Historic, small town vibe with city amenities.	7/30/2017 8:50 AM
172	It's small town feel with city amenities.	7/30/2017 7:39 AM
173	Harry S Truman	7/30/2017 12:28 AM
174	Its location	7/29/2017 10:53 PM
175	historic events occurred here; Truman lived and died here..	7/29/2017 9:39 PM
176	Strong history	7/29/2017 7:23 PM
177	Historical sites	7/29/2017 6:56 PM
178	none	7/29/2017 3:46 PM
179	hisoric places	7/29/2017 1:04 PM
180	Variety of attractions	7/29/2017 8:46 AM
181	Public	7/29/2017 8:22 AM
182	Growing	7/29/2017 7:39 AM
183	Hometown feel	7/29/2017 12:08 AM
184	Close to kc	7/28/2017 11:02 PM
185	Other than having the Truman librAry I couldn't say	7/28/2017 10:49 PM
186	The diverse population	7/28/2017 9:25 PM
187	Home of the 33rd President of the United States of America and Queen City of the Trails	7/28/2017 8:55 PM
188	tourist	7/28/2017 8:52 PM

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189	It has good school districts, hard working middle class residents, a caring community is coming back.	7/28/2017 8:48 PM
190	History	7/28/2017 8:33 PM
191	It has a small town feel, but has several large city qualities	7/28/2017 7:31 PM
192	It's history	7/28/2017 6:58 PM
193	Historic sites	7/28/2017 5:25 PM
194	History	7/28/2017 3:06 PM
195	Historical ties	7/28/2017 2:08 PM
196	Harry S Truman and his legacy and sites here	7/28/2017 2:01 PM
197	Home of Pres. Truman	7/28/2017 1:57 PM
198	Historic sites	7/28/2017 1:13 PM
199	Community sticking together	7/28/2017 12:45 PM
200	Historical aspects	7/28/2017 12:30 PM
201	We come together as a community and fix the issues at hand	7/28/2017 12:29 PM
202	Historic presence	7/28/2017 12:14 PM
203	To be honest, I don't know what strength Independence has. I think that is what we need to work on. Our city isn't consistent in terms of upkeep, it's a fairly dangerous city, and we're not known for our good school districts (not that they're bad), or high-paying jobs.	7/28/2017 12:06 PM
204	Opportunity to be involved in the community.	7/28/2017 12:02 PM
205	diversity,	7/28/2017 10:52 AM
206	Location & Opportunity	7/28/2017 10:29 AM
207	The passionate people who are working to make this community better for all!	7/28/2017 10:04 AM
208	good people, and good hometown feel	7/28/2017 9:55 AM
209	its people	7/28/2017 9:10 AM
210	History	7/28/2017 8:31 AM
211	History	7/28/2017 8:19 AM
212	The dedication of its citizens to its maintenance and improvement.	7/28/2017 7:03 AM
213	Truman	7/28/2017 5:10 AM
214	Unique Historical heritage	7/28/2017 1:23 AM
215	Independence still has a small town feel but it really has a pretty good population.	7/27/2017 11:01 PM
216	History, diversity and development opportunities	7/27/2017 10:47 PM
217	It's history and diversity and welcoming community.	7/27/2017 10:00 PM
218	It has an awesome economic development organization	7/27/2017 9:44 PM
219	It's diverse interest. The location of the community of Christ center, Harry Truman places of interest, it's history of the three trails, being centrally located in the importance of the city in the development of this Country	7/27/2017 9:29 PM
220	History	7/27/2017 9:09 PM
221	History	7/27/2017 8:49 PM
222	the historic places	7/27/2017 7:18 PM
223	Ability to reinvent its image away from that of a trashy meth town	7/27/2017 6:01 PM
224	Great history	7/27/2017 5:54 PM
225	Great place to raise a family	7/27/2017 5:53 PM

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226	Community of Christ world headquarters	7/27/2017 5:37 PM
227	General tolerance for others.	7/27/2017 5:25 PM
228	Historic sites	7/27/2017 5:13 PM
229	history	7/27/2017 5:05 PM
230	Our unique and diverse American history	7/27/2017 5:02 PM
231	Historical Sites (Buildings etc)	7/27/2017 4:52 PM
232	Interesting history. The Truman Library and Museum are big attractions as is the Truman Home.	7/27/2017 4:45 PM
233	History	7/27/2017 4:27 PM
234	Historic culture	7/27/2017 4:18 PM
235	Truman Birthplace, Historic Courthouse and Truman Library	7/27/2017 4:10 PM
236	Historic appeal	7/27/2017 4:10 PM
237	Historic themes: trails and Truman	7/27/2017 4:08 PM
238	President Truman and the Interstates close by	7/27/2017 1:46 PM
239	It's historic background	7/25/2017 3:05 PM
240	Mostly safe areas	7/25/2017 11:39 AM
241	Historical relevance. A lot of different historical events important to history happened in a Independence	7/25/2017 9:10 AM
242	Family orientated	7/25/2017 7:59 AM
243	Pride in historic preservation	7/25/2017 7:47 AM
244	The caring citizens	7/22/2017 6:06 AM
245	Ease of access around the city	7/21/2017 12:30 PM
246	Working with the community to always evolve and grow into a better community	7/20/2017 2:00 PM
247	We have a great history ranging from the Pioneer trails, The Civil War, President Truman, and many more	7/18/2017 2:57 PM
248	none	7/18/2017 2:46 PM
249	History	7/16/2017 8:01 PM
250	it use to be the best city to live in.in the last 10 years this town is full of trash	7/14/2017 8:22 PM
251	It is a small town feeling city	7/14/2017 10:23 AM
252	Historical sites. Small town atmosphere.	7/13/2017 11:02 AM
253	I grew up in Long Beach, NY. I have travel around moat of the US. To be honest, there are a thousand tiwns and cities like Independence out there. This city has the Queen Trail title and Harry Truman legacy to claim, but beyond that i can think of nothing that truely makes it stand out above the rest. Maybe that shoukd be a project. Lets find a way to stand out in todays world for something more then our past.	7/13/2017 6:09 AM
254	It's Harry S. Truman's hometown.	7/12/2017 3:06 PM
255	Historical sites	7/12/2017 10:18 AM
256	Community	7/12/2017 7:19 AM
257	The people	7/11/2017 6:53 PM
258	Independence Square	7/11/2017 4:34 PM
259	Access	7/11/2017 4:28 PM
260	Its close to kc op butt far enough away	7/10/2017 6:24 PM
261	Low cost of living	7/10/2017 6:14 PM
262	Tourism	7/10/2017 1:28 PM

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263	Convenient shopping and access to highways	7/10/2017 1:16 PM
264	It's history and "down home" friendliness.	7/10/2017 1:11 PM
265	Its history - Harry Truman	7/10/2017 10:05 AM
266	Location in the metro area. EVERYTHiNG's at least 10 to 15 minutes away.	7/10/2017 8:12 AM
267	Opportunity for anyone of any economic, ethnic, or personal background	7/9/2017 11:27 AM
268	History.	7/9/2017 10:06 AM
269	diverse housing	7/8/2017 10:28 AM
270	Great communication between Gov and Public	7/8/2017 9:28 AM
271	People	7/8/2017 7:29 AM
272	Large area with several business's to choose from.	7/7/2017 9:31 AM
273	*null	7/6/2017 4:11 PM
274	Start of the 3 major trails in our national development.	7/5/2017 2:13 PM
275	Harry S. Truman House & Library / Historic Trails (Santa Fe,.California, Oregon Trails)	7/5/2017 11:59 AM
276	The community involvement and support	7/5/2017 9:46 AM
277	History	7/4/2017 3:59 PM
278	Clean	7/4/2017 1:22 PM
279	large city with small town feel, diverse groups of people	7/3/2017 9:50 PM
280	I believe that there a some wonderful safe and cared for neighborhoods.	7/3/2017 5:15 PM
281	Economic Diversity	7/3/2017 3:04 PM
282	Lots of historical sites	7/3/2017 10:59 AM
283	History	7/2/2017 8:35 PM
284	It currently has no strengths	7/2/2017 6:57 PM
285	Truman Library - Proximity to Kauffman Stadium and downtown KC	7/2/2017 6:06 PM
286	Its vision - Independence for ALL	7/2/2017 2:04 PM
287	Truman Library, Independence Square potential	7/2/2017 1:22 PM
288	Diverse things to do	7/2/2017 11:44 AM
289	Honestly, I think the name itself "Independence"... Everyone want to feel independent...m	7/2/2017 9:40 AM
290	I have lived here for 51 years. We have more crime and vandalism then I would care to see or hear about. There is no safe place for our children or grandchildren to play.	7/2/2017 12:59 AM
291	Large group of citizens who care about their community	7/1/2017 8:20 PM
292	Community	7/1/2017 2:51 PM
293	Truman lived here.	7/1/2017 1:24 PM
294	Historically proud citizens and sites	7/1/2017 11:47 AM
295	Jobs	7/1/2017 7:59 AM
296	veriaty of houseing buying or renting	7/1/2017 2:38 AM
297	It has all of the perks of a large city with the hospitality of a small town.	6/30/2017 11:05 PM
298	Shopping	6/30/2017 8:05 PM
299	We are the middle of the county. Our trails both modern and historical take us to and from anywhere we want and need to go. We have many older folks who care and want our city to succeed and thrive.	6/30/2017 5:07 PM
300	Variety (IE old/new residences and types of business	6/30/2017 4:42 PM
301	Historic sites	6/30/2017 3:43 PM

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302	small town feel.	6/30/2017 3:23 PM
303	Historical ties	6/30/2017 1:46 PM
304	Historical sites	6/30/2017 1:20 PM
305	History. Nice homes. Great parks and traiks	6/30/2017 1:17 PM
306	Community Services League	6/30/2017 1:16 PM
307	history	6/30/2017 1:14 PM
308	Diversity	6/30/2017 1:09 PM
309	Easy to navigate	6/30/2017 12:48 PM
310	Friendly people, historic sites, a place to discover.	6/30/2017 12:48 PM
311	No answer provided	6/30/2017 12:23 PM
312	Its historic significance and perspective	6/30/2017 11:30 AM
313	x	6/30/2017 9:59 AM
314	progressive leadership	6/30/2017 9:48 AM
315	I like the availability of shopping, restaurants, & other needed services,	6/30/2017 9:44 AM
316	Conveniently located	6/30/2017 9:10 AM
317	Turman legacy	6/30/2017 8:37 AM
318	Rich past history,	6/30/2017 8:22 AM
319	blah	6/30/2017 7:59 AM
320	Small town feel near the big city life	6/30/2017 7:31 AM
321	We have city, suburbs, and country all in one town. We're the glue that holds the east metro together	6/30/2017 7:08 AM
322	Diverse population with multiple socioeconomic statuses. Harry S. Truman birthplace.	6/30/2017 5:30 AM
323	Historical significance	6/30/2017 4:58 AM
324	It's significance as the historical starting point of westward expansionism	6/29/2017 11:45 PM
325	apperance	6/29/2017 10:40 PM
326	It's history.	6/29/2017 9:40 PM
327	Historical factors...stadiums	6/29/2017 9:31 PM
328	Safe place for families.	6/29/2017 9:11 PM
329	not sure	6/29/2017 8:53 PM
330	Cheaper housing options	6/29/2017 8:52 PM
331	History/ square	6/29/2017 6:26 PM
332	Both low cost and higher cost neighborhoods/areas	6/29/2017 6:22 PM
333	Tbe history	6/29/2017 5:56 PM
334	There is a lot of history in Independence.	6/29/2017 5:43 PM
335	Smaller and friendlier	6/29/2017 5:34 PM
336	Its history	6/29/2017 5:01 PM
337	Potential for diverse improvement	6/29/2017 4:58 PM
338	Location and utility company.	6/29/2017 4:35 PM
339	Cheap real estate	6/29/2017 4:30 PM
340	.	6/29/2017 3:36 PM
341	It's diversity	6/29/2017 3:23 PM

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342	Ease of travel and connection to metro area.	6/29/2017 3:08 PM
343	small town feel	6/29/2017 1:52 PM
344	An affordable residential community that is large, well-rounded, convenient, and pleasant.	6/29/2017 1:46 PM
345	Historic trail beginning and home of a president.	6/29/2017 1:45 PM
346	The hometown atmosphere - revitalization of the Square.	6/29/2017 1:42 PM
347	Historic Truman sites	6/29/2017 12:46 PM
348	Affordability	6/29/2017 12:27 PM
349	Historic sites	6/29/2017 12:21 PM
350	It's history on the Western edge of development and it use to be full of charming neighborhoods	6/29/2017 11:42 AM
351	safe and convenient place to live	6/29/2017 11:22 AM
352	Truman Library	6/29/2017 11:12 AM
353	Truman heritage	6/29/2017 11:07 AM
354	History	6/29/2017 10:15 AM
355	I do not think independence has very many strengths	6/29/2017 9:31 AM
356	Historical significance	6/29/2017 8:46 AM
357	Independence's greatest strength is our historical attractions.	6/29/2017 8:45 AM
358	We have the Truman presidential library.	6/29/2017 8:37 AM
359	Zion	6/29/2017 7:59 AM
360	The history it has to share.	6/29/2017 7:49 AM
361	Land marks	6/29/2017 7:46 AM
362	Historic preservation	6/29/2017 7:40 AM
363	I don't know. It use to be a place where I was proud to tell people where I live, but it's going down hill.	6/29/2017 7:32 AM
364	The history is great. I like when the city uses that history for development (e.g., the revitalized Square)	6/29/2017 7:16 AM
365	again - Harry Truman	6/29/2017 6:42 AM
366	The rich history it has	6/29/2017 6:05 AM
367	Bein a long time resident I'vee seen many businesses come and go. But change us good, but also maybe it's hard to stay in business. But what's important is growth. I'm proud to live in Independence. I've had conversations with friends that have said it's not a good city to live in but to each their own. I would like to see change i would like to see more parks. The history of the city the streets and signs is an icon of a time. A simpler time. Its important to always have the history stay.	6/29/2017 5:28 AM
368	The Truman heritage,	6/29/2017 4:12 AM
369	Multi generations of the same families	6/29/2017 1:27 AM
370	Diversity	6/28/2017 11:58 PM
371	history, harry truman	6/28/2017 11:44 PM
372	History, ease of getting around	6/28/2017 11:42 PM
373	Nothing that I know of. Outsiders think it's the ghetto	6/28/2017 11:26 PM
374	Less crime	6/28/2017 11:24 PM
375	.	6/28/2017 10:54 PM
376	The tree lined roads throughout the city	6/28/2017 10:42 PM
377	Schools	6/28/2017 10:40 PM

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378	I don't know that Independence has any great strength. I don't feel overly safe raising my family here. It's also hard when there are few opportunities for good jobs that aren't retail.	6/28/2017 10:35 PM
379	perfect mix of suburban affordability, with good security.	6/28/2017 10:32 PM
380	Size and proximity to I70 and the stadiums	6/28/2017 10:30 PM
381	Diversity	6/28/2017 10:30 PM
382	Diversity	6/28/2017 10:13 PM
383	Does have some history places.	6/28/2017 10:11 PM
384	History	6/28/2017 10:07 PM
385	Small town feel but big city	6/28/2017 10:05 PM
386	Great location, close to I-70, good shopping and schools	6/28/2017 10:03 PM
387	Small town feel	6/28/2017 10:00 PM
388	History - a former president, Oregon trail	6/28/2017 9:58 PM
389	Our history & convenience/access to roads & businesses	6/28/2017 9:54 PM
390	It's a well established, historically relevant, and self-sufficient city	6/28/2017 9:50 PM
391	History	6/28/2017 9:31 PM
392	Always being friendly.	6/28/2017 9:13 PM
393	Diversity	6/28/2017 9:07 PM
394	utilities owned by the city	6/28/2017 9:06 PM
395	The city has a diverse community. Large, but with homestyle appeal.	6/28/2017 8:48 PM
396	Harry Truman's home town	6/28/2017 8:47 PM
397	Diverse neighborhoods	6/28/2017 8:40 PM
398	History	6/28/2017 8:37 PM
399	housing more affordable	6/28/2017 8:34 PM
400	Kind, down to earth people. But I see this changing.	6/28/2017 8:27 PM
401	Citizens	6/28/2017 8:26 PM
402	Historical sites and relatively safe reputation	6/28/2017 8:20 PM
403	Historical sites	6/28/2017 8:12 PM
404	Small town vibe	6/28/2017 8:12 PM
405	Nothing much.	6/28/2017 8:07 PM
406	near a big city	6/28/2017 7:56 PM
407	Historic places	6/28/2017 7:50 PM
408	History	6/28/2017 7:45 PM
409	history	6/28/2017 7:38 PM
410	historic places	6/28/2017 7:37 PM
411	Independence Square	6/28/2017 7:28 PM
412	History and it's resident's	6/28/2017 7:21 PM
413	The Truman home and library and Community of Christ temple and auditorium	6/28/2017 7:19 PM
414	Truman museum and home	6/28/2017 7:00 PM
415	Nice small town feel and friendliness but need more businesses with good pay to retain residents	6/28/2017 7:00 PM
416	History	6/28/2017 6:59 PM
417	The comforting livelihood it provides	6/28/2017 6:59 PM

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418	friendly community	6/28/2017 6:51 PM
419	Historical sites	6/28/2017 6:44 PM
420	History of its town	6/28/2017 6:37 PM
421	Truman library and Museum	6/28/2017 6:31 PM
422	It is one of Missouri's biggest cities, but maintains the feel of a suburb	6/28/2017 6:30 PM
423	Police and Fire department	6/28/2017 6:29 PM
424	Harry S Truman	6/28/2017 6:24 PM
425	Home of Harry S. Truman	6/28/2017 6:14 PM
426	History	6/28/2017 6:13 PM
427	History e	6/28/2017 6:05 PM
428	Schools	6/28/2017 6:05 PM
429	Small town feel	6/28/2017 6:00 PM
430	YOUNG PEOPLE WHO HAVE NOT BEEN INDOCTRINATED BY CORPORATE AND MEDIA PROPAGANDA	6/28/2017 5:56 PM
431	Neighborhoods	6/28/2017 5:55 PM
432	It's history	6/28/2017 5:54 PM
433	Its History	6/28/2017 5:45 PM
434	Home of a major respected president	6/28/2017 5:43 PM
435	Easy living	6/28/2017 5:41 PM
436	unity	6/28/2017 5:36 PM
437	Birthplace of Harry Truman	6/28/2017 5:35 PM
438	Truman library	6/28/2017 5:23 PM
439	not much right now	6/28/2017 5:22 PM
440	adaptability	6/28/2017 5:19 PM
441	It has historical richness.	6/28/2017 5:16 PM
442	Downtown ambiene	6/28/2017 5:10 PM
443	Not much	6/28/2017 5:09 PM
444	History	6/28/2017 4:57 PM
445	The Past. Nothing New to attract younger generation	6/28/2017 4:36 PM
446	The events center and I also love the historic independence Square.	6/28/2017 4:36 PM
447	Friendly people, historical attractions, bike/walking trails	6/28/2017 4:35 PM
448	It's historical background	6/28/2017 4:33 PM
449	Schools	6/28/2017 4:33 PM
450	don't have any answer	6/28/2017 4:33 PM
451	Independence is a city, but has the vibe of a small town where you actually get to know your neighbors. Friendly, diverse community.	6/28/2017 4:22 PM
452	Home town/small city feel	6/28/2017 4:12 PM
453	The small town feel in a big city	6/28/2017 4:01 PM
454	it was the beginning of the westword movement, make it that way again.... let visitors experience that	6/28/2017 3:51 PM
455	History	6/28/2017 3:42 PM
456	It's location in the metro	6/28/2017 3:30 PM

