

City of Amsterdam Community Needs Assessment Survey

**Q1 In one word, what do you think is Amsterdam's number one priority need?**

Answered: 179 Skipped: 8

#	Responses	Date
1	improved housing	10/7/2015 2:16 PM
2	Taxpayers	10/7/2015 2:07 PM
3	change welfare system	10/7/2015 1:56 PM
4	jobs	10/7/2015 1:46 PM
5	community behavior	10/7/2015 1:39 PM
6	blight	10/7/2015 1:29 PM
7	Attitude/Image	10/7/2015 1:10 PM
8	Blight	10/7/2015 12:57 PM
9	Clean Up	10/7/2015 12:32 PM
10	Jobs	10/7/2015 12:12 PM
11	Taxpayers	10/7/2015 11:49 AM
12	New businesses/jobs (other than stores)	10/7/2015 10:49 AM
13	Work	10/7/2015 10:30 AM
14	Jobs	10/7/2015 10:09 AM
15	Development	10/5/2015 12:59 PM
16	Jobs	10/5/2015 12:48 PM
17	Blight	10/2/2015 3:44 PM
18	Appearance	10/2/2015 3:31 PM
19	Jobs	10/2/2015 3:18 PM
20	Jobs	10/2/2015 2:14 PM
21	Revitalization	10/2/2015 1:49 PM
22	Property Clean Up	10/2/2015 1:38 PM
23	Blight	10/2/2015 1:24 PM
24	Jobs	10/2/2015 1:09 PM
25	Infrastructure	10/2/2015 12:44 PM
26	Homeowners	10/2/2015 12:28 PM
27	Commuters	10/2/2015 12:14 PM
28	More taxpayers, Less Taxes	10/2/2015 11:47 AM
29	Jobs	10/2/2015 11:34 AM
30	Downtwon Revilatization	10/2/2015 11:15 AM
31	Clean Up	10/2/2015 10:47 AM
32	Business	10/2/2015 10:27 AM
33	revitalize downtown	9/8/2015 4:55 PM
34	image	9/8/2015 4:39 PM

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35	jobs	9/8/2015 4:16 PM
36	Businesses	8/11/2015 11:53 PM
37	jobs	8/10/2015 8:45 PM
38	Jobs	8/10/2015 2:01 PM
39	Jobs	8/10/2015 10:39 AM
40	Revitalization	8/9/2015 5:12 PM
41	jobs	8/9/2015 7:54 AM
42	better paved roads	8/7/2015 2:12 PM
43	improve the attitude of the residents	8/7/2015 1:32 PM
44	blight	8/7/2015 12:28 PM
45	Clean up abandoned houses/enforce violations	8/6/2015 1:35 PM
46	Tax Relief	8/6/2015 10:13 AM
47	Child care, more programs for kids	8/4/2015 8:58 PM
48	Lower Taxes	8/4/2015 2:58 PM
49	growth	8/4/2015 2:53 PM
50	jobs	8/4/2015 11:46 AM
51	reorganization	8/3/2015 1:01 PM
52	jobs	8/3/2015 9:24 AM
53	initiative	7/30/2015 8:25 PM
54	Cut taxes	7/30/2015 11:45 AM
55	growth	7/29/2015 3:19 PM
56	positive image	7/29/2015 1:38 PM
57	jobs	7/29/2015 9:34 AM
58	renovation	7/28/2015 2:50 PM
59	leadership	7/27/2015 12:48 PM
60	Businesses	7/26/2015 11:20 PM
61	businesses	7/24/2015 2:54 PM
62	jobs	7/23/2015 10:44 PM
63	jobs	7/23/2015 6:34 PM
64	EAST END	7/23/2015 11:31 AM
65	schools	7/22/2015 6:55 PM
66	Jobs	7/22/2015 10:35 AM
67	cooperation	7/21/2015 4:49 PM
68	JOBS	7/21/2015 1:35 PM
69	waste	7/21/2015 12:25 PM
70	image improvement/ marketing about what is here- riverlink park, mohawks, etc.	7/21/2015 12:16 PM
71	jobs	7/20/2015 7:49 PM
72	Industry	7/20/2015 6:19 PM
73	A Cleaner, Appealing and More Welcoming Entrance into the city coming in off Rt 5	7/20/2015 12:29 PM
74	Improving the image of the city	7/20/2015 11:16 AM
75	Restore East Main	7/20/2015 11:02 AM

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76	Bi-partisanship	7/20/2015 10:10 AM
77	Vacant/Dilapidated Houses	7/20/2015 9:58 AM
78	business	7/20/2015 7:55 AM
79	Entertainment	7/19/2015 5:02 PM
80	leadership	7/18/2015 11:42 PM
81	Public Transportation to and from bigger neighboring cities on a greater frequency than what we already have.	7/18/2015 10:24 PM
82	Public transportation	7/18/2015 8:31 PM
83	jobs	7/18/2015 1:17 PM
84	economic development	7/18/2015 1:14 PM
85	Image	7/18/2015 10:50 AM
86	development	7/18/2015 10:28 AM
87	urban renewal	7/18/2015 10:28 AM
88	Infrastructure	7/18/2015 10:20 AM
89	Industry	7/18/2015 8:45 AM
90	The number of people on public assistance and generational poverty	7/18/2015 8:13 AM
91	demolition of dilapidated homes. code enforcement	7/18/2015 6:55 AM
92	jobs	7/18/2015 5:09 AM
93	Infrastructure	7/17/2015 11:06 PM
94	revenue	7/17/2015 10:27 PM
95	education	7/17/2015 10:07 PM
96	quality housing	7/17/2015 2:12 PM
97	Transformation	7/17/2015 2:05 PM
98	revitalization	7/17/2015 10:32 AM
99	Enforcement	7/17/2015 7:31 AM
100	FUNDING	7/17/2015 7:16 AM
101	Growth	7/16/2015 5:14 PM
102	removal of slum and blight	7/16/2015 3:21 PM
103	Growth	7/16/2015 1:14 PM
104	Transportation	7/16/2015 11:55 AM
105	Jobs	7/16/2015 11:43 AM
106	Development	7/16/2015 10:39 AM
107	blight	7/16/2015 8:50 AM
108	growth	7/16/2015 8:17 AM
109	blight	7/16/2015 7:38 AM
110	blight	7/16/2015 5:36 AM
111	better tax base, more businesses	7/16/2015 12:40 AM
112	Blight	7/15/2015 11:38 PM
113	Infrastructure	7/15/2015 10:15 PM
114	New businesses	7/15/2015 9:49 PM
115	sidewalks	7/15/2015 9:12 PM
116	jobs for working parents	7/15/2015 9:01 PM

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117	need more businesses	7/15/2015 8:36 PM
118	blight	7/15/2015 8:22 PM
119	positivity	7/15/2015 7:15 PM
120	image	7/15/2015 7:13 PM
121	jobs	7/15/2015 5:16 PM
122	better roads	7/15/2015 12:56 PM
123	Growth	7/15/2015 10:04 AM
124	jobs	7/15/2015 9:40 AM
125	Infrastructure	7/15/2015 9:15 AM
126	jogs	7/15/2015 8:53 AM
127	jobs	7/15/2015 8:30 AM
128	imagination	7/15/2015 1:55 AM
129	rationality	7/15/2015 1:01 AM
130	Growth	7/14/2015 9:50 PM
131	employment	7/14/2015 9:49 PM
132	Jobs	7/14/2015 9:26 PM
133	crime	7/14/2015 8:35 PM
134	BLIGHT	7/14/2015 8:07 PM
135	BLIGHT	7/14/2015 7:45 PM
136	a new mayor	7/14/2015 7:42 PM
137	jobs	7/14/2015 7:39 PM
138	jobs	7/14/2015 7:35 PM
139	home improvement repairs	7/14/2015 6:26 PM
140	jobs	7/14/2015 5:27 PM
141	industry	7/14/2015 4:43 PM
142	Jobs that pay well	7/14/2015 1:44 PM
143	Businesses	7/14/2015 12:11 PM
144	Jobs	7/14/2015 11:52 AM
145	growth	7/14/2015 10:07 AM
146	To bring in jobs so people can work and live in this area	7/14/2015 9:52 AM
147	Confidence	7/14/2015 9:40 AM
148	Positivism	7/14/2015 9:24 AM
149	revenue	7/14/2015 9:03 AM
150	jobs	7/14/2015 8:59 AM
151	blight	7/14/2015 8:42 AM
152	cleanup	7/14/2015 8:12 AM
153	infrastructure	7/14/2015 7:35 AM
154	jobs	7/14/2015 7:02 AM
155	leadership	7/13/2015 11:26 PM
156	Public Transportation 24/7	7/13/2015 10:19 PM
157	civility	7/13/2015 9:59 PM

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158	image	7/13/2015 9:45 PM
159	Residents	7/13/2015 9:28 PM
160	streets	7/13/2015 9:23 PM
161	Blight	7/13/2015 9:18 PM
162	Jobs	7/13/2015 9:08 PM
163	Good paying jobs	7/13/2015 9:06 PM
164	I'm a job seeker. This city offers little in the way of employment.	7/13/2015 9:03 PM
165	Better Image	7/13/2015 9:03 PM
166	Economic Growth	7/13/2015 8:59 PM
167	Leadership	7/13/2015 8:53 PM
168	development	7/13/2015 8:47 PM
169	Jobs	7/13/2015 8:44 PM
170	riverfront	7/13/2015 8:36 PM
171	blight	7/13/2015 7:35 PM
172	jobs	7/13/2015 6:52 PM
173	Businesses	7/13/2015 4:57 PM
174	Food	7/13/2015 4:10 PM
175	Jobs	7/13/2015 4:05 PM
176	infrastructure	7/13/2015 12:53 PM
177	Infrastructure/combat urban blight	7/13/2015 12:22 PM
178	residents	7/13/2015 10:42 AM
179	Leadership	7/13/2015 10:31 AM

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**Q2 In one word, what is Amsterdam's greatest barrier to meeting that need?**

Answered: 175 Skipped: 12

#	Responses	Date
1	jobs	10/7/2015 2:16 PM
2	government	10/7/2015 2:07 PM
3	mayor thane	10/7/2015 1:46 PM
4	attitude	10/7/2015 1:39 PM
5	anything with common council	10/7/2015 1:29 PM
6	Nagativity	10/7/2015 1:10 PM
7	Code Enforcement and Common Council	10/7/2015 12:57 PM
8	Politics	10/7/2015 12:32 PM
9	Taxes	10/7/2015 12:12 PM
10	Current Residents	10/7/2015 11:49 AM
11	Albany politicians sending companies to other counties	10/7/2015 10:49 AM
12	Money	10/7/2015 10:30 AM
13	Money	10/7/2015 10:09 AM
14	Dysfunction	10/5/2015 12:59 PM
15	No employers to fill the need	10/5/2015 12:48 PM
16	Money	10/2/2015 3:44 PM
17	Apathy	10/2/2015 3:31 PM
18	Education/Investment	10/2/2015 3:18 PM
19	Leadership	10/2/2015 2:14 PM
20	Negative Attitudes	10/2/2015 1:49 PM
21	Homeowners	10/2/2015 1:38 PM
22	Money	10/2/2015 1:24 PM
23	Council	10/2/2015 1:09 PM
24	Funding	10/2/2015 12:44 PM
25	Blight	10/2/2015 12:28 PM
26	Slumlords	10/2/2015 12:14 PM
27	Section 8	10/2/2015 11:47 AM
28	Politicians	10/2/2015 11:34 AM
29	Political	10/2/2015 11:15 AM
30	Support	10/2/2015 10:47 AM
31	Access	10/2/2015 10:27 AM
32	city council fighting	9/8/2015 4:55 PM
33	politics	9/8/2015 4:39 PM
34	employers	9/8/2015 4:16 PM

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35	Abandoned buildings/houses	8/11/2015 11:53 PM
36	infighting	8/10/2015 8:45 PM
37	The Council members	8/10/2015 2:01 PM
38	Few businesses want to come here	8/10/2015 10:39 AM
39	Apathy	8/9/2015 5:12 PM
40	china	8/9/2015 7:54 AM
41	money	8/7/2015 2:12 PM
42	negativity	8/7/2015 1:32 PM
43	Mayor	8/7/2015 12:28 PM
44	Consistency/some home owners get violations, others with same complaints don't.	8/6/2015 1:35 PM
45	Mayor	8/6/2015 10:13 AM
46	Not sure	8/4/2015 8:58 PM
47	Lack of employment	8/4/2015 2:58 PM
48	politicians	8/4/2015 2:53 PM
49	education	8/4/2015 11:46 AM
50	Leadership	8/3/2015 1:01 PM
51	politics	8/3/2015 9:24 AM
52	apathy	7/30/2015 8:25 PM
53	Wasteful spending	7/30/2015 11:45 AM
54	poverty	7/29/2015 3:19 PM
55	negative city aldermen,city employees,our teachers,etc.	7/29/2015 1:38 PM
56	skills	7/29/2015 9:34 AM
57	people	7/28/2015 2:50 PM
58	politics	7/27/2015 12:48 PM
59	Taxes and regulations	7/26/2015 11:20 PM
60	incompetence	7/24/2015 2:54 PM
61	alderman	7/23/2015 10:44 PM
62	public assistance	7/23/2015 6:34 PM
63	EAST END	7/23/2015 11:31 AM
64	poverty	7/22/2015 6:55 PM
65	Places to work	7/22/2015 10:35 AM
66	politics	7/21/2015 4:49 PM
67	Thane	7/21/2015 1:35 PM
68	politicians	7/21/2015 12:25 PM
69	politics	7/20/2015 7:49 PM
70	economy	7/20/2015 6:19 PM
71	Vandalisim	7/20/2015 12:29 PM
72	welfare	7/20/2015 11:16 AM
73	Welfare	7/20/2015 11:02 AM
74	partisanship	7/20/2015 10:10 AM
75	City knocking them down	7/20/2015 9:58 AM

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76	vision	7/20/2015 7:55 AM
77	Lack of tourism, and weary businesses.	7/19/2015 5:02 PM
78	mayor	7/18/2015 11:42 PM
79	Money	7/18/2015 10:24 PM
80	Budgeting	7/18/2015 8:31 PM
81	priorities	7/18/2015 1:17 PM
82	government	7/18/2015 1:14 PM
83	the vision of one mayor over everyone else's thoughts. THANE is looking to be famous, and needs to be GONE !	7/18/2015 1:07 PM
84	attitude	7/18/2015 10:50 AM
85	political	7/18/2015 10:28 AM
86	Blight	7/18/2015 10:28 AM
87	Money	7/18/2015 10:20 AM
88	Politics	7/18/2015 8:45 AM
89	Lack of jobs and ease of welfare, one company needs to take a chance on us	7/18/2015 8:13 AM
90	the city's fear of losing population. the city is afraid to enforce proper codes which leaves citizens living in older homes that should have been torn down at turn of the century.15 yrs ago	7/18/2015 6:55 AM
91	decay	7/18/2015 5:09 AM
92	High Taxes	7/17/2015 11:06 PM
93	housing	7/17/2015 10:27 PM
94	knowledge	7/17/2015 10:07 PM
95	taxes	7/17/2015 6:00 PM
96	investment	7/17/2015 2:12 PM
97	Vacuousness	7/17/2015 2:05 PM
98	politics	7/17/2015 10:32 AM
99	STATE	7/17/2015 7:16 AM
100	Republicans	7/16/2015 5:14 PM
101	financial	7/16/2015 3:21 PM
102	Leadership	7/16/2015 1:14 PM
103	CDTA	7/16/2015 11:55 AM
104	lack of people willing to work	7/16/2015 11:43 AM
105	taxes	7/16/2015 10:39 AM
106	money	7/16/2015 8:50 AM
107	money	7/16/2015 7:38 AM
108	money	7/16/2015 5:36 AM
109	too may government entitlements/ welfare	7/16/2015 12:40 AM
110	Commitment	7/15/2015 11:38 PM
111	Money	7/15/2015 10:15 PM
112	Lack of cooperation in our city government	7/15/2015 9:49 PM
113	Money	7/15/2015 9:12 PM
114	lack of businesses that care on a personal level for their employees	7/15/2015 9:01 PM
115	the negativity	7/15/2015 8:36 PM

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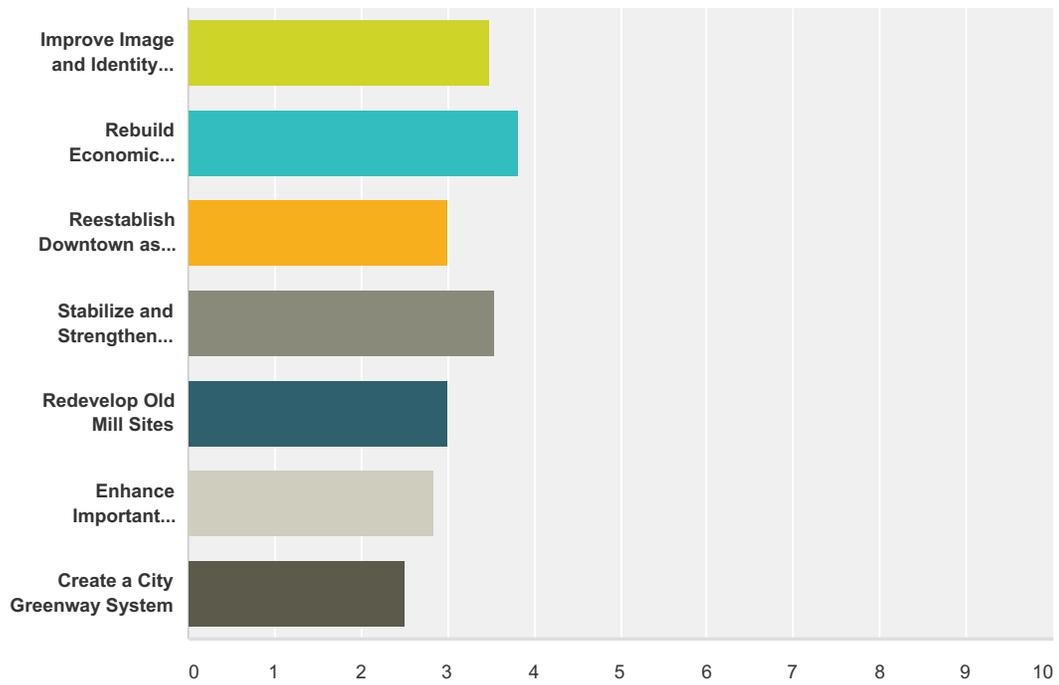
116	mayor	7/15/2015 8:22 PM
117	negativity	7/15/2015 7:15 PM
118	negativity	7/15/2015 7:13 PM
119	politicians	7/15/2015 12:56 PM
120	Alignment	7/15/2015 10:04 AM
121	businesses	7/15/2015 9:40 AM
122	Budgeting	7/15/2015 9:15 AM
123	leadership	7/15/2015 8:53 AM
124	politics	7/15/2015 8:30 AM
125	ignorance	7/15/2015 1:55 AM
126	idiots	7/15/2015 1:01 AM
127	Blight	7/14/2015 9:50 PM
128	insufficient industry	7/14/2015 9:49 PM
129	prejudice	7/14/2015 9:26 PM
130	attitude	7/14/2015 8:35 PM
131	LEADERSHIP	7/14/2015 8:07 PM
132	DOLLARS	7/14/2015 7:45 PM
133	the present mayor	7/14/2015 7:42 PM
134	welfare	7/14/2015 7:39 PM
135	mayor	7/14/2015 7:35 PM
136	money	7/14/2015 6:26 PM
137	taxes	7/14/2015 4:43 PM
138	Negative attitudes	7/14/2015 1:44 PM
139	Republicans	7/14/2015 12:11 PM
140	Government	7/14/2015 11:52 AM
141	politics	7/14/2015 10:07 AM
142	Negative publicity due to negative thinking and support in that thinking - not seeing the big picture for the future	7/14/2015 9:52 AM
143	Negativity	7/14/2015 9:40 AM
144	Negativism	7/14/2015 9:24 AM
145	taxes	7/14/2015 9:03 AM
146	govt	7/14/2015 8:59 AM
147	welfare	7/14/2015 8:42 AM
148	citycouncilmembers	7/14/2015 8:12 AM
149	money	7/14/2015 7:35 AM
150	NYS	7/14/2015 7:02 AM
151	partisanship	7/13/2015 11:26 PM
152	Support	7/13/2015 10:19 PM
153	cooperation	7/13/2015 9:59 PM
154	residents	7/13/2015 9:45 PM
155	Blight	7/13/2015 9:28 PM
156	money	7/13/2015 9:23 PM

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157	Lack of code enforcement/absentee landlords	7/13/2015 9:18 PM
158	economy	7/13/2015 9:08 PM
159	Industry	7/13/2015 9:06 PM
160	It needs to be cleaned up, and a proper bus system installed. The bus system needs to be privately owned. CDTA would be nice.	7/13/2015 9:03 PM
161	The "old guard" that think the mills are coming back, or thoughts of that ilk.	7/13/2015 9:03 PM
162	No Youth	7/13/2015 8:59 PM
163	Politics	7/13/2015 8:53 PM
164	people	7/13/2015 8:47 PM
165	incompetence	7/13/2015 8:44 PM
166	negativity	7/13/2015 8:36 PM
167	funds	7/13/2015 7:35 PM
168	politicians	7/13/2015 6:52 PM
169	Location	7/13/2015 4:57 PM
170	Enthusiasm	7/13/2015 4:10 PM
171	Itself	7/13/2015 4:05 PM
172	money	7/13/2015 12:53 PM
173	Mayor	7/13/2015 12:22 PM
174	housing	7/13/2015 10:42 AM
175	Current Leadership	7/13/2015 10:31 AM

### Q3 Which of the following do you feel are the most important?

Answered: 185 Skipped: 2



	DO NOT NEED	LOW NEED	MEDIUM NEED	HIGH NEED	Total	Weighted Average
Improve Image and Identity in Region	2.17% 4	8.15% 15	28.26% 52	61.41% 113	184	3.49
Rebuild Economic Foundation	0.55% 1	1.10% 2	13.19% 24	85.16% 155	182	3.83
Reestablish Downtown as Community Center	9.39% 17	18.78% 34	33.70% 61	38.12% 69	181	3.01
Stabilize and Strengthen Neighborhoods	1.66% 3	2.76% 5	34.25% 62	61.33% 111	181	3.55
Redevelop Old Mill Sites	7.18% 13	20.99% 38	35.36% 64	36.46% 66	181	3.01
Enhance Important Gateways	10.56% 19	23.89% 43	37.78% 68	27.78% 50	180	2.83
Create a City Greenway System	17.61% 31	33.52% 59	29.55% 52	19.32% 34	176	2.51

