

Strongsville in Dialogue 2017/2018

A Survey of Local Residents

Results

Survey Overview

Instructions Provided To Respondents

The Strongsville Economic/Community Development Committee, in partnership with Ohio State University, is gathering information about the quality of life in our community. The 2017/2018 survey is a follow-up to a similar survey conducted in 2005, with the results being compared and analyzed in an ongoing effort to identify the value Strongsville residents place on available amenities and services. You are not obligated to participate, however your opinions are valued. Your responses are completely confidential. Summary results will be made available to the public. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Brent Painter at 440-580-3118

Respondent Metrics

Surveys Mailed

14,675

Number of Households that Responded

3,529

Response Rate

24%

Number of Online Responses

1,377 (39%)

Number of Hardcopy Responses

2,151 (61%)

First Response

12/20/2017 at 12:11PM

Last Response

3/15/2018 at 08:41am

Survey Results

The following is a tabular depiction of the responses to each survey question. Additional comments provided by respondents, if any, were omitted from this list, but are available upon request at brent.painter@strongsville.org

Section - Living in Strongsville

1. What City Ward do you live in?

| 27.34% | 950 | Ward 2 |
|--------|-----|--------|
| 25.70% | 893 | Ward 4 |
| 24.81% | 862 | Ward 3 |
| 22.16% | 770 | Ward 1 |

2. How long have you lived in Strongsville?

| 57.60% | 2012 | More than 20 years |
|--------|------|-----------------------|
| 21.07% | 736 | Between 11 - 20 years |
| 11.11% | 388 | Between 1 - 5 years |
| 8.19% | 286 | Between 6 - 10 years |
| 2.03% | 71 | Less than 1 year |

3. Do you own or rent your home?

| 98.88% | 3444 | Own |
|--------|------|------|
| 1.12% | 39 | Rent |

4. What are your top three reasons for living in Strongsville?

| 60.08% | 2089 | Safe environment |
|--------|------|-------------------------------------|
| 52.52% | 1826 | Quality of housing |
| 36.78% | 1279 | Quality of schools |
| 35.66% | 1240 | Access to family |
| 29.85% | 1038 | Quality of safety services |
| 21.28% | 740 | Access to employment |
| 14.81% | 515 | OTHER: |
| 12.17% | 423 | Recreation facilities/entertainment |
| 11.88% | 413 | Access to friends |
| 9.98% | 347 | Acess to business services |
| 6.13% | 213 | Available restaurants |
| 0.03% | 1 | access to healthcare |
| 0.03% | 1 | Healthcare |

Section - Please rate the quality of the following AMENITIES and SERVICES in Strongsville.

5. Health care services (hospitals, clinics, etc)

| 46.41% | 1605 | EXCELLENT |
|--------|------|------------|
| 43.00% | 1487 | GOOD |
| 6.71% | 232 | AVERAGE |
| 3.35% | 116 | NO OPINION |
| 0.52% | 18 | POOR |

6. Strongsville City School District

| 43.60% | 1491 | GOOD |
|--------|------|------------|
| 25.70% | 879 | EXCELLENT |
| 14.80% | 506 | NO OPINION |
| 13.22% | 452 | AVERAGE |
| 2.69% | 92 | POOR |

7. Strongsville Recreation Center

| 40.44% | 1398 | GOOD |
|--------|------|------------|
| 30.46% | 1053 | EXCELLENT |
| 13.02% | 450 | AVERAGE |
| 12.90% | 446 | NO OPINION |
| 3.18% | 110 | POOR |

8. Strongsville Senior Center

| 41.58% | 1425 | NO OPINION |
|--------|------|------------|
| 26.15% | 896 | GOOD |
| 24.16% | 828 | EXCELLENT |
| 7.21% | 247 | AVERAGE |
| 0.90% | 31 | POOR |

9. Arts & cultural activities/entertainment

| 33.94% | 1148 | GOOD |
|--------|------|------------|
| 27.74% | 938 | AVERAGE |
| 21.35% | 722 | NO OPINION |
| 10.56% | 357 | EXCELLENT |
| 6.42% | 217 | POOR |

10. Senior services

| 43.66% | 1478 | NO OPINION |
|--------|------|------------|
| 27.98% | 947 | GOOD |
| 16.87% | 571 | EXCELLENT |
| 10.37% | 351 | AVERAGE |
| 1.12% | 38 | POOR |

11. Snow and ice removal

| 46.37% | 1611 | GOOD |
|--------|------|------------|
| 27.81% | 966 | EXCELLENT |
| 19.43% | 675 | AVERAGE |
| 4.72% | 164 | POOR |
| 1.67% | 58 | NO OPINION |

12. Street repairs

| 35.95% | 1237 | GOOD |
|--------|------|------------|
| 33.83% | 1164 | AVERAGE |
| 16.33% | 562 | POOR |
| 12.67% | 436 | EXCELLENT |
| 1.22% | 42 | NO OPINION |

13. Fire/paramedic services

| 52.03% | 1804 | EXCELLENT |
|--------|------|------------|
| 33.92% | 1176 | GOOD |
| 9.20% | 319 | NO OPINION |
| 4.38% | 152 | AVERAGE |
| 0.46% | 16 | POOR |