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457	The Square	6/28/2017 3:28 PM
458	historical sites	6/28/2017 3:24 PM
459	Independence mo is known specialized in the historic neighborhood for people to tour from another state	6/28/2017 3:22 PM
460	high utility rates	6/28/2017 3:20 PM
461	It's friendliness and the fact so many people have lived here forever	6/28/2017 3:16 PM
462	Truman	6/28/2017 3:06 PM
463	Feels like a small city even though it's a fairly large city	6/28/2017 3:01 PM
464	Rich history	6/28/2017 3:01 PM
465	Historic character	6/28/2017 2:59 PM
466	Don't know	6/28/2017 2:56 PM
467	Historical aspects	6/28/2017 2:55 PM
468	It's proximity to Kansas City	6/28/2017 2:52 PM
469	Easy to get around	6/28/2017 2:49 PM
470	Historic homes and library of HST.	6/28/2017 2:49 PM
471	We are a small city where neighbors look out after each other --- we also try to take care of our own poor	6/28/2017 2:48 PM
472	Economic diversity	6/28/2017 2:47 PM
473	Low cost of living	6/28/2017 2:42 PM
474	deeply rooted and pivotal history of U.S. expansion	6/28/2017 2:40 PM
475	Harry Truman connection	6/28/2017 2:31 PM
476	Diversity	6/28/2017 2:26 PM
477	Its history	6/28/2017 2:21 PM
478	Great water	6/28/2017 2:16 PM
479	I don't see that it has one.	6/28/2017 2:08 PM
480	Affordable housing	6/28/2017 2:00 PM
481	Independence's wealth of historic sites sets it apart from other communities.	6/28/2017 1:58 PM
482	NA	6/28/2017 1:56 PM
483	It's history.	6/28/2017 1:55 PM
484	Not much	6/28/2017 1:51 PM
485	The only thing that comes to mind is the Independence Center. The only indoor mall for miles.	6/28/2017 1:50 PM
486	The police force is fantastic	6/28/2017 1:46 PM
487	Location	6/28/2017 1:45 PM
488	have no idea since haven't lived other places lately	6/28/2017 1:43 PM
489	Truman Library	6/28/2017 1:43 PM
490	Ease of access via both interstate/highway as well as side streets to most anywhere including other boroughs	6/28/2017 1:39 PM
491	Probably the rich history	6/28/2017 1:37 PM
492	affordability	6/28/2017 1:37 PM
493	Suburb close to Greater KC	6/28/2017 1:35 PM
494	friendly people	6/28/2017 1:35 PM
495	n/a	6/28/2017 1:33 PM

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496	This city has a wealth of history.	6/28/2017 1:32 PM
497	People are willing to pay more in taxes to support schools, parks, etc to make Independence a great livable city. I like the "small town" feel, yet you are close to all that Kansas City has to offer.	6/28/2017 1:22 PM
498	Still small-ish city atmosphere	6/28/2017 1:20 PM
499	Currently, only that it is Harry Truman's hometown.	6/28/2017 1:20 PM
500	It's a small town feel. It does not have anything to set it apart from other places.	6/28/2017 1:19 PM
501	location within the city	6/28/2017 1:13 PM
502	Historic preservation Truman / RLDS / Square / Queen City	6/28/2017 1:06 PM
503	Truman / Christian Center Place	6/28/2017 1:01 PM
504	Truman Library	6/28/2017 12:59 PM
505	Best all around location	6/28/2017 12:57 PM
506	Good-sized city with a homey/small town feeling	6/28/2017 12:50 PM
507	Good location	6/28/2017 12:46 PM
508	Low property rates.	6/28/2017 12:38 PM
509	cost of living	6/28/2017 12:38 PM
510	working families	6/28/2017 12:37 PM
511	The lower level of crime.	6/28/2017 12:37 PM
512	Requires more thought than have time for at the moment	6/28/2017 12:36 PM
513	Our 33rd President Harry Truman came from Independence and his Historical house is in Independence	6/28/2017 12:30 PM
514	Home of Harry Truman	6/28/2017 12:21 PM
515	Harry Truman and the the fantastic Water	6/28/2017 12:20 PM
516	A clean and well kept town with folks who care.	6/28/2017 12:08 PM
517	Small town feel with big city amenities	6/28/2017 12:08 PM
518	the people	6/28/2017 12:04 PM
519	Easy access to major hiways	6/28/2017 12:03 PM
520	Location and history	6/28/2017 11:57 AM
521	Truman and other historic landmarks, etc.	6/28/2017 11:43 AM
522	Small town feel.	6/28/2017 11:41 AM
523	Location, historical significance and willingness to adopt new ideas (solar comes to mind)	6/28/2017 11:40 AM
524	Ease of access and proximity to KC metro without being "inner-city."	6/28/2017 11:38 AM
525	History	6/28/2017 11:37 AM
526	A great sense of community	6/28/2017 11:33 AM
527	The square downtown and its history	6/28/2017 11:32 AM
528	Visitors attraction	6/28/2017 11:29 AM
529	Low cost of housing	6/28/2017 11:26 AM
530	Cost of living for working families	6/28/2017 11:23 AM
531	History	6/28/2017 11:19 AM
532	Small town feel	6/28/2017 11:15 AM
533	History	6/28/2017 11:12 AM
534	Historical attractions	6/28/2017 11:11 AM

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535	Welcoming community	6/28/2017 11:11 AM
536	Historic elements	6/28/2017 11:04 AM
537	Economic diversity - all levels work and play together.	6/28/2017 11:00 AM
538	It's history	6/28/2017 11:00 AM
539	Like what Bass Pro came here for, natural mature spaces.	6/28/2017 11:00 AM
540	It's History	6/28/2017 10:55 AM
541	Friendly People	6/28/2017 10:54 AM
542	Very friendly place to live.	6/28/2017 10:53 AM
543	Multiple neighborhood choices	6/28/2017 10:46 AM
544	Restaurants, shopping	6/28/2017 10:45 AM
545	Welcoming, friendly people.	6/28/2017 10:43 AM
546	It's historic importance.	6/28/2017 10:43 AM
547	Used to be a nice safe suburb and you had things to do with out going "downtown".	6/28/2017 10:41 AM
548	The support the city receives from it's residents through tax and other means of money collection, through small locally owned businesses and those who spend money at those businesses.	6/28/2017 10:40 AM
549	the community	6/28/2017 10:36 AM
550	rich historical heritage	6/28/2017 10:35 AM
551	One strength is the people who live here love it here. We want more from our city. I want to go to places with my children where we can live, eat, and play. Take a look at Lee's Summit....they have it going on downtown with places to eat, entertainment, events for the family.	6/28/2017 10:31 AM
552	nothng	6/28/2017 10:30 AM
553	our rich history and historic places	6/28/2017 10:29 AM
554	small town feel in a big town	6/28/2017 10:28 AM
555	Truman legacy	6/28/2017 10:26 AM
556	Nothing, seems indep. Is stuck in the past..	6/28/2017 10:25 AM
557	historic downtown	6/28/2017 10:24 AM
558	Kind and welcoming community	6/28/2017 10:23 AM
559	The amount of history that can be found in independence.	6/28/2017 10:23 AM
560	Has good parks and historic places.	6/28/2017 10:23 AM
561	Location	6/28/2017 10:23 AM
562	Hisrory	6/28/2017 10:21 AM
563	It's history, the unique distinction a being to home of a president	6/28/2017 10:21 AM
564	Our ties to history	6/28/2017 10:19 AM
565	Variety of shopping and dining choices	6/28/2017 10:17 AM
566	Still has some rural areas within city limits.	6/28/2017 10:16 AM
567	Historic	6/28/2017 10:14 AM
568	It's history.	6/28/2017 10:14 AM
569	It's a large city, but it feels like a quaint, small town (at least in the area I'm living in)	6/28/2017 10:09 AM
570	It's historical significance	6/28/2017 10:09 AM
571	Community strength after Officer Wagstaff had been shot	6/28/2017 10:07 AM
572	rich history	6/28/2017 10:07 AM
573	Nothing	6/28/2017 10:06 AM

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574	history	6/28/2017 10:05 AM
575	It's potential. I feel a sense on community here.	6/28/2017 10:05 AM
576	It has a rich history	6/28/2017 10:04 AM
577	Location, easy access to highways makes transportation better.	6/28/2017 10:04 AM
578	it could be it's history, if utilized properly	6/28/2017 10:04 AM
579	Good schools	6/28/2017 10:03 AM
580	affordable housing	6/28/2017 10:00 AM
581	Historical significance	6/28/2017 9:50 AM
582	Its residents	6/28/2017 9:49 AM
583	working class community with a great history	6/28/2017 9:48 AM
584	Good Question	6/28/2017 9:48 AM
585	Independent and can run on its own	6/28/2017 9:45 AM
586	History/ Harry Truman	6/28/2017 9:45 AM
587	Affordability with a decent family lifestyle atmosphere	6/28/2017 9:43 AM
588	it's small town feel	6/28/2017 9:42 AM
589	friendly	6/28/2017 9:41 AM
590	history	6/28/2017 9:41 AM
591	You are joking right?	6/28/2017 9:39 AM
592	Diverse community	6/28/2017 9:39 AM
593	Diversity	6/28/2017 9:38 AM
594	Lots of history.	6/28/2017 9:38 AM
595	Historical buildings, the Square	6/28/2017 9:32 AM
596	A lot of good people with a strong work ethic who value being free to do what they want..	6/28/2017 9:29 AM
597	History	6/28/2017 9:28 AM
598	I love all the history in our town	6/28/2017 9:27 AM
599	Progressive schools	6/28/2017 9:26 AM
600	major highways	6/28/2017 9:23 AM
601	The Square	6/28/2017 9:20 AM
602	History of, central to downtown KC and other historical areas.	6/28/2017 9:20 AM
603	Small town feel but very close to downtown, affordable rent/mortgage	6/28/2017 9:19 AM
604	Its historic background	6/28/2017 9:19 AM
605	Independence has affordable housing, the school district has improved	6/28/2017 9:18 AM
606	HOME	6/28/2017 9:18 AM
607	Diversity	6/28/2017 9:17 AM
608	Historical attractions	6/28/2017 9:17 AM
609	History, undeveloped land	6/28/2017 9:16 AM
610	Independence's greatest strength is that there is a small section of the city that overlaps into the Blue Springs school district, which allows me to send my kids to the Blue Springs school district while owning a home at Independence prices.	6/28/2017 9:15 AM
611	cheap housing	6/28/2017 9:14 AM
612	Our history. Right now, we seem to have no future and not much "present" - but we have a rich history to draw from.	6/28/2017 9:13 AM

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613	The unique historic background of the city.	6/28/2017 9:13 AM
614	The square	6/28/2017 9:11 AM
615	History, Truman home town. Safety, Good schools	6/28/2017 9:11 AM
616	Historical sights	6/28/2017 9:09 AM
617	History	6/28/2017 9:09 AM
618	Location to downtown	6/28/2017 9:08 AM
619	It's historical significance.	6/28/2017 9:08 AM
620	It's close proximity to the stadiums.	6/28/2017 9:07 AM
621	historic churches	6/28/2017 9:05 AM
622	Truman history	6/28/2017 9:04 AM
623	Historic places	6/28/2017 9:03 AM
624	water quality	6/28/2017 9:03 AM
625	Santa Cali Gon	6/28/2017 9:03 AM
626	Longevity of residents with investment in the future	6/28/2017 9:02 AM
627	Economic diversity	6/28/2017 9:02 AM
628	Small but big city.	6/28/2017 9:01 AM
629	Mostly it's location	6/28/2017 9:01 AM
630	history of the city	6/28/2017 9:01 AM
631	It's history	6/28/2017 9:00 AM
632	Our pride. Those of us who want to better our community are very proud to be citizens of Indep and want to see it thrive.	6/28/2017 9:00 AM
633	a	6/28/2017 8:59 AM
634	Gradual deterioration makes it difficult to think of a strength	6/28/2017 8:59 AM
635	Historical sites, trails, Mormons, Truman	6/28/2017 8:58 AM
636	Some residents' morals and work ethic	6/28/2017 8:57 AM
637	Our history.	6/28/2017 8:57 AM
638	Small town feel in a large city	6/28/2017 8:56 AM
639	The people are nice and helpful. I notice that in comparison to other neighboring cities that Indep people are more laid back and go out of their way to help.2	6/28/2017 8:56 AM
640	historical attractions	6/28/2017 8:55 AM
641	East independence	6/28/2017 8:55 AM
642	Truman home and library	6/28/2017 8:55 AM
643	History	6/28/2017 8:55 AM
644	I have no idea	6/28/2017 8:55 AM
645	Many sporting venues	6/28/2017 8:55 AM
646	Low property tax	6/28/2017 8:55 AM
647	Character--potential for attracting young homebuyers if they're incentivized to do so, which will help build our city and its reputation.	6/28/2017 8:55 AM
648	Its historic sites	6/28/2017 8:55 AM
649	I see none	6/28/2017 8:55 AM
650	Ability to rebound, and reverse course	6/28/2017 8:55 AM
651	It still has a small town feel despite it's size in pockets of neighborhoods.	6/28/2017 8:54 AM

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652	Nothing right now	6/28/2017 8:54 AM
653	I love the small town feel of the square! We have SO MUCH HISTORY!	6/28/2017 8:53 AM
654	Easy access to highways	6/28/2017 8:53 AM
655	Truman Library	6/28/2017 8:53 AM
656	n/a	6/28/2017 8:52 AM
657	WE have no strength, only low income residents and terrible areas of housing	6/28/2017 8:51 AM
658	Great people	6/28/2017 8:51 AM
659	History and small town feel	6/28/2017 8:51 AM
660	It is a true community, we're there for each other, no matter what differences we may have.	6/28/2017 8:48 AM
661	It has "big-time" things that most non-major cities don't....water park, wineries....	6/28/2017 8:48 AM
662	Large town with small town feel	6/28/2017 8:48 AM
663	The historical sites and certain little areas (square, englewood, etc.)	6/28/2017 8:47 AM
664	Historic landmarks	6/28/2017 8:46 AM
665	Diversity of population in terms of ethnicity, race and income. Plus proximity to most attractions in the metro.	6/28/2017 8:46 AM
666	Historical places of interest	6/28/2017 8:46 AM
667	at the current time, nothing	6/28/2017 8:45 AM
668	Home of a past President	6/28/2017 8:45 AM
669	Harry Truman's Home	6/28/2017 8:44 AM
670	Cost of living is good.	6/28/2017 8:44 AM
671	History and Local Government	6/28/2017 8:44 AM
672	Sense of community, friendliness of people	6/28/2017 8:43 AM
673	location	6/28/2017 8:43 AM
674	history	6/28/2017 8:42 AM
675	diversity	6/28/2017 8:42 AM
676	I-70 and 291 running through it. The mall near I-70, Bass Pro area	6/28/2017 8:42 AM
677	Quiet suburban area with great historical places near a large city	6/28/2017 8:41 AM
678	history	6/28/2017 8:41 AM
679	It's historical importance.	6/28/2017 8:40 AM
680	A warm and welcoming attitude	6/28/2017 8:40 AM
681	History	6/28/2017 8:40 AM
682	All of the Harry Truman sites	6/28/2017 8:40 AM
683	Location	6/28/2017 8:39 AM
684	Historical sites	6/28/2017 8:39 AM
685	Its History	6/28/2017 8:38 AM
686	The Square	6/28/2017 8:38 AM
687	Our History	6/28/2017 8:37 AM
688	low housing costs	6/28/2017 8:36 AM
689	police and community connection	6/28/2017 8:33 AM
690	History	6/28/2017 8:29 AM
691	Historical significance of our city	6/28/2017 8:13 AM

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692	Historic Houses, museums, etc	6/28/2017 8:08 AM
693	school district	6/28/2017 8:05 AM
694	History	6/28/2017 7:57 AM
695	It's rich heritage of Trails and Harry Truman	6/28/2017 7:47 AM
696	History	6/28/2017 7:43 AM
697	Small town feel with big city convenience	6/28/2017 7:28 AM
698	Lots of (geographical) area for internal redevelopment.	6/28/2017 7:07 AM
699	It has a bad reputation and is going downhill fast, it is not the area it used to be. The only real thing it has going for it is the fact that Truman has a history here. The schools are horrible, the neighborhoods are falling apart, no one really want to live here	6/28/2017 7:03 AM
700	Festival	6/28/2017 6:53 AM
701	It's historical ties.	6/28/2017 6:52 AM
702	History, Geographic diversity (urban west/rural east), unique neighborhoods	6/28/2017 6:48 AM
703	I can't think of a thing	6/28/2017 6:41 AM
704	its not Kansas City	6/28/2017 6:38 AM
705	Our blue collar work ethic.	6/28/2017 6:30 AM
706	Historic sites	6/28/2017 6:17 AM
707	We still have good people	6/28/2017 6:09 AM
708	strong sense of community	6/28/2017 6:03 AM
709	It's historic sites	6/28/2017 5:55 AM
710	Slower paced lifestyle. Good schools and nice neighborhoods.	6/28/2017 5:41 AM
711	I really don't know that it has one. Independence has a larger town feel without any major industry. We need to work on raising the median income in this city.	6/28/2017 4:40 AM
712	Community. Independence community is proud of there town.	6/28/2017 4:39 AM
713	The drinking water	6/28/2017 4:10 AM
714	Small town feel but big town opportunities.	6/28/2017 4:09 AM
715	It's rich and diverse history	6/28/2017 3:48 AM
716	Independence is a suburban, affordable, centrally located city with historic richness.	6/28/2017 3:09 AM
717	Historic and small town feel	6/28/2017 2:53 AM
718	It's quite and quiet peaceful	6/28/2017 2:43 AM
719	Size	6/28/2017 2:27 AM
720	Strong communities	6/28/2017 1:33 AM
721	Lots of historical places	6/28/2017 1:31 AM
722	Cultural history	6/28/2017 1:16 AM
723	Its historical sights	6/28/2017 1:04 AM
724	The Independence School District	6/28/2017 12:47 AM
725	J	6/28/2017 12:30 AM
726	It's history	6/28/2017 12:28 AM
727	Welcoming	6/28/2017 12:10 AM
728	Accessible to downtown, OP, St. LOUIS, stadiums ...	6/28/2017 12:07 AM
729	The potential for lots of different people to work together using their talents to have a safe city where there are no homeless or hungry.	6/27/2017 11:51 PM

