Placemaking Survey

BENTON COUNTY REPORT
November 2019
Thirty-one residents of Benton County responded to this placemaking survey between June 3 and August 30, 2019. Twelve of those residents completed the short-form, paper version of the survey, while 19 residents responded to the survey online.

Keeping in mind this is a convenience sample, not a scientific one, the “profile” of a typical respondent is as follows: female (71%), employed (77%), between the ages of 35-54 (48%), with at least a Bachelor’s degree (39%), who has been a resident of the region for 41-50 years (17%).

When we asked the survey participants in Benton County, how they would rate the Wabash Heartland as place to live, 63% rated it as a “good” place to live.
County Socio-Demographics

Gender

- Male: 29.0%
- Female: 71.0%

Age

- 18-24 years old: 3.1%
- 25-34 years old: 19.4%
- 35-44 years old: 22.6%
- 45-54 years old: 25.8%
- 55-64 years old: 19.4%
- 65+ years old: 9.7%

Educational Attainment

- Still attending High School: 3.2%
- High School Graduate: 6.5%
- Some College Education: 19.4%
- Completed a Technical or Associate Degree: 16.1%
- Bachelor’s Degree: 38.7%
- Master’s Degree or Higher: 16.1%
### County Socio-Demographics

#### Years living and employed in the Community

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### County Socio-Demographics

#### Employment Status

- **Employed**: 76.7%
- **Unemployed**: 3.3%
- **Retired**: 3.3%
- **Stay Home parent/guardian/homemaker**: 3.4%
- **Other**: 3.3%
Overall, Benton County residents rank parks and trails (50%), access to quality affordable healthcare (44%), and shopping and dining (28%) as their No. 1 most valuable community asset. At the same time, 55% of residents say they have to “leave the community to take advantage of services, purchase products, or patronize businesses they prefer.”

Respondents are split evenly (36% agree, 36% disagree) regarding the easy accessibility for finding information about activities and events happening in the community.

Forty-eight percent of Benton County residents feel that there are very limited activities for families to do for a community of their size. Similarly, 40% felt there are also very limited for teens and young adults.

Among a list of a community assets, residents ranked parks and trails as

No. 1

Please rank the Top 3 attributes that you find most valuable about your community
County Vitality

There are a number of things for children and families to do for a community of our size.

Regional Vitality

It is easy to find information about activities and events occurring in our community.

County Vitality

I have to leave my community to take advantage of services, purchase products, or patronize businesses that I prefer.
County Vitality

There are activities available for teens and young adults in our community.

Regional Vitality
Overall, Benton County residents chose workforce and education alignment (59%), providing youth workforce opportunities (42%) and mentoring & apprenticeship (25%) as their No. 1 picks for how to improve Benton County’s educational ecosystem.

When responding to the question: “Our community promotes and provides adequate training, technical assistance or other workforce education to skill up adult workers,” 59% said they disagreed, while 14% agreed that Benton County provides sufficient training opportunities to the adult workforce.

When survey participants were asked if youth have knowledge, of which employers are in their community, 61% of respondents disagreed, while 32% agreed. Furthermore, when asked, if “youth in our community are encouraged to share their thoughts about local needs and priorities”, 52% disagreed, while 19% agreed with the statement. Forty-five percent disagreed, while 32% agreed that youth have opportunities to learn about starting and running a business in the community. Perhaps a more detailed educational scan could help uncover what youth need in terms of workforce engagement opportunities.

Please rank the TOP 3 picks for education and job improvements

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County Education

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Youth know which employers are in our community and how to access jobs there.

Our youth have chances to learn about starting and running a business in our community.
Youth in our community are encouraged to share their thoughts about local needs and priorities.
Overall, Benton County residents rank community-wide, high-speed Internet (57%), community improvements (33%) and becoming a welcoming community (25%) as the attributes they would most like to see their community improve.