#	Other (please specify)	Date
1	reduce section 8 housing	10/7/2015 2:07 PM
2	better people running city	10/7/2015 1:46 PM
3	Clean up Dilapidated Bldgs; Bring more jobs to the city (both High)	10/7/2015 12:32 PM
4	Stop corruption in the police force; Cut down on wasteful spending (Both High)	10/7/2015 12:12 PM
5	Attract Albany commuters (High); Reduce Section 8 Allotment (high)	10/7/2015 11:49 AM

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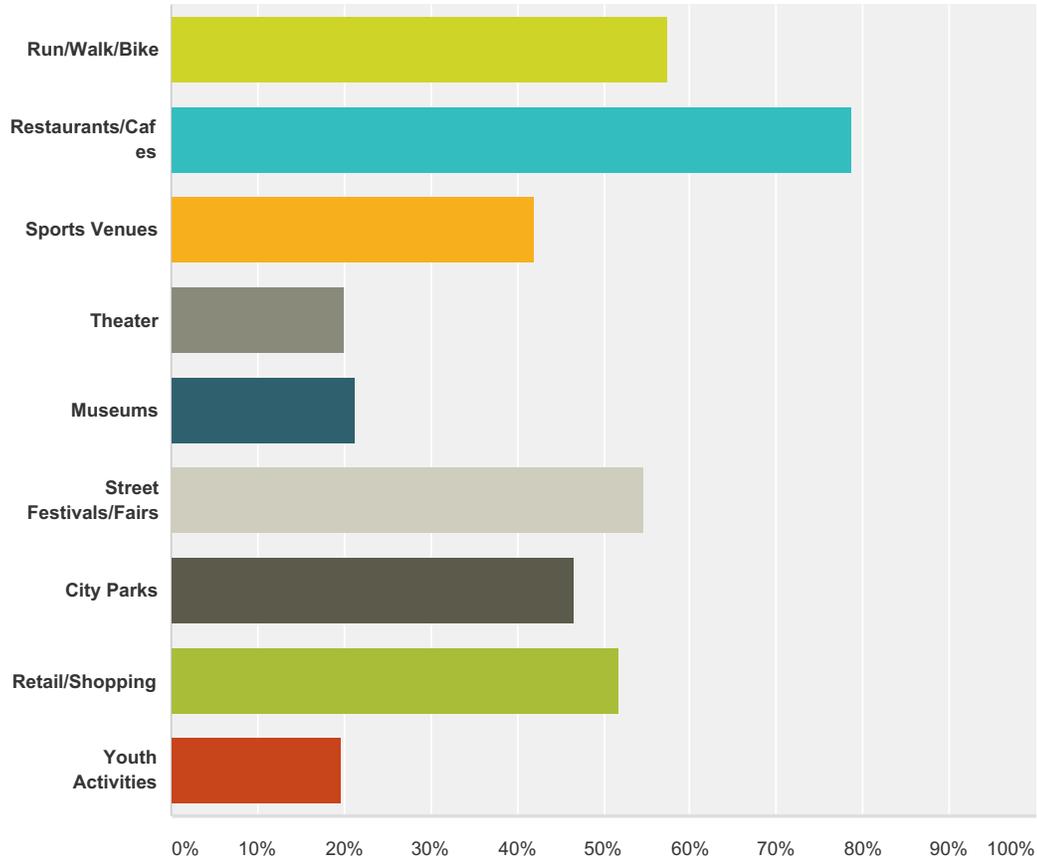
6	Unemployed (High) Drugs/Crime (Medium)	10/7/2015 10:49 AM
7	Jobs; Better Schools (High Need)	10/2/2015 3:44 PM
8	Infrastructure	10/2/2015 12:44 PM
9	Demolish vacant buildings; Street lights	10/2/2015 10:47 AM
10	rebuild infrastructure, remove condemned buildings	9/8/2015 4:39 PM
11	Blight	8/10/2015 10:39 AM
12	improve infrastructure; reconcile accounts; reduce crime	8/7/2015 12:28 PM
13	More attention to infrastructure less on surface items - You cannot put lipstick on a pig.	8/6/2015 10:13 AM
14	Youth activities	8/4/2015 8:58 PM
15	Crime reduction - HIGH NEED	8/4/2015 2:53 PM
16	Private businesses/Mom and Pop stores-to fulfill the American dream	7/30/2015 8:25 PM
17	Enough is enough - we need to stop pandering to the low-income residents, creating program after program to assist and 'cure' their moral lack. There needs to be a zero tolerance policy for crime, as that's how we'll teach the youth in the area that crime doesn't pay. Drugs don't get you where you deserve to be. Hard work does. We need to eliminate run down housing, and stop allowing for so much low income housing. There's enough in the area. Tear down the dilapidated buildings, renovate the mills into higher-end apartments (no, sorry - nothing below \$700/mo) and work on making the city more visually appealing overall. No, not with murals, not with flowers, but by actually cleaning up and renovating. Make it more inviting for businesses. There's a reason Rt 30 blew up the way it did for the Town... it was clean space, and anywhere run down is on the verge of being destroyed to make for more clean space to build in. The city better get off their duff and make inviting spaces or Perth, Broadalbin, and Hagaman are going to be the next hot spots.	7/29/2015 3:19 PM
18	New Business to draw people in and create jobs	7/26/2015 11:20 PM
19	clean up the city	7/23/2015 10:44 PM
20	waterfront development	7/22/2015 6:55 PM
21	Demo condemned buildings/housing	7/20/2015 11:02 AM
22	Public Transportation (high need)	7/18/2015 8:31 PM
23	1. Clean up the neighborhoods. Remove the gangs.	7/18/2015 1:07 PM
24	attractions	7/18/2015 10:28 AM
25	community social interaction	7/18/2015 10:28 AM
26	Attract employed homeowners	7/18/2015 8:13 AM
27	knock down the old houses that are in slums that only criminals,welfare recipients, and drug dealers would live in. make slum lords pay equal taxes to force them out . you could not pay me to live on many city streets. just like the 80's when the mayor of chicago tried to live in the projects. it lasted two weeks.	7/18/2015 6:55 AM
28	lower taxes	7/17/2015 6:00 PM
29	Establishing a healthy relationship with the Chinese population would help drive economic growth. It's sad the level of racism in this city. Anything to unite different races together would have lasting impacts. Fear drives racism. People need to see that other races of people have basic beliefs that are not much different. The Latino community is also still discriminated. Diverging; Ways to make the city less car centric might attract young professionals.	7/17/2015 2:12 PM
30	Aggressiveness Against Physical (Housing and Old Industrial Sites) and Natural (Overgrown Roadside Vegetation) Blight	7/17/2015 2:05 PM
31	Infrastructure needs upkeep. Streets, sidewalks,street lights,rid city of skunks in rockton area	7/16/2015 5:14 PM
32	Need the community to support the government and the government to listen to the people	7/16/2015 10:39 AM
33	Clean up or tear down vacant houses	7/16/2015 8:50 AM
34	we need a casino!!!	7/15/2015 9:01 PM
35	Jobs	7/15/2015 8:22 PM
36	Invest in youth: Rec Center, Community Center	7/15/2015 10:04 AM

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37	get rid of mills an put housing not for low income	7/15/2015 8:53 AM
38	education	7/15/2015 1:55 AM
39	Stop Politically embarassing the City.	7/14/2015 9:50 PM
40	Establish civility among city leaders	7/14/2015 9:26 PM
41	respect/promote its history	7/14/2015 5:27 PM
42	sell dilapidated houses for \$1.00, have revovatio done within 1year maximum time, reduce the taxes on the house for a few years, then put it back on taxrolls for 100% taxes.	7/14/2015 4:43 PM
43	Improve community morale	7/14/2015 11:52 AM
44	more opportunity/programs for youth	7/14/2015 9:24 AM
45	water and sewer lines	7/14/2015 7:35 AM
46	More activities where students can spend time	7/13/2015 10:19 PM
47	A grocer would be nice.	7/13/2015 9:03 PM
48	With regard to the mill sites, rehab the ones you can but demolish the eye sores.	7/13/2015 9:03 PM
49	make the state clean and keep up thier areas of the city, they do no weed eating and do a half as job mowing.Its needs to be done more than twice a year. It would make a huge difference in the way the city looks. Saratoga county doesnt look that way.	7/13/2015 8:44 PM
50	make taxes fair	7/13/2015 6:52 PM
51	Roads.Public safety/Fiscal stability	7/13/2015 12:22 PM

### Q4 Which of the following venues/activities in Amsterdam do you enjoy (Check all that apply)

Answered: 174 Skipped: 13



Answer Choices	Responses	
Run/Walk/Bike	57.47%	100
Restaurants/Cafes	78.74%	137
Sports Venues	41.95%	73
Theater	20.11%	35
Museums	21.26%	37
Street Festivals/Fairs	54.60%	95
City Parks	46.55%	81
Retail/Shopping	51.72%	90
Youth Activities	19.54%	34
<b>Total Respondents: 174</b>		

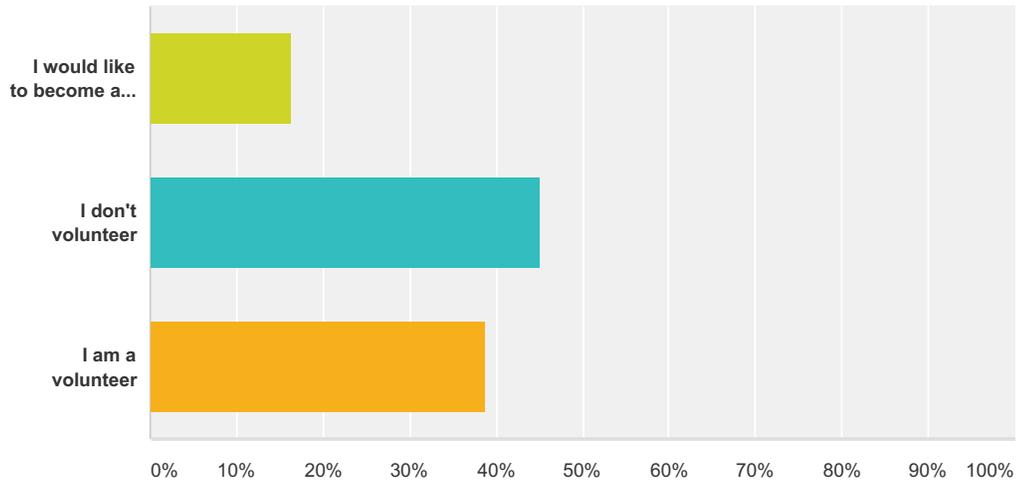
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1	medical facilities	10/7/2015 2:16 PM
2	seriously?	10/7/2015 2:07 PM
3	shop out of town	10/7/2015 1:56 PM
4	Senior Citizen	10/2/2015 2:14 PM
5	Library, HAL, Hospital, Churches	10/2/2015 1:49 PM
6	Golf Course	10/2/2015 1:24 PM
7	Riverlink Park Music	9/8/2015 4:29 PM
8	I love the parks by the river.	8/11/2015 11:53 PM
9	lock 11, used to have picnic area's. Boats, trains, and planes to watch there for familys.	8/9/2015 7:54 AM
10	Until the streets are safer and cleaner - I dont spend much time in the city	8/6/2015 10:13 AM
11	I enjoy square dancing, but I have to find it outside of Amsterdam.	7/30/2015 8:25 PM
12	Church St Farmers Market	7/30/2015 11:45 AM
13	I enjoy all of those things. But not in Amsterdam. I'm sick of hearing "we have to start small" - no, we don't. We have to stop with the 'small' stuff and get a city development plan in place - and make it public so people can at least have an idea of what's coming, rather than being suprised.	7/29/2015 3:19 PM
14	just look at the dump @ vets field ? really?	7/23/2015 10:44 PM
15	Are you kidding? There are non of these activities worth doing (In the City) unless I absolutly have to.	7/18/2015 8:31 PM
16	Golf	7/18/2015 8:13 AM
17	hard to enjoy anything surrounded by slums and decay	7/18/2015 5:09 AM
18	music	7/17/2015 10:07 PM
19	What Theater?	7/17/2015 2:12 PM
20	Access to the Lock 11 water area to take advantage of fishing family event space and other outdoor activities	7/16/2015 1:14 PM
21	farmers market	7/16/2015 11:55 AM
22	history of the city	7/16/2015 10:39 AM
23	taking care of my home	7/15/2015 8:22 PM
24	concerts - MVC, riverlink park	7/15/2015 7:13 PM
25	golf coruse	7/15/2015 8:53 AM
26	I would love to see more boutique shops	7/14/2015 9:49 PM
27	Community Arts activities	7/14/2015 9:26 PM
28	GOLF	7/14/2015 7:45 PM
29	youth activities???? what youth activities??????	7/14/2015 6:26 PM
30	Amsterdam lacks all or most of these	7/13/2015 9:45 PM
31	Art Gallery (for local artists both from the past and current)	7/13/2015 9:03 PM
32	Only Shuttleworth. I wouldn't go to the other parks. I feel they are a bit sketchy, especially in the evening hours.	7/13/2015 8:53 PM
33	fishing and boating on the mohawk	7/13/2015 8:44 PM
34	shopping in the town	7/13/2015 6:52 PM

### Q5 Do you volunteer in Amsterdam?

Answered: 173 Skipped: 14



Answer Choices	Responses	Count
I would like to become a volunteer	16.18%	28
I don't volunteer	45.09%	78
I am a volunteer	38.73%	67
<b>Total</b>		<b>173</b>

#	I volunteer at: (please specify)	Date
1	elks, trinity lutheran church	10/7/2015 1:56 PM
2	faith soup kitchen, food pantry	10/7/2015 1:39 PM
3	post 701 American Legion	10/7/2015 1:29 PM
4	Century Club	10/7/2015 1:10 PM
5	Everywhere and anywhere I can	10/7/2015 12:57 PM
6	Compeer MHA; Inman Center	10/5/2015 12:59 PM
7	Why tell you -	10/2/2015 3:44 PM
8	Historic Amsterdam League, Century Club, Old Fort Johnson	10/2/2015 3:31 PM
9	SMH Aux; Literacy Program, HAL	10/2/2015 1:49 PM
10	St Mary's Institute	10/2/2015 12:44 PM
11	Spring and Fall Claen Ups	10/2/2015 11:15 AM
12	Elk's lodge	9/8/2015 4:39 PM
13	St Marys church and hospital	9/8/2015 4:29 PM
14	St. Marys, Church, etc.	9/8/2015 4:16 PM
15	Inman Center, KOP C, Elks	9/8/2015 4:04 PM
16	Centro Civico	8/9/2015 5:12 PM
17	Tried to mow lawn on foreclosed home next to, till I moved, in December. Did that for last 3 years. and shoveled there too.	8/9/2015 7:54 AM

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18	Catholic Charities	8/8/2015 1:56 PM
19	SPCA, Capstone Nursing Home	8/6/2015 1:35 PM
20	I did volunteer work for the City in the Past	8/4/2015 11:46 AM
21	Post 701	8/3/2015 1:01 PM
22	Liberty	7/27/2015 12:48 PM
23	haha	7/23/2015 10:44 PM
24	YMCA-teaching kids the basics of soccer	7/20/2015 12:29 PM
25	coaching, schools and clean-ups	7/20/2015 10:10 AM
26	member of various boards and civic clubs	7/18/2015 10:50 AM
27	Many various	7/18/2015 8:13 AM
28	Montgomery County SPCA	7/17/2015 10:07 PM
29	House of Worship	7/17/2015 2:05 PM
30	golf commission	7/16/2015 3:21 PM
31	st marys nursing home	7/16/2015 11:55 AM
32	library and other boards	7/16/2015 10:39 AM
33	Girl Scouts	7/16/2015 8:50 AM
34	At my church mission	7/16/2015 8:17 AM
35	St. Stanislaus Church, Cub Scouts & Boy Scouts - Elks Lodge & St. Ann's, City Cleanups	7/16/2015 7:38 AM
36	Various community groups	7/15/2015 9:49 PM
37	MVC, River Vallet Ringers, Rotary Club Variety Show	7/15/2015 7:13 PM
38	Rotary; Highway clean up	7/15/2015 9:40 AM
39	farmers market	7/15/2015 8:30 AM
40	YMCA	7/14/2015 9:50 PM
41	area arts activities	7/14/2015 9:26 PM
42	city wide clean ups, murals, neighborhood watch	7/14/2015 7:39 PM
43	City Cleanup	7/14/2015 1:44 PM
44	citywide cleanups	7/14/2015 10:07 AM
45	CCAC	7/14/2015 9:40 AM
46	Hospice (River Ridge Nursing Home)	7/14/2015 9:24 AM
47	occasionally volunteer	7/14/2015 8:42 AM
48	youth sports	7/14/2015 7:25 AM
49	Historic Amsterdam League	7/13/2015 9:28 PM
50	Girl Scout Leader 2 troops, McNulty School PTA	7/13/2015 9:23 PM
51	Not in Amsterdam boundaries but in area youth and environmental groups	7/13/2015 9:18 PM
52	I volunteer when needed	7/13/2015 9:03 PM
53	4H	7/13/2015 8:47 PM
54	i tried with no luck, the mayors off never returned a call. I would like to make an immediate impact on how the city looks with a neighborhood commision, something the residents can see right away.	7/13/2015 8:44 PM
55	post 701	7/13/2015 6:52 PM
56	Municipal boards, local not-for-profit boards	7/13/2015 4:05 PM
57	Historica Amsterdam League	7/13/2015 10:42 AM

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**Q6 What charities are you most interested in?**

Answered: 117 Skipped: 70

#	Responses	Date
1	bring ymca back to amsterdam	10/7/2015 2:16 PM
2	what does this have to do with fixing Amsterdam	10/7/2015 2:07 PM
3	seniors and pots	10/7/2015 1:46 PM
4	MOD, Heart association	10/7/2015 1:39 PM
5	ASPCA, Elks club	10/7/2015 1:29 PM
6	Women/Children	10/7/2015 1:10 PM
7	Inaman Center, St Mary's, Girl Scouts, Ladies of Charity, Planned Parenthood, City of Amsterdam	10/7/2015 12:32 PM
8	none	10/7/2015 12:12 PM
9	Make-a-Wish; AICR	10/7/2015 11:49 AM
10	Hospice; Historical/Lieracy	10/7/2015 10:49 AM
11	Those helping children, animals, seniors	10/7/2015 10:09 AM
12	Food Pantry; Library	10/5/2015 12:59 PM
13	Library	10/5/2015 12:48 PM
14	Seniors, OFA, Inman	10/2/2015 3:44 PM
15	Catholic Charities, SPCA, Youth Activities	10/2/2015 3:18 PM
16	Veteran and Handicapped	10/2/2015 2:14 PM
17	Church	10/2/2015 12:44 PM
18	National	10/2/2015 12:14 PM
19	Ones that actually help	10/2/2015 11:47 AM
20	None	10/2/2015 11:34 AM
21	United Way	10/2/2015 10:47 AM
22	clean up days	9/8/2015 4:55 PM
23	any to help poor people	9/8/2015 4:47 PM
24	Church, hospital	9/8/2015 4:29 PM
25	Medical charities	8/11/2015 11:53 PM
26	veterans	8/10/2015 8:45 PM
27	Childrens Charities	8/10/2015 2:01 PM
28	Working with people and animals	8/9/2015 5:12 PM
29	Salvation army, for this area.	8/9/2015 7:54 AM
30	Those that help seniors and poor children	8/8/2015 1:56 PM
31	senior	8/7/2015 1:32 PM
32	health related; children's; mental health	8/7/2015 12:28 PM
33	Pet Charities	8/6/2015 1:35 PM
34	Not sure	8/4/2015 8:58 PM

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35	Getting the YMCA back to Amsterdam	8/4/2015 11:46 AM
36	Veterans, mental health	8/3/2015 1:01 PM
37	catholic families	8/3/2015 9:24 AM
38	YMCA	7/30/2015 11:45 AM
39	I'm interested in the charity of the individuals who actually are productive members of society. I'm sick of all the 'charity' work being done around here. It's gotten us nowhere.. despite what the mayor feels her 'legacy' is going to be. It's not. Every city around thinks Amsterdam's a joke.	7/29/2015 3:19 PM
40	Military	7/26/2015 11:20 PM
41	mcaszca	7/24/2015 2:54 PM
42	American Heart Association	7/23/2015 11:31 AM
43	catholic charities	7/22/2015 6:55 PM
44	SPCA	7/22/2015 10:35 AM
45	Community minded.	7/21/2015 4:49 PM
46	Alzheimers	7/21/2015 1:35 PM
47	anything medical	7/21/2015 12:25 PM
48	Children's	7/20/2015 6:19 PM
49	ASPCA	7/20/2015 12:29 PM
50	Breast Cancer Awareness	7/20/2015 11:16 AM
51	Breast Cancer Awareness	7/20/2015 11:02 AM
52	n/a	7/20/2015 7:55 AM
53	.	7/19/2015 5:02 PM
54	animals	7/18/2015 11:42 PM
55	All of them	7/18/2015 10:24 PM
56	children's causes	7/18/2015 8:31 PM
57	Hospice	7/18/2015 1:17 PM
58	anything for children, families and teens and seniors	7/18/2015 1:07 PM
59	MCSPCA	7/18/2015 10:50 AM
60	help for poor	7/18/2015 10:28 AM
61	salvation army	7/18/2015 10:28 AM
62	Food Pantry	7/18/2015 10:20 AM
63	Veterans	7/18/2015 8:45 AM
64	United Way, Church, Danielle's House, Catholic Family Charities	7/18/2015 8:13 AM
65	ones that go towards demolition of blight	7/18/2015 6:55 AM
66	anything youth oriented	7/18/2015 5:09 AM
67	Red Cross	7/17/2015 11:06 PM
68	Montgomery County SPCA	7/17/2015 10:07 PM
69	anything pertaining to helping youth	7/17/2015 10:32 AM
70	MSDS, AND ST. JUDES	7/17/2015 7:16 AM
71	Alzheimer's	7/16/2015 5:14 PM
72	MCSPCA	7/16/2015 3:21 PM
73	community gardens	7/16/2015 11:55 AM