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730	History	6/27/2017 11:39 PM
731	History	6/27/2017 11:33 PM
732	history	6/27/2017 11:30 PM
733	Nothing	6/27/2017 11:28 PM
734	Affordable to live here.	6/27/2017 11:21 PM
735	I believe our greatest strength is the people who live here in Independence who love the rich history our community. I have stayed in the Independence area because of how the variety of places to go, & do not o my here but our surrounding city. It feels like a small town within a big city.	6/27/2017 11:18 PM
736	best water	6/27/2017 11:17 PM
737	Its history	6/27/2017 11:17 PM
738	Nothing. Its gone down hill!	6/27/2017 11:04 PM
739	Truman	6/27/2017 10:58 PM
740	The mixture of bif city and small town atmosphere	6/27/2017 10:54 PM
741	affordability	6/27/2017 10:49 PM
742	Cultural diversity expanding, and some small town feel in a city	6/27/2017 10:46 PM
743	It's history	6/27/2017 10:44 PM
744	Sense of community	6/27/2017 10:43 PM
745	History	6/27/2017 10:38 PM
746	Great school district	6/27/2017 10:34 PM
747	Country life in the city.	6/27/2017 10:32 PM
748	Since of community and Historic sites	6/27/2017 10:31 PM
749	Historymo	6/27/2017 10:30 PM
750	Truman house and library	6/27/2017 10:28 PM
751	Heritage	6/27/2017 10:26 PM
752	Affordable and location to major KC attractions without living downtown. The Truman school district area is the most desirable if they can keep educational designations we will continue to grow.	6/27/2017 10:23 PM
753	Very friendly.	6/27/2017 10:20 PM
754	Harry S Truman	6/27/2017 10:20 PM
755	Our community pulls together in times of need.	6/27/2017 10:20 PM
756	The history and the love there are lots of people that really love this city! It's small town feel but it's big!	6/27/2017 10:19 PM
757	Diversity	6/27/2017 10:13 PM
758	The small town feel even though it is a larger suburban area.	6/27/2017 10:07 PM
759	We have a great police force	6/27/2017 10:06 PM
760	History	6/27/2017 10:04 PM
761	History	6/27/2017 10:01 PM
762	We can tell people a president lived here when explaining where we live.	6/27/2017 10:01 PM
763	historical places	6/27/2017 9:58 PM
764	Strong community	6/27/2017 9:58 PM
765	Small town feel with blg city access	6/27/2017 9:57 PM
766	It's location	6/27/2017 9:55 PM

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767	History	6/27/2017 9:51 PM
768	they have better politics	6/27/2017 9:49 PM
769	Diversity	6/27/2017 9:48 PM
770	Neighborly feeling (credit to long-term residents)	6/27/2017 9:47 PM
771	Nice place to live.	6/27/2017 9:37 PM
772	The community	6/27/2017 9:36 PM
773	It has so much old and new	6/27/2017 9:35 PM
774	Historical background	6/27/2017 9:23 PM
775	Generally good people	6/27/2017 9:23 PM
776	Emphasis on historical properties	6/27/2017 9:18 PM
777	Great schools	6/27/2017 9:18 PM
778	Small town heritage	6/27/2017 9:15 PM
779	Affordable living	6/27/2017 9:08 PM
780	The community	6/27/2017 9:07 PM
781	Harry s Truman	6/27/2017 9:06 PM
782	Community	6/27/2017 9:04 PM
783	Historic	6/27/2017 9:04 PM
784	Being the home of Harry S Truman	6/27/2017 9:03 PM
785	Close to the city, plenty of restaurants and shops in one area, and country on the outskirts	6/27/2017 9:02 PM
786	Close to Kansas City and the stadiums	6/27/2017 9:01 PM
787	It's central location, it can attract more people from many areas of the metro	6/27/2017 9:01 PM
788	Great community and police force	6/27/2017 9:00 PM
789	not sure	6/27/2017 8:58 PM
790	The diversity! We have such a variety of people, cultures, geography.	6/27/2017 8:58 PM
791	Good police community	6/27/2017 8:57 PM
792	?	6/27/2017 8:52 PM
793	Beautiful, established neighborhood communities	6/27/2017 8:49 PM
794	History I	6/27/2017 8:47 PM
795	The water.	6/27/2017 8:47 PM
796	Population with metro-central location.	6/27/2017 8:46 PM
797	Historical significance and many generations of the same family living here.	6/27/2017 8:45 PM
798	The amount of historic sites and our well maintained square	6/27/2017 8:44 PM
799	Historical places	6/27/2017 8:43 PM
800	Still trying to figure out	6/27/2017 8:41 PM
801	Historic sightseeing	6/27/2017 8:38 PM
802	Suburb feel with city amenities	6/27/2017 8:38 PM
803	No idea	6/27/2017 8:37 PM
804	Commitment to good roads and parks.	6/27/2017 8:37 PM
805	It still has the small town feel	6/27/2017 8:33 PM
806	The people who live here are so kind and friendly,	6/27/2017 8:31 PM
807	Affordable housing, great schools, and an amazing history.	6/27/2017 8:31 PM

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808	The IPD connects with the community.	6/27/2017 8:28 PM
809	Historic places/The Square	6/27/2017 8:28 PM
810	Small town feel with all the amenities	6/27/2017 8:27 PM
811	The amount of check into cash places we can cram into shit holes buildings	6/27/2017 8:25 PM
812	Ability to expand residential, commercial and retail areas	6/27/2017 8:24 PM
813	Historical significance	6/27/2017 8:21 PM
814	People who live here	6/27/2017 8:18 PM
815	Strong system of collaborative, intergovernmental, social service and educational partners who work together to create solutions to address the many socioeconomic diversities within the Community	6/27/2017 8:18 PM
816	History and growth	6/27/2017 8:16 PM
817	Not far to shopping	6/27/2017 8:13 PM
818	Ease of getting around	6/27/2017 8:12 PM
819	Historic places and parks	6/27/2017 8:11 PM
820	People are friendly. Diversity is accepted.	6/27/2017 8:10 PM
821	History	6/27/2017 8:06 PM
822	It's a big city with a small town feel	6/27/2017 8:06 PM
823	Independence is unique in its feel. We do have so much to offer in the way of housing, schools, shopping and just a beautiful place rich in history. We need to make people feel safe. Our IPD is amazing, but we need more.	6/27/2017 8:06 PM
824	The greatest strengths are that independence is the birthplace of Harry Truman and I believe the independence square has the possibility of being a great strength.	6/27/2017 8:06 PM
825	Choices of things to do and places to eat	6/27/2017 8:01 PM
826	Historic places and some small town feel	6/27/2017 7:59 PM
827	The hard work and dedication of it's Police/Fire Departments.	6/27/2017 7:57 PM
828	Not sure.	6/27/2017 7:53 PM
829	Neighborhoods	6/27/2017 7:47 PM
830	If you don't get a major mgf in here you'll be in tax trouble	6/27/2017 7:47 PM
831	History and heritage.	6/27/2017 7:46 PM
832	The Harry Truman connection.	6/27/2017 7:38 PM
833	Historic sites	6/27/2017 7:38 PM
834	The quality of our drinking water	6/27/2017 7:36 PM
835	Hometown, historical charm	6/27/2017 7:33 PM
836	Schools and volunteerism	6/27/2017 7:32 PM
837	Truman	6/27/2017 7:30 PM
838	It's residents	6/27/2017 7:26 PM
839	Diversity	6/27/2017 7:25 PM
840	Historical area, Truman library/house	6/27/2017 7:24 PM
841	Affordability	6/27/2017 7:23 PM
842	Truman history	6/27/2017 7:23 PM
843	History	6/27/2017 7:21 PM
844	Historic interests	6/27/2017 7:17 PM

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845	It is the biggest small town that is also a part of a big metropolitan area and all the culture and amenities that come with that.	6/27/2017 7:14 PM
846	Clean	6/27/2017 7:06 PM
847	its history	6/27/2017 7:06 PM
848	Most neighbors Support their neighborhood	6/27/2017 6:59 PM
849	Significant US history	6/27/2017 6:58 PM
850	Caring	6/27/2017 6:57 PM
851	History	6/27/2017 6:57 PM
852	A lot of history.	6/27/2017 6:57 PM
853	Smart city manager	6/27/2017 6:57 PM
854	Cohesive efforts to collaborate.	6/27/2017 6:56 PM
855	Size	6/27/2017 6:53 PM
856	Our historical significance, with Truman, the Mormons, and the Trails.	6/27/2017 6:51 PM
857	Independence has been my home for 50 years and it used to be the place to live, now it's an embarrassment	6/27/2017 6:51 PM
858	Away from Kansas City	6/27/2017 6:50 PM
859	The roads are easy to navigate, and well maintained.	6/27/2017 6:45 PM
860	Nothing really	6/27/2017 6:44 PM
861	history	6/27/2017 6:43 PM
862	The beautiful historic buildings..The square	6/27/2017 6:38 PM
863	-	6/27/2017 6:33 PM
864	Small town feel with close by access to everything a big city offers.	6/27/2017 6:33 PM
865	Diversity. Lots of people of very different backgrounds.	6/27/2017 6:31 PM
866	Nothing	6/27/2017 6:30 PM
867	Historic sites. Great shopping and restaurants.	6/27/2017 6:30 PM
868	History (churches, Truman, trails, etc)	6/27/2017 6:27 PM
869	We are full of places for people to visit	6/27/2017 6:25 PM
870	Our police dept. and people who care.	6/27/2017 6:14 PM
871	Diverse citizenry	6/27/2017 6:12 PM
872	Truman was born there	6/27/2017 6:10 PM
873	We have a very strong public service force. The Police and Fire are amazing.	6/27/2017 6:02 PM
874	It's history.	6/27/2017 6:02 PM
875	Historic places	6/27/2017 6:01 PM
876	Historic	6/27/2017 5:56 PM
877	History, diversity and low cost of living.	6/27/2017 5:56 PM
878	Affordable, nice housing	6/27/2017 5:56 PM
879	Our Police department and public services	6/27/2017 5:55 PM
880	Truman home, library	6/27/2017 5:54 PM
881	Historical areas	6/27/2017 5:51 PM
882	Diversity	6/27/2017 5:46 PM
883	Truman library	6/27/2017 5:45 PM

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884	The size of our city in the metro gives us an advantage, connections to major highways	6/27/2017 5:42 PM
885	It's people and historic places	6/27/2017 5:41 PM
886	Diverse shopping and hang out spots	6/27/2017 5:39 PM
887	The people	6/27/2017 5:37 PM
888	History	6/27/2017 5:29 PM
889	Heritage	6/27/2017 5:27 PM
890	It's mix of green spaces, shopping and entertainment, and historic places	6/27/2017 5:27 PM
891	Historic places and home of President Truman	6/27/2017 5:26 PM
892	Proximity to Kansas City while remaining quieter and more economical.	6/27/2017 5:26 PM
893	Willingness to lead on issues like energy, conservation, public health, and combatting drug addiction	6/27/2017 5:19 PM
894	Trying to bring in new business	6/27/2017 5:15 PM
895	Community	6/27/2017 5:13 PM
896	Our mayor	6/27/2017 5:10 PM
897	History	6/27/2017 5:09 PM
898	It has a unique combination of historical significance, the quaintness of the townsquare, and pockets of modern architecture and culture.	6/27/2017 5:07 PM
899	Historical trails	6/27/2017 5:06 PM
900	Wonderful historic heritage that should be preserved and played up. Harry Truman, 3 Trails starting place, Santa Cali Gon used to be amazing and needs to go back to the old timey fun.	6/27/2017 5:04 PM
901	Nothing	6/27/2017 5:03 PM
902	Low crime	6/27/2017 5:03 PM
903	A large group of people that take pride in our City and it's rich history.	6/27/2017 4:58 PM
904	It's beautiful historic homes	6/27/2017 4:53 PM
905	Home	6/27/2017 4:51 PM
906	President Truman	6/27/2017 4:45 PM
907	The history	6/27/2017 4:43 PM
908	Rich layers of history	6/27/2017 4:43 PM
909	Cost of living	6/27/2017 4:42 PM
910	Historical buildings	6/27/2017 4:40 PM
911	Historical value	6/27/2017 4:37 PM
912	small town feel	6/27/2017 4:36 PM
913	Schools and community	6/27/2017 4:36 PM
914	A lot of history and being an all american city	6/27/2017 4:36 PM
915	Familiarity with area for work and church. So much business has been moved toward south Independence.	6/27/2017 4:36 PM
916	Diversity	6/27/2017 4:35 PM
917	I don't necessarily think there is anything that stands out above other similar cities.	6/27/2017 4:32 PM
918	The water	6/27/2017 4:28 PM
919	The family atmosphere, for most part everyone is there for each other.	6/27/2017 4:26 PM
920	Harry Truman and the historical sites	6/27/2017 4:25 PM
921	It has no strengths	6/27/2017 4:25 PM

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922	Community	6/27/2017 4:24 PM
923	History as well as having a presidential library and museum. Not every city in Missouri has that.	6/27/2017 4:22 PM
924	History	6/27/2017 4:21 PM
925	History and "big small town" feel	6/27/2017 4:21 PM
926	Harry Truman	6/27/2017 4:19 PM
927	Community events (popsicles in park, MLK Jr celebration, etc)	6/27/2017 4:19 PM
928	Preservation of history	6/27/2017 4:17 PM
929	History	6/27/2017 4:14 PM
930	Love the small town feel.	6/27/2017 4:11 PM
931	Well priced homes for new families, large shopping choices and easy access to nearby sporting events.	6/27/2017 4:10 PM
932	Police dept	6/27/2017 3:54 PM
933	Businesses spread out throughout the city	6/27/2017 3:52 PM
934	Hometown feel	6/27/2017 3:48 PM
935	Historic sites	6/27/2017 3:46 PM
936	The city of Independence is so large that it spans any different neighborhoods and cultures. Right now, that is a deterrent, but downtown KC has really embraced this and it striving. I think Independence can do the same.	6/27/2017 3:44 PM
937	History	6/27/2017 3:39 PM
938	Trails	6/27/2017 3:39 PM
939	Proximity in KC metro	6/27/2017 3:38 PM
940	Independence has a small town feel in an urban location.	6/27/2017 3:36 PM
941	Truman historic sites	6/27/2017 3:35 PM
942	Low cost of living.	6/27/2017 3:31 PM
943	Strength in community	6/27/2017 3:30 PM
944	Real Estate prices.	6/27/2017 3:30 PM
945	The taste of the water! It's great!	6/27/2017 3:30 PM
946	Historic sites	6/27/2017 3:29 PM
947	It is completely self sufficient with its own power water and sewer	6/27/2017 3:28 PM
948	Unsure	6/27/2017 3:27 PM
949	Small town feel	6/27/2017 3:25 PM
950	The City takes care of business	6/27/2017 3:24 PM
951	Big city vision with small town spirit	6/27/2017 1:49 PM
952	Historic sites	6/27/2017 10:45 AM
953	A small town close to jobs and entertainment	6/26/2017 9:48 PM
954	The people are proud and determined; they are independent!	6/26/2017 7:09 PM
955	Its history.	6/26/2017 2:28 PM
956	Small town feel	6/26/2017 1:30 PM
957	It's many historical sites	6/26/2017 1:18 PM
958	Its history	6/26/2017 1:01 PM
959	Truman, trails, Square, history.	6/26/2017 12:45 PM
960	Neighborhood feel	6/26/2017 11:27 AM