When survey participants were asked “the internet service I have at my home adequately serves my needs” (42% strongly disagreed, 23% agree). In addition, when survey participants were asked, “Does lack of access to high-speed internet affect your community’s ability to retain/attract young people?” 52% of residents agreed, while 13% of residents disagreed. This dichotomy warrants further investigation. While it is clear that WHIN has received a mandate to improve regional broadband access, a “digital divide” exists between those with the infrastructure and adoption wherewithal, depending largely on where you live in the region. (see Rural Indiana Stats, http://bit.ly/2Wf7p1i to look at the Digital Divide Index rank by county)

By contrast, transportation does not show up as a significant barrier to regional connectivity (at least for those residents who responded to the survey). Only 16% agreed, and 48% disagreed with the statement: “The lack of public transportation has been a barrier to my mental, social, and/or financial health.”

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57% of respondents picked community-wide, high speed internet as the No.1 way they would most like to see Benton County improve.
County Connectivity

Does lack of access of high-speed internet affect your community's ability to retain/attract young people?

The internet service I have at my home adequately serves my needs.

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3.2% | 3.2% | 12.9% | 51.6% | 29.1%

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9.7% | 25.8% | 48.4% | 16.1%

County Connectivity

The lack of public transportation has been a barrier to my mental, social, and/or financial health
**County Connectivity**

People from a variety of backgrounds work together to make our community a better place.

**County Connectivity**

If there was a place in Benton County to access high-speed internet, video conferencing and co-working spaces, would it be valuable to you personally?

- **Yes**: 39.3%
- **Maybe**: 25.0%
- **No**: 35.7%

Respondents were asked to rate their agreement with the statement on a scale of 0% to 100%, with 0% indicating a strong disagreement and 100% indicating a strong agreement.
WABASH HEARTLAND INNOVATION NETWORK

Placemaking Survey

CARROLL COUNTY REPORT
November 2019
Seventy-three residents of Carroll County responded to this placemaking survey between June 3 and August 30, 2019. Thirty-eight of those residents completed the short-form, paper version of the survey, while 19 residents responded to the survey online.

Keeping in mind this is a convenience sample, not a scientific one, the “profile” of a typical respondent is as follows: female (60%), employed (64%), between the ages of 35-44 (19%), with at least a Bachelor’s degree (29%), who has been a resident of the region for 31-40 years (22%).

When we asked the survey participants in Carroll County how they would rate the Wabash Heartland as place to live, 62% rated it as a “good” place to live.

62% of survey participants rated Benton County as a “good” place to live.

How would you rate the Wabash Heartland Region as place to live?

- Poor: 11.0%
- Fair: 8.2%
- Good: 19.1%
- Excellent: 61.7%
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### County Socio-Demographics

#### Employment Status

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- **College Student**: 1.4%
Overall, Carroll County residents rank parks and trails (55%), shopping and dining (31%), and access to quality healthcare (20%) as their No. 1 most valuable community asset. At the same time, 58% of residents say they have to “leave the community to take advantage of services, purchase products, or patronize businesses they prefer.”

Fifty-one percentage of survey respondents disagreed that “it is easy to find information about activities and events occurring in the community,” while 36% agreed.

Carroll County residents feel that there are activities for children and families to do (47% vs. 38%). However, 38% of respondents said that there are very limited activities for teens and adults, while 30% thought there were adequate activities.
County Vitality

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When survey participants were asked “the internet service I have at my home adequately serves my needs” (40% strongly disagreed, 32% agreed). In addition, when survey participants were asked, “Does lack of access to high-speed internet affect your community’s ability to retain/attract young people?” 34% of residents agreed, while 18% of residents disagreed. This dichotomy warrants further investigation. While it is clear that WHIN has received a mandate to improve regional broadband access, a “digital divide” exists between those with the infrastructure and adoption wherewithal, depending largely on where you live in the region. (see Rural Indiana Stats, https://purdue.edu/ruralindianastats/broadband/ddi.php?variable=ddi-overview&county=Adams, to look at the Digital Divide Index rank by county.)

By contrast, transportation does not show up as a significant barrier to regional connectivity (at least for those residents who responded to the survey). Only 16% agreed, and 49% disagreed with the statement: “The lack of public transportation has been a barrier to my mental, social, and/or financial health.”