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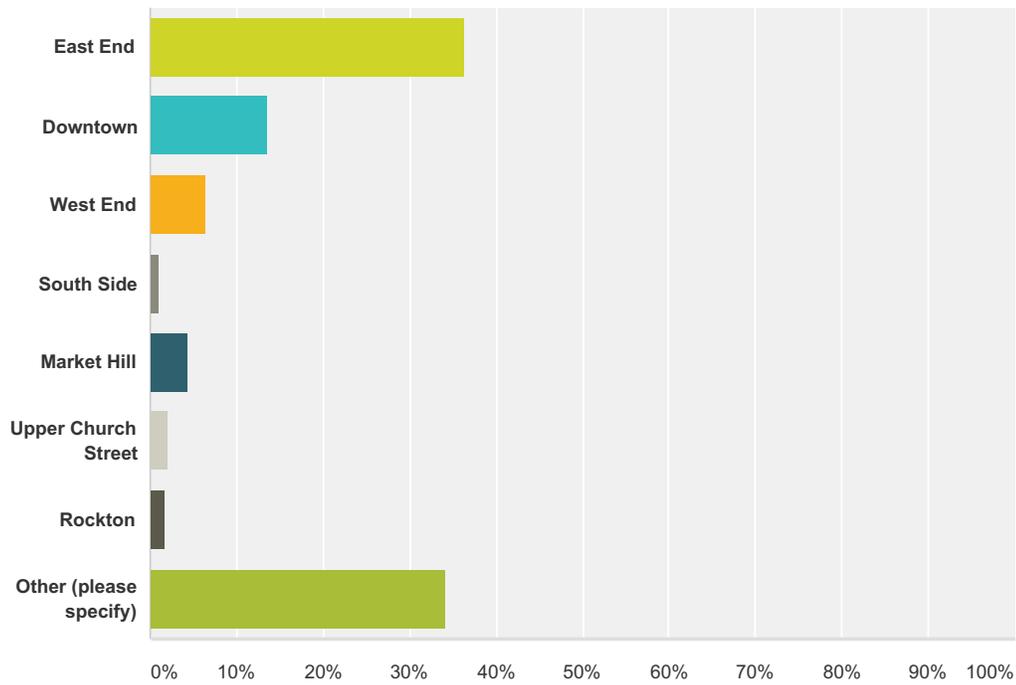
74	community supported	7/16/2015 10:39 AM
75	helping people with their lives,not just in food and clothing needs but helping them get on the right paths in their lives	7/16/2015 8:17 AM
76	Cub Scouts & Boy Scouts, programs that benefit children	7/16/2015 7:38 AM
77	Anything that betters our community	7/15/2015 9:49 PM
78	special needs community events to include families into the larger community	7/15/2015 9:01 PM
79	children and pets	7/15/2015 8:36 PM
80	research	7/15/2015 8:22 PM
81	homeless shelter, hunger	7/15/2015 7:13 PM
82	food banks	7/15/2015 1:55 AM
83	none	7/15/2015 1:01 AM
84	Youth & Elderly. Those who are in need & Animals.	7/14/2015 9:50 PM
85	housing, arts, ecology, animal welfare, conservation, transportation	7/14/2015 9:49 PM
86	Homeless shelters and resources for poor	7/14/2015 9:26 PM
87	HEALTH	7/14/2015 8:07 PM
88	Office of Aging	7/14/2015 7:45 PM
89	cancer research	7/14/2015 7:42 PM
90	children	7/14/2015 7:35 PM
91	animal charities	7/14/2015 6:26 PM
92	Danielle's House	7/14/2015 4:43 PM
93	Community	7/14/2015 1:44 PM
94	Breast Cancer, Youth	7/14/2015 11:52 AM
95	seniors, homeless, mental health, veterans, children	7/14/2015 9:52 AM
96	Youth related	7/14/2015 9:40 AM
97	Music/Children/Elderly	7/14/2015 9:24 AM
98	March of Dimes, veteran's	7/14/2015 9:03 AM
99	cancer	7/14/2015 8:59 AM
100	MCSPCA	7/13/2015 11:26 PM
101	Where needed	7/13/2015 10:19 PM
102	Food pantry	7/13/2015 9:59 PM
103	Historic Amsterdam League	7/13/2015 9:28 PM
104	For children	7/13/2015 9:23 PM
105	Environmental and youth	7/13/2015 9:18 PM
106	all	7/13/2015 9:08 PM
107	The Comfort Zone	7/13/2015 9:06 PM
108	Animal welfare is a personal interest, though I can see how it can not be everyones.	7/13/2015 9:03 PM
109	Any charity related to helping homeless/neglected animals	7/13/2015 8:53 PM
110	4H, nature centers	7/13/2015 8:47 PM
111	city mission , youth organizations.	7/13/2015 8:44 PM
112	children	7/13/2015 8:36 PM
113	mental health	7/13/2015 6:52 PM
114	Health related	7/13/2015 4:57 PM

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115	Alzheimer's Association	7/13/2015 4:10 PM
116	underserved kids and mental health	7/13/2015 4:05 PM
117	children charities	7/13/2015 12:53 PM

## Q7 What geographical area(s) in Amsterdam have the greatest need?

Answered: 184 Skipped: 3



Answer Choices	Responses
East End	36.41% 67
Downtown	13.59% 25
West End	6.52% 12
South Side	1.09% 2
Market Hill	4.35% 8
Upper Church Street	2.17% 4
Rockton	1.63% 3
Other (please specify)	34.24% 63
<b>Total</b>	<b>184</b>

#	Other (please specify)	Date
1	all need help	10/7/2015 1:56 PM
2	all need help	10/7/2015 1:46 PM
3	Esat End; Reid Hill; Downtown	10/7/2015 1:10 PM
4	East End and Downtown	10/7/2015 12:57 PM
5	Esat End; West End; Reid Hill; Downtown	10/7/2015 12:32 PM
6	Market Street needs new sidewalks	10/7/2015 12:12 PM

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7	West End; Downtown; Market Hill	10/7/2015 11:49 AM
8	East End; West End; Reid Hill	10/7/2015 10:49 AM
9	There are issues in every neighborhoods	10/7/2015 10:30 AM
10	East End; Downtown; Reid	10/7/2015 10:09 AM
11	East End; West End; Reid Hill	10/5/2015 12:59 PM
12	East End and Downtown	10/5/2015 12:48 PM
13	east End; West End; Market Hill; Reid Hill; Upper Church Street	10/2/2015 3:44 PM
14	East End; Downtown; Market Hill; Reid Hill	10/2/2015 3:31 PM
15	east End; Downtown; Reid Hill	10/2/2015 3:18 PM
16	Most of the City	10/2/2015 2:14 PM
17	East End; West End; Reid Hill	10/2/2015 1:38 PM
18	East End; West End; Downtown	10/2/2015 12:44 PM
19	Multiple	10/2/2015 12:28 PM
20	Multiple	10/2/2015 12:14 PM
21	All	10/2/2015 11:34 AM
22	Reid Hill	10/2/2015 10:47 AM
23	east end, west end	9/8/2015 4:47 PM
24	high street	9/8/2015 4:29 PM
25	Union Street	9/8/2015 4:16 PM
26	East end firstly(Downtown/west end also) the reason I say the east end is because I think the first thing people see when entering Amsterdam from rt.5 is the eastend, which is the worst looking area with no business's.	8/11/2015 11:53 PM
27	They all need... they have different needs but all need and improvements for those areas would have a ripple effect on other areas	8/9/2015 5:12 PM
28	You ask for more than one but the program only allows one choice	8/8/2015 1:56 PM
29	Both eas end and downtown need help FAST	8/6/2015 10:13 AM
30	by the golf course	8/3/2015 1:01 PM
31	It wouldn't let me check them all. But for fear of you thinking that I mean anything other than 'complete overhaul' and not 'charity/activity/get 'em off the streets crap'... I say all of the above.	7/29/2015 3:19 PM
32	lwr.brookside to east side- highst,forbes	7/29/2015 1:38 PM
33	All of them	7/27/2015 12:48 PM
34	all	7/23/2015 10:44 PM
35	ALL of it	7/21/2015 1:35 PM
36	All, in some cases for different reasons (bent/broken street signs, roadside vegetation, poor street conditions, rundown building appearances	7/17/2015 2:05 PM
37	Several of those listed above need substantial help. I couldn't choose just one.	7/17/2015 10:32 AM
38	ALL	7/17/2015 7:31 AM
39	Need to keep the nice areas nice...more than fixing poor areas to look mediocre	7/16/2015 5:14 PM
40	area between Market and Lindberg and Division St and McClellan	7/16/2015 3:21 PM
41	East End & Downtown both !!	7/16/2015 1:14 PM
42	Kreisel Hill	7/16/2015 5:36 AM
43	All of the above and more	7/15/2015 11:38 PM
44	Union Street area	7/15/2015 9:12 PM

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45	Reid Hill	7/15/2015 8:22 PM
46	Take better care of what we already have. Road conditions, cleanliness	7/15/2015 10:04 AM
47	all have a house on milton ave getting rid of it because of the neighbor hood its pittelfull	7/15/2015 8:53 AM
48	Ried Hill	7/15/2015 1:01 AM
49	All!!	7/14/2015 9:50 PM
50	All of the above	7/14/2015 9:26 PM
51	TOO NUMEROUS TO FIT IN THIS SURVEY,	7/14/2015 8:07 PM
52	all of the above	7/14/2015 7:39 PM
53	all of them	7/14/2015 7:35 PM
54	5 corner steets and neighborhood. James St., etc.	7/14/2015 4:43 PM
55	Milton Av Area	7/14/2015 9:40 AM
56	whole downtown east and west	7/14/2015 7:25 AM
57	There are pockets in every area of the city probably excluding Henrietta Heights.	7/13/2015 9:18 PM
58	East and west entrances to the city	7/13/2015 9:06 PM
59	All need. The entire city needs.	7/13/2015 9:03 PM
60	The 'greatest need' for what? I would like to choose the East End, but I am afraid anything improved upon in that area would only be destroyed shortly after improvements were implemented. Sad, but true.	7/13/2015 8:53 PM
61	stop thinking downtown is only between market and church streets. It is from market all the way to rte 5 . the sooner you realize that the better.Thats the only way you will make a real economic impact is to revitalize all of main st. What is Mr tesiero doing with all these key properties?	7/13/2015 8:44 PM
62	entire city	7/13/2015 6:52 PM
63	every section of Amsterdam has need..that's the problem, only certain sections seem to get fixed...	7/13/2015 12:53 PM

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**Q8 What is the one thing you would do first to improve the City of Amsterdam?**

Answered: 177 Skipped: 10

#	Responses	Date
1	improve the east end	10/7/2015 2:16 PM
2	limited section 8	10/7/2015 2:07 PM
3	move codes to top priority	10/7/2015 1:56 PM
4	get rid of blight	10/7/2015 1:46 PM
5	grocery store on the south side	10/7/2015 1:39 PM
6	demo bad houses	10/7/2015 1:29 PM
7	work on consensus/team building/cooperation in city government	10/7/2015 1:10 PM
8	Get a new Common Council	10/7/2015 12:57 PM
9	Knock down the buildings that are in bad shape	10/7/2015 12:32 PM
10	Get rid of the cops	10/7/2015 12:12 PM
11	Fix the Infrastructure	10/7/2015 11:49 AM
12	more jobs - more families buying houses	10/7/2015 10:49 AM
13	More businesses	10/7/2015 10:30 AM
14	Put people to work	10/7/2015 10:09 AM
15	Get rid of Blight	10/5/2015 12:59 PM
16	Search for companies to come here with jobs	10/5/2015 12:48 PM
17	Change the Leadership	10/2/2015 3:44 PM
18	Tear down decrepit buildings	10/2/2015 3:31 PM
19	Neighborhood Blight	10/2/2015 3:18 PM
20	New Mayor	10/2/2015 2:14 PM
21	Get Intellient , Committed People in Elected Office	10/2/2015 1:49 PM
22	Clean Up	10/2/2015 1:38 PM
23	Clean Blight	10/2/2015 1:24 PM
24	Lower school taxes	10/2/2015 1:09 PM
25	Knock down blighted buildings	10/2/2015 12:44 PM
26	Make it clean/neat	10/2/2015 12:28 PM
27	Pave the Roads	10/2/2015 12:14 PM
28	Repair Roads, Water, Sewer	10/2/2015 11:47 AM
29	Get rid of Blight	10/2/2015 11:34 AM
30	Vote out Common Council	10/2/2015 11:15 AM
31	Demolish Abandoned Buildings	10/2/2015 10:47 AM
32	Develop Downtown with more business	10/2/2015 10:27 AM
33	plant trees on division street, knock down empty houses, redevelop downtown	9/8/2015 4:55 PM
34	transportation	9/8/2015 4:47 PM

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35	Develop waterfront and downtown to connect with southside restaurant and bike trails	9/8/2015 4:39 PM
36	take care of the empty houses	9/8/2015 4:29 PM
37	Get rid of blight	9/8/2015 4:16 PM
38	Clean up our city entrances	9/8/2015 4:04 PM
39	I guess make downtown something special. I really think downtown should adopt a more Amsterdam Holland type idea for tourism. I think it should have coffee shops/cafe's and restaurants. I know recreational marijuana is not legal in NY "yet", but even if there were some nighttime huka bars/lounges, just so people could feel like there in Amsterdam Holland. When marijuana becomes legal, then Amsterdam NY will be the place to be.. Another thing is we could have bike rentals like they do in Holland and ferries on the water "like in Holland" maybe even trollies.. We could do concert halls for summer concerts. I just feel like we have so much Dutch history here. Why not try to make downtown a little more like the real Amsterdam Holland? I think if we got the word out from commercials on tv/radio and magazine/newspaper/online ads, young and old people would seek out Amsterdam NY the same way and reason they seek out Amsterdam Holland. I believe with the river being there, if there were was a concert hall and cafe's/restaurants/night clubs and hotels/and shopping sites/malls in the downtown area so many people would love Amsterdam, there would be so much to do and so many people would talk about Amsterdam and would want to come visit and/or live here.. Why can't Amsterdam be like more like "lake George" I understand we can't swim in the Mohawk, we have a river though..	8/11/2015 11:53 PM
40	bring jobs to the city	8/10/2015 8:45 PM
41	Keeping building off of our greatest asset, the river.	8/10/2015 2:01 PM
42	Get Grants to demolish the Empty buildings and clean up the entrances into the city on both ends.	8/10/2015 10:39 AM
43	Need to create a feeling of community/shared ownership	8/9/2015 5:12 PM
44	code inspector, for absentee landlords, get rid of foreclosed homes before they become more damaged and unihabitable.	8/9/2015 7:54 AM
45	Invite more participation in the Government and decision making	8/8/2015 1:56 PM
46	downtown	8/7/2015 2:12 PM
47	weekly column in newspaper promoting the positive aspects of the area	8/7/2015 1:32 PM
48	enforce homeowners and landlords to maintain properties	8/7/2015 12:28 PM
49	Knock down the abandoned houses and buildings. They are not safe.	8/6/2015 1:35 PM
50	Remove the Mayor	8/6/2015 10:13 AM
51	More activities within the town	8/4/2015 8:58 PM
52	Clean up the streets	8/4/2015 2:58 PM
53	ECONOMIC GROWTH TO OFFSET TAXES	8/4/2015 2:53 PM
54	Remodel the East End, it is the first thing you see coming off of Rte 5	8/4/2015 11:46 AM
55	Evaluate the tax base and use the CHIP money for new roads	8/3/2015 1:01 PM
56	blight on the city...all the houses that need to come down	8/3/2015 9:24 AM
57	Hire local people for local jobs whether in education, at the hospital, or police and fire, etc. We need to keep our young people here.	7/30/2015 8:25 PM
58	Cut confiscatory property taxes	7/30/2015 11:45 AM
59	I would give notice to anyone with run down property that they have 6 months to fix it up or the city will start handing out code violations until they're forced to do something or turn the property over. THEN I'd hire whoever Troy did that brought their downtown from ghetto to where it is today.	7/29/2015 3:19 PM
60	keep mayor thane	7/29/2015 1:38 PM
61	knock down and rebuild where there are old buildings	7/28/2015 2:50 PM
62	See if c&d landfill and potential revenue from it is still viable	7/27/2015 12:48 PM
63	Tax incentives for businesses that create jobs	7/26/2015 11:20 PM
64	attract business that provide sound employment	7/24/2015 2:54 PM
65	give dpw more work	7/23/2015 10:44 PM

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66	CLEAN UP THE EAST END AND RIFF RAFF	7/23/2015 11:31 AM
67	building rehap or demolition	7/22/2015 6:55 PM
68	Jobs - Lower Taxes	7/22/2015 10:35 AM
69	Encourage the common council and Mayor to work together,	7/21/2015 4:49 PM
70	Create jobs	7/21/2015 1:35 PM
71	stop wasting money	7/21/2015 12:25 PM
72	clean up Market Hill empty buildings and debris	7/21/2015 12:16 PM
73	Try to bring people together as a city.	7/20/2015 7:49 PM
74	Knock Down all the Abandoned houses!	7/20/2015 12:29 PM
75	Demolish the condemned/abandoned buildings/houses	7/20/2015 11:16 AM
76	Demolish all the condemned housing/buildings	7/20/2015 11:02 AM
77	tear down all abandoned buildings	7/20/2015 10:10 AM
78	Vacant/ Dilapidated Houses	7/20/2015 9:58 AM
79	rebuild east end, this is the true gateway into Amsterdam. Do what Saratoga did start on one end then move to the next	7/20/2015 7:55 AM
80	Demolish and/or revitalize abandoned and decrepit buildings.	7/19/2015 5:02 PM
81	clean it up	7/18/2015 11:42 PM
82	Try to bring more high paying jobs to the area	7/18/2015 10:24 PM
83	Clean up the East end. Demolish vacant bldgs. clean up vacant lots, Spruce it up (with flowers)	7/18/2015 8:31 PM
84	demolish abandones homes	7/18/2015 1:17 PM
85	demolish condemned buildings	7/18/2015 1:14 PM
86	get rid of THane	7/18/2015 1:07 PM
87	remove blight	7/18/2015 10:50 AM
88	attractions & enthusiasim for the city	7/18/2015 10:28 AM
89	fix sidewalk and roads	7/18/2015 10:28 AM
90	Infrastructure, paving streets, Rockton Street has a segment that has never been paved in more than 23 years I have be living here.	7/18/2015 10:20 AM
91	Fix the roads and watermains	7/18/2015 8:45 AM
92	Find ways to improve struggling neighborhoods	7/18/2015 8:13 AM
93	make everyhome owner pay equal tax rate so slum lords could no longer afford to have drug dealers and welfare recipients live in their dilapidated buildings. i would use economics to force poor people out. it works in Haganan	7/18/2015 6:55 AM
94	stop the political infighting	7/18/2015 5:09 AM
95	get rid of Ann Thane as mayor	7/17/2015 11:06 PM
96	government image	7/17/2015 10:27 PM
97	Fill vacant commercial buildings	7/17/2015 10:07 PM
98	lower taxes	7/17/2015 6:00 PM
99	Focus on quality housing.	7/17/2015 2:12 PM
100	Continue work to identify and secure funds to address probems above	7/17/2015 2:05 PM
101	provide opportunities for people to bring themselves out of poverty and drug abuse	7/17/2015 10:32 AM
102	MAKE IT EASIER FOR EDUCATED PROFESSIONALS TOO GET PERMITS	7/17/2015 7:16 AM
103	Demolish properties and go after absentee landlords	7/16/2015 5:14 PM
104	work as a team	7/16/2015 3:21 PM

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105	Revenue	7/16/2015 1:14 PM
106	Bring in bus routes	7/16/2015 11:55 AM
107	Tear down abandoned/run down buildings or sell them at a very affordable price with a stipulation that they must be fixed up and look presentable (preferrably to the victorian age that the buildings once were)	7/16/2015 11:43 AM
108	eliminate blight	7/16/2015 10:39 AM
109	get rid of blight	7/16/2015 8:50 AM
110	attitude our appearance	7/16/2015 8:17 AM
111	take care of properties that are abandoned and falling apart	7/16/2015 7:38 AM
112	code enforcement to clean up property	7/16/2015 5:36 AM
113	more police to help fight the drug problem	7/16/2015 12:40 AM
114	foreclose on property and address the blight	7/15/2015 11:38 PM
115	Lower property taxes	7/15/2015 10:15 PM
116	Expand downtown	7/15/2015 9:49 PM
117	More community projects for people to get to know who they live among, create respect and friendships	7/15/2015 9:01 PM
118	bring in business	7/15/2015 8:36 PM
119	get rid of the blight/clean house	7/15/2015 8:22 PM
120	clean up city	7/15/2015 7:15 PM
121	Educate people in potential of pedestrian bridge connecting north and south sides	7/15/2015 7:13 PM
122	fix the roads	7/15/2015 12:56 PM
123	Gain alignment around city's vision, change vision, sense of urgency and execution plan	7/15/2015 10:04 AM
124	Make it more livable by demolishing old buildings, creating green space & cleaning neighborhoods	7/15/2015 9:40 AM
125	Take better care of the general infrastructure in our City. When we look good, we feel good.	7/15/2015 9:15 AM
126	like trump dont let the free loaders move in	7/15/2015 8:53 AM
127	try to draw in younger working individuals	7/15/2015 8:30 AM
128	privatize the golf course	7/15/2015 1:55 AM
129	Improve appearances on main arteries	7/15/2015 1:01 AM
130	Listen to the other side.	7/14/2015 9:50 PM
131	focus on attracting industry	7/14/2015 9:49 PM
132	Establish civility in city government	7/14/2015 9:26 PM
133	tear down unsafe houses	7/14/2015 8:35 PM
134	REMOVE BLIGHT	7/14/2015 8:07 PM
135	Level dilapitated houses.	7/14/2015 7:45 PM
136	clean it up	7/14/2015 7:42 PM
137	get rid of blight / grafitti	7/14/2015 7:39 PM
138	clean/fix it up	7/14/2015 7:35 PM
139	fix, rebuild and/or repair homes and/or business buildings	7/14/2015 6:26 PM
140	promote historic preservation and its economic benefits	7/14/2015 5:27 PM
141	refer to #3. Get these homes back on the tax role. I would buy one.	7/14/2015 4:43 PM
142	Attract employers	7/14/2015 1:44 PM
143	Fire Hatzenbueller	7/14/2015 12:11 PM
144	Impose a curfew.	7/14/2015 11:52 AM

