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Executive Summary

Under the terms of a \$40,000 Community Planning grant awarded by the NYS Office for Community Renewal, RCAP Solutions, Inc. assisted the Town of Allegany in undertaking a needs assessment and community visioning survey among local residents. In late March, 2011, 3117 questionnaires were sent out to nearly all residential households located in the Town and Village of Allegany.

595 completed surveys were returned, representing a response rate of 19.1 percent. Based on this sample size, the statistical margin of error is approximately ± 5 percent at a 95% confidence level. Survey responses were tabulated for the study area as a whole as well as for several key subareas, and the results were inspected in order to identify patterns and trends.

Key Findings

Several initial questions on the survey questionnaire helped to characterize the respondent population. On average, survey respondents report that they have lived in the Town for over 30 years. This is a fairly long duration, comparatively speaking, and suggests that on the whole, the body of survey respondents are heavily invested, not only financially but also emotionally, in the Town's future.

The three most important information sources that survey respondents rely on for information about Allegany are: a) the Olean Times Herald newspaper; and b) Talk with friends; c) Local radio; and d) Town mailings. All other information sources were relied upon to a far less extent, including the Town web site and Town meetings.

With respect to the local work force, no fewer than one-third of the work force represented by the survey respondents are retirees. One out of five members of the Allegany workforce go to work in the Town itself. Forty-five percent stated that the salaried workers in their household work in nearby Olean. Better than one in ten workers (11%) work in the Village of Allegany. The overall picture of where people work, as depicted through this survey effort, suggests that many workers may stand to benefit from enhanced mass transit opportunities within and around the Town of Allegany.

With respect to the most important development issues facing the Town, the results show that these are: 1) Retaining existing businesses; 2) Commercial development; 3) Streets and sidewalks; 4) Balanced growth; and 5) Zoning. The most important social issues identified by survey respondents include: 1) Property values; 2) Aging population; 3) Unemployment; 4) Vacant or run-down buildings; and 5) Youth behavior.

Viewed in terms of aggregate responses, the top five reasons why people choose to live in Allegany are a) family ties; b) small town character; c) school system; d) nearness to work; and e) neighborhood qualities.

Survey respondents were asked to rate a total of twenty-four different elements of public infrastructure and services, on a five-point scale that ranged from "OK Now" to "Improvements Greatly Needed." Based on their ratings, the following items emerge (in order of importance) as *the top five areas* for future public investment and/or policymaking:

- 1) High-Speed Broadband
- 2) Public Transportation
- 3) Cellular Phone Service
- 4) Medical
- 5) Streets

For the purposes of this survey two key business districts were distinguished: “Main Street,” and “East Side Commercial.” There are some noteworthy differences between these two business districts, in terms of the average ratings that were given. Survey respondents generally gave high marks to the Main Street Business District in terms of *safety*, while that factor received a rather middling appraisal when it was asked about the East Side Commercial area. For Main Street, the three lowest ratings were given to parking availability, overall appearance, and building appearance.

In contrast, parking availability is certainly not viewed as a problem in the East Side Commercial area. The most unfavorable ratings for this shopping area centered around events and activities, street decorations, street conditions, sidewalks, and public space.

Many of the poorly rated aspects of the Main Street commercial experience could be constructively addressed through a well-designed *downtown revitalization program*. Local leaders should investigate the prospects for developing such a project, which could involve activities ranging from streetscape and building façade improvements to microenterprise development and second-storey housing rehab. Among the community strengths that were identified, the five words that most frequently occurred were *small* (community size); *school* (generally referring to Allegany-Limestone Central Schools); *friend* (friendly; friendliness); *safe* (as in public safety); and *fire* (as in protection). A general statement capturing the main thrust of all these comments might go like this: *“Allegany’s strengths include its comfortably small scale, its quality schools, its friendly atmosphere, and the safety and excellent fire protection that people enjoy here.”*

Survey respondents were asked to identify what they believe to be the most important development issues facing the Town of Allegany over the next ten years. The results show that the most important development issues facing the Town are:

- 1) Retaining Existing Businesses
- 2) Commercial Development
- 3) Streets and Sidewalks
- 4) Balanced Growth
- 5) Zoning

The community development issue that received the lowest rating of all was “Low-income Housing.” Development of recreational amenities such as trails and parks and recreation programs were also rather far down the list.

Survey respondents were also asked what they believe to be the most important social issues facing the community. Survey outcomes for this question show that people believe the following to be the five most important social issues facing the community:

- 1) Property Values
- 2) Aging Population
- 3) Unemployment

4) Vacant or Run-Down Buildings**5) Youth Behavior**

A resounding eighty-three percent of survey respondents believe that the Town should encourage more commercial business development in the community. There are many ways for the Town to work on attracting new business development in the community, ranging from establishing an appropriate regulatory framework (including zoning), to developing local infrastructure (roads, water, sewer and modern telecommunications) to support new business activity. Not to be overlooked in this mix of approaches is the development of local amenities such as public spaces, parks, greenways and general beautification, all of which contribute to an inviting atmosphere which might serve as a magnet for additional clientele.

A clear majority of the respondents (53%) felt that the university's overall contribution to the community as a whole was largely to mostly positive. Only twelve percent believed the impact is largely to mostly negative.

The most popular types of initiatives to boost the local economy (when aggregating people's first, second and third choices altogether) were as follows:

- 1) Develop Existing Shopping Areas**
- 2) Improve Roads and Bridges**
- 3) Industrial Development**
- 4) Development along Major Highways**
- 5) Growth of St. Bonaventure University**

With respect to the most desirable types of future residential growth that people wish to see, "single-family homes" was easily the most highly favored form of future residential growth, followed by duplexes/townhouses, housing for special groups (e.g. senior citizens), apartment complexes, and manufactured homes.

For the question on protecting or enhancing certain types of natural amenities or green areas, six types of natural or "green" areas were offered for consideration, and each was to be rated as somewhere between "not important" and "very important." As it turned out, agriculture, wildlife and parks were viewed to be the most important resources to protect or enhance, while ridgelines were rated as the least. Aggregating the top three choices reported by all respondents, the following represent the five most important project areas that people would like to see addressed, given limited Town resources to do so:

- 1) Local Road Improvements**
- 2) Main Street Revitalization**
- 3) Public Water Supply**
- 4) Public Sewer**
- 5) Parks and Recreation**

When asked specifically about the extension of public sewerage or water supply to parts of the Town, unfortunately these two survey questions may have been rather too general and non-specific for many people to respond. For both questions, more than a third of the respondents were undecided. As for the remainder, in both cases a plurality favored extension of environmental infrastructure, while somewhat fewer people were opposed.

In response to a question asking whether people favored or opposed the idea of the Town and the Village merging, over the study area as a whole a plurality of forty-two percent of the survey respondents indicated that they favored the idea of the Town and the Village

merging. Only twenty-three percent were opposed, and fully thirty-six percent of the respondents were unsure.

Recommendations

In the final analysis, any proposal to undertake a significant community development project in Allegany should be based on the widest possible public participation, and on a balanced assessment of each project's potential development impact and consistency with local planning objectives. There are state and federal funding programs that can go a long way towards bringing the local share of project costs down to an affordable range. But local leaders will need to act aggressively in order to avail themselves of the funding opportunities offered through these programs.

This final report of the Town of Allegany's needs assessment and community visioning survey should be made available to the professional consultants contracted by the Town to help produce a comprehensive plan update for the community. The profile of public opinion detailed in these pages may be of great value in prioritizing the Town's infrastructure improvements and other community development projects. In addition, this public opinion profile should be carefully studied by Town Board members and other local leaders before they embark on the task of undertaking plans and deliberations that will shape the Town's future.

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1. INTRODUCTION

In December 2010 the Town of Allegany was awarded a \$40,000 Community Planning Grant from the NYS Office for Community Renewal to undertake planning activities aimed at the preparation of a town-wide **comprehensive plan update** as well as a **preliminary engineering report** for vital infrastructure improvements identified through the planning process. Under the terms of the local match agreement, the Town requested the free technical services of RCAP Solutions, Inc. to help develop and administer a survey for Town-wide needs assessment and community visioning. The purpose of the survey effort was to provide an avenue for broad-based citizen input that would contribute to the development of the aforementioned planning documents. Other methods of public participation contributing to these final documents include community workshops, interviews, idea generation questionnaires, and related activities to be organized and facilitated by the Town's planning consultant.

This is indeed an exciting time to be living and working in the Town of Allegany, as there appears to be a great deal of forward momentum aimed at putting together the necessary plans for a more livable, prosperous and sustainable community. The Town Planning Board is to be applauded for its efforts in spearheading this important initiative, as are the members of the local Citizens' Advisory Committee for their work in shepherding the planning work – including this survey effort – towards completion. Last but not least, the *participants* in this survey who took the time to fill out questionnaires all deserve high praise for their civic-

mindedness and their willingness to invest a little time and effort in thinking about Allegany's future.

A Word About “Community Needs Assessment”

A systematic assessment of community wants and needs is widely recognized as indispensable for sound decision making leading to well planned infrastructure development. There are various sources of data on needs assessment for any given community. These sources include, among other things: a) the **knowledge** possessed by local leaders and their advisors; b) **data and reports** held by county and state agency officials; c) **on-site analysis** of specific infrastructure elements; d) **public meetings and workshops**; and e) **objective data trends** as expressed through survey responses from local residents. This study relies on the last of these sources -- specifically, the knowledge and experience of local residents that is expressed in their responses to a well-designed, systematically administered survey addressing needs assessment and community visioning.

The needs assessment survey yielded a great deal of valuable information on current conditions in Allegany, not to mention local opinions on a variety of aspects of community visioning. Several conclusions and recommendations can be developed on the basis of this information, but it will be imperative that survey data be coordinated and cross-checked with data and information from the other main sources cited earlier. In this way local leaders and interested citizens can assemble not only a comprehensive diagnosis of current conditions, but also a well-documented justification for state and federal assistance to undertake specific projects in the future.

In the final analysis, every method used to capture public opinion (whether it be a survey, a public meeting, an interview, or a focus group) is but an imperfect tool. The key is to use these tools **in conjunction with one another** in order to get an accurate assessment of the public's vision for Allegany's future.

Systematic assessment of community needs is only the initial step in the process of developing a potential public infrastructure project. A summary of the key phases and tasks comprising the project development process is presented in

Appendix F. This summary is not an exhaustive listing of project development tasks, but is intended merely to provide local leaders with an idea as to the nature and scope (as well as the sequential ordering) of the endeavor that awaits them should they elect to undertake a public facility project.

This draft report is hereby presented to the Town of Allegany for review and comment by local officials and volunteers. The comments that are received will be incorporated in a final version of this report to be presented at a later date.

2. THE STUDY AREA

The study area for this survey comprises the entire Town of Allegany, Cattaraugus County, NY. The Town comprises a population of 7,983 people, with a median household income of \$49,350 (U.S. Census 2010 and the American Community Survey). The subject area as a whole is approximately 35 percent low to moderate income, and the median age of the population is 26 (*Ibid.*) According to the Census, there were 2,475 occupied housing units in the Town in the year 2010.

A map depicting the survey study area is presented below in **Figure 1**.

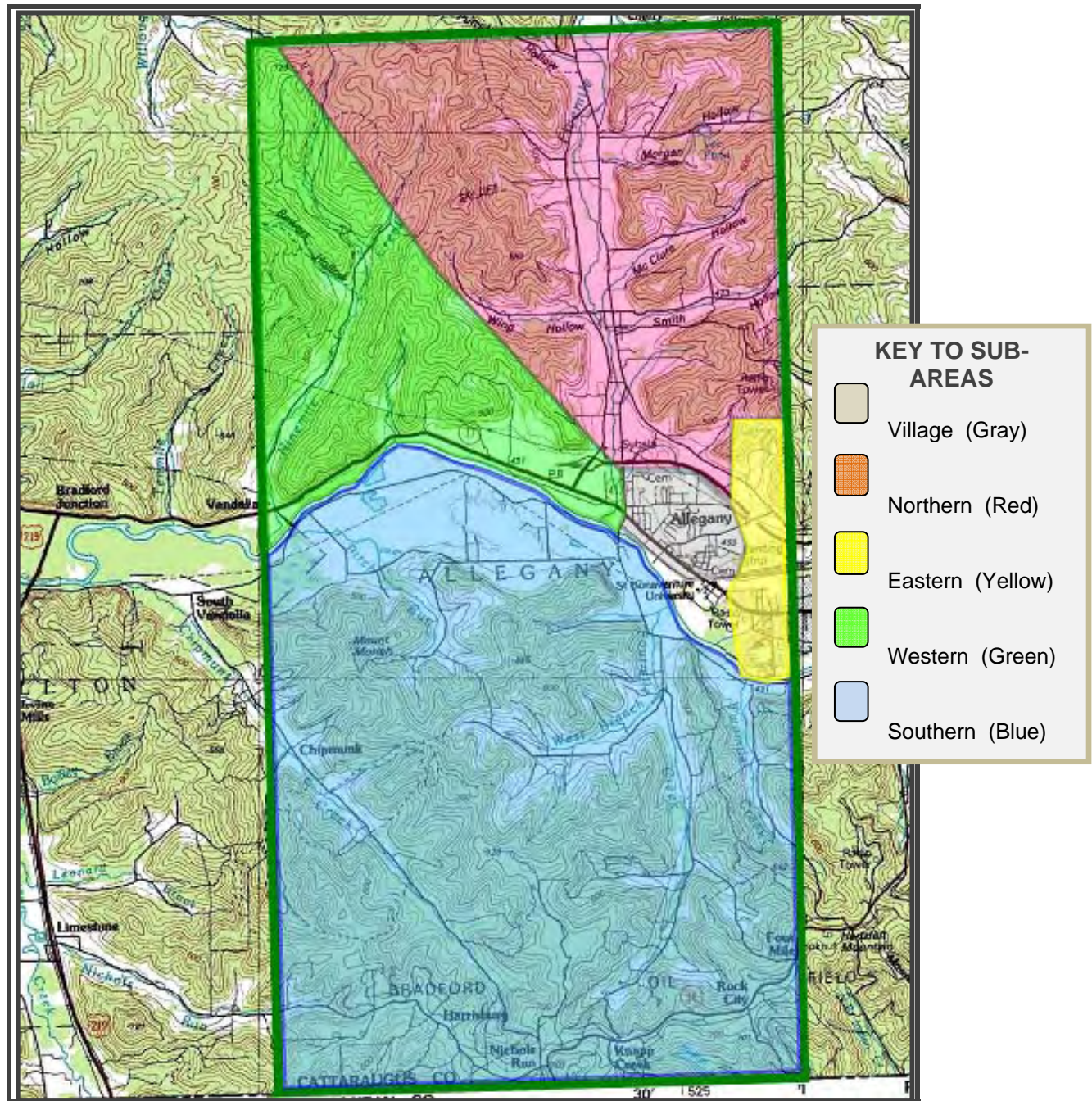


Figure 1. Map of the survey study area, showing sub-area delineations used to generate sub-area reports. All respondents self-identified the sub-area in which they reside. Note that a couple of the sub-area designations (e.g. “North of the Village” and “West of the Village”) are somewhat subjectively defined, at least on the margins.

3. SURVEY METHODOLOGY

A draft household survey questionnaire was developed by RCAP Solutions, Inc. in January, 2011. Individual questions were developed in such a way as to meet the basic requirements of community needs assessment and visioning. The questions to be included in the questionnaire were thoroughly discussed with the local Citizens' Advisory Committee, and their input contributed to many further revisions and refinements. The questionnaire was finalized in March, 2011; the final version is included here as **Appendix A**.

A list of residential households to be included in the survey was generated by Olean Creative Mailing Services, a local firm frequently utilized by the Allegany-Limestone school district for its periodic mailings. This list, which constitutes the survey universe, includes a total of 3,117 residential households. A copy of the master list used for survey mail-outs is not included in this report, but is available for inspection at the Town Office. The American Community Survey of the U.S. Census Bureau reports that there were 3,228 occupied households in Allegany as of 2009 (2,475 in the Town, and 753 in the Village), so it is safe to say that the present survey reached nearly every household in the community.

The surveys were sent out in the second half of March, 2011 along with a brief cover letter describing the reasons for the survey effort (see **Appendix A**). Upon return of the completed questionnaires, each one was numbered consecutively to aid in data tabulation and manipulation.

All survey data entry and analysis were performed using an Excel®-based data management template expressly designed by RCAP Solutions, Inc. for use in this type of community survey effort. Data entry for all multiple-choice questions was performed by RCAP Solutions, while all narrative responses were transcribed utilizing the in-kind services of secretarial staff provided by Cutco Corporation of Olean.

The preparer of this report relied on extensive experience with similarly situated rural communities in order to draw conclusions and make recommendations based on the data from the surveys. Copies of all completed surveys will be retained in the Town office and will be open to public examination.

4. RESULTS

The survey questionnaires that were received for tabulation and analysis are summarized below:

	Surveys Mailed Out	Surveys Returned	Response Rate
SURVEY UNIVERSE:	3,117	595	19.1%
Village of Allegany:		178	
North of the Village:		147	
East of the Village:		31	
West of the Village:		66	
South of the River:		147	
Sub-Area Not Specified:		26	

Tables and charts summarizing the results from the survey effort are presented in **Appendix B** for the study area as a whole, followed by separate data summaries for each sub-area in **Appendix C**. Narrative remarks supplied by the survey respondents are recorded in **Appendix D**.

Based on the overall sample size in this survey, the statistical margin of error is approximately **±5.0 percent** at a 95% confidence level.¹ However, the response rate may be lower (and the margin of error consequently higher) for individual questions, since some respondents tended to skip a question or question part here and there according to their individual predilections.

5. DISCUSSION

The paragraphs below follow the same sequential ordering as the questions which appeared on the survey instrument. In reviewing this section please refer to the “Summary of Survey Outcomes” in **Appendix B**, which supports this discussion.

¹ This means that if exactly the same survey effort were to be administered 100 times to the same population, then 95 of those times the results would fall within ± 5% of the values reported in this survey.

Note that in depicting the survey outcomes, the sequential ordering of multiple choice answers to questions in Appendix B does not necessarily match the order as it appeared on the survey questionnaire. Rather, the sequence has been re-ordered here to reflect the frequency of “votes” for each answer choice (from high to low).

Survey respondents were asked to self-identify themselves as belonging to one of six sub-areas of the Town. The individual data summaries corresponding to these sub-areas appear in **Appendix C**. A few selected sub-area breakdowns for individual questions are included in the discussion below, but for a complete summary of sub-area survey outcomes the reader is referred to Appendix C.

The survey data entry system has been optimized to facilitate efficient, informative **cross-tabulation** of survey results. Cross-tabulation simply means taking and comparing the responses for any given pair of survey questions (parameters), in such a way so as to identify trends and patterns among certain respondent sub-groups. Thus, for instance, *age* may be cross-tabulated with *development priorities* so as to illuminate the comparative priorities of different age groups. Similarly, *survey sub-area* may be cross-tabulated with, say, the *water supply development* or *sewerage* questions so as to show which specific areas in the Town may be more (or less) supportive of these types of infrastructure development. Since the cross-tabulation possibilities deriving from this survey effort are almost limitless, to keep this final report down to a manageable size it was decided to handle all cross-tabulations and associated discussion in a series of **Special Supplementary Reports** – the intention being that each such report on special topics shall serve as a companion to this, more comprehensive final report.

That said, upon scrutinizing the quantitative data tabulated in Appendix B, the following patterns and features emerge which are worthy of mention:

5.1 Characteristics of the Respondent Group

The first job of an opinion survey of this type is to characterize the sample of Allegany families and individuals who responded. This characterization includes some of the usual features such as gender breakdown and age groups, but also goes on to include some interesting facts about the body of responding households – their reasons for living in Allegany, the local workforce makeup, etc.

In the final analysis, the characteristics of this sample population may color, to some extent, the data trends in the responses to later questions in the survey.

Q. 1.1 Gender Breakdown

A complete breakdown of the survey responses by gender and age group of the respondents is depicted on the following pages.

Among all survey respondents, 52 percent are male, while only 48 percent are female. The U.S. Census reports a gender breakdown for the Town of Allegany that is almost exactly the reverse – 51.7% female and 48.3% male. But, of course, the Census gender breakdown is for the town population as a whole, whereas the survey respondents are limited to adults mostly over the age of 25.

Q. 1.2 Age Breakdown

The charts in **Table 1** below compare the age breakdown among survey respondents with the age breakdown for the general Town population according to the 2000 U.S. Census. Despite the fact that the age intervals used in the survey differ somewhat from those used in the Census data, what is striking here is the difference in the general shape of the two age curves. The curve for the survey respondents shows a much higher representation for the older age brackets, compared to the 2010 Census. (The under-25 population is colored gray in the U.S. Census chart above, as this population segment is not represented *at all* among survey respondents.)

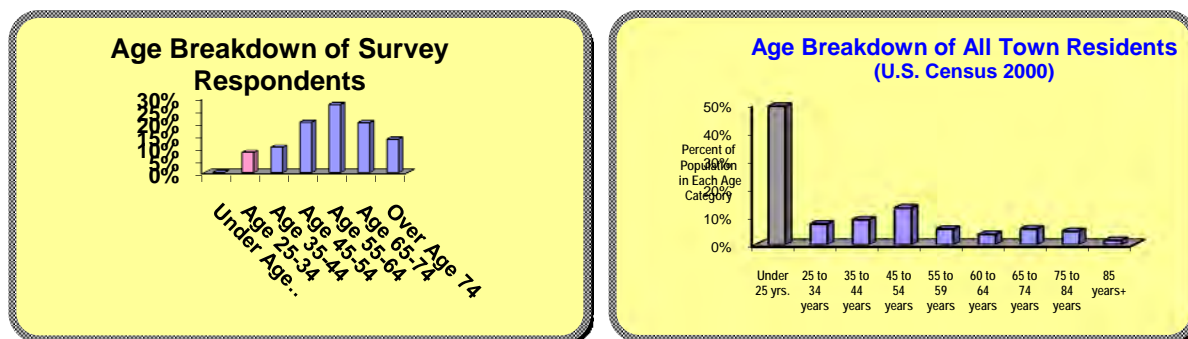
The under-representation of younger families in this survey is a feature which will have some bearing on other findings reported below. It is not a highly

Table 1. Gender breakdown by age group, for all survey respondents.

Under 25				25-34				35-44				45-54				55-64				65-74				Over 74			
Men:		0	0%	Men:		26	55%	Men:		27	46%	Men:		61	53%	Men:		81	52%	Men:		66	60%	Men:		32	43%
Women:		1	100%	Women:		21	45%	Women:		32	54%	Women:		55	47%	Women:		74	48%	Women:		44	40%	Women:		42	57%
M/F	Age Gr.	HH Size		M/F	Age Gr.	HH Size		M/F	Age Gr.	HH Size		M/F	Age Gr.	HH Size		M/F	Age Gr.	HH Size		M/F	Age Gr.	HH Size		M/F	Age Gr.	HH Size	
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pronounced skewing effect, but it is still there. The Town can counteract this effect by making a special effort to try to engage more people from the younger population segments in the public participation process.

Figure 2. Age breakdown of survey respondents, compared to U.S. Census 2010 figures.



Q. 1.3 Home Ownership vs. Rental

Seven percent of survey respondents are renters; the remainder reported that they are homeowners. For reference purposes, the 2010 U.S. Census reports that 33 percent of Allegany’s occupied housing units are renter-occupied. Renters are clearly underrepresented in this survey. There are at least two important reasons for this. First of all, this survey did not include student, on-campus rental units (dormitories) within the survey universe. A separate, online survey of student residents at St. Bonaventure University may be administered later this year to supplement the results of this survey.

A second reason for the underrepresentation of renters in the present survey is this: The body of survey respondents is an essentially self-selecting, non-random group. Survey participation was entirely voluntary, and it therefore stands to reason that those who choose to fill out a survey would be those who feel a greater sense of “investment” in the community and who generally have a longer tenure as Allegany residents. Since there is generally higher turnover among renters as compared to homeowners, this will always result in a natural preponderance of the latter in the survey responses.

Q. 1.4 Length of Time Lived in the Town of Allegany

On average, survey respondents report that they have lived in the Town for over 30 years. This is a fairly long duration, comparatively speaking, and suggests that on the whole, the body of survey respondents are heavily invested, not only financially but also emotionally, in the Town's future.

Q. 1.5 Household Size

The average Town of Allegany household size based on this survey is **2.3 people per household**. This figure matches very closely the average household size among Town households that was registered in the 2010 U.S. Census (2.43).

Q. 1.6 Children Under the Age of 18

On average, the families responding to the survey have 0.4 children under the age of 18. This, too, closely matches the figure for the general population.

Q. 1.7 Where Survey Respondents Reside

This question formed the basis for stratifying the survey outcomes into five separate geographic sub-areas: a) the Village itself; b) north of the Village; c) east of the Village; d) west of the Village; and e) south of the Allegheny River. Note, however, that at least two of these geographic sub-areas are not discretely or precisely defined. The dividing line between "north of the Village" and "west of the Village" is quite subjective, and respondents residing very near that arbitrarily established dividing line may have gone either way when stating which sub-area they believe they belong to.

All respondents self-identified the survey sub-area to which they belonged. It will be noted that the survey instrument included a sixth choice, “SBU,” but because the survey was not circulated among St. Bonaventure students as originally planned, this remained a “vestigial” multiple-choice option, and nobody in fact chose it.

Q. 1.8 Work Force Analysis

The first thing that is striking about the responses to this question is the strong preponderance of retirees in the community. No fewer than one-third of the workforce represented by the survey respondents are retirees. This gets back to the issue of the “self-selecting” group that responded to this survey (mentioned earlier in this chapter): in general, many retirees tend to have more time on their hands to respond to a lengthy survey of this type, as compared to the majority of busier working families in the younger age brackets. (This also explains the skewed age breakdown discussed earlier.)

One out of five members of the Allegany workforce go to work in the Town itself. Forty-five percent stated that the salaried workers in their household work in nearby Olean. Better than one in ten workers (11%) work in the Village of Allegany.

The overall picture of where people work, as depicted through this survey effort, suggests that many workers may stand to benefit from enhanced mass transit opportunities within and around the Town of Allegany. County and local officials and planners should consider this fact in the process of implementing recommendations stemming from the 2009 “Coordinated Public Transit-Human Services Transportation Plan for Cattaraugus County.”

Q. 1.9 Reasons for Living in Allegany

By far the most important “Number One” reason why people choose to live in Allegany is “family ties.” However, when one observes more closely the *aggregate* votes cast for reasons of first, second and third importance, the fact that people

choose to live in Allegany for its “small town character” becomes almost as important as “family ties.” Viewed in this aggregate context, the top five reasons why people choose to live in Allegany are a) family ties; b) small town character; c) school system; d) nearness to work; and e) neighborhood qualities.

It should be noted that in some cases people responding to this question did not follow instructions, and instead of providing a sequential ranking they simply checked off their top three reasons, essentially giving them equal rank. These data were discarded. The same anomaly was observed in responses to other survey questions which called for rankings of “top three” choices (i.e., Questions 3.2 and 3.7).

5.2 Allegany Today: Opinions and Activity Patterns

Q. 2.1 Frequency of Shopping Visits Within Allegany, Classified by Type

The high quality of the data generated by this question is somewhat surprising, since it was probably one of the more difficult and time-consuming questions to answer. But survey respondents really took the time to earnestly report how frequently they tend to visit certain retail businesses, and how many times they *actually* visited such businesses in the past month. As a result, the data show that the top five types of shopping/commercial visits are for groceries, convenience items, banking, restaurant dining, and home repair.

It is interesting to note that visits to Allegany child day care facilities, while common among only a small percentage of the survey respondents, was nevertheless, for those individuals, a very frequent activity.

Q. 2.2 Ratings of Public Infrastructure and Services

Survey respondents were asked to provide ratings for a total of twenty-four different elements of public infrastructure and services, on a five-point scale that

ranged from “OK Now” to “Improvements Greatly Needed.” Based on their ratings, the following items emerge (in order of importance) as **the top five areas** for future public investment and/or policymaking:

- 1. High-Speed Broadband**
- 2. Public Transportation**
- 3. Cellular Phone Service**
- 4. Medical**
- 5. Streets**

Other areas that were deemed to merit some degree of attention by policymakers included Parks & Greenways, Water Supply, and Local Government Responsiveness. The item which was deemed to have the least need for improvement was the Town Hall Building.

One cautionary note on interpreting these outcomes: When survey respondents are asked to assign a rating to a complex array of related services based on a one-word description (such as is the case with the term “medical”), one must be circumspect about what “some need” or “great need” really mean. Are there too few doctors in the area? Is the nearest hospital viewed as offering inferior care? Or are people finding it increasingly difficult to afford quality medical care due to lack of insurance, underinsurance, or other family budget issues?

Possibly a certain percentage of respondents might have had any one or all of these aspects of health care in mind when they rated the term “medical,” or they might have had yet other aspects in mind. If local officials (or health care professionals) are interested in examining this particular survey outcome in greater detail, one way to do it might be through and appropriately designed focus group exercise.

Q. 2.3 Rating Various Aspects of Allegany’s Business Districts

For the purposes of this survey two key business districts were distinguished: “Main Street,” which is mostly but not entirely within the Village of Allegany, and

“East Side Commercial,” which generally refers to the concentration of retail establishments anchored by Walmart and Home Depot.

There are some noteworthy differences between these two business districts, in terms of the average ratings that were given for specific quality factors. Survey respondents generally gave high marks to the Main Street Business District in terms of **safety**, while that factor received a rather middling appraisal when it was asked about the East Side Commercial area. For Main Street, the three lowest ratings were given to parking availability, overall appearance, and building appearance.

In contrast, parking availability is certainly not viewed as a problem in the East Side Commercial area. The most unfavorable ratings for this shopping area centered around events and activities, street decorations, street conditions, sidewalks, and public space. (A number of respondents added marginal comments noting that perhaps events or activities or decorations were not relevant or applicable to the East Side commercial environment.)

Many of the poorly rated aspects of the Main Street commercial experience could be constructively addressed through a well-designed **downtown revitalization program**. If the community is found eligible, there may even be substantial grant funds available (through the NYS Office for Community Renewal or the NYS Main Street program) to help make such a project happen. Local leaders should investigate the prospects for developing such a project, which could involve activities ranging from streetscape and building façade improvements to microenterprise development and second-storey housing rehab.

Q. 2.4 Patronage of Town Recreational Facilities and Events

Allegany’s River Trail and the Bonagany Festival emerged as the two most popular recreational activities among those listed under this survey question. Local golf courses and the public library came out at the bottom of this list.

It would of course be unwise to make significant capital investment decisions based upon the response to this single survey question. On the one hand, looking

at these data one might conclude that we need more trails in the community, because clearly there is a demand for them. But conversely one might argue just as persuasively that the local public library needs greater support so that it can expand its service offerings to a changing community posing new and different demands on what a library should be and do. In fact, both of these judgments might be equally valid at the same time! As with other questions posed in this survey, when it comes to public recreational amenities Allegany's local officials should look at this survey outcome merely as an initial signpost suggesting the need for further examination through public meetings and other information sources.

Q. 2.5 & 2.6 Strengths and Weaknesses of Allegany as a Community

These two survey questions, rather than offering a restricted range of multiple choices, required the respondents to write down their own ideas as to the main strengths and weaknesses of the community they live in. All of the transcribed responses, along with an analysis of the frequency of occurrence of certain key words, appear in **Appendix D**.

Among the community strengths that were identified, the five words that most frequently occurred were **small** (community size); **school** (generally referring to Allegany-Limestone Central Schools); **friend** (friendly; friendliness); **safe** (as in public safety); and **fire** (as in protection). A general statement capturing the main thrust of all these comments might go like this: *"Allegany's strengths include its comfortably small scale, its quality schools, its friendly atmosphere, and the safety and excellent fire protection that people enjoy here."*

Among the main community weaknesses that were identified, the five words that most frequently occurred were **tax** (mainly referring to tax rates); **bon** (three letters which capture all occurrences of Bonaventure, bona and bonnie); **school** (again, as above, referring to ALCS); **park** (mainly referring to parking); and **job** (as in jobs, joblessness, job security).

5.3 Allegany Tomorrow: The People's Vision

Q. 3.1 The Most Important Development Issues Facing the Town

Survey respondents were asked to identify what they believe to be the most important development issues facing the Town of Allegany over the next ten years. The results show that the most important development issues facing the Town are:

- 1. Retaining Existing Businesses**
- 2. Commercial Development**
- 3. Streets and Sidewalks**
- 4. Balanced Growth**
- 5. Zoning**

The community development issue that received the lowest rating of all was “Low-income Housing.” Development of recreational amenities such as trails and parks and recreation programs were also rather far down the list.

Q. 3.1 The Most Important Social Issues Facing the Town

Survey outcomes for this question show that people believe the following to be the five most important social issues facing the community:

- 1. Property Values**
- 2. Aging Population**
- 3. Unemployment**
- 4. Vacant or Run-Down Buildings**
- 5. Youth Behavior**

Q. 3.3 Investment in Public Recreational Facilities & Activities

The majority of the respondents felt that investments in public recreation in the community should remain about the same as at present. One-quarter of the respondents to this question felt that such investments should increase.

This survey outcome should be viewed alongside the public's response to other questions in the survey relating to recreation, such as Q.2.1, Q.2.4, and Q.3.1.

Q. 3.4 Encouragement of Commercial Business Development

A resounding eighty-three percent of survey respondents believe that the Town should encourage more commercial business development in the community. Only seven percent of respondents were opposed to this notion. This survey outcome should be viewed alongside other questions in the survey relating to business development, including Q.3.1 and Q.3.7.

There are many ways for the Town to work on attracting new business development in the community, ranging from establishing an appropriate regulatory framework (including zoning), to developing local infrastructure (roads, water, sewer and modern telecommunications) to support new business activity. Not to be overlooked in this mix of approaches is the development of local amenities such as public spaces, parks, greenways and general beautification, all of which contribute to an inviting atmosphere which might serve as a magnet for additional clientele.

Q. 3.5 Expanding "R-1" Residential Zoning in the Town

Nearly half (49%) of survey respondents said they were undecided with respect to this survey question. The rest were evenly divided between "Yes" and

“No.” That very large undecided response might reflect some legitimate circumspection among the respondents with respect to this issue. On the other hand, though, some of the brief, marginal comments which appeared on individual questionnaires alongside this question seem to indicate that relatively few respondents *understood* the question. While “R-1” is certainly a common zoning designation that appears in local codes everywhere, it is unfortunately not a term common to most people who do not routinely face zoning issues of this sort. Some people might have been afraid that “R-1” could denote something very special or different, but they weren’t sure so they refrained from opining one way or the other.

Q. 3.6 Overall Contribution of St. Bonaventure University to the Community

A clear majority of the respondents (53%) felt that the university’s overall contribution to the community as a whole was largely to mostly positive. Only twelve percent believed the impact is largely to mostly negative.

Nevertheless, as with many of the questions in this survey, public opinion is often too subtle or multi-faceted to be captured through the response to a single question. Thus the survey outcome here should be viewed alongside the public’s response to other questions in the survey relating to SBU, such as Q.2.5, Q.2.6, discussed earlier, and Q.3.7 below.

Q. 3.7 Assigning Priority to Various Initiatives to Boost the Local Economy

The top five areas identified in response to this question (when aggregating people’s first, second and third choices altogether) were as follows:

1. **Develop Existing Shopping Areas**
2. **Improve Roads and Bridges**
3. **Industrial Development**
4. **Development along Major Highways**
5. **Growth of St. Bonaventure University**

The *least* attractive initiative to boost the local economy was “industrial park,” which at least on the face of it is a bit difficult to reconcile with the identification of “industrial development” as the third most important initiative that could be undertaken. There may or may not be a disconnect here (after all, it is certainly possible to conceive of an industrial development initiative that does not involve establishing an “industrial park” per se), but at any rate the answer to this question might be illuminated better in other venues such as public meetings or focus groups with key stakeholders.

Q. 3.8 Most Desirable Types of Residential Growth Over the Next 10-20 Years

Among the available choices under this question, “single-family homes” was easily the most highly favored form of future residential growth, followed by duplexes/townhouses, housing for special groups (e.g. senior citizens), apartment complexes, and manufactured homes.

It is to be noted that there was a slight defect in the construction of this question in the survey questionnaires that went out to people. The question asked for ratings of “#1 as the most desirable through #6 as the least desirable,” even though there were only five multiple choices offered. Still, it turned out that most survey respondents were able to identify or overlook the mistake and figure this one out for themselves.

**Q. 3.9 The Importance of Protecting or Enhancing Certain Natural or
“Green” Areas**

For this question, six types of natural or “green” areas were offered for consideration, and each was to be rated as somewhere between “not important” and “very important.” As it turned out, agriculture, wildlife and parks were viewed to be the most important resources to protect or enhance, while ridgelines were rated as the least important. Still, it is clear that protecting the area’s ridgelines (along with open spaces and wetlands) are nevertheless very important priorities for a substantial number of people; only not as important as protecting or enhancing *other* resources.

**Q. 3.10 Public Preferences for the Top Three Community Improvements
Needed (Given Limited Funds)**

Aggregating the top three choices reported by all respondents, the following represent the five most important project areas that people would like to see addressed, given limited Town resources to do so:

- 1. Local Road Improvements**
- 2. Main Street Revitalization**
- 3. Public Water Supply**
- 4. Public Sewer**
- 5. Parks and Recreation**

“Sidewalks” came in as the least important type of investment, though they are clearly important to a significant number of people.

**Q. 3.11 Would you favor the extension of public sewerage or water
& Q.3.13 supply to parts of the Town?**

It appears that the character of these two survey questions may have been rather too general and non-specific for many people to respond. For both questions, more than a third of the respondents were undecided. As for the remainder, in both cases a plurality favored extension of environmental infrastructure, while somewhat fewer people were opposed.

Because the outcomes from this part of the survey appear so equivocal, our inquiry into public opinion vis-à-vis extension of water supply and sewer must be regarded as inconclusive. Clearly this issue will require follow-up and further inquiry through public meeting venues in the Town.

Q. 4.1 Would you favor the Town and the Village merging?

In response to this question, over the study area as a whole a plurality of forty-two percent of the survey respondents indicated that they favored the idea of the Town and the Village merging. Only twenty-three percent were opposed, and fully thirty-six percent of the respondents were unsure.

There are certainly some differences in this opinion breakdown for different sub-areas of the community, but it would be hard to conclude that any of these differences are particularly significant, since in every survey sub-area the proportion of respondents stating they were “Not Sure” was quite high, ranging from 29 to as high as 47 percent.