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County Connectivity

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Placemaking Survey

CASS COUNTY REPORT
November 2019
Two-hundred and two residents of Cass County responded to this placemaking survey between June 3 and August 30, 2019. Ninety-six of those residents completed the short-form, paper version of the survey, while 106 residents responded to the survey online.

Keeping in mind this is a convenience sample, not a scientific one, the “profile” of a typical respondent is as follows: female (65%), employed (79%), between the ages of 35-44 (26%), with at least a Bachelor’s degree (26%), who has been a resident of the region for 31-40 years (26%).

When we asked the survey participants in Cass County, how they would rate the Wabash Heartland as place to live, 53% rated it as a “good” place to live.

How would you rate the Wabash Heartland Region as place to live?

- Poor: 1.6%
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![Bar chart showing rankings of various community assets]

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Does lack of access of high-speed internet affect your community’s ability to retain/attract young people?

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People from a variety of backgrounds work together to make our community a better place.
Thirty-seven residents responded to this placemaking survey between June 3 and August 30, 2019. Thirty-three of those residents completed the short-form, paper version of the survey, while five residents responded to the survey online.

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When we asked the survey participants in Clinton County, how they would rate the Wabash Heartland as place to live, 56% rated it as a "good” place to live.

56% of survey participants rated Clinton County as a “good” place to live.

How would you rate the Wabash Heartland Region as place to live?

- Poor: 2.8%
- Fair: 19.4%
- Good: 22.3%
- Excellent: 55.5%

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### County Socio-Demographics

#### Gender

- Male: 50.0%
- Female: 47.2%
- Other: 2.8%

#### Age

- 18-24 years old: 8.3%
- 25-34 years old: 22.2%
- 35-44 years old: 16.7%
- 45-54 years old: 30.6%
- 55-64 years old: 2.8%
- 65+ years old: 19.4%

#### Educational Attainment

- Still attending High School: 2.9%
- High School Graduate: 8.6%
- Some College Education: 17.1%
- Completed a Technical or Associate Degree: 11.4%
- Bachelor's Degree: 34.3%
- Master's Degree or Higher: 25.7%
### County Socio-Demographics

#### Years living and employed in the Community

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Thirty-eight percentage of survey respondents reported that it is not easy to find information about activities and events occurring in the community,” while 35% reported that it is.

Clinton County residents feel that there are very few activities for children and families to do (41% vs. 35%). Similarly, 49% of respondents said that there are very limited activities for teens and adults, while 19% though there where adequate activities.

Among a list of a community assets, residents ranked art and culture as No. 1

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When survey participants were asked about the youth having knowledge of which employers are in their community, 38% of respondents disagreed, while 34% agreed. Furthermore, when asked, if “youth in our community are encouraged to share their thoughts about local needs and priorities,” there was an even split (34% agree vs 34% disagree) with the statement. However, when asked about youth opportunities to start and run a business in the community, 53% disagreed, while 17% agreed. Perhaps a more detailed educational scan could help uncover what youth need in terms of workforce engagement opportunities.

57% of respondents selected workforce education alignment as their No.1 priority under Clinton County education needs.

Please rank the TOP 3 picks for education and job improvements
**County Education**

Our community promotes and provides adequate training, technical assistance or other workforce education to “skill up” adult workers.

**County Education**

Youth know which employers are in our community and how to access jobs there.

**County Education**

Our youth have chances to learn about starting and running a business in our community.
County Education

Youth in our community are encouraged to share their thoughts about local needs and priorities.
Overall, Clinton County residents rank community-wide, high-speed Internet (74%), green spaces and waterways (26%) and becoming a welcoming (25%) as the attributes they would most like to see their community improve.

When survey participants were asked “the internet service I have at my home adequately serves my needs” (36% agreed, 25% disagreed). In addition, when survey participants were asked, “Does lack of access to high-speed internet affect your community’s ability to retain/attract young people?” 35% of residents strongly agreed, while 24% of residents disagreed. This dichotomy warrants further investigation.