14. Police safety services

| 50.87% | 1759 | EXCELLENT |
|--------|------|------------|
| 36.38% | 1258 | GOOD |
| 6.85% | 237 | AVERAGE |
| 4.34% | 150 | NO OPINION |
| 1.56% | 54 | POOR |

15. Transportation thoroughfares

| 37.73% | 1293 | GOOD |
|--------|------|------------|
| 26.44% | 906 | AVERAGE |
| 15.00% | 514 | EXCELLENT |
| 12.55% | 430 | POOR |
| 8.29% | 284 | NO OPINION |

16. Water and sewers

| 43.28% | 1482 | GOOD |
|--------|------|------------|
| 30.17% | 1033 | AVERAGE |
| 13.05% | 447 | EXCELLENT |
| 9.26% | 317 | POOR |
| 4.23% | 145 | NO OPINIOI |

17. Public transportation

| 35.23% | 1185 | NO OPINION |
|--------|------|------------|
| 24.82% | 835 | GOOD |
| 23.34% | 785 | AVERAGE |
| 9.01% | 303 | POOR |
| 7.61% | 256 | EXCELLENT |

18. Access to air service

| 42.69% | 1457 | GOOD |
|--------|------|------------|
| 27.95% | 954 | EXCELLENT |
| 14.91% | 509 | NO OPINION |
| 13.54% | 462 | AVERAGE |
| 0.91% | 31 | POOR |

19. Internet Service

| 42.66% | 1448 | GOOD |
|--------|------|------------|
| 25.07% | 851 | AVERAGE |
| 16.50% | 560 | EXCELLENT |
| 10.46% | 355 | NO OPINION |
| 5.30% | 180 | POOR |

Section - Please rate the importance of the following AMENITIES and SERVICES in Strongsville.

20. Health care services (hospitals, clinics, etc)

| 6 | 59.65% | 2368 | VERY IMPORTANT |
|---|--------|------|----------------|
| 2 | 27.53% | 936 | IMPORTANT |
| | 1.85% | 63 | NOT IMPORTANT |
| | 0.97% | 33 | NO OPINION |

21. Strongsville City School District

| 56.59% | 1901 | VERY IMPORTANT |
|--------|------|----------------|
| 27.51% | 924 | IMPORTANT |
| 8.54% | 287 | NO OPINION |
| 7.35% | 247 | NOT IMPORTANT |

22. Strongsville Recreation Center

| 50.06% | 1687 | IMPORTANT |
|--------|------|----------------|
| 31.48% | 1061 | VERY IMPORTANT |
| 12.20% | 411 | NOT IMPORTANT |
| 6.26% | 211 | NO OPINION |

23. Strongsville Senior Center

| 43.08% | 1445 | IMPORTANT |
|--------|------|----------------|
| 25.76% | 864 | VERY IMPORTANT |
| 18.49% | 620 | NO OPINION |
| 12.67% | 425 | NOT IMPORTANT |

24. Arts & cultural activities/entertainment

| 50.88% | 1699 | IMPORTANT |
|--------|------|----------------|
| 19.14% | 639 | NOT IMPORTANT |
| 17.88% | 597 | VERY IMPORTANT |
| 12.10% | 404 | NO OPINION |

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| 40.44% | 1358 | IMPORTANT |
|--------|------|----------------|
| 32.43% | 1089 | VERY IMPORTANT |
| 17.54% | 589 | NO OPINION |
| 9 59% | 322 | NOT IMPORTANT |

26. Snow and ice removal

| 72.6 | 57% | 2475 | VERY IMPORTANT |
|------|-----|------|----------------|
| 25.7 | 78% | 878 | IMPORTANT |
| 1.0 | 00% | 34 | NOT IMPORTANT |
| 0.5 | 56% | 19 | NO OPINION |

27. Street repairs

| 72.99% | 2486 | VERY IMPORTANT |
|--------|------|----------------|
| 26.07% | 888 | IMPORTANT |
| 0.53% | 18 | NOT IMPORTANT |
| 0.41% | 14 | NO OPINION |

28. Fire/paramedic services

| 85.98% | 2938 | VERY IMPORTANT |
|--------|------|----------------|
| 13.35% | 456 | IMPORTANT |
| 0.38% | 13 | NO OPINION |
| 0.29% | 10 | NOT IMPORTANT |

29. Police safety services

| 86.29% | 2932 | VERY IMPORTANT |
|--------|------|----------------|
| 12.92% | 439 | IMPORTANT |
| 0.50% | 17 | NOT IMPORTANT |
| 0.29% | 10 | NO OPINION |

30. Transportation thoroughfares

| 48.789 | % 1 | .641 | VERY IMPORTANT |
|--------|-----|------|----------------|
| 42.30 | % 1 | .423 | IMPORTANT |
| 4.829 | % | 162 | NOT IMPORTANT |
| 4.10 | % | 138 | NO OPINION |