5.4 Final Remarks Supplied by the Respondents

Q. 4.3 Narrative Comments Supplied by Survey Respondents

Local leaders are strongly encouraged to take the time to read the narrative comments supplied by many of the survey respondents, for these offer a valuable glimpse at what is on people's minds in the community. The things people take the time to write about are generally the things they really care about – often very strongly.

The extemporaneous comments supplied by survey respondents are collected and analyzed in **Appendix D**. A systematic search was performed over the whole body of narrative comments to determine the frequency with which certain key word associations arose. First, the narrative responses were skimmed by eye in order to pick out and list those words which seem to come up most frequently. Then an electronic spreadsheet was used to quantify the total number of occurrences of each word. If some words which originally seemed to appear frequently turned out to have very few occurrences (generally fewer than five), then they were deleted from the list of key words. The remainder of truly frequent key words were then arranged in decreasing order of frequency.

For Questions 4.1 and 4.2, which asked people what Town services should be added or eliminated, no clear trends or popular topics could be identified through this method of word frequency analysis. Many people had ideas with respect to both adding and eliminating certain Town services, but these were pretty much “all over the map.” Among services that people thought should be added, it can be mentioned that “sewer” was mentioned 14 times, “water” 15 times, “police” 16 times, and “garbage” 15 times. These are some of the most frequent terms that came up under this question. However, these word frequency figures need to be viewed in the context of 595 surveys received and tabulated.

For Question 4.3, which asked people for “any other thoughts,” the key words listed in the final frequency analysis were the following:

Key Word	Frequency of Occurrence under "Other Thoughts"
Tax	55
Wind	35
Service	24
Property	23
Community	21
Street	19
Job	19
Bon *	16
Police	16
School	18
Water	16
Clean	14
Development	13
Park	12
Rec	10
Zoning	9
Cost	10
Fire	10
Bar	7
Parking	7
Safe	7
Sewer	9
Store	8
SBU	6
Board	5

* "Bon" is the root of the Bonaventure, bona, and bonnie synonyms

Clearly taxes were on the minds of many individuals who supplied comments, followed by "wind," "service," property" and "community." Still, while the numbers may seem high for the most frequently occurring words – e.g., 55 occurrences of the word "tax" – it should be kept in mind that even 55 respondents concerned about taxes would be less than ten percent of all survey respondents. At best, this analysis of key word occurrences only offers a glimpse of the relative importance of different themes and issues that people are concerned about.

In the end, to get the true flavor of what people are thinking, there is no substitute for actually reading (or least skimming) the narrative remarks that were supplied.

5.5 Sub-Area Reports

Question 1.7 on the survey questionnaire asked respondents to identify which part of the town they live in: the Village itself, east of the Village, north of the Village, west of the Village, or south of the Allegheny River. Ninety-six percent of the respondents complied with this information request. While the precise delineation of a couple of these geographic sub-areas may be a bit subjective (e.g., where exactly is the dividing line between “north of the Village” and “west of the Village”?), still, this method was used to sort the survey responses among the five named sub-areas. Graphic tabulations of survey outcomes for each sub-area are presented in **Appendix C**.

5.6 Cross-Tabulation of Survey Outcome Data

The survey data entry system has been optimized to facilitate efficient, informative ***cross-tabulation*** of survey results. Cross-tabulation simply means taking and comparing the responses for any given pair of survey questions (parameters), in such a way so as to identify trends and patterns among certain respondent sub-groups. Thus, for instance, *age* may be cross-tabulated with *community development priorities* so as to illuminate the comparative priorities of different age groups. Similarly, *sub-area code* may be cross-tabulated with, say, the *Village dissolution* question (Q.4.1) so as to show which specific areas in the town as a whole may be more (or less) supportive of such a change. Since the cross-tabulation possibilities deriving from this survey effort are almost limitless, to keep this final report down to a manageable size it was decided to handle all cross-tabulations and associated discussion in a series of ***Special Supplementary Reports*** – the intention being that each such report on special topics shall serve as a companion to this, more comprehensive final report.

5.7 Limitations of the Analysis

It is important to emphasize that this survey exercise by no means represents the last word on needs assessment in Allegany. Household surveys can render much valuable information concerning infrastructure and other needs in the community, but there is also a certain level of inherent bias with surveys of this type.

In order to properly understand and interpret these survey results, it is necessary to consider the potential sources of survey bias.

Self-Selecting Group: One source of potential bias in this study lies in the fact that the survey respondents are essentially a *self-selecting group*. It was not possible to obtain a perfectly random sample of households in the area for the simple reason that response capture depends on the household's willingness to participate. Willingness to participate in this survey might be a reflection of certain values such as civic-mindedness and conscientiousness, and other factors such as educational level and/or income level might also be at work here. Generally speaking, the longer the person's tenure of residence in the Town, the more they feel they have invested (both financially and emotionally) in the Town's future. These individuals are more likely to volunteer their participation in the survey – and they are likely to be somewhat older, too. Some of these factors affecting willingness to participate might in turn be correlated with factors relating to specific opinions and views reflected in the survey outcomes.

Wording of Questions: Though the structure of the survey instrument, and the specific questions on it, were thoroughly vetted by the local Citizens' Advisory Committee, it turned out that at least a couple of the questions might have benefited from some better wording. Examples of the shortcomings of specific questions are noted above in the discussion of survey results.

Sample Size: The survey responses returned and tabulated represent **19 percent** of all 3,117 households received a survey. This is a good statistical sample, the size of which exceeds many other successful surveys of this type. While it is by no means a perfect portrait of the characteristics, views or opinions of the subject population, in most cases a sample of this size can serve as a reliable source of guidance in policymaking. For those few questions where the results are somewhat more equivocal (i.e., those where the response data exhibit no decisive trend), local policymakers should exercise due caution in using such results as a guide.

6. RECOMMENDATIONS

In light of the data and findings reported in this needs assessment and community visioning survey, on balance it would appear that there are sufficient grounds to actively pursue further investigation of several important projects and policy directions.

In most cases where capital infrastructure projects are called for, local leaders should plan on contracting the services of a qualified engineering firm to explore specific project options in greater detail and to develop a preliminary engineering report with project cost estimates. The information gained from a detailed, well-reasoned engineering report -- along with the public input gathered from subsequent public informational meetings -- will provide the Town with a sound basis for determining whether a major public infrastructure project is in their best interest.

Public infrastructure developments can be a costly undertaking, and in many cases projects of this type are not affordable to local residents without ***substantial funding assistance*** from federal and state sources. Fortunately, in many cases there are programs offering grant dollars and/or low interest subsidized loans that can go a long way towards bringing the local share of project costs down to an affordable range. But the Town must act aggressively in order to avail itself of the funding opportunities offered through state and federal agencies.

To complete this needs assessment phase, local leaders should conduct a well-publicized public informational meeting to present a summary of this report and to collect additional input, ideas and opinions. Such a meeting could also provide valuable input regarding the level of public support for certain community improvements.

In pursuing further the issue of capital infrastructure projects, Town leaders should avail themselves of the free technical advice and guidance that is available to rural communities in New York State. One such organization providing technical assistance is RCAP Solutions, Inc., the preparer of this report. An overview of the services offered by RCAP Solutions is available upon request.

In the final analysis, any proposal to undertake a public infrastructure project in Allegany should be based on the widest possible public participation, and on a balanced assessment of the project's potential development impact and its consistency with local planning objectives. A concise list of some of the key steps involved in the development of a typical environmental infrastructure project is presented in **Appendix E**.

APPENDICES

APPENDIX A

Sample Survey Questionnaire

Allegany Community Survey

COMMUNITY NEEDS -- COMMUNITY VISION

What types of improvements would make Allegany a more livable, prosperous community? What is your personal vision for Allegany's future? These are the two basic questions which motivate this survey effort. Your confidential input is vitally important, because we can only move forward through active citizen involvement.

INSTRUCTIONS: Please answer all questions in this survey. Some of the questions may require some thought. Some will depend on your personal needs, hopes and aspirations. In answering these questions try to think about your own household, your neighborhood, and your community. Please return your survey by Monday, April 18.

All responses are strictly confidential. Survey results will be presented in a final report later this year. The results will then be combined with other sources of community input to update the Comprehensive Plan for the Town of Allegany. By completing this questionnaire you can help us make sure the Comprehensive Plan reflects your input!

I. FIRST, PLEASE TELL US A LITTLE ABOUT YOURSELF.

- 1.1 What is your gender? Male Female
1.2 What is your age? Under 25 25-34 35-44 45-54 55-64 65-74 Over 74
1.3 Do you own your home, or do you rent? Own Rent
1.4 How long have you lived in Allegany? Years Months
1.5 How many people, including yourself, live in your household? People
1.6 How many children under the age of 18 live in your household? Children under 18
1.7 Where do you reside? In the Village? North of the Village? East of the Village? West of the Village? South of the River? at SBU?
1.8 How many in your household work, and where? How many are: Full time workers Part time workers Retired How many in your household work in: Village of Allegany Town of Allegany Olean Elsewhere in Cattaraugus County Salamanca Elsewhere (Specify)
1.9 Why did you choose to live in Allegany? Please rank the TOP THREE reasons. Family ties Nearness to work Safety School system Neighborhood qualities University town Small Town character Reasonably priced housing Other -- Please Specify
1.10 By what means do you find out what is happening in Town of Allegany government? Olean Times Herald news Legal Notices Local Radio Town/Village Web Site Town Meetings Town Mailings Talk with Friends Other -- Please Specify Other -- Please Specify

III. ALLEGANY TOMORROW: YOUR VISION

3.1 What do you believe are the most important development issues facing Allegany over the next 10 years?

	<i>(Mark one score for each)</i>						<i>(Mark one score for each)</i>				
	Not Important	Somewhat			Very Important		Not Important	Somewhat			Very Important
	1	2	3	4	5		1	2	3	4	5
Balanced growth						Senior Citizen Programs					
Public Sewerage						Senior Citizen Housing					
Public Water Supply						Alternative Energy Development					
Low income housing						Appearance of Exit 24					
Main Street Improvements						Appearance of SBU campus					
Parks & rec programs						Streets and sidewalks					
Bike/Pedestrian Trails						Retaining existing businesses					
Family programs						Zoning					
Commercial development						Other: _____					

3.2 What do you think will be the three most important social issues facing Allegany in the future? (Choose only three of the following, and write a "1", "2" or "3" there)

<input type="checkbox"/> Education	<input type="checkbox"/> Quality housing	<input type="checkbox"/> Substance Abuse	<input type="checkbox"/> Unemployment	<input type="checkbox"/> Vacant or run-down buildings
<input type="checkbox"/> Poverty	<input type="checkbox"/> Workforce skills	<input type="checkbox"/> Aging Population	<input type="checkbox"/> Property values	<input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence
<input type="checkbox"/> Crime	<input type="checkbox"/> Alcohol Abuse	<input type="checkbox"/> Youth Behavior	<input type="checkbox"/> Homelessness	<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____

3.3 Should Allegany be providing more or less recreation and activities for its residents?

More Less About the same No Opinion

3.4 Should Allegany encourage more Commercial/Business development?

Yes No Undecided

3.5 Should the Town of Allegany expand R-1 (residential) zoning?

Yes No Undecided

3.6 What is your opinion of the overall contribution of St. Bonaventure University to the community?

Mostly Negative	Some Positive; Some Negative			Very Positive
1	2	3	4	5

3.7 What priority would you give to the following initiatives as a way to boost the local economy? (Choose only three of the following, and write a "1", "2" or "3" there)

Industrial park	<input type="checkbox"/>	Improve roads and bridges	<input type="checkbox"/>
Development along major highways	<input type="checkbox"/>	Maintain agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/>
Develop existing shopping areas	<input type="checkbox"/>	Promotion of tourism	<input type="checkbox"/>
Main Street business development	<input type="checkbox"/>	Promotion of home-based businesses	<input type="checkbox"/>
Industrial development	<input type="checkbox"/>	Growth of St. Bonaventure Univ.	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Other, please specify: _____	<input type="checkbox"/>

3.8 Assuming there will be continued residential growth over the next 10-20 years, what type of housing would you prefer to see? (Please rank your choices by using #1 as the most desirable through #6 as the least desirable.)

Small single-family homes	<input type="checkbox"/>	Manufactured homes	<input type="checkbox"/>
Duplexes or Townhouses	<input type="checkbox"/>	Housing for special groups	<input type="checkbox"/>
Apartment complexes	<input type="checkbox"/>	(senior citizens, young singles, etc.)	

3.9 In your view, how important is it to protect or enhance:

(Mark one score for each)

	Not Important	Somewhat			Very Important
	1	2	3	4	5
Open Spaces	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Wetlands & Stream Corridors	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ridgelines	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

(Mark one score for each)

	Not Important	Somewhat			Very Important
	1	2	3	4	5
Agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Wildlife	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Parks	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

3.10 There are always limited funds to spend on public improvements. Grants for specific projects may be available, but are always highly competitive. In light of these realities, please rank the three most important types of infrastructure development that you believe are needed in Allegany. (Write 1, 2, 3 in the spaces below.)

Local Road improvements

Sidewalk improvements

Main street revitalization

Public Sewer

Public Water Supply

Parks & Recreation development

3.11 Based on what you know, do you favor the extension of public sewerage to parts of the Town?

Yes No Undecided

3.12 If you are in favor, briefly tell us the street or area where public sewerage is needed. If you're opposed to any public sewerage in the Town, please tell us why. Be as specific as possible.

3.13 Would you favor the extension of public water supply to parts of the Town?

Yes No Undecided

3.14 If you are in favor, where do you believe water supply is needed (street or area)? If you're opposed to any public water supply in the Town, please tell us why. Be as specific as possible.

3.15 How important are the following as they relate to public water supply and sewerage?

(Mark one score for each)

	Not important	Somewhat			Very Important
	1	2	3	4	5
Retaining existing businesses	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Retaining existing industry	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Attracting new businesses	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Development of vacant lots	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

(Mark one score for each)

	Not important	Somewhat			Very Important
	1	2	3	4	5
New housing development	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Protection of the environment	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ability to sell my house in the future	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
People moving out of the Town	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

IV. IN CLOSING...

4.1 Would you be in favor of the Town and the Village merging?

Favor Oppose Not Sure

4.1 What services, if any, does the Town currently not provide, that you would like to see added?

4.2 What services, if any, does the Town currently provide that you think could be eliminated?

4.3 Do you have any other thoughts (ON ANY COMMUNITY TOPIC) that you would like to share? (Feel free to attach an additional sheet if necessary.)

THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION!
PLEASE RETURN THE SURVEY IN THE ENCLOSED ENVELOPE.

APPENDIX B

Tabulation and Charts for Survey Universe

Allegany Community Survey
COMMUNITY NEEDS -- COMMUNITY VISION
Summary of Survey Outcomes: ALL RESPONDENTS

Surveys Mailed Out: **3117**

Surveys Tabulated: **595**

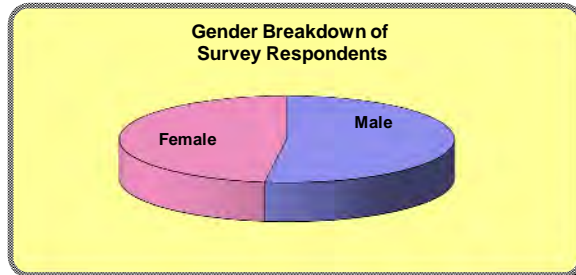
Response Rate: **19.1%**

I. FIRST, PLEASE TELL US A LITTLE ABOUT YOURSELF.

1.1 What is your gender? **295** Male **271** Female

Male Survey Respondents: 52%
 Female Survey Respondents: 48%

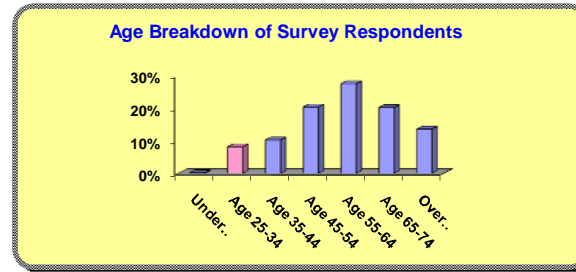
No Response to Q. 1.1: 29
 As a % of All Surveys Rec'd: 5%



1.2 What is your age? **1** Under 25 **59** 35-44 **158** 55-64 **78** Over 74
47 25-34 **117** 45-54 **116** 65-74

Under Age 25 0%
 Age 25-34 8%
 Age 35-44 10%
 Age 45-54 20%
 Age 55-64 27%
 Age 65-74 20%
 Over Age 74 14%

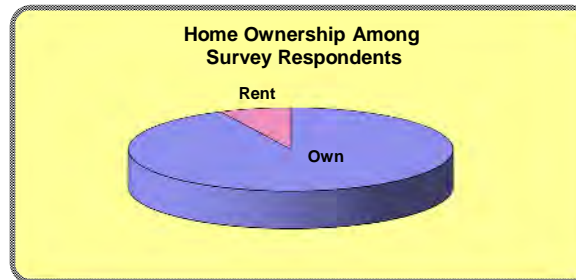
No Response to Q. 1.2: 19
 As a % of All Surveys Rec'd: 3%



1.3 Do you own your home, or do you rent? **536** Own **41** Rent

Homeowners: 93%
 Renters: 7%

No Response to Q. 1.3: 13
 As a % of All Surveys Rec'd: 2%



1.4 How long have you lived in Allegany? **30.4** Years (average)

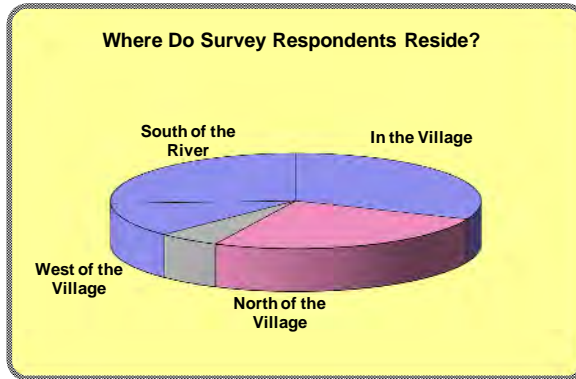
1.5 How many people, including yourself, live in your household? **2.3** People (average)

1.6 How many children under the age of 18 live in your household? **0.4** Children under 18 (average)

1.7 Where do you reside?

178	In the Village	31	East of the Village	147	South of the River
147	North of the Village	66	West of the Village	0	at SBU

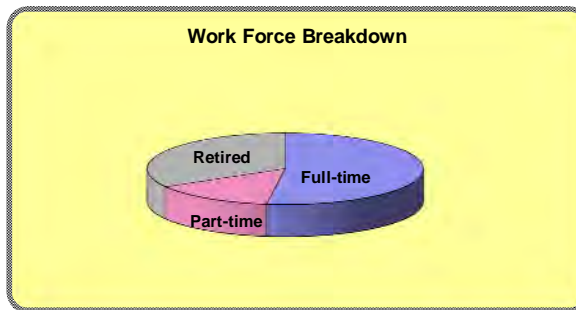
In the Village :	31%
North of the Village :	26%
East of the Village :	5%
West of the Village :	12%
South of the River :	26%
At SBU :	0%
% of Respondents Who Responded to this Q :	96%
No Response to Q. 1.7 :	26
As a % of All Surveys Rec'd :	4%



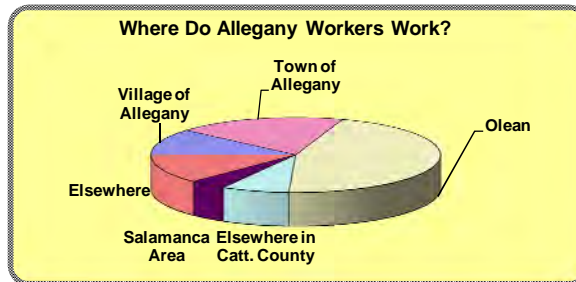
1.8 How many in your household work, and where?

How many are:		How many in your household work in:			
519	Full time workers	68	Village of Allegany	45	Elsewhere in Catt. County
143	Part time workers	113	Town of Allegany	25	Salamanca Area
333	Retired	272	Olean	75	Elsewhere (Specify) See Narrative Responses

	%	Ave/hh
Full-time workers :	52%	
Part-time workers :	14%	
Retired :	33%	
% of Respondents Who Responded to this Q :	10%	
No Response to Q. 1.7 :	0	
As a % of All Surveys Rec'd :	0%	




Village of Allegany :	11%
Town of Allegany :	19%
Olean :	45%
Elsewhere in Cattaraugus County :	8%
Salamanca Area :	4%
Elsewhere :	13%





1.9 Why did you choose to live in Allegany? Please rank the TOP THREE reasons.

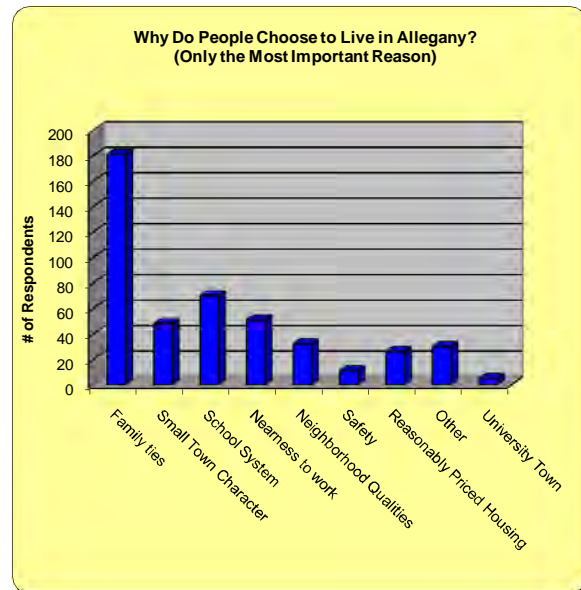
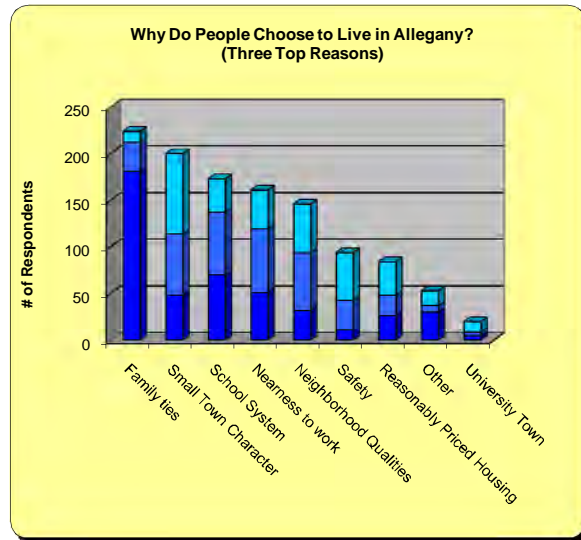
1st	2nd	3rd	
181	31	12	Family ties
48	66	86	Small Town Character
70	67	36	School System
51	68	42	Nearness to work
32	62	52	Neighborhood Qualities
11	32	51	Safety
26	22	36	Reasonably Priced Housing
30	7	16	Other <i>See Narrative Responses</i>
5	4	11	University Town

141	236	253	No Response to Q. 1.9
24%			As a % of All Surveys Received

Most Important Reason: 

Second Most Important Reason: 

Third Most Important Reason: 

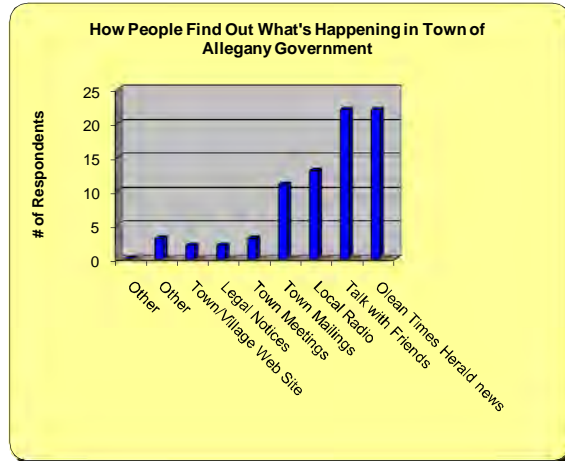


1.10 By what means do you find out what is happening in Town of Allegany government?

#	%	
0	0%	Other <i>See Narrative Responses</i>
3	4%	Other <i>See Narrative Responses</i>
2	3%	Town/Village Web Site
2	3%	Legal Notices
3	4%	Town Meetings
11	14%	Town Mailings
13	17%	Local Radio
22	28%	Talk with Friends
22	28%	Olean Times Herald news

% of Respondents Who Responded to this Q : 98%

No Response to Q. 1.7 : 13
As a % of All Surveys Rec'd : 2%



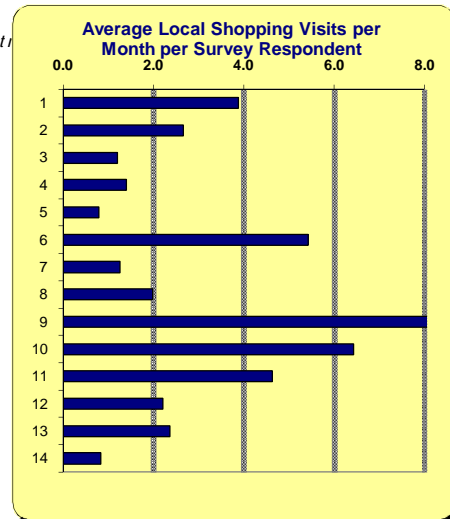
II. ALLEGANY TODAY: YOUR IMPRESSIONS: YOUR ACTIVITY PATTERNS

2.1 How often do you purchase the following types of goods and services within Allegany?

	Never		Sometimes		Always		Avg.	S.D.
	1	2	3	4	5			
Restaurant	37	97	270	99	34	2.993		
Hardware	209	61	110	53	21	2.154		
Auto Repair	239	63	78	34	60	2.184		
Home Repair	184	60	103	57	44	2.363		
Appliance	309	59	57	18	5	1.548		
Convenience Items	66	63	157	127	58	3.102		
Floral/Gift Items	300	65	55	19	3	1.552		
Home health care	365	20	30	17	6	1.354		
Day care	409	2	2	4	20	1.224		
Groceries	22	48	184	143	87	3.458		
Credit Union/Banking	158	27	67	61	151	3.043		
Personal care	223	54	77	36	43	2.127		
Home heating	344	20	25	13	32	1.546		
Legal/Insurance etc	361	32	26	6	12	1.343		

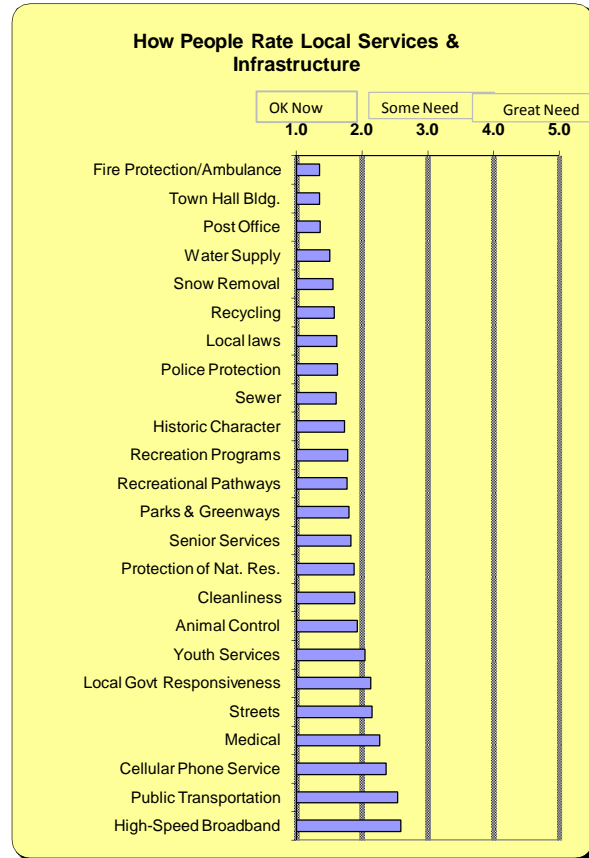
How many times *in the past* month

3.9	times
2.7	times
1.2	times
1.4	times
0.8	times
5.4	times
1.3	times
2.0	times
9.6	times
6.4	times
4.6	times
2.2	times
2.4	times
0.8	times



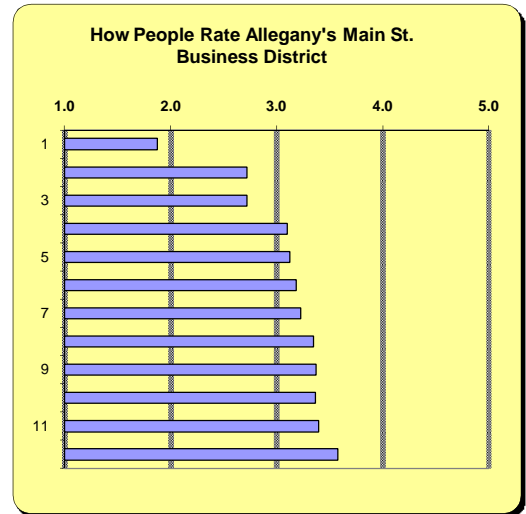
2.2 Please rate each of the following about Allegany: Is each one "OK now," or is there some need, or great need, for improvement?

	OK Now		Some Need		Great Need		Avg.	S.D.
	1	2	3	4	5			
Fire Protection/Ambulance	462	43	30	11	16	1.4	0.89	
Town Hall Bldg.	437	55	31	10	12	1.4	0.85	
Post Office	476	22	28	16	19	1.4	1.27	
Water Supply	371	36	50	8	22	1.5	1.05	
Snow Removal	396	71	45	22	21	1.6	1.05	
Recycling	407	41	52	18	29	1.6	1.13	
Local laws	335	74	65	18	13	1.6	1.01	
Police Protection	380	65	66	15	26	1.6	1.10	
Sewer	348	36	48	13	29	1.6	1.16	
Historic Character	325	65	72	28	20	1.7	1.13	
Recreation Programs	311	84	72	28	24	1.8	1.15	
Recreational Pathways	299	84	76	22	22	1.8	1.13	
Parks & Greenways	297	79	87	24	21	1.8	1.13	
Senior Services	303	70	86	23	28	1.8	1.19	
Protection of Nat. Res.	277	83	73	19	36	1.9	1.24	
Cleanliness	289	103	107	16	30	1.9	1.15	
Animal Control	290	72	71	25	44	1.9	1.31	
Youth Services	244	64	103	34	32	2.0	1.27	
Local Govt Responsiveness	232	102	89	37	45	2.1	1.31	
Streets	239	90	114	39	43	2.2	1.30	
Medical	225	46	125	31	56	2.3	1.40	
Cellular Phone Service	247	49	84	40	89	2.4	1.55	
Public Transportation	183	54	132	45	76	2.5	2.70	
High-Speed Broadband	207	35	89	31	112	2.6	1.63	



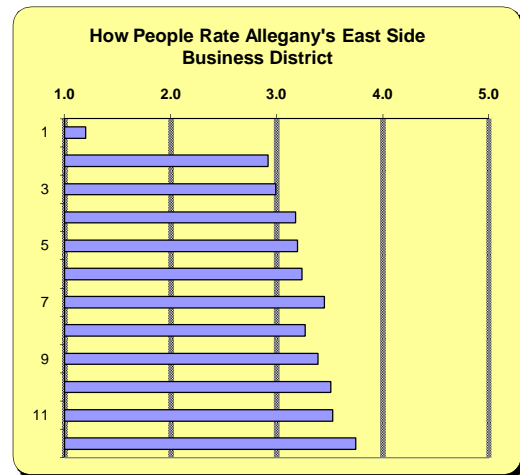
2.3 Please rate the Main Street business district.

	Poor		Excellent			Avg.	S.D.
	1	2	3	4	5		
Other	16	1	3	2	2	1.9	1.39
Parking Availability	112	118	166	116	37	2.7	1.20
Overall Appearance	31	56	162	166	40	2.7	0.95
Building Appearance	42	91	224	165	33	3.1	1.00
Public Space	53	77	193	170	39	3.1	1.07
Cleanliness	40	87	200	191	40	3.2	1.02
Events & Activities	44	73	184	174	53	3.2	1.07
Sidewalk Conditions	36	67	175	207	61	3.3	1.05
Street Conditions	30	69	186	199	68	3.4	1.03
Lighting	61	46	146	220	75	3.4	1.16
Street Decorations	31	58	203	171	82	3.4	1.05
Safety	29	34	163	234	87	3.6	1.00



2.3 Please rate the East Side business district.

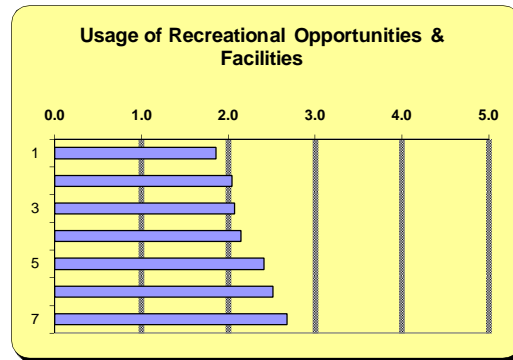
	Poor			Excellent		Avg.	S.D.
	1	2	3	4	5		
Other	8	2	0	0	0	1.2	0.42
Events & Activities	68	95	169	112	40	2.9	1.15
Street Decorations	64	98	178	121	50	3.0	1.15
Street Conditions	40	94	179	177	47	3.2	1.06
Sidewalk Conditions	45	82	172	178	48	3.2	1.08
Public Space	42	75	163	166	57	3.2	1.10
Safety	17	56	185	196	63	3.4	0.95
Cleanliness	36	83	177	188	57	3.3	1.06
Overall Appearance	21	55	201	189	58	3.4	1.57
Lighting	21	50	162	212	72	3.5	0.98
Building Appearance	26	44	170	223	81	3.5	1.00
Parking Availability	33	30	104	233	130	3.7	1.08



2.4 How often do you visit and/or use the following:

(Mark one score for each)

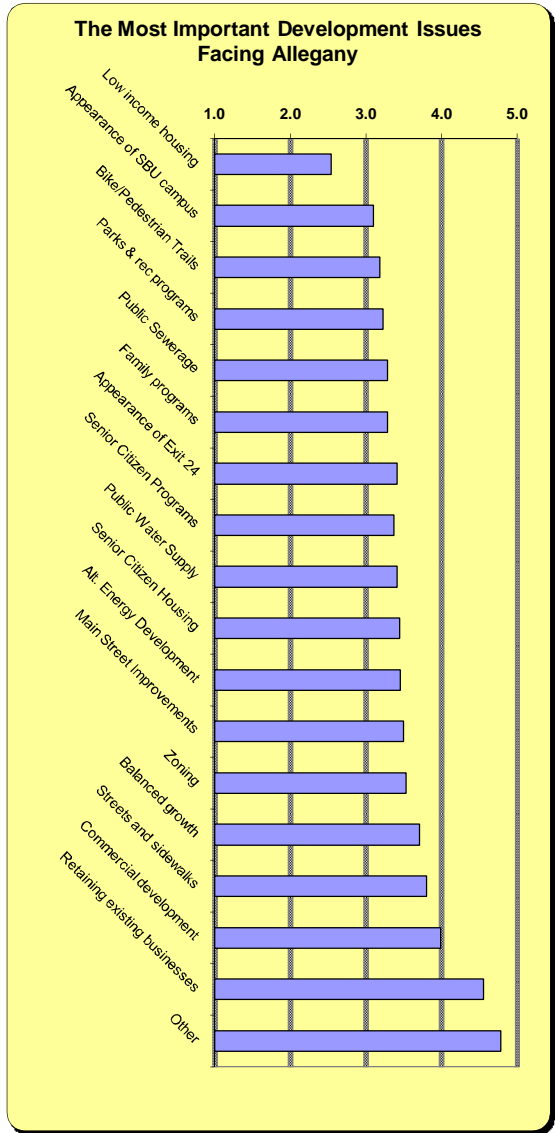
	Never		Sometimes		Frequently		Avg.	S.D.
	1	2	3	4	5			
Golf Courses	349	72	73	34	43	1.9	1.28	
Allegany Public Library	257	138	106	38	33	2.0	1.19	
SBU Cultural Events	243	131	125	44	24	2.1	1.16	
SBU Athletic Events	256	107	113	40	48	2.1	1.30	
Athletic Fields/Playgrounds	193	102	162	65	45	2.4	1.28	
Bonogany Festival	213	88	130	67	82	2.5	1.44	
River Trail	155	82	200	74	65	2.7	1.30	



3.1 What are the most important development issues facing the Village over the next 10 years?

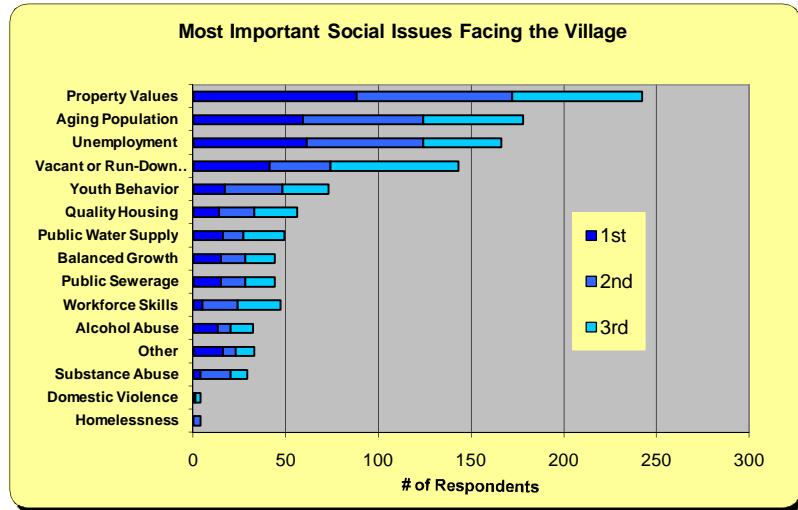
(Mark one score for each)

	(Mark one score for each)					Avg.	S.D.
	Not Important	Somewhat	Very Important				
	1	2	3	4	5		
Low income housing	161	108	139	53	68	2.5	1.35
Appearance of SBU campus	104	66	145	96	114	3.1	1.40
Bike/Pedestrian Trails	69	79	170	105	104	3.2	1.28
Parks & rec programs	50	79	188	111	94	3.2	1.19
Public Sewerage	71	45	181	90	124	3.3	2.63
Family programs	46	73	190	116	98	3.3	1.18
Appearance of Exit 24	76	63	125	97	167	3.4	1.41
Senior Citizen Programs	42	69	195	117	119	3.4	1.18
Public Water Supply	68	47	150	100	147	3.4	1.34
Senior Citizen Housing	42	76	164	112	143	3.4	1.24
Alt. Energy Development	80	55	124	93	183	3.5	1.43
Main Street Improvements	38	54	172	127	132	3.5	1.18
Zoning	42	49	161	100	149	3.5	1.24
Balanced growth	35	32	154	119	173	3.7	1.19
Streets and sidewalks	18	43	134	176	167	3.8	1.07
Commercial developmen	28	29	106	135	241	4.0	1.15
Retaining existing businesses	8	9	47	88	393	4.6	0.83
Other	1	0	1	2	33	4.8	0.75



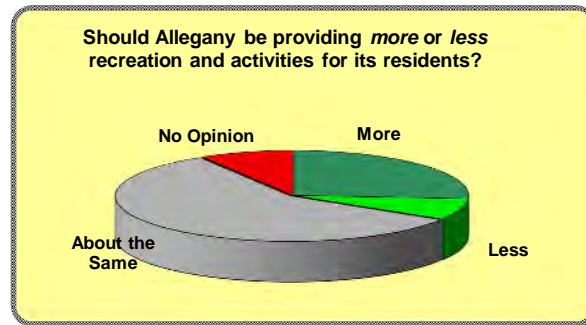
3.2 What do you think will be the *three most important social issues* facing the Village in the future?