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WABASH HEARTLAND INNOVATION NETWORK

Placemaking Survey

FOUNTAIN COUNTY REPORT
November 2019
One-hundred and six responded to this placemaking survey between June 3 and August 30, 2019. Twenty-six of those residents completed the short-form, paper version of the survey, while five residents responded to the survey online.

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When we asked the survey participants in Fountain County how they would rate the Wabash Heartland as place to live, 57% rated it as a "good" place to live.

57% of survey participants rated Fountain County as a “good” place to live.
**County Socio-Demographics**

**Gender**

- Male: 30.2%
- Female: 69.8%

**Age**

- 65+ years old: 13.2%
- 55-64 years old: 18.9%
- 45-54 years old: 27.4%
- 35-44 years old: 22.6%
- 25-34 years old: 8.5%
- 18-24 years old: 9.4%

**Educational Attainment**

- Bachelor's Degree: 27.9%
- Master's Degree or Higher: 8.7%
- Completed a Technical or Associate Degree: 18.3%
- Some College Education: 17.3%
- High School Graduate: 22.0%
- Still attending High School: 2.9%
- Did not Finish High School: 2.9%
Overall, Fountain County residents rank parks and trails (53%), access to quality of healthcare (39%), and downtown (24%) as their No. 1 most valuable community asset. At the same time, 58% of residents say they have to “leave the community to take advantage of services, purchase products, or patronize businesses they prefer.”

Fifty-four percent of survey respondents reported that it is not easy to find information about activities and events occurring in the community,” while 28% reported it is.

Fountain County residents feel that there are very few activities for children and families to do (49% vs.47%). Similarly, 43% of respondents said that there are very limited activities for teens and adults, while 19% thought there were adequate activities.

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It is easy to find information about activities and events occurring in our community.

**Don't Know** 5.7%  
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**Disagree** 53.8%  
**Agree** 28.2%

County Vitality

I have to leave my community to take advantage of services, purchase products, or patronize businesses that I prefer.

**Don't Know** 1.0%  
**Strongly Disagree** 1.0%  
**Disagree** 9.5%  
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**Strongly Agree** 30.5%

County Vitality

There are a number of things for children and families to do for a community of our size.

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There are activities available for teens and young adults in our community.
County Education

Overall, Fountain County residents chose workforce and education alignment (53%), providing co-working space (42%) and work ethic certification (27%) as their No. 1 picks for how to improve Clinton County’s educational ecosystem.

When responding to the question: “Our community promotes and provides adequate training, technical assistance or other workforce education to skill up adult workers,” 52% said they disagreed, while 19% agreed that Fountain County provides sufficient training opportunities to the adult workforce.

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53% of respondents selected workforce and education alignment as their No. 1 priority under Fountain County education needs.

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County Connectivity

The lack of public transportation has been a barrier to my mental, social, and/or financial health.
People from a variety of backgrounds work together to make our community a better place.

If there was a place in Fountain County to access high-speed internet, video conferencing and co-working spaces, would it be valuable to you personally?

- Yes: 38.0%
- Maybe: 35.9%
- No: 26.1%
One-hundred and ninety-four residents of Montgomery County responded to this placemaking survey between June 3 and August 30, 2019. Twenty-two of those residents completed the short-form, paper version of the survey, while 172 residents responded to the survey online.

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When we asked the survey participants in Montgomery County how they would rate the Wabash Heartland as place to live, 65% rated it as a “good” place to live.

How would you rate the Wabash Heartland Region as place to live?

- 64.9%: Good
- 16.5%: Excellent
- 15.4%: Fair
- 3.2%: Poor

65% of survey participants rated Montgomery County as a “good” place to live.
**County Socio-Demographics**

### Gender

- Male
- Female

### Age

- 65+ years old: 13.0%
- 55-64 years old: 24.0%
- 45-54 years old: 22.4%
- 35-44 years old: 22.4%
- 25-34 years old: 14.0%
- 18-24 years old: 4.2%

### Educational Attainment

- Did not Finish High School: 1.5%
- High School Graduate: 9.8%
- Some College Education: 13.4%
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- **Employed**: 76.2%
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- **Stay Home parent/guardian/homemaker**: 4.1%
- **College Student**: 0.5%
- **Other**: 3.1%
Overall, Montgomery County residents rank parks and trails (57%), shopping and dining (231%) and access to quality affordable healthcare (25%) as their No. 1 most valuable community asset. At the same time, 49% of residents say they have to “leave the community to take advantage of services, purchase products, or patronize businesses they prefer.”