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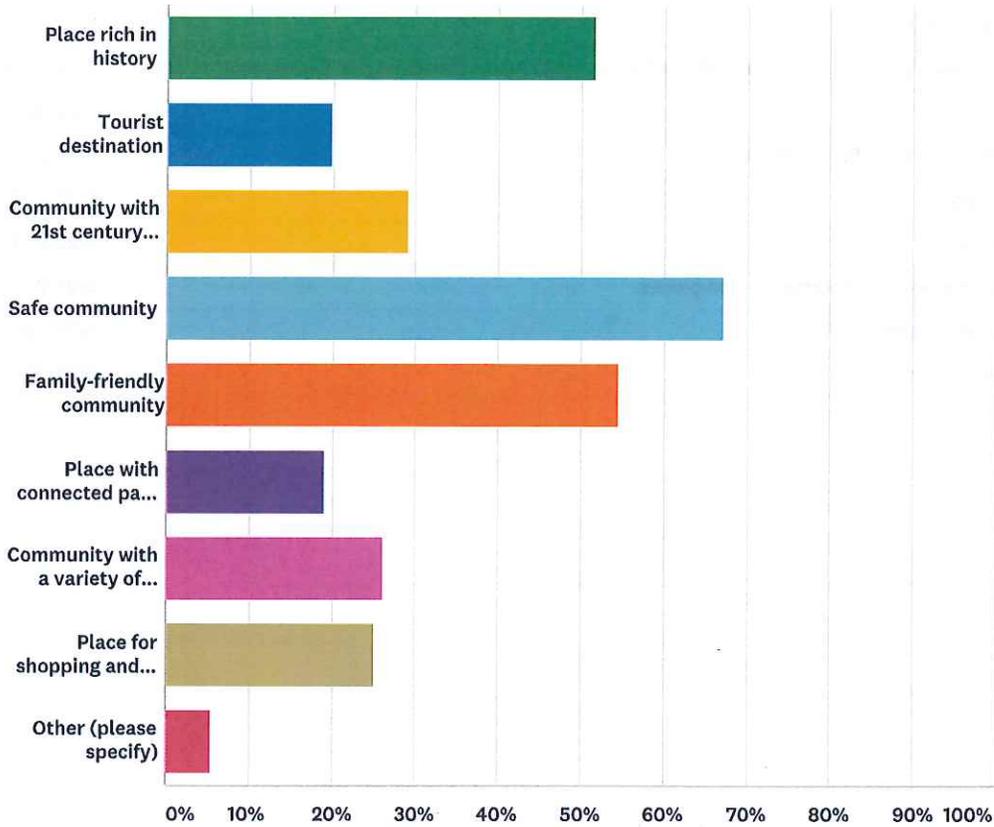
961	I believe it's rich history Both Presidential and the Missouri River with Lewis and Clark	6/26/2017 10:59 AM
962	Harry S Truman/Trails history. Nowhere else can claim to be home of a President and home to the beginning of the Santa Fe, California and Oregon trails.	6/26/2017 9:32 AM
963	Historic Places and Church Centers	6/26/2017 9:09 AM
964	Affordability of housing	6/26/2017 9:06 AM
965	Unique, long & varied history - relatively speaking	6/26/2017 9:05 AM
966	null	6/26/2017 8:55 AM
967	Historical sites	6/25/2017 8:17 PM
968	history	6/24/2017 9:33 AM
969	Historic sites,mature,tree lined neighborhoods,vaille mansion and arboretum	6/24/2017 9:03 AM
970	Great place to raise families	6/24/2017 12:25 AM
971	Inexpensive to live here.	6/24/2017 12:17 AM
972	Its history	6/23/2017 10:25 PM
973	It is a friendly city with diverse people.	6/23/2017 9:05 PM
974	Historical site, Truman and Trail Starting point	6/23/2017 8:31 PM
975	History of the Trails	6/23/2017 6:49 PM
976	Historic significance	6/23/2017 6:42 PM
977	The history of our City.	6/23/2017 6:37 PM
978	historical uniqueness	6/23/2017 6:36 PM
979	Massive historical significance	6/23/2017 5:41 PM
980	it's residents genuinely care	6/23/2017 5:28 PM
981	Rich diverse history	6/23/2017 5:15 PM
982	I don't feel it has one. We have a long to go. Our city needs to be recognized not an individuals business on public property.	6/23/2017 5:11 PM
983	Top notch public services and utilities	6/23/2017 5:08 PM
984	owns electric plant & high rated schools	6/23/2017 4:22 PM
985	It's history.	6/23/2017 3:58 PM
986	Marriage of history and progress	6/23/2017 3:44 PM
987	It's history	6/23/2017 3:23 PM
988	Friendly people and historic sites	6/23/2017 3:16 PM
989	Variety of history: Trails, Truman, Mormons	6/23/2017 3:15 PM
990	Our Historical Value	6/23/2017 3:10 PM
991	It's place in history	6/23/2017 3:05 PM
992	It's history. It is also in the center of the contenital U.S. which may have some business advantages.	6/23/2017 2:59 PM
993	It's a big town with a small town atmosphere	6/23/2017 2:55 PM
994	quiet-so far	6/23/2017 2:51 PM
995	Location & Opportunity	6/23/2017 2:50 PM
996	history	6/22/2017 9:51 PM
997	Harry Truman	6/22/2017 9:25 PM
998	The historic place on and around the Square	6/22/2017 8:56 PM
999	The Truman Home & Library	6/22/2017 8:22 PM

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1000	Community	6/22/2017 6:19 PM
1001	still a small town	6/22/2017 4:42 PM
1002	Historical Significance, Community of Christ Church HQ's	6/22/2017 4:13 PM
1003	History	6/22/2017 4:01 PM
1004	Truman	6/22/2017 3:31 PM
1005	Our unique history.	6/22/2017 3:22 PM
1006	History: Gateway to the West/Truman Home/Library AND international HQ for Community of Christ	6/22/2017 3:13 PM
1007	History	6/22/2017 3:00 PM
1008	Our neighbors' pride in their community	6/22/2017 2:55 PM
1009	Unique history	6/22/2017 2:45 PM
1010	Its unique history	6/22/2017 2:39 PM
1011	History and historic neighborhoods and places	6/21/2017 10:02 AM
1012	Harry Truman's home town	6/21/2017 9:45 AM
1013	Its place in history	6/21/2017 9:17 AM

Q6 By 2040, Independence should be known as a: (Please choose your top three.)

Answered: 1,013 Skipped: 157



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Place rich in history	51.73% 524
Tourist destination	19.94% 202
Community with 21st century jobs	29.02% 294
Safe community	67.13% 680
Family-friendly community	54.69% 554
Place with connected parks and greenways	18.95% 192
Community with a variety of housing types and price ranges for all ages	26.06% 264
Place for shopping and entertainment	25.07% 254
Other (please specify)	5.53% 56
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1	Art and culture	8/23/2017 11:45 AM

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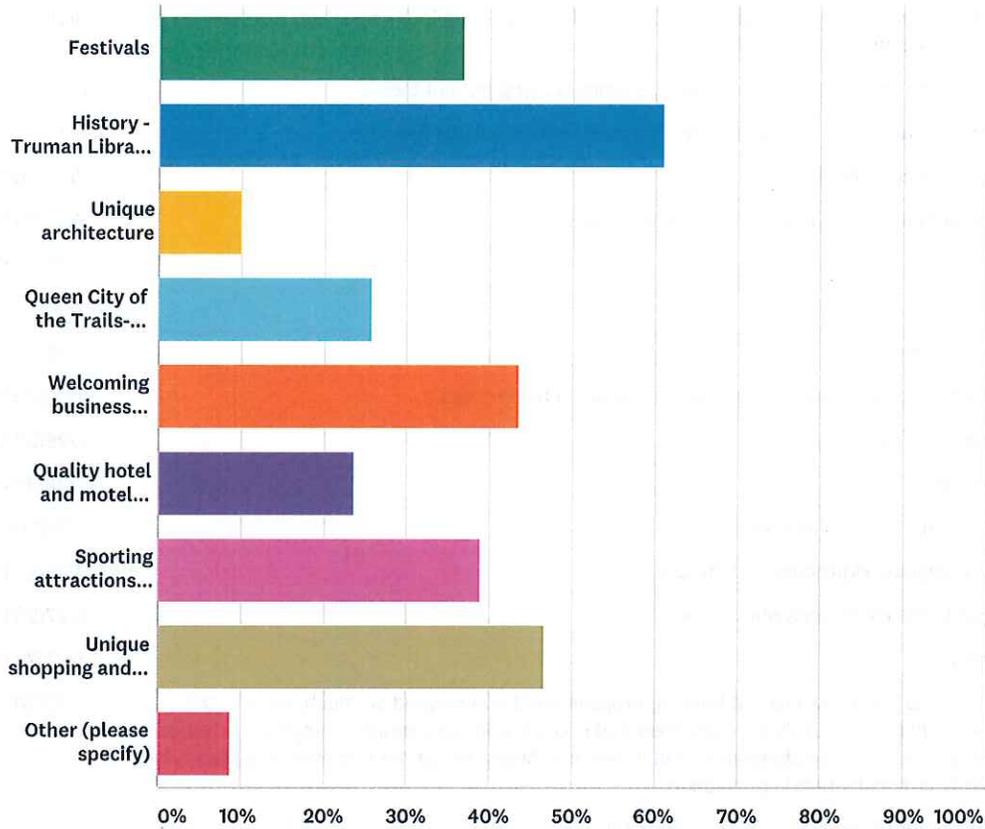
2	No answer provided	8/23/2017 11:12 AM
3	Healthy Community	8/2/2017 10:49 AM
4	A place, that if it meets their needs, people can call home and not the city telling them what they need.	8/2/2017 8:30 AM
5	Green Leading Community	8/1/2017 1:22 PM
6	Kansas City East	8/1/2017 12:03 PM
7	A place with a lean and efficient government	8/1/2017 11:26 AM
8	All of the above	7/31/2017 4:25 PM
9	Crime	7/31/2017 5:32 AM
10	Excellent schools !	7/30/2017 10:17 PM
11	Safe place to live, work and play!	7/29/2017 6:56 PM
12	A place with the best school district in the metro	7/28/2017 7:03 AM
13	Easy accessible, spread throughout the city modern healthcare and shopping areas, which would make it both family and elderly friendly	7/27/2017 8:49 PM
14	Clean, well-kept, welcoming city	7/27/2017 7:18 PM
15	V	7/27/2017 5:53 PM
16	this will only happen if the police and city office step up and do there jobs	7/14/2017 8:22 PM
17	Great Place to live	7/6/2017 4:11 PM
18	Area With The Most MAJOR Employers & Best Restaurants, Spread THROUGHOUT The Entire City.	7/5/2017 11:59 AM
19	Safe with great jobs	7/1/2017 2:51 PM
20	Top rated schools	6/29/2017 6:26 PM
21	Top notch education for academic & trades	6/29/2017 11:12 AM
22	I'm very worried about our future. We have to appeal to higher income families as well.	6/28/2017 9:31 PM
23	Crime-ridden, immoral, politically correct dump where people with values won't want to live.	6/28/2017 8:07 PM
24	More retail and restaurants	6/28/2017 7:00 PM
25	FAIRNESS EQUITY ANS JUSTICE	6/28/2017 5:56 PM
26	Best public education in the state of Missouri	6/28/2017 5:41 PM
27	Best schools in the KC area	6/28/2017 4:01 PM
28	a place where jobs are created to make us the best ol' wagon train city in the US even have a motel with wagons as the rooms...	6/28/2017 3:51 PM
29	low utility rates	6/28/2017 3:20 PM
30	extension of Northeast, full of slum lords, broken down houses, and people who shop at Wal-Mart	6/28/2017 2:08 PM
31	Toplease education.	6/28/2017 1:19 PM
32	Technologically Current	6/28/2017 1:01 PM
33	Well maintained businesses, homes and neighborhoods etc.	6/28/2017 12:38 PM
34	Small but focused on community and the betterment of everyone living here from children to the elderly.	6/28/2017 12:21 PM
35	action on climate change.	6/28/2017 11:11 AM
36	Community for All Ages	6/28/2017 11:00 AM
37	A citizen concentric community	6/28/2017 9:39 AM
38	A place where individual liberty thrives.	6/28/2017 9:29 AM

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39	Independence never changes. Sure we have costco and sams but please tell me what else Independence has to draw people into this town	6/28/2017 8:55 AM
40	Great schools	6/28/2017 8:55 AM
41	not sure	6/28/2017 8:52 AM
42	Full employment due to our commitment to move to clean, renewable energy.	6/28/2017 7:07 AM
43	None of the other choices listed	6/28/2017 4:10 AM
44	Great place to live	6/28/2017 1:31 AM
45	Clean community	6/27/2017 9:35 PM
46	Not sure	6/27/2017 8:57 PM
47	A great community to build a life in.	6/27/2017 8:46 PM
48	Top notch school district	6/27/2017 8:45 PM
49	Gentrify or the city will continue to decline	6/27/2017 8:25 PM
50	Your not going to get sweet, with more and more spending	6/27/2017 7:47 PM
51	Please. Please. Please. Get the out of state slumlords and meth businesses out.	6/27/2017 5:56 PM
52	Great schools and education	6/27/2017 4:36 PM
53	Entertainment	6/27/2017 3:44 PM
54	City with great schools	6/26/2017 1:01 PM
55	enlightened political spectrum,good schools,diversity,creative city planners.	6/24/2017 9:03 AM
56	A great independent living community like John Knox Villege.	6/23/2017 5:08 PM

Q7 What would attract visitors to Independence in the future?

Answered: 1,013 Skipped: 157



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Festivals	36.72% 372
History - Truman Library & other museums	61.11% 619
Unique architecture	9.97% 101
Queen City of the Trails- California, Santa Fe, and Oregon	25.77% 261
Welcoming business districts	43.53% 441
Quality hotel and motel facilities	23.69% 240
Sporting attractions like Silverstein Arena	38.99% 395
Unique shopping and entertainment	46.59% 472
Other (please specify)	8.79% 89
Total Respondents: 1,013	

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1	No answer provided	8/23/2017 11:12 AM
2	Modern communications like wifi, fast internet for visitors and residents alike	8/15/2017 6:25 AM

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3	Less homeless and meth addicts	8/8/2017 12:40 AM
4	safe community	8/3/2017 7:41 AM
5	All of the above	8/1/2017 12:30 PM
6	Making it a safe place, which will require more law enforcement	8/1/2017 11:45 AM
7	Streetscapes, greenscapes, revitalize entrances to the city, Indep looks poor and run down in all entrances, it looks unsafe and unclean,	8/1/2017 11:39 AM
8	Our unique heritage needs attention, Indep. square is trying but not there.	8/1/2017 11:38 AM
9	A family friendly area that is close to other big destinations outside the city	8/1/2017 11:37 AM
10	The Independence School District	7/31/2017 7:55 PM
11	Different type than Santi-Cali-Gon to diversify appeal	7/31/2017 8:06 AM
12	A clean city	7/31/2017 6:58 AM
13	Safety!	7/31/2017 5:32 AM
14	welcoming communities	7/30/2017 11:25 AM
15	Individually owned restaraunts and stores. Less chain businesses.	7/30/2017 10:30 AM
16	Over all sense of community	7/29/2017 3:46 PM
17	Low crime rate	7/28/2017 3:06 PM
18	I'd love to see more night life options	7/28/2017 8:31 AM
19	The unique religious significance of the city.	7/28/2017 7:03 AM
20	New unique to the metro area attractions	7/27/2017 8:49 PM
21	Public safety	7/27/2017 6:01 PM
22	We have way too many low income housing projects that have created so much crime in the area... We really need to evaluate if we need that many low income housing projects... Can some of them be reduced or even illuminated and turned into business spaces? or even assisted-living for the elderly or special-needs population.	7/18/2017 2:57 PM
23	MAJOR Employers & MORE 4+ Star Restaurants.	7/5/2017 11:59 AM
24	Get intrest in our city	7/1/2017 2:51 PM
25	The Indep. Square	6/30/2017 4:42 PM
26	Not particularly interested in attracting visitors	6/30/2017 12:23 PM
27	Lower perception of crime	6/30/2017 7:08 AM
28	Concerts	6/30/2017 4:58 AM
29	cleaner streets, less homeless persons, less trash everywhere	6/29/2017 11:45 PM
30	I'm more concerned about attracting business and educators	6/29/2017 11:12 AM
31	Bringing more shops and unique bars and restaurants	6/29/2017 8:46 AM
32	Visitors should be attracted to Independence because it is safe and welcoming community.	6/29/2017 8:45 AM
33	Music	6/28/2017 10:30 PM
34	I	6/28/2017 10:30 PM
35	Continue revitalizing the square, but attract new housing options nearby, including high rise apartments and offices	6/28/2017 9:50 PM
36	The city needs a major beautification investment , especially at major entrances to the city. It could dramatically impact public perception.	6/28/2017 9:31 PM
37	A clean town with refreshed infrastructure and higher property maintenance standards, clean up crime and drug town image.	6/28/2017 8:27 PM
38	A beach. Also community centers like Legacy Park in Lee's Summit.	6/28/2017 8:07 PM

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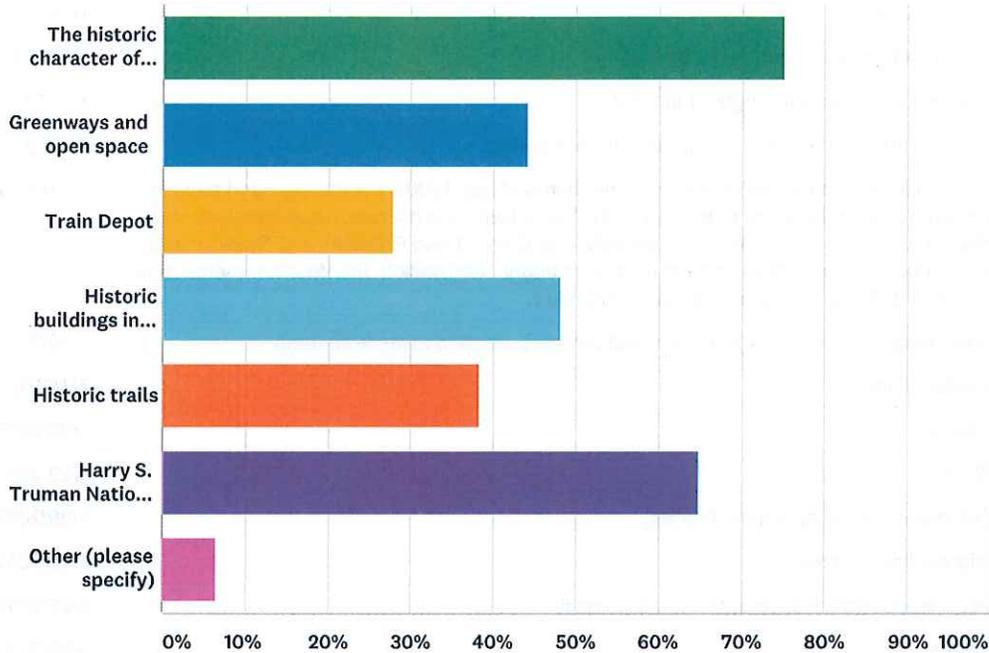
39	Please bring back the old Santicaligon	6/28/2017 7:50 PM
40	Youth Recreational Programs (baseball,soccer, hockey tournaments)	6/28/2017 6:59 PM
41	FAIRNESS EQUITY AND JUSTICE	6/28/2017 5:56 PM
42	Safe fun place to live	6/28/2017 5:43 PM
43	An indoor sports venue of the same quality as Adair Park	6/28/2017 4:12 PM
44	lots of attractions like branson, shows, wagon train trips, places to stay that remind you of the ol' west	6/28/2017 3:51 PM
45	low utility rates	6/28/2017 3:20 PM
46	way lower crime rates than there are now...my mother in law keeps having roofing supplies stolen from her driveway (truman and alexander). I live btween rental properties where they honk horns at all hours and play loud music at all hours all days of the week...this place is falling apart!	6/28/2017 2:42 PM
47	Ginger Rogers, Paul Henning, and more, an exploration of their roots here	6/28/2017 2:40 PM
48	Have you asked a marketing firm for actual data on this?	6/28/2017 2:08 PM
49	Leader in technological living	6/28/2017 1:01 PM
50	Welcome more diversity, cultural, religious, etc.	6/28/2017 12:21 PM
51	Casino on the Square	6/28/2017 12:20 PM
52	Everything must include a safe, welcoming, clean community... or the history, festivals, sporting events won't matter.	6/28/2017 11:37 AM
53	Lower crime	6/28/2017 11:26 AM
54	Cultural diversity	6/28/2017 11:11 AM
55	Around Bass Pro, as I said before, more family friendly things to do.	6/28/2017 11:00 AM
56	A top level disc golf course and tournament promoting history and greenways attracting a healthy family lifestyle	6/28/2017 9:43 AM
57	I think you should be less worried about making visitors happy and more about making residents happy.	6/28/2017 9:15 AM
58	you have to have a city that makes people come in to spend their money.	6/28/2017 8:55 AM
59	Family safe environment	6/28/2017 8:55 AM
60	A better sense of safety. Clear the blight.	6/28/2017 8:54 AM
61	Proximity to KC area attractions.	6/28/2017 8:46 AM
62	A safe community without all the inner city violence	6/28/2017 8:45 AM
63	Parks and family fun	6/28/2017 8:45 AM
64	Shopping, Eateries built up in Downtown Indep on Square	6/28/2017 8:42 AM
65	To see the economic miracle wrought by good government. (Full employment, 100% clean energy.)	6/28/2017 7:07 AM
66	Google Fiber will go a long way,	6/28/2017 7:03 AM
67	Less crime and less HUD housing areas	6/28/2017 4:10 AM
68	Great restaurants and curb appeal for visitors.	6/28/2017 3:09 AM
69	So many of what is stated above, from the IndepSq & all that it offers for families, to the sporting ctr, our rich history.	6/27/2017 11:18 PM
70	Get rid of the queen city title. That reminds people of the drug infested flea bag that we DON'T want people to remember.	6/27/2017 10:49 PM
71	less crime	6/27/2017 10:06 PM
72	Living, housing	6/27/2017 9:01 PM
73	Convention center.	6/27/2017 8:47 PM