	1st	2nd	3rd
Homelessness	0	4	0
Domestic Violence	0	1	3
Substance Abuse	4	16	9
Other	16	7	10
Alcohol Abuse	13	7	12
Workforce Skills	5	19	23
Public Sewerage	15	13	16
Balanced Growth	15	13	16
Public Water Supply	16	11	22
Quality Housing	14	19	23
Youth Behavior	17	31	25
Vacant or Run-Down Bldgs	41	33	69
Unemployment	61	63	42
Aging Population	59	65	54
Property Values	88	84	70



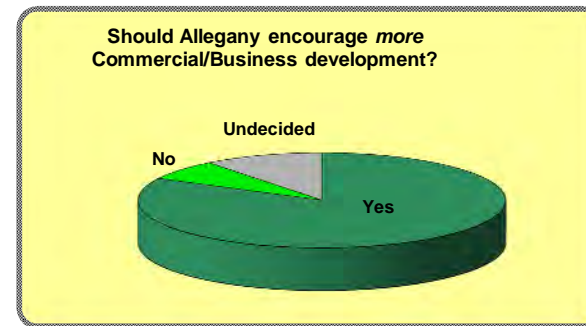
3.3 Should Allegany be providing *more* or *less* recreation and activities for its residents?

151	44	332	50
More	Less	About the Same	No Opinion
26%	8%	58%	9%



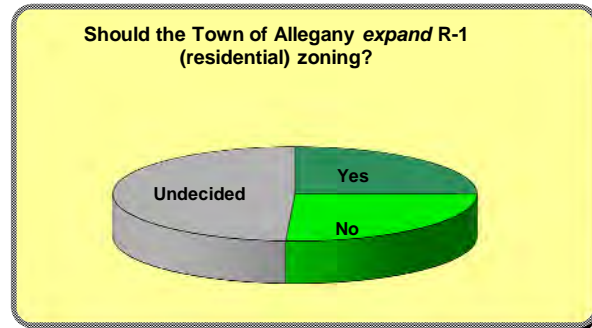
3.4 Should Allegany encourage *more* Commercial/Business development?

478	40	61
Yes	No	Undecided
83%	7%	11%



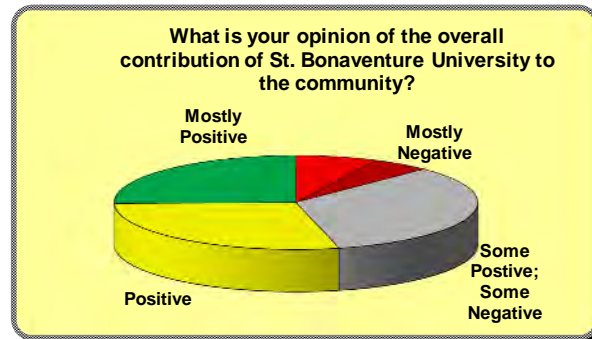
3.5 Should the Town of Allegany *expand* R-1 (residential) zoning?

139	144	274
Yes	No	Undecided
25%	26%	49%



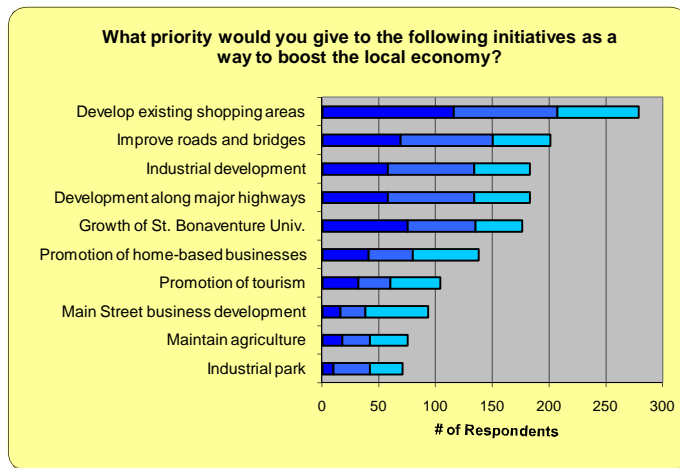
3.6 What is your opinion of the overall contribution of St. Bonaventure University to the community?

42	30	195	164	147
Mostly Negative		Some Positive; Some Negative		Mostly Positive
7%	5%	34%	28%	25%



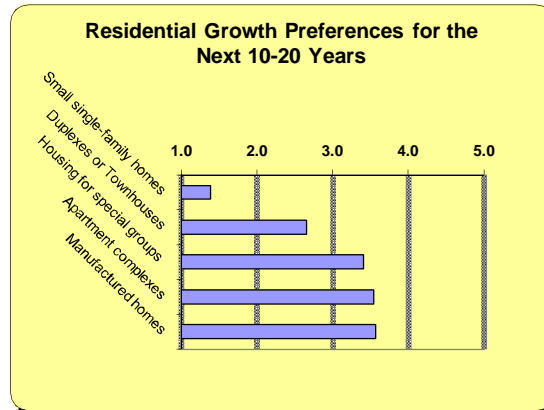
3.7 What priority would you give to the following initiatives as a way to boost the local economy?

	1st	2nd	3rd
Industrial park	10	32	29
Maintain agriculture	18	24	33
Main Street business development	16	22	55
Promotion of tourism	32	28	44
Promotion of home-based businesses	41	39	58
Growth of St. Bonaventure Univ.	75	60	41
Development along major highways	58	76	49
Industrial development	58	76	49
Improve roads and bridges	69	81	51
Develop existing shopping areas	116	91	72



3.8 Assuming there will be continued residential growth over the next 10-20 years, what type of housing would you prefer to see?
 (Please rank your choices by using #1 as the most desirable through #6 as the least desirable.)

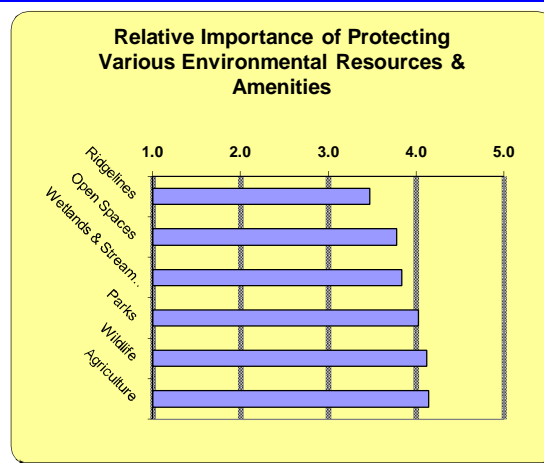
	1	2	3	4	5	Avg.	S.D.
Small single-family homes	399	53	28	20	7	1.4	0.87
Duplexes or Townhouses	39	196	115	59	33	2.7	1.07
Housing for special groups	59	67	91	75	144	3.4	1.42
Apartment complexes	27	46	116	113	114	3.5	1.20
Manufactured homes	14	86	89	96	127	3.6	1.22



3.9 In your view, how important is it to protect or enhance:

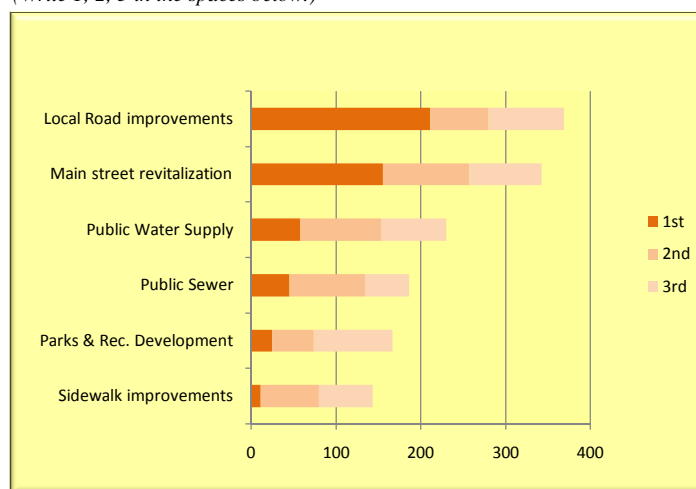
(Mark one score for each)

	1	2	3	4	5	Avg.
Ridgelines	60	54	148	89	191	3.5
Open Spaces	34	33	160	122	205	3.8
Wetlands & Stream Corridors	42	38	134	117	228	3.8
Parks	15	31	125	137	246	4.0
Wildlife	14	32	108	145	260	4.1
Agriculture	12	20	111	148	264	4.1



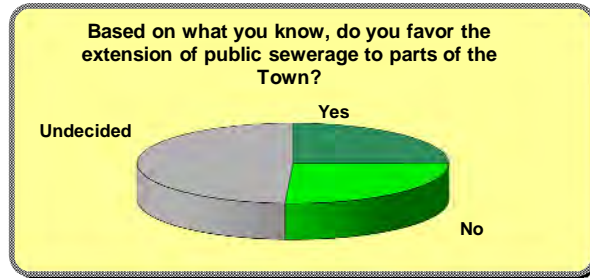
3.10 There are always limited funds to spend on public improvements. Grants for specific projects may be available, but are always highly competitive. In light of these realities, please rank the three most important types of infrastructure development that you believe are needed in Allegany. (Write 1, 2, 3 in the spaces below.)

	1st	2nd	3rd
Sidewalk improvements	11	69	63
Parks & Rec. Development	25	49	93
Public Sewer	45	89	52
Public Water Supply	58	95	77
Main street revitalization	155	102	85
Local Road improvements	211	69	89



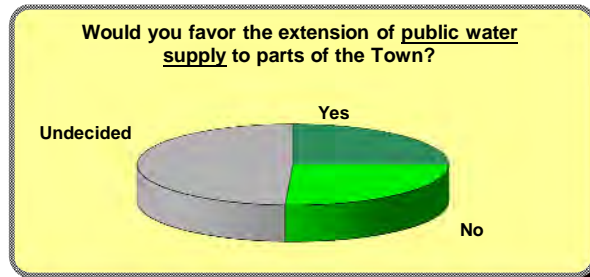
3.11 Based on what you know, do you favor the extension of public sewerage to parts of the Town?

203	162	203
Yes	No	Undecided
36%	29%	36%



3.13 Would you favor the extension of public water supply to parts of the Town?

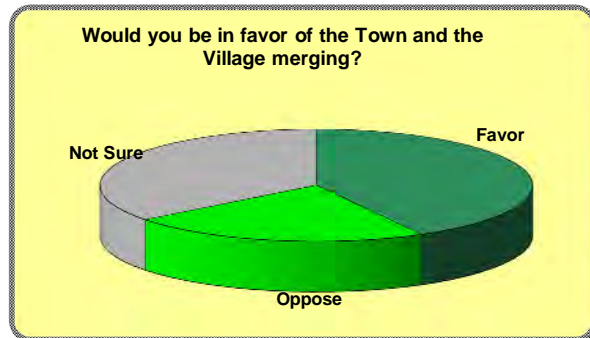
197	159	208
Yes	No	Undecided
35%	28%	37%



IV IN CLOSING...

4.1 Would you be in favor of the Town and the Village merging?

242	130	205
Favor	Oppose	Not Sure
42%	23%	36%



APPENDIX C

Tabulations and Charts by Subarea

Allegany Community Survey

COMMUNITY NEEDS -- COMMUNITY VISION

Summary of Survey Outcomes: VILLAGE RESPONDENTS

Surveys Tabulated: **178**

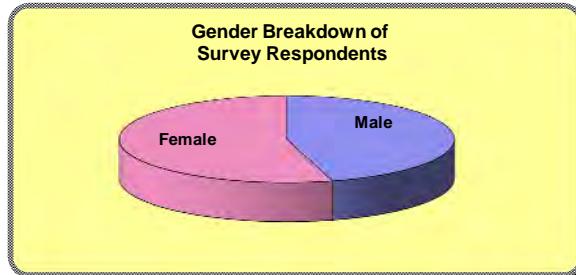
Percent of Town-wide Total Responses: **29.9%**

I. FIRST, PLEASE TELL US A LITTLE ABOUT YOURSELF.

1.1 What is your gender? **78** Male **93** Female

Male Survey Respondents: 46%
 Female Survey Respondents: 54%

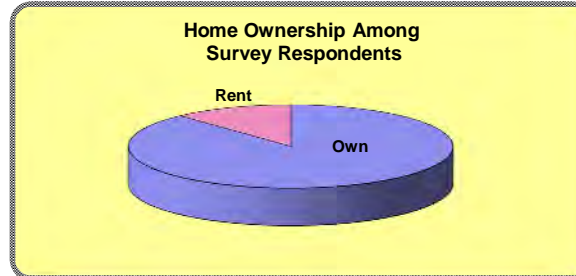
No Response to Q. 1.1: 7
 As a % of All Surveys Rec'd: 4%



1.3 Do you own your home, or do you rent? **155** Own **21** Rent

Homeowners: 88%
 Renters: 12%

No Response to Q. 1.3: 1
 As a % of All Surveys Rec'd: 1%

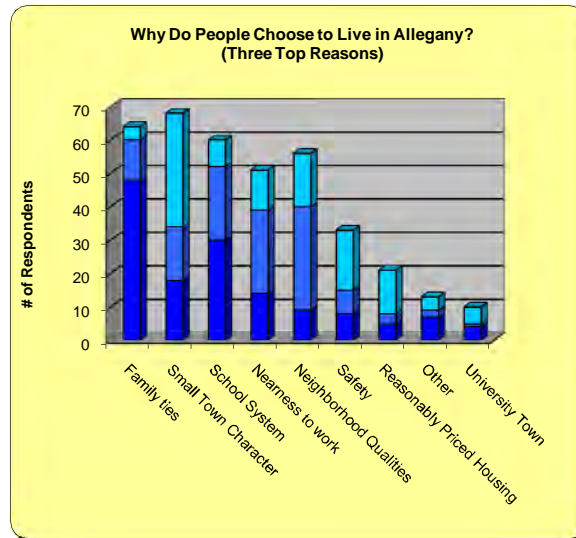


1.9 Why did you choose to live in Allegany? Please rank the TOP THREE reasons.

	1st	2nd	3rd	
48	12	4	Family ties	
18	16	34	Small Town Character	
30	22	8	School System	
14	25	12	Nearness to work	
9	31	16	Neighborhood Qualities	
8	7	18	Safety	
5	3	13	Reasonably Priced Housing	
7	2	4	Other <i>See Narrative Responses</i>	
4	1	5	University Town	

35 **59** **64** No Response to Q. 1.9
20% As a % of All Surveys Received

Most Important Reason: ■
 Second Most Important Reason: ■
 Third Most Important Reason: ■

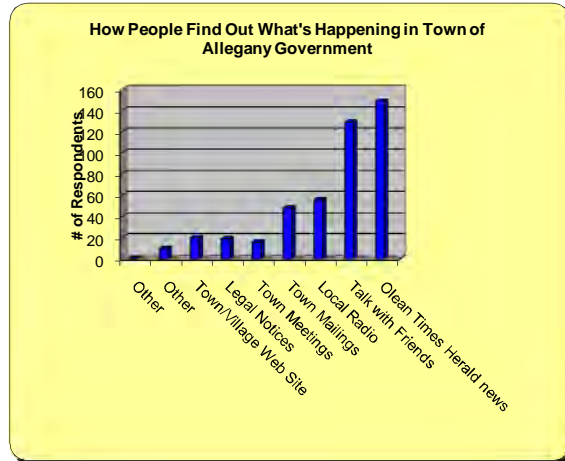


1.10 By what means do you find out what is happening in Town of Allegany government?

#	%	
0	0%	Other See Narrative Responses
10	2%	Other See Narrative Responses
20	4%	Town/Village Web Site
19	4%	Legal Notices
16	4%	Town Meetings
48	11%	Town Mailings
56	13%	Local Radio
129	29%	Talk with Friends
149	33%	Olean Times Herald news

% of Respondents Who Responded to this Q : 99%

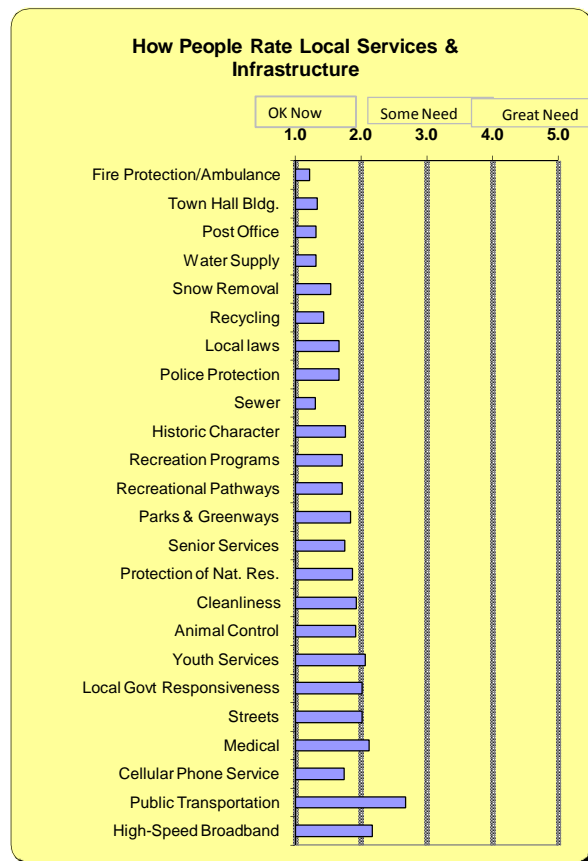
No Response to Q. 1.7 : 1
As a % of All Surveys Rec'd : 1%



II. ALLEGANY TODAY: YOUR IMPRESSIONS: YOUR ACTIVITY PATTERNS

2.2 Please rate each of the following about Allegany: Is each one "OK now," or is there some need, or great need, for improvement?

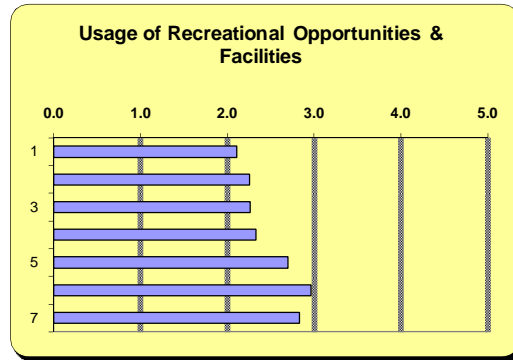
	OK Now		Some Need		Great Need		Avg.	S.D.
	1	2	3	4	5			
Fire Protection/Ambulance	152	12	4	2	3	1.2	0.71	
Town Hall Bldg.	139	15	10	2	4	1.3	0.84	
Post Office	155	5	4	5	7	1.3	1.29	
Water Supply	146	10	11	1	5	1.3	0.85	
Snow Removal	126	21	16	6	6	1.5	1.03	
Recycling	135	10	13	4	6	1.4	0.99	
Local laws	101	25	23	5	5	1.7	1.04	
Police Protection	114	24	23	3	9	1.7	1.11	
Sewer	144	9	10	1	5	1.3	0.85	
Historic Character	100	18	28	8	6	1.8	1.14	
Recreation Programs	98	31	20	8	5	1.7	1.06	
Recreational Pathways	100	21	25	3	8	1.7	1.12	
Parks & Greenways	90	26	32	7	6	1.8	1.12	
Senior Services	98	22	25	5	8	1.8	1.14	
Protection of Nat. Res.	85	23	25	7	9	1.9	1.21	
Cleanliness	86	30	39	8	6	1.9	1.12	
Animal Control	97	19	21	9	15	1.9	1.34	
Youth Services	78	19	31	13	10	2.1	1.29	
Local Govt Responsiveness	80	31	28	9	12	2.0	1.26	
Streets	76	33	40	9	7	2.0	1.14	
Medical	73	18	33	8	14	2.1	1.34	
Cellular Phone Service	100	19	23	5	9	1.7	1.17	
Public Transportation	52	15	43	16	27	2.7	1.48	
High-Speed Broadband	81	12	26	6	23	2.2	1.51	



2.4 How often do you visit and/or use the following:

(Mark one score for each)

	(Mark one score for each)					Avg.	S.D.
	Never	Sometimes			Frequently		
	1	2	3	4	5		
Golf Courses	92	24	24	15	19	2.1	1.41
Allegany Public Library	68	38	37	15	15	2.3	1.30
SBU Cultural Events	65	38	42	18	11	2.3	1.24
SBU Athletic Events	68	35	35	17	19	2.3	1.37
Athletic Fields/Playgrounds	44	29	56	25	20	2.7	1.30
Bonogany Festival	45	21	43	29	38	3.0	1.48
River Trail	36	24	71	22	22	2.8	1.25

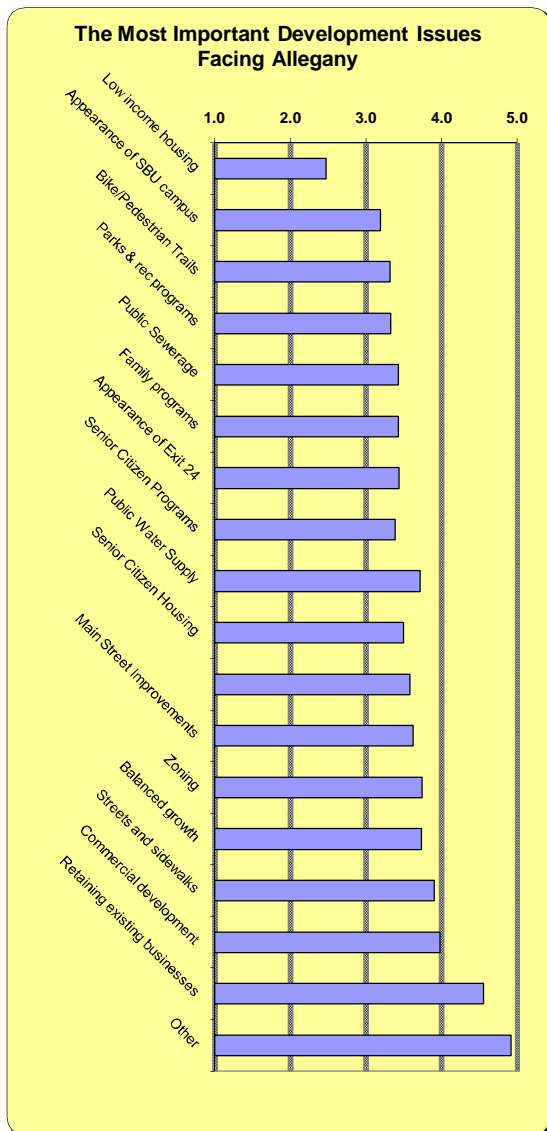


III. ALLEGANY TOMORROW: YOUR VISION

3.1 What are the most important development issues facing the Village over the next 10 years?

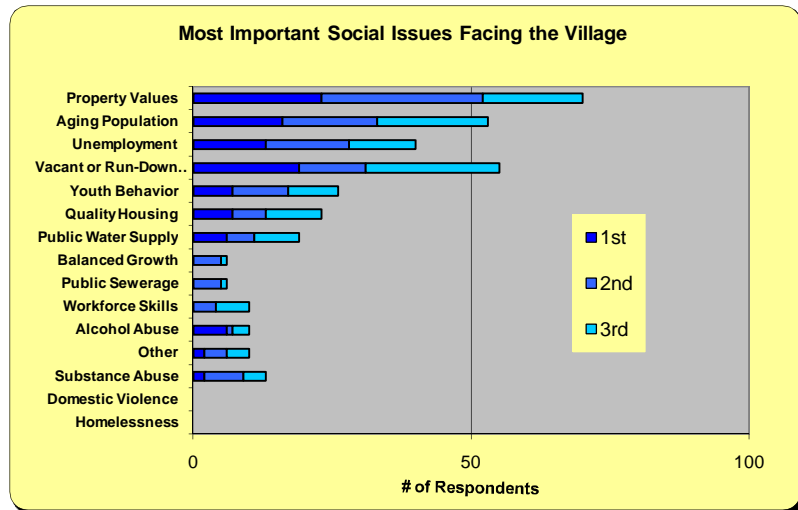
(Mark one score for each)

	(Mark one score for each)					Avg.	S.D.
	Not Important	Somewhat			Very Important		
	1	2	3	4	5		
Low income housing	56	31	38	17	20	2.5	1.38
Appearance of SBU campus	28	24	40	34	39	3.2	1.40
Bike/Pedestrian Trails	16	22	56	34	36	3.3	1.23
Parks & rec programs	14	24	61	26	40	3.3	1.23
Public Sewerage	16	11	65	30	42	3.4	1.22
Family programs	14	16	62	35	40	3.4	1.19
Appearance of Exit 24	21	26	36	21	59	3.4	1.44
Senior Citizen Programs	14	18	64	34	39	3.4	1.19
Public Water Supply	12	9	48	38	56	3.7	1.20
Senior Citizen Housing	13	26	46	32	52	3.5	1.28
Alternative Energy Development	19	18	37	32	60	3.6	1.37
Main Street Improvements	12	14	48	36	51	3.6	1.22
Zoning	7	16	50	25	62	3.7	1.20
Balanced growth	11	9	48	37	56	3.7	1.19
Streets and sidewalks	6	11	38	52	61	3.9	1.08
Commercial development	8	8	35	45	71	4.0	1.12
Retaining existing businesses	5	1	13	26	124	4.6	0.89
Other	0	0	0	1	11	4.9	0.29



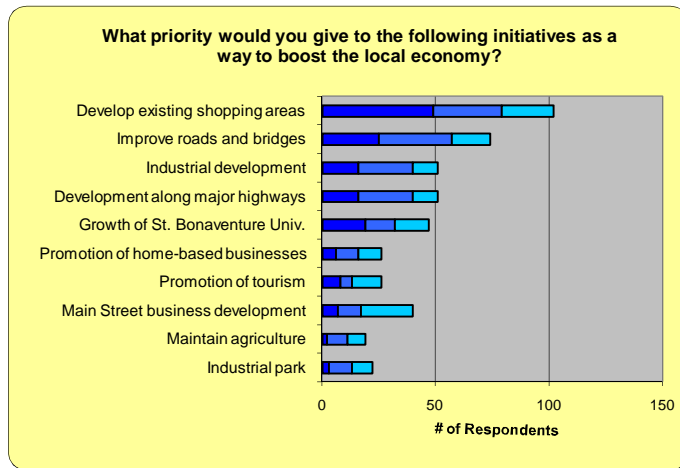
3.2 What do you think will be the three most important social issues facing the Village in the future?

	1st	2nd	3rd
Homelessness	0	0	0
Domestic Violence	0	0	0
Substance Abuse	2	7	4
Other	2	4	4
Alcohol Abuse	6	1	3
Workforce Skills	0	4	6
Public Sewerage	0	5	1
Balanced Growth	0	5	1
Public Water Supply	6	5	8
Quality Housing	7	6	10
Youth Behavior	7	10	9
Vacant or Run-Down Bldgs	19	12	24
Unemployment	13	15	12
Aging Population	16	17	20
Property Values	23	29	18



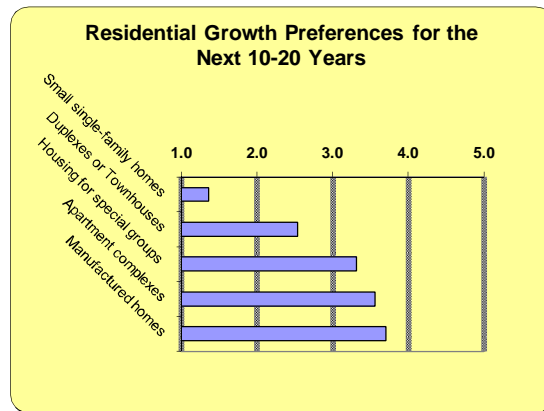
3.7 What priority would you give to the following initiatives as a way to boost the local economy?

	1st	2nd	3rd
Industrial park	3	10	9
Maintain agriculture	2	9	8
Main Street business development	7	10	23
Promotion of tourism	8	5	13
Promotion of home-based businesses	6	10	10
Growth of St. Bonaventure Univ.	19	13	15
Development along major highways	16	24	11
Industrial development	16	24	11
Improve roads and bridges	25	32	17
Develop existing shopping areas	49	30	23



3.8 Assuming there will be continued residential growth over the next 10-20 years, what type of housing would you prefer to see? (Please rank your choices by using #1 as the most desirable through #6 as the least desirable.)

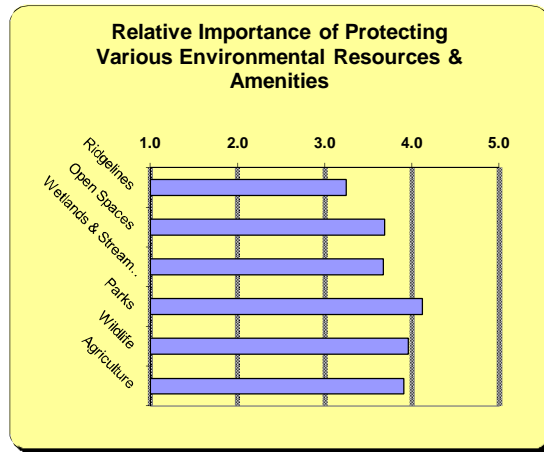
	1	2	3	4	5	Avg.	S.D.
Small single-family homes	116	18	6	8	0	1.4	0.80
Duplexes or Townhouses	12	58	40	13	5	2.5	0.94
Housing for special groups	14	22	39	12	39	3.3	1.37
Apartment complexes	14	10	23	39	33	3.6	1.30
Manufactured homes	2	22	21	30	38	3.7	1.18



3.9 In your view, how important is it to protect or enhance:

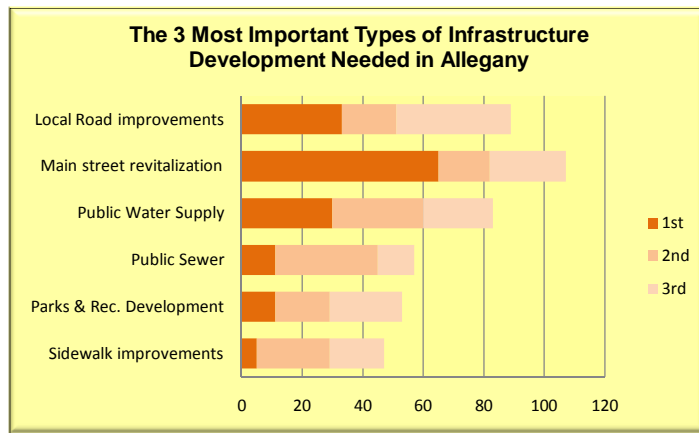
(Mark one score for each)

	1	2	3	4	5	Avg.
Ridgelines	23	21	49	27	45	3.2
Open Spaces	13	8	54	36	57	3.7
Wetlands & Stream Corridors	16	11	46	34	61	3.7
Parks	5	5	36	46	77	4.1
Wildlife	7	11	40	39	72	4.0
Agriculture	5	10	36	51	64	3.9



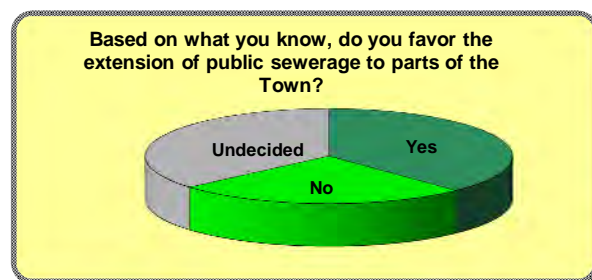
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	1st	2nd	3rd
Sidewalk improvements	5	24	18
Parks & Rec. Development	11	18	24
Public Sewer	11	34	12
Public Water Supply	30	30	23
Main street revitalization	65	17	25
Local Road improvements	33	18	38



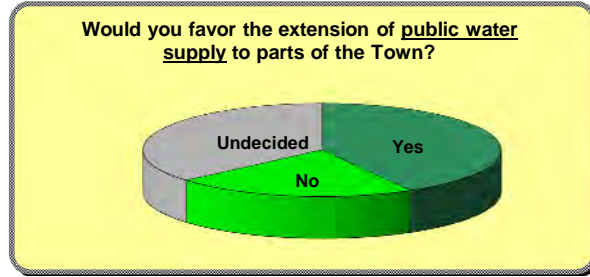
3.11 Based on what you know, do you favor the extension of public sewerage to parts of the Town?

25	17	24
Yes	No	Undecided
38%	26%	36%



3.13 Would you favor the extension of public water supply to parts of the Town?

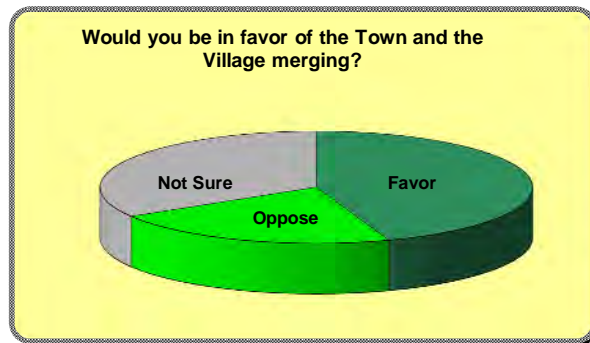
23	12	20
Yes	No	Undecided
42%	22%	36%



IV IN CLOSING...

4.1 Would you be in favor of the Town and the Village merging?

78	38	59
Favor	Oppose	Not Sure
45%	22%	34%



**** End of Survey ****

Allegany Community Survey

COMMUNITY NEEDS -- COMMUNITY VISION

Summary of Survey Outcomes: EAST OF THE VILLAGE

Surveys Tabulated: **31**

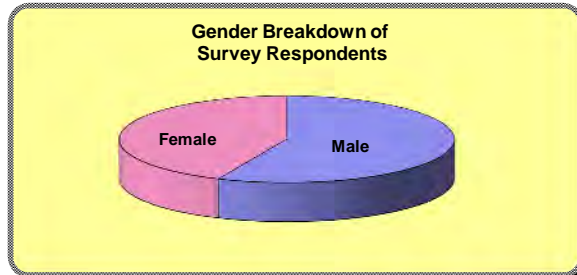
Percent of Town-wide Total Responses: **5.2%**

I. FIRST, PLEASE TELL US A LITTLE ABOUT YOURSELF.

1.1 What is your gender? **17** Male **13** Female

Male Survey Respondents: 57%
 Female Survey Respondents: 43%

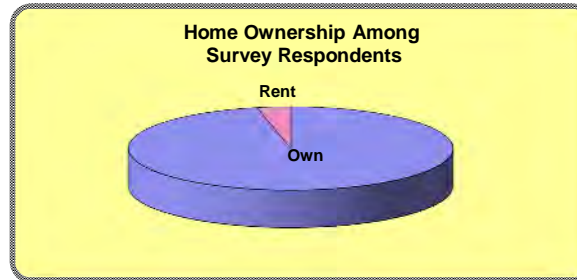
No Response to Q. 1.1: 1
 As a % of All Surveys Rec'd: 3%



1.3 Do you own your home, or do you rent? **29** Own **1** Rent

Homeowners: 97%
 Renters: 3%

No Response to Q. 1.3: 0
 As a % of All Surveys Rec'd: 0%

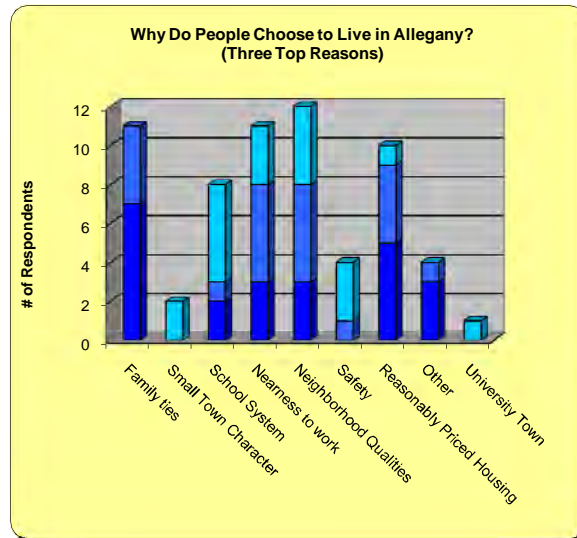


1.9 Why did you choose to live in Allegany? Please rank the TOP THREE reasons.

1st	2nd	3rd	Reason
7	4	0	Family ties
0	0	2	Small Town Character
2	1	5	School System
3	5	3	Nearness to work
3	5	4	Neighborhood Qualities
0	1	3	Safety
5	4	1	Reasonably Priced Housing
3	1	0	Other <i>See Narrative Responses</i>
0	0	1	University Town

8 **10** **12** No Response to Q. 1.9
26% As a % of All Surveys Received

Most Important Reason: ■
 Second Most Important Reason: ■
 Third Most Important Reason: ■

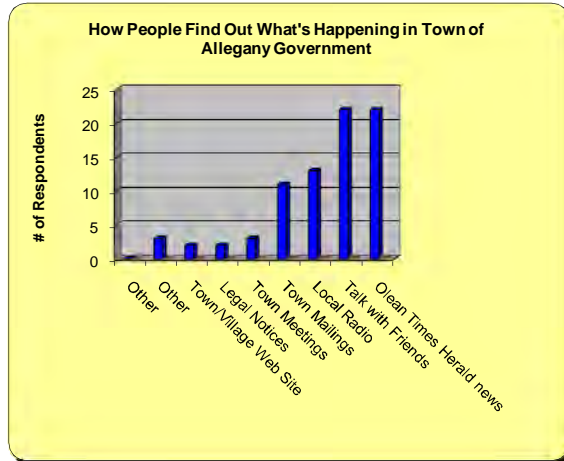


1.10 By what means do you find out what is happening in Town of Allegany government?

#	%	
0	0%	Other <i>See Narrative Responses</i>
3	4%	Other <i>See Narrative Responses</i>
2	3%	Town/Village Web Site
2	3%	Legal Notices
3	4%	Town Meetings
11	14%	Town Mailings
13	17%	Local Radio
22	28%	Talk with Friends
22	28%	Olean Times Herald news

% of Respondents Who Responded to this Q : 97%

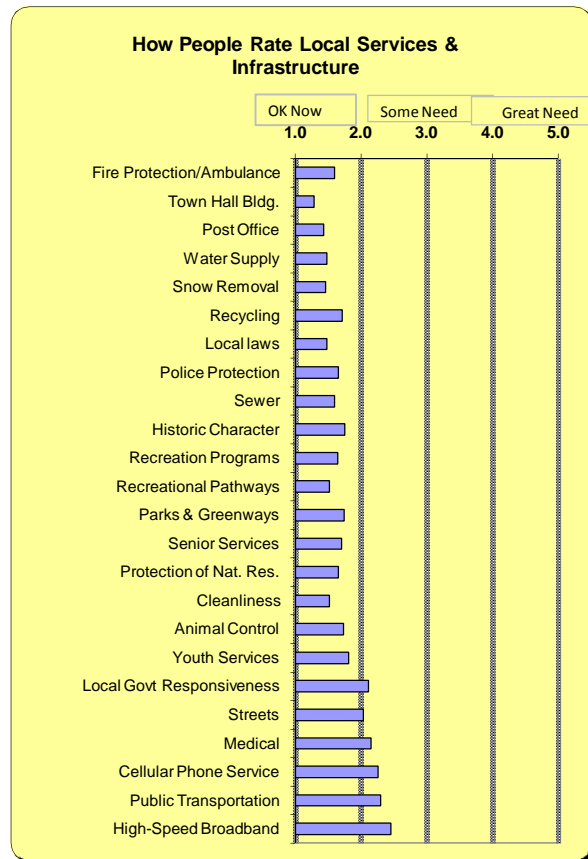
No Response to Q. 1.7 : 1
As a % of All Surveys Rec'd : 3%



II. ALLEGANY TODAY: YOUR IMPRESSIONS: YOUR ACTIVITY PATTERNS

2.2 Please rate each of the following about Allegany: Is each one "OK now," or is there some need, or great need, for improvement?