Respondents are split more evenly (42% disagree, 39% agree) regarding the easy accessibility of finding information about activities and events happening in the community.

Fifty-three percent of Montgomery County residents feel that there are a number of activities for families to do for a community of their size. However, 41% reported that their community lacked activities for teens and young adults.

Among a list of a community assets, residents ranked parks and trails as No.1

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Regional Vitality
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There are activities available for teens and young adults in our community.
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45% of respondents selected workforce and education alignment as their No. 1 priority under Montgomery County educational needs.

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**County Connectivity**

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**County Connectivity**

What type of public transportation system would you use if available in Montgomery County?

**County Connectivity**

Do you own/lease a dependable mode of transportation?
What are your top 3 challenges associated with childcare?

County Connectivity

What times do you normally need childcare?

County Connectivity

First Shift (8 am-5 pm) 34.40%
Second Shift (2 pm-11 pm) 8.20%
Third Shift (11 am-7 pm) 3.30%
Other 54.10%
Ninety-six residents of Pulaski County responded to this placemaking survey between June 3 and August 30, 2019. Twenty-six of those residents completed the short-form, paper version of the survey, while 70 residents responded to the survey online.

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**County Socio-Demographics**

### Gender
- Male: 29.2%
- Female: 70.8%

### Age
- 65+ years old: 15.8%
- 55-64 years old: 23.2%
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### Educational Attainment
- Master's Degree or Higher: 11.5%
- Bachelor's Degree: 27.1%
- Completed a Technical or Associate Degree: 15.6%
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- Retired: 1.0%
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County Connectivity

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Placemaking Survey

TIPPECANOE COUNTY REPORT
November 2019
One hundred and thirty-four residents of Tippecanoe County responded to this placemaking survey between June 3 and August 30, 2019. Sixty-two of those residents completed the short-form, paper version of the survey, while 72 residents responded to the survey online.

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When we asked the survey participants in Tippecanoe County how they would rate the Wabash Heartland as place to live, 61% rated it as a “good” place to live.

**How would you rate the Wabash Heartland Region as place to live?**

- **60.9%** Good
- **23.3%** Excellent
- **11.3%** Fair
- **4.5%** Poor

**61% of survey participants rated Tippecanoe County as a “good” place to live.**
### County Socio-Demographics

**Gender**

- Male: 49.6%
- Female: 50.4%

**Age**

- 65+ years old: 17.3%
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- 45-54 years old: 12.8%
- 35-44 years old: 29.3%
- 25-34 years old: 13.5%
- 18-24 years old: 14.3%

**Educational Attainment**

- Did not Finish High School: 0.9%
- High School Graduate: 12.0%
- Some College Education: 19.5%
- Completed a Technical or Associate Degree: 9.0%
- Bachelor's Degree: 38.3%
- Master's Degree or Higher: 20.3%
### County Socio-Demographics

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### Employment Status

- **Employed**: 74.6%
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### County Education

**Youth know which employers are in our community and how to access jobs there**

![Bar chart showing responses to a question about youth knowledge of employers and job access.](chart1)

- **Don't Know**: 20.0%
- **Strongly Disagree**: 5.0%
- **Disagree**: 26.7%
- **Agree**: 41.6%
- **Strongly Agree**: 6.7%

### County Education

**Our community promotes and provides adequate training, technical assistance or other workforce education to “skill up” adult workers**

![Bar chart showing responses to a question about workforce education.](chart2)

- **Don't Know**: 23.1%
- **Strongly Disagree**: 6.0%
- **Disagree**: 29.9%
- **Agree**: 37.3%
- **Strongly Agree**: 3.7%

### County Education

**Our youth have chances to learn about starting and running a business in our community**

![Bar chart showing responses to a question about youth opportunities in business.](chart3)

- **Don't Know**: 20.8%
- **Strongly Disagree**: 1.5%
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44% of respondents picked community-wide, high-speed internet as the No.1 way they would most like to see Tippecanoe County improve.
County Connectivity

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County Connectivity

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County Connectivity
People from a variety of backgrounds work together to make our community a better place.