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74	Embracing cultural diversity and heritages as other large cities have done. Tell EVERY fabric of our community and citizen story	6/27/2017 8:18 PM
75	A place similar to the Deanna Farmstead in Overland Park	6/27/2017 8:16 PM
76	Family recreation and parks	6/27/2017 6:59 PM
77	We have everything now but people are afraid to visit the city due to the crime and drugs. Go to the independence center and AMC 20 on weekends. Put police on every block and clean up this city.	6/27/2017 6:57 PM
78	Small festivals	6/27/2017 6:50 PM
79	Cultural history	6/27/2017 6:31 PM
80	Airbnb houses!	6/27/2017 6:01 PM
81	Nightlife around the square. Breweries, food trucks, live music, family entertainment. Things to keep people in Independence instead of going to neighboring cities.	6/27/2017 4:37 PM
82	Schools and great education	6/27/2017 4:36 PM
83	Emphasis on making the city a place that is full of parks, green spaces, trails, and	6/27/2017 4:32 PM
84	parks with beautiful views	6/27/2017 3:44 PM
85	Safe and clean.	6/26/2017 12:45 PM
86	Google fiber, hyperloop travel, police department needs to take care of theft better so we have less crime and a safer place to live	6/24/2017 12:17 AM
87	sporting activities for kids- ball tournaments, etc.	6/23/2017 3:44 PM
88	Better Schools regardless of zipcode	6/23/2017 3:23 PM
89	a freedom and liberty welcoming place	6/23/2017 2:51 PM

Q8 What historic and natural resources should be enhanced and protected?

Answered: 1,013 Skipped: 157



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
The historic character of Independence Square	75.02%	760
Greenways and open space	44.23%	448
Train Depot	27.84%	282
Historic buildings in business districts	48.17%	488
Historic trails	38.30%	388
Harry S. Truman National Historic Landmark District	64.86%	657
Other (please specify)	6.42%	65
Total Respondents: 1,013		

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	No answer provided	8/23/2017 11:12 AM
2	Gateways to historic districts and sites	8/1/2017 5:01 PM
3	Waterways	8/1/2017 1:22 PM
4	Most resources should be enhanced/protected by private investors as opposed to government intervention	8/1/2017 11:26 AM
5	All of the above	7/31/2017 4:25 PM
6	Vaile Mansion and all historic homes.	7/31/2017 3:19 PM
7	Historic homes	7/30/2017 11:25 AM

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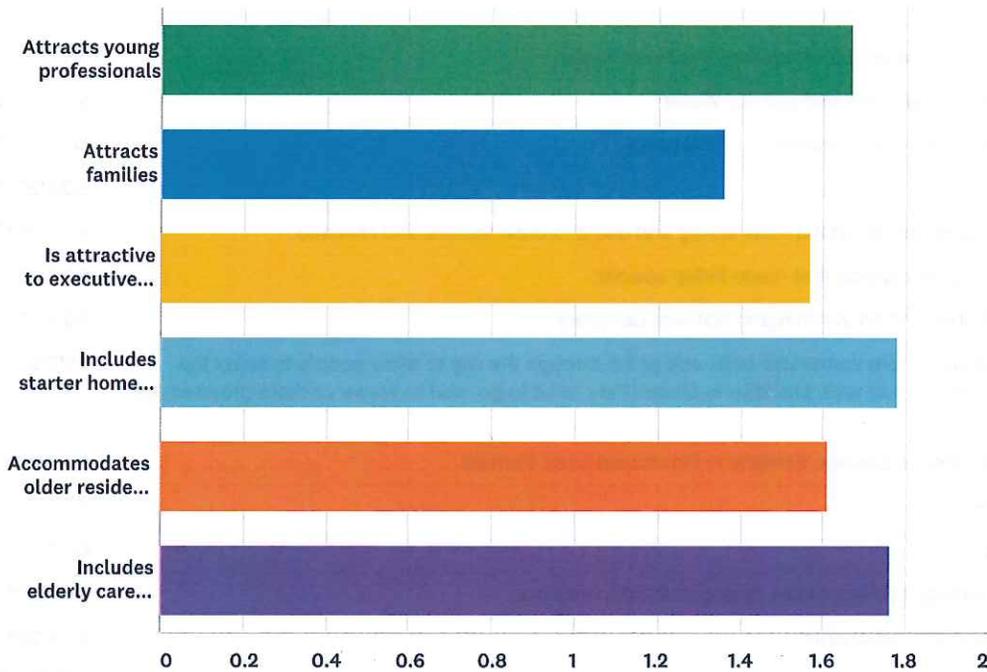
8	Fairmount area and Mt Washington historical cemetary	7/30/2017 10:30 AM
9	School districts	7/28/2017 8:48 PM
10	Which Train Depot? There are TWO.	7/28/2017 3:06 PM
11	The vitality of the Independence Square.	7/28/2017 7:03 AM
12	Vail mansion	7/28/2017 5:10 AM
13	Englewood Arts District	7/28/2017 1:23 AM
14	safe sidewalks and trails to reach parks by foot	7/27/2017 8:49 PM
15	Historic buildings and places throughout the city	7/27/2017 5:02 PM
16	All Historical Buildings and not just within the business district	7/27/2017 4:52 PM
17	The Square should have business' to enhance the theme of late 1800's not the high-end shops present to draw economy here like in Branson. Such as a Huge Dime Store, restaurant featuring home-cooked meals such as ole fashioned Bisquits and Gravy, Fried Potatoes and Steak; meals that an average family could afford and not go away hungry.. Get back to the Western theme, thus enhancing even the Santa-cali-gon event in Septembers.	7/27/2017 1:46 PM
18	don't build low income housing projects near historic sites...it takes away from them	7/18/2017 2:57 PM
19	Fix historical bulidings	7/11/2017 2:51 PM
20	all of the above	6/30/2017 4:42 PM
21	Missouri River	6/29/2017 11:45 PM
22	The Vaile Mansion and other historic homes.	6/29/2017 1:42 PM
23	Historic neighborhood homes	6/29/2017 11:42 AM
24	The dog park needs more activities, like Lee's summit	6/29/2017 8:46 AM
25	all of the above....	6/29/2017 6:42 AM
26	Historic homes	6/28/2017 11:26 PM
27	Schools more important	6/28/2017 10:30 PM
28	Prepare and push for a multicity rail transportation network	6/28/2017 9:50 PM
29	The history and culture of the Mormon Church	6/28/2017 5:41 PM
30	the square has already been messed up so many times , BY THE SAME PEOPLE..... WANTING THEIR WANTS FOR THEIR BUSINESS...I don't see you going back , but that is what it needs, I remember when the square flourished.....	6/28/2017 3:51 PM
31	athletic complexes	6/28/2017 12:57 PM
32	All of the above	6/28/2017 11:37 AM
33	wheelchair accessibility	6/28/2017 11:11 AM
34	Beautiful old homes.	6/28/2017 11:00 AM
35	All of the above	6/28/2017 9:50 AM
36	Time to pectect hiatory but coexist with mondern development that compliment each other	6/28/2017 9:16 AM
37	Schools.	6/28/2017 9:15 AM
38	The parks and rec dept along with the upkeep and use of local ballfields. Provide more oppportunity to host tournaments for young athletes and generate revenue	6/28/2017 9:13 AM
39	once again, you need to bring people in to spend money, not something that cost money. All of the above, do you really know how much money all the items above have brought into the city??	6/28/2017 8:55 AM
40	Historically	6/28/2017 8:29 AM
41	Streams and rivers.	6/28/2017 7:07 AM
42	All of the above	6/28/2017 6:48 AM
43	Biking/walking trails	6/28/2017 3:09 AM

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44	Suggestion for enhancement I was recently at one of our parks & it was terribly over grown with weeds & looked as if it needed cleaning.	6/27/2017 11:18 PM
45	All of it. Silly question.	6/27/2017 9:35 PM
46	Parks	6/27/2017 9:02 PM
47	Bike trails	6/27/2017 8:45 PM
48	Truman road. It's a terrible wasteland filled with trash	6/27/2017 8:25 PM
49	Water. We should bottle and sell our Water	6/27/2017 7:32 PM
50	add in pocket parks and maintain current parks	6/27/2017 6:43 PM
51	Water	6/27/2017 6:31 PM
52	Should uncover the original 3 trails spring and use it to draw visitors and revenue.	6/27/2017 5:55 PM
53	All of the original aspects that made Indep special.	6/27/2017 5:04 PM
54	Fairmount area and Mt Washington historiral cemetary	6/27/2017 4:43 PM
55	We should build more connected trails and paths through the city to allow people to enjoy the outdoors, use them to walk and bike to places they need to go, and to preserve more green-space in the city.	6/27/2017 4:32 PM
56	The Independence Square, similarly to Downtown Lees Summit	6/27/2017 3:44 PM
57	solar power	6/27/2017 3:30 PM
58	Englewood	6/27/2017 1:49 PM
59	Historic buildings and resources throughout Independence.	6/26/2017 9:32 AM
60	vale mansion and arboretum	6/24/2017 9:03 AM
61	Well documented historic buildings accompanied by carefully researched primary source documentation.	6/23/2017 6:36 PM
62	Parks	6/23/2017 3:44 PM
63	There are two train depots in Independence !!!	6/23/2017 3:23 PM
64	we have enough history-peace and less gov't needed	6/23/2017 2:51 PM
65	Historic sites like the 1827 Log courthouse	6/22/2017 2:39 PM

Q9 By 2040, Independence should have housing that:

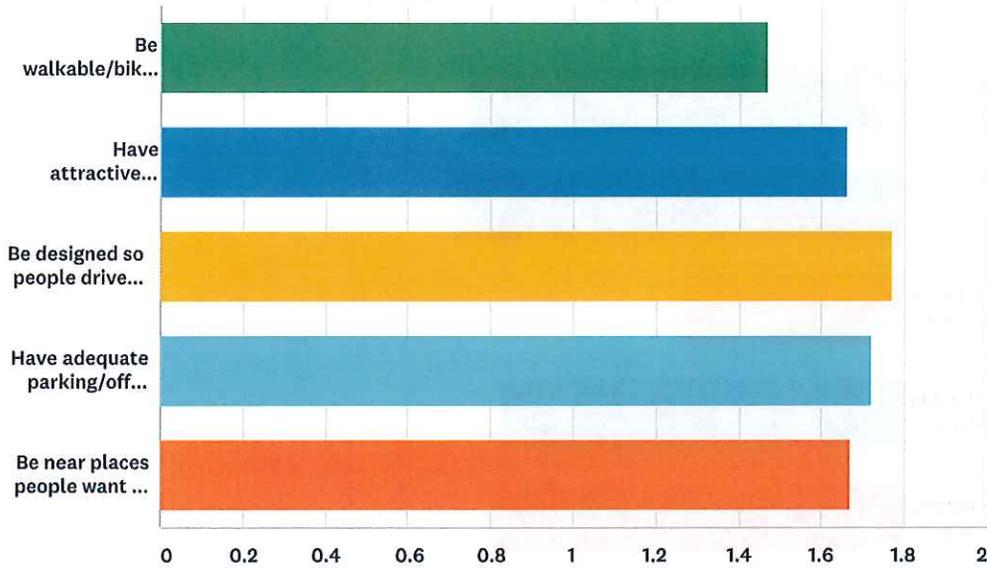
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	STRONGLY AGREE	AGREE	NEUTRAL	DISAGREE	STRONGLY DISAGREE	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Attracts young professionals	48.55% 485	37.54% 375	12.21% 122	1.40% 14	0.30% 3	999	1.67
Attracts families	69.20% 692	26.20% 262	3.90% 39	0.60% 6	0.10% 1	1,000	1.36
Is attractive to executives and small business owners looking to bring jobs to the community	54.88% 545	35.15% 349	8.56% 85	1.01% 10	0.40% 4	993	1.57
Includes starter homes and mid level price ranges	43.63% 435	40.42% 403	11.63% 116	3.31% 33	1.00% 10	997	1.78
Accommodates older residents who want to remain in their homes	50.60% 505	39.18% 391	8.82% 88	1.00% 10	0.40% 4	998	1.61
Includes elderly care facilities	44.34% 443	38.94% 389	14.01% 140	1.90% 19	0.80% 8	999	1.76

Q10 By 2040, neighborhoods in Independence should:

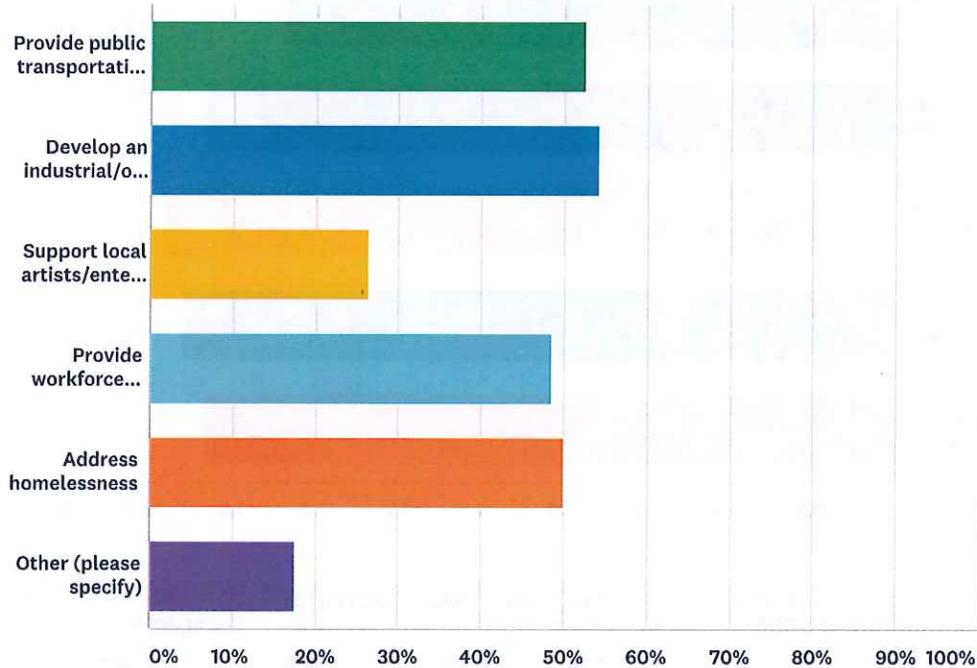
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	STRONGLY AGREE	AGREE	NEUTRAL	DISAGREE	STRONGLY DISAGREE	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Be walkable/bikeable	63.50% 635	28.30% 283	6.60% 66	1.00% 10	0.60% 6	1,000	1.47
Have attractive landscaping	48.99% 487	38.13% 379	11.37% 113	1.11% 11	0.40% 4	994	1.66
Be designed so people drive slowly and safely	43.83% 437	37.51% 374	16.65% 166	1.81% 18	0.20% 2	997	1.77
Have adequate parking/off street parking	44.38% 442	40.46% 403	13.65% 136	1.31% 13	0.20% 2	996	1.72
Be near places people want to go	47.99% 478	37.55% 374	13.65% 136	0.80% 8	0.00% 0	996	1.67

Q11 What are the most important ways to ensure that all residents prosper?