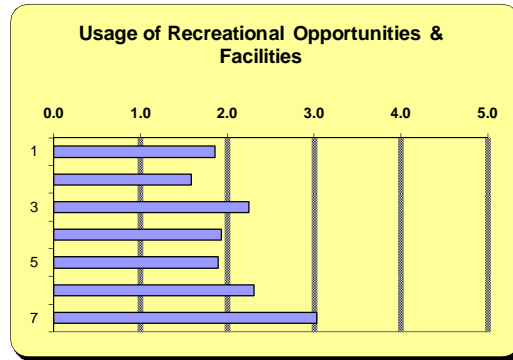
	OK Now		Some Need		Great Need		Avg.	S.D.
	1	2	3	4	5			
Fire Protection/Ambulance	21	3	3	3	0	1.6	1.04	
Town Hall Bldg.	22	4	2	0	0	1.3	0.60	
Post Office	22	2	2	2	0	1.4	1.23	
Water Supply	22	0	3	1	1	1.5	1.09	
Snow Removal	23	1	1	2	1	1.5	1.10	
Recycling	18	2	6	2	0	1.7	1.05	
Local laws	19	3	1	1	1	1.5	1.05	
Police Protection	20	3	3	2	1	1.7	1.14	
Sewer	19	2	1	1	2	1.6	1.26	
Historic Character	17	5	4	0	2	1.8	1.17	
Recreation Programs	18	4	4	2	0	1.6	0.99	
Recreational Pathways	19	5	1	1	1	1.5	1.01	
Parks & Greenways	17	3	4	3	0	1.7	1.10	
Senior Services	18	3	3	2	1	1.7	1.17	
Protection of Nat. Res.	17	4	3	1	1	1.7	1.09	
Cleanliness	18	4	5	0	0	1.5	0.80	
Animal Control	15	6	3	1	1	1.7	1.08	
Youth Services	17	1	5	2	1	1.8	1.23	
Local Govt Responsiveness	10	8	5	1	2	2.1	1.21	
Streets	16	4	3	4	2	2.0	1.38	
Medical	10	4	12	1	0	2.1	0.99	
Cellular Phone Service	13	3	5	3	3	2.3	1.46	
Public Transportation	13	4	4	1	5	2.3	1.56	
High-Speed Broadband	11	2	5	1	5	2.5	1.61	



2.4 How often do you visit and/or use the following:

(Mark one score for each)

	Never	Sometimes			Frequently		
	1	2	3	4	5	Avg.	S.D.
Golf Courses	18	3	3	4	1	1.9	1.27
Allegany Public Library	19	5	3	2	0	1.6	0.95
SBU Cultural Events	10	8	4	5	1	2.3	1.24
SBU Athletic Events	14	7	6	0	2	1.9	1.16
Athletic Fields/Playgrounds	13	8	6	2	0	1.9	0.98
Bonogany Festival	14	3	4	5	3	2.3	1.49
River Trail	7	3	9	4	7	3.0	1.47

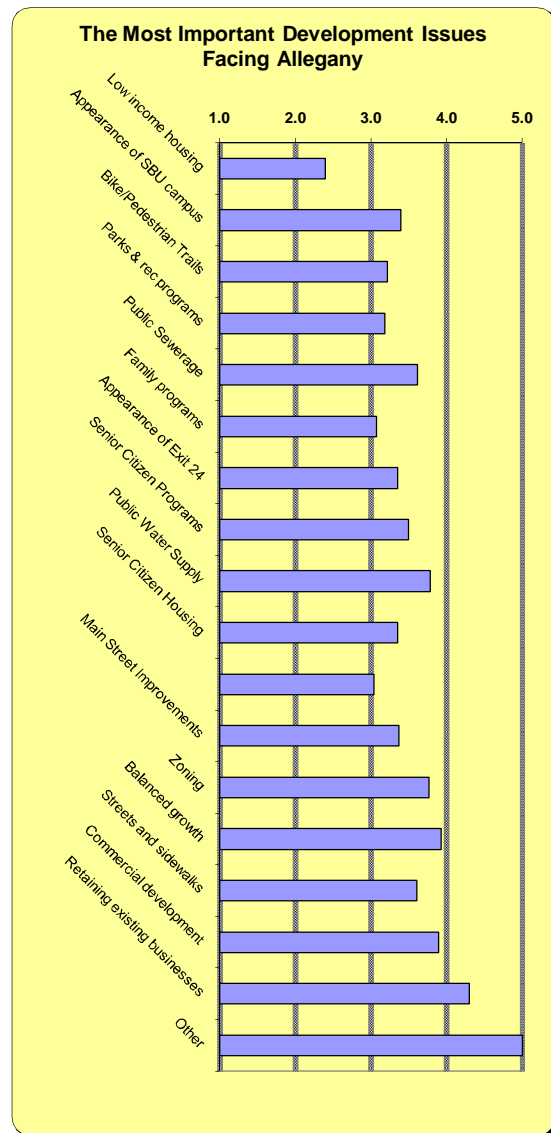


III. ALLEGANY TOMORROW: YOUR VISION

3.1 What are the most important development issues facing the Village over the next 10 years?

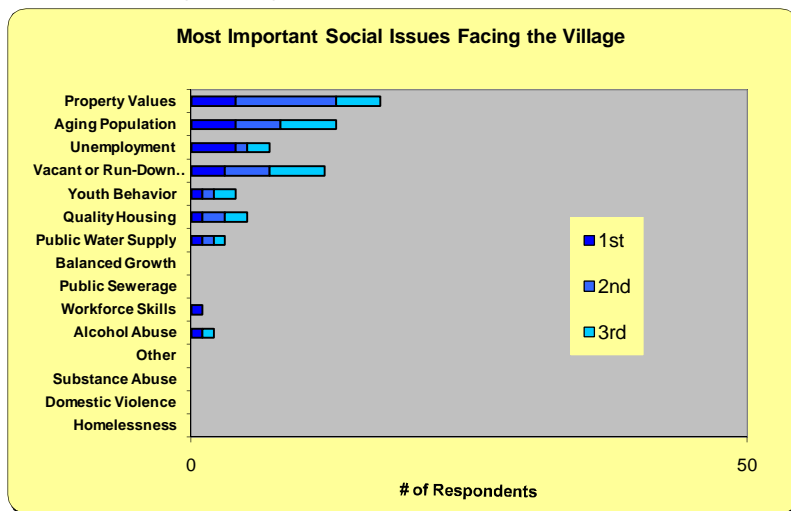
(Mark one score for each)

	Not Important	Somewhat			Very Important		
	1	2	3	4	5	Avg.	S.D.
Low income housing	8	8	6	5	1	2.4	1.20
Appearance of SBU campus	4	5	5	4	10	3.4	1.50
Bike/Pedestrian Trails	1	6	10	8	3	3.2	1.03
Parks & rec programs	1	6	9	9	2	3.2	1.00
Public Sewerage	0	5	7	7	7	3.6	1.10
Family programs	2	7	8	5	4	3.1	1.20
Appearance of Exit 24	3	3	8	9	5	3.4	1.22
Senior Citizen Programs	2	4	8	6	8	3.5	1.26
Public Water Supply	0	6	4	8	10	3.8	1.17
Senior Citizen Housing	4	3	7	7	7	3.4	1.37
Alternative Energy Development	5	4	9	5	5	3.0	1.35
Main Street Improvements	2	2	11	8	4	3.4	1.08
Zoning	1	2	7	8	8	3.8	1.11
Balanced growth	2	0	9	3	13	3.9	1.24
Streets and sidewalks	3	2	6	9	8	3.6	1.29
Commercial development	4	1	2	8	13	3.9	1.42
Retaining existing businesses	0	1	6	4	16	4.3	0.95
Other	0	0	0	0	2	5.0	0.00



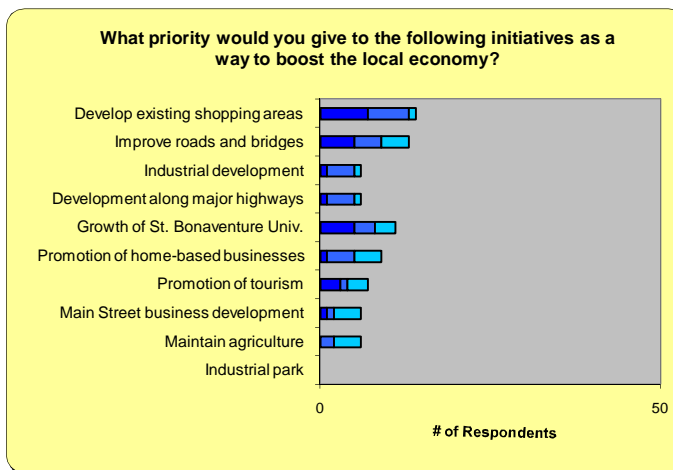
3.2 What do you think will be the three most important social issues facing the Village in the future?

	1st	2nd	3rd
Homelessness	0	0	0
Domestic Violence	0	0	0
Substance Abuse	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0
Alcohol Abuse	1	0	1
Workforce Skills	1	0	0
Public Sewerage	0	0	0
Balanced Growth	0	0	0
Public Water Supply	1	1	1
Quality Housing	1	2	2
Youth Behavior	1	1	2
Vacant or Run-Down Bldgs	3	4	5
Unemployment	4	1	2
Aging Population	4	4	5
Property Values	4	9	4



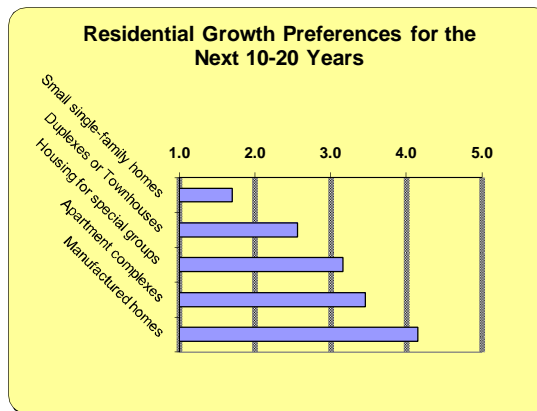
3.7 What priority would you give to the following initiatives as a way to boost the local economy?

	1st	2nd	3rd
Industrial park	0	0	0
Maintain agriculture	0	2	4
Main Street business development	1	1	4
Promotion of tourism	3	1	3
Promotion of home-based businesses	1	4	4
Growth of St. Bonaventure Univ.	5	3	3
Development along major highways	1	4	1
Industrial development	1	4	1
Improve roads and bridges	5	4	4
Develop existing shopping areas	7	6	1



3.8 Assuming there will be continued residential growth over the next 10-20 years, what type of housing would you prefer to see? (Please rank your choices by using #1 as the most desirable through #6 as the least desirable.)

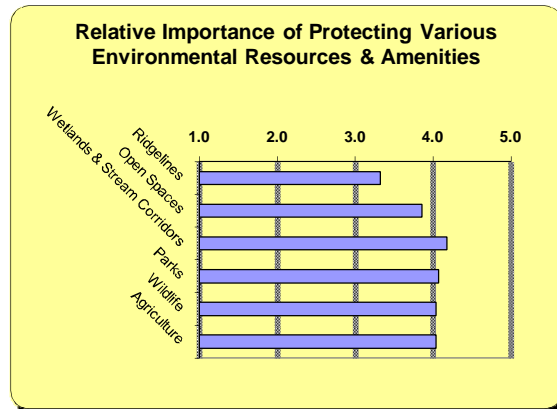
	1	2	3	4	5	Avg.	S.D.
Small single-family homes	19	4	0	1	3	1.7	1.35
Duplexes or Townhouses	3	9	7	3	1	2.6	1.04
Housing for special groups	4	5	5	3	7	3.2	1.49
Apartment complexes	2	3	5	10	4	3.5	1.18
Manufactured homes	0	2	5	0	12	4.2	1.17



3.9 In your view, how important is it to protect or enhance:

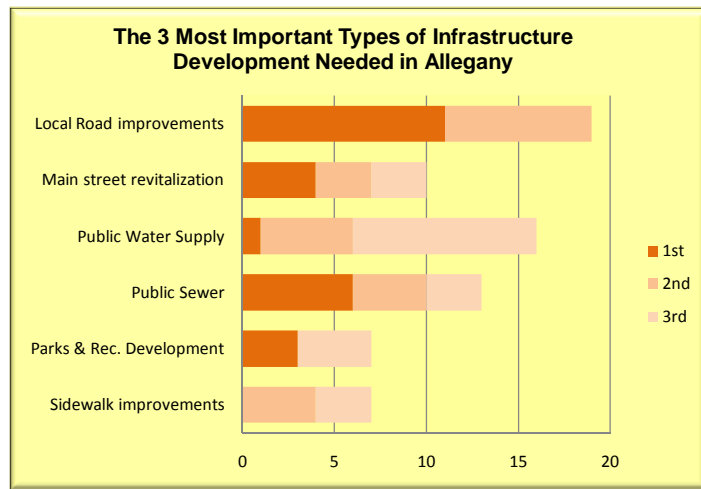
(Mark one score for each)

	Not Important		Somewhat		Very Important		Avg.
	1	2	3	4	5		
Ridgelines	3	2	9	1	11	3.3	
Open Spaces	3	0	7	6	12	3.9	
Wetlands & Stream Corridors	0	1	3	9	14	4.2	
Parks	1	2	5	6	14	4.1	
Wildlife	0	2	8	10	9	4.0	
Agriculture	0	1	8	8	11	4.0	



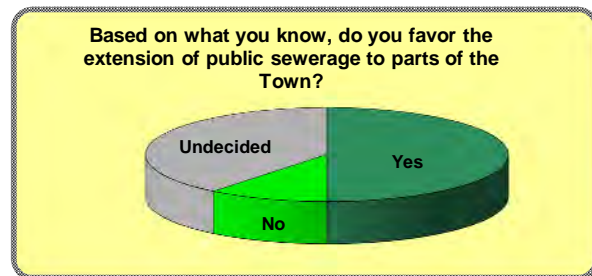
3.10 There are always limited funds to spend on public improvements. Grants for specific projects may be available, but are always highly competitive. In light of these realities, please rank the three most important types of infrastructure development that you believe are needed in Allegany. (Write 1, 2, 3 in the spaces below.)

	1st	2nd	3rd
Sidewalk improvements	0	4	3
Parks & Rec. Development	3	0	4
Public Sewer	6	4	3
Public Water Supply	1	5	10
Main street revitalization	4	3	3
Local Road improvements	11	8	0



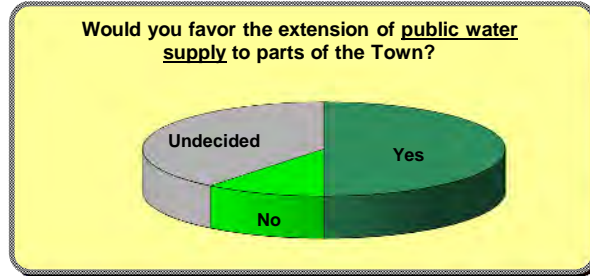
3.11 Based on what you know, do you favor the extension of public sewerage to parts of the Town?

14	3	11
Yes	No	Undecided
50%	11%	39%



3.13 Would you favor the extension of public water supply to parts of the Town?

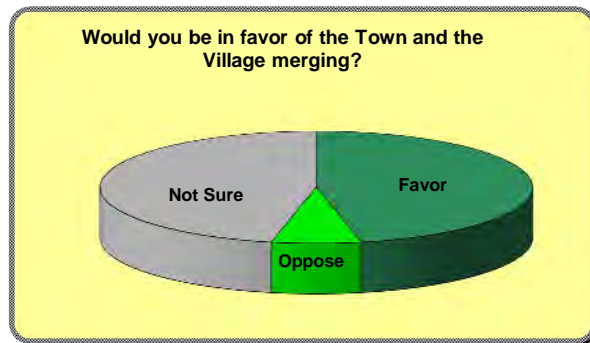
14	3	11
Yes	No	Undecided
50%	11%	39%



IV IN CLOSING...

4.1 Would you be in favor of the Town and the Village merging?

14	2	14
Favor	Oppose	Not Sure
47%	7%	47%



**** End of Survey ****

Allegany Community Survey

COMMUNITY NEEDS -- COMMUNITY VISION

Summary of Survey Outcomes: NORTH OF THE VILLAGE

Surveys Tabulated: **147**

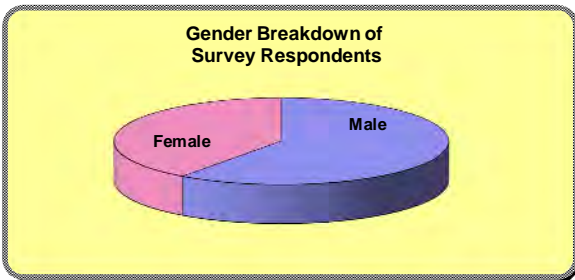
Percent of Town-wide Total Responses: **24.7%**

I. FIRST, PLEASE TELL US A LITTLE ABOUT YOURSELF.

1.1 What is your gender? **84** Male **56** Female

Male Survey Respondents: 60%
 Female Survey Respondents: 40%

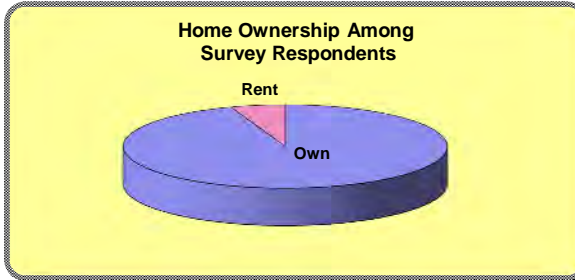
No Response to Q. 1.1: 7
 As a % of All Surveys Rec'd: 5%



1.3 Do you own your home, or do you rent? **139** Own **8** Rent

Homeowners: 95%
 Renters: 5%

No Response to Q. 1.3: 0
 As a % of All Surveys Rec'd: 0%

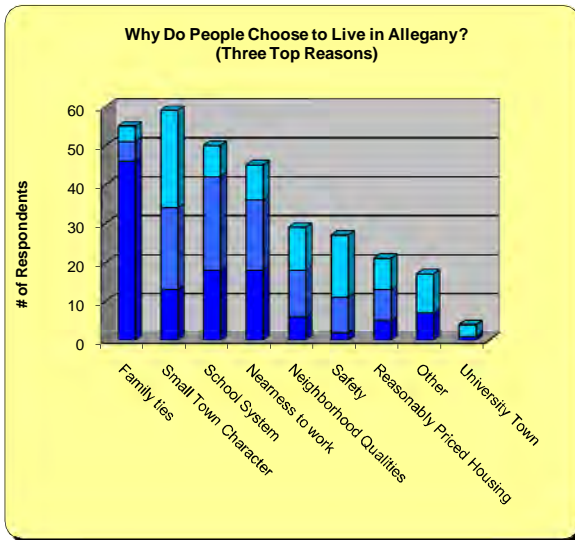


1.9 Why did you choose to live in Allegany? Please rank the TOP THREE reasons.

1st	2nd	3rd	
46	5	4	Family ties
13	21	25	Small Town Character
18	24	8	School System
18	18	9	Nearness to work
6	12	11	Neighborhood Qualities
2	9	16	Safety
5	8	8	Reasonably Priced Housing
7	0	10	Other <i>See Narrative Responses</i>
1	0	3	University Town

31	50	53	No Response to Q. 1.9
21%			As a % of All Surveys Received

Most Important Reason: ■
 Second Most Important Reason: ■
 Third Most Important Reason: ■



1.10 By what means do you find out what is happening in Town of Allegany government?

#	%	
0	0%	Other See Narrative Responses
10	3%	Other See Narrative Responses
13	4%	Town/Village Web Site
13	4%	Legal Notices
19	5%	Town Meetings
31	8%	Town Mailings
52	14%	Local Radio
107	29%	Talk with Friends
125	34%	Olean Times Herald news

% of Respondents Who Responded to this Q : 100%

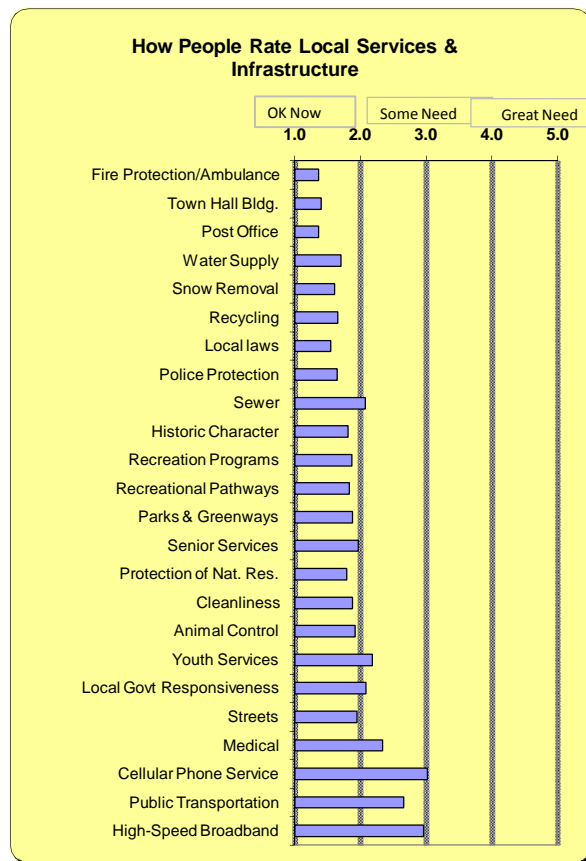
No Response to Q. 1.7 : 0
As a % of All Surveys Rec'd : 0%



II. ALLEGANY TODAY: YOUR IMPRESSIONS: YOUR ACTIVITY PATTERNS

2.2 Please rate each of the following about Allegany: Is each one "OK now," or is there some need, or great need, for improvement?

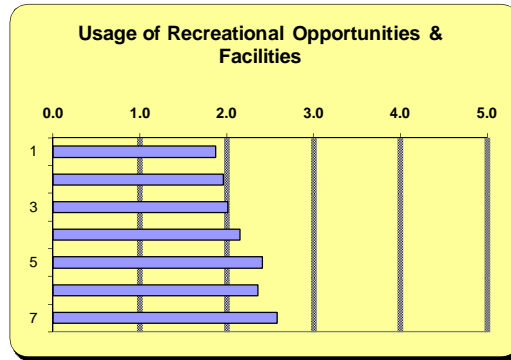
	OK Now		Some Need		Great Need		Avg.	S.D.
	1	2	3	4	5			
Fire Protection/Ambulance	117	10	7	1	6	1.4	0.94	
Town Hall Bldg.	104	13	10	4	2	1.4	0.87	
Post Office	119	5	5	4	6	1.4	1.27	
Water Supply	78	11	15	4	7	1.7	1.19	
Snow Removal	96	16	13	4	7	1.6	1.11	
Recycling	101	8	10	4	12	1.7	1.28	
Local laws	85	22	14	4	2	1.6	0.92	
Police Protection	94	14	17	4	7	1.6	1.13	
Sewer	65	10	15	8	14	2.1	1.46	
Historic Character	77	16	21	10	4	1.8	1.16	
Recreation Programs	77	18	18	6	10	1.9	1.27	
Recreational Pathways	70	24	18	8	5	1.8	1.14	
Parks & Greenways	72	18	21	6	8	1.9	1.23	
Senior Services	66	17	29	6	7	2.0	1.21	
Protection of Nat. Res.	74	19	18	6	6	1.8	1.16	
Cleanliness	74	21	26	4	8	1.9	1.19	
Animal Control	71	22	14	7	11	1.9	1.31	
Youth Services	52	17	35	4	10	2.2	1.27	
Local Govt Responsiveness	57	33	16	8	12	2.1	1.30	
Streets	69	19	26	9	6	1.9	1.20	
Medical	54	10	28	10	15	2.3	1.45	
Cellular Phone Service	46	4	21	17	41	3.0	1.70	
Public Transportation	45	11	31	11	24	2.7	1.53	
High-Speed Broadband	43	4	23	11	37	3.0	1.69	



2.4 How often do you visit and/or use the following:

(Mark one score for each)

	(Mark one score for each)					Avg.	S.D.
	Never	Sometimes			Frequently		
	1	2	3	4	5		
Golf Courses	84	21	21	9	9	1.9	1.24
Allegany Public Library	69	34	26	10	6	2.0	1.15
SBU Cultural Events	66	32	27	10	7	2.0	1.18
SBU Athletic Events	65	22	31	10	12	2.2	1.32
Athletic Fields/Playgrounds	50	23	42	15	12	2.4	1.29
Bonogany Festival	64	20	29	14	20	2.4	1.46
River Trail	40	24	48	20	12	2.6	1.26

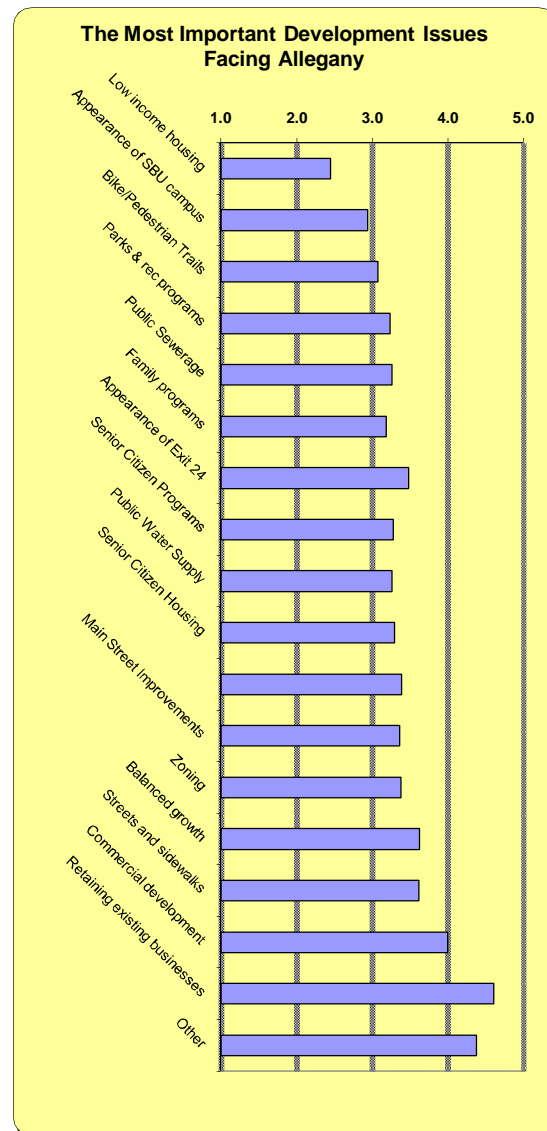


III. ALLEGANY TOMORROW: YOUR VISION

3.1 What are the most important development issues facing the Village over the next 10 years?

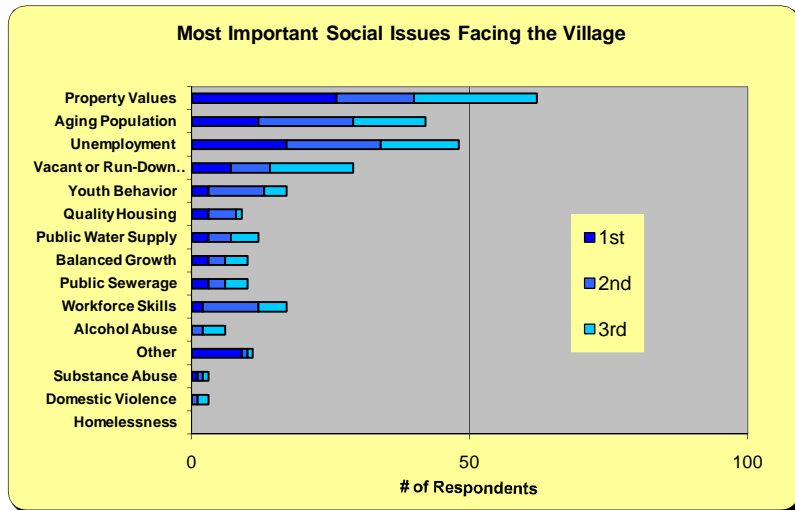
(Mark one score for each)

	(Mark one score for each)					Avg.	S.D.
	Not Important	Somewhat			Very Important		
	1	2	3	4	5		
Low income housing	42	33	33	11	16	2.5	1.33
Appearance of SBU campus	36	14	32	26	26	2.9	1.47
Bike/Pedestrian Trails	25	19	35	29	25	3.1	1.37
Parks & rec programs	14	19	42	38	20	3.2	1.19
Public Sewerage	22	12	42	18	36	3.3	1.40
Family programs	12	23	43	37	17	3.2	1.14
Appearance of Exit 24	21	17	22	25	49	3.5	1.48
Senior Citizen Programs	12	17	48	39	20	3.3	1.13
Public Water Supply	23	13	38	21	36	3.3	1.42
Senior Citizen Housing	14	18	44	31	27	3.3	1.23
Alternative Energy Development	19	14	38	24	40	3.4	1.38
Main Street Improvements	11	16	46	36	25	3.4	1.16
Zoning	14	12	39	33	27	3.4	1.24
Balanced growth	12	10	35	34	41	3.6	1.25
Streets and sidewalks	6	16	35	45	33	3.6	1.11
Commercial development	9	7	21	36	62	4.0	1.20
Retaining existing businesses	2	1	12	20	103	4.6	0.80
Other	1	0	0	1	6	4.4	1.41



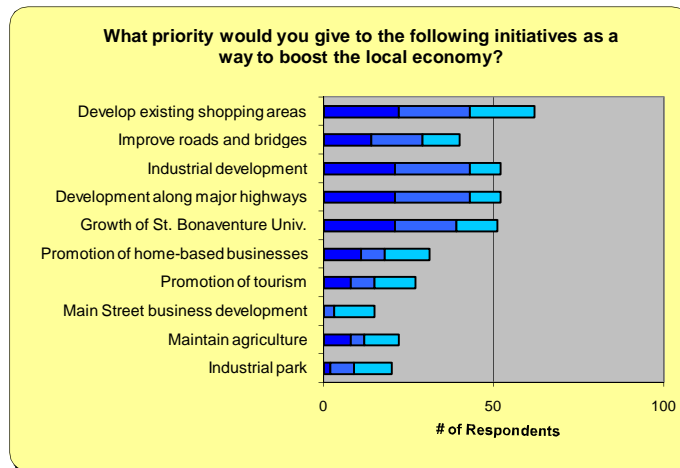
3.2 What do you think will be the three most important social issues facing the Village in the future?

	1st	2nd	3rd
Homelessness	0	0	0
Domestic Violence	0	1	2
Substance Abuse	1	1	1
Other	9	1	1
Alcohol Abuse	0	2	4
Workforce Skills	2	10	5
Public Sewerage	3	3	4
Balanced Growth	3	3	4
Public Water Supply	3	4	5
Quality Housing	3	5	1
Youth Behavior	3	10	4
Vacant or Run-Down Bldgs	7	7	15
Unemployment	17	17	14
Aging Population	12	17	13
Property Values	26	14	22



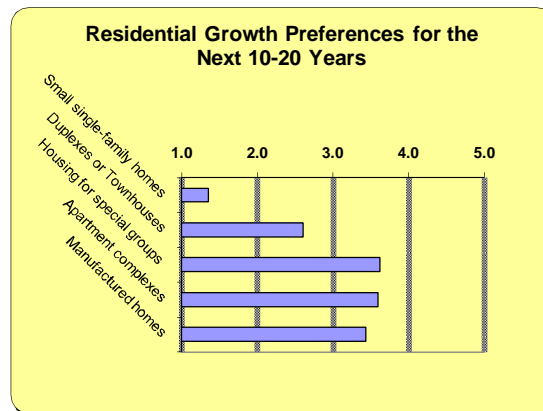
3.7 What priority would you give to the following initiatives as a way to boost the local economy?

	1st	2nd	3rd
Industrial park	2	7	11
Maintain agriculture	8	4	10
Main Street business development	0	3	12
Promotion of tourism	8	7	12
Promotion of home-based businesses	11	7	13
Growth of St. Bonaventure Univ.	21	18	12
Development along major highways	21	22	9
Industrial development	21	22	9
Improve roads and bridges	14	15	11
Develop existing shopping areas	22	21	19



3.8 Assuming there will be continued residential growth over the next 10-20 years, what type of housing would you prefer to see? (Please rank your choices by using #1 as the most desirable through #6 as the least desirable.)

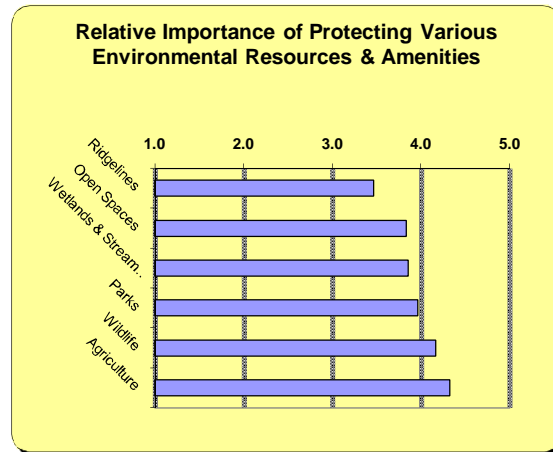
	1	2	3	4	5	Avg.	S.D.
Small single-family homes	107	14	10	2	2	1.4	0.81
Duplexes or Townhouses	10	57	25	14	9	2.6	1.07
Housing for special groups	15	11	19	26	43	3.6	1.41
Apartment complexes	4	11	36	31	29	3.6	1.10
Manufactured homes	6	25	26	26	30	3.4	1.25



3.9 In your view, how important is it to protect or enhance:

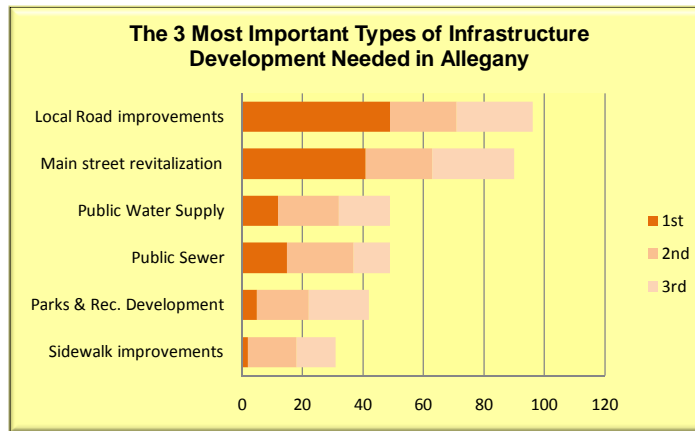
(Mark one score for each)

	Not Important		Somewhat		Very Important		
	1	2	3	4	5	Avg.	
Ridgelines	14	13	36	26	46	3.5	
Open Spaces	8	8	34	38	51	3.8	
Wetlands & Stream Corridors	11	9	40	23	59	3.9	
Parks	6	10	28	34	61	4.0	
Wildlife	4	6	26	35	69	4.2	
Agriculture	2	5	23	35	76	4.3	



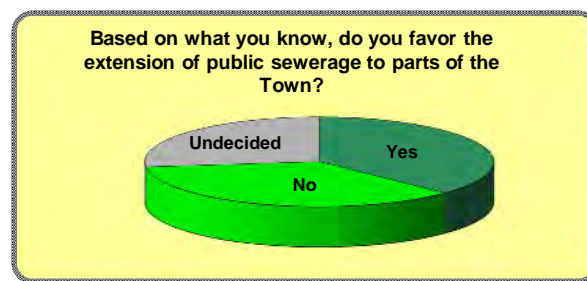
3.10 There are always limited funds to spend on public improvements. Grants for specific projects may be available, but are always highly competitive. In light of these realities, please rank the three most important types of infrastructure development that you believe are needed in Allegany. (Write 1, 2, 3 in the spaces below.)