County Connectivity
Our community is a strong advocate for diversity and is inclusive and welcoming to all people.

County Connectivity
Have you participated in any of the following programs offered by Purdue Extension in the past year?

- Did not participate in any programming: 83.3%
- Other: 2.9%
- Purdue Master Gardener Public Workshops: 4.9%
- Visited the Public Demonstration Gardens at the Tippecanoe Extension Office: 6.9%
- Rented a Community Garden plot in the Greater Lafayette area: 2.0%
Placemaking Survey
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People from a variety of backgrounds work together to make our community a better place.

County Connectivity

If there were a place in Warren County to access high-speed internet, video conferencing and aco-working spaces, would it be valuable to you personally?

County Connectivity

In our County, there is a need for a public community center that could be used for large group (200 or more) with a commercial kitchen.
### County Connectivity

In our County, I feel that there are different public transportation options for senior citizens.

- Don’t Know: 13.0%
- Strongly Disagree: 19.0%
- Disagree: 49.0%
- Agree: 17.0%
- Strongly Agree: 2.0%

### County Connectivity

In our County, I feel that there are affordable housing choices.

- Don’t Know: 12.0%
- Strongly Disagree: 3.0%
- Disagree: 23.0%
- Agree: 61.0%
- Strongly Agree: 1.0%

### County Connectivity

How do you best receive news or information about upcoming events or services available in Warren County?

- Other: 10.0%
- Social media: Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc: 60.0%
- Local Newspaper: 11.0%
- Newsletters, church service announcements, school or community organizations/agencies: 19.0%
Placemaking Survey

WHITE COUNTY REPORT
November 2019
Seventy-three residents of White County responded to this placemaking survey between June 3 and August 30, 2019. Thirty of those residents completed the short-form, paper version of the survey, while 29 residents responded to the survey online.

Keeping in mind this is a convenience sample, not a scientific one, the “profile” of a typical respondent is as follows: female (49%), employed (68%), between the ages of 55-64 (29%), with at least a Bachelor’s degree (25%), who has been a resident of the region for 1-10 years (28%).

When we asked the survey participants in White County how they would rate the Wabash Heartland as place to live, 55% rated it as a “good” place to live.
**County Socio-Demographics**

**Gender**

- Male: 49.3%
- Female: 49.3%
- Other: 1.4%

**Age**

- 65+ years old: 22.2%
- 55-64 years old: 29.2%
- 45-54 years old: 16.7%
- 35-44 years old: 19.4%
- 25-34 years old: 6.9%
- 18-24 years old: 5.6%

**Educational Attainment**

- Master's Degree or Higher: 15.5%
- Bachelor's Degree: 25.4%
- Completed a Technical or Associate Degree: 16.9%
- Some College Education: 15.5%
- High School Graduate: 22.5%
- Did not Finish High School: 4.2%
### County Socio-Demographics

#### Years living and employed in the Community

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### County Socio-Demographics

#### Employment Status

- **Employed**: 67.5%
- **Unemployed**: 26.9%
- **Retired**: 1.4%
- **Stay Home parent/guardian/homemaker**: 1.4%
- **College Student**: 2.8%
Overall, White County residents rank access to quality affordable healthcare (45%), shopping and dining (35%) and park & trails (33%) their No.1 most valuable community asset. At the same time, 55% of residents say they have to “leave the community to take advantage of services, purchase products, or patronize businesses they prefer.”

Forty-four percent of respondents said that it is not easy to find information about activities and events happening in the community.

Forty-nine percent of White County residents feel that there are number of activities for families to do for a community of their size. However, nearly 40% report that there are few activities for teens and young adults in their community.