Answered: 1,003 Skipped: 167



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Provide public transportation that connects residents to quality jobs	52.54% 527
Develop an industrial/office business park to attract new jobs	54.14% 543
Support local artists/entertainers	26.42% 265
Provide workforce training so people are prepared for the workforce	48.55% 487
Address homelessness	50.05% 502
Other (please specify)	17.55% 176
Total Respondents: 1,003	

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	No answer provided	8/23/2017 11:12 AM
2	No answer provided.	8/23/2017 11:01 AM
3	Provide affordable, modern communications other than aTT, comcast, use fiber optics, wifi, internet to keep our young adults here and working, bring the millinal industires to Independence	8/15/2017 6:28 AM
4	stop adding thrift stores, discount smoke shops, Boost mobile stores and bring in business that promote the type of clientele and citizens you want in the community	8/10/2017 8:43 AM
5	Add the number of police officers so that all their time isn't spent responding to calls, and they would actually have time to patrol and interact with the community	8/5/2017 6:52 AM
6	It's not the governments job to see that residents prosper. People have to take care of their own lives. It's the governments jobs to provide "Basic" services and that's it.	8/2/2017 8:36 AM

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7	Offer life skills classes at the library	8/1/2017 7:05 PM
8	Provide homeless and those without jobs with options to help themselves.	8/1/2017 2:30 PM
9	Improve the environment	8/1/2017 1:23 PM
10	Address all the small rentals that are not being maintained. Address the decay that is happening in the Englewood area, tear down bldgs in that area with no tenants. Quit going east for all growth while giving nothing to the northwest area of Independence.	8/1/2017 1:15 PM
11	Public safety should be a priority.	8/1/2017 12:44 PM
12	Make a safe city for residents and visitors. Make it so people (my wife) are not afraid to go to The Independence Center or WalMart after dark.	8/1/2017 12:07 PM
13	make the city wealthy again, get rid of all the section 8 and hud housing. Accommodate small business owners and homeowners instead of renters. Support the eastside of the city instead of always trying to dress up the west side. That is an easy fix. Get rid of the crummy motels and again all the nasty rental houses. Start attracting people who work not the ones living off the system, who do not provide this city with little to no revenue	8/1/2017 11:52 AM
14	Reduce blight. Reduce crime. Improve schools.	8/1/2017 11:50 AM
15	Focus on volunteerism that teaches life skills to include the homeless, revitalizes the city as a whole	8/1/2017 11:43 AM
16	Improve the quality of life for pets and hold pet owner more accountable for their pets	8/1/2017 11:39 AM
17	Take care of the people that already work/live here.	8/1/2017 11:37 AM
18	Direct the city government's focus to the basic necessities. Do less but do those things very well instead of trying to do many things and doing those things poorly. If the city utilizes taxpayer money more efficiently and effectively then residents will be much more satisfied and other issues will work themselves out.	8/1/2017 11:29 AM
19	pay government staff livable wages so we are more engaged and eager to better the community for the citizens	8/1/2017 11:17 AM
20	Support the school district and invest in children wanting to stay in Independence..	7/31/2017 7:57 PM
21	Address the taxes that are keeping businesses out of Independence	7/31/2017 10:00 AM
22	Public safety!	7/31/2017 5:33 AM
23	Adorable, safe, and visually pleasing housing	7/30/2017 11:28 AM
24	It is imperative that the older neighborhoods be given the protection of codes enforcement to keep them viable.	7/29/2017 10:57 PM
25	develop inviting business environment through economic incentives	7/29/2017 9:51 PM
26	Affordable, safe housing.	7/29/2017 6:58 PM
27	take another look at the taxes that burden people	7/29/2017 3:48 PM
28	Please address the homelessness and crime!	7/28/2017 8:56 PM
29	Safe neighborhoods, closer healthcare	7/28/2017 8:52 PM
30	Address the blighted areas in town	7/28/2017 8:35 PM
31	Ensure the local availability of high-quality jobs & housing. NOT necessarily in a "park".	7/28/2017 7:08 AM
32	Seek truth and justice for all	7/28/2017 5:18 AM
33	Provide high quality senior housing at a variety of levels near the Square.	7/28/2017 1:26 AM
34	Support small businesses. Encourage small business growth	7/27/2017 9:46 PM
35	Keep property taxes low and provide clean streets, accessible office business space and sidewalks that will make businesses want to move in, which will bring jobs and people...	7/27/2017 8:52 PM
36	Get the urban sprawl on the west side and the crime rates under control.	7/27/2017 7:20 PM
37	Code enforcement!!!	7/27/2017 6:03 PM
38	add more police officers	7/27/2017 5:08 PM

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39	Stop bringing in jobs that invite lower paying jobs ie..walmart, pawn shops, tatoos parlors, gold for cash, all promote poverty and crime	7/27/2017 5:06 PM
40	Support homeowners and property owners, help clean up true crime in the area like trouble areas in Stony Brook and Hawthorne who continue to Rob local businesses and vandalize, it would be nice to see more parks in the area for small children.	7/18/2017 3:00 PM
41	increase local average income	7/14/2017 10:25 AM
42	STOP looking to citizens for ANY form of revenue.	7/13/2017 11:19 AM
43	Reduce crime, perceived unsafe	7/11/2017 4:35 PM
44	work on the crime and drugs on the NW side	7/10/2017 6:16 PM
45	Keep taxes low	7/10/2017 10:05 AM
46	Attract More 4+ Star Restaurants, Better Night Life For Young Professionals, Family Friendly Entertainment, More Music Related Businesses & Venues / More Major Festivals Held Within The City In Areas THROUGHOUT the city (not just the square), ENCOURAGE Musicians / Entertainers To Perform in Public Venues (Square, Mall, Independence Sports Complex, Restaurants, Coffee Shops, Etc.), Allow Acoustic & Amplified Busking Within City Limits. (Things that attract YOUNG / Middle-Aged Professionals).	7/5/2017 12:12 PM
47	address run down areas, demolish empty businesses and strip malls	7/3/2017 9:54 PM
48	Require community service hours for residents on financial assistance	7/3/2017 11:01 AM
49	Police must enforce drug issues	7/2/2017 7:00 PM
50	Invest in the schools and education of the youth in Independence.	6/30/2017 11:08 PM
51	address landlord's/slumlord's embarrassing properties.	6/30/2017 1:17 PM
52	Tax base, affordable housing, and jobs.	6/30/2017 12:52 PM
53	The City can not ensure the prosperity of everyone	6/30/2017 12:23 PM
54	provide superlative public safety	6/30/2017 11:35 AM
55	Reduce Crime and Drugs	6/30/2017 9:12 AM
56	Address poorly maintained properties that give Independence a bad name.	6/30/2017 7:34 AM
57	Address crime and drugs in area, attract more employers and stores to east side. Corporate chains and fast food just keep hurting the community	6/30/2017 7:10 AM
58	Public safety	6/30/2017 5:00 AM
59	Keeping the cost of living low while improving our schools, dirty steets, and attracting up and coming "2040" businesses and companies. Like Overland Park is in 2017. Let's aim for that.	6/29/2017 11:50 PM
60	address crime	6/29/2017 10:42 PM
61	Attract a diversity of businesses with good paying jobs.	6/29/2017 9:43 PM
62	get them off meth	6/29/2017 8:55 PM
63	Address drug problems and crime within the communities	6/29/2017 6:28 PM
64	SAFETY and security: make sure residents and business owners have peace of mind and safety. If that doesn't exist, no other goals can be met; people/businesses simply won't come and stay.	6/29/2017 1:51 PM
65	Eliminate crime. Develop more respect to law enforcement. Gain additional community involvement.	6/29/2017 1:44 PM
66	Better policing of drug use and trafficking	6/29/2017 11:44 AM
67	good quality schools	6/29/2017 11:25 AM
68	Entryways into Independence are not welcoming. Our roads (sides of roads) and neighborhoods are deplorable.	6/29/2017 8:48 AM
69	Get out of our way and maintain the roads, bridges, and other public facilities.	6/29/2017 8:39 AM
70	enforce present laws and codes, stop cutting city's responsibility to citizens	6/29/2017 8:04 AM

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71	I don't have any idea.....sorry	6/29/2017 6:46 AM
72	Reduce the amount of halfway houses and clean up neglected properties	6/28/2017 11:30 PM
73	reduce crime: specifically property theft and destruction.	6/28/2017 10:34 PM
74	Schools	6/28/2017 10:31 PM
75	Revitalize the West end of Independence. We feel we are being left behind.	6/28/2017 10:02 PM
76	Provide quality education so families want to live here and young adults are equipped for the future	6/28/2017 9:35 PM
77	attract good paying employers	6/28/2017 8:42 PM
78	Every time Independence gets ahead of Lee's Summit and other forward thinking communities, we have turnover in the city council or mayors office and lose focus and once again we get passed up and are left with nothing to be proud of.	6/28/2017 8:33 PM
79	Light rail, fight crime	6/28/2017 8:14 PM
80	Lower taxes	6/28/2017 8:10 PM
81	Let's fix and take care of what we have and stop adding more place we can't take care of !!!	6/28/2017 6:41 PM
82	Put more Police Officer On the Streets. The City has grown and the Police Department has not been allowed money to grow with it.	6/28/2017 6:33 PM
83	KEEP CORPORATIONS AND CHAMBER OF COMMERCE OUT OF GOVERNMENT	6/28/2017 6:00 PM
84	Increase resources to schools - including more staff	6/28/2017 5:26 PM
85	take the empty buildings , big empty businesses, used the tax write off for 5 years and left, convert them to special housing, some self suffecent with jobs like cafeteria, child care, schooling, artistic classes, tools teaching people skills in all areas, like sewing, furniture repair, older type thing to be sold to tourists... paintings, toys , clothing (ol' west) etc	6/28/2017 3:58 PM
86	Ensuring residents prosper is not a duty of local government, it's a choice of the residents.	6/28/2017 3:35 PM
87	lower utility rates	6/28/2017 3:21 PM
88	People are accountable for their own prosperity	6/28/2017 2:56 PM
89	offer programs to assist homeowners w/landscaping at little or no cost, also home repairs, so folks can stay in their homes and be proud of where they live, even on low income/limited income	6/28/2017 2:45 PM
90	Safety	6/28/2017 2:33 PM
91	end BSL	6/28/2017 2:09 PM
92	Build a sense of community by such means as encouraging walking and bike trails.	6/28/2017 2:01 PM
93	I would rather see enforcement of laws and statutes in place as well as reduction of the crappier side of 40 highway. Truly is a blight and unfortunately it's the first and only thing some people see. If we hadn't found our neighborhood we live in, we would've never thought of independence as a home.	6/28/2017 1:42 PM
94	Keep places safe from the trash that is moving into independence	6/28/2017 1:38 PM
95	Bring quality jobs to Independence and enforce community regulations.	6/28/2017 1:33 PM
96	Address image. I am not sure negative image will ever go away.	6/28/2017 1:22 PM
97	Make sure to keep a low rate of crime	6/28/2017 1:03 PM
98	Invest in high tech solutions that improve the quality of life.	6/28/2017 1:01 PM
99	Diversity education, cultural education, religious diversity	6/28/2017 12:23 PM
100	Grow and Finish Centerpoint Business Park at 39th Street and Little Blue Parkway	6/28/2017 12:22 PM
101	encourage more business with less interference and taxation	6/28/2017 11:40 AM
102	quality education (e.g., better technology in schools)	6/28/2017 11:20 AM
103	strong action on climate change	6/28/2017 11:13 AM
104	Get Manufacturing jobs, good paying jobs.	6/28/2017 11:06 AM

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105	Support for children and elderly.	6/28/2017 11:04 AM
106	put money and effort into the northwest part of Independence. Fix property (help elderly with upkeep) and bring back businesses.	6/28/2017 10:31 AM
107	Enforce codes for grass/weeds - make neighborhoods look attractive	6/28/2017 10:21 AM
108	Enforce City code violations and cut down on crime	6/28/2017 10:02 AM
109	continue work to keep Independence schools upto date on STEM and working with business partners. As more ESL families move into Independence provide free language and other training necessary for entire family to transition into community members	6/28/2017 9:50 AM
110	improve utility connections, underground electric, fiber-optic or citywide wi-fi	6/28/2017 9:44 AM
111	Reduce the number of bureaucrats by BIG numbers	6/28/2017 9:41 AM
112	Control crime	6/28/2017 9:34 AM
113	Also address drug addiction and mental illness! I am thinking of selling my home that I just bought because of all the drug addicted and mentally ill people that walk up and down my street day and night. Sometimes that mess wit my car or my garage. I have found crack pipes on te street, liquor bottles etc. Relocate the halfway houses please!	6/28/2017 9:34 AM
114	Encourage individuals to learn to work for themselves and remove any laws or ordinances that make it difficult for people to start a business for themselves.	6/28/2017 9:33 AM
115	Enforce codes so living conditions are pleasant and humane. Clean up the crime so we can keep what we have earned and built.	6/28/2017 9:16 AM
116	Stop crime	6/28/2017 9:09 AM
117	Clean up the slum lord driven rental problem...residential and businesses.	6/28/2017 9:04 AM
118	Low taxes and low cost of living. Strong community activity.	6/28/2017 9:04 AM
119	Address increase in crime in the past few years	6/28/2017 9:02 AM
120	Limit low income and subsidized housing which brings with it lower property values (tax income), crime, and lowers school test scores.	6/28/2017 9:00 AM
121	What jobs has Independence have to offer besides being a clerk some place. It is time for Independence to wake up	6/28/2017 8:58 AM
122	Clean it up	6/28/2017 8:57 AM
123	Improve quality of schools	6/28/2017 8:56 AM
124	I don't know	6/28/2017 8:56 AM
125	Address the growing crime that is moving into the city	6/28/2017 8:47 AM
126	No new Section 8 housing	6/28/2017 8:47 AM
127	Sidewalks and trails in/around neighborhoods to walk dogs, dog parks, health incentives	6/28/2017 8:45 AM
128	Do something about all of the junk car lots along Truman and 24. Who wants to live, or play with those eyesores. They use up prime land, while employing very few people.	6/28/2017 8:39 AM
129	Commit to moving to clean, renewable energy.	6/28/2017 7:08 AM
130	Address the drug issues in Independence	6/28/2017 5:58 AM
131	Get rid of all the HUD housing areas and the crime that always seems to surround those areas	6/28/2017 4:15 AM
132	Maintain and improve our good schools, address drug addiction/illegal drug sale, increase local mental health resources, institute policies to reduce abuse of prescription medications, institute stricter laws to reduce predatory cash lending/payday loans, raise cigarette taxes,	6/28/2017 3:21 AM
133	Seek out innovation that promotes jobs and housing! Promote public education in Independenc	6/28/2017 12:55 AM
134	Provide quality grocery stores closer to the square	6/27/2017 11:38 PM
135	PUBLIC SAFETY! crime is up. We will be looking to sell our properties of this does not change.	6/27/2017 10:51 PM
136	Provide an increase in the number of police officers. Safety is imperative if we want Independence to be a place people want to live	6/27/2017 10:25 PM

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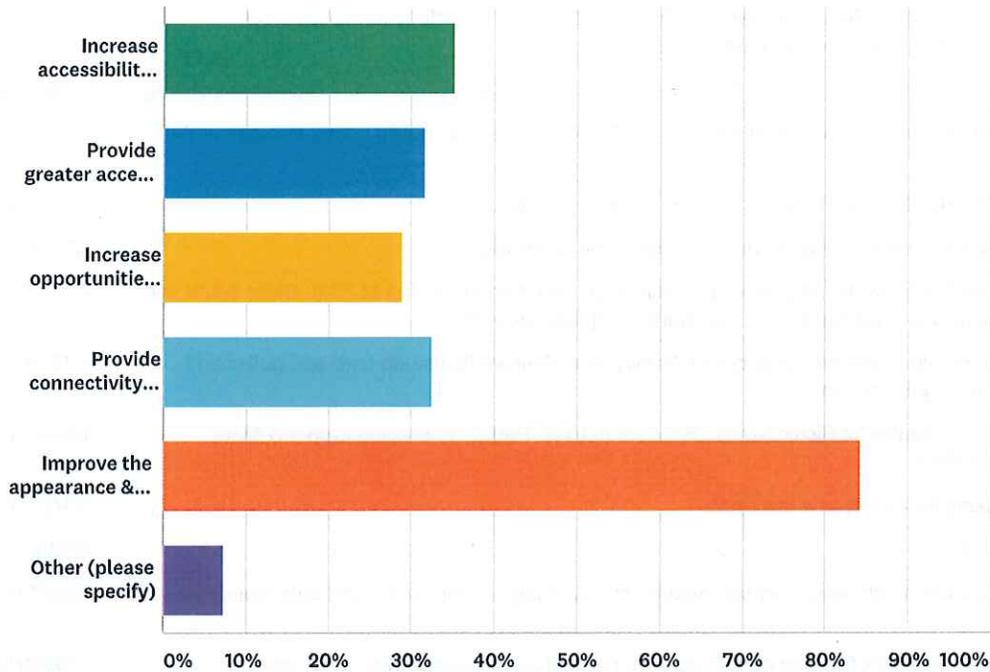
137	better schools/teachers	6/27/2017 10:09 PM
138	Access to top quality education k-college, proper public health services, common sense policing	6/27/2017 10:04 PM
139	Depends on what you mean by "Address" homelessness. We need to be a community that helps the homeless with housing and jobs.	6/27/2017 9:23 PM
140	Attract innovative businesses looking towards the future	6/27/2017 9:05 PM
141	Increase police presence. Better schools.	6/27/2017 8:57 PM
142	We have to improve the general education level of the citizenry. Perhaps coordinating with Blue River for additional educational opportunities for adults.	6/27/2017 8:49 PM
143	Support a top notch school system to retain young families	6/27/2017 8:47 PM
144	Provide more walkable and bikeable streets	6/27/2017 8:29 PM
145	More police patrolling, certain areas in the east side of independence get no coverage. And crack down on drugs, like actually do it because nobody seems to care that we have meth heads living next to everyone causing issues and stealing	6/27/2017 8:27 PM
146	Diversify city leadership and Council positions to reflect the diversity of the community it serves; create a multi-partner family/community enegament strategy with inclusion from School District, social service partners, housing and faith community; create Community integration strategy or comprehensive plan to ensure all walks of life are included in civic activities and decision making	6/27/2017 8:22 PM
147	Crime prevention, better schools	6/27/2017 7:31 PM
148	Have jail inmates pick up trash	6/27/2017 7:26 PM
149	Reduce crime. This survey has yet addressed that. Get the crime out and it is easy but the city doesn't want to hire police	6/27/2017 7:02 PM
150	Affordable housing	6/27/2017 7:01 PM
151	entertainment options that keep dollars in Independence	6/27/2017 6:45 PM
152	Lower taxes, attract people willing to invest themselves without over regulation	6/27/2017 6:34 PM
153	Reduce crime and enforce codes	6/27/2017 6:18 PM
154	Hope to see less empty buildings.	6/27/2017 6:17 PM
155	Stop allowing monopolies (Comcast, the Cell towers, etc., no matter how much they bribe the city with).	6/27/2017 6:03 PM
156	Retain nice grocery stores, places to buy clothes in person and not just online	6/27/2017 5:59 PM
157	See my answer to a previous question. Slum Lords and Meth Houses.	6/27/2017 5:57 PM
158	Protect them and their property from crime	6/27/2017 4:55 PM
159	Each zip code 64052 with median home prices at \$62,000 to 64058 with median home prices of \$120,000 will all look very different as they do now. I live in a neighborhood with four abandoned slum homes on my street and the blight will continue because of a 120 decibel problem of forty eight trains blowing their horns 24 hours a day at six crossings. Starting at scott, past Claremont, past vermont and across Sterling. Neighborhoods like on 39th street the train is elevated and bridged with no noise pollution with the same amount of traffic. Why wasnt something like that put in place for 64052?	6/27/2017 4:52 PM
160	Education	6/27/2017 4:38 PM
161	Improve sidewalk "systeem" particularly along 24 highway between 291 and Crysler	6/27/2017 4:21 PM
162	Control the drug problem here	6/27/2017 3:56 PM
163	Clean up crime filled areas	6/27/2017 3:46 PM
164	Affordable elderly care	6/27/2017 3:34 PM
165	Bring in new ideas, diverse leadership, honor the past, but adapt to the future	6/27/2017 1:51 PM
166	Safe neighborhoods	6/26/2017 11:29 AM
167	encourage safe housing and basic health care	6/26/2017 9:10 AM