	1st	2nd	3rd
Sidewalk improvements	2	16	13
Parks & Rec. Development	5	17	20
Public Sewer	15	22	12
Public Water Supply	12	20	17
Main street revitalization	41	22	27
Local Road improvements	49	22	25



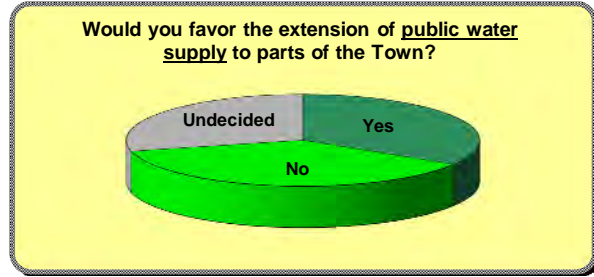
3.11 Based on what you know, do you favor the extension of public sewerage to parts of the Town?

54	52	39
Yes	No	Undecided
37%	36%	27%



3.13 Would you favor the extension of public water supply to parts of the Town?

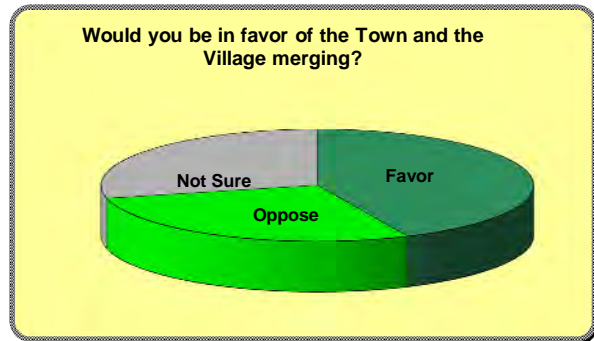
48	53	41
Yes	No	Undecided
34%	37%	29%



IV IN CLOSING...

4.1 Would you be in favor of the Town and the Village merging?

63	41	42
Favor	Oppose	Not Sure
43%	28%	29%



**** End of Survey ****

Allegany Community Survey

COMMUNITY NEEDS -- COMMUNITY VISION

Summary of Survey Outcomes: WEST OF THE VILLAGE

Surveys Tabulated: **66**

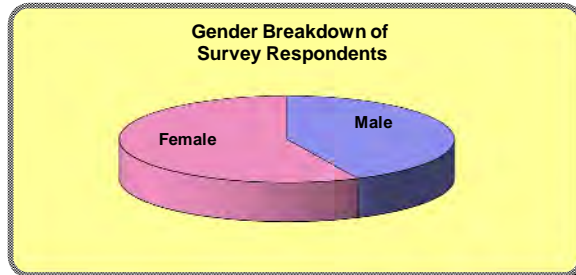
Percent of Town-wide Total Responses: **11.1%**

I. FIRST, PLEASE TELL US A LITTLE ABOUT YOURSELF.

1.1 What is your gender? **28** Male **37** Female

Male Survey Respondents: 43%
 Female Survey Respondents: 57%

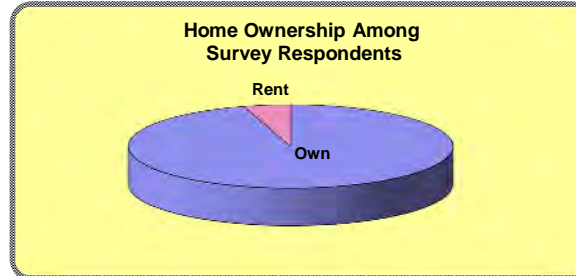
No Response to Q. 1.1: 1
 As a % of All Surveys Rec'd: 2%



1.3 Do you own your home, or do you rent? **61** Own **3** Rent

Homeowners: 95%
 Renters: 5%

No Response to Q. 1.3: 2
 As a % of All Surveys Rec'd: 3%

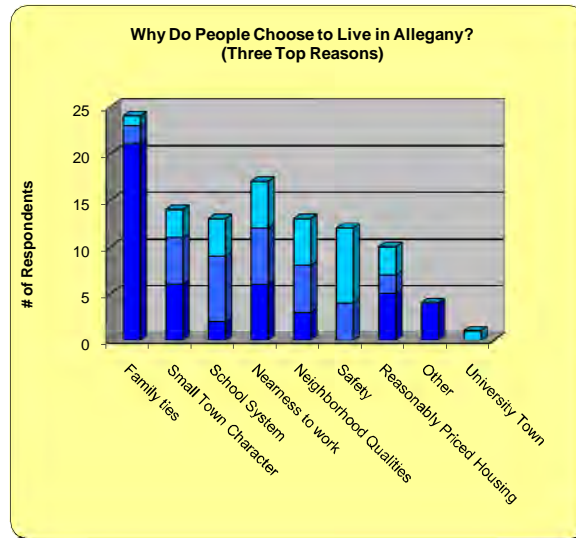


1.9 Why did you choose to live in Allegany? Please rank the TOP THREE reasons.

	1st	2nd	3rd	
21	2	1	Family ties	
6	5	3	Small Town Character	
2	7	4	School System	
6	6	5	Nearness to work	
3	5	5	Neighborhood Qualities	
0	4	8	Safety	
5	2	3	Reasonably Priced Housing	
4	0	0	Other <i>See Narrative Responses</i>	
0	0	1	University Town	

19 **35** **36** No Response to Q. 1.9
29% As a % of All Surveys Received

Most Important Reason: ■
 Second Most Important Reason: ■
 Third Most Important Reason: ■

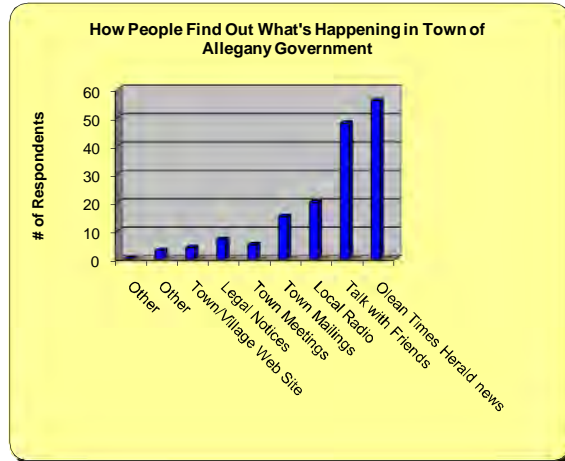


1.10 By what means do you find out what is happening in Town of Allegany government?

#	%	
0	0%	Other See Narrative Responses
3	2%	Other See Narrative Responses
4	3%	Town/Village Web Site
7	4%	Legal Notices
5	3%	Town Meetings
15	9%	Town Mailings
20	13%	Local Radio
48	30%	Talk with Friends
56	35%	Olean Times Herald news

% of Respondents Who Responded to this Q : 100%

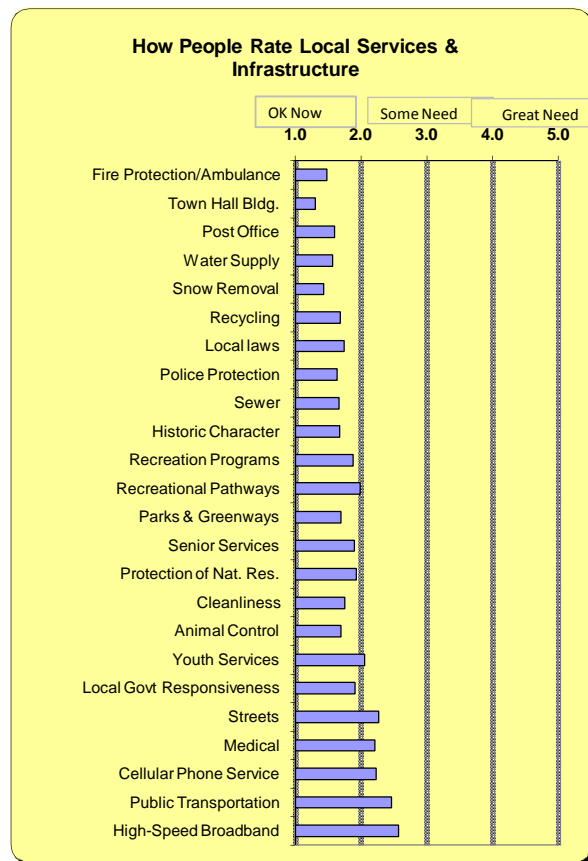
No Response to Q. 1.7 : 0
As a % of All Surveys Rec'd : 0%



II. ALLEGANY TODAY: YOUR IMPRESSIONS: YOUR ACTIVITY PATTERNS

2.2 Please rate each of the following about Allegany: Is each one "OK now," or is there some need, or great need, for improvement?

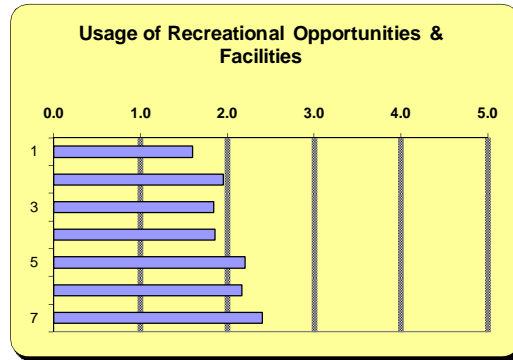
	OK Now		Some Need		Great Need		Avg.	S.D.
	1	2	3	4	5			
Fire Protection/Ambulance	47	4	8	2	1	1.5	0.95	
Town Hall Bldg.	49	8	4	1	0	1.3	0.67	
Post Office	45	4	8	3	2	1.6	1.38	
Water Supply	39	3	4	2	3	1.6	1.17	
Snow Removal	45	9	2	3	1	1.4	0.91	
Recycling	41	8	6	2	4	1.7	1.19	
Local laws	32	10	9	0	3	1.7	1.10	
Police Protection	41	7	9	2	2	1.6	1.07	
Sewer	37	4	4	2	4	1.7	1.26	
Historic Character	37	5	8	4	1	1.7	1.09	
Recreation Programs	34	8	9	3	4	1.9	1.26	
Recreational Pathways	30	6	12	4	3	2.0	1.25	
Parks & Greenways	34	10	6	4	1	1.7	1.05	
Senior Services	34	7	10	3	4	1.9	1.27	
Protection of Nat. Res.	29	8	11	1	4	1.9	1.24	
Cleanliness	36	10	12	0	3	1.8	1.09	
Animal Control	33	11	8	1	2	1.7	1.03	
Youth Services	29	8	7	5	5	2.1	1.38	
Local Govt Responsiveness	28	9	9	4	2	1.9	1.18	
Streets	23	11	12	4	6	2.3	1.36	
Medical	27	5	16	4	5	2.2	1.35	
Cellular Phone Service	28	7	12	1	9	2.2	1.48	
Public Transportation	18	11	17	3	7	2.5	1.33	
High-Speed Broadband	25	4	8	3	14	2.6	1.70	



2.4 How often do you visit and/or use the following:

(Mark one score for each)

	(Mark one score for each)					Avg.	S.D.
	Never	Sometimes			Frequently		
	1	2	3	4	5		
Golf Courses	48	7	4	0	6	1.6	1.22
Allegany Public Library	29	18	12	4	2	2.0	1.08
SBU Cultural Events	30	15	18	1	0	1.8	0.89
SBU Athletic Events	37	9	10	3	4	1.9	1.23
Athletic Fields/Playgrounds	25	12	17	6	3	2.2	1.21
Bonogany Festival	26	14	18	2	5	2.2	1.22
River Trail	23	8	22	6	5	2.4	1.28

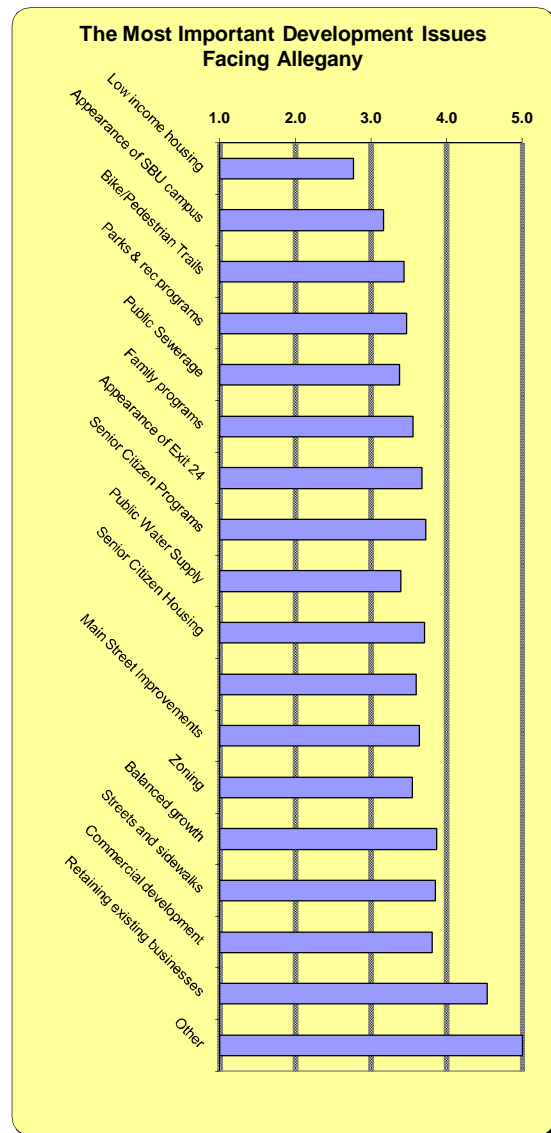


III. ALLEGANY TOMORROW: YOUR VISION

3.1 What are the most important development issues facing the Village over the next 10 years?

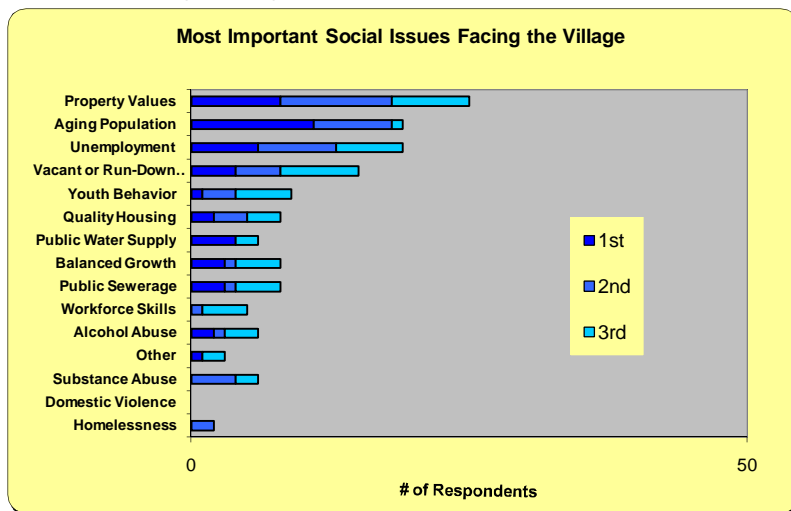
(Mark one score for each)

	(Mark one score for each)					Avg.	S.D.
	Not Important	Somewhat			Very Important		
	1	2	3	4	5		
Low income housing	12	12	18	5	9	2.8	1.33
Appearance of SBU campus	9	5	21	8	12	3.2	1.33
Bike/Pedestrian Trails	3	9	21	8	16	3.4	1.21
Parks & rec programs	0	10	23	8	14	3.5	1.07
Public Sewerage	6	4	22	9	14	3.4	1.25
Family programs	0	10	21	9	16	3.6	1.09
Appearance of Exit 24	4	5	15	16	18	3.7	1.21
Senior Citizen Programs	2	5	19	13	19	3.7	1.12
Public Water Supply	6	6	17	9	15	3.4	1.32
Senior Citizen Housing	2	7	15	16	18	3.7	1.14
Alternative Energy Development	9	6	6	14	22	3.6	1.49
Main Street Improvements	1	6	20	14	15	3.6	1.05
Zoning	4	3	17	12	13	3.6	1.19
Balanced growth	1	2	18	16	18	3.9	0.98
Streets and sidewalks	0	5	18	18	19	3.9	0.97
Commercial development	4	6	10	15	23	3.8	1.26
Retaining existing businesses	0	2	6	9	41	4.5	0.82
Other	0	0	0	0	2	5.0	0.00



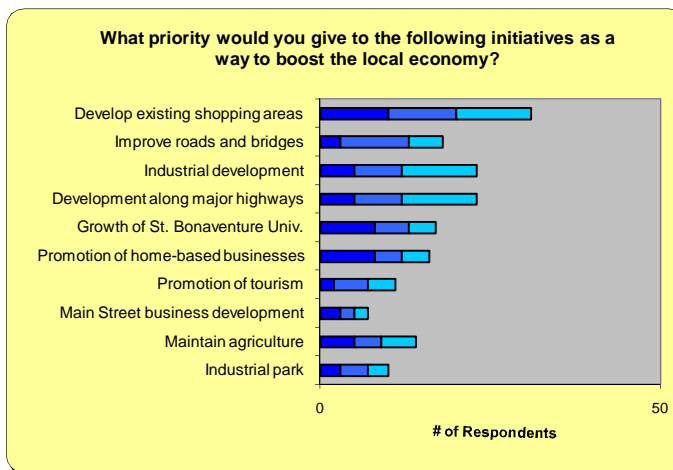
3.2 What do you think will be the three most important social issues facing the Village in the future?

	1st	2nd	3rd
Homelessness	0	2	0
Domestic Violence	0	0	0
Substance Abuse	0	4	2
Other	1	0	2
Alcohol Abuse	2	1	3
Workforce Skills	0	1	4
Public Sewerage	3	1	4
Balanced Growth	3	1	4
Public Water Supply	4	0	2
Quality Housing	2	3	3
Youth Behavior	1	3	5
Vacant or Run-Down Bldgs	4	4	7
Unemployment	6	7	6
Aging Population	11	7	1
Property Values	8	10	7



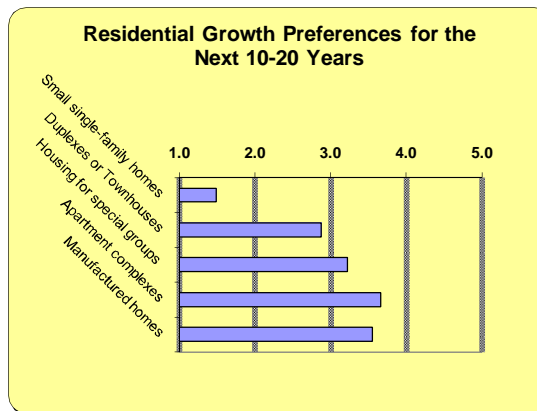
3.7 What priority would you give to the following initiatives as a way to boost the local economy?

	1st	2nd	3rd
Industrial park	3	4	3
Maintain agriculture	5	4	5
Main Street business development	3	2	2
Promotion of tourism	2	5	4
Promotion of home-based businesses	8	4	4
Growth of St. Bonaventure Univ.	8	5	4
Development along major highways	5	7	11
Industrial development	5	7	11
Improve roads and bridges	3	10	5
Develop existing shopping areas	10	10	11



3.8 Assuming there will be continued residential growth over the next 10-20 years, what type of housing would you prefer to see? (Please rank your choices by using #1 as the most desirable through #6 as the least desirable.)

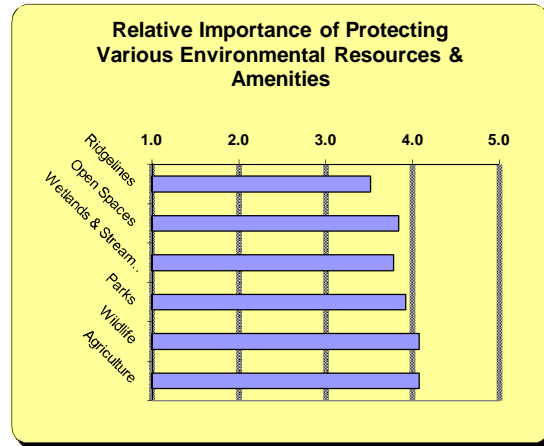
	1	2	3	4	5	Avg.	S.D.
Small single-family homes	40	9	5	3	0	1.5	0.87
Duplexes or Townhouses	4	17	16	7	6	2.9	1.14
Housing for special groups	7	10	9	11	12	3.2	1.40
Apartment complexes	3	4	15	8	19	3.7	1.27
Manufactured homes	6	8	5	13	17	3.6	1.43



3.9 In your view, how important is it to protect or enhance:

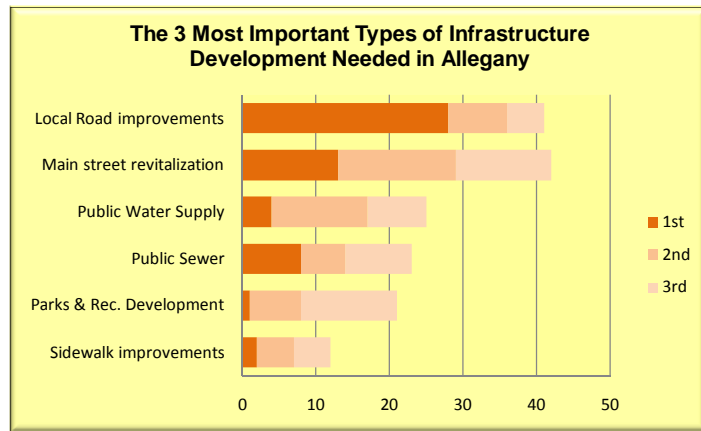
(Mark one score for each)

	Not Important	1	2	Somewhat	3	4	Very Important	5	Avg.
Ridgelines		7	8	14	10	24			3.5
Open Spaces		3	4	19	12	26			3.8
Wetlands & Stream Corridors		4	8	11	11	29			3.8
Parks		1	3	15	11	31			3.9
Wildlife		1	4	13	12	33			4.1
Agriculture		1	2	12	15	32			4.1



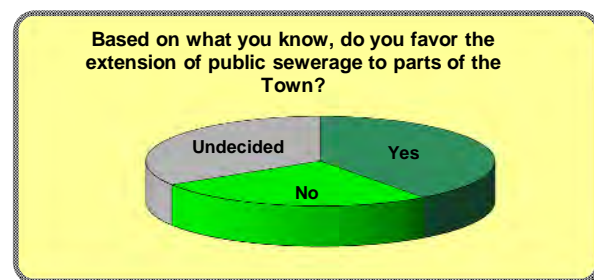
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	1st	2nd	3rd
Sidewalk improvements	2	5	5
Parks & Rec. Development	1	7	13
Public Sewer	8	6	9
Public Water Supply	4	13	8
Main street revitalization	13	16	13
Local Road improvements	28	8	5



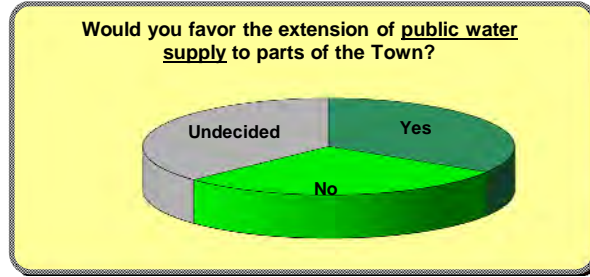
3.11 Based on what you know, do you favor the extension of public sewerage to parts of the Town?

26	17	22
Yes	No	Undecided
40%	26%	34%



3.13 Would you favor the extension of public water supply to parts of the Town?

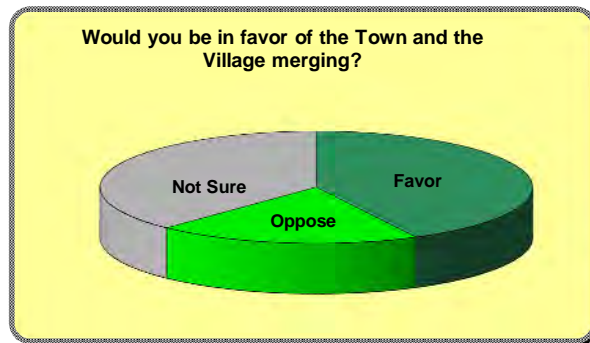
21	18	23
Yes	No	Undecided
34%	29%	37%



IV IN CLOSING...

4.1 Would you be in favor of the Town and the Village merging?

28	13	25
Favor	Oppose	Not Sure
42%	20%	38%



**** End of Survey ****

Allegany Community Survey

COMMUNITY NEEDS -- COMMUNITY VISION

Summary of Survey Outcomes: SOUTH OF THE RIVER

Surveys Tabulated: **147**

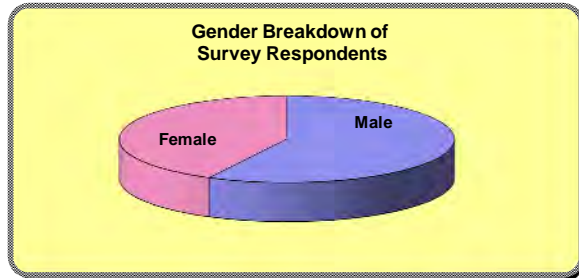
Percent of Town-wide Total Responses: **24.7%**

I. FIRST, PLEASE TELL US A LITTLE ABOUT YOURSELF.

1.1 What is your gender? **83** Male **61** Female

Male Survey Respondents: 58%
 Female Survey Respondents: 42%

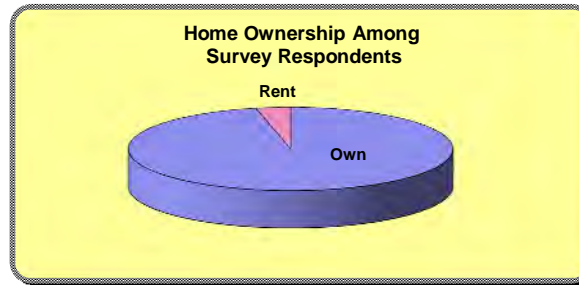
No Response to Q. 1.1: 3
 As a % of All Surveys Rec'd: 2%



1.3 Do you own your home, or do you rent? **140** Own **5** Rent

Homeowners: 97%
 Renters: 3%

No Response to Q. 1.3: 1
 As a % of All Surveys Rec'd: 1%

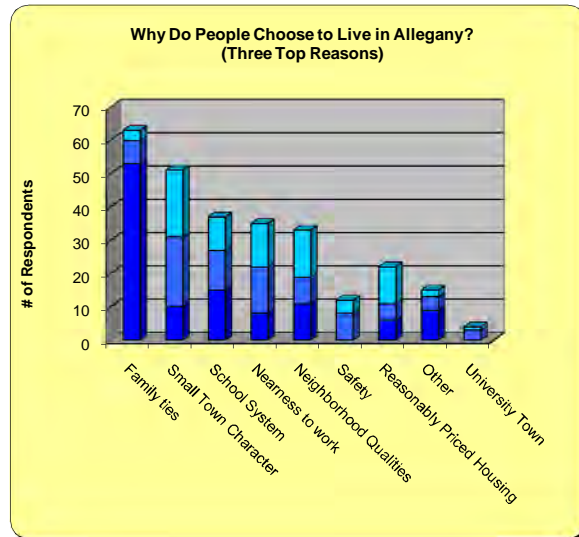


1.9 Why did you choose to live in Allegany? Please rank the TOP THREE reasons.

	1st	2nd	3rd	
53	7	3	Family ties	
10	21	20	Small Town Character	
15	12	10	School System	
8	14	13	Nearness to work	
11	8	14	Neighborhood Qualities	
0	8	4	Safety	
6	5	11	Reasonably Priced Housing	
9	4	2	Other <i>See Narrative Responses</i>	
0	3	1	University Town	

35 **65** **69** No Response to Q. 1.9
24% As a % of All Surveys Received

Most Important Reason: ■
 Second Most Important Reason: ■
 Third Most Important Reason: ■

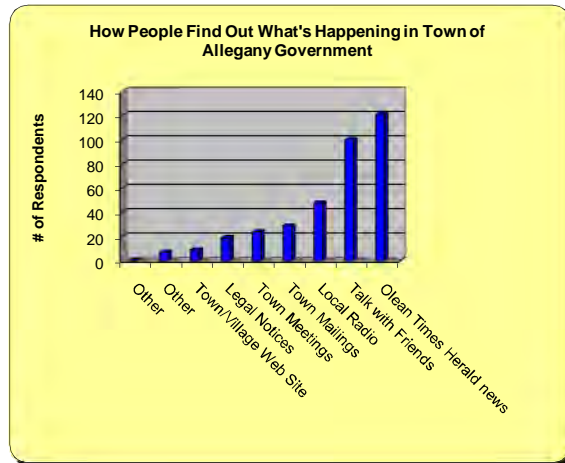


1.10 By what means do you find out what is happening in Town of Allegany government?

#	%	
0	0%	Other See Narrative Responses
7	2%	Other See Narrative Responses
9	3%	Town/Village Web Site
19	5%	Legal Notices
24	7%	Town Meetings
29	8%	Town Mailings
48	13%	Local Radio
100	28%	Talk with Friends
121	34%	Olean Times Herald news

% of Respondents Who Responded to this Q : 99%

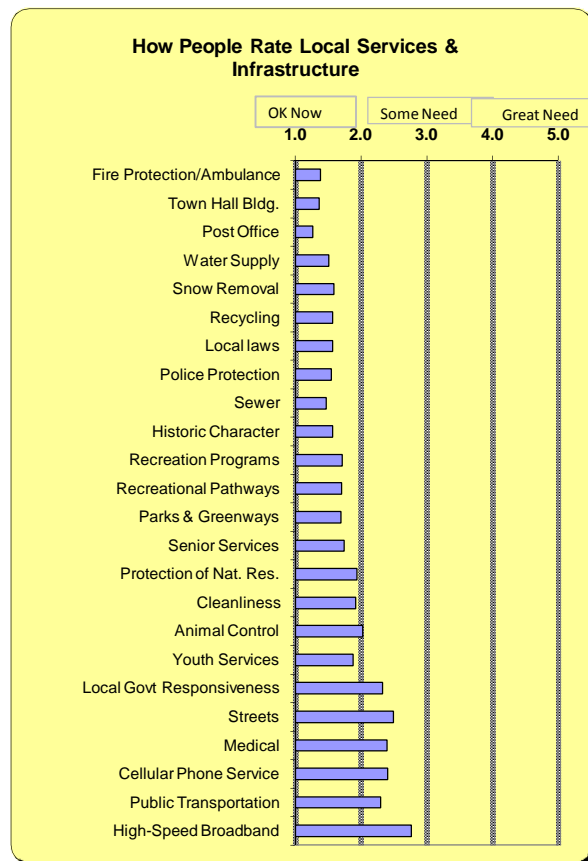
No Response to Q. 1.7 : 1
As a % of All Surveys Rec'd : 1%



II. ALLEGANY TODAY: YOUR IMPRESSIONS: YOUR ACTIVITY PATTERNS

2.2 Please rate each of the following about Allegany: Is each one "OK now," or is there some need, or great need, for improvement?

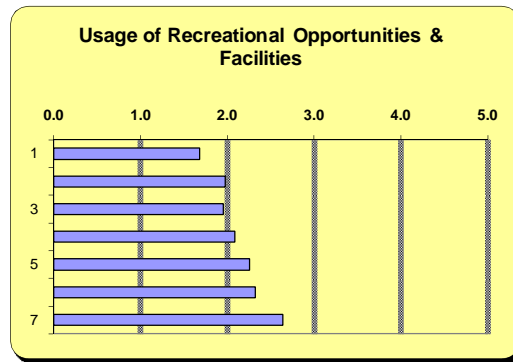
	OK Now		Some Need		Great Need		Avg.	S.D.
	1	2	3	4	5			
Fire Protection/Ambulance	114	13	6	3	5	1.4	0.94	
Town Hall Bldg.	114	13	4	3	5	1.4	0.92	
Post Office	124	5	7	2	3	1.3	1.16	
Water Supply	80	12	12	0	5	1.5	1.01	
Snow Removal	97	21	12	6	5	1.6	1.05	
Recycling	102	13	14	6	5	1.6	1.07	
Local laws	89	14	17	7	1	1.6	0.97	
Police Protection	101	16	12	4	6	1.5	1.06	
Sewer	78	11	13	0	3	1.5	0.92	
Historic Character	88	19	9	5	5	1.6	1.05	
Recreation Programs	79	21	15	8	4	1.7	1.10	
Recreational Pathways	75	26	16	5	4	1.7	1.04	
Parks & Greenways	80	21	18	4	5	1.7	1.08	
Senior Services	78	19	18	5	6	1.7	1.14	
Protection of Nat. Res.	67	29	11	3	14	1.9	1.32	
Cleanliness	71	33	22	4	10	1.9	1.19	
Animal Control	70	13	20	7	13	2.0	1.39	
Youth Services	64	17	22	8	4	1.9	1.16	
Local Govt Responsiveness	55	17	27	14	14	2.3	1.41	
Streets	49	22	28	13	20	2.5	1.45	
Medical	55	9	32	7	19	2.4	1.49	
Cellular Phone Service	58	16	18	11	23	2.4	1.57	
Public Transportation	51	11	34	12	10	2.3	4.84	
High-Speed Broadband	42	11	26	9	29	2.8	1.60	



2.4 How often do you visit and/or use the following:

(Mark one score for each)

	(Mark one score for each)					Avg.	S.D.
	Never	Sometimes		Frequently			
	1	2	3	4	5		
Golf Courses	97	16	17	5	8	1.7	1.16
Allegany Public Library	67	37	25	6	9	2.0	1.17
SBU Cultural Events	66	33	33	6	5	2.0	1.09
SBU Athletic Events	64	31	28	9	10	2.1	1.24
Athletic Fields/Playgrounds	55	27	36	16	8	2.3	1.24
Bonogany Festival	57	28	31	14	15	2.3	1.35
River Trail	43	21	46	18	18	2.6	1.35

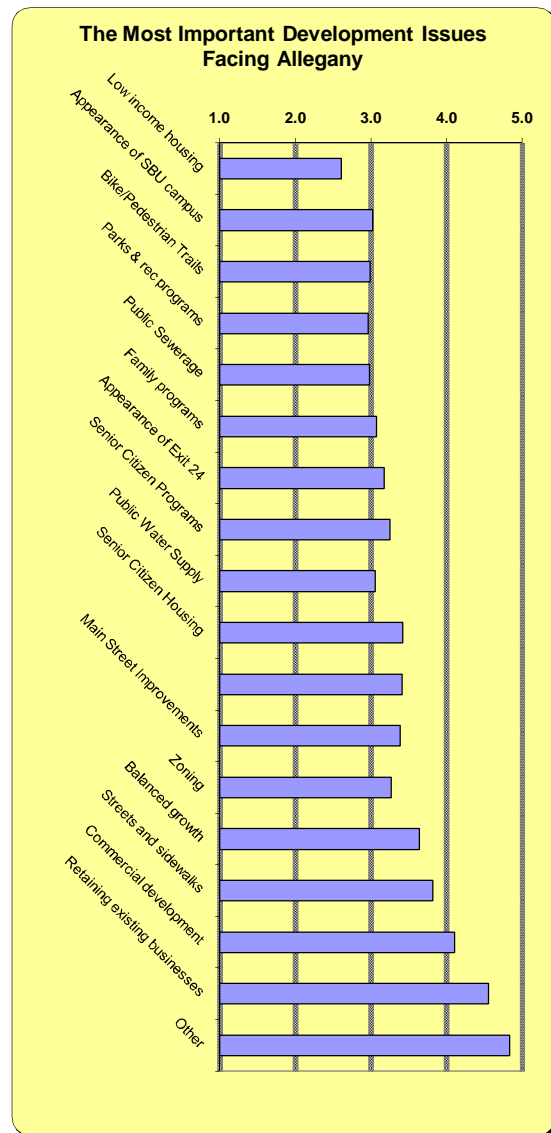


III. ALLEGANY TOMORROW: YOUR VISION

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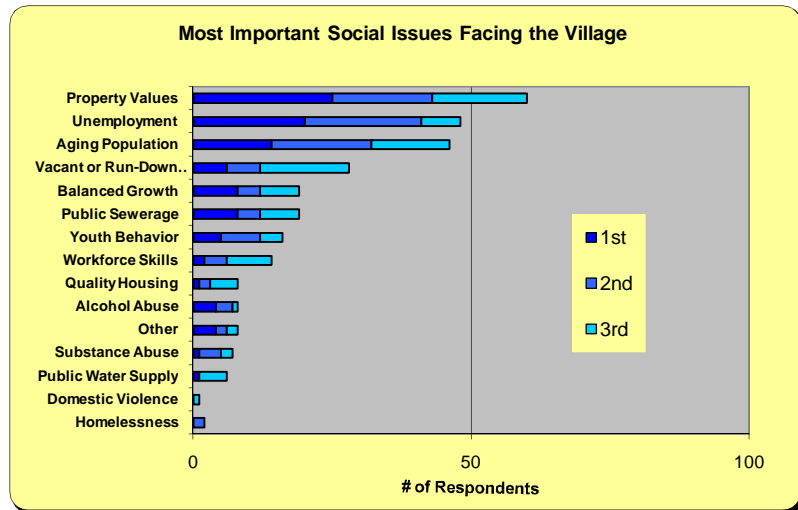
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	(Mark one score for each)					Avg.	S.D.
	Not Important	Somewhat		Very Important			
	1	2	3	4	5		
Low income housing	41	21	37	12	20	2.6	1.41
Appearance of SBU campus	27	14	44	21	25	3.0	1.37
Bike/Pedestrian Trails	23	20	43	23	21	3.0	1.30
Parks & rec programs	20	19	49	24	15	3.0	1.20
Public Sewerage	26	12	39	25	20	3.0	4.88
Family programs	17	15	53	24	17	3.1	1.18
Appearance of Exit 24	27	11	37	24	32	3.2	1.43
Senior Citizen Programs	11	23	50	23	28	3.3	1.20
Public Water Supply	26	12	37	23	24	3.1	1.39
Senior Citizen Housing	9	20	44	25	34	3.4	1.22
Alternative Energy Development	26	12	28	17	51	3.4	1.54
Main Street Improvements	12	14	45	30	29	3.4	1.21
Zoning	16	16	45	18	32	3.3	1.31
Balanced growth	9	9	40	26	40	3.6	1.21
Streets and sidewalks	3	9	35	48	38	3.8	1.00
Commercial development	3	6	32	28	68	4.1	1.05
Retaining existing businesses	1	4	9	27	97	4.6	0.80
Other	0	0	1	0	11	4.8	0.58



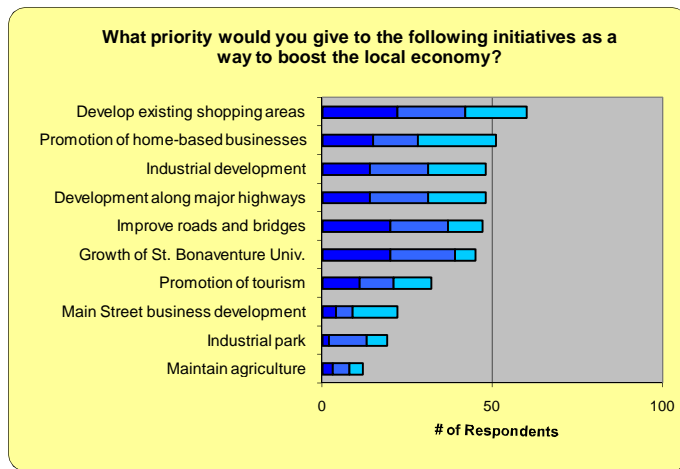
3.2 What do you think will be the three most important social issues facing the Village in the future?