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145	invite outside investors	7/14/2015 10:07 AM
146	get community buyin to see big picture of going forth to new history of amsterdam, not focus on what is past.	7/14/2015 9:52 AM
147	Finish MVGO	7/14/2015 9:40 AM
148	Address Blight	7/14/2015 9:24 AM
149	tear down the mall	7/14/2015 8:59 AM
150	reduce welfare recipricants	7/14/2015 8:42 AM
151	Remove ALL the uninhabitable rundown homes	7/14/2015 8:12 AM
152	water and sewer lines	7/14/2015 7:35 AM
153	broken window police policy	7/14/2015 7:02 AM
154	youth venues	7/13/2015 11:26 PM
155	Kids are always first, we need more activities where kids can spend time	7/13/2015 10:19 PM
156	30 million dollar bond and tear down every vacant house and pave the roads	7/13/2015 9:59 PM
157	chage its image and residents attitudes	7/13/2015 9:45 PM
158	Better Property Disposition	7/13/2015 9:28 PM
159	Hand up not out.	7/13/2015 9:23 PM
160	Make employees do their jobs.	7/13/2015 9:18 PM
161	demolish abandoned buildings	7/13/2015 9:08 PM
162	Stop the bickering in city hall and let the woman do the job she was hired to do	7/13/2015 9:06 PM
163	Raze the hotel, build a big office building. Offer a floor to city government, a floor to county offices, a floor to state offices, a floor to the college, a floor to BOCES, and floors for doctors	7/13/2015 9:03 PM
164	Demolish the old abandoned building and start with, at least, a clean slate.	7/13/2015 9:03 PM
165	Work with Montgomery County Economic Growth to create a way to attract new tech business to the area.	7/13/2015 8:59 PM
166	hahaha...it's not legal	7/13/2015 8:53 PM
167	raze condemned buildings	7/13/2015 8:47 PM
168	Clean up East Main st	7/13/2015 8:44 PM
169	get Ron Barone and Diane off the council	7/13/2015 8:36 PM
170	code enforcement	7/13/2015 7:35 PM
171	reassess the city properly	7/13/2015 6:52 PM
172	Clean up the East end.	7/13/2015 4:57 PM
173	Improve public transportation system	7/13/2015 4:10 PM
174	Try to get some jobs	7/13/2015 4:05 PM
175	lure businesses to the area..	7/13/2015 12:53 PM
176	New Administration	7/13/2015 12:22 PM
177	economic development fund	7/13/2015 10:42 AM

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**Q9 What is the one thing that would most improve your quality of life in Amsterdam**

Answered: 166 Skipped: 21

#	Responses	Date
1	keep it as a small community- keep big trucks out of Amsterdam	10/7/2015 1:56 PM
2	mayor change	10/7/2015 1:46 PM
3	lower taxes	10/7/2015 1:39 PM
4	better bus service	10/7/2015 1:29 PM
5	I am content with my quality of life	10/7/2015 1:10 PM
6	Get rid of blight	10/7/2015 12:57 PM
7	Less payment of taxes	10/7/2015 12:32 PM
8	City owes me 30 million dollars - pay up	10/7/2015 12:12 PM
9	Smooth Streets	10/7/2015 11:49 AM
10	There is nothing more that I need from Amsterdam	10/7/2015 10:30 AM
11	Moire public events	10/7/2015 10:09 AM
12	Prgress - Moving Forward	10/5/2015 12:59 PM
13	Coming all together as true Amsterdam Citizens	10/5/2015 12:48 PM
14	Jobs	10/2/2015 3:44 PM
15	No Puerto Ricans	10/2/2015 3:31 PM
16	Jobs; Lower Rents	10/2/2015 2:14 PM
17	Positive Community Spirit	10/2/2015 1:49 PM
18	Community Interaction	10/2/2015 1:38 PM
19	Lower Crime	10/2/2015 1:24 PM
20	lower taxes	10/2/2015 1:09 PM
21	Create a marina	10/2/2015 12:44 PM
22	Quieter Vehicles	10/2/2015 12:28 PM
23	Lower Taxes	10/2/2015 12:14 PM
24	Les taxes	10/2/2015 11:47 AM
25	Get Rid of the Low Lifes	10/2/2015 11:34 AM
26	Well Lit Streets	10/2/2015 10:47 AM
27	more recreation space	10/2/2015 10:27 AM
28	downtown area	9/8/2015 4:55 PM
29	job	9/8/2015 4:47 PM
30	having a night life in downtown	9/8/2015 4:39 PM
31	More performing and visual arts	9/8/2015 4:16 PM
32	More companies/businesses (better jobs) bigger/better hospital.	8/11/2015 11:53 PM
33	more activity	8/10/2015 8:45 PM
34	More jobs	8/10/2015 2:01 PM

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35	Feeling safe to walk around alone	8/9/2015 5:12 PM
36	Better jobs in city. Open up lock 11, walking distance.	8/9/2015 7:54 AM
37	Lower my taxes	8/8/2015 1:56 PM
38	roads messed up my rims	8/7/2015 2:12 PM
39	improve finances without raising taxes; create jobs	8/7/2015 12:28 PM
40	More job opportunities	8/6/2015 1:35 PM
41	Lower Taxes	8/6/2015 10:13 AM
42	Infant toddler child care	8/4/2015 8:58 PM
43	CRIME REDUCTION - LARGER POLICE PRESENCE	8/4/2015 2:53 PM
44	Getting people who don't work out of my neighborhood	8/4/2015 11:46 AM
45	New roads and lower taxes	8/3/2015 1:01 PM
46	jobs...cleaning up the blight	8/3/2015 9:24 AM
47	have better sidewalks and places for bicycles to ride safely in traffic.	7/30/2015 8:25 PM
48	Eliminate useless bureaucrats	7/30/2015 11:45 AM
49	Anything that would improve that of my children's quality of life. Like getting the hoodrats out of the schools and providing drug free, crime free places for them to have fun things to do. I don't want my kids being surrounded by drugs and crime when they should be feeling safe, learning, and having fun.	7/29/2015 3:19 PM
50	lwr.property taxes	7/29/2015 1:38 PM
51	getting rid of those that are criminals and do drugs	7/28/2015 2:50 PM
52	Leadership that can problem solve	7/27/2015 12:48 PM
53	Better roads	7/26/2015 11:20 PM
54	beautification	7/24/2015 2:54 PM
55	less welfare	7/23/2015 10:44 PM
56	lower taxes	7/23/2015 6:34 PM
57	CLEAN UP THE EAST END AND RIFF RAFF	7/23/2015 11:31 AM
58	well kept homes	7/22/2015 6:55 PM
59	Lower Taxes	7/22/2015 10:35 AM
60	Senior housing.	7/21/2015 4:49 PM
61	JOBS	7/21/2015 1:35 PM
62	lower taxes	7/21/2015 12:25 PM
63	more cultural events and events at Riverlink park	7/21/2015 12:16 PM
64	Bring jobs back.	7/20/2015 7:49 PM
65	Actually being Proud to say I'm from Amsterdam	7/20/2015 12:29 PM
66	Removing all the ghetto aspects	7/20/2015 11:16 AM
67	Not having to see abandoned/boared up buildings and vandalism	7/20/2015 11:02 AM
68	more city workers	7/20/2015 10:10 AM
69	Vacant/ Dilapidated Houses	7/20/2015 9:58 AM
70	being safe	7/20/2015 7:55 AM
71	Revitalize downtown area.	7/19/2015 5:02 PM
72	a good leader	7/18/2015 11:42 PM
73	More money	7/18/2015 10:24 PM

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74	Cleaning up the East End. (making available low interest loans for home repairs)	7/18/2015 8:31 PM
75	repair streets (pot holes)	7/18/2015 1:17 PM
76	economic development	7/18/2015 1:14 PM
77	having a group of officials who actually aren't self serving.	7/18/2015 1:07 PM
78	remove blight	7/18/2015 10:50 AM
79	fix blight	7/18/2015 10:28 AM
80	entertainment options	7/18/2015 10:28 AM
81	Get rid of abandoned houses, better green plots. I have two houses next to me that the residence have abandoned for more than two years and nobody fixes the yard or take care of the houses.	7/18/2015 10:20 AM
82	Get people off of public assistance	7/18/2015 8:45 AM
83	Fix the infrastructure, roads etc.	7/18/2015 8:13 AM
84	knock down run down house and put in parking lots so the roads could be plowed in the winter time. better yet use a vacant lot to build a basketball court on every block since you outlawed it in the street.	7/18/2015 6:55 AM
85	blow up the downtown mall and level the east end	7/18/2015 5:09 AM
86	Better Roads	7/17/2015 11:06 PM
87	lower taxes	7/17/2015 10:27 PM
88	substantially lower real estate taxes	7/17/2015 10:07 PM
89	clean up the city	7/17/2015 6:00 PM
90	repair all the underground gas leaks, I can't walk anywhere without getting strong whiffs of mercaptan. I'm just waiting for something to blow up.	7/17/2015 2:12 PM
91	Restaurants	7/17/2015 2:05 PM
92	a further increase in the opportunities, programming, and activities available to children and teens	7/17/2015 10:32 AM
93	REMOVE THE SECTION 8 PROGRAM, IT IS A WASTE OF TAXPAYERS MONEY	7/17/2015 7:16 AM
94	Better streets lights sidewalks	7/16/2015 5:14 PM
95	lower property taxes	7/16/2015 3:21 PM
96	Expansion	7/16/2015 1:14 PM
97	Transportation	7/16/2015 11:55 AM
98	Getting rid of or sectioning welfare to a particular part of the city. Not allowing them to move into neighborhoods to run them down.	7/16/2015 11:43 AM
99	community sponsored exercise and activities	7/16/2015 10:39 AM
100	Fix Upper Veterans field	7/16/2015 8:50 AM
101	a small clean groceries store by all apt bldgs in division St area within walking distance	7/16/2015 8:17 AM
102	bringing in some businesses to decrease the amount of taxes we pay	7/16/2015 7:38 AM
103	maintain what we already have	7/16/2015 5:36 AM
104	knock down abandoned houses, build rec center for the youth who roam the streets all day and night	7/16/2015 12:40 AM
105	same as eight	7/15/2015 11:38 PM
106	Lower property taxes	7/15/2015 10:15 PM
107	Less blight	7/15/2015 9:49 PM
108	Being able to walk on sidewalks...have to walk in road, side walks very poor.	7/15/2015 9:12 PM
109	a park for special needs children on the east end	7/15/2015 9:01 PM
110	more jobs	7/15/2015 8:36 PM
111	business/industry	7/15/2015 8:22 PM

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112	recreation	7/15/2015 7:15 PM
113	non-chain shopping opportunities	7/15/2015 7:13 PM
114	lower taxes	7/15/2015 12:56 PM
115	Perspective of area	7/15/2015 10:04 AM
116	Less crime.	7/15/2015 9:40 AM
117	A cohesive City Government who can focus on the core problems, and work together to take action.	7/15/2015 9:15 AM
118	put the free loaders to work	7/15/2015 8:53 AM
119	more activities	7/15/2015 8:30 AM
120	4 more aldermpersons like Ms Beekman	7/15/2015 1:55 AM
121	quality	7/15/2015 1:01 AM
122	A Job!!!	7/14/2015 9:50 PM
123	for my friends and acquaintances to have access to solid employment	7/14/2015 9:49 PM
124	Improve the arts within the city	7/14/2015 9:26 PM
125	better housing	7/14/2015 8:35 PM
126	DECENT SHOPPING	7/14/2015 8:07 PM
127	lower taxes	7/14/2015 7:45 PM
128	clean it up	7/14/2015 7:42 PM
129	better common council	7/14/2015 7:39 PM
130	safety	7/14/2015 7:35 PM
131	we need a better transportation system for people to travel	7/14/2015 6:26 PM
132	if other people cared about Amsterdam also	7/14/2015 5:27 PM
133	lower taxes	7/14/2015 4:43 PM
134	More events/activities	7/14/2015 1:44 PM
135	Grocery store on the South Side	7/14/2015 12:11 PM
136	If people were more responsible for themselves and less reliant on everyone else.	7/14/2015 11:52 AM
137	neighborhood improvement	7/14/2015 10:07 AM
138	large trucks and motorcycles coming through at all hours, noise so bad I have to shut my windows.	7/14/2015 9:52 AM
139	Better, more diverse restaurants	7/14/2015 9:40 AM
140	lower taxes	7/14/2015 8:59 AM
141	reduce welfare recipients	7/14/2015 8:42 AM
142	beautify the city	7/14/2015 8:12 AM
143	more peaceful neighborhood	7/14/2015 7:02 AM
144	greater feeling of safety/less crime	7/13/2015 11:26 PM
145	Better public transportation, we need transportation 24/7 and more activities for our kids. We also need to improve our security in town.	7/13/2015 10:19 PM
146	roads	7/13/2015 9:59 PM
147	replace social service with employment!	7/13/2015 9:45 PM
148	Repair aid to Homeowners	7/13/2015 9:28 PM
149	Fixing the streets and vacant buildings	7/13/2015 9:23 PM
150	Give absolute teeth to code enforcement rules	7/13/2015 9:18 PM
151	lower taxes	7/13/2015 9:08 PM

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152	Family community center	7/13/2015 9:06 PM
153	It would be nice to find work.	7/13/2015 9:03 PM
154	Have rules and enforce them.	7/13/2015 9:03 PM
155	More employment opportunities for young adults with advanced college degrees.	7/13/2015 8:59 PM
156	Again....not legal	7/13/2015 8:53 PM
157	neighborhood associations	7/13/2015 8:47 PM
158	Lower fees and property taxes.	7/13/2015 8:44 PM
159	more recreation opportunities	7/13/2015 7:35 PM
160	better roads	7/13/2015 6:52 PM
161	Cleaner neighborhoods	7/13/2015 4:57 PM
162	Somehow enhance the pride of those who are from Amsterdam. If we who are living in Amsterdam do not see the need to fix the "broken windows" in this city and adjust our attitudes, then nobody will ever willingly move to Amsterdam.	7/13/2015 4:10 PM
163	A stronger local economy	7/13/2015 4:05 PM
164	Lower taxes for senior citizens..	7/13/2015 12:53 PM
165	Fix Raods	7/13/2015 12:22 PM
166	home repair asisstance	7/13/2015 10:42 AM

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**Q10 List three (3) words that best describe Amsterdam as it is now:**

Answered: 172 Skipped: 15

Answer Choices	Responses	
1.	100.00%	172
2.	98.26%	169
3.	94.77%	163

#	1.	Date
1	poverty	10/7/2015 2:16 PM
2	Stagnant	10/7/2015 2:07 PM
3	welfare	10/7/2015 1:56 PM
4	schools	10/7/2015 1:46 PM
5	needy	10/7/2015 1:39 PM
6	safe	10/7/2015 1:29 PM
7	Divided	10/7/2015 1:10 PM
8	Neglected	10/7/2015 12:57 PM
9	Blight	10/7/2015 12:32 PM
10	Dump	10/7/2015 12:12 PM
11	Stagnant	10/7/2015 11:49 AM
12	Dwindling	10/7/2015 10:49 AM
13	Under Appreciated	10/7/2015 10:30 AM
14	Depressed	10/7/2015 10:09 AM
15	Negative	10/5/2015 12:59 PM
16	Hope	10/5/2015 12:48 PM
17	Bad Neighborhoods	10/2/2015 3:44 PM
18	Apathetic	10/2/2015 3:31 PM
19	Stagnat	10/2/2015 3:18 PM
20	Broke	10/2/2015 2:14 PM
21	Transitional	10/2/2015 1:49 PM
22	Dirty	10/2/2015 1:38 PM
23	Run Down	10/2/2015 1:24 PM
24	Depressing	10/2/2015 1:09 PM
25	Bargian	10/2/2015 12:44 PM
26	Old	10/2/2015 12:28 PM
27	Poor	10/2/2015 12:14 PM
28	Asleep	10/2/2015 11:47 AM
29	Uncooperative	10/2/2015 11:34 AM
30	Depressed	10/2/2015 11:15 AM

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31	Tired	10/2/2015 10:47 AM
32	calm	10/2/2015 10:27 AM
33	charming	9/8/2015 4:55 PM
34	culture	9/8/2015 4:39 PM
35	aging	9/8/2015 4:16 PM
36	Run down	8/11/2015 11:53 PM
37	polarized	8/10/2015 8:45 PM
38	Poor	8/10/2015 2:01 PM
39	Run down	8/10/2015 10:39 AM
40	depressed	8/9/2015 5:12 PM
41	diverse	8/9/2015 7:54 AM
42	Defunct	8/8/2015 1:56 PM
43	friendly	8/7/2015 2:12 PM
44	dreary	8/7/2015 12:28 PM
45	Unwelcoming	8/6/2015 1:35 PM
46	Disheveled	8/6/2015 10:13 AM
47	Potential	8/4/2015 8:58 PM
48	UNGOVERNED	8/4/2015 2:53 PM
49	Welfare	8/4/2015 11:46 AM
50	Disorganized	8/3/2015 1:01 PM
51	negativity	8/3/2015 9:24 AM
52	Home	7/30/2015 8:25 PM
53	Corrupt	7/30/2015 11:45 AM
54	poor	7/29/2015 3:19 PM
55	expensive area	7/29/2015 1:38 PM
56	dump	7/28/2015 2:50 PM
57	Overtaxed	7/27/2015 12:48 PM
58	Historic	7/26/2015 11:20 PM
59	decaying	7/24/2015 2:54 PM
60	depressed	7/23/2015 10:44 PM
61	convenient	7/23/2015 6:34 PM
62	Amsterico	7/23/2015 11:31 AM
63	poor	7/22/2015 6:55 PM
64	Strong Community	7/22/2015 10:35 AM
65	Depressed	7/21/2015 4:49 PM
66	low income	7/21/2015 1:35 PM
67	waste	7/21/2015 12:25 PM
68	diverse	7/21/2015 12:16 PM
69	sad	7/20/2015 7:49 PM
70	Rundown	7/20/2015 12:29 PM
71	Welfare abuse	7/20/2015 11:16 AM

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72	low class	7/20/2015 11:02 AM
73	safe	7/20/2015 10:10 AM
74	Run Down	7/20/2015 9:58 AM
75	dirty	7/20/2015 7:55 AM
76	Obsolete	7/19/2015 5:02 PM
77	unkept	7/18/2015 11:42 PM
78	Heart	7/18/2015 10:24 PM
79	depressed	7/18/2015 8:31 PM
80	blight	7/18/2015 1:17 PM
81	ghetto	7/18/2015 1:14 PM
82	selfish	7/18/2015 1:07 PM
83	friendly	7/18/2015 10:50 AM
84	hope	7/18/2015 10:28 AM
85	blight	7/18/2015 10:28 AM
86	Aging	7/18/2015 10:20 AM
87	Depressing	7/18/2015 8:45 AM
88	Surviving	7/18/2015 8:13 AM
89	old	7/18/2015 6:55 AM
90	ignorance	7/18/2015 5:09 AM
91	broke	7/17/2015 11:06 PM
92	home	7/17/2015 10:27 PM
93	beautiful	7/17/2015 10:07 PM
94	dirty	7/17/2015 6:00 PM
95	Segragated communities	7/17/2015 2:12 PM
96	Poor Image Externally/ Fatalism Internally	7/17/2015 2:05 PM
97	potential	7/17/2015 10:32 AM
98	DISGUSTING	7/17/2015 7:16 AM
99	Dirty	7/16/2015 5:14 PM
100	affordable housing	7/16/2015 3:21 PM
101	Low esteem	7/16/2015 1:14 PM
102	empty houses	7/16/2015 11:55 AM
103	run down	7/16/2015 11:43 AM
104	historic	7/16/2015 10:39 AM
105	Home	7/16/2015 8:50 AM
106	our appearance	7/16/2015 8:17 AM
107	improving	7/16/2015 7:38 AM
108	run down	7/16/2015 12:40 AM
109	good people	7/15/2015 11:38 PM
110	Drugs	7/15/2015 10:15 PM
111	Small-minded	7/15/2015 9:49 PM
112	Run Down	7/15/2015 9:12 PM

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113	disjointed	7/15/2015 9:01 PM
114	negative	7/15/2015 8:36 PM
115	crime	7/15/2015 8:22 PM
116	old	7/15/2015 7:15 PM
117	home	7/15/2015 7:13 PM
118	Poor Perception of city inside and outside of city	7/15/2015 10:04 AM
119	old	7/15/2015 9:40 AM
120	Hopeful	7/15/2015 9:15 AM
121	pittelfull	7/15/2015 8:53 AM
122	depressed	7/15/2015 8:30 AM
123	dawning	7/15/2015 1:55 AM
124	reactionary	7/15/2015 1:01 AM
125	Nasty	7/14/2015 9:50 PM
126	divided (us vs them, along ethnic, racial, and/or political lines)	7/14/2015 9:49 PM
127	Small city experience	7/14/2015 9:26 PM
128	slummy	7/14/2015 8:35 PM
129	RUNDOWN	7/14/2015 8:07 PM
130	rundown	7/14/2015 7:45 PM
131	dirty	7/14/2015 7:42 PM
132	home	7/14/2015 7:39 PM
133	depressing	7/14/2015 7:35 PM
134	boring	7/14/2015 6:26 PM
135	run by politics instead of government	7/14/2015 5:27 PM
136	aesthetically on the upswing	7/14/2015 4:43 PM
137	Underappreciated	7/14/2015 1:44 PM
138	Inconvenient	7/14/2015 12:11 PM
139	Dirty	7/14/2015 11:52 AM
140	improving	7/14/2015 10:07 AM
141	Beautiful city on the Mohawk	7/14/2015 9:52 AM
142	beautiful	7/14/2015 9:40 AM
143	High/Latent Potential	7/14/2015 9:24 AM
144	dirty	7/14/2015 8:59 AM
145	struggling	7/14/2015 8:42 AM
146	narrow minded	7/14/2015 8:12 AM
147	out dated	7/14/2015 7:35 AM
148	rundown	7/14/2015 7:02 AM
149	improving	7/13/2015 11:26 PM
150	Bored	7/13/2015 10:19 PM
151	Dirty	7/13/2015 9:59 PM
152	depressed	7/13/2015 9:45 PM
153	Negative	7/13/2015 9:28 PM