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168	900+ homeless students in IPS means 900+ problems in the future	6/26/2017 9:09 AM
169	Attract major and minor manufacturing and large service organizations	6/26/2017 8:56 AM
170	Impartially enforce codes on the books and strengthening weak ones.	6/24/2017 9:14 AM
171	clean up blighted areas,change the image that indep. is the crack capital,more law enforcement/knowledgable city planners.	6/24/2017 9:07 AM
172	More events (concerts, festivals, art shows, etc) to attract young professionals. Make the public schools better because kids are the future. We have trouble filling the industrial office parks we currently have. My husband's employer moved out of independence because they couldn't get young professionals to want to work in Independence because of independence's reputation of low income residents and crime.	6/24/2017 12:26 AM
173	(typo in workforce statement)	6/23/2017 3:48 PM
174	Education is the most important parameter for prosperity.	6/23/2017 3:25 PM
175	Develop stronger partnership with school district to provide more skill based training	6/22/2017 9:29 PM
176	Attract business large and small with livable wages	6/22/2017 2:46 PM

Q12 In 2040, public facilities and infrastructure will:

Answered: 974 Skipped: 196



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Increase accessibility to neighborhood parks	35.22% 343
Provide greater access to natural amenities	31.62% 308
Increase opportunities for disabled people to utilize the park system	28.85% 281
Provide connectivity to other parks and special interests	32.34% 315
Improve the appearance & function of key commercial streets and highway (Noland Road, 24 Highway, Truman Road, US 40 Hwy)	84.39% 822
Other (please specify)	7.29% 71
Total Respondents: 974	

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	No answer provided	8/23/2017 11:13 AM
2	Role model	8/7/2017 9:15 PM
3	need to control crime	8/3/2017 7:46 AM
4	Not sure what you're wanting, options don't match question.	8/1/2017 2:12 PM
5	Update/ Replace aging structures	8/1/2017 12:47 PM
6	At the current rate, they will be in horrible shape.	8/1/2017 12:09 PM
7	Better public transit	8/1/2017 11:23 AM
8	Improve the perceptions about Independence!	7/31/2017 7:59 PM
9	Apartments/town homes with attached garages to attract babyboomers desiring to downsize.	7/31/2017 9:19 AM

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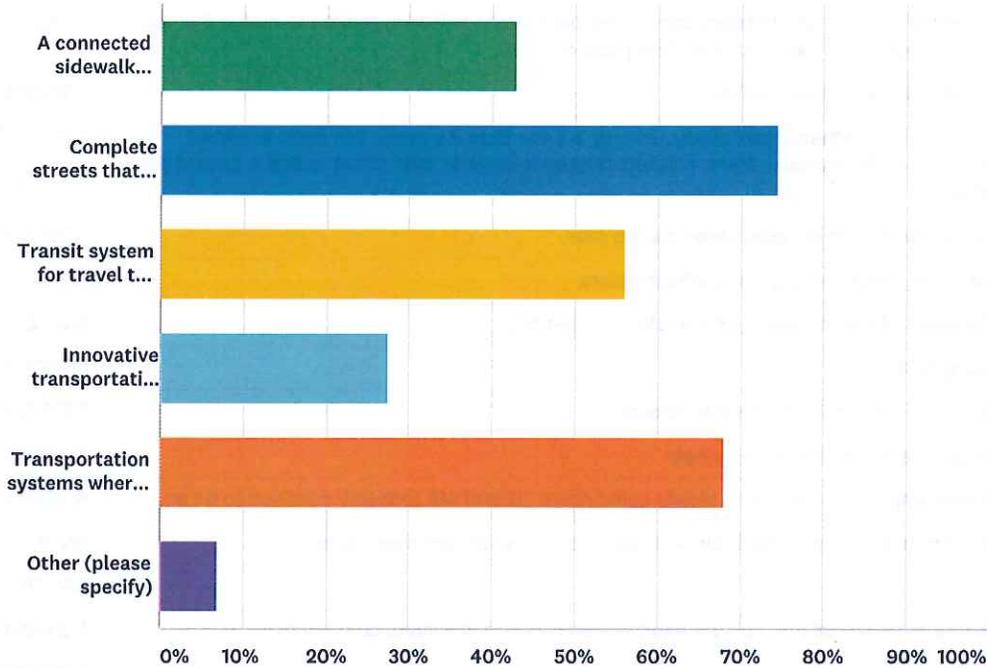
10	I would love to see us revitalize what we already have.	7/31/2017 7:11 AM
11	Be graffiti filled of crime doesn't stop!	7/31/2017 5:34 AM
12	Provide sidewalks, curbing, and safe streets in all neighborhoods - not just new ones	7/30/2017 11:30 AM
13	24 highway needs more businesses, more restaraunts on the west side of independence!	7/29/2017 12:11 AM
14	Revitalize old unoccupied businesses, more science/aquarium/zoology/health learning experencing facilities for tourists and residents	7/28/2017 9:04 PM
15	Please! clean up the trash leading to the Truman Library! Project Shine of the Highways quarterly!	7/28/2017 8:58 PM
16	Provide modern, desirable recreation center(s). Provide enhanced public safety throughout the city.	7/28/2017 7:14 AM
17	Make sure older areas are revitalized in north western Indep.	7/28/2017 1:28 AM
18	be neat and easy to navigate for out-of-towners and locals alike	7/27/2017 8:57 PM
19	Do more south of 23rd st. All grants and assistance have been stopping at 23rd. Older adults live further out now and are having trouble maintaining their property.	7/11/2017 4:36 PM
20	instead of worrying about apperances on 24hwy, why dont we focuss on curb and gutter and sidewalk in neighborhoods	7/10/2017 6:18 PM
21	Increase The Number of Picnic Areas / Shelters In Each Park Encouraging Larger & More Frequent Visitors	7/5/2017 12:16 PM
22	More housing for elderly at a low price.	7/1/2017 1:28 PM
23	all the above	6/30/2017 4:47 PM
24	rebuild our city's much needed infrastructure, and by doing so, bring jobs, and thus money into this city.	6/29/2017 11:53 PM
25	There is a lack of park facilities and no spray water feature in eastern Independence.	6/29/2017 9:15 PM
26	still be underfunded and inadequate	6/29/2017 3:12 PM
27	Tear down or revamp abandoned business along major routes	6/29/2017 8:49 AM
28	Provide more sidewalks	6/28/2017 11:45 PM
29	Be in dire need of maintenance.	6/28/2017 10:43 PM
30	Fall apart if you don't take action	6/28/2017 10:32 PM
31	Need to be ready to incorporate transportation to and from other cities	6/28/2017 9:55 PM
32	Yes make the corridors above more inviting but not at the expense of the newer parts of town.	6/28/2017 8:36 PM
33	Clean up entrances to Independence	6/28/2017 8:15 PM
34	Cost more, resulting in higher taxes.	6/28/2017 8:11 PM
35	REMAIN FREE OF LOBBYIST INFLUENCE	6/28/2017 6:03 PM
36	Take charge of garbage collection by having the same company service an entire area rather than various garbage trucks speeding through many different neighborhoods. Garbage collection should include recycling pickup. Use of plastic bags for shoppers should be banned. banned	6/28/2017 5:51 PM
37	get off the crap of connecting all the parks, that is done, and hardly anyone uses them.... and they are not safe or well maintained	6/28/2017 4:01 PM
38	These roads are where people from other areas pass through. If they look like junk then the city profiled as junk.	6/28/2017 3:37 PM
39	6/28/2017 2:58 PM
40	have longer hours and better staffing with better training on how to be helpful	6/28/2017 2:48 PM
41	keep improving sidewalks and bike trails and utilities	6/28/2017 1:16 PM
42	Clean up area entering Independence...40 hiway, I-70 ramps 24 hiway...plant and maintain shrubs and trees, get rid of weeds growing in the intersection like Noland road...make them clean!! Clean the street more...street cleaners are not enough...	6/28/2017 12:12 PM

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43	Better public transportation	6/28/2017 11:21 AM
44	Improve walking on major streets. Safe crossings, etc.	6/28/2017 11:06 AM
45	Intergenerationally accessible/usable	6/28/2017 11:02 AM
46	Have more sidewalks	6/28/2017 10:19 AM
47	Be ridiculously more expensive because of bureaucratic baloney	6/28/2017 9:43 AM
48	be equal in all parts of the city. Infrastructure in the older areas will be improved to match the new building. Don't forget the history and the older parts of town.	6/28/2017 9:18 AM
49	make accessible to all and with safety	6/28/2017 9:09 AM
50	Develop areas in the northeast part of city. 24 hwy & Little Blue Parkway. We need to attract restaurants and new businesses there. I shouldn't have to drive to 39th street to find a decent place to eat or shop.	6/28/2017 9:03 AM
51	Independence needs to bring jobs. Good paying jobs.	6/28/2017 9:02 AM
52	I don't think there should be any more infrastructure	6/28/2017 8:58 AM
53	Reduce the areas of low income folks and clean up the city	6/28/2017 8:55 AM
54	Beautify along I-70 and 291.	6/28/2017 8:46 AM
55	Provide residents with clean, renewable energy.	6/28/2017 7:09 AM
56	a super transit system would certainly help	6/28/2017 7:06 AM
57	It Has not been improving. Has been slowly going down hill and will probably continue to do so.	6/28/2017 4:22 AM
58	By that year, I'm not sure how much physical connection people will even have.	6/27/2017 8:51 PM
59	lol	6/27/2017 8:28 PM
60	Reflect diverse recreational and cultural needs/desires of a multicultural community	6/27/2017 8:25 PM
61	Reduce blight	6/27/2017 6:19 PM
62	Remove all small businesses, quicky motels on 24hwy and regentrify with victorian, tudor, four squares like what happened from truman and forest to truman and deleware	6/27/2017 4:57 PM
63	Nice dog park, Prairie Landing has plenty of room for it.	6/27/2017 3:38 PM
64	Train connections	6/27/2017 1:52 PM
65	I see #4 as inclusive of 1-3	6/26/2017 9:13 AM
66	(illegible) the incentive to promote improvement.	6/26/2017 9:12 AM
67	Increase number of natural/park areas	6/26/2017 8:56 AM
68	Be kept in good condition meeting the needs of the area	6/24/2017 9:17 AM
69	Offer healthcare and related services in a convenient way	6/23/2017 5:11 PM
70	hopefully serve as a model to other communities.	6/23/2017 3:27 PM
71	be crumbling without vision	6/23/2017 2:54 PM

Q13 In 2040, residents will be connected to the services they need through: (Please choose your top three.)

Answered: 974 Skipped: 196



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
A connected sidewalk network	42.92% 418
Complete streets that accommodate bikes, transit, cars and pedestrians	74.44% 725
Transit system for travel to other areas in the region	56.06% 546
Innovative transportation strategies (ridesharing, van pool, uber, lyft)	27.41% 267
Transportation systems where people who don't drive can get where they want to go (disabled, elderly, youth)	68.07% 663
Other (please specify)	6.88% 67
Total Respondents: 974	

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	No answer provided	8/23/2017 11:13 AM
2	People are too lazy to walk.	8/8/2017 12:41 AM
3	driverless cars	8/2/2017 8:58 AM
4	Driving	8/2/2017 8:38 AM
5	Just fixing the streets we have would be a start	8/1/2017 1:16 PM
6	None	7/31/2017 10:32 AM
7	Residential sidewalks in the older parts of town like the Fairmount area	7/30/2017 10:33 AM
8	More buses	7/28/2017 9:04 PM

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9	New community design	7/28/2017 3:08 PM
10	expand and coordinate bus routes so the entire east/west south/north main arteries are covered and connections can easily be used to get from one end of town to the next.	7/27/2017 8:57 PM
11	mostly electronically	7/27/2017 5:28 PM
12	Don't we already have this in place? Upkeep is just needed to maintain.	7/27/2017 5:09 PM
13	A light-rail system similar to the one in Denver would be invaluable.	7/27/2017 4:51 PM
14	Neighborhoods that have all needed services available within walking distance.	7/10/2017 10:06 AM
15	Clean up the bus system.	7/3/2017 5:18 PM
16	Utilize train depot as hub for residents to downtown work/play and return	7/2/2017 6:11 PM
17	something 23 years from now that hasn't been invented yet	6/29/2017 11:53 PM
18	not a lot of imagination in suggested answers	6/29/2017 8:57 PM
19	none of the above	6/29/2017 3:12 PM
20	Development of light rail down I-70 corridor, connecting KC, Indep, B.Springs and points east with downtown and stadiums.	6/29/2017 12:53 PM
21	Good roads where people who do drive can get where they are going unobstructed by bike riders and bus stops!	6/29/2017 12:25 PM
22	it should say (should), city is not headed in right direction now!	6/29/2017 8:06 AM
23	Light rail to KC and other suburbs, please!	6/28/2017 11:45 PM
24	through high speed internet.	6/28/2017 10:35 PM
25	Well maintained roads	6/28/2017 10:32 PM
26	Light rail that is safe	6/28/2017 8:36 PM
27	Light rail. Busses are a waste of revenue	6/28/2017 8:15 PM
28	None of the above	6/28/2017 8:11 PM
29	Repair pot holes	6/28/2017 7:02 PM
30	A contact department for help with problems. Keep the politicians out of it.	6/28/2017 5:51 PM
31	easy transportation from areas of accommodations to areas of attractions at all times.	6/28/2017 4:01 PM
32	get rid of Inde bus and go back to KC bus service	6/28/2017 3:09 PM
33	Online ability to interact with city personal for voting, registrations, licensing etc	6/28/2017 2:54 PM
34	autonomous personal transportation (Uber, Lyft) it's coming - let's get ahead of the curve	6/28/2017 2:49 PM
35	change the "homeowner responsibility" to build sidewalks to a MUNICIPAL responsibility as it should be	6/28/2017 2:48 PM
36	Tram or trolley from bass pro area or inde center to inde square and perhaps even city market and crown center and etc to promote all areas and help everyone with parking. This would be a huge hit.	6/28/2017 1:44 PM
37	internet	6/28/2017 1:16 PM
38	Personal Transport	6/28/2017 1:02 PM
39	Unknown	6/28/2017 12:48 PM
40	J	6/28/2017 12:36 PM
41	You already have The Inde and The Metro, good move, not sure I trust Ubers.	6/28/2017 11:11 AM
42	Heavily restrict bus routes. Busing increases crime, littering.	6/28/2017 10:25 AM
43	Online	6/28/2017 9:43 AM
44	Pave and beautify the Little Blue Trace Trail	6/28/2017 9:35 AM
45	THEIR OWN VEHICLES	6/28/2017 9:22 AM

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46	Need a connected trail system like Johnson Co that connects neighborhoods and shopping and will keep citizens active	6/28/2017 9:20 AM
47	The sidewalk in my neighborhood has increased crime over the years	6/28/2017 9:03 AM
48	Self-driving cars	6/28/2017 9:02 AM
49	Make a bike trail to the Independence Square. If you want to see bike trails go to Denver Colorado. This is something Independence needs.	6/28/2017 9:02 AM
50	Cars	6/28/2017 9:02 AM
51	Trolley cars?	6/28/2017 9:00 AM
52	Organized community services by area or region	6/28/2017 8:55 AM
53	wi-fi internet for entire city	6/28/2017 8:50 AM
54	The current bus system	6/28/2017 4:22 AM
55	I don't think any of these are necessary except a transportation system for people that don't drive. (disabled, elderly, youth.)	6/27/2017 10:35 PM
56	Well maintained streets	6/27/2017 9:29 PM
57	Not sure	6/27/2017 8:57 PM
58	Reliable internet so we can work remotely? (A dream!)	6/27/2017 8:51 PM
59	An inter-city transportation system that accommodates the actual needs, schedules and access disparities of a diverse population	6/27/2017 8:25 PM
60	The internet	6/27/2017 6:58 PM
61	Electric automated cars and bikes for rent. Electric trolley system.	6/27/2017 4:57 PM
62	null	6/26/2017 9:07 AM
63	appears majority of people utilizing public street cars are the young professionals. I believe older folks want that independence of driving to and from. ONLINE SHOPPING.. Seems more folks of all age groups rather not drive to or from stores..	6/24/2017 9:11 AM
64	self-driving vehicles	6/23/2017 3:27 PM
65	The Internet	6/23/2017 3:02 PM
66	sidewalks and storm sewers in areas currently not served	6/22/2017 9:31 PM
67	Get rid of free food locations.	6/22/2017 4:18 PM

Q14 What is your zip code?

Answered: 961 Skipped: 209

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APPENDIX C

PUBLIC MEETING SUMMARY

Thursday, June 22, 2017 6:00-8:00 PM

Mid Continent Library North Independence Branch

317 W US Highway 24

A public meeting for the Independence Comprehensive Plan was held Thursday, June 22, 2017 from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. at the Mid Continent Library North Independence Branch at 317 W US Highway 24, Independence MO 64050. Approximately 100 people attended the meeting.

The public meeting was one of the public involvement elements planned throughout the planning process. The meeting was intended to provide general information to citizens and gain feedback to help establish a vision for Independence in 2040. The following outlines the meeting and activities that took place.

1. Welcome and Introductions

City Administrator, Zach Walker welcomed the meeting attendees. Following introductions Zach presented background information on how the planning process came to fruition. He stated that there are several key items that have been done since the last comprehensive plan, but more work needs to be done.

2. Overview of Planning Process and Timeline

Following introductions Mary Hunt, City of Independence, presented general information about the planning process, including the purpose of the plan and what can be expected over the next several months. She introduced elected officials in attendance and recognized the steering committee members.

3. What Do We Know?

Lauren Garrott, Shockey Consulting, presented some demographic information to the meeting attendees to provide a baseline. Information included population changes, median household income, employment statistics, housing ownerships information, and infrastructure data.

4. Trends

Sheila Shockey, Shockey Consulting, presented some trends that will impact Independence in the future. Information included the internet of things, autonomous vehicles, rise of artificial intelligence, and the shared economy.

5. Small group discussion

The larger group was then divided into 5 smaller groups, one for each

of the five stations. Facilitators led discussions at the following stations, business and jobs, community identity, public facilities, housing and neighborhoods. Groups were asked to share their thoughts on each of these topics. Facilitators at each station shared some of the information they discussed with all meeting attendees. The information was then posted on the wall and participants were asked to help provide some prioritization information. Each participant was given 3 red dots to represent something that was "important." They placed dots next to the ideas that were most important for the future of Independence. These ideas can be found in *Attachment B*.

5. Next Steps

The meeting participants were thanked for providing their input and giving feedback at the meeting. They were encouraged to participate in the community survey either by paper or online. Meeting participants were encouraged to check out a meeting-in-a-box to provide the meeting materials to a group of their choice.