	1st	2nd	3rd
Homelessness	0	2	0
Domestic Violence	0	0	1
Public Water Supply	1	0	5
Substance Abuse	1	4	2
Other	4	2	2
Alcohol Abuse	4	3	1
Quality Housing	1	2	5
Workforce Skills	2	4	8
Youth Behavior	5	7	4
Public Sewerage	8	4	7
Balanced Growth	8	4	7
Vacant or Run-Down Bldgs	6	6	16
Aging Population	14	18	14
Unemployment	20	21	7
Property Values	25	18	17



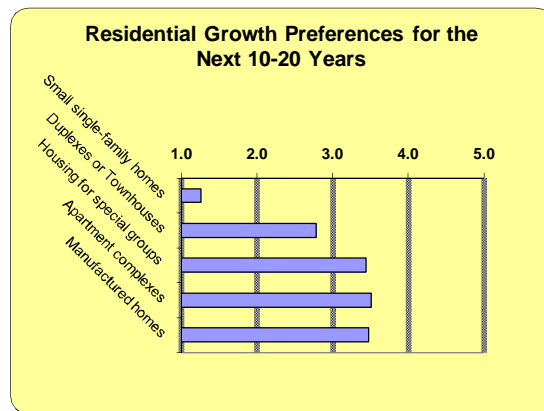
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Maintain agriculture	3	5	4
Industrial park	2	11	6
Main Street business development	4	5	13
Promotion of tourism	11	10	11
Growth of St. Bonaventure Univ.	20	19	6
Improve roads and bridges	20	17	10
Development along major highways	14	17	17
Industrial development	14	17	17
Promotion of home-based businesses	15	13	23
Develop existing shopping areas	22	20	18



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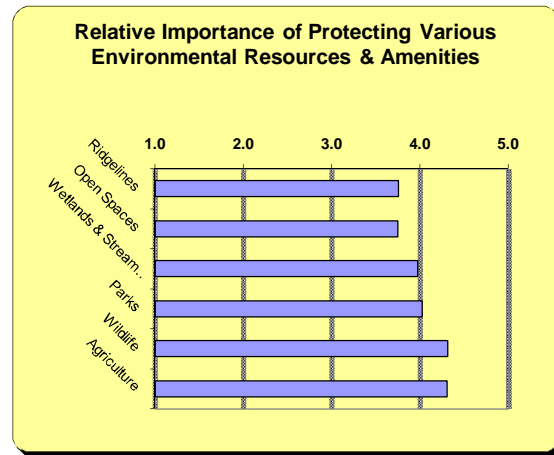
	1	2	3	4	5	Avg.	S.D.
Small single-family homes	109	5	6	4	1	1.3	0.76
Duplexes or Townhouses	7	50	27	20	11	2.8	1.13
Housing for special groups	15	18	18	21	38	3.4	1.45
Apartment complexes	4	14	31	25	28	3.5	1.18
Manufactured homes	0	26	30	23	27	3.5	1.12



3.9 In your view, how important is it to protect or enhance:

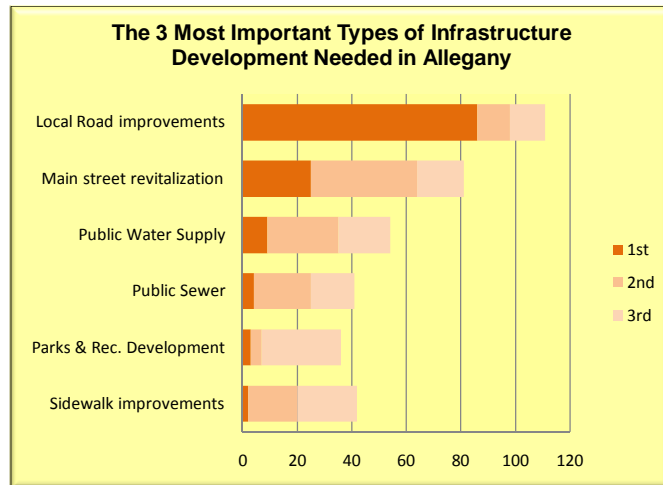
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	Not Important	1	2	Somewhat	3	4	5	Very Important	Avg.
Ridgelines		13	9	36	22	59			3.8
Open Spaces		7	13	41	25	53			3.7
Wetlands & Stream Corridors		11	9	28	36	59			4.0
Parks		2	11	38	34	57			4.0
Wildlife		2	8	21	42	70			4.3
Agriculture		4	2	30	35	72			4.3



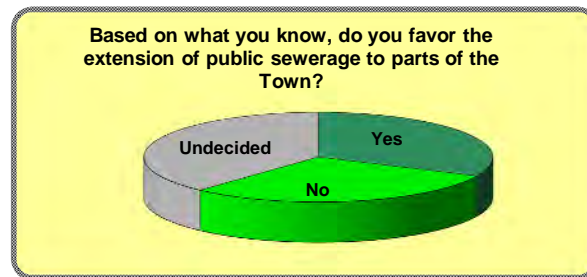
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	1st	2nd	3rd
Sidewalk improvements	2	18	22
Parks & Rec. Development	3	4	29
Public Sewer	4	21	16
Public Water Supply	9	26	19
Main street revitalization	25	39	17
Local Road improvements	86	12	13



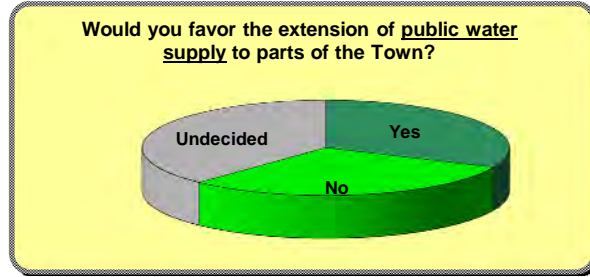
3.11 Based on what you know, do you favor the extension of public sewerage to parts of the Town?

46	43	55
Yes	No	Undecided
32%	30%	38%



3.13 Would you favor the extension of public water supply to parts of the Town?

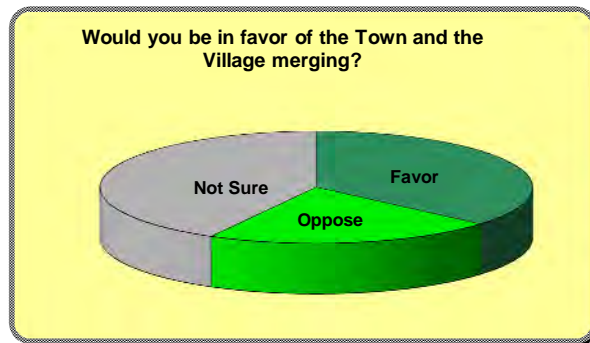
46	44	55
Yes	No	Undecided
32%	30%	38%



IV IN CLOSING...

4.1 Would you be in favor of the Town and the Village merging?

52	31	60
Favor	Oppose	Not Sure
36%	22%	42%



**** End of Survey ****

APPENDIX D

Additional Remarks Supplied by Survey Respondents

Analysis of Narrative Remarks: Frequency of Occurrence of Certain Key Terms

Q.2.5: Main strengths of Allegany as a community

Q.2.6: Main weaknesses of Allegany as a community

Q.3.1: Most important development issues facing Allegany over the next 10 years

Q.3.2: Three most important social issues facing Allegany in the future

Q.4.3: Any other thoughts

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	2.5	2.6	3.1	3.2	4.3
Key Word	Frequency of Occurrence under "Strengths"	Frequency of Occurrence under "Weaknesses"	Frequency of Occurrence under "Most Important Development Issues"	Frequency of Occurrence under "Most Important Social Issues"	Frequency of Occurrence under "Other Thoughts"
Tax	4	165	12	19	55
Wind	0	10	5	1	35
Service	19	20	0	0	24
Property	2	23	1	6	23
Community	48	13	1	1	21
Street	16	23	0	0	19
Job	2	36	4	2	19
Bon	15	37	0	3	16
Police	22	17	2	0	16
School	113	36	2	2	18
Water	5	13	0	0	16
Clean	17	11	1	0	14
Development	3	16	2	0	13
Park	3	36	1	0	12
Rec	10	8	0	0	10
Zoning	0	11	2	0	9
Cost	1	8	0	1	10
Fire	55	5	1	0	10
Bar	1	21	0	0	7
Parking	1	30	0	0	7
Safe	79	2	2	0	7
Sewer	2	10	0	0	9
Store	5	21	1	0	8
SBU	24	18	2	1	6
Board	3	8	0	1	5
Friend	96	1	0	0	4
Small	113	11	0	0	5
Shop	14	13	1	0	3
College	4	14	0	1	2
Public	4	17	1	0	2
Quiet	11	1	0	0	2
Crime	11	4	0	0	1
University	9	2	0	0	0

Allegany Community Survey

**** NARRATIVE REMARKS ****

Key to Survey Sub-Area Codes

- 1 = Village**
- 2 = North of the Village**
- 3 = East of the Village**
- 4 = West of the Village**
- 5 = South of the River**

Allegany Community Survey

**** Narrative Responses ****

Surv. No.	Area	Allegany's Strengths			Allegany's Weaknesses			Other Important Development Issues	Other Important Social Issues	Other Econ. Dev. Initiatives	Comments re Public Sewer, Including Where Needed
		2.5: 1st Position	2.5: 2nd Position	2.5: 3rd Position	2.6: 1st Position	2.6: 2nd Position	2.6: 3rd Position	3.1	3.2	3.7	3.12
1	4	Small town	Safety	General appearance	Public activities	Parking (at times)					West of Allegany towards Legion
2											
3	5	Growing development	Parks and recreation	Snow removal	Projects being slowed by government	Village	Lack of grant funding				Exit 24
4	4	Helpful community			Taxes	Top heavy town government	Corruption within the highway				Exit 24; ALCS School
5	5	Small town feeling	Friendly employees	Friendly merchants	Can't think of any			No wind farms			I live in the town and don't want/cannot afford a sewer bill
6	3										
7	5				Taxes	Government spending	Lack of industry	Taxes	High taxes	Reduce taxes	
8	4	Small-town community feeling	Fire department	Police	Empty businesses	Paint on some buildings bad color					It's okay the way it is
9	5	Small town	SBU	Good schools							I have a septic tank
10	2	Friendliness	School								North and West extensions
11	2	Small town feel	Rural feel	Stable community	Under developed for business	Main St. is basic	Bedroom community for Olean		I feel education, workforce skills, and unemployment are interconnected		
12	1	Near to everything	Well kept-up properties (village)	Frequent activities in area	High taxation	Noisy (and messy) Bona students	Dog poop on sidewalks				I'm in favor only if it's not going to cost me any money
13	2	Bars	Food								I don't live in the town of Allegany
14	5	Nice and caring people	Safe place to live		Small town gossip						
15	5	Quiet	People		Taxes	Over paid town employees	Over paid town board		Cost (taxes)	Lower taxes	Anywhere the home owners pay for it
16	5	Fire department	Schools		One food store	No jobs					
17	5	Affordable	Safety	Small shops							In certain commercial areas, but not in rural residential areas
18	5	Fire department	School		High taxes	Nosey people					It would be much better if more would take care of their own
19	2	Small atmosphere	Plenty of fire personnel	Safety	Bona/Allegany students	Two municipalities (town/village)	Taxes	Lower taxes			
20	2	There are none			People using all their relatives for office so one family runs the whole town						Why now? Everyone has septic tanks
21	5	Small			Wild Bona students	Potholes					
22	###	Character	Drug and alcohol problems	School	Info on eateries being stressed outside of Allegany	Fear of the police department (speeding, cell usage, etc)	Dollar type store	Promoting downtown			Old Kmart – West 5 Mile area
23	5				Store fronts used as apartments for SBU	No small stores; no handicap parking	Streets and sidewalks are dirty; too much litter				
24	5	People in community	Schools		Lights on Main St. are not bright enough						
25	1	Knowing neighbors	People care about each other	Cute village look/appeal	Town and Village need to share more services	Water issues (should have more water lines to houses; too many depend on	Taxes too high	School needs to cut the fluff and reduce taxes – declining population	Need to attract more young families		If you don't have sewer/ water businesses will bypass us; exit 24 should be developed

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26	2	Low crime rate	Small town atmosphere	Good services	High taxes						Lack of need and cost
27	5	Safe	Low crime	Friendly	No parking	Few troublemakers				Parking lot	
28	1	Good taking care of Allegany	Street condition		Recreation						
29	4				Police "turning their head" to Tuesday evenings at Hickey Tavern	Strange goings on at 22 Elm St.	Untidy, deplorable, junk at 86 2 nd St (VanDusan residence)				Needed Sheldon Drive and Colonial Village
30	5										
31	5	Volunteer fire department	Economic impact of SBU	Schools (ALCS)	Property taxes too high (get nothing in return; no sewer, water, cable)	Roads					
32	###	None			Won't get with time	Needs to grow	Town officials				
33	2	Safety	Friendly		Loss of businesses	Student rentals in store fronts		No wind turbines			
34	1	Natural areas	University and activities		Police need to target residents, especially during am, pm school drop off/pick up, speeding, and cell phone use	School waste for size	Too much "who you know" decisions	Getting rid of "who you know" decisions			
35	2	Good neighbors	Dedicated officials	Good school system	Development of industry	High taxes					Fortune Drive; I have had problems with septic system
36	1	Good school system	Friendly neighbors	Community	High taxes						Along Rt 417 to develop near I-86 exit
37	5	Small community	School system		Too many zoning laws						
38	2	School	Volunteer fire department	Community events	No public sewer	No leaf limb pick up					St. Christopher; Fortune Drive; Celeste
39	1	Small community	Safe community	School	Code enforcement; houses not maintained					Reduce taxes	In reality the public does not know the needs of sewer and water and if they need improving; as long as there is room for septic systems they should continue; to extend sewer "may" be unnecessary expense
40	1	Good people	Convenience		Disregard for dog ordinance	Disregard for the property of others					
41	5	Hills and streams	Easy access to Rte 86	People	Being pushed around by windmill representatives	Need industry	Need high paying jobs				Exit 24; North Allegany
42	4				No medical	No pharmacy					
43	2				School superintendent	School board					
44	4				Parking			New business; jobs			
45	5	Town roads	Growth of town	Town board	Old services (telephone and electric); no growth of services	No cable	No internet				

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46	5	Beautiful ridgelines	Business centered in central area	Outdoor recreation opportunities	Threat of windmill farms ruining my reason for residing in Allegany	Tax burden	High property taxes				
47	1	People friendliness	Police and government	Restaurants	Public intoxication by SBU students/under aged	More positive things for youth		Fishing contest at river park like Wellsville		Sidewalk	
48	4										Cost too much
49	1	The people	School system		Many restrictions on new businesses			Taxes			
50	2	Quiet			Speeding on 5 Mile – morning and						
51	1	Smaller community			Cost (school and property taxes)	Limited events					If system can handle extra – then there's a revenue stream
52	1	People	Safety		High taxes	Visionary plan for future	No upscale/condo type community for retiring baby boomers				But I don't know much in this area
53	1				Not always open to new ideas						
54	2	Small town flavor	Sense of community	Proximity to open areas	Small town appearance	Rural location	Lack of industry				
55	4	Small town	Friendly		High taxes	High Bona auto traffic	Cliquish		Bona taking over the town		You will raise taxes again and they're too high now
56	4	Fire department	Highway	Appearance	High taxes	Internet service	Flooding				
57	5	School system	Safe environment	SBU	Fire department	Infrastructure (roads and bridges)					
58		People			Too many slum landlords; downtown needs cleaned up although						7 th and all around village
59	1	Small	Close	Rural	Old	Won't accept change					Will we have to pay for it, water/sewer prices jumped here
60	1	Small town	Nice social activities	Time to SBU	Students late at night not observing						

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61	1	Small town	Interaction with Bonas		Nothing for teens to do	Policies aren't enforced for all	Lace of police force				The more we expand the prices should go down
62	1	Friendly community	Good senior citizen activities	Winter snowplowing and street care great	Nepotism when town jobs become available	Supervision of town employees not too good	Overlook SBU students abuse of trees/downtown; noise; alcohol abuse in minors				As needed in areas where not supplied now
63	5	Safety	Schools	Scenic views	Negative actions of SBU students						
64	1	Fire department	DPW		Taxes	Few jobs					
65	2	Safety			Lack of shopping						
66	1	School system	Small town character		Safety – crime on the rise	Animal control (dogs)		Safety			
67	1	Small town feel	Great schools	Safety	Bona anything	Number of bars	Public parks				Unless funded by grants, we don't need to raise taxes/water/sewer rates
68	1	St. Bona's	Small town	Good schools	Nepotism						
69	1	SBU	Churches	Linger Longer Café is a safe haven for all ages	NYS family daycare on my block; no one bothered to ask the existing homeowners before it was established; this ruined the neighborhood	No enough moms at home	Latch-key kids	Aesthetics (perennial flowers – try black eyed susan and day lilies)	Single parents households		
70	3	Safety			Taxes	Overspending town and village	Services				
71	2	Road conditions	Public services	Some businesses	Government and taxes	Poor building appearance on Main St.	Lack of more business and development				West and North of village for more development
72	1	Small town	Quiet and safe	Friendly	Too many bars	Not enough restaurants					
73	5	Commercial development	SBU	Infrastructure	Village government	School taxes	Lack of grant funding				Exit 24
74	1	Safe feeling									
75									Town board wasting money	Lower tax	
76	1	Village great	Village DPW	Village offices	Town board	Town public works	Use of tax dollars for this, how much did this cost?				West end (old Kmart)
77	1	People	Safety		School taxes	No jobs	People on welfare				Better relations and cost when dealing with Olean
78	3	Good schools	Good government leaders	Activities for seniors							Could help bring cost down
79	1	Small town	Fire department	People	Bona kids at night	Student housing	High taxes				School – Five Mile and Buffalo Road area
80	2										North 7 th St.
81	1	Small town feel	Nice neighborhoods	Sidewalks well kept	Taxes	Taxes	Taxes				
82	2	Friendly	Many restaurants	Good schools					Property taxes		
83					Taxes	Jobs	Aging population				Wherever it is needed
84	1	People			Would be better served to consolidate services	No need to eliminate jobs unless through attrition					

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85	4	Small town	Strong family ties		Too much alcohol	SBU students out of control					
86	1	Fire department	EMT	Ambulance service	Bona-gany Day						Areas close to expressway
87	5	Caring people	Low taxes	Safety	Back door politics	Over regulations	Lack of support for farmers				
88	4	Location			Roads						
89	1	Friendly	Safety	Close to Bona's	Few events	High taxes	More businesses besides bars and restaurants				
90	2										Only benefiting Mr. Benson – I believe he has profited enough
91	2	Building appearance	Cleanliness	Street decorations	Parking availability	Street conditions	Sidewalk conditions				
92	1	Nothing	Nothing	Nothing	Student housing of Blith Village						
93	1	People	Clubs	Church					Taxes		
94	1								Taxes		
95	2							Taxes			We have our own septic and don't need or want to have more bills for what we have already paid for
96					Same people running the village and town; they don't like new ideas, it'll never change						
97	1	Caring people	Good places to shop	Church	Bonnie kids are big trouble	People need work	Need police on streets at night because of Bonnie kids				Five Mile Rd.; Allegany School
98	2	Friendly men	Shopping	Clean	Poor highway supervision			Keep taxes low			Smith Hollow Rd.
99	5	Friendly	Small town and good school	Convenience	No pharmacy	Bars but no liquor store	Taxes seem high (school)				
100	5										
101	1							More businesses			
102	1	School	Smalltown character	Not much crime	Too many bars	Lack of library access (needs to be enlarged)	More shops				
103	1	Good place to raise kids	School system	Hometown atmosphere							
104	2	I don't believe it has many – it needs serious help!			100% politics	A big click	Depends who you are; friends covering friends				
105	4										
106	5	Friendly	Good schools		High taxes	Poor roads					Cost
107	2										Current coverage is sufficient, expansion is to benefit individuals with payment by the public

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108	5	Rural community	Agricultural		Trying to be more "urban"	Unsympathetic to farming		Post office			Too costly to taxpayers for the benefit that would be gained
109	2										
110	2	School system	Town board	Fire department	slumlords						
111	1	School	Church	Recreation	Homes – especially Main and 3 rd Street (a mess)	Rude Bona students					State road for development
112	4	School system	St. Bonaventure	Safe environment	Inexpensive kids activities	High taxes	Code enforcement				
113	1	People									
114	1										
115	1	Community pride	Services		Appearance w/telephone lines	Police attitude					5 Mile; Solatera; St. Chris; Fortune; Maple
116	1	Friendly	Fair tax rate	Progressive	Need more inter government cooperation	Better sidewalks	Less costly government				
117	5	Community			College students			Entertainment			
118											
119	1	College town	Small town atmosphere	Lawn care pickups and snow removal from sidewalks	Not enough business	Not enough social activities	Parking tickets				
120	4	Good mix of village and rural life	Low crime rate	Good relationship with St. Bona's	High property taxes	Properties on Main St in poor condition					Increased cost – better to use septic in more "rural" areas, better for environment
121	2	Mayor	Police force	Clean	College students	Beginning to see more crime					
122	1										
123	1										
124	4										
125	1	Access to SBU events	Library	School events	Upkeep of homes	Care of sidewalks	Public transportation				West end – toward exit 24
126	1				I think village and town should merge; a lot of dead weight in village office				Taxes on property		
127	5	Small town community	School system		High taxes	Non taxable property; overbuilt fire department buildings (adds extremely to taxes)	Townboard not listening to taxpayers – example Chipmonk windmills "not				Extend to areas that aren't served
128	5	The people who think they are just it because they have money			Average income people are considered trashy; people in Allegany think they are better than other people.						
129	4	Small town atmosphere	Good people		Poorly kept rental homes to Bona students	Seeming lack of police presence					North of maple to North of 86

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130	3	Strong	Cozy	Friendly	Too much sprawl	No future planning vision	No development of river				
131	1	Small town ambiance			Emergency alert system	Parking	Building conditions				West Branch
132	2	People seem very friendly	It's country and nice	Have a lot going on for a small town	Taxes are too high	Could use another gas station	A fast food restaurant would be nice				
133	###	Small size									
134	1	Street conditions	Safety	Fire protection	Building appearance	Parking availability	Slum lords				
135	2	Friendly	Working together	Loyalty	Bona students (out of control)						
136	5	It is a community			Taxes	Taxes	New York state			Tax Bona's new developments	
137	4	Small town	Safety		Housing cost	Tax rate					
138	5	School	Small town/friendly		Needs a better grocery store at other end of town	Hardware store	Drug store				
139	1										
140	5	Good school system	Good fire department	Safety	Dim night lights	Messes left by college students aren't cleaned up	Cups and litter in college rental properties				
141	1	People	Small		Allowing slum landlords take over property	More variety of businesses in village	Letting Bonaventure control the police				
142											Cost – especially for those who will never have it
143	2	School system			Housing instead of stores on Main						
144											
145	5	Hometown feel	People		Taxes						
146	4	Mail service	Street department/ snow plowing and sanding	Restaurants	Support of school system						
147	5										
148	1	Familiarity w/neighbors	Family connection	Youth recreation	Alcohol consumption	Accountability for some youth behaviors	Growing drug culture				
149	4	Small community			High taxes						The cost
150	5										
151	1										
152	2									Lower taxes	
153	2				Money talks						Join with Olean
154	1	Safety	Little traffic		High taxes						
155	2				High taxes						
156	1	School	Safety	SBU	High taxes	Mall	Auto repair service				Cost is too high – septic systems are better for environment
157	1	Low crime	Low traffic	Friendly people	High taxes	College housing	Noisy SBU students		Alternative energy		Needed on West, North and South (across river)

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158	5	Small town atmosphere									This is for developers at public expense
159	2	Small town atmosphere	School district	Village businesses	Need more organized rec activities that are not sports for older	Not enough village activity					
160	5	Community living			High taxes	Limited commercial development space hindered by lack of sewer and water					
161	1	Small	Walkable		SBU	Student housing	Student behavior				Higher taxes
162	1	People	Schools		Taxes are high	Future of school budget is big question mark					
163	4							Fire, ambulance, police department			
164	2	Small town size			More restaurant choices						
165	5	Friends	People you meet	Our post office	Need bigger events	More events	Lately on the scanner they need EMT's to show up and they aren't				
166	2										
167	1										Cost
168	1	School	University		Property taxes are too high (am considering moving to community with lower taxes)						
169	4										
170	1	Friendliness	Helpfulness		Property taxes too high	Duplicated services	Main St. needs some care				Do not know anything about it
171	1	People always help eachother	Business is growing		Main Street homes occupied by SBU students are a mess	Public transportation					Too expensive unless supported by users exclusively
172	1	Friendly	Safe	Education	Town/university tension (although improving)	Decreasing population	Rigid control over small business				
173	2	Small town feel	Good schools		Taxes	High property prices					
174	5	School system relative to other									
175	5	Small town	Safety	Cleanliness	Small restaurant and Bon. Businesses appearances	Lack of activities for youth – weekends and evenings	Poor upkeep of some rental properties				
176	5	Good neighbors	Cleanliness	Friendly							I 86 S road frontage going East and Exit 24
177	2										
178	2				To uphold no parking by Randy's up the River						Exit 24

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179	2	Pride	Small town	Education; snow removal	High taxes						No benefit to those living outside main area services
180		Sense of family in the community	Fire department		Main Street buildings look	Taxes too high	Main Street appearance				
181	1	Size	Close knit	Safe	Taxes	School spirit	Renewable energy				
182	5	Safety	Rural character	Friendly people	Wind turbine threat	Property taxes	NYS taxes		Taxes		I just put a new septic system in and do not want additional cost
183	1	Small comfortable community	Plow sidewalks	Clean streets	Low water pressure in house	High property taxes					If it cuts down on the village expense
184	1	Location	Character	People	Taxes	Jobs					
185	###	Safe	Small	Friendly	Five Mile Creek erosion	Not applying laws fairly	It's who you are – not what's right or wrong				5 th Street and up
186	1	Fire and ambulance department	Friendly atmosphere		Bona students	Need more parking areas					
187	1	Safety	Appearance	Well maintained							
188	1	Small community	Easy access	Knowing a number of people	Too expensive	Controlled by few	Lack of good retail stores				
189	1	Small town feel	People		Taxes	Need to bury the electric lines – it would look much nicer					West Five Mile
190	1	Small						Jobs			
191	2				Lighting on Main poor	Lack of senior non-subsidized housing					Public water and sewer to exits 24 and 25 of 86
192	2	It's small	School system		High taxes (county)	High school taxes	Bona students in town		Nothing to do		Cost unfairly distributed
193	2	The people			Bonas						High school
194	2	Park and shop	Safety	River trail when there are no	Carmike. Need Dipson Theaters	Nothing to do	No Wegmans				
195											East and West of village
196											
197	3				Why do we pay police on town, city and state levels; too much redundancy	Call phone coverage is horrible and more important than ever	Ambulance service is spotty especially during work hours; we should go with a county wide paid department				
198	1	St. Bona's church	Safety								
199	###	Safe place	Friendly residents	AL school	Too many politics	Nepotism at government and staff	Lack of knowledgeable, ethical town leaders				Needed old Kmart and to exit; not needed elsewhere
200	2	Friendliness	Great fire dept.	Good public works dept	Not enough retail on Main St.				Keep windmills out		

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201		Great school system	Local business	Caring people/community	Too many bars	No public transit for young and old					The cost to the home owner compared to our system now
202	5							cleanness			
203	5				No long term plan by local government						
204	2	Small, close neighborhood	Safety	Great schools	Closed minded	Considering windmills	High taxes				
205	1	Volunteer fire department	Schools and churches	Law enforcement	Need for pharmacy	Local flooding near river	Unruly Bona students	Lower tax			Public infrastructure is important in any attractive residential neighborhood
206	4	People	School system	Village atmosphere	Lighting on Main St	Clean up of snow	Bars & Bona drinkers				
207	5										Unsure
208	4	School district	Educational Op.	Recreational pathway	None						
209	5				High taxes			Place to work			
210	1	School systems	Safety	People	Infrastructure	Appearance	Youth services				Rt 417 west
211	5	Small town character	Convenience	Safety	Too many bars	Too many SBU students taking up town	Not enough family events				
212	2	Good school	SBU vacations (students gone)	Small town	SBU students (bona brats)	High taxes	Low property values		Property taxes		I prefer to maintain my sewer based on cost but it would be ok
213	5	Friendly	Quiet		No place to work	No place to work	No place to work				
214	1	SBU	Snow removal	River trail	Lack of jobs	Too many bars	SBU kids				
215	5	Residents	School	Fire Department	No business						Exit 24
216	5	School	Programs for youth		Public support for school	Another restaurant chain	Larger dump				
217	4										Needed in Fortune Drive development please!
218	1										n/a
219	1	Small town, friendly feel	Low noise/pollution	Everything close-except school	Poor sidewalk conditions to cross the river toward Randy's	Few activities for adults	Lack of pathways for biking- trail to the school				
220	2	People	School								Cost & septic tanks work good
221	5				Taxes	High assessments					
222	2	Friendly people	Good school system	Nice businesses	Street clean-up in town	Park-n-Shop quality	Need sewer				
223	2	Quaint	Quiet		Lack of things to do	Too many bars					Buffalo Rd & 5 Mile Rd & ALCS
224	5	Friendly people	Good school system	Clean	Not a lot to do	Taxes are high					
225	2	Roads	Water	Hills	High taxes	High homes	School expenses out of control				Increases taxes – Sr. citizens can't afford the extra cost
226	1	People	Small town atmosphere		Drunk college students	No pet store					

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227	2										Depends on growth areas
228	2	Friendliness	Availability of services		Shopping, parking sometimes	More repair services	More development to reduce tax burden				
229	1	Property value	School in village	Main St. shopping/business	Promotion of industrial development	Poor retail on main St	Town-gown relationship				If you live out of village, you have a well or spring
230	5	None			Too much zoning	Not listening to the middle income tax payer & high taxes	The desire to eliminate agriculture which is what the town was built around				
231	5	Friednly people	Low crime								
232	2	St. Bonaventure University	Volunteer fire dept	School system	High taxes	Limited small shops	Uncontrolled student housing				
233	2	Privacy	Fire dept	SBU	Medical services	Cell reception	Nepotism				417 West, N & S
234	5	Friendly and caring community	Neighbors always willing to help	Beauty of the hills							
235	5	Schools			Weak enforcement of zoning	High taxes					417 west Exit 24 & Five Mile to school
236	2	Hometown touch	Clean community		School tax	Lack economic development	Job creation				Five Mile Rd
237	2								Get new business		Route 417 West
238	5	Access to interstate 86	Good school system	Friendliness	Water & sewer – more access to more areas	New businesses take too long to approve and then miss the boat	People wanting growth without change				
239	5								High property taxes	Lower taxes	
240	5				High taxes	No work	Poor streets & roads				
241	2	Safe	Small town	Scenic	High taxes	Lack of jobs					Rt 417 former Kmart Plaza
242	1	Neighborhoods	DPW services	Schools	High cost taxes	Lack of townhouse/apts	Very poor water pressure in village				
243	2				Property taxes too high						
244	5										
245	5										
246	1	Safety	Near olean	Housing	Bars on Main St.	Bona students	Dirty Main St				
247	5										
248											
249	1										Where it is crowded
250	2	Small town			Taxes are too high	Leave town water alone					
251	4										Have own sewage and maintain for 35 yrs, don't need another problem with people in my business
252	5	School district	Cleanliness	Small town charm	Taxes	Lack of employment	Housing availability in village	Lower taxes			
253		Friednly			Main St. needs to be cleaned and houses fixed that look						

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254	5	Church	Library	Helpful/friendly people	Image hurt by some of the activities going on						
255	5	Friendly community			Lack of entertainment	Activities					
256	2	#1 fire dept in area	Schools		Not wanting to change	Continue old habits					Push is to have it so highschool will have it & people will still have to pay for lines even if not using it
257	5	Pride in town appearance	Open to try different events/things		Need a better park in town						
258	2	Small community	Friendliness	Snow plowing	No cable where we live	No cell phone coverage				Enforce junk ordinance	I have a perfectly good septic system
259	4	Friendliness	Clean		Status focused	High taxes					
260	4	Small			Crime is up						
261	1	Friendliness	Small town		Run down houses	School taxes too high		Threat to our ridges/mountains			Exit 24 area for future development –Five Mile
262	4	Friendly people	Safety	Recreation dept.	School district	Ray Jonak	Appearance		Education/school has become very weak		
263	4	Friendliness	Healthy air	Good fire dept	Taxes too high	Too much tax free land					It is too cost prohibitive to install public sewage
264									High taxes – people moving because of..		
265	5	Beautiful mtn scenery	Friendliness	Quiet countryside							
266	2	Natural beauty – scenic	Vol. F.D. – very strong	Closeness to Olean	Too many related family members in public office	Don't capitalize off resources – use of river/parks	Lack of quality restaurants		College student housing		
267							*property tax assesment				
268	5	Appearance/neighborhoods	Safety- fire & police		Library	Parking					Have my own
269	2	Tight knit community	Downtown retail	Nearby university	High taxes	Hard to start business	Too many people complain				Previous location of Kmart in town of Allegany Buffalo Rd, Five Mile
270	5										
271		Friendly community	Excellent fire dept/services	Tradition	Too many college student dwellings	Soda fountain	Upgrade shop fronts		Cheap emergency		
272	2	Beautiful country	Relaxed living	Close to SBU	Too far from major city	Poor transportation – Buffalo airport 1 ½ hr drive	Not many jobs for young people				
273	1	Neatness	Police protection	Churches	In town senior meetings	Walk to stores more	Bus system – travel to Olean				Opposed –my septic system if free!!
274	2										Sheldon Drive
275	4	Friendliness	Atmosphere		Non availability for parking						Route 86 – Exit 24 – West Five Mile
276	2	Small town	Good restaurants		High taxes	Poor parking	Limited shopping				
277	4										Those who benefit should pay!
278	5	Nice location	People look out for each other	People are friendly	High taxes	Vulnerable to flooding	Adolescent crime				

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279	2	Support for neighbors	Youth	Safety	Rumors	Rumors	Rumors				With the building of the new school, Five Mile Rd is growing rapidly. Public sewerage would increase values and protect the water supply
280	5				Village Street Dept. don't do a very good job	The village and town board should wake up to the job their workers do	Very sloppy.				
281	2	Small community			Lack infrastructure						
282	2										There is/are problems with both: take care of the issues on your own – stop trying to have us (people outside Five Mile, etc...) pay for your problems
283	1	Location	Good neighbors	Small town life	Too much bureaucracy for a small town govt						Needed by Exit 24 to attract business
284	5							Public safety		Indoor giant children's playground	
285	2	Small size	Ample, clean water	Rural location	High taxes	Lack of good jobs		Attract & retain businesses			
286	1	Small town character	People friendliness	Involvement of people in govt	Lack of employment opportunities			Outlet shopping			
287	1										My septic is laid out to back of my lot
288	2	Family ties	Neighborhood quality	Small town character	Our school system	Police dept	Reasonable housing price				
289	1	Good police presence	Good fire dept	Variety of places to shop	Amt of residential rental units-too many of them weakens a community	Some properties are not kept clean and have overgrown vegetation-keep owners accountable for their property conditions	Need for youth curfew or more for them to do				
290	1										
291	1	Home town-ness	Good neighbors	Helping others	College housing	Too many bars					
292	5	Little crime	Peaceful		High taxes	Lack of higher paying jobs			Educating residents		
293	2	Size									
294	5	Small, quiet community			Allegany wanting windmills	No one wants them yet it appears we are getting them	We may move away				Exit 24 area of I-86

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295	1	Available housing	St. Bonaventure University	Professional neighbors	Need more cultural events	More educational opportunities	Need for more community activities				
296	1	Small town	Friendly people	All services near by	Main St.- no pride in appearance	Lack of cleanliness					Valley View Drive/Buffalo Road area
297	4										
298					Lack of public transportation				Jobs-without jobs everything else becomes a bigger problem		
299	2										
300	2	Atmosphere									The problem will be at what cost to residents or opposed to big commercial Septic OK
301	5	Character of the people, friendly, hard working, caring	Potential for a highly educated population due to the proximity of many colleges &	Relativity low cost of housing & services compared to other metropolitan areas	Desire to keep everything the same	Loss of young people					
302	2	Low traffic			It is in New York State	Taxes	Taxes	Need more jobs for residents			
303	5	Small town feel	People care		Losing the post office	Bar owners not cleaning sidewalks – butts, bottles, trash				Involve citizens	
304	4	Good for seniors			Poor place for young people						
305	2	Good place to raise family	Safe-village PD does a good job	Schools	Property taxes too high	High cost town board & staffing	Corrupt town politics				
306	1	Nice neighborhoods			Attitudes of residents	Lack of commercial services ex. Food					
307	2	Nearness to work	Neighborhood qualities	Small town character							
308	4	Friendly people	University town	Rural	Taxes	Lack of growth					We have septic and water
309	2										
310	4	People friendly	Small town	Safe	Need more strong youth programs	More stores	More communication	No wind farms!	Affordable housing		
311	5	Schools	People	SBU	Pay for waste	High real estate values					
312	2	Family oriented			Needs to clean up the buildings on Main St						I support public sewage so that we can continue to grow
313	1	Caring community members	Small town feel	Fire dept	Cliques	Police chief not supporting parents concerns ie: school safety issues refer to answer #1	Inconsistent punishment for those in 'cliques' w/ 'the right people'		Tax raises people won't be able to live in Allegany		In favor of extending to areas for future commercial/industrial development