31. Water and sewers

| 62.17% | 2100 | VERY IMPORTANT |
|--------|------|----------------|
| 34.67% | 1171 | IMPORTANT |
| 1.60% | 54 | NO OPINION |
| 1.57% | 53 | NOT IMPORTANT |

32. Public transportation

| 43.07% | 1435 | IMPORTANT |
|--------|------|----------------|
| 25.12% | 837 | NOT IMPORTANT |
| 18.37% | 612 | VERY IMPORTANT |
| 13.45% | 448 | NO OPINION |

33. Access to air service

| 49.49% | 1659 | IMPORTANT |
|--------|------|----------------|
| 22.26% | 746 | VERY IMPORTANT |
| 17.45% | 585 | NOT IMPORTANT |
| 10.80% | 362 | NO OPINION |

34. Internet Service

| 43.89% | 1461 | VERY IMPORTANT |
|--------|------|----------------|
| 43.23% | 1439 | IMPORTANT |
| 6.64% | 221 | NO OPINION |
| 6.25% | 208 | NOT IMPORTANT |

Section - Would you pay more to improve any of the following AMENITIES and SERVICES in Strongsville?

35. Health care services (hospitals, clinics, etc)

60.09% 1977 NO24.10% 793 POSSIBLY15.81% 520 YES

36. Strongsville City School District

50.94% 1686 NO 26.74% 885 YES 22.33% 739 POSSIBLY

37. Strongsville Recreation Center

61.27% 2028 NO 23.60% 781 POSSIBLY 15.14% 501 YES

38. Strongsville Senior Center

62.43% 2057 NO 25.86% 852 POSSIBLY 11.71% 386 YES

39. Arts & cultural activities/entertainment

68.18% 2235 NO 21.17% 694 POSSIBLY 10.65% 349 YES

40. Senior services

53.99% 1779 NO 28.56% 941 POSSIBLY 17.45% 575 YES

41. Snow and ice removal

49.32% 1629 NO

27.19% 898 YES

23.49% 776 POSSIBLY

42. Street repairs

41.25% 1368 NO

34.38% 1140 YES

24.37% 808 POSSIBLY

43. Fire/paramedic services

41.19% 1365 YES

35.09% 1163 NO

23.72% 786 POSSIBLY

44. Police safety services

40.63% 1346 YES

35.56% 1178 NO

23.82% 789 POSSIBLY

45. Transportation thoroughfares

60.58% 1984 NO

23.51% 770 POSSIBLY

15.91% 521 YES

46. Water and sewers

58.69% 1924 NO

22.70% 744 POSSIBLY

18.61% 610 YES

47. Public transportation

78.20% 2565 NO

16.13% 529 POSSIBLY

5.67% 186 YES

48. Access to air service

82.14% 2691 NO

13.77% 451 POSSIBLY

4.09% 134 YES

49. Internet Service

68.13% 2198 NO

19.78% 638 POSSIBLY

12.09% 390 YES

Section - Please explain.

50. If you are not willing to pay more to improve amenities and services you feel need improvement, please explain why.

List omitted from report

51. Please explain how you would propose the amenities and services be improved.

List omitted from report

52. Overall, the quality of life in Strongsville is:

| 52.27% | 1799 | GOOD |
|--------|------|-----------|
| 39.34% | 1354 | EXCELLENT |
| 7.76% | 267 | AVERAGE |
| 0.64% | 22 | POOR |

53. Would you recommend others live in Strongsville?

| 87.63% | 2954 | YES |
|--------|------|-----|
| 12.37% | 417 | NO |

54. Given the choice to make again, would you still choose to live in Strongsville?

| 81.04% | 2685 | YES |
|--------|------|-----|
| 18.96% | 628 | NO |

55. Additional Comments on if you would choose to live in Strongsville again:

List omitted from report

56. What was your approximate gross household income from all sources, before taxes, for 2017?

| 47.09% | 1481 | \$100,000 OR MORE |
|--------|------|--------------------|
| 17.58% | 553 | \$75,000-99,999 |
| 16.79% | 528 | \$50,000-74,999 |
| 8.90% | 280 | \$35,000-49,999 |
| 7.38% | 232 | \$20,000-34,999 |
| 2.26% | 71 | LESS THAN \$20,000 |

57. How many people live in this household?

47.30% 1610 2 16.19% 551 1 14.69% 500 3 14.63% 498 4 5.17% 176 5 1.76% 6 60 0.29% MORE THAN 6 10

58. Do you have children in Strongsville City Schools?

82.40% 2819 NO 17.60% 602 YES

59. Are you retired?

53.71% 1825 NO 38.43% 1306 YES 7.86% 267 SEMI-RETIRED

60. If NEITHER Retired or Semi-Retired, what is the occupation of the main household provider?

List omitted from report

61. What is your age?

26.96% 914 61-70 24.66% 836 51-60 17.73% 601 71-80 13.51% 458 41-50 8.82% 299 31-40 6.70% 227 OVER 80 1.62% 55 20-30

62. What is your gender?

50.06% 1707 MALE

49.94% 1703 FEMALE

63. Street Address? (optional)

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64. Thank you very much for sharing your thoughts and opinions. If there is anything else you would like to share, please do so in the space below.

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