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154	declining	7/13/2015 9:23 PM
155	Depressed	7/13/2015 9:18 PM
156	depressed	7/13/2015 9:08 PM
157	Centralized	7/13/2015 9:06 PM
158	condemned	7/13/2015 9:03 PM
159	No middle class-income employment	7/13/2015 9:03 PM
160	Older	7/13/2015 8:59 PM
161	crimeridden	7/13/2015 8:53 PM
162	struggling	7/13/2015 8:47 PM
163	abandoned	7/13/2015 8:44 PM
164	struggling	7/13/2015 8:36 PM
165	broke	7/13/2015 7:35 PM
166	outdated	7/13/2015 6:52 PM
167	Struggling	7/13/2015 4:57 PM
168	Poor	7/13/2015 4:10 PM
169	Old	7/13/2015 4:05 PM
170	blighted	7/13/2015 12:53 PM
171	Decrepit	7/13/2015 12:22 PM
172	poor	7/13/2015 10:42 AM
<b>#</b>	<b>2.</b>	<b>Date</b>
1	low education	10/7/2015 2:16 PM
2	broken	10/7/2015 2:07 PM
3	cheap stores	10/7/2015 1:56 PM
4	crime	10/7/2015 1:46 PM
5	littered	10/7/2015 1:39 PM
6	police is good	10/7/2015 1:29 PM
7	Struggling	10/7/2015 1:10 PM
8	Rundown	10/7/2015 12:57 PM
9	(illegible)	10/7/2015 12:32 PM
10	Drugs	10/7/2015 12:12 PM
11	Tired	10/7/2015 11:49 AM
12	depressed	10/7/2015 10:49 AM
13	Internal Bickering	10/7/2015 10:30 AM
14	Shabby	10/7/2015 10:09 AM
15	Deteriorating	10/5/2015 12:59 PM
16	Opportunity	10/5/2015 12:48 PM
17	Bad Schools	10/2/2015 3:44 PM
18	Ugly	10/2/2015 3:31 PM
19	Unsafe	10/2/2015 3:18 PM
20	Poor Leadership	10/2/2015 2:14 PM
21	Potential	10/2/2015 1:49 PM

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22	Old	10/2/2015 1:38 PM
23	Blightful	10/2/2015 1:24 PM
24	Deteriorating	10/2/2015 1:09 PM
25	Family-Friendly	10/2/2015 12:44 PM
26	Mill Town	10/2/2015 12:28 PM
27	Distant	10/2/2015 12:14 PM
28	Poor	10/2/2015 11:47 AM
29	Blight	10/2/2015 11:34 AM
30	Historical	10/2/2015 11:15 AM
31	Blight	10/2/2015 10:47 AM
32	uncharming	10/2/2015 10:27 AM
33	historical	9/8/2015 4:55 PM
34	small	9/8/2015 4:39 PM
35	depressed	9/8/2015 4:16 PM
36	Has potential	8/11/2015 11:53 PM
37	negative	8/10/2015 8:45 PM
38	Dingy	8/10/2015 2:01 PM
39	depressed	8/10/2015 10:39 AM
40	apathetic	8/9/2015 5:12 PM
41	high welfare , easy to move here	8/9/2015 7:54 AM
42	impoverished	8/8/2015 1:56 PM
43	beautiful	8/7/2015 2:12 PM
44	mismanaged	8/7/2015 12:28 PM
45	Repressed	8/6/2015 1:35 PM
46	Disingenuous	8/6/2015 10:13 AM
47	UNDERDEVELOPED	8/4/2015 2:53 PM
48	Has potential	8/4/2015 11:46 AM
49	imcompetent	8/3/2015 1:01 PM
50	high crime	8/3/2015 9:24 AM
51	over taxed	7/30/2015 8:25 PM
52	Overtaxed	7/30/2015 11:45 AM
53	uninviting	7/29/2015 3:19 PM
54	poor	7/29/2015 1:38 PM
55	poor	7/28/2015 2:50 PM
56	Declining	7/27/2015 12:48 PM
57	Dying	7/26/2015 11:20 PM
58	poor	7/24/2015 2:54 PM
59	mismanaged	7/23/2015 10:44 PM
60	compact	7/23/2015 6:34 PM
61	Amsterico	7/23/2015 11:31 AM
62	great people	7/22/2015 6:55 PM

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63	weak economy - job growth	7/22/2015 10:35 AM
64	Dirty	7/21/2015 4:49 PM
65	jobless	7/21/2015 1:35 PM
66	disrepair	7/21/2015 12:25 PM
67	poor reputation	7/21/2015 12:16 PM
68	unwanted	7/20/2015 7:49 PM
69	embarrassing	7/20/2015 12:29 PM
70	Ghetto	7/20/2015 11:16 AM
71	ghetto	7/20/2015 11:02 AM
72	friendly	7/20/2015 10:10 AM
73	Getting Worse	7/20/2015 9:58 AM
74	dead	7/20/2015 7:55 AM
75	Boring	7/19/2015 5:02 PM
76	dysfunctional	7/18/2015 11:42 PM
77	Deadzone	7/18/2015 10:24 PM
78	Loud (east end)	7/18/2015 8:31 PM
79	poor leadership	7/18/2015 1:17 PM
80	depressed	7/18/2015 1:14 PM
81	jealous	7/18/2015 1:07 PM
82	safe	7/18/2015 10:50 AM
83	frustration	7/18/2015 10:28 AM
84	depressed	7/18/2015 10:28 AM
85	Decaying	7/18/2015 10:20 AM
86	Run down	7/18/2015 8:45 AM
87	Negative	7/18/2015 8:13 AM
88	proud	7/18/2015 6:55 AM
89	decay	7/18/2015 5:09 AM
90	dirty	7/17/2015 11:06 PM
91	sports	7/17/2015 10:27 PM
92	progressive	7/17/2015 10:07 PM
93	overpriced	7/17/2015 6:00 PM
94	Poor leadership relations	7/17/2015 2:12 PM
95	Needing a Facelift	7/17/2015 2:05 PM
96	hopeful	7/17/2015 10:32 AM
97	RUN DOWN	7/17/2015 7:16 AM
98	Poorly managed by counsel	7/16/2015 5:14 PM
99	bedroom community	7/16/2015 3:21 PM
100	divided	7/16/2015 1:14 PM
101	no transportation	7/16/2015 11:55 AM
102	dirty	7/16/2015 11:43 AM
103	depressed	7/16/2015 10:39 AM

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104	scary	7/16/2015 8:50 AM
105	low crime	7/16/2015 8:17 AM
106	hopeful	7/16/2015 7:38 AM
107	full of lazy welfare collectors	7/16/2015 12:40 AM
108	depressed area	7/15/2015 11:38 PM
109	Gangs	7/15/2015 10:15 PM
110	Rundown	7/15/2015 9:49 PM
111	litter	7/15/2015 9:12 PM
112	desperate	7/15/2015 9:01 PM
113	no jobs	7/15/2015 8:36 PM
114	poverty	7/15/2015 8:22 PM
115	negative	7/15/2015 7:15 PM
116	friendly	7/15/2015 7:13 PM
117	Quality of school system and cultural issues in school	7/15/2015 10:04 AM
118	poor	7/15/2015 9:40 AM
119	Debilitated	7/15/2015 9:15 AM
120	disgrace	7/15/2015 8:53 AM
121	low income	7/15/2015 8:30 AM
122	stifled	7/15/2015 1:55 AM
123	inacitive	7/15/2015 1:01 AM
124	Politics	7/14/2015 9:50 PM
125	recovering from an economic abyss, coming back	7/14/2015 9:49 PM
126	Friendly	7/14/2015 9:26 PM
127	uneducated	7/14/2015 8:35 PM
128	POOR	7/14/2015 8:07 PM
129	drive through to adirondacks	7/14/2015 7:45 PM
130	desolate	7/14/2015 7:42 PM
131	stagnant	7/14/2015 7:39 PM
132	dirty	7/14/2015 7:35 PM
133	deprived	7/14/2015 6:26 PM
134	often embarrassing	7/14/2015 5:27 PM
135	economically poor	7/14/2015 4:43 PM
136	Beautiful	7/14/2015 1:44 PM
137	Combative	7/14/2015 12:11 PM
138	Crime-ridden	7/14/2015 11:52 AM
139	traditional	7/14/2015 10:07 AM
140	History	7/14/2015 9:52 AM
141	liveable	7/14/2015 9:40 AM
142	Natural Resources	7/14/2015 9:24 AM
143	dingy	7/14/2015 8:59 AM
144	bankrupt	7/14/2015 8:12 AM

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145	depressed	7/14/2015 7:35 AM
146	unkempt	7/14/2015 7:02 AM
147	has potential	7/13/2015 11:26 PM
148	Unsecured	7/13/2015 10:19 PM
149	Rundown	7/13/2015 9:59 PM
150	dependent	7/13/2015 9:45 PM
151	Self Defeating	7/13/2015 9:28 PM
152	poor	7/13/2015 9:23 PM
153	Hopeful	7/13/2015 9:18 PM
154	dead-end	7/13/2015 9:08 PM
155	Trying	7/13/2015 9:06 PM
156	unemployed	7/13/2015 9:03 PM
157	Business owners are lacking care	7/13/2015 9:03 PM
158	Stuck	7/13/2015 8:59 PM
159	downtrodden	7/13/2015 8:53 PM
160	empty	7/13/2015 8:47 PM
161	hopeless	7/13/2015 8:44 PM
162	decaying	7/13/2015 7:35 PM
163	astray	7/13/2015 6:52 PM
164	Challenged	7/13/2015 4:57 PM
165	Desserted	7/13/2015 4:10 PM
166	Poor	7/13/2015 4:05 PM
167	prideless	7/13/2015 12:53 PM
168	Embarrassing	7/13/2015 12:22 PM
169	blighted	7/13/2015 10:42 AM
<b>#</b>	<b>3.</b>	<b>Date</b>
1	potential	10/7/2015 2:16 PM
2	irreparable	10/7/2015 2:07 PM
3	no pride	10/7/2015 1:56 PM
4	leadership	10/7/2015 1:46 PM
5	negative	10/7/2015 1:39 PM
6	fire is good	10/7/2015 1:29 PM
7	Impoverished (in some areas)	10/7/2015 1:10 PM
8	Sad	10/7/2015 12:57 PM
9	non-competitive	10/7/2015 12:32 PM
10	Assholes	10/7/2015 12:12 PM
11	Uninteresting	10/7/2015 11:49 AM
12	unproving (?)	10/7/2015 10:49 AM
13	Delapidated Houses	10/7/2015 10:30 AM
14	Turning Around	10/7/2015 10:09 AM
15	Struggling	10/5/2015 12:59 PM

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16	People who care about 12010	10/5/2015 12:48 PM
17	Drugs	10/2/2015 3:44 PM
18	Disjointed	10/2/2015 3:31 PM
19	Qualsome	10/2/2015 3:18 PM
20	Blight	10/2/2015 2:14 PM
21	Foundation	10/2/2015 1:49 PM
22	Failing	10/2/2015 1:09 PM
23	Controversial	10/2/2015 12:44 PM
24	Cultural Clash	10/2/2015 12:28 PM
25	Stubborn	10/2/2015 12:14 PM
26	Ready	10/2/2015 11:47 AM
27	Struggling	10/2/2015 10:47 AM
28	boring	10/2/2015 10:27 AM
29	best of country and city life	9/8/2015 4:55 PM
30	historical	9/8/2015 4:39 PM
31	friendly	9/8/2015 4:16 PM
32	Lost	8/11/2015 11:53 PM
33	depressed	8/10/2015 8:45 PM
34	Boring	8/10/2015 2:01 PM
35	emerging	8/10/2015 10:39 AM
36	dying	8/9/2015 5:12 PM
37	no jobs	8/9/2015 7:54 AM
38	unemployed	8/8/2015 1:56 PM
39	home	8/7/2015 2:12 PM
40	high crime	8/7/2015 12:28 PM
41	Aging	8/6/2015 1:35 PM
42	Dishonest - BALANCE YOUR BOOKS!!!	8/6/2015 10:13 AM
43	Dead	8/4/2015 8:58 PM
44	EYE SORE	8/4/2015 2:53 PM
45	Good location to the Thruway	8/4/2015 11:46 AM
46	potential	8/3/2015 1:01 PM
47	blight	8/3/2015 9:24 AM
48	too dependent on the State for help	7/30/2015 8:25 PM
49	No leadership	7/30/2015 11:45 AM
50	frightening	7/29/2015 3:19 PM
51	tired	7/29/2015 1:38 PM
52	ugly	7/28/2015 2:50 PM
53	Helpless	7/27/2015 12:48 PM
54	Disrepair	7/26/2015 11:20 PM
55	underdeveloped	7/24/2015 2:54 PM
56	dirty	7/23/2015 10:44 PM

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57	Amsterico	7/23/2015 11:31 AM
58	ethnic	7/22/2015 6:55 PM
59	Negative image	7/22/2015 10:35 AM
60	Hopefull	7/21/2015 4:49 PM
61	sad	7/21/2015 1:35 PM
62	slum	7/21/2015 12:25 PM
63	high taxed	7/21/2015 12:16 PM
64	lost	7/20/2015 7:49 PM
65	Ghetto	7/20/2015 12:29 PM
66	Low Class	7/20/2015 11:16 AM
67	welfare	7/20/2015 11:02 AM
68	home	7/20/2015 10:10 AM
69	Crumbling	7/20/2015 9:58 AM
70	unsafe	7/20/2015 7:55 AM
71	Run-Down	7/19/2015 5:02 PM
72	lacking leadership	7/18/2015 11:42 PM
73	Segregated	7/18/2015 10:24 PM
74	bias (politically)	7/18/2015 8:31 PM
75	sad	7/18/2015 1:17 PM
76	unattractive	7/18/2015 1:14 PM
77	miserable most of the time	7/18/2015 1:07 PM
78	needy	7/18/2015 10:50 AM
79	need	7/18/2015 10:28 AM
80	uninviting	7/18/2015 10:28 AM
81	Unrealistic	7/18/2015 10:20 AM
82	Dirty	7/18/2015 8:45 AM
83	Takers	7/18/2015 8:13 AM
84	afraid to lose population but be aware of what population your protecting I have no interest in keeping welfare recipients in the city	7/18/2015 6:55 AM
85	aimless	7/18/2015 5:09 AM
86	poor leadership	7/17/2015 11:06 PM
87	ahs	7/17/2015 10:27 PM
88	entertaining	7/17/2015 10:07 PM
89	mismanaged	7/17/2015 6:00 PM
90	Growth Potential	7/17/2015 2:12 PM
91	Acrimony	7/17/2015 2:05 PM
92	community	7/17/2015 10:32 AM
93	PITIFUL	7/17/2015 7:16 AM
94	Potential	7/16/2015 5:14 PM
95	location	7/16/2015 3:21 PM
96	undecided	7/16/2015 1:14 PM

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97	nice people	7/16/2015 11:55 AM
98	uneducated	7/16/2015 11:43 AM
99	resilient	7/16/2015 10:39 AM
100	melting pot	7/16/2015 8:50 AM
101	The response of police & fire dept	7/16/2015 8:17 AM
102	small	7/16/2015 7:38 AM
103	lacking basics	7/15/2015 11:38 PM
104	Potential	7/15/2015 9:49 PM
105	Starting to get on track..downtown & Bridge St.	7/15/2015 9:12 PM
106	hopeful	7/15/2015 9:01 PM
107	no retail	7/15/2015 8:36 PM
108	unkept	7/15/2015 8:22 PM
109	no forward thinking	7/15/2015 7:15 PM
110	depressed	7/15/2015 7:13 PM
111	Lack of teamwork among city leaders	7/15/2015 10:04 AM
112	declining	7/15/2015 9:40 AM
113	Eager for Change	7/15/2015 9:15 AM
114	ashamed	7/15/2015 8:53 AM
115	infighting	7/15/2015 8:30 AM
116	antiquated	7/15/2015 1:55 AM
117	resistive	7/15/2015 1:01 AM
118	Personal	7/14/2015 9:50 PM
119	geographically, architecturally and historically beautiful	7/14/2015 9:49 PM
120	My home	7/14/2015 9:26 PM
121	trashy	7/14/2015 8:35 PM
122	POORLY EDUCATED	7/14/2015 8:07 PM
123	no big industry	7/14/2015 7:45 PM
124	unappealing	7/14/2015 7:42 PM
125	held hostage by coouncil	7/14/2015 7:39 PM
126	dump	7/14/2015 7:35 PM
127	neglected	7/14/2015 6:26 PM
128	too sports-oriented - there are more important things	7/14/2015 5:27 PM
129	diverse	7/14/2015 4:43 PM
130	Gritty	7/14/2015 1:44 PM
131	Uninteresting	7/14/2015 12:11 PM
132	Sad	7/14/2015 11:52 AM
133	ordinary	7/14/2015 10:07 AM
134	Struggling but trying to move forward	7/14/2015 9:52 AM
135	struggling	7/14/2015 9:40 AM
136	depressed	7/14/2015 9:24 AM
137	gloomy	7/14/2015 8:59 AM

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138	run down	7/14/2015 8:12 AM
139	disorganized	7/14/2015 7:35 AM
140	unrealistic	7/14/2015 7:02 AM
141	bipolar	7/13/2015 11:26 PM
142	Lack of public transportation	7/13/2015 10:19 PM
143	getto	7/13/2015 9:59 PM
144	forgotten	7/13/2015 9:45 PM
145	Unprogresive	7/13/2015 9:28 PM
146	not seen for what it really is. Families rooted in history to Amsterdam	7/13/2015 9:23 PM
147	Crumbling	7/13/2015 9:18 PM
148	sad	7/13/2015 9:08 PM
149	Shabby	7/13/2015 9:06 PM
150	lacking	7/13/2015 9:03 PM
151	There is a thought this are does not produce quality. It is a lower rung area	7/13/2015 9:03 PM
152	No priorities	7/13/2015 8:59 PM
153	depressed	7/13/2015 8:53 PM
154	sad	7/13/2015 8:47 PM
155	dejected	7/13/2015 8:44 PM
156	hopefull	7/13/2015 7:35 PM
157	potential	7/13/2015 6:52 PM
158	Diverse	7/13/2015 4:57 PM
159	Struggling	7/13/2015 4:10 PM
160	Trying	7/13/2015 4:05 PM
161	sad	7/13/2015 12:53 PM
162	Welfare	7/13/2015 12:22 PM
163	ignored	7/13/2015 10:42 AM

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**Q11 List three (3) words that best describe Amsterdam as it could be:**

Answered: 166 Skipped: 21

Answer Choices	Responses	
1.	100.00%	166
2.	98.80%	164
3.	93.37%	155

#	1.	Date
1	flowering	10/7/2015 2:16 PM
2	commuter hub	10/7/2015 2:07 PM
3	improve codes	10/7/2015 1:56 PM
4	leaders	10/7/2015 1:46 PM
5	developed	10/7/2015 1:39 PM
6	better	10/7/2015 1:29 PM
7	Dynamic	10/7/2015 1:10 PM
8	Artsy	10/7/2015 12:57 PM
9	Productive	10/7/2015 12:32 PM
10	Dump	10/7/2015 12:12 PM
11	Commuter-Based	10/7/2015 11:49 AM
12	Inviting	10/7/2015 10:49 AM
13	Work Together	10/7/2015 10:30 AM
14	Revitalized	10/7/2015 10:09 AM
15	progressive	10/5/2015 12:59 PM
16	Beautiful	10/5/2015 12:48 PM
17	Clean	10/2/2015 3:44 PM
18	Clean	10/2/2015 3:31 PM
19	Vibrant	10/2/2015 3:18 PM
20	New Leader	10/2/2015 2:14 PM
21	Bustling	10/2/2015 1:49 PM
22	Like Downtown Schenetary	10/2/2015 1:38 PM
23	Beautiful	10/2/2015 1:24 PM
24	Thriving	10/2/2015 1:09 PM
25	Bargain	10/2/2015 12:44 PM
26	Beautiful	10/2/2015 12:28 PM
27	Bustling	10/2/2015 12:14 PM
28	Busy	10/2/2015 11:47 AM
29	Bustling	10/2/2015 11:15 AM
30	Vibrant	10/2/2015 10:47 AM

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31	attractive	10/2/2015 10:27 AM
32	tourist	9/8/2015 4:55 PM
33	progressive	9/8/2015 4:39 PM
34	vibrant	9/8/2015 4:16 PM
35	Booming	8/11/2015 11:53 PM
36	bedroom community	8/10/2015 8:45 PM
37	Beautiful	8/10/2015 2:01 PM
38	developing	8/10/2015 10:39 AM
39	beautiful	8/9/2015 5:12 PM
40	diverse , get to know your nieghbors.	8/9/2015 7:54 AM
41	Clean	8/8/2015 1:56 PM
42	economically strong	8/7/2015 2:12 PM
43	inviting	8/7/2015 12:28 PM
44	Renovated	8/6/2015 1:35 PM
45	Clean	8/6/2015 10:13 AM
46	Quiet	8/4/2015 8:58 PM
47	ECONOMIC STAPLE	8/4/2015 2:53 PM
48	Prosperous	8/4/2015 11:46 AM
49	Great Bedroom Community	8/3/2015 1:01 PM
50	picturesque	8/3/2015 9:24 AM
51	Factory outlet shopping in the old factories	7/30/2015 8:25 PM
52	Dynamic	7/30/2015 11:45 AM
53	safe	7/29/2015 3:19 PM
54	colorful	7/29/2015 1:38 PM
55	clean	7/28/2015 2:50 PM
56	Efficient	7/27/2015 12:48 PM
57	Thriving	7/26/2015 11:20 PM
58	better	7/24/2015 2:54 PM
59	Clean	7/23/2015 11:31 AM
60	beautiful	7/22/2015 6:55 PM
61	Bedroom community	7/22/2015 10:35 AM
62	Vibrant	7/21/2015 4:49 PM
63	higher income	7/21/2015 1:35 PM
64	great	7/21/2015 12:25 PM
65	revitalized	7/21/2015 12:16 PM
66	gateway	7/20/2015 7:49 PM
67	Welcoming	7/20/2015 12:29 PM
68	Restored	7/20/2015 11:16 AM
69	middle class	7/20/2015 11:02 AM
70	expanding	7/20/2015 10:10 AM
71	Beautiful Historic City along River	7/20/2015 9:58 AM