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314	2	Small town character	Close to shopping	Safety	Windmills!	Stop protecting St. Bona's student!	Consolidate village & town gov't				High cost of implementing; higher future tax increases for everyone
315		Friendships									
316	2	Friendliness			St. Bonaventure University	Beer joints					I enjoy my clean, unchlorinated well water/ public sewage would be costly for both the town & rural people
317	5				Taxes too high-driving people out!						
318	5				Trying to protect the environment at the cost of jobs						
319	4							A little hardware store			
320	1	Small town	Friends & neighbors	Safety	High taxes	High taxes	High taxes				
321	1				Roads in village & sidewalks not cleared early enough in winter						
322	2	Hometown warmth	General appearance	Fire dept	Old house corner 2 nd	Overpass garbage & snow (train)	Broken wall aside of road to cemetery – would like to see area remain natural				
323	1	Main street	Low taxes	Good water	Streets need some work	Lack of trees	Curbing on streets				Valley View Drive
324	5	Open space			Main St appearance	Road care					
325	1	Education system	Street & road maintenance	Police protection	Poor maintenance of Bona housing	No enforcement of overnight parking law					
326	1	Tight-knit community	Rec dept/activities	Bonas/bike trail	Turmoil w/ ALCS admin	Lack of APD coverage	Unruly Bona students				
327	2	Fire protection	School	Town highway	Jobs						
328	1	Friendly people	Easy access		Don't work with residents	Communication					
329	3	Safety	Community	School-but fading	Diversity	Too small	Water & sewer in Valley View Dr.				Wouldn't figure town would extend to our area
330	5	Good fire dept	Good law enforcement	Good local government	Lack of higher paying jobs						
331	2										Four Mile Rd
332	1	Library	Bank	School	Parking	Too many bars	Pharmacy/shops				
333	1	School	Pride of home ownership								
334	5	Allegheny is a great place to live and raise a family but we need more 'better' paying jobs to keep our kids here									5 Mile Rd & Buffalo Rd
335	5										

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336	4	Banks	Stores	Restaurants	Uncontrolled young						I-86 exit area
337	5	Small town feel									I-86 exit 24, but paid for by developers
338	3	Good schools	Good fire & police protection	Friendliness of people	Communication gaps of community						Five Mile Rd
339	1										Too expensive – no aid available
340	2	Friendliness			High taxes						With proper planning, its not needed
341	4										
342	5	School academics	School facilities		High taxes						
343	1	Small town feel	Rural character	Good schools	RR thru downtown	High taxes			High taxes		
344	5	Deep generational roots	Friendliness		Better street repair needs						The town people? Each can put in sidewalks they want privilege without requirements
345	5	Good programs for youth & seniors	Good shopping area-east side		Poor parking in village	High taxes					
346	2	Nearness to work	Not crowded		High taxes						
347	5				High taxes	Poor paying jobs except for town		SBU & churches: stop using village police for events			
348	2										
349	5	Safe	Homey		Roads					Reduce taxes	From town out to MS/HS. From village out to Buffalo Rd
350	1	Safe	Village police		Zoning enforcement	Parking enforcement	Prop. Taxes		Job opportunity		
351	2	Community activities	Homes generally taken care of		Communications	Powerful people					
352	2	Good schools	Close to Olean	St. Bona's	Taxes	Empty mall in West end	Flood from river				
353	1	Small town	Convenient to shopping, colleges & recreation	Good school	Being in a flood plain I've been flooded twice in 18 years – what about a dike on Five Mile	Teen recreation i.e. bowling alley, video arcade, fitness center					
354	5	Its people			No parking in village	Lack of snow removal Main St village					West State Rd
355	2				Unwelcoming	Clique	Conceited				5 Mile Road to the school
356	2	People	Business	School	Bureaucracy	Taxes	Housing				
357	2	Friendly people	Small town atmosphere		Limited retail	Limited restaurant	Issues @ school (ALCS middle school)				
358	2										West and north
359	4	Protection from law enforcement	Church attendance		Unruly college parties	College kids are disrespectful, their apartments are dirty, beer bottles etc.					
360	1				Parking						
361	1	People			Government (LIES)						
362	2										
363	5										

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364	4	Rural	Small		No enforcement of zoning laws						I think Sheldon Dr could use public sewer. It would help the resale value of the homes. I could also stay in my current St. Mary's Drive area
365	4	Fire department	Police dept	Churches	Aged community	Lack of industry					
366	1	Small town atmosphere	Safety	Cleanness	Jobs	Expensive	Roads				
367	1										
368	5	School system	Main St/shopping		Get parcel off exit 24 developed						
369	1										Fortune Dr area
370	4	Local restaurant	Rec programs	Safety	Need more shopping dept stores ie Kohls						
371	1	Excellent school	Fire dept	Safety	Lack of business	Run down housing/too many apartments	Poverty				
372	4										
373	1	Nice size	Proximity to SBU	Proximity to work	Distance from major city with airport	Limited shopping					
374	1										Old Kmart plaza area would benefit-more desirable for development/jobs
375	1	The village is great!			Taxes						
376	1										Need to know areas of true need, then set plan by priority
377	4								Taxes	EDZ	I would support water & sewer to attract businesses though
378	2	Friendliness	People	Location	Roads						
379	4	Friendly people	With Olean & Allegany plenty of shopping		Craft store			Jobs			Keep village and town separate
380	4	Quality single family homes	Safety		Low job opportunity	High taxes					
381	5										
382	5	School system K-SBU	Rural living	Generally friendly	Little to do social events	When my wife and I dated we came here for carnival, drive in, eating (Castle Rest.) kina going					
383	2	Small town atmosphere	School system	Fire dept	We need more EMT's volunteers	Police should be town wide (jurisdictional)	Need more economic development-higher				Along Route 17 West
384	1				No overnight parking on Main St for guests to my						
385	1	Values	Morals	Family oriented							
386	2										
387	1	Small town atmosphere	Safety		Low level of activity for seniors	Affordable cafes or restaurants					
388	5				Too many students living in town						
389		Convenience	Friendliness	Safety	Lack of public transportation	Medical services					

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390	2	Friendliness	Accessibility								Maple Ave
391	5				Lowering quality of maintenance of SBU off campus housing						
392	5										
393	5	Space to grow	Schools		No parking	Business buildings need improvement					Valley View Dr area
394	3	Small town feel	St Bonaventure	Adequate retail	Runaway school taxes			Leave windmills out of enchanted mountains			5 Mile Rd, 7 th St, Maple Ave, Buffalo Rd
395	2										
396	3	Fire dept	Post office		Not enough parking						Out to the old Kmart
397	5				Nothing for youths to do						
398	3										
399	2	Character	Friendliness		Lack of businesses						
400	1	Nearby shopping	School	Safety I-86	No young adult activities	Few tech jobs to keep graduates	Community support & involvement				Need in areas just beyond village limits for safe ground water
401	4	Small town feel			Parking	Old buildings stand too long empty					
402	1	It's small			It's small-minded						
403	4				The school is way too far from our home (app. 20 miles) should have been centrally						
404											
405	4	Good neighbors	Good police and fire protection		Bars	Bona students fights	Nightly traffic tie ups				Sheldon Drive
406	1	Small community	Great services: fire, garbage pick up	Schools	Main Street appearance	Community activities	Summer parades and activities				Very costly to maintain/replace in later years (learn from Olean City)
407	1	Good neighbors	Good schools	Good streets/roads	Lack/cooperation – town and village governments						
408	2	Schools	Low crime rate	Fire and EMS services	Kids programs and activities						Already spent 6500 on septic systems
409	1							60 + building for the BIG growth			
410	1	Friendliness of people			Run down houses on Main Street			Open/equitable zoning			
411	3										
412	4	Low crime	Friendliness	Grocery store convenience	No jobs	Pot holes					
413	5	Friendly citizens	Good location – I 86	Natural, country appearance	Poor planning board attitude	Bad zoning decisions	Citizen political apathy				
414	1										
415	2										
416	5	Local businesses	School system	Churches							Would have to be cost effective projects – on a case by case need

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417	5	Excellent fire department	River trail; hills and beauty	Yard waste removal	Gossip	Rumors	Gossip				
418	2	Friendliness									Funds would be better spend on other initiatives; only necessary expansions should be explored
419	1	Friendly neighbors	SBU events	Plowing sidewalks	Needs more businesses	Protect our water system	Too much sand/salt on roads				
420	4	Small town atmosphere	Diversity		Jobs	Services			Brain drain		Allegany St. and Park St.
421	1										Cost or raise in taxes would be probable
422		Friendly people	Good restaurants								
423	4	East side business expansion	Fire dept	Friendly	Off campus student housing and activity	High taxes					
424	2										
425	3	Convenience	Friendliness	SBU	Overzealous police force	Main Street lighting and appearance	Taxes				
426	3	People – friendly			No bowling alley						Maple Ave; 7 th St ext; Five Mile Road
427	3										
428	1	Friendliness	Safety	Government	High taxes	Too many bars	Unruly Bona students				
429	3				Disruptive college students						Down 417 Old State Rd.
430	4							School district reestablishment – as source of pride			
431	2	Government	Street maintenance	Police protection	\$						Further expand in parts of town closest to village
432	2	Safety			No public transportation						
433	2	Natural beauty	Close proximity to SBU	Safety	Building appearances in Allegany	High poverty rate	High school/property taxes	Wind mills			
434	2	Closeness	School		Jobs	Stores	Cell service past high school				St. Chris Dr – Fortune et al
435	1	People	Character	School	Bona off campus housing	Shabby businesses	Property taxes				
436	1	Fire department	Police department	Street department							Would support if water was being compromised
437	3							Property taxes preventing development	Property taxes		Allegany/Limestone School is needed
438	2	Good schools	Good scenery		Aging population	Trying to reduce tax burden on home owners					
439	5										
440	1	Good people	Low crime		Property taxes	Resistance to change	Opposition to development				Favor; Five Mile Rd.

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441	2										Fortune Dr
442	1	Safety			School/village/coun-ty taxes too high	Junky looking houses on Main Street	Too many bars; junky looking ones; SBU students only come to town to				
443	1	Safety			Taxes	Useless police chief					
444	5	Bring businesses to Allegany			Not having our own sewer treatment plant						The 4 Mile Rd all the way up to the end near Knapp Creek
445	1	Friendly			A good book store	Good craft stores					
446	1	Excellent fire department	Conscientious police department	Public sewer amenities	Unemployment	Very high home property taxes	Senior housing				N of Maple Ave
447	2										I just put in a new septic so it wouldn't benefit us
448	2	People	Good businesses (the ones that we have)	School	Taxes	Not enough businesses					
449	5	Wealthier than neighbors			School taxes too high						
450	3										
451		School	Really there is nothing else		Police enforcement	St. Bona students	Lack of activities				5 Mile – 417 – Exit 24
452	1	Small town feel			No late night entertainment other than bars						Our rate will go up and town will not pay and Mr. Gleason doesn't need another raise further
453	2	School system	Friendliness								
454	2	Appearance	Ability to walk		Parking						Five Mile area to school
455	1	Quiet	Safe		Taxes	Water quality					
456	5							Zoning because you keep changing for SBU			
457	1										It depends on why it will be extended and whether the investment will be repaid
458	3	People	Character	Size	More efficient government						
459	1	Police department	Snow plowing sidewalk	Friendly people	Village pays town taxes and gets nothing but great if they have to do something in village						Knapp Creek
460	5	Post office	Library	Town hall	Parking						Areas north of the village – only in most concentrated areas
461	3	Fire protection	Schools		High taxes	Lack of cultural activity					
462	5										Rt 417 west of village; 5 Mile valley
463	3										Valley view
464	5	Safety	Atmosphere of small town	School							

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465	5				Poor care for the abandoned cats	We need strict rules to support quietness and cleanliness	Noisy neighbors out of control				
466	5										
467	1	Small town character	Police protection	Governance	Dilapidated houses	Unkept properties; we need to get after the "good old boys" who detract/own "eyesore" properties					
468	5				Lack of public parking	Poor side streets					Needed on west side by expressway. I have very good well water and sewer system, do not want it to change
469	5	Size	Convenient	School system	Economically weak						
470	2	Small town	Safety		Very little job opportunities	High taxes	Snow clearing				Expense of project
471	4							Influx of commercial centers (kmart/reids area)	Growing influence of SBU		
472	2	Diversity	Small town feel	SBU	Taxes	Poverty		Developing close to village; leaving country side alone			
473	4	In tact forest lands	Open spaces		Short sighted development	Left over oil industry junk					
474	2	Best fire dept in county	Town road crews (plows)	Pat Eaton	Lack of culture	Too much influence on the part of SBU; nuns	Drab appearance of village (see Ellicottville, Randolph, Cuba)		School tax		
475											
476											
477	5	Friendliness	School	Churches	Representatives not listening to constituents	People not taking park in local government decisions – attending town	Developing west side of town by expressway				Only should happen if all residents in an area agree
478	2										
479	5				Ugly overhead power lines should have been buried during sidewalk reconstruction						Not familiar enough
480	4	Friendly							High taxes		Would love sewer on south half of Allegheny St; heard my neighbors blockaded the street years ago to prevent this – makes me wonder about my neighbors
481	1	Location	School								
482	2	School district	Small town feel	SBU	Lack of high speed internet	Poor cell phone reception	Lack of natural gas service				
483	3	Highway snow removal	Elderly housing	Sewer and water service	Police protection	Waste – leaf pickup	Zoning – house trailer				N 5 th St; in town of Allegheny
484	5	School system	Fire department	Small town	High taxes	Treatment of Bona students	Parking				

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485	5				Over kill on laws	Get rid of zoning	Lower taxes				Expense would be high, need to hire workers to run plant
486	1							Tax control			417 W, Five Mile, Maple Ave
487	1	Highways			Police						
488	5	Cleanliness	Fire and ambulance	Everything you could want							Fortune Dr, Rte 417 near exit 24
489											
490	3				Don't integrate newcomers – not being integrated into the community makes it difficult to talk about the						Cost prohibitive
491	3										
492	5	Small town atmosphere			School taxes getting out of control						
493	2	School system	Fund raising events								
494	4										
495	1	Like small village	University	Ability to walk places in	Weather	Limited cultural events	Shopping choices				West of village
496	1	Education/school system	Centrally located	Family oriented	Property taxes	Services (village)	Leadership				Rt 417 as far west of American Legion
497	2	Sense of community	Safety	SBU	School – embarrassing! High taxes	Clean up Main Street	Paid officials with questionable morals				
498	2	Small town charm	Allegheny River (natural resources)	SBU	Attractiveness (we are not a destination time)						
499	1	Safe place to live and raise family	Rural setting		Employment opportunities to keep young adults in						
500	2										
501	2	Quiet	Rural		Public	High speed internet					
502	5	Small town feel	Clean	Safe	No bowling alley	Sporting venues other than SBU	No dog park				
503	1	Very good									If the people pay for their frontage and if the people vote on it
504	4										Residential areas east side of town
505	5	People	School	SBU					Narrow minded govt		
506	4										
507	1	Safety	Village services	Closeness of community (village)	Need younger government body	Need more community	Need term limits on government				
508	3										Any extension will never include my home

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509	2	Fire dept	School district	Community spirit	Lack of medical/pharmacy	Lack of development on					
510	1	Safe place to live	Services provided (village)	Small town community	Government bodies are clueless	Need more people to get involved	Too much money wasted fixing town hall and other outdated infrastructure			Recreation	
511	5	Very tight community	Maintenance and up keep		Taxes	Too many personal agendas in government					
512	5	Size of comminy			School system administration						
513	3							Tax reduction			
514	3	Strong leadership			Lack of good paying employment						
515	4	Education	Low crime		Taxes	Taxes	Water and sewer				Uneded in rural areas
516	1	Safety	Self esteem	Responsibility							
517	1	Friendly people	Caring officials	Beauty	High taxes	Too many bars	Loud Bona students				Why is it that we that live out of town are the last
518	5	Families that have been in Allegany 100 years or more	Hickey Tavern attracting bands from out of area	St. Bonaventure attracting people from out of area	Families that have been in Allegany 100 years or more	Main St. businesses failure to weed and do basic beautification	Easy access to tax free cigs and gas and gambling				Rt 417 for development; upper 7 th Street; Five Mile Rd.
519	5										
520	5	Safety	Good people	Clean water and air	People who make a lot of money always thinking they can do it better and begrudging the poor guy making 40-50,000 a year. If they had their way they would lay off the whole town,						
521	2										
522											
523	1	People/friendliness	Safety	Business services (restaurants, banks, stores)	Some % of the properties are in disrepair					Find a way to block Main St off to vehicle traffic and develop area for eating/shipping/ arts/coffee shops	
524	5	Beauty of area	Location		Taxes too high						

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525	2	Good management									5 Mile area
526	5	I don't see any strengths			No jobs	Too small as a community					
527	3	People	School system	Area	Roads	College nights	Lack of activities				Klices Cross area
528	2	Patrick Eaton – town supervisor is trying very hard to bring business to Allegany	Offers senior activities, children activities, community events	Roads and streets are well maintained	We need more retail shopping so we don't have to travel to cities outside	Better paying jobs so our children aren't leaving area	Rural don't receive good cell service and internet (needs broadband for country living)				
529	5	Safe	Distance to things needed	Walkable community	High taxes	High taxes	High taxes				
530	2	People	Fire Co.	School	High taxes	The cellular service	Road conditions				
531	5	Small town	Friendly people	College town	Drugs in the school system	High taxes (town, county and school)	Too many good ol' boys running this town				
532	4										I live in a rural section – too costly to have done
533	3	Strength of supervisor and council men/women	Govt	Residents					Property taxes		
534	2										Fortune Dr., Maple Ave, Rte 417 (W State Rd), West of village
535	1	Small town			None						
536	1	School	The great outdoors	Pride	Jobs						
537	5	Community oriented	Attractive		Be careful of taxes				Tax liability		
538	2				Lack of parking	College housing					Public sewer is available to many undeveloped areas now

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539	5				Too many not in back yard people	Too many people want to look like suburbs if want that I move to city					Thos beyond public sewage utilize septic systems
540	1										
541	2	Good police/fire protection	Good roads	Good retail/restaurants	Rising property costs	Less volunteers for EMS	Need more exit 24/route 417 west development				Exit 24 area to promove commercial development
542	2	Small community			High taxes						
543	5	Small town	Good school system		Taxes	Town govt		Maintain integrity of this community	Bona students renting within the community and landlords letting properties get run down		
544	1	Friendly, helpful	Bonagany		Oppose change	School system in dire need of good	Communication of meetings				
545	3	New sidewalks	New street lights	Some buildings	Bona housing	Run down buildings					The town had its public sewage
546	5	History	Good people	Churches	High taxes	Building requirements					Toward the Allegany Legion
547	5	Country setting with open space/ acreage	Existing shopping	School	Zoning to protect our hillsides from development (ie wind turbines)	More variety of shopping	Lack of employers with large hiring potential	How can we lower taxes?	Taxes		
548	5	Small business	Tight knit	Dominic Papasergi	Lance Jobe	Village DPW supervision					
549	1	Quiet neighborhood	Services (plowing sidewalks/roads)	New restaurants and new insurance building	Houses/buildings getting run down	Concern for maintaining the natural beauty here	High taxes				
550	1	Good schools	University location	Churches	Too many restaurants	No pharmacy	Nepotism				
551	4										
552	2	Minimal governmental interference	Good people								There is no need for public sewage in the town; septic systems are already established and maintained
553	2	University/ diverse community (the people!)	Affordable real estate		Taxes	Taxes	Taxes				
554	2										I live @ Valley View Estates; unless public sewer came here I am opposed
555	1				Taxes	Too many cops	Too big fire dept				Eldorado Heights
556	1	Close-knit			High taxes						As much as possible

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557	2	Small town	Open spaces	Until now, reasonable property taxes	SBU	No convenient parking	Rising property taxes				
558											North of the Village along 5 Mile
559	1	Public safety	Social events	Rural setting	High taxes	Politics	Nepotism				Out 5 Mile to school – 7 th – Maple Ave
560	4	Police, fire, and EMT	Stores, restaurants	Post office	Lighting					Bona square project	Develop eastward! Bring life back to old Kmart plaza / Allegany Drive
561	2	Safety until recently (firebombing; recent robbery)			Poor used money at public school system	Need for money conflicting with character of town (windmills, gas drilling consideration)					
562	2	Neighborly people	Fire dept equipment	Police protection	Ability to attract decent paying jobs	The school system is not what it used to be	Amount of response time from rescue department				It would never come to me so why spend the money for a few
563	5										

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564	5	Friendly	Small		No community events	No job opportunities	No good stores near the village	Adding businesses			We have septic, unsure of best option; this is the first time we've ever had septic
565	5	Governing body	Police/fire dept		Taxes					Keep town clean; attractive	Olean is already over loaded – they will charge a premium price
566	1	School system	New building developments	Small town relationships	Bonaventure kids – noise	Rundown houses/buildings	Lack of jobs	Entrepreneurship			Opposed – cost – Olean can't handle more without raising cost to Allegany
567	1	Small town	Neighborhood	Safety	Taxes						
568	2	Rural setting	Many amenities	Near hospital	Businesses along Main Street	Lighting along Main Street	Development of Exit 24	Government communication with citizens			Five Mile, Nine Mile, Rt 417 W
569	5	Friendly people	Good (expensive) school	St. Bona	Too expensive govt	Too much family in govt	Govt waste				
570	3	Friendly/cooperative nature	Sense of community	This survey as a source to become stronger and better							
571	2	Peaceful	Friendly	Schools	Taxes	Rowdy students	College rentals				East end
572	5	It's size and quality of people; entrepreneurship and people starting businesses	SBU	Understanding of importance of family and life related	Spend money on things/little results	Too far from Buffalo for real growth	Need more entrepreneurship			Sewer and water	
573	3	Schools			Weather	"not in my backyard" syndrome					Most residents out of village do not support industry; support sewer in that area
574	3										
575	1	Small	Safe		Petty bickering	Lack of good leadership/cooperation					Extend public sewer further out the Five Mile
576	1	Small			Petty bickering						
577	1	Schools	Safety		Student noise	Wind blow debris		Mid to upscale senior housing			
578	2	Rural character	Friendly people	Relatively cheap living	No water	No sewer	Back roads need help				
579											
580	1				Taxes	Taxes	Taxes				
581	3	People			Absent landlords						

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582	3	I have excellent neighbors but that has little to nothing to do with the town									
583	1	Residential area	Police and fire	Education	Too dependent on Olean	Stronger voice (vote) in county					
584	5	Friendly atmosphere			Streets/roads						
585	2	Trying to develop new businesses	Whole east side commercial area	Potential of Bona square	School tax burden	Lack of development of old Kmart site	Further development east side/Bona square				417W, Five Mile
586	1	Everyone is friendly	Clean	Store and rest good people	Traffic	Bonas students (sometimes)					417 NW of village
587	2	Friendly people	A lot of things going on	Not enough parking on Main Street	Pay too much taxes	Need more restaurants					
588	1	Small town	Run-down housing	Appearance on Main Street					Bona housing in residential areas		
589	2	Small town character	Beautiful surroundings	Friendliness	Not integrated with SBU	Doesn't highlight small town (village) character	No bakery or bookstore				
590	2	Non political town board	Pat Eaton – supervisor	School system	Overzealous zoning committees	Decreasing number of volunteer fireman	SBU's over use of fire dept for ambulance service for drinking related incidents w/o reimbursement to dept		Loss of our youth	HS internet	Your survey mentions ext 24 – the gateway to Allegany
591	4	Know everyone	Small size		Very high taxes	No public water/sewer					
592	1	Street department services	Friendliness of people	Fire dept in need community assist	Communication, town hall						
593											
594	1	Friendly neighbors	Quiet-min. traffic	Garbage, plowing, lawn/yard pickups (village services!)	Taxes	Attempts to draw in businesses that are environmental		New development		Commercial development	
595	1				Town and village unable to work together for betterment of area						

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1	Same as 3.12			
2				
3	Same as 3.12	Expand village police to cover town		Encourage development
4	Who wants a water bill when a good water well will do the job?	None	Too many town employees; taxes are to high	This town needs to cut cost and not spend more than the town is taking in; the highway department is full of corruption.
5	I live in the town and don't want/cannot afford a water bill; I like well water much better flavor wise.			I oppose the wind farms – no matter where they may be located. They are ugly and would ruin the natural landscape and beautiful hillsides.
6				
7	We don't want water or sewer	Garbage pick up	Services should be merged with Olean (fire, police, etc)	Reduce taxes! The taxes in this area are due to overspending on governmental programs and employees. Reduce your budgets or get out of office!
8				
9	I have well water			
10	Same as 3.12			
11				Town/village should provide good well maintained roads, police protection and fire protection. Ever thing else is optional and taxes should be lower than they are currently. You will attract families if taxes are low and school is considered best in area!
12	I'm in favor as long as it doesn't raise taxes or rates	Pigeon control	I can't think of anything, but we don't need any more services (too	There should be better control over underage drinking and wild house parties. A curfew would be nice too.
13				
14				Lower taxes; cut waste; get rid of the unions.
15	Same as 3.12		Senior citizen center (paying for bus trips)	Town government is too expensive to support; town officials and employees over paid. I pay for bus trip for people who can well afford it.
16	Four Mile and W Branch Road	Lower taxes		
17	Same as 3.12			
18	Too much; cause more problems and higher taxes			
19			Full time police force (too many officers for size of our town)	Town and village services need to merge. Also, taxes need to be lowered or you will drive young couples out of the area! Same goes for NYS.
20	No then you would charge for it	Parks	Sewage	It was nice for town to make "Bensons" old Kmart plaza a million dollar property by adding town sewage at tax payer expense.
21		Public transportation to Olean		
22	Same as 3.12	Better notice of public meeting (planning, zoning)		Promoting what we have and adding new business (retail)
23				The SBU storefront students should be small business and need to clean up the garbage.
24				It is nice to see that you care about the future of Allegany!
25	Same as 3.12			Keep the windmills our. They will wreck the town. Fine incentives to fix up (help) some of the housing and buildings on the main roads. Image is important.

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26	Same as 3.12	Animal pest control		
27				Find land in village for a parking lot; all business would profit.
28				
29	Needed Sheldon Drive and West	Police protection before 3 pm (base police protection on St. Bona's school year)	Town highway over dumps sand and salt on littlest trickle of snow; what a waste/overdone	Stop dope parties at Hickey Tavern on Tuesday nights. Clean up junk cars on 22 Elm St. Check plants in window of 22 Elm St. No driver's license. Clean up eyesore at VanDusan residence – 86 2 nd St – what a mess! Rats, mice, junk, trash, etc. Grateful Dog – so called hot dog stand open on Bona's school year Thursday, Friday, and Saturday 11 pm - 3 am; then dope, music, booze until 5 am. This should be stopped!
30				
31				Living on a county road, we receive very little, if any services. But property taxes are high. Why? We don't have sewer, water, cable, sidewalks, natural gas, etc. People can't afford the taxes. Also alternative energy should be explored – allowed. And development of Castle property is critical.
32		Clean the town up		
33				I grew up in Allegany and moved back here because of the rural setting and love of nature. Please do not mar the beauty of our hill with wind turbines.
34				No point – “locals” and “family ties” always get the last word. This is a waste of \$.
35		Sewer system and water	Road services combine with village	
36	Same as 3.12			
37	By expressway for development			Combine town and village and save money, use less equipment, or share services and cooperate with each other.
38		Sewer; debris pickup		We do not mind being separated from village but would like the ability to be on the city sewer programs. I am originally from Olean and liked being on public sewer. Don't like septic. Other than that, very happy to be a part of Allegany.
39	For the same reasons as sewer			I think the town and village office should operate as one. There could be extreme saving to both the town and village.
40				
41	Same as 3.12			Need more broad band coverage or high speed internet. Protecting our natural resources at same time as developing the oil and gas and timber that we have. Wind mills are not the answer here!
42		Chipmonk – broadband internet		
43	Five Mile Road	Garbage pickup		
44				
45			Growth of services (cable, internet, cell phone service)	The town doesn't back service upgrades of phone or electric.

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46		Trash collection		Keep windmill farms our of Allegany!
47	Replace water treatment with reversed osmosis		Plowing (we have our own equipment)	
48	Same as 3.12			
49				
50		Radar for speeders		
51	Same as 3.12			Big trash day needed
52	If there is enough for all			Thanks for the survey and all you do! We need to look forward not backward – we must continue to develop and creat new opportunities for growth of all kinds. I believe a combined town/village platform will better support this vision.
53				
54				Merging would consolidate services and employment, lowering costs to maintain both government structures.
55	Let the business pay for it themselves	The town provides no services for me other than collecting taxes (I live on a state road)		Taxes are too high; Bona pays no taxes; people don't even look at buying a house in Allegany unless they were raised here because of the taxes. The land barren's should pay taxes on full value including timber and mineral rights. // The taxes in Allegany are way too high now. Any changes I fear will bring even higher taxes. Weren't we told if the two schools merged it would lower our taxes, how did that work out? But we do have a nice bus garage with an upstairs, an elevator, and shower stalls for part time drivers, we nearly tripled the number of buses in the fleet. Give - me - a - break. Then we have the Fire Dept. which has to have a drive-thru building. Why? It's not east L.A. for heaven's sake. The AVFD also needs trucks that will handle 5 stories high because of Bona's and Bona's doesn't even pay taxes. Bona's is another one every time Bona's takes another property of the tax roll; we all have to make up the difference, Stop selling property to Bona's. Then you have the Land Barrens that own most of the town property, yet do not pay anywhere's near their share of taxes, The lumber companies will tell you they pay Tax on the timber when they sell it, The oil companies say they pay taxes when they sell the oil, and the Farmer say they pay when they sell there crops, they are all lying, they never pay the taxes and certainly not to the town. These properties are valued at a few dollars per acre for tax value but try to buy a piece of it for the tax valuation, good luck. If that theory works ok for ya, why can't I pay my house taxes when I sell my house? // I believe someone is trying to get the community to pay for water and sewer to be extend out side the village so a very few can benefit from it. // I vote NO.
56				
57				
58			Recreation department	
59	Price jump again	Police force in town		More restaurants would be nice, plus additional shopping.
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61		Live in village		Find ways to cut cost of living here otherwise many people will have to leave due to high taxes and property depreciation.
62	Where there are multiple houses together			Why do you have a police chief have another job? When you call on weekends etc no one is available in police especially in daytime.
63				
64				
65				
66				I feel it should be the village responsibility to replace sidewalk blocks and make sidewalk improvements.
67				Keep Bona student housing out of the village! Less bars result in less issues.
68				
69		More 1-2 person (patio homes) for seniors(not separate from the larger community; they need to be able to walk to Park and Shop if necessary)	Encourage each homeowner to build a front porch for neighborliness	In a "perfect world" mother who are able (trained) should be encouraged to be "stay/work at home mothers". All communities in the USA are suffering greatly because of our single parent society and our "latch-key kids". Parents are putting their two income homes before their family's security. What can our local government do to make homes in Allegany more affordable to married mothers who stay home?
70				
71	Same as 3.12	Paid/staffed ambulance service		The town and village government should not make it so challenging for future development (Bona Square, windmills). We should be open arms welcoming business and development for attraction and not be a ghost town without St. Bonaventure.
72		Taxes to the village		
73	North and West of Exit 24	Police		Merger with village would create efficiencies and reduce redundant services
74				
75				Wasting tax money, merging town and village, who authorized this waste of money? Electronic paid for postage.
76	5 Mile area			
77	Too costly		Higher cost to Bona's for water and sewer	St. Bonas should donate more to Allegany Ambulance service. Too many calls to have drunk students to the hospital in the middle of the night. They need their own service or should use Trans Am.
78	Cost could come down	Taxes		
79	Same as 3.12			
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83	Leave it up to people who know better than I			
84	Outside of the village			

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85				Make your survey using larger print!
86	Same as 3.12			
87		More involved in properties like Colonial Village which is neglected; they fail to keep up each lot which they own		They keep raising lot rent every year in Colonial Village but no land maintenance is done. It's their land and they should be responsible for road and driveway replacement and repairs! // To the Town of Allegheny: (lot rent keeps going up!) A few things that should be taken care of is out mobile home parks, especially Colonial Village. The roads are terrible, some senior citizens' driveways should be done when they do, if ever, the roads in the park. After all, it is their land, not ours! Also, what happened to the playground parks and swimming pool that used to be in the park? There are a lot more children in this park than ever before! -- A concerned senior citizen!
88				
89	We already have good water and sewage system			
90	I have well water and it is cleaner than public water			
91				Make student housing landlord (slumlords) fix up properties. A blith(?) to our whole village our property value is so down – almost slums.
92				Why do we have to put stickers(\$2) on our garage when we pay in our taxes for the pick up – “a double whammy!”
93				I want lower taxes on my property.
94				Lower my taxes.
95	Same as 3.12. We have our own well – don't want or need yours			As a community you need to clean the village up. It looks horrible. Rundown buildings and trash all over. Ellicottville's village is what ours should look like.
96		Cops on the street		Keep Bonnie kids from making trouble all over Allegheny. Why is Bonnie kids more important than we who live in Allegheny?
97	Same as 3.12	Sewage to entire town	Better road supervision	Get rid of some highway help – the ones that know nothing.
98	Same as 3.12	Cell phone access – WiFi		
99				
100				
101				More cultural events to promote tourism in the village keeping the Main St. clean and attractive to promote businesses and not bars
102				
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106	Cost			I feel that people need to clean up their property; there are far too many junk cars in peoples yards and there shouldn't be any in front yards.
107	Same as 3.12			Too many people move into the county because they enjoy the quiet and wide open spaces and then want to limit the agriculture because it's dirty, smelly and noisy. Let them move into a state park or purchase the land themselves.

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108	Same as 3.12			
109		More police in the town		Since the school is in the town, I feel we need the village police to expand to the town
110				
111	Same at 3.12	Happy with current services		Think it is important to share services to cut costs. Need to have municipal works pay their own pensions (a match program would be the compromise) and contribute to their medical insurance. Do away with deputy employees and cross train other workers.
112	I live in the village and still don't have proper water supply			
113				
114				I am very disappointed that the telephone lines and power lines still blemish the downtown skyline. We had a chance to beautify downtown area and blew it.
115	Five Mile			
116				
117		Plow the Four Mile Road	School police officer	
118				
119		Water and sewer on Rt 417 W		Develop the fields at the corner of Exit 24 on Rt 417
120				Would like stricter zoning/ordinances on student housing (appearance – curfew and noise disturbance)
121				
122				
123				Need to pay attention to deteriorating housing conditions
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126		Then you can downsize and save me taxes	Office people; downsize, we have computers now	I am tired of people in office thinking they need a high wage just to sit on their butts and use my hard earned money to line their pockets instead of mine.
127	Same at 3.12			
128		Outdoor skating rink		Contain sprawl and buy up development rights on green land; when building town buildings build more energy efficient ones; develop programs to help home owners reduce energy consumption
129	North of maple along 5 Mile North	Snow removal		I have only been here 2 ½ years. I believe in order for the Allegany/Olean community to retain people they should invest in a deeper community welcomeness!

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130		Small restaurants; small clothing stores		My husband and I have resided here for 5 years now – off the Five Mile Road. We love it there, but as much as we don't want to, we have been looking for a nice home in Allegany, but feel the taxes are too high. Also cost of sewage and water,. Housing seems a little high as well – we are town – because we do enjoy it there, we have a hard time with our dirt road.
131	Same at 3.12			
132	I-86 exit area			
133				
134				
135				
136		Animal control; fix storm drainage on Union Street; raise River Road so as it is not closed		Please, please put the other street lights back on Main Street. It is very hard to see Bona kids at night. I do not need glasses.
137				
138		Police presence to discourage crime and drugs		I wish they would preserve money by not plowing bare roads. Don't send the workers out in big trucks just to get them out of the barn – running a truck for no good reason is wasteful.
139				
140		More recycling		
141				
142	Why – why should taxpayers pay for individuals benefit		Duplication of town/village offices and workers	Vandalia Bridge replaced; what is this survey costing and who's paying for it?
143				
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146				
147				There's not drug store/pharmacy on Main Street. Save the post office!
148				
149	Same as 3.12			
150				Our taxes are so high our young people can't afford to buy homes in Allegany.
151				Village residents should not have to pay both village and town taxes
152		Transportation for the elderly; youth programs for teenagers		
153	Street	Housing for seniors		
154		I live in village	Same as 4.1	Village and town should merge; chief of police should not be supervisor of streets. Enforce laws!
155				
156	Too expensive – wells don't tax everyone	Local law enforcement		Plows need to be out earlier than school buses in winter; promote availability of parks for events.
157	Same as 3.12			Proactive, progressive, "community" committees, not associated with government

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158	Same as 3.12; I think this encourages sprawl			Olean and Allegheny should share law enforcement; an energy plan burning biomass is a bad idea
159				
160				
161	Same as 3.12			
162				I just hope that Allegheny's EMTs improve for all of the community so that no one loses their lives while waiting ½ hour to see who is going to show up. When you can't breathe you hope help shows up quick – not wonder where they are or are they coming.
163				
164				People clean up after animals (dogs)
165				
166				The old Kmart building on 417 – a waste of land – looks dumpy and should put businesses in there.
167	Same as 3.12			
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170	Same as 3.12			
171	Same as 3.12		Recycling	
172		Not sure – county handles most needs		
173				
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176	Same as 3.12	Bi monthly news letter about meeting and events (Allegheny happenings) “not mailed” – a pickup area such as Park n Shop,		
177				We need to lower our taxes and improve the look of Main Street. Take a look at the quaint village of Ellicottville – Main Street in Allegheny is depressing.
178	Same as 3.12	Promotion of solar energy; more aggressive recycling		

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179	Same as 3.12			Very concerned that the proposed wind turbine project will adversely impact our area. If it ends up being built, this could impact desirability of the area for drawing people to the area and impact value of real estate.
180		Plowing sidewalks; public water sewage		
181				
182	I just put a new septic system in (W Five Mile Rd) and do not want additional cost; my well water is good.	Help with the Five Mile Creek eroding property and people abusing it	The politics of who you are rather than what is right or wrong	I think using all that water at the fire hall for car washes, filling pools, etc is abuse. When people restructure their property on the Five Mile Creek it is the law is not enforced and federal money should not be given in flooding situations.
183	Same as 3.12			As a resident and taxpayer of the Village of Allegany, I do not understand why we have to pay both Town and Village taxes. Anyone I have talked to has never given me a straight answer. It's very irritating when people talk out of both sides of their mouths. // Also, if the Town and Village merge what services would the village lose and would we still have to pay both town and village taxes.
184				A very nice community to live in!
185		Should attempt to develop former Kmart site along with others vacant	Over payment of benefits	Payment of health benefits for all village employees not necessary.
186		I noticed our village taxes have doubled in the last 9 years but		
187				
188				Our town is desperately in need of senior (nonsubsidized) housing complexes, be it housing complexes, be it condos/apartments because of the growing aging population.
189	Same as 3.12	Expand the transfer station like it was before		Longer hours and town hall offices; if not every day – then at least one day a week.
190				
191	Same as 3.12; we do not need public water and sewer on the Five Mile	Sidewalks and walking/bike trails to encourage being on foot; garbage pickup	The town doesn't provide anything I can think of except snow removal	The roads are awful. The upper Five Mile, the road over Chapel Hill to Great Valley. The river trail is unusable once the mosquitoes are out. Basically, there is nothing.
192	Same as 3.12			Village does too much i.e. plowing sidewalks, picking up yard waste. County wide Fire Dept would be great – lower our insurance rates, attract new business. This survey is a colossal waste of money. Post office should buy an empty building on Main St.
193	Same as 3.12	Trash pickup		The Duggan Duggan property on the corner of 7 th Street is an eyesore.
194			Reduce the number of Board members and staff at town of	
195	West end of town			
196		Transportation		
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199	7 th Street to Valley View; Buffalo Road			If windmills are allowed I and many of my neighbors and friends will sell their homes. It will destroy property values and kill this area, just like a landfill.
200				Volunteer Fire Dept is second to none. We have great police protection. Clean village and friendly people. I feel safe to walk streets anytime day or night.