Among a list of a community assets, residents ranked parks and trails as No.1

Please rank the Top 3 attributes that you find most valuable about your community

Access to Quality Care | Shopping & Dinning | Park & Trails | Downtown | Art & Culture
---|---|---|---|---
Ranked 1 | Ranked 2 | Ranked 3
35.5% | 43.1% | 36.1% | 30.6% | 50.0%
21.6% | 35.3% | 32.8% | 44.4% | 29.2%
19.4% | 45.1% | 31.1% | 25.0% | 20.8%
**County Vitality**

It is easy to find information about activities and events occurring in our community.

**County Vitality**

I have to leave my community to take advantage of services, purchase products, or patronize businesses that I prefer.

**County Vitality**

There are a number of things for children and families to do for a community of our size.
There are activities available for teens and young adults in our community.
Overall, White County residents chose workforce and education alignment (50%), providing youth workforce opportunities (37%) and mentoring & apprenticeship (22%) as their No. 1 picks for how to improve White County’s educational ecosystem.

When responding to the question: “Our community promotes and provides adequate training, technical assistance or other workforce education to skill up adult workers,” 46% said they disagree, while 16% agreed that White County provides sufficient training opportunities to the adult workforce.

When survey participants were asked about the youth having knowledge of which employers are in their community, 32% of respondents disagreed, while 27% agreed. Furthermore, when asked if “youth in our community are encouraged to share their thoughts about local needs and priorities”, 33% disagreed, while 23% agreed with the statement. When asked about youth opportunities to start and run a business in the community, 47% agreed, while 27% disagreed. Perhaps a more detailed educational scan could help uncover what youth need in terms of workforce engagement opportunities.

50% of respondents selected workforce and education alignment as their No. 1 priority under White County educational needs.

Please rank the TOP 3 picks for education and job improvements

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<td>5</td>
<td>Co-Working Space</td>
<td>50.0%</td>
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County Education

Our community promotes and provides adequate training, technical assistance or other workforce education to “skill up” adult workers.

County Education

Youth know which employers are in our community and how to access jobs there.

County Education

Our youth have chances to learn about starting and running a business in our community.
Youth in our community are encouraged to share their thoughts about local needs and priorities.
County Connectivity

Overall, White County residents rank community-wide, high-speed internet (60%), becoming a welcoming community (30%) and transportation system (25%) and as the attributes they would most like to see their community improve.

When survey participants were asked “the internet service I have at my home adequately serves my needs” (43% agreed, 18% disagreed). In addition, when survey participants were asked, “Does lack of access to high-speed internet affect your community’s ability to retain/attract young people?” 34% of residents strongly agreed, while 21% of residents disagreed. This dichotomy warrants further investigation. While it is clear that WHIN has received a mandate to improve regional broadband access, a “digital divide” exists between those with the infrastructure and adoption wherewithal, depending largely on where you live in the region. (see Rural Indiana Stats, http://bit.ly/2Wf7p1t to look at the Digital Divide Index rank by county.)

By contrast, transportation does not show up as a significant barrier to regional connectivity (at least for those residents who responded to the survey). Only 18% agreed, and 41% disagreed with the statement: “The lack of public transportation has been a barrier to my mental, social, and/or financial health.”

Please rank the TOP 3 attributes you would most like to see your community improve its connectedness.

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<td>36.6%</td>
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**County Connectivity**

Does lack of access of high-speed internet affect your community's ability to retain/attract young people?

- Don't Know: 1.4%
- Strongly Disagree: 26.4%
- Disagree: 18.1%
- Agree: 43.1%
- Strongly Agree: 11.0%

**County Connectivity**

The internet service I have at my home adequately serves my needs.

- Don't Know: 16.4%
- Strongly Disagree: 2.8%
- Disagree: 20.5%
- Agree: 26.1%
- Strongly Agree: 34.2%

**County Connectivity**

The lack of public transportation has been a barrier to my mental, social, and/or financial health.

- Don't Know: 11.0%
- Strongly Disagree: 23.3%
- Disagree: 41.1%
- Agree: 17.8%
- Strongly Agree: 6.8%
County Connectivity

People from a variety of backgrounds work together to make our community a better place.