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72	cannot invasion the future	7/20/2015 7:55 AM
73	Vibrant	7/19/2015 5:02 PM
74	clean	7/18/2015 11:42 PM
75	Rich	7/18/2015 10:24 PM
76	small town	7/18/2015 8:31 PM
77	attractive	7/18/2015 1:17 PM
78	inviting	7/18/2015 1:14 PM
79	giving	7/18/2015 1:07 PM
80	beautiful	7/18/2015 10:50 AM
81	history	7/18/2015 10:28 AM
82	vibrant	7/18/2015 10:28 AM
83	Neighboring	7/18/2015 10:20 AM
84	Clean	7/18/2015 8:45 AM
85	Bustling	7/18/2015 8:13 AM
86	charming and old	7/18/2015 6:55 AM
87	recovering	7/18/2015 5:09 AM
88	tolerable	7/17/2015 11:06 PM
89	gateway	7/17/2015 10:27 PM
90	busy	7/17/2015 10:07 PM
91	Healthy Diversity	7/17/2015 2:12 PM
92	Mini-Destination	7/17/2015 2:05 PM
93	thriving	7/17/2015 10:32 AM
94	BEAUTIFUL	7/17/2015 7:16 AM
95	Beautiful	7/16/2015 5:14 PM
96	destination	7/16/2015 3:21 PM
97	Viable	7/16/2015 1:14 PM
98	Transportion hub	7/16/2015 11:55 AM
99	Clean	7/16/2015 11:43 AM
100	historic	7/16/2015 10:39 AM
101	Home	7/16/2015 8:50 AM
102	more affordable housing in abandoned factories	7/16/2015 8:17 AM
103	vibrant	7/16/2015 7:38 AM
104	clean	7/16/2015 12:40 AM
105	inviting	7/15/2015 11:38 PM
106	Vibrant	7/15/2015 9:49 PM
107	Bedroom community	7/15/2015 9:12 PM
108	community	7/15/2015 9:01 PM
109	postive things	7/15/2015 8:36 PM
110	heathy	7/15/2015 8:22 PM
111	clean	7/15/2015 7:15 PM
112	beautiful	7/15/2015 7:13 PM

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113	Clean - well maintained	7/15/2015 10:04 AM
114	vibrant	7/15/2015 9:40 AM
115	Inviting	7/15/2015 9:15 AM
116	vibereant	7/15/2015 8:53 AM
117	welcoming	7/15/2015 8:30 AM
118	destination	7/15/2015 1:55 AM
119	vibrant	7/15/2015 1:01 AM
120	Historic	7/14/2015 9:50 PM
121	a tourist destination	7/14/2015 9:49 PM
122	Bedroom Community (sorry that is 2 words)	7/14/2015 9:26 PM
123	bedroom	7/14/2015 8:35 PM
124	CLEAN	7/14/2015 8:07 PM
125	better re-built	7/14/2015 7:45 PM
126	clean	7/14/2015 7:42 PM
127	trendy	7/14/2015 7:39 PM
128	beautiful	7/14/2015 7:35 PM
129	thriving	7/14/2015 6:26 PM
130	preservation and history-minded	7/14/2015 5:27 PM
131	Bedroom community	7/14/2015 1:44 PM
132	Comfortable	7/14/2015 12:11 PM
133	Alive	7/14/2015 11:52 AM
134	modern	7/14/2015 10:07 AM
135	Beautiful City on the Mohawk	7/14/2015 9:52 AM
136	dynamic	7/14/2015 9:40 AM
137	Flourishing/prosperous	7/14/2015 9:24 AM
138	vibrent	7/14/2015 8:59 AM
139	unified	7/14/2015 8:42 AM
140	vibrant	7/14/2015 8:12 AM
141	clean	7/14/2015 7:35 AM
142	realistic	7/14/2015 7:02 AM
143	tourist destination	7/13/2015 11:26 PM
144	More fun	7/13/2015 10:19 PM
145	cleaner	7/13/2015 9:59 PM
146	vital	7/13/2015 9:45 PM
147	Central	7/13/2015 9:28 PM
148	beautiful	7/13/2015 9:23 PM
149	Leader	7/13/2015 9:18 PM
150	vital	7/13/2015 9:08 PM
151	Majestic	7/13/2015 9:06 PM
152	thriving	7/13/2015 9:03 PM
153	Low crime (even though there has been an uptick)	7/13/2015 9:03 PM

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154	Youthful	7/13/2015 8:59 PM
155	interesting	7/13/2015 8:53 PM
156	vibrant	7/13/2015 8:47 PM
157	prosperous	7/13/2015 8:44 PM
158	positivity	7/13/2015 8:36 PM
159	fund balance	7/13/2015 7:35 PM
160	rejuvenated	7/13/2015 6:52 PM
161	Suburb	7/13/2015 4:57 PM
162	Home	7/13/2015 4:10 PM
163	Bedroom Community	7/13/2015 4:05 PM
164	prideful	7/13/2015 12:53 PM
165	Prosperous	7/13/2015 12:22 PM
166	vibrant	7/13/2015 10:42 AM
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1	econmoic stability	10/7/2015 2:16 PM
2	follow codes	10/7/2015 1:56 PM
3	Clean	10/7/2015 1:46 PM
4	Clean	10/7/2015 1:39 PM
5	downtown	10/7/2015 1:29 PM
6	Inviting	10/7/2015 1:10 PM
7	Clean	10/7/2015 12:57 PM
8	Beautiful	10/7/2015 12:32 PM
9	Dump	10/7/2015 12:12 PM
10	Hi-Tech Manufacturing	10/7/2015 11:49 AM
11	Safe	10/7/2015 10:49 AM
12	Entice Businesse	10/7/2015 10:30 AM
13	Quaint	10/7/2015 10:09 AM
14	Prosperous	10/5/2015 12:59 PM
15	Wonderful	10/5/2015 12:48 PM
16	Jobs	10/2/2015 3:44 PM
17	Destinantion	10/2/2015 3:31 PM
18	Safe	10/2/2015 3:18 PM
19	Jobs	10/2/2015 2:14 PM
20	Unique	10/2/2015 1:49 PM
21	New Common Council Members	10/2/2015 1:38 PM
22	Prosperous	10/2/2015 1:09 PM
23	Family-Friendly	10/2/2015 12:44 PM
24	Populated	10/2/2015 12:28 PM
25	Bedroom Community	10/2/2015 12:14 PM
26	Industrial	10/2/2015 11:47 AM
27	Tourist Destination	10/2/2015 11:15 AM

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28	Clean	10/2/2015 10:47 AM
29	touristic	10/2/2015 10:27 AM
30	beautiful	9/8/2015 4:55 PM
31	healthy	9/8/2015 4:39 PM
32	bright	9/8/2015 4:16 PM
33	Thriving	8/11/2015 11:53 PM
34	cultured	8/10/2015 8:45 PM
35	Diversified (little Italy, Little Puerto Rico, etc..)	8/10/2015 2:01 PM
36	safe	8/10/2015 10:39 AM
37	thriving	8/9/2015 5:12 PM
38	more jobs, within the city.	8/9/2015 7:54 AM
39	Business Friendly	8/8/2015 1:56 PM
40	drug free	8/7/2015 2:12 PM
41	attractive	8/7/2015 12:28 PM
42	Clean	8/6/2015 1:35 PM
43	Crime-Free	8/6/2015 10:13 AM
44	Friendly	8/4/2015 8:58 PM
45	EMPLOYMENT GROWTH	8/4/2015 2:53 PM
46	Lively	8/4/2015 11:46 AM
47	beautiful	8/3/2015 1:01 PM
48	beautiful	8/3/2015 9:24 AM
49	Trolley tours of Amsterdam for visitors	7/30/2015 8:25 PM
50	Regional agriculture center	7/30/2015 11:45 AM
51	(fun)ctional	7/29/2015 3:19 PM
52	trending	7/29/2015 1:38 PM
53	beautiful	7/28/2015 2:50 PM
54	Growing	7/27/2015 12:48 PM
55	Beautiful	7/26/2015 11:20 PM
56	better	7/24/2015 2:54 PM
57	Safe	7/23/2015 11:31 AM
58	diversified	7/22/2015 6:55 PM
59	good Schools	7/22/2015 10:35 AM
60	Beautiful	7/21/2015 4:49 PM
61	places to work	7/21/2015 1:35 PM
62	greater	7/21/2015 12:25 PM
63	bedroom community	7/21/2015 12:16 PM
64	hope	7/20/2015 7:49 PM
65	Beautiful	7/20/2015 12:29 PM
66	Middle class	7/20/2015 11:16 AM
67	restored	7/20/2015 11:02 AM
68	thriving	7/20/2015 10:10 AM

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69	Economic Center	7/20/2015 9:58 AM
70	because it cannot happen the way political climate is	7/20/2015 7:55 AM
71	Enticing	7/19/2015 5:02 PM
72	orderly	7/18/2015 11:42 PM
73	Equal	7/18/2015 10:24 PM
74	historical	7/18/2015 8:31 PM
75	flourishing	7/18/2015 1:17 PM
76	productive	7/18/2015 1:14 PM
77	thankful	7/18/2015 1:07 PM
78	growing	7/18/2015 10:50 AM
79	pride	7/18/2015 10:28 AM
80	scenic	7/18/2015 10:28 AM
81	Relevant	7/18/2015 10:20 AM
82	Friendly	7/18/2015 8:45 AM
83	Thriving	7/18/2015 8:13 AM
84	proud	7/18/2015 6:55 AM
85	rebuilding	7/18/2015 5:09 AM
86	clean	7/17/2015 11:06 PM
87	waterway	7/17/2015 10:27 PM
88	upscale	7/17/2015 10:07 PM
89	Clear goals. Goal tracking. We need some quantification along with ideas. ie. How many jobs, citizen satisfaction percent, number of people utilizing public transportation daily, percentage of kids enrolled in after school activities, etc	7/17/2015 2:12 PM
90	Attractive	7/17/2015 2:05 PM
91	beautiful	7/17/2015 10:32 AM
92	PROSPEROUS	7/17/2015 7:16 AM
93	Promising	7/16/2015 5:14 PM
94	population growth	7/16/2015 3:21 PM
95	Tourism	7/16/2015 1:14 PM
96	vibrant	7/16/2015 11:55 AM
97	revitalized	7/16/2015 11:43 AM
98	restored	7/16/2015 10:39 AM
99	Safe	7/16/2015 8:50 AM
100	Give the youth a brighter future here	7/16/2015 8:17 AM
101	bustling	7/16/2015 7:38 AM
102	attractive- knock down abandoned buildings/ houses	7/16/2015 12:40 AM
103	improved	7/15/2015 11:38 PM
104	Eco-friendly	7/15/2015 9:49 PM
105	Quality of life	7/15/2015 9:12 PM
106	thriving waterfront	7/15/2015 9:01 PM
107	getting along	7/15/2015 8:36 PM
108	clean	7/15/2015 8:22 PM

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109	progressive	7/15/2015 7:15 PM
110	prosperous	7/15/2015 7:13 PM
111	Attractive to More families (target demographics)	7/15/2015 10:04 AM
112	enjoyable	7/15/2015 9:40 AM
113	Proud	7/15/2015 9:15 AM
114	attractive	7/15/2015 8:53 AM
115	close knit	7/15/2015 8:30 AM
116	thriving	7/15/2015 1:55 AM
117	inventive	7/15/2015 1:01 AM
118	Traditional	7/14/2015 9:50 PM
119	an employment center	7/14/2015 9:49 PM
120	Multi-national community	7/14/2015 9:26 PM
121	community	7/14/2015 8:35 PM
122	QUIET	7/14/2015 8:07 PM
123	reason to stop before adirondacks	7/14/2015 7:45 PM
124	quaint	7/14/2015 7:42 PM
125	vibrant	7/14/2015 7:39 PM
126	clean	7/14/2015 7:35 PM
127	beautiful	7/14/2015 6:26 PM
128	job center	7/14/2015 5:27 PM
129	Beautiful	7/14/2015 1:44 PM
130	Enjoyable	7/14/2015 12:11 PM
131	Bustling	7/14/2015 11:52 AM
132	desination	7/14/2015 10:07 AM
133	Gateway to western New York	7/14/2015 9:52 AM
134	growing	7/14/2015 9:40 AM
135	Beautiful	7/14/2015 9:24 AM
136	wholesome	7/14/2015 8:59 AM
137	profitable	7/14/2015 8:42 AM
138	safe	7/14/2015 8:12 AM
139	safe	7/14/2015 7:35 AM
140	safer	7/14/2015 7:02 AM
141	bedroom community	7/13/2015 11:26 PM
142	More secured	7/13/2015 10:19 PM
143	brighter	7/13/2015 9:59 PM
144	responsible	7/13/2015 9:45 PM
145	Providing	7/13/2015 9:28 PM
146	thriving	7/13/2015 9:23 PM
147	Proud	7/13/2015 9:18 PM
148	fun	7/13/2015 9:08 PM
149	Scenic	7/13/2015 9:06 PM

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150	clean	7/13/2015 9:03 PM
151	low cost housing	7/13/2015 9:03 PM
152	Energetic	7/13/2015 8:59 PM
153	cultural	7/13/2015 8:53 PM
154	destination	7/13/2015 8:47 PM
155	beautiful	7/13/2015 8:44 PM
156	beauty	7/13/2015 8:36 PM
157	development	7/13/2015 7:35 PM
158	community	7/13/2015 6:52 PM
159	Attraction	7/13/2015 4:57 PM
160	Safe	7/13/2015 4:10 PM
161	Technology	7/13/2015 4:05 PM
162	caring	7/13/2015 12:53 PM
163	Dynamic	7/13/2015 12:22 PM
164	urbane	7/13/2015 10:42 AM
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1	safer place	10/7/2015 1:56 PM
2	people doing their jobs	10/7/2015 1:46 PM
3	positive	10/7/2015 1:39 PM
4	shops	10/7/2015 1:29 PM
5	Economically Stable	10/7/2015 1:10 PM
6	Beautiful	10/7/2015 12:57 PM
7	Competitive	10/7/2015 12:32 PM
8	And more dump!	10/7/2015 12:12 PM
9	Future Oriented	10/7/2015 11:49 AM
10	Revitalized	10/7/2015 10:49 AM
11	Clean Up Neighborhoods	10/7/2015 10:30 AM
12	Clean	10/7/2015 10:09 AM
13	Innovative	10/5/2015 12:59 PM
14	Happy	10/5/2015 12:48 PM
15	Better Neighborhoods	10/2/2015 3:44 PM
16	Uniform	10/2/2015 3:31 PM
17	Togetherness	10/2/2015 3:18 PM
18	No Run Down Houses	10/2/2015 2:14 PM
19	Vibrant	10/2/2015 1:49 PM
20	Growing	10/2/2015 1:09 PM
21	Cooperative	10/2/2015 12:44 PM
22	Clean	10/2/2015 12:28 PM
23	Hopeful	10/2/2015 12:14 PM
24	Younger	10/2/2015 11:47 AM
25	Inviting	10/2/2015 10:47 AM

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26	clean	10/2/2015 10:27 AM
27	historic	9/8/2015 4:55 PM
28	destination	9/8/2015 4:39 PM
29	attractive	9/8/2015 4:16 PM
30	Awesome	8/11/2015 11:53 PM
31	diversified	8/10/2015 8:45 PM
32	Exciting	8/10/2015 2:01 PM
33	clean	8/10/2015 10:39 AM
34	community centered	8/9/2015 5:12 PM
35	make use of the river,...but train tracks will always be a problem.	8/9/2015 7:54 AM
36	Senior Friendly	8/8/2015 1:56 PM
37	easily accessible transit	8/7/2015 2:12 PM
38	safe	8/7/2015 12:28 PM
39	Welcoming	8/6/2015 1:35 PM
40	Inviting	8/6/2015 10:13 AM
41	BEAUTIFUL	8/4/2015 2:53 PM
42	Low Crime	8/4/2015 11:46 AM
43	NY based small manufacturing	8/3/2015 1:01 PM
44	scenic	8/3/2015 9:24 AM
45	Boat rides on the river	7/30/2015 8:25 PM
46	Liveable City	7/30/2015 11:45 AM
47	middle-class	7/29/2015 3:19 PM
48	cultural	7/29/2015 1:38 PM
49	safer	7/28/2015 2:50 PM
50	Safe	7/27/2015 12:48 PM
51	Trendy	7/26/2015 11:20 PM
52	better	7/24/2015 2:54 PM
53	Beautiful	7/23/2015 11:31 AM
54	safe	7/22/2015 6:55 PM
55	good economy	7/22/2015 10:35 AM
56	Creative	7/21/2015 4:49 PM
57	not so sad	7/21/2015 1:35 PM
58	greatest	7/21/2015 12:25 PM
59	fun	7/21/2015 12:16 PM
60	future	7/20/2015 7:49 PM
61	Unity	7/20/2015 12:29 PM
62	Aesthetically Pleasing	7/20/2015 11:16 AM
63	safe	7/20/2015 11:02 AM
64	picturesque	7/20/2015 10:10 AM
65	Picturesque	7/20/2015 9:58 AM
66	need to work together. no one more important then the other	7/20/2015 7:55 AM

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67	Inviting	7/19/2015 5:02 PM
68	peaceful	7/18/2015 11:42 PM
69	Noticed	7/18/2015 10:24 PM
70	clean/friendly	7/18/2015 8:31 PM
71	safe	7/18/2015 1:17 PM
72	opportunities	7/18/2015 1:14 PM
73	grateful for input from others	7/18/2015 1:07 PM
74	proud	7/18/2015 10:50 AM
75	enjoyment	7/18/2015 10:28 AM
76	close knit	7/18/2015 10:28 AM
77	Americana	7/18/2015 10:20 AM
78	Attractive	7/18/2015 8:45 AM
79	Community	7/18/2015 8:13 AM
80	a bedroom community where people live yet commute for work, but to do that you need to move lower class people out and how do do that is get rid of the low income housing	7/18/2015 6:55 AM
81	restarting	7/18/2015 5:09 AM
82	better leaders	7/17/2015 11:06 PM
83	redeveloped	7/17/2015 10:27 PM
84	destination	7/17/2015 10:07 PM
85	Clean	7/17/2015 2:12 PM
86	Vibrant	7/17/2015 2:05 PM
87	safe	7/17/2015 10:32 AM
88	CARING	7/17/2015 7:16 AM
89	Inviting	7/16/2015 5:14 PM
90	redevelopment investment	7/16/2015 3:21 PM
91	Increase population	7/16/2015 1:14 PM
92	nice people	7/16/2015 11:55 AM
93	restructured	7/16/2015 11:43 AM
94	inspirational	7/16/2015 10:39 AM
95	Clean	7/16/2015 8:50 AM
96	more businesses in downtown	7/16/2015 8:17 AM
97	exciting	7/16/2015 7:38 AM
98	great housing	7/15/2015 11:38 PM
99	Desirable	7/15/2015 9:49 PM
100	More Small business	7/15/2015 9:12 PM
101	family oriented	7/15/2015 9:01 PM
102	bring in more business and jobs	7/15/2015 8:36 PM
103	progressive	7/15/2015 8:22 PM
104	active	7/15/2015 7:15 PM
105	modern	7/15/2015 7:13 PM
106	Community Pride	7/15/2015 10:04 AM

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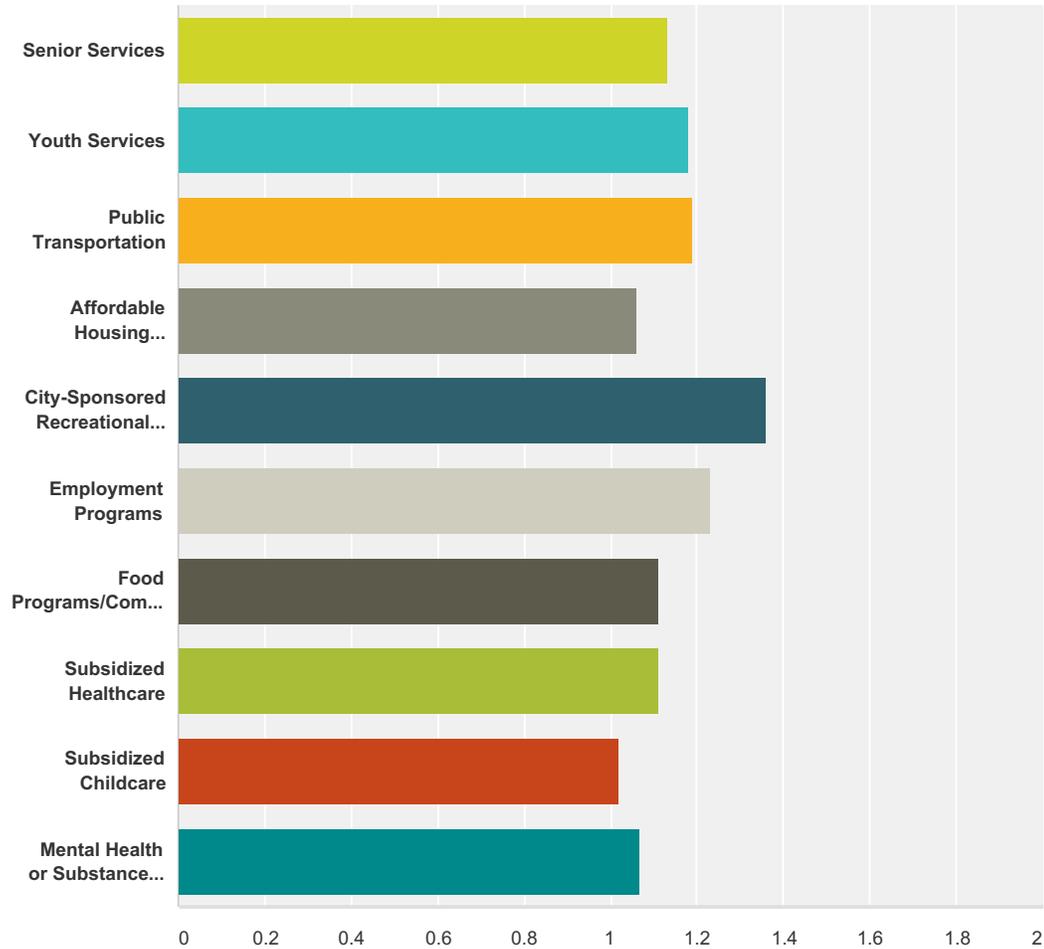
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111	active	7/15/2015 1:01 AM
112	Overcoming	7/14/2015 9:50 PM
113	a cohesive, proud community	7/14/2015 9:49 PM
114	manufacturing community	7/14/2015 9:26 PM
115	LIVEABLE	7/14/2015 8:07 PM
116	medium industry	7/14/2015 7:45 PM
117	bustling	7/14/2015 7:42 PM
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121	bedroom community for Capital District	7/14/2015 5:27 PM
122	Community oriented	7/14/2015 1:44 PM
123	Clean	7/14/2015 12:11 PM
124	Booming	7/14/2015 11:52 AM
125	innovative	7/14/2015 10:07 AM
126	Positive city of progress	7/14/2015 9:52 AM
127	destination	7/14/2015 9:40 AM
128	Vital	7/14/2015 9:24 AM
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132	cleaner	7/14/2015 7:02 AM
133	safer	7/13/2015 11:26 PM
134	More transportation	7/13/2015 10:19 PM
135	friendlier	7/13/2015 9:59 PM
136	independent	7/13/2015 9:45 PM
137	Our Home	7/13/2015 9:28 PM
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139	Honored	7/13/2015 9:18 PM
140	affordable	7/13/2015 9:08 PM
141	Historic	7/13/2015 9:06 PM
142	productive	7/13/2015 9:03 PM
143	close to Albany	7/13/2015 9:03 PM
144	The new tech city	7/13/2015 8:59 PM
145	attractive	7/13/2015 8:53 PM
146	energetic	7/13/2015 8:47 PM
147	envious	7/13/2015 8:44 PM