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201	The cost	Police	County & Village streets dept	Snow removal horrendous. Authorities at Bonas should be in village after midnight a few times. Semi & big trucks should use 86 and not 417 continuously. You want business on Main – but parking is inadequate.
202				
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204		Mail box replace from snow plow drivers (train them)		Jobs we can live on
205	Same as 3.12	As a village residence I am more interested in village services	Any duplication of services or overlapping services provided by the state, county or village	
206	Think you always need the extra water supply	Don't know any	Don't know any	While some feel SBU is really good for our community it has a downfall with all the SBU students taking over Allegany after 9pm. They need to have place on campus to do their activities and not interfere with family events with small children
207	Unsure	Unsure	Unsure	Better police control of SBU students in village. They treat our village with no respect while they prepare to go on and live their lives. We have a nice village and they run wild and police supervise & don't enforce respect of students for our town!!
208				Work & safety training for village & town employees. They don't know what hard hat & safety vest is!
209		No idea, I need a list	No idea, I need a list	Stop nepotism
210	Rt 417 west	n/a	n/a	
211	Don't know why it's needed? Maybe town help w/ water filters ets. For well homes			Great opportunities for elementary aged children. Need something for teenagers.
212	Same reason I do not want an additional bill each month		Street sweeping in early march! – too early!	The town, regardless of current debates, should be more active in looking at alternative sources of energy ie solar? Hydro? And wind!! This seems to be an aging community with old thoughts, lets start looking ahead for our children!!
213				
214				
215				
216	We have our own wells			Reduce spending on or by highway dept
217	We have, hope everyone has it!	Street clean up & sewer!	Not sure	Just want you to know that my husband and I have considered moving closer to his work, but we love Allegany! The festivals, neighborly love that you can'y find in a lot of places. So, thank you!
218	Old KMart plaza at exit 24	Nothing that matters on our day to day. Though our street could	Unknown	Compared to Olean, Allegany is way ahead of the curve in maintaining the town/village in cleanliness, aesthetics and keeping business
219		Garbage pickup		
220	Cost & wells are good	None	None	Why use a out of town source for questionnaire
221		Trash pickup near village lines		We need a nice pet store and a Kohls & (PetSmart) size
222				
223		Sewer & possibly water	Undecided	I am looking forward to the results & action by the town
224				A wind farm within sight of the village will stigmatize the village and threaten property values. The village should be more active as a stakeholder in project review
225	Increases taxes – Sr. citizens can't afford the extra costs			Town board needs to have control over the Town Highway Supervisor – he stomps on people's rights and freedom
226				DO NOT allow wind turbines to be installed in Allegany – they would ruin the “Enchanted Mountains”!!!

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227	Expand to follow growth	Some public transportation		Do not allow windmills
228	This only applies to village – this survey is from town	Town is fine	Village is a blood sucker!	No local labor on major projects such as new school disaster that raised everybody's taxes and Taj Mahal bus garage!
229	No need in the area where I live	None I can think of	None	Where the zoning laws are for "residential" that they enforced
230				
231		None	Town comptroller	Town economic growth needs to increase. School taxes need to be lowered or no more increase
232				The town did an excellent job with snow removal this year!
233	417 West; North and South			Town needs to promote more business/industry. Tax breaks, water sewage etc. to get more on tax tolls but give a tax break
234				
235	Five Mile to school			
236	Well water is OK		Cut Parks & Rec budget	
237	West end Route 417	None	None	Eliminate layers of gov't. Consolidate! Consolidate! Villages, towns, county, state, schools. Eliminate governments and consolidate. Even counties should consolidate with other counties.
238		Provide less, cut spending & taxes!	Pick a percent and cut across the board	Western NY has a population that is declining! Excessive regulations and high taxes are the reason!
239		None	None	Absolutly no wind mills and no drilling for gas as breaking up the shale could put gas in our drinking water. This drilling could also lower the water table.
240				Get the wind farm into Allegany
241	RT 417 former Kmart Plaza			
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245				Leave the out side of the village water and sewer along
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247				
248		More speed control on South 9 Mile Rd	None	I was born here and will die here. But we have lost the home town feel. Also- we will be taxed out of here and Catt. Co.
249		None	None	
250				
251	Have well water that taken care of	Happy with towns service	None	Quit stopping developers from coming to Allegany. They create jobs and help with modern times so people (kids) don't want to leave
252				
253		Cable	None	

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254				No windmills!
255				Be very careful spending monies, water went to old Kmart. Who did it benefit – (1) person what a waste of money.
256	Push is to have it so highschool will have it & people will still have to pay for lines even if not using it			
257		Enforcement of zoning laws – look at all the junk around	Too many highway employees – could be cut in half	No windmills – they would further depreciate the values of homes. Clean up of existing properties would help
258				
259				
260				Wind turbine project proposed for Chipmonk, 4 Mile area will have a huge negative impact on area. IE: property values, attracting prof, people, tourism and beauty of ridge lines & forested areas
261	Exit 24 area & Five Mile Rd	My road is plowed & ditches cleaned, other than that I don't		Parts of the downtown store fronts look like welfare. Needs to be cleaned up and property owners need to be accountable
262				
263	Too much \$		Trim the fat	It is very expensive to start business. Very unfriendly with regards to zoning and planning. Just let the town develop business – don't “[expletive]” that there will be too much traffic – traffic equals people and business. We need both.
264				
265		Trash pickup		
266	Have very good water from private well			Lower realestate taxes
267		Regular bus service to Olean – senior/service center in village		
268	Have well			
269		Transportation services to Olean from mobile home court		
270				I would like to have a vote in the windmills coming. They would be an asset and not noisy like others claim. Put it to a vote.
271				
272				Windmill towers are not my idea of positive development
273	Opposed my well water is awesome and free!!	Police force	None	Main Street looks great except for those very ugly power lines!!
274				The 2 mobile home parks on the 4 Mile Rd are a super eye sore. Sherwood Park and Bonna View
275	Five Mile area	Water coop to service entire township	None	
276				
277			Rec services should be paid by the users	Too much overhead in village police. Most are not needed with county sherrif and state police
278				

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279	To former Kmart Plaza area, for economic development	Sewerage & possible public water to certain areas	Not sure	Taxes simply too high! Property taxes on our house valued at \$130,000 – nearly \$4000/yr. in many states those same taxes would be in the \$100's or less. What more services do we get for \$1000's more? Any real question why people deserting NYS in droves?
280		None	None	
281				
282	There is/are problems with both: take care of the issues on your own – stop trying to have us (people outside Five Mile, etc...) pay for your problems			
283	Needed by Exit 24 to attract business	Community pool for town residents only- daily or seasonal fee for use		Would like to see Allegheny attract and retain business/industry. Be creative in seeking out business/industry – fill niche markets. Look for ways to encourage area youth to keep busy and have fun – this can keep them off of the streets.
284				
285				Need more trees planted in village instead of removing
286		Low cost energy		
287		None	None	
288		Reduction in taxes – school & property I can barely afford to live here!	I have spoken with many	Give us a break! Reduce taxes, we are struggling terribly! Have a conscience Also stop the windmills – no one wants them except for those that will profit from them. Help the community, please stop hurting us.
289				
290				
291				The following comments are about the village and not the town. A few years ago thousands of dollars were spent rebuilding the Main St. sidewalks, subways an installed new street lighting. It was beautiful. Since then it has all been downhill as far as appearance is concerned. As a resident of the village I am ashamed of the appearance of the street now. I cannot understand the lack of pride that the business and property owners have. Most of the buildings are pretty good, although some are a disgrace and should be torn down. // The sidewalks and subways are a real mess. They are never cleaned and the grass and weeds are coming up through the bricks. The planters and trees are a mess. People should take a lesson from a businessman, Charlie Gary that had a furniture store on Main St. a few years ago. Every morning you could see Charlie out sweeping and hosing off the area in front of his store and in the winter was sweeping and shoveling the snow. NOW THAT IS PRIDE. The first thing people see when they are entering Allegheny is Main St. The village depts. do a great job of maintaining all the concerns of the Village. Let's give them a helping hand. WAKE UP ALLEGANY AND SHOW THE REST OF THE COUNTRY WHAT A NICE VILLAGE WE HAVE. GET OFF YOUR BUTT AND DO SOMETHING TO IMPROVE YOUR PROPERTY.
292		Bus, local cabs, liquor store		Affordable transportation to events and stores
293				
294	Exit 24 area of I-86	Garbage services		Town employees should NOT hold more than 1 town position. Reduce number of highway staff

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295				To maintain the status quo will result in the loss of population because there are few jobs for young adults. As these young people leave so does the future of the town. This is a wonderful place to raise a family but to do that there needs to be good jobs. In order to have jobs the area needs to be able to attract industry. The more attractive we can be to industry, the better off we will be. The recent decision of Verizon not to build in Niagara County due to the difficulties encountered is something we should be very aware of, and do all we can to avoid.
296	Densely populated areas			
297				
298	Excellent well water			When we were young (50s) there were many opportunities for young people – both employment and recreational – now all there is are bars
299			Too many board members and employees. Please cut expenses at the town to reduce high property	Property taxes are killing us! Please reduce the town and school tax...
300	Again to whom would this benefit	None-could reduce police force	None	Better access to officials esp village. Better decision for town officials esp to big business
301	Well OK			
302				
303				
304		Trash pickup, educational adult programs	?	Need to build and promote local businesses and sustainable agriculture
305				
306				
307				Police should support parents regarding bullying and safety issues in and out of school and not succumb to threats of lawsuits by parents of bullies. Take action and be fair. Appreciate good kids and expect proper behavior from others.
308	Buffalo Rd			
309		Recreational activities for working families ie: after 5-6pm		
310				Keeping SBU students on campus. Fewer beer joints. More upscale stores and restaurants such as Kohls, Olive Garden, etc. we don't need any more stores such as WalMart, Dollar Stores, etc
311	It will never be for us "country folk" so why should I have to pay?			
312	Four Mile along with natural gas			
313	In favor of extending to areas for future commercial/industrial development			

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314	High cost of implementing; higher tax rates for everyone			
315				We would like to see rental property in the village kept up a little better
316	My water is free and delicious	Major improvement or elimination of the town library	Major improvement or elimination of the town library	Windmills-I think these are environmentally destructive-I feel badly for those who live near them. Are they a necessary evil-I don't know
317		Larger refuse collection area (Union St) like previous	?	Village did a great job on snow removal this year! Lots of hard work, thank you!
318				
319				
320	No opposition to town water supply but why pay more to extend it? Couldn't the purchaser of such property pay to extend supply if	Increased APD coverage and/or SBU road patrols at night	It's hard to say, without having a list of services w/ associated costs	ALES superintendant is leaving! We're SUPER excited about potential change within district!
321				
322		Not sure	Not sure	
323	Valley View Drive	Garbage pickup that is affordable!!!		Attract more business – create job. Ease the tax base. If I did not work at D-R I would move due to taxes
324				The town should do everything possible to encourage better maintenance of the County roads in the township. Snow removal is more than adequate but pavement conditions are rapidly deteriorating
325				
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327				
328	Most people already have their own wells and septic – if you're in the town I think you expect to provide your own water/sewer-I did			I think Allegany town/village does pretty well with the services they provide to keep the taxes relatively in check – more services-more taxes!
329	Wouldn't figure town would extend to our area			
330				Just keep doing your best. Takes all you good people
331	Four Mile Rd	Water and sewer		
332				
333				Senior living quarters and not according to income!
334	5 Mile Rd & Buffalo Rd			
335	More about the water itself – hard (too hard), taste is nasty	Fix the Vandalia Bridge already! How about a foot/bike bridge	Fix the Vandalia Bridge already!	Music in the parks at least one night a week in the summer.

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336	I-86 exit area		Plowing sidewalks	
337	Only if demonstrated need and paid for developer			
338	Five Mile Rd	Police		I have enjoyed living in the town and would not move
339	Have own well			
340	Allegany has a very good aquifer – not needed if properly developed. Do not over develop			Please lower property taxes
341	Areas where the residents are willing to pay for same			Nepotism is out of control in Allegany – it is outlawed in several New York State Countys
342				
343				
344	The town people? Each can put in sidewalks they want privilege without requirements (they choose the	Paint lines on the roads AND keep them so	I don't even know what their point in other than taxing and road repairs/plowing	Enforce the zoning code, parking. Noise, trash, junk on porches, R.V.'s junked cars in the village, bad sidewalks!
345		Follow through on need work. Dog worden		
346				Let the fire dept fill people's pools for a donation of \$100
347				
348				
349	From town out to MS/HS. From village out to Buffalo Rd			
350		Garbage removal		
351				
352	Opposed – I like my well water	I would like to be able to burn papers at least twice a month	It's too costly to go to the dump and easier to burn trash	
353				
354	5 Mile Rd			
355	To the school			Why use out of town survey-use local businesses
356				
357				Please fix my road – Chipmonk Rd
358	West and north	Water and sewer services	Merge with village merge	Enforce existing zoning laws
359	Not needed! I've recently put in new septic system and drilled well. Very expensive	Public transportation		Keep property taxes down so senior citizens can afford to live in their own homes. Allegany is the "Best" and only home I've ever lived in!
360				If there was a broad range of jobs, it would help the community
361	Along rt 417 west of Allegany – without water and sewerage there'll be no business development			
362				Thanks for collecting input from people via this survey. This should help to know what people think
363				

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364	Sheldon Dr, although I am happy with my well water	Sewer		I think the Catt. Co. dump needs to accept more materials that can be recycled
365	St. Mary's Drive area			
366				
367				
368		Fios internet		The old Kmart lot!! We need to bring business in!! we have an exit off I86 but nothing there to bring people in/off I86 Exit 24 is a cash cow!! So do something with it!!
369	Five Mile Rd			I do not feel that the town should be charging the village taxes the way that is currently being done. We are being ripped off
370		Neatness, sewer, water, garbage pickup, sidewalks plowed	Shared services	Want to keep the village of Allegany as is-no merge
371				
372				I am quite content living in Allegany and the people have made me feel right at home – speaking as a new member of the community
373				
374	Old Kmart plaza area would benefit-more desirable for development/jobs			
375				
376	Need-Funds-Priority-action plan		Things we don't NEED and/or can't afford- What about village?	My father-in-law, in Wellsville, said that they made a BIG MISTAKE by putting "government" type functions where businesses used to be. Don't let Allegany fall into that trap. Get "businesses"
377		Town wide police to close the jurisdictional loophole		Town highway dept and village DPW should be merged – we don't need dual administrators
378				
379	Keep village and town separate	Drill more of our own water reserves – constant vigilance against damaging water sources		Buy local, work local, maintain the natural beauty/forests/river. Keep town separate from village
380				
381				
382				Stop discouraging businesses to come to Allegany – stop selling houses and land to Bonaventure as they are tax exempt
383		Police protection		
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390	We have our own well water	Street lights, sidewalks		
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392				
393	Valley View Dr area			
394	5 Mile Rd, 7 th St, Maple Ave, Buffalo Rd	Rest stations (benches) on rec. trail to sit		Widen Constitution Ave. subways graded in village and curbing on additional streets. Village controlled tree program included in taxes. List of events and activities for visitors
395		Tougher animal control		No more bars on Main Street; larger building for library w/ parking (1 st St?) fitness gym or Curves; family dining w/ parking
396	Same as 3.12			
397	Extend to Knapp Creek			What services exactly does the town provide?
398		Bus, public transportation		Clean up the bars and main street noise and people running in the roads after dark on main streets
399		I live in the village and have no idea what services the town	Same as 4.1	Would like to see main street with a warmer, friendlier atmosphere; lights in the small trees year round, more like Ellicottville look and feel
400	In areas just beyond village limits because wells may be unsafe			
401				
402				
403				
404		Clean up the trash along the roads and sidewalks		Make the slum landlords clean up their houses and apartment; they get well paid for renting so make them clean the trash up
405				With the increasing population of senior citizens – a larger center is greatly needed to encourage the seniors to keep active to avoid or delay the nursing home population
406				Adamantly oppose any commercial wind turbine installations; need better snowplowing prior to school bus AM runs; planning and zoning boards and members need to be much more honest and accountable to citizens
407				
408				I feel that water should not be piped free to the old mall on State St. We paid for the line for 20 years.
409				
410		Yard waste removal		No windmills; we have little wind and the cost greatly outways the benefit
411		More restaurants like Olive		Please don't close the Allegany Post Office
412				Life is good for us
413				Tax break for sr. citizens who are willing to provide knowledge or service to help out school or town/village
414				
415				
416	Same as 3.12	Don't need to add anything more if it increases taxes		

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417				Wind mills
418	Same as 3.12	Garbage and recycling pick up		
419	Any housing area adjacent to the village that currently uses septic			
420		Police		
421	Same as 3.12	Once a year large appliance haul away		When there is a proposed development trying to come in, faster approval and response would help to get things accomplished. We are blessed!
422				
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424				
425		Garbage collection		
426		To have sidewalks and sewage		Allegany is a great place to raise a family but it would be great to do more to try and keep kids here with job/business opportunities
427			Having town hwy people taking naps on dead end roads (ex Cherry Valley) with our tax money or	Tear down burnt houses then leave them up for kids to play in!
428				
429	Same as 3.12			
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431	Same as 3.12			
432				
433				High taxes and low paying jobs drive our young people out. A planning/zoning board that is interested in development rather than grilling people about where they are going to plant the bushes in the parking lot would be helpful
434				Eliminate Bona housing, especially Main St.
435			Sidewalk plowing in winter	Allegany would be a more attractive place to live if the taxes were lower. Who want to move hear and pay such exorbitant tax rates. I moved here in 1995 and paid \$3000 a year total property taxes. Now I pay about \$7000 a year (133% increase) funny thing – my salary hasn't increased 133% in that time frame. Allegany has been a relatively safe place to live and that's the best thing.
436	Shouldn't be forced on people if they are happy with their well system			Need to merge town and village to eliminate dual services. I am a village resident so I have different thoughts on the police department specifically the chief. He should not be allowed to hold 2 positions – work 8 hours and get paid for 16.
437	Same as 3.12			
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440	Same as 3.12	Online tax payment; email notification of upcoming		I would like to see more bike trails, especially "rail trails." The river trail is too short and has too many pedestrians for good biking.

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441		Leaf collection		
442		High speed internet to rural areas; fund on expansion		
443				
444	The 4 Mile Rd – we can't even drink our well water	High speed internet all the way on the 4 Mile Rd; cable services, fire hydrants available, safe drinking water; roads plowed	The town supervisor – he is horrible – doesn't care for anyone only his paycheck	Just because we live in the town we should be treated the same. We pay a lot of taxes yet our road is hardly ever plowed in the winter or maintained in the summer, no police patrol, no internet service, cable, safe drinking water, fire hydrants. It is terrible living in the town. We are moving south in 2 years.
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451			Excess salt and street sweeping	
452	Well water taste a lot better and Mr. Gleason will get another raise if it happens	For the taxes we pay – you tell me what the town does	Pay raises to supervisor and all board that only makes a meeting a month	I am not for combining the village and town as I know the new village trustee that got elected want this that why they ran. And town cannot provide the wants of older people. We need police now not in 3 or 4 hours after the event.
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454	Same as 3.12	Public transportation		
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457	Again, the investment of funds to this project should be repaid in a reasonable time			The Four Mile Road was maintained by the county in the past. After the town took over the maintenance, the plowing has suffered. Have the county plow it, the town doesn't do the job.
458		Educating children, adults to keep our community clean, respect for the nature, animals, neighbors		I'm concerned about very poor care for the abused, neglected, abandoned pets in our community. We need to stand up for innocent pets suffering from human cruelty. We need to educate people and help all stray pets to have a caring home. SPCA doesn't take any more cats and other shelters as well. It's very sad and inhuman!
459	Same as 3.12			
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462	Same as 3.12			
463		Sewage	Duplication with the village	
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465	Valley View Drive area – Buffalo Rd.			
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467		Alternative energy services; improvement in cell phone service areas of reach	Frankly, you could do with eliminating a few taverns on Main St.	The stark difference between driving through the village of Allegany, and a neighboring village such as Ellicottville or Cuba is alarming. Whereas those villages are aesthetically appealing, Allegany is drab, dull, and boring. Village development, therefore, is essential!
468	West side for development; not on south side of river			Last year people were asked to give their opinion on windmills in the area. The results of this letter writing campaign were never shared with the community. I wonder how the results of this survey will be shared.
469				
470	Everyone should have good/safe water			This is a nice place as it is. The school taxes have gotten out of hand. The day will come that we leave because of this as others have.
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473	Five Mile Rd. N of school	Water; natural gas		
474		Pick up – leaves – yard waste	Restrictions on “storage” – motor homes: zoning restrictions	It seems that water and sewer rates are extremely high. Encourage development of apartment housing.
475				
476	People in town have their own water and sewer so the hell with your water and sewer tax			Charging tax on trees you should be shot. Take your city rules and get out of town.
477	Same as 3.12			
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479	Across the river – valley view			Plowing the bridge over the river sidewalk is plowed over children and adults walk in the road, sidewalk has to be cleared after plowing, other side needs to be graded nowhere to walk but on the road very dangerous.
480				Hydrotracking and other environmentally destructive ?? (oil) will make water undrinkable and destroy property value. Also worried that my neighbor is running his Yes Foam business out of his house. Trailer fire a couple of years ago makes me wonder how safe this is for the neighborhood. Have that it is okay to burn garbage my neighbors and do this and it is unpleasant and unhealthy.
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482				Control school taxes and school spending. Too many upper level positions.
483		Garbage pick up		Stop the windmills.
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485	Only if the town would pay its equitable share; village has a knowledgeable water department			We have head of merger talks and are very opposed. We like the village services, planning and zoning boards who take care of our village issues. Also like having police protection in village. Will seriously consider moving out of Allegany if there is a merger with the town.
486	Same as 3.12			The Village of Allegany wastes money and time. We have a very slow acting government that is not good at prioritizing the needs of the community.
487				Taxes are outrageous! May move in next 5 years!
488	Failing septic systems are causing water contamination; expanding sewer lines is more important than expanding			
489		Provide better care of Allegany Cemetery		Promote and develop activities along Allegheny River. Give more support (money and services) to Allegany Heritage Center.
490		Proper road maintenance		Too many "secret" back room meetings
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492		Dog park		
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495	Same as 3.12			I am not in favor of the windmill project proposed for the Chipmonk area.
496	Same as 3.12	Sewer and water	Abolish town – we have sheriff, state police, and volunteer fire dept	
497		Village services are great and need to continue	Do not receive town services and should not be taxed for	Concerned that town is trying to force a town/village merger when it has clearly been proven through a "shared services study" there would be no benefit either through services or tax saving to town or village residents
498				
499	To Colonial Village	Public transportation – bus service		
500		Village provides excellent services		Village should get better tax break from town as village provides their own services; town needs to be more transparent on what who and where budget monies are used for lower school taxes – look at money wasted in transportation area
501		Police protection		Keep Allegany windmill free
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503				I don't think they should have run a waterline to the old Kmart or put in sewer line unless everybody pays and vote on it
504				Residential zoning – keeping business from operating in residential zoned areas
505		Sewer and water out of town farther		Running water and sewer to old Kmart we couldn't do it years ago to keep it going we lost all taxes and business. Now certain people get in politics able we run water down there and sewer is next. This is a kick in the face; smell the roses before its too late and everybody moves south.
506		Recreation building with complex restaurant/activities		
507		Curbside pickup of debris (yard)		Faster approval of possible developments that jobs
508	Same as 3.12			

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509				Development of high speed internet and cell service in the town is very important for development; many areas have no cable only DSL service
510	Where you will get the most bang for your buck	I think you do the best you can with the funds you have		We all hate high taxes and waste. However we want good roads (safe and plowed). We want a good education system. We are realistic about costs of everything going up. Just do the best you can for the people.
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513				I absolutely love Allegany! But, by my estimation, about 10% of the village properties are in severe disrepair. Are there any programs elsewhere that we could replicate whereby the town (via local banks) could purchase such houses/buildings ... then refurbish or demolish them and resell at a profit. It would greatly enhance all of our property values and the attractiveness of the community.
514				
515	Your choices			
516		Garbage pickup even if a small fee is charged and I mean small fee		Why are the taxes so high in the town when all the new businesses are in the town. When are the taxpayers going to get a break? The speed limit on the road needs to be lowered as there is too much speeding. Nobody follows the speed limit.
517	PA residents that live outside of Bradford get water and sewer services			
518	They are needed where major developments can take place	Internet or broadband to rural residents		Think very hard on windmills. Once they are installed they will probably be there forever. Are they really the way to go? Will they really make a difference? We really have a beautiful community and country here.
519				Developing a strategic plan to re-route east and west traffic and only allow N/S traffic on most of Main Street will create an oasis for pedestrians, college students will flock there. Visitors will drive from far away to visit and show there. Business will open and flourish (at least the right businesses will)
520		Cable, cell service		
521		Subcontract more work to eliminate the size of town	The town highway and village highway and DPW	
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523			Plowing sidewalks	
524		Sanitation pickup		

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525	5 Mile area			
526				I've lived in the town of Allegany for 12 years now and it's a great little small town to raise a family in. But there are issues and problems that need to be addressed. There are too many drugs in the school system at ALCS that my stepkids are always talking about. I think law enforcement needs to not look the other way and actually do something about this problem. Law enforcement needs to be talking to the teachers and administrators in the school so they know what kids to be taking a hard look at and help eliminate this drug problem before it gets any worse! My wife is an aide at school and tells me all about the drug problem! LET'S DO SOMETHING ABOUT THIS FOLKS!!!!!!!!!! // Another issue with this town is the network of family that runs the town. You have multiple family members working at the highway department which isn't supposed to be allowed, and the town comptroller who handles and oversees the money from the town is the highway superintendent's aunt. She's always moving money from this fund to that fund for her nephew to do whatever he wants with. I also don't understand why we have so many employees at the highway dept. and don't subcontract more of this work! I'm a seasonable [sic] worker in the construction field who works when the weather is good and travels a lot, and my neighbor who works for the highway dept. is always bragging about how the guys will have FOF days and in case you don't know what this stands for, it stands for FU*K OFF FRIDAYS! I have a tough enough time making ends meet with the cost of living, high taxes and cost of fuel right now, and I have to listen to this from my neighbor! Sure makes me feel good about paying my taxes!!! // Let's also get the merger between the town and village with done and over with so we aren't paying DPW employees to do what our highway dept. guys are supposedly capable of doing. // Allegany is a good town, but there are items and issues that need to be addressed! I'd quit my job in a heartbeat to become an employee of the wighway dept. so I can work year round with unbelievable benefits, and FOF days, and brand new top of the line equipment to beat up like my neighbor is always telling me how the guys do! When I ask him about beating up the equipment he says, who cares, Rodney will just get us a replacement so who cares!!! // The sad part is, nothing will be done about any of this, so I just wasted 20 minutes of my night after a long day of work spouting off about things that will never be addressed!!!!!!!!!!
527	Same as 3.12			
528	5 Mile Road to school and beyond	Water and sewer		Alon Green Energy
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531				Contract with Catt Co for town police protection (i.e. 1 car on 16-24 hours/day)
532	Same as 3.12			
533		Cost-effective delivery of services; town supv needs to tighten reigns	Hwy dept overstaffed; town hall administrative costs bloated – eliminate comptroller position	Hwy superintendent position should be by interview and appointment to lure the best qualified candidate to “effectively” spend taxpayer dollars; retirement/medical benefits too high!
534	W State Rd (route 417w), Five Mile			Sidewalks needed on Harriet Street; in favor of windmills (yes yes yes); SBU should pick up more police \$ - without students we wouldn't need so much police protection
535	North of 7 th Street			
536				Why when there are so many new houses taxes have increased; it's to the point of unbearable.
537		Programs for young and middle		
538	Develop where it's available now with industrial jobs; not retail	“green thumbs” retired people paid for mowing parks/painting/clean up	Taxpayers paid for a cemetery and upkeep and digging graves. Come on!	Village DPW supervisor and police chief – elected positions accountability for overpaid contractors on bid jobs (town hall) like to see Allegany build own sewer treatment plant

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539	Those beyond public water supply utilize wells			Many of these topics were difficult to answer since limited info was given
540				Better response from the village office been corrections are needed and when requests are made
541	Same as 3.12			
542				Care of ditches in front of homes in the town needs to be improved. The only answer when there is grass and weeds growing in them, seems to be to dig them deeper. They're too deep now. They need to be shallower, and a better method to cut the weeds/grass in them.
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545	Where water is bad – oil taste in most of water around here	Less taxes (today)	Street workers driving up leach street pre-day (every day)	Quit giving walmart the world
546	Same as 3.12			More control of Bona students
547		Transportation for seniors to doctors, etc (especially in bad weather)		I would shop in town much more often if parking could be had without so many problems. This past winter, potholes on side streets were so bad I gave up using them.
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551	Unless drilling destroys aquifer			Crime is increasing as are tensions with SBU students. School system is poor steward of tax money.
552	I am allergic to the additives in village water an water well are already established; water rats are too high			
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554	Same as 3.12			Improve railroad crossings. They shouldn't be so rough
555		Sewer		
556	Same as 3.12	Would like to see police dept extend from village to town; garbage pick up		I believe the windmill proposal would greatly benefit the community and would love to see it happen soon! Also I think the Bona Square project will be very positive as it will add jobs and create attraction for people to come to Allegany.

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557				I would like to thank you for the opportunity to voice my concerns. // Lack of Community Support: I find it appalling that Allegany continues to hire outside firms to take care of matters that its residents have to live with. For example, property values are highly inflated as a result of the independent assessor that was brought in from a large city. The assessors have valued homes far beyond their true worth. As a result, many people are forced to leave the area because they cannot afford to pay taxes on the valuation given by the GAR assessors. Furthermore, it is difficult to promote growth in Allegany when it is nearly impossible to afford housing with the current employment opportunities. Something needs to be done before Allegany becomes a ghost town. // I also find it disturbing that the very questionnaire I am replying to is being handled by a firm in Manchester, NY. Why can't we handle our own business and employ some of our own residents to handle these matters? The theme of the questions in the questionnaire seemed to be about appeasing some people's desire for water and sewage needs. If those folks want those services, then they need to move to an area where those services are provided. We, as citizens of a fine community, cannot afford to pay any more to keep the elite happy. This practice is what has changed Allegany to its current fiscal shape. We changed from being an affordable place to live to one of the most expensive in a very short time. Our ancestors would be very disappointed in what Allegany has become. // School System: Our school used to be the one that people moving into the area wanted their children to be educated. Sadly, in the last six years this trend has changed. There are major problems with the school system, and the people have lost faith in it. This needs to change. Our school system is capable of being a large selling point for people relocating to this area. // Fire Department: Our fire dept. has some of the best equipment around. We need to encourage people to volunteer in this department because response time for ambulance calls is getting pathetic. We are consistently calling upon neighboring volunteer fire departments to man our calls. We have the equipment, we need more people to man that equipment. // In closing, Allegany is a wonderful place to live and raise a family. However, I believe that your current focus is in the wrong areas. We need to create jobs to allow growth in Allegany. Adding water and sewer lines is not the answer. St.Bonaventure gets massive donations very year, and what do they do to promote growth in our community? They utilize our fire, ambulance and police services. Do they ever contribute to maintaining those services? I think there is more that can be done to make sure that Allegany thrives in the future. It is up to our governing body to ensure that it does.
558				I would like to see taxes reduced. With more economic development we can keep current levels and types of services without increasing taxes.
559	Out 5 Mile to school – 7 th – Maple Ave		Down size all rec programs	
560	Same as 3.12			I've always been concerned re: so many traveling to Buffalo, Erie, McKinley Malls, etc –try and correct this; love the idea of bakery shop coming to Allegany – more specialty shows/Laurie Branch's development excellent model; Can you publish results of this survey?
561		Less drinking by students, more involvement of students in town life	Tax utilization review to maximize return for citizens	Please encourage street parking lot cleanup. Allegany seems like a gritty, rundown college town too much of the time!
562	Well water fine. Economic hard times with all government; spending money no one has for few isn't wise	More high speed internet etc father out in country	Why didn't you list services that they give so could answer better?	Yes Chuck Mantanye own the gravel lakes once IA leaves. I am hoping the town board approves of him doing something like to build up S 9 Mile like putting in new homes around a lake. It will add to quality of town of Allegany. A person with entrepreneur ideas needs to be encourage and I am hoping he is one.
563	Route 417 going West			I would like the community to have a disaster preparedness plan that would address needs related to several types of disaster. Illness, economic crisis (emergency food, seed supply), illness triage plan/shelter, source of public meals for severe economic downturn, etc (ie Town Emergency Preparedness Committee)

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564	Unsure – public water supply is safer in the long run	Better town/government website		Excellent snow removal compared to surrounding communities! Wind farm is a must is we're to move forward into the 21 st century! More help needed with renewable energy and energy conservation. // Town of Allegany cost and taxes are too high. // The leadership for the Town of Allegany for the last 30 years has been just what New York State and the Federal Government have been. Grow to a size that is not sustainable then fight the change to reduce its size, so the taxpayer just keeps paying and paying. // EVERY position in the Town of Allegany is overpaid. How do I know this? Simply look at the other towns in Cattaraugus County. Allegany is the only one with a Comptroller. We could easily save a lot of money and long term benefit cost by ontracting these services out just as other towns do. // Allegany Highway Dept. has grown to a size that has such great costs associated with it both in the equipment we own to the payroll and huge benefit packages that we have to get tax increases every year. // We need to downsize every aspect of our town so we stop driving the young people out to the areas where taxes are affordable.
565	Village water is treated with chemicals; well water is better quality	More interested in what the village provides	More interested in what the village provides	The town is the largest in area in Catt Co; the village would lose out if there was a merger.
566	Opposed – well water is better quality/taste/less chemicals			
567				
568	Same as 3.12			
569				I live in Knapp Creek and have very little to do with town and village of Allegany. I have my own septic and water well and do have protection of our fire dept. ly bigger concern right now would be the windmills. No way do I or any one else want these in Knapp Creek and Chipmonk. We'll be very upset if this goes through. They are ugly noisy monstrosities. I pay taxes but have very little say about this!
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571		Efficiency of buying power		
572		Garbage pickup would certainly be handy but probably isn't feasible for the whole town		Not in favor of a wind farm, for what my opinion is worth also not really in favor of Bonaventure Square (or whatever), either, as I live in that area and like the peace and quiet (and the hawks, foxes, deer, etc)
573				I really believe for better quality and future growth village and town of Allegany must merge with the city of Olean. To move ahead in next 10 years this essential. Merging the town and village is a wasted effort.
574		Police patrol		
575		Rural garbage collection		
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579		More frequent and regular public transportation		Allegany should capitalize on its small town character. It could give a "face-lift" to existing businesses and develop others (in character with small towns) like a local bakery, small book store, etc.
580				Feel strongly that town and state should expand capacity for senior center bldg. Community is aging and Allegany has a very active senior group,
581			Representation	

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582				The street dept in the village is doing a great job. Don't need to share services
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584				I wish I had more info on what was happening with some of these topics
585	Same as 3.12	Trash collection		
586	As development demands	High speed internet town wide		
587		Kids need a place to hang out and skate board, not parking lots. They have no place in town for them to hang out and not get into so much trouble. They need a place they can get to on their own like walking to. Not far out and		Street lighting lamps looks good but is not bright enough. Someday one of the Bona drunks is going to get hit at night running out in the street because they couldn't be seen in time. It must be really tough on older drivers or vision impaired.
588		Programs for adults who are not yet "seniors"	Slight reduction, but not elimination of "senior programs"	
589				
590	Same as 3.12			Cattaraugus county is losing people due to high taxes and no jobs. Why would any business come to Allegany? As people improve their properties their taxes should be lowered giving them incentive to make the community better, not punished for improving their homes by higher taxes.
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APPENDIX E

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**** A Concise List of Key Steps ****

1. Needs Assessment

Sanitary Survey / Water Use Survey
Water Testing; Dye Testing
DOH/DEC Consultations
Public Meetings
Mapping & Quantifying Priority Needs

2. Preliminary Design

Selection of Engineering Firm -- RFP/RFQ
Preliminary Engineering Report (PER)
Project Self-Help Plan
Public Informational Meetings
District Formation
Permissions/Authorizations
 4Ag. District regulations 4Roadway & stream permits
 4Historic preservation 4Environmental Review

3. Project Funding

Income Survey
Meetings with Funders
Funding Applications
 4USDA Rural Development 4State Revolving Funds
 4Small Cities CDBG 4Other Sources --???

Town Resolutions & Meetings

4. Final Engineering Design

5. Project Construction