Small group discussions

Businesses and Jobs

Independence has many strengths to create a strong economy.

- Proximity to rail, river, highways – need small, regional airport and better public transportation.
- Underground caves
- City owned electric utility – moving into more green power
- Historic districts with character to attract unique shops & entertainment
- Trails & cultural assets
- Relatively inexpensive cost-of-living
- Transit service to get people to jobs – needs to be expanded
- Strong existing businesses – look for complimentary business to encourage business expansion and attract new businesses.
 - Transportation logistics
 - Light manufacturing
 - Cyber security
 - Intellectual services
 - Health care
 - Warehouse/distribution
 - Childcare/Adultcare
 - Data storage – affordable energy costs + caves
 - Sustainable farming

Independence is a regional retail destination and a large portion of government revenues is from sales tax. Online shopping is changing the strength of local retail shopping.

- Malls and traditional retail will need to change to be more of a destination experience with outdoor space and entertainment. May have to turn the mall inside out in terms of its design.
- Malls may include more services, government offices, fitness centers, markets and be more multi-functional. Need to be able to transform the mall when the economy changes.
- Malls could be new mixed use development where people of all ages can live, shop and work.
- Business and cultural districts within neighborhoods (mixed use) should be encouraged with unique shops/boutiques, good restaurants, fine arts and entertainment to attract people to Independence.

Tourism, cultural/heritage, and natural resources are important asset for Independence.

- Three trails, green/open space, Harry Truman, Little Blue River, historic homes – these are all resources that could be taken advantage of to bring more visitors.
- Encourage events and businesses that give visitors other things to do when they visit and keep them here – wine tours, microbreweries, kayaking trips down the Little Blue to Missouri River, restaurants along Little Blue River, music/jazz, arts, festivals, artists-in-residence, community theatre, live theater, teaching theaters, arts/entertainment space like Swope Park, etc.
- Attract tour groups from regional conventions.
- Invest in community appearance – bury utility lines in corridors, make it easier to walk/bike around community, clean up properties along corridors, reduce blight, redevelop strip malls, public infrastructure, public art, greenspace/gardens, etc.

Develop workforce of the future.

- Develop close relationship between university, community college, trade schools, high schools and businesses.
- Create apprenticeships for skilled trades.
- Encourage diversity in police force and other service providers.
- Link programs for green energy – rebates to customers and workforce development.
- Focus on engineering and technology.

Invest in small business start-ups and innovation.

- Establish a makers-space.
- Revitalize vacant space for mixed use development – work, play, live spaces.
- Encourage small manufacturing businesses – focus on what can be built in US competitively.
- Encourage research and development businesses that link to agri-business and other regional businesses.
- Offer training for entrepreneurs.
- Redevelop Allis Chalmers site.

Community Identity

NOW

- Truman
- Square
- Historic Sites
 - acknowledge the ones outside of the square
 - support and promote other things such as
 - museums

- school house
 - jail
 - Mormon history
 - Border & Civil War sites
 - Native American History
 - African American History
 - Santa Fe Trail
 - Genealogy Center
 - Adventure Oasis
 - Ice Hockey
- put historical context within the sites
- develop marketing material in multiple languages
- add more of them to the National Registry
- promote them more
- get the community involved with the sites
- McCoy Park, promote it
- Improve the quality of the education
 - develop a G.E.D. hub in western Indep
 - get citizens (parents) involved in the schools
- Create and promote activities for residents to meet new people, make friends
- We enjoy a large population of skilled/trade labor. Build on that.
- Get input from the youth because they are the future
- We are a city having an identity crisis
- Down-to-Earth, regular folks
 - the diversity creates a supportive community
- Promote common courtesy
- Increase public safety
- Clean up the corridor coming into the city
 - Lights on the bridge were a big improvement

2040

- Truman
- Inclusive Sports
- Make history relevant
 - bridge the past with the current and future
 - will the future generation value history?
- Great Spiritual network (with all the churches and denominations)
 - promote church conferences to this area
- Blue River becomes a University
- Ice Hockey
- Revitalized Englewood

Public Facilities

- Welcoming corridors
 - better signage
 - 23rd St. and Truman Rd
 - 24 Highway
 - Lack of sidewalks
 - Overhanging tree limbs
 - Amtrak signage is confusing
 - Designate neighborhoods
 - Gateway sign into Englewood art district
 - bury powerlines
 - look at historic places between the square and the river
- Community Center needs improvement
 - need more of them
 - need to know more about the ones we have
 - need free senior center
 - consider school sites
- Outdoor space
 - parks and playgrounds need improvements
 - need playgrounds away from major streets
 - need a place for teens
 - dog park
 - look into safety issues
- Greenway & Trails
 - tie into the transit issue
 - finish what they've started
- Sidewalks need improvement
- Public art
 - need to define what it is
- Connected sidewalk
- Complete street
- Transit to other areas
 - need to add to West side
 - need more bus stops
 - need stops with shelters
 - want to be able to walk or have a shuttle to Center Point hospital, Indep Center, residence, grocery store
 - Need transportation for the disabled elderly
 - Need transportation for those who don't drive
- Utilities
 - look into alternative energies

- upgrade the system
- educate people on the real costs of their consumption
- Consider citywide WiFi
- Regulate trash trucks

Housing Today

- Dilapidated in NW quadrant
- No sidewalks in the NW
- Broken, not maintained sidewalks and storm drains
- Houses need to be torn down because of blight
- Historic housing is restorable if identified
- Code enforcement is inadequate; it's selective
- Brand new housing (5-7 years) in some pockets are revitalizing the city
- People are moving out to nicer areas like Blue Springs
- They give fines to people who will pay the fee
- Code enforcement understaffed/underfunded; upkeep of housing is not affordable
- Decrepit in areas
- Some nice areas. As a city we only concentrate on 39th St. corridor. Everything south of 23rd is good, the rest is rejected.
- Economically deprived
- Mix people are transitioning
- Landlords don't care to fix up properties, they maximize their profit
- Landlords are not held accountable
- Poverty
- Too many junk cars; too much trash
- Historical districts based on neighborhoods
- Zoning is not consistent
- Too many abandoned houses
- Neighborhoods are exclusively residential
- Neighbors don't care about beautification
- Housing is going to rental
- Green spaces are not well maintained
- Prejudices exclude certain groups
- Western Independence is isolated from healthcare
- The majority of crime in Wester Indep is due to illegal drugs

Housing in 2040

- Clean up (80% code enforcement)
- People care about their property
- People own their property
- Increased property value
- Preserve historic homes
- People invest in abandoned houses
- Mix of household income
- Focus on neighborhoods
- Don't build more – tear down old buildings – invest in what we have
- Focus on interior of buildings as well as exterior
- Innovative cemetery ex. Boston
- Safety. Making housing environment secure and welcoming
- Communities should be secure and comfortable. You can't attract new people with negative behavior.
- Good services
- Affordable housing
- Create homeless shelters for men, not just women and children
- Accessibility to healthcare
- Landlord/tenant rental ready program
- Renter rights
- Change of culture
- Rezoning for small houses
- Sustainable housing
- Regulations by City Council
- Middle income housing communities
- Connected housing to necessary amenities (walkable) to their cities
- Innovative architecture
- Diversity/Marketing
- Technology to allow people to work from home; high speed internet
- Mixed use housing
- No lawns (if people can't upkeep)
- Better communication with residents
- Dumpsters for large items
- City to help people transition from apartments to houses
- Focus on 1st and 2nd districts
- City finishes projects
- Fair and consistent funding for all districts
- At least bi-yearly city sponsored clean ups
- Bike lots/bike racks
- Good grocery stores
- Better/higher paying jobs
- More senior housing with resources like meals on wheels

Neighborhoods

Parks

- Parks are important for recreation and revitalization
- Parks are necessary for children and retention of citizens
- Safe walking trails are necessary for exercise
- Parks should be available to provide a healthy lifestyle
- Focus on smaller green space it's easier to maintain
- We need the ability to congregate
- We need better information on what options the parks offer

Food

- We want to have access to healthy food choices
- Prevent food deserts
- Less fast food and more family friendly restaurants
- Provide restaurants in mixed use development
- Eliminate food deserts in the west side

Schools

- More specialization in education ex. Trade training in high school
- Walkability is important
- Jobs will be closer to homes we will have more flexibility ex home offices
- We should strongly consider online and home schools
- Provide education for older residents
- Schools provide connectivity, stability and create community
- School should be year round
- We need combination and consolidation of community centers and schools

Transit

- We want seamless connectivity on bus routes and light rail over existing lines
- We need more options for elderly and handicapped
- We want to be close to large regional transit options
- This will help reduce traffic
- We need to look for options to reduce traffic on Truman
- Light rail should start at important centralized locations
- Transit reduces the need for walking
- We need a service that works all day that is efficient and available

Sports

- Our neighborhoods need more sports facilities to promote tourism like Silverstein
- We need better distribution of recreation options
- We should offer recreation opportunities for younger people in schools
- We need facilities with the ability to be multipurpose
- Community centers need to be more available throughout the community and have longer hours
- Palmer is a great offering we need more services like Palmer within walking distance

Dot voting activity

What is most important for 2040?

Topic	No. of Dots
Make History Relevant	15
Community/Diversity	11
Promote other sites (i.e. ice hockey)	
Welcoming Corridors (Hwy 24/I-70/291)	12
Utilities - sustainable, maintain	14
Walkability; Community transit; ADA Disability	18
Parks	3
Schools	7
Transit	8
Shopping	
Code Enforcement/Blight	28
Shelters for homeless	2
Elderly care in/out of home	3
Mall of the future	1
Attract new manufacturing	10
Services/Higher paying services	
Small Boutique/play on visitors	6

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Appendix C

Authorizing Ordinance

BILL NO. 18-053

ORDINANCE NO. 18902

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE 2018-2019 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN FOR PROGRAM YEAR 44, ANNUAL ACTION PLAN FOR THE CDBG AND HOME PROGRAMS, AUTHORIZING APPLICATIONS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD) FOR THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM YEAR 44 AND THE HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS ACT (HOME) PROGRAM YEAR 24; AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A WRITTEN AGREEMENT AND ACCEPTANCE OF CDBG AND HOME PROGRAM FUNDS UNDER THE HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 1974; AND MAKING THE NECESSARY APPROPRIATIONS.

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Independence, Missouri, has indicated an intent to submit an application to the Department of Housing and Urban Development for Entitlement funds for Program Year 44 of the Community Development Block Grant and Program Year 24 of the HOME Investment Partnerships Act; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council agrees to conform to and comply with the regulations of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, and other pertinent federal regulations; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council has authorized and required public hearings to secure citizen input and formulated a reasoned application for available funding by applying for an estimated \$829,993 in CDBG funds and \$513,941 in HOME funds; and,

WHEREAS, the required 2018-2019 Annual Action Plan for Program Year 44 has been formulated; and,

WHEREAS, the activities and programs initiated and undertaken through the CDBG and HOME Programs will benefit the citizens of Independence, will promote a more viable and healthful community; and are deemed by the City Council to be in the best interest of the citizens of this City;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. That the City Manager is hereby authorized and directed to make application for funding to the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for Program Year 44 of the Community Development Program (CDBG), and Program Year 24 of the HOME Investment Partnership Act (HOME) Program, to be submitted with the City's 2018-2019 Annual Action Plan and recommending the following projects and programs for the 2018-2019 Program Year:

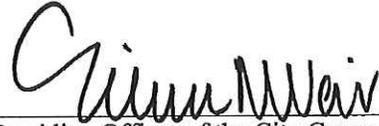
CDBG PROGRAM YEAR 44
FFY 2018-2019

CDBG	
Administration	\$165,998.60
Housing	
Code Compliance	\$195,000.00
Public Facility Improvements	\$ 344,495.45
Public Services	
Independence Meals on Wheels	\$ 10,000.00
CSL Homeless Prevention Program	\$ 19,063.49
Child Abuse Prevention Association	\$ 5,000.00
Palmer Senior Center	\$ 19,063.48
Hillcrest Transitional Housing	\$ 19,063.49
SA Rent and Utility Assistance Program	\$ 10,000.00
NWCDC Senior Meal Program	\$ 17,500.00
Hope House Shelter Food Program	\$ 5,745.00
SA Crossroads Shelter	\$ 19,063.49
Total	\$829,993.00
HOME	
Administration	\$ 51,394.10
Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO)	\$ 77,091.15
CHDO Operating Funds	\$ 25,697.05
Single & Multi-Family Housing Projects	\$ 359,758.70
Total	\$ 513,941.00
Total	\$ 1,343,934.00

SECTION 2. That upon HUD's acceptance of the City's application, the City Manager is authorized to exercise any and all necessary powers available to him to obtain CDBG and HOME Program funding, and to implement those projects listed in the Annual Action Plan, including execution of HUD funding agreements and sub-grant Agreements for the administration of said projects.

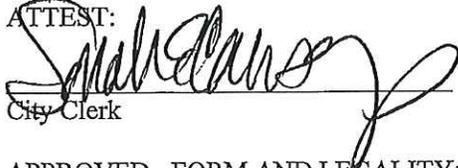
SECTION 3. That upon the final execution of funding agreements between the City and HUD, appropriations are hereby authorized to be increased for the purposes and from the sources listed on this ordinance.

PASSED THIS 18th DAY OF June, 2018, BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF
THE CITY OF INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI.



Presiding Officer of the City Council
of the City of Independence, Missouri

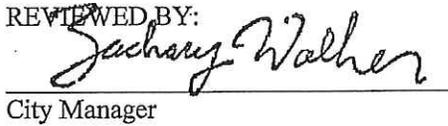
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City Clerk

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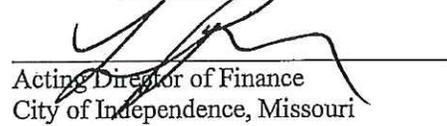

City Counselor

REVIEWED BY:


City Manager

I hereby certify that there is a balance,
otherwise unencumbered, to the credit of
the appropriation to which the foregoing
expenditure is to be charged, and a cash
balance, otherwise unencumbered, in the
Treasury, to the credit of the fund from
which payment is to be made, sufficient
to meet the obligation hereby incurred.

Source is: As Indicated Above


Acting Director of Finance
City of Independence, Missouri

Appendix D

Lead Hazard Reduction Plan

LEAD-BASED PAINT HAZARD REDUCTION PLAN

The following actions will be taken on an ongoing basis to evaluate and reduce lead-based paint hazards and plans for integrating lead hazard reduction strategies into the jurisdiction's low-mod housing policies and program, consist of the following:

1. All housing programs (rental and owner occupied) funded by the City, including emergency home repair programs and the City "First Time Homebuyers" Program, require that the funded housing stock be evaluated for the presence of lead paint hazards and that appropriate action is taken as required by the federal Lead-based Paint Regulation. In response to a monitoring concern identified in May 2007, the City has developed a proactive plan with regards to the Independence First Time Homebuyers Program and lead based paint hazards. This includes a pre-inspection letter to the seller and/or seller's agent advising them of the LBP regulations and that the HQS inspection to follow will be looking specifically for deteriorated paint surfaces. They are also be advised that if deteriorated paint surfaces are discovered the owner will be required to correct the deficiencies using lead safe work practices and/or be required to provide testing indicating that the surface is free of LBP. In any case the City will provide occupants and prospective occupants/purchasers of income qualified housing units of potential lead paint hazards and appropriate methods for lead hazard reduction.

2. All housing projects/programs and contracts administered by the City and contracts/projects with subrecipients funded through CDBG or HOME will be in compliance with sections 1012 and 1013 of the Residential Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Act of 1992, which is Title X (ten) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1992, and with regulations as they appear within Title 24 part 35. The City will continue to monitor and evaluate the lead based paint requirements for housing rehabilitation and the activities necessary to reduce lead based paint hazards and, as new requirements are identified, the city will continue to integrate these into our housing policies and programs

[To summarize the City's approach in satisfying the requirements of 24 CFR 35 the City is guided by Tables "Summary of Lead-based Paint Requirements by Activity" and "Four Approaches to Implementing Lead Hazard Evaluation and Reduction", which can be found as an attachment to this document.]

3. The Independence Health Department will continue to provide general information to landlords, residents and businesses regarding the hazards of lead-based paint. Efforts to this end include: mandatory distribution of the Independence Landlord-Tenant Guide, by all landlords to their tenants, which includes a copy of EPA's "Protect Your Family From Lead in Your Home" brochure; ongoing City promotion of lead hazard reduction through participation in community health fairs, dissemination of educational materials through the Health Department's Maternal Child Health Program and cooperation with the Jackson County Health Department to promote availability of free lead screening for children.

Four Approaches to Implementing Lead Hazard Evaluation and Reduction

The regulation provides four approaches to implementing lead hazard evaluation and reduction:

Do No Harm

- ✓ **Lead Hazard Evaluation.** Paint testing must be performed on surfaces to be disturbed and surfaces disturbed during work must be repaired.
- ✓ **Lead Hazard Reduction.** Safe work practices must be used when working on areas identified as lead-based paint. Clearance must be performed on work site.
- ✓ **Option.** Presume lead-based paint is present and use safe work practices on all surfaces being disturbed.

Identify and Stabilize Deteriorated Paint

- ✓ **Lead Hazard Evaluation.** Visual assessment must be performed to identify deteriorated paint.
- ✓ **Lead Hazard Reduction.** Paint stabilization of identified deteriorated paint must occur. Safe work practices must be used. Clearance must be performed unit-wide.
- ✓ **Option.** Paint testing on deteriorated paint.

Identify and Control Lead Hazards

- ✓ **Lead Hazard Evaluation.** Paint testing must be performed on surfaces to be disturbed. A risk assessment must be performed on the entire dwelling.
- ✓ **Lead Hazard Reduction.** Interim controls must be performed on identified hazards. Safe work practices must be used. Clearance must be performed unit-wide.
- ✓ **Option.** Presume lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards are present and perform standard treatments.

Identify and Abate Lead Hazards

- ✓ **Lead Hazard Evaluation.** Paint testing must be performed on surfaces to be disturbed. A risk assessment must be performed on entire dwelling.
- ✓ **Lead Hazard Reduction.** Abatement must be performed on identified hazards. Interim controls must be performed on identified hazards on the exterior that are not disturbed by rehabilitation. Safe work practices must be used and clearance must be performed unit-wide.
- ✓ **Option.** Presume lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards are present and perform abatement on all applicable surfaces – deteriorated, impact, friction, chewable surfaces, and surfaces to be disturbed.

Appendix E

Low/Mod Census Tract Map