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148	revitalized	7/13/2015 7:35 PM
149	positive	7/13/2015 6:52 PM
150	Gateway	7/13/2015 4:57 PM
151	Beautiful	7/13/2015 4:10 PM
152	Safe	7/13/2015 4:05 PM
153	clean	7/13/2015 12:53 PM
154	Safe	7/13/2015 12:22 PM
155	beutiful	7/13/2015 10:42 AM

**Q12 During the Past year, have you used any of the following public services in Amsterdam, and how would you rate your experience? (Please check all that apply in either the positive or negative experience column; if you did not use, please check the "did not use column")**

Answered: 183 Skipped: 4



	DID NOT USE	USED POSITIVE EXPERIENCE	USED NEGATIVE EXPERIENCE	Total	Weighted Average
Senior Services	87.78% 158	11.67% 21	0.56% 1	180	1.13
Youth Services	83.98% 152	13.81% 25	2.21% 4	181	1.18
Public Transportation	87.78% 158	5.56% 10	6.67% 12	180	1.19
Affordable Housing Services	95.53% 171	2.79% 5	1.68% 3	179	1.06

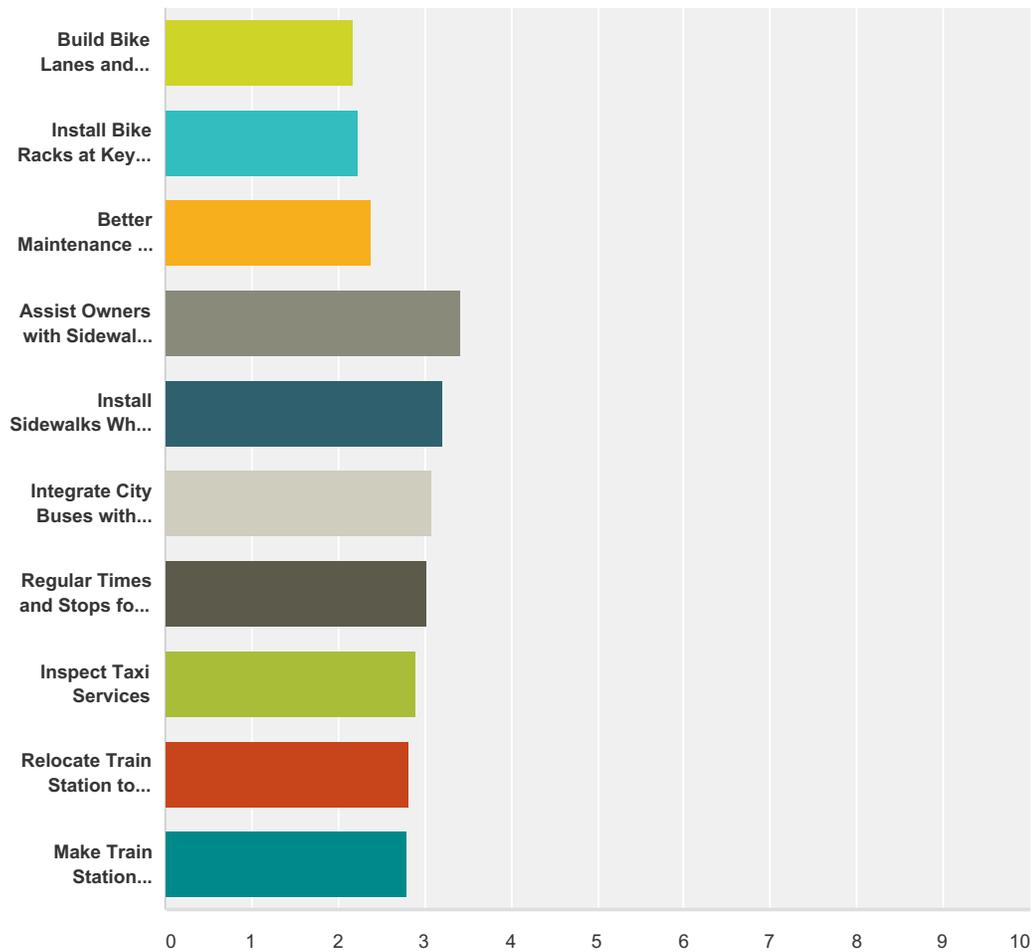
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City-Sponsored Recreational Programs	<b>66.85%</b> 121	<b>29.83%</b> 54	<b>3.31%</b> 6	181	1.36
Employment Programs	<b>86.67%</b> 156	<b>3.89%</b> 7	<b>9.44%</b> 17	180	1.23
Food Programs/Community Meal Services	<b>92.78%</b> 167	<b>3.89%</b> 7	<b>3.33%</b> 6	180	1.11
Subsidized Healthcare	<b>90.00%</b> 162	<b>8.89%</b> 16	<b>1.11%</b> 2	180	1.11
Subsidized Childcare	<b>98.31%</b> 175	<b>1.12%</b> 2	<b>0.56%</b> 1	178	1.02
Mental Health or Substance Abuse Services	<b>93.82%</b> 167	<b>5.06%</b> 9	<b>1.12%</b> 2	178	1.07

#	Other (please specify)	Date
1	CHC good	10/7/2015 1:57 PM
2	We are not all welfare recipients or retired, you know!	10/7/2015 11:50 AM
3	Library; Riverlink Music Series (Both High Need)	10/7/2015 10:10 AM
4	concerts	9/8/2015 4:56 PM
5	police	9/8/2015 4:39 PM
6	Why don't you ask how many times and what our experience was with law enforcement? With getting drug dealers out of our schools and off our streets? Why don't you ask how we feel about the incredibly poor education our children get here? Ugh... these questions all assume I'm poor and desperate.	7/29/2015 3:21 PM
7	school district should have been included!!!	7/15/2015 9:02 PM
8	Spring Fling	7/15/2015 8:24 PM
9	Police services leave a lot to be desired.	7/14/2015 11:53 AM
10	Memorial Hospital Running Track: Excellent	7/14/2015 9:25 AM
11	Youth Softball Association, Positive	7/13/2015 9:20 PM

### Q13 What do you think are Amsterdam's priority Transportation needs?

Answered: 180 Skipped: 7



	DO NOT NEED	LOW NEED	MEDIUM NEED	HIGH NEED	Total	Weighted Average
Build Bike Lanes and Signage	23.56% 41	43.68% 76	24.14% 42	8.62% 15	174	2.18
Install Bike Racks at Key Places	22.60% 40	41.81% 74	25.99% 46	9.60% 17	177	2.23
Better Maintenance of Bike/Hike Ways	16.76% 29	42.20% 73	26.59% 46	14.45% 25	173	2.39
Assist Owners with Sidewalk Repairs	1.68% 3	10.06% 18	32.40% 58	55.87% 100	179	3.42
Install Sidewalks Where There Are None	6.74% 12	14.04% 25	29.21% 52	50.00% 89	178	3.22
Integrate City Buses with Regional Sysytem	7.91% 14	16.38% 29	34.46% 61	41.24% 73	177	3.09
Regular Times and Stops for City Buses	9.60% 17	19.77% 35	29.94% 53	40.68% 72	177	3.02

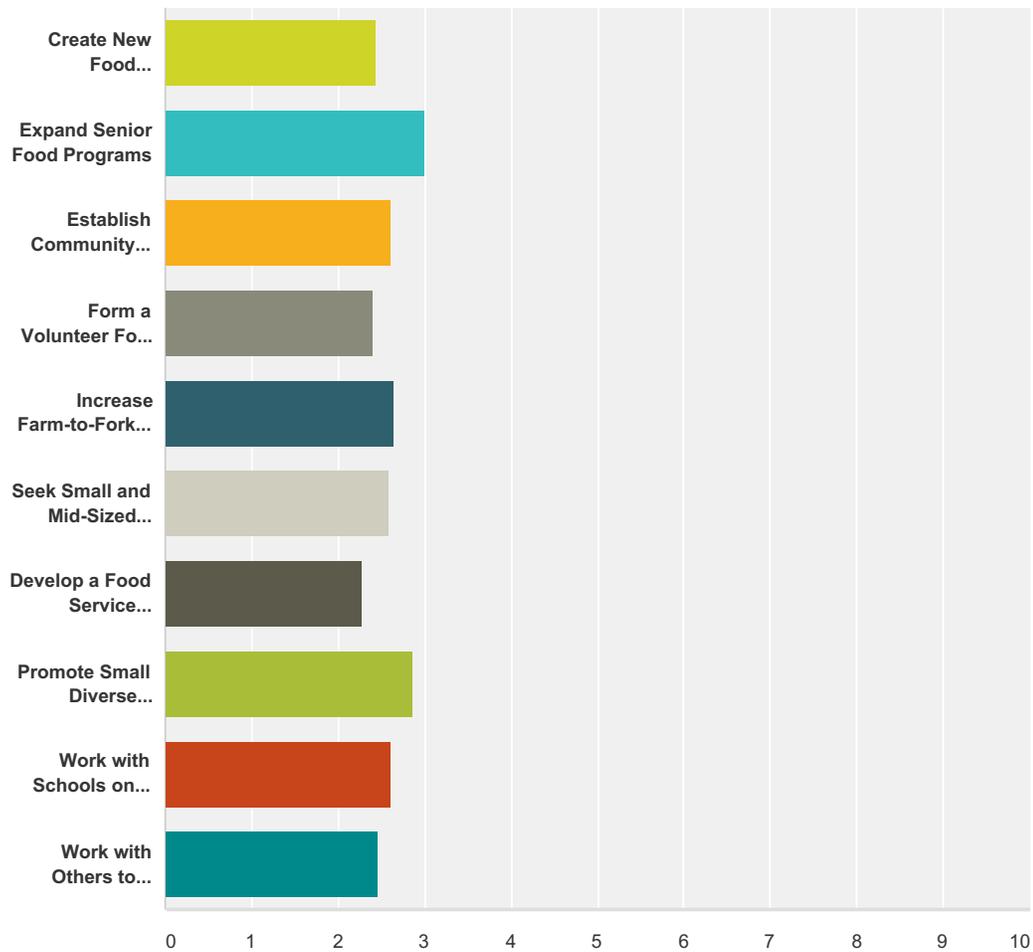
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Inspect Taxi Services	<b>6.78%</b> 12	<b>29.38%</b> 52	<b>31.07%</b> 55	<b>32.77%</b> 58	177	2.90
Relocate Train Station to Downtown	<b>28.65%</b> 51	<b>7.30%</b> 13	<b>17.42%</b> 31	<b>46.63%</b> 83	178	2.82
Make Train Station Intermodal	<b>23.70%</b> 41	<b>10.98%</b> 19	<b>27.75%</b> 48	<b>37.57%</b> 65	173	2.79

#	Other (please specify)	Date
1	fix roads	10/7/2015 2:08 PM
2	waster of money on train	10/7/2015 1:46 PM
3	Bus transportation seems to be obsolete, costing too much money	10/7/2015 12:59 PM
4	Bike Share (Meduim Need); Watercraft Rental (High Need)	10/7/2015 10:12 AM
5	more buses	9/8/2015 4:48 PM
6	roads repair, roads comply with snow rules	9/8/2015 4:40 PM
7	Underground train passage	9/8/2015 4:05 PM
8	Make all curbs cement and do not allow snow plows to wreck every winter	8/8/2015 2:00 PM
9	maintain/repair roads; clean up city owned properties	8/7/2015 12:31 PM
10	Once again, you're thinking of the poor, with the exception of the train station. Who wants to bike anywhere in a city of hills with nowhere to go but the bank, McDonald's, or the doctor?	7/29/2015 3:23 PM
11	Restore or destroy abandoned buildings	7/26/2015 11:24 PM
12	road maintenance	7/23/2015 6:35 PM
13	high speed rail to Albany	7/18/2015 10:52 AM
14	riverlink/train station big need	7/18/2015 10:32 AM
15	Take a look at Binghamton's newish bus transportaion hub. It's been working out great. If only they had train/subway service it would be perfect	7/17/2015 2:15 PM
16	Cdta	7/16/2015 5:17 PM
17	Complete Gateway project ands move more quickly to next steps	7/15/2015 10:06 AM
18	moving the train station is like putting the cart before the horse.	7/14/2015 4:45 PM
19	Expand bus service for Commuters to Albany	7/14/2015 9:27 AM
20	Hills and bikes, very difficult	7/14/2015 8:43 AM
21	the lsst two are ridiculous, for a city this size	7/13/2015 9:49 PM
22	If train station is moved, you need parking!!	7/13/2015 9:21 PM
23	The train station itself is fine. It's the lack of decent schedule that Amtrak provides that is the issue.	7/13/2015 9:02 PM
24	train station downtown is imparitive to get foot traffic in the downtown area. It would help immensely.waht can we do though about csx and the constant diruption of quality of life with the incesant horns.	7/13/2015 8:48 PM
25	repair roads that haven't been replaced since 1981, where people pay an average of \$7k in taxes	7/13/2015 6:56 PM
26	Eliminate Transporition Department	7/13/2015 12:24 PM

### Q14 What do you think are Amsterdam's priority Food needs?

Answered: 180 Skipped: 7



	DO NOT NEED	LOW NEED	MEDIUM NEED	HIGH NEED	(no label)	Total	Weighted Average
Create New Food Pantry/Free Meal Locations	19.66% 35	28.09% 50	30.90% 55	19.10% 34	2.25% 4	178	2.45
Expand Senior Food Programs	6.18% 11	16.85% 30	36.52% 65	37.64% 67	2.81% 5	178	3.00
Establish Community Gardens/Urban Agriculture	13.56% 24	26.55% 47	32.77% 58	24.29% 43	2.82% 5	177	2.62
Form a Volunteer Food Council	21.26% 37	28.16% 49	28.74% 50	18.97% 33	2.87% 5	174	2.40
Increase Farm-to-Fork Options	10.92% 19	20.11% 35	32.18% 56	29.31% 51	7.47% 13	174	2.65
Seek Small and Mid-Sized Grocery Stores in City	11.86% 21	10.17% 18	20.90% 37	40.68% 72	16.38% 29	177	2.58
Develop a Food Service Business Incubator	20.35% 35	29.65% 51	26.16% 45	17.44% 30	6.40% 11	172	2.28

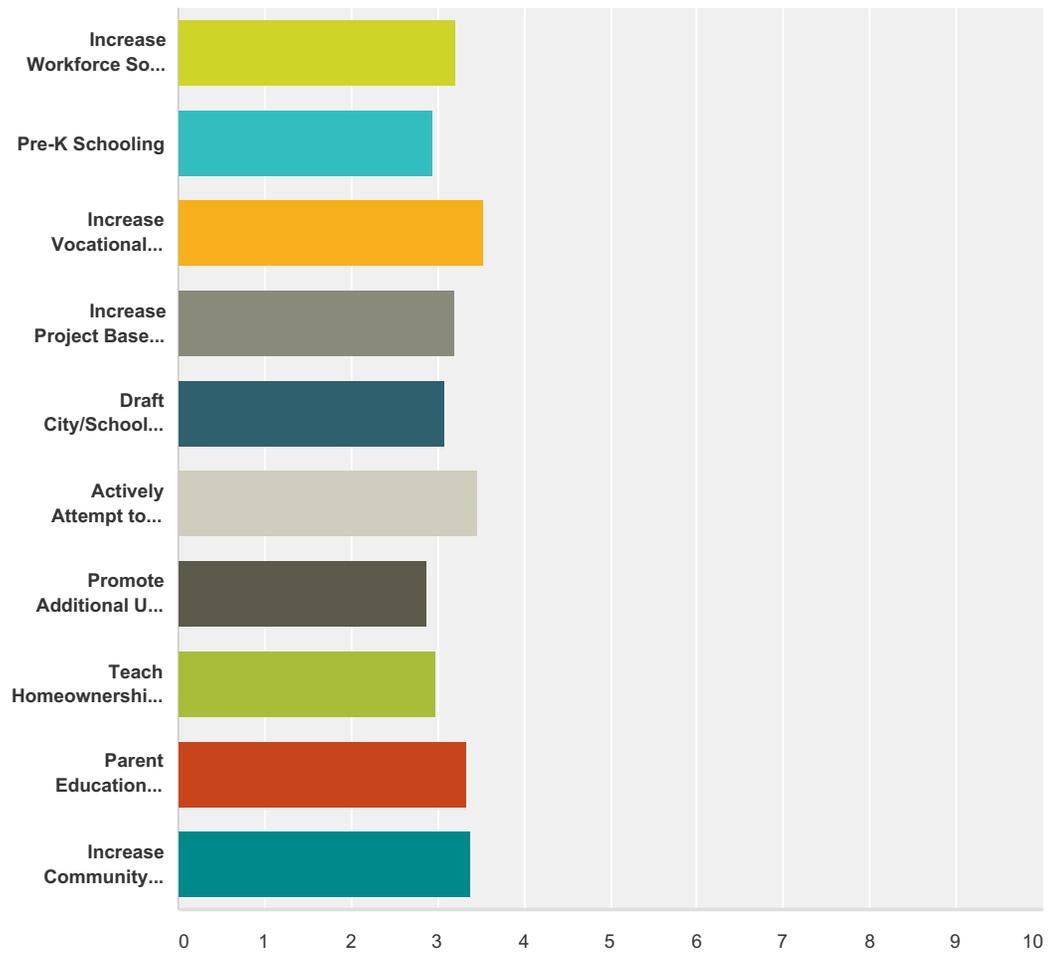
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Promote Small Diverse Restaurants	<b>5.71%</b> 10	<b>16.00%</b> 28	<b>31.43%</b> 55	<b>38.86%</b> 68	<b>8.00%</b> 14	175	2.87
Work with Schools on Healthy Food Options	<b>15.73%</b> 28	<b>18.54%</b> 33	<b>25.28%</b> 45	<b>33.15%</b> 59	<b>7.30%</b> 13	178	2.61
Work with Others to Expand Nutritional knowledge	<b>16.00%</b> 28	<b>21.71%</b> 38	<b>29.14%</b> 51	<b>25.14%</b> 44	<b>8.00%</b> 14	175	2.47

#	Other (please specify)	Date
1	Welcome employers so we can take care of our own food needs (high)	10/7/2015 11:53 AM
2	Food Vendors @ Gateway (High Need)	10/7/2015 10:14 AM
3	promote farmers markets	9/8/2015 4:56 PM
4	I think they have a food kitchen every day here already.	8/9/2015 7:59 AM
5	Go to Wal-Mart find out if they could possibly come into the City with one of their small markets. Assure markets you will sent in Police once in a while to avoid shrinkage ( that is why Grand Union moved out )	8/8/2015 2:03 PM
6	Utilize NYS Greenspaces program	8/3/2015 1:03 PM
7	STOP PANDERING TO THE POOR! Get us some amazing restaurants and eateries that actually can establish a business in a nice location where customers don't have to look out and see dilapidated buildings or drug deals on the corner. Create a 'diner's row' area somewhere that features nothing but amazing options for dining from casual to fine dining. BUT FIRST YOU HAVE TO REMOVE THE SCUM FROM THE AREA.	7/29/2015 3:26 PM
8	Downtown restaurants, possibly on the river!	7/26/2015 11:26 PM
9	Cleaner City Street -metal base trash/recycling cans	7/20/2015 12:34 PM
10	Fix the foodstamp abuse	7/20/2015 11:22 AM
11	farm stands at accessable locations	7/18/2015 10:35 AM
12	let private entrepreneurs develop food and bars. people will start business. The city should not get involved	7/18/2015 6:59 AM
13	What's a food service business incubator?	7/16/2015 8:25 AM
14	Collaboration and support with churches that distribute food	7/15/2015 10:08 AM
15	Help and promote Cornell Coop Ext	7/14/2015 9:57 PM
16	reduce welfare recipricants	7/14/2015 8:45 AM
17	none of these are city, or government concerns	7/13/2015 9:51 PM
18	dont worry about every food need, We need a reutable grocery store on the south side and one near the five corners.	7/13/2015 8:51 PM
19	community gardens +++++	7/13/2015 8:48 PM
20	All restaurants that utilize city space, should pay either the same or have lease agreements made public	7/13/2015 7:00 PM
21	The FDA has Amsterdam listed as a "food dessert" and if you google restaurants in Amsterdam, NY the first couple of places that pop up are Wendy's, McDonald's, etc. We need more local restaurants instead of chains. People in Amsterdam are extremely unhealthy because of their lack of access to transportation, thus their lack of access to healthy foods and beverages. All there is on the east end is a Stewart's and most of the people living there do not own vehicles. We need to also be culturally sensitive to different areas of town. For instance, putting a Latino restaurant on the east end would do wonders for that area. The gentlemen rebuilding Carmel's Diner is a wonderful start to the east end of Amsterdam.	7/13/2015 4:14 PM

### Q15 What do you think Amsterdam's priority Education needs are?

Answered: 177 Skipped: 10



	DO NOT NEED	LOW NEED	MEDIUM NEED	HIGH NEED	Total	Weighted Average
Increase Workforce Soft Skills Training	7.56% 13	8.14% 14	38.95% 67	45.35% 78	172	3.22
Pre-K Schooling	12.14% 21	19.08% 33	30.64% 53	38.15% 66	173	2.95
Increase Vocational Training	2.30% 4	6.90% 12	25.86% 45	64.94% 113	174	3.53
Increase Project Based Learning (PTECH)	7.23% 12	14.46% 24	29.52% 49	48.80% 81	166	3.20
Draft City/School Long Term Coordination Plan	10.78% 18	14.97% 25	29.94% 50	44.31% 74	167	3.08
Actively Attempt to Change Outside Perceptions	6.82% 12	9.66% 17	13.07% 23	70.45% 124	176	3.47
Promote Additional Use of Arts Center	12.72% 22	20.81% 36	32.37% 56	34.10% 59	173	2.88

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Teach Homeownership in Schools	<b>12.57%</b> 22	<b>18.29%</b> 32	<b>26.29%</b> 46	<b>42.86%</b> 75	175	2.99
Parent Education Outreach	<b>6.29%</b> 11	<b>8.00%</b> 14	<b>32.00%</b> 56	<b>53.71%</b> 94	175	3.33
Increase Community Engagement	<b>4.02%</b> 7	<b>10.34%</b> 18	<b>28.74%</b> 50	<b>56.90%</b> 99	174	3.39

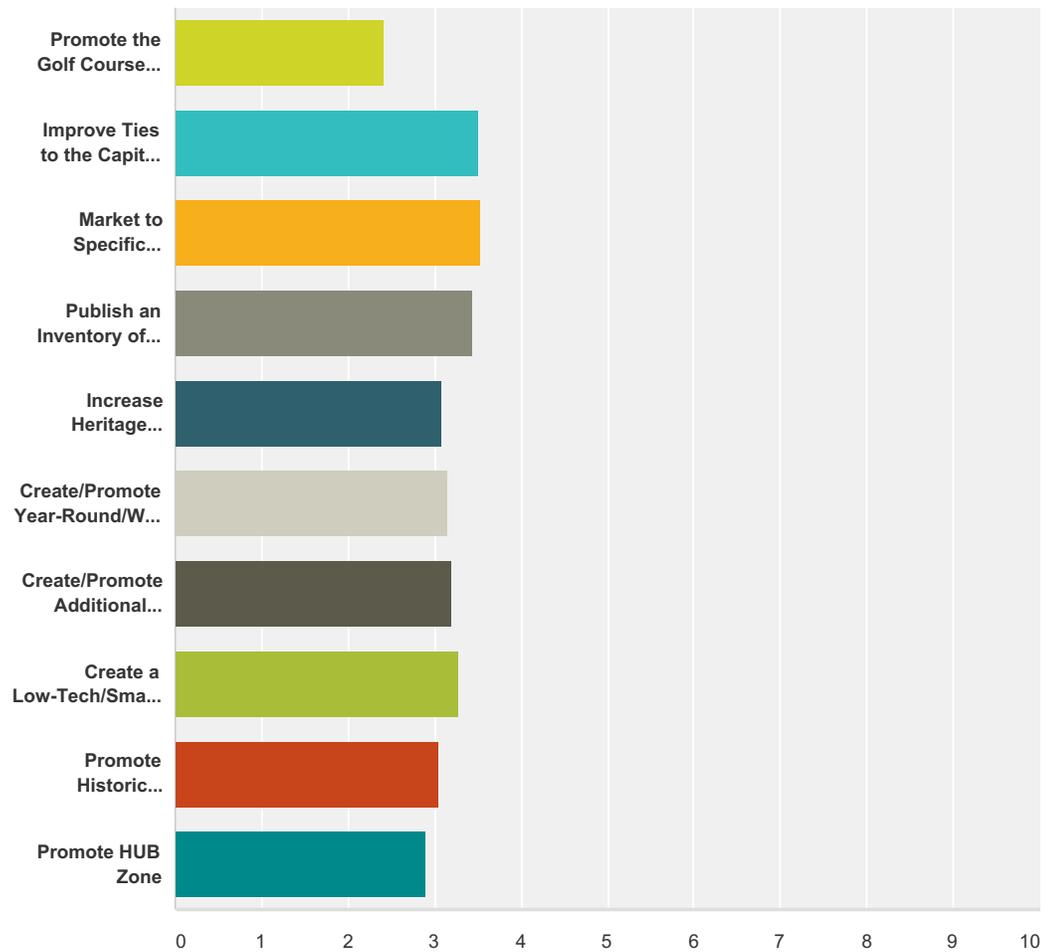
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1	parents need to spend more time with children	10/7/2015 1:58 PM
2	more time with kids, parent involvement	10/7/2015 1:47 PM
3	increase grade rate	10/7/2015 1:40 PM
4	Allow schools to simply Educate (High)	10/7/2015 11:54 AM
5	These should also be under one umbrella	10/7/2015 10:32 AM
6	Parenting Classes (No Rating)	10/7/2015 10:15 AM
7	Have School System Involved in City Planning - Send Reps	10/2/2015 1:52 PM
8	English as a Second language (High Need)	10/2/2015 1:27 PM
9	Go back to Reading Writing computers & arithmetic// Have FMCC build or give them an outlet for classes right in Amsterda	8/8/2015 2:07 PM
10	AHS is a good school. Getting parents to care about kid's education is the real issue	8/4/2015 11:48 AM
11	Maintain what we currently have. The schools look run down and not well maintained. Due to lack of janitors, maybe cut back on pay raises for teachers and admins, add more janitors to maintain the builds properly	8/3/2015 1:05 PM
12	To hell with the would-be-arts-center-turned-homeless-shelter-thief-haven. Mark that 'idea' as a failed one and get some serious work done with the entire school district's teachers, parents, and children. SERIOUS STUFF. Teclar is on the state's list of worst schools. Ranks worse than many in much 'tougher' areas of the state! Kids get beat up, ignored, police are called in to the 4th grade... c'mon! You can't teach kids who are afraid of being beat up for being smart.	7/29/2015 3:29 PM
13	Small business ownership or management	7/26/2015 11:28 PM
14	y does teclar have a failing grade	7/23/2015 10:49 PM
15	eliminate teachers unions	7/23/2015 6:37 PM
16	Programs to keep kids off drugs	7/20/2015 11:24 AM
17	It's been a long time since I've been in school. Don't know what many of you above ideas, terms are.	7/18/2015 8:39 PM
18	Homeownership MUST be offered for dilapidated houses, with possible help from local people to HELP fix them up	7/18/2015 1:13 PM
19	I am an AHS graduate and I got a good job that pays well that I did not need any crybaby liberal feel good teacher to hand me. you cant teach work ethic.	7/18/2015 7:01 AM
20	to have passing stds in schools / teach people to work if u do something wrong then make there sentences to help clean the city give back them a stricter knowledge of how to not repeat their passed time in jail, u get sentence u don't get everything u have on the street u do without tv ,oviedo ,instead u work	7/16/2015 8:32 AM
21	special education services in this city are a DISASTER!!! As are the relationships between GASD and the parents of kids with IEP's and 504's	7/15/2015 9:06 PM
22	teach basic finance/budgetting in schools	7/15/2015 7:17 PM
23	Anything that promotes family life style to the appropriate demographic	7/15/2015 10:10 AM
24	Yes, yes and yes. And provide access to child care and transportation so folks can get to school.	7/14/2015 9:57 PM
25	reduce welfare recipicants	7/14/2015 8:46 AM
26	raise our standards lower school taxes	7/14/2015 7:05 AM
27	education is not thecity or the government's concern	7/13/2015 9:53 PM

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28	all of the above. I believe AHS has a graduation rate of 65 percent. If you are a young couple with kids would you move here? Strong schools is 2nd only to jobs.	7/13/2015 8:54 PM
29	The school district needs to take ownership of the issues, versus hiding them. Again paying a lot toward school taxes with salaries going up and ranking going down.	7/13/2015 7:02 PM
30	"Increase Community Engagement" and to "Actively change the outside perspectives of others" of our city is vital. If we do not, we will continue to live the "broken windows theory," meaning if we do not attempt to fix what is broken, we will continue to live in this condition and nobody will try to fix it. It will become the norm, and quite frankly, it already has. People on the outside need to understand that so much good can come from Amsterdam. So many intelligent, caring, compassionate individuals have come from our city, and it needs to be known. I can't tell you how many people have said to me with a snarl, "Oh, you're from Amsterdam? I'm so sorry" because they have this misconception of the character of people here and what can truly come out of it because they only hear about the bad.	7/13/2015 4:17 PM
31	What difference does it make...The kids today don't go to school anyway...	7/13/2015 12:59 PM
32	Nonsense	7/13/2015 12:26 PM

### Q16 What do you think Amsterdam's priority Marketing needs are?

Answered: 177 Skipped: 10



	DO NOT NEED	LOW NEED	MEDIUM NEED	HIGH NEED	Total	Weighted Average
Promote the Golf Course More	26.70% 47	23.30% 41	30.11% 53	19.89% 35	176	2.43
Improve Ties to the Capital Region	1.14% 2	12.00% 21	22.29% 39	64.57% 113	175	3.50
Market to Specific Industries/Commercial Groups	2.29% 4	5.71% 10	29.14% 51	62.86% 110	175	3.53
Publish an Inventory of Good Available Properties	2.84% 5	8.52% 15	30.11% 53	58.52% 103	176	3.44
Increase Heritage Tourism	8.52% 15	19.32% 34	26.70% 47	45.45% 80	176	3.09
Create/Promote Year-Round/Winter Activities	7.39% 13	15.34% 27	31.82% 56	45.45% 80	176	3.15
Create/Promote Additional Waterfront Activities	8.52% 15	13.07% 23	28.98% 51	49.43% 87	176	3.19

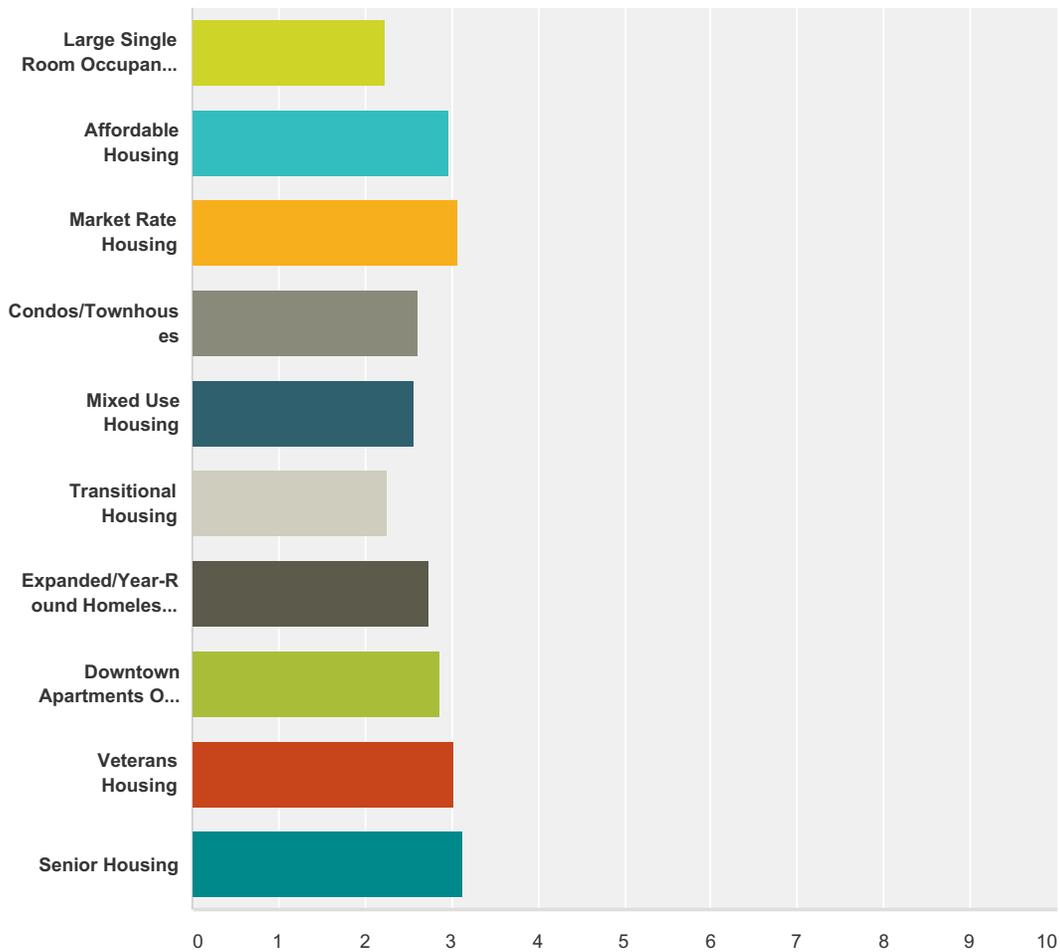
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Create a Low-Tech/Small Business Incubator	<b>4.62%</b> 8	<b>12.14%</b> 21	<b>33.53%</b> 58	<b>49.71%</b> 86	173	3.28
Promote Historic Preservation Tax Credit Options	<b>8.77%</b> 15	<b>22.22%</b> 38	<b>25.73%</b> 44	<b>43.27%</b> 74	171	3.04
Promote HUB Zone	<b>13.58%</b> 22	<b>16.05%</b> 26	<b>35.80%</b> 58	<b>34.57%</b> 56	162	2.91

#	Other (please specify)	Date
1	need more jobs out side of community	10/7/2015 1:58 PM
2	Bring in more places to stay Hotels	10/7/2015 12:36 PM
3	Get rid of legislators (no rating)	10/7/2015 12:15 PM
4	Again - all should be promoted	10/7/2015 10:32 AM
5	Lower Rents (High Need)	10/2/2015 2:17 PM
6	Hire an outside firms to find business who want to locate in Mid-NY	8/8/2015 2:09 PM
7	The Riverlink is a great idea, but people don't know how to get there. Crossing the bridge from the Mall is not practical	8/4/2015 11:49 AM
8	Stop allowing individuals to lease city properties for a fair price and publish the lease contract. Also allow Verizon FiOS to compete with Time Warner Cable.	8/3/2015 1:07 PM
9	Promote farmers market with farmers	7/30/2015 11:48 AM
10	No one wants to do business in a city overrun with drugs and welfare recipients. There's no money, no profit there. Especially small businesses. We deserve to have an incredible economy. We deserve to be a 'cozy town that's great for a pit stop that turns into half-full day excursions'. You don't need to market a good reputation until you actually have one.	7/29/2015 3:31 PM
11	water shows	7/29/2015 1:43 PM
12	Anything that will create jobs	7/26/2015 11:29 PM
13	Need better marketing to attract corporations to create better jobs to help increase the standard of living	7/20/2015 11:26 AM
14	Actively use the Golf Course and other open lands for winter sports....cross country, sledding, etc..	7/18/2015 1:15 PM
15	We need to create a friendly business atmosphere, attracting all kind of small and big business which fit the current skill level of the city residence with a goal to improve residence skills for a more service and technical oriented businesses.	7/18/2015 10:32 AM
16	SELL THE GOLF COURSE!!!	7/15/2015 9:06 PM
17	Promote to target demographics.	7/15/2015 10:11 AM
18	WHAT ARE WE SELLING	7/14/2015 8:16 PM
19	easier access to water front	7/14/2015 9:04 AM
20	I would focus on Amsterdams great business past, also try to market the beautiful homes that are here,it might catch on that we have gorgeous victorian homes for cheap.	7/13/2015 8:57 PM
21	I just do not feel as if we have a 'waterfront.' We have a river.	7/13/2015 8:57 PM
22	didn't the hub zone expire?	7/13/2015 7:40 PM
23	utilize the the old homes that are in good condition for historic zones. if you lower taxes or make them fair more would move to the city verse leaving. Its ok to be a bedroom community.	7/13/2015 7:05 PM
24	We used to have free symphony orchestra concerts down at Riverlink Park about 10-15 years ago. Forgive me if I am behind on the times, but I don't recall those happening recently. That would be such a wonderful thing to bring back. One of my fondest memories of growing up here was listening to the orchestra at the park, and watching the fireworks in the summer. Another thing to bring back would be heritage festivals. The South Side used to do an Italian festival, and I remember a Latino festival near Guy Park Manor many years ago. We need to celebrate our diversity so much more than we do.	7/13/2015 4:19 PM

### Q17 What do you think are Amsterdam's priority Housing needs?

Answered: 178 Skipped: 9



	DO NOT NEED	LOW NEED	MEDIUM NEED	HIGH NEED	Total	Weighted Average
Large Single Room Occupancy Facility	27.27% 45	34.55% 57	26.06% 43	12.12% 20	165	2.23
Affordable Housing	11.49% 20	19.54% 34	30.46% 53	38.51% 67	174	2.96
Market Rate Housing	5.88% 10	17.06% 29	42.35% 72	34.71% 59	170	3.06
Condos/Townhouses	15.61% 27	30.64% 53	31.21% 54	22.54% 39	173	2.61
Mixed Use Housing	17.18% 28	27.61% 45	36.81% 60	18.40% 30	163	2.56
Transitional Housing	22.94% 39	41.18% 70	22.94% 39	12.94% 22	170	2.26
Expanded/Year-Round Homeless Shelter	16.96% 29	23.98% 41	27.49% 47	31.58% 54	171	2.74

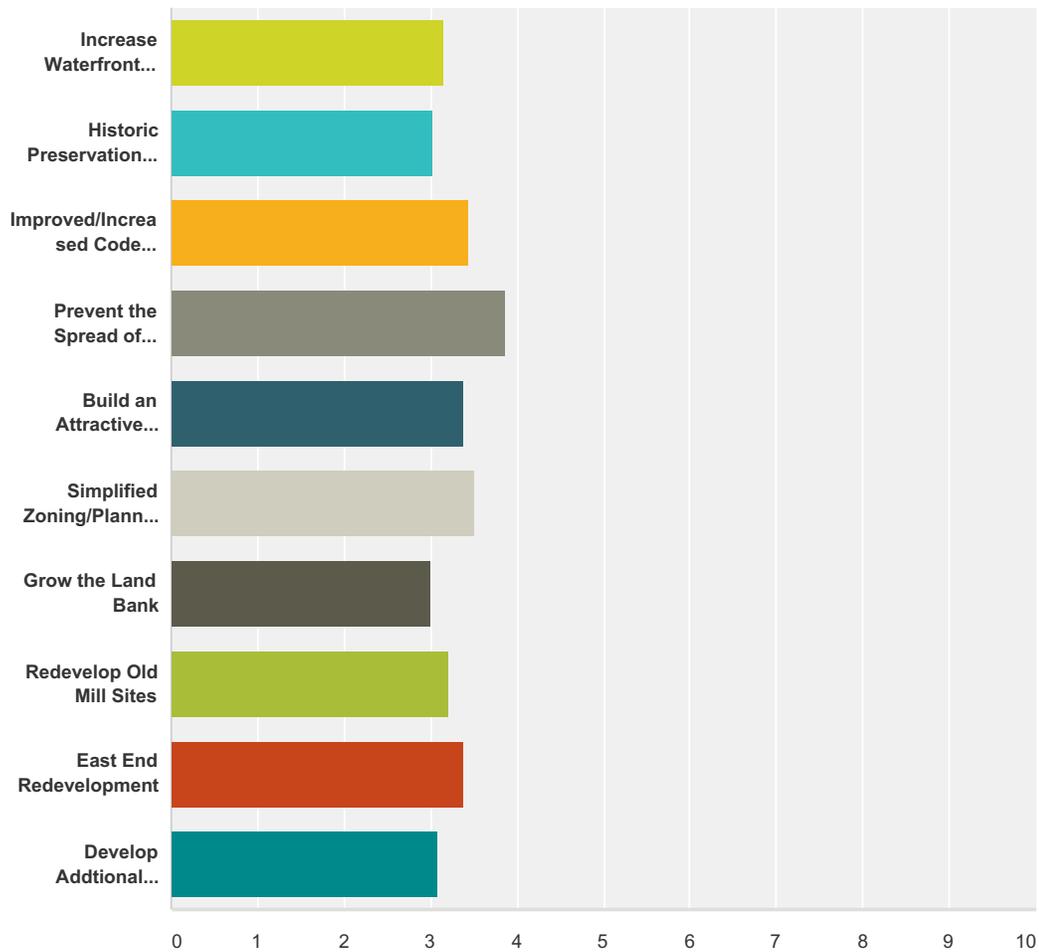
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Downtown Apartments Over Retail	<b>12.07%</b> 21	<b>21.84%</b> 38	<b>32.76%</b> 57	<b>33.33%</b> 58	174	2.87
Veterans Housing	<b>5.88%</b> 10	<b>19.41%</b> 33	<b>41.18%</b> 70	<b>33.53%</b> 57	170	3.02
Senior Housing	<b>5.17%</b> 9	<b>17.82%</b> 31	<b>36.21%</b> 63	<b>40.80%</b> 71	174	3.13

#	Other (please specify)	Date
1	higher prices on houses, rent to keep people on welfare away	10/7/2015 1:59 PM
2	cheap housing	10/7/2015 1:48 PM
3	Hotel (High Need)	10/7/2015 10:32 AM
4	Housing way too high for city	10/2/2015 3:48 PM
5	High Rise 30% too high (High Need)	10/2/2015 2:18 PM
6	condo housing for seniors w/2 BR	8/8/2015 2:11 PM
7	There is too much Government housing for people who don't work	8/4/2015 11:50 AM
8	Housing prices are fair. Taxes are unreasonable. One house pays \$12000 and a larger home on Guy Park pays \$3400. This makes sense?	8/3/2015 1:09 PM
9	There are enough welfare recipients. Stop catering to their survival, and just maybe they'll actually work to get off welfare and become productive members of society. Why don't other cities that are thriving have these questions? Because they don't WANT poverty in their city. Instead of building up a haven, let's build up the city so that other cities who are already capable of handling them can take them?	7/29/2015 3:34 PM
10	landlord incentives	7/29/2015 1:44 PM
11	Housing in many parts of City need complete overhaul as its lowering the value of everyones houses forcing the middle class out of the city	7/20/2015 11:29 AM
12	use some of the buildings as B&Bs for visitors.	7/18/2015 1:16 PM
13	you look around the city and see where people live. I would not let my dog live in these homes.	7/18/2015 7:03 AM
14	Invite bedroom community. Close to all things	7/16/2015 5:21 PM
15	safe housing	7/16/2015 3:26 PM
16	lower income rents for Pele who can afford it	7/16/2015 8:36 AM
17	Repurpose old industrial sites into condos	7/15/2015 1:57 PM
18	creat housing condos to attract working people not for the freeloaders	7/15/2015 8:59 AM
19	more affordable senior housing, pls	7/14/2015 10:01 PM
20	Middle Class Income housing	7/14/2015 11:58 AM
21	reduce welfare recipients	7/14/2015 8:48 AM
22	first work on raising the value of our homes, they should appreciate, not deprecate	7/13/2015 9:59 PM
23	Decent apartment complexes that aren't a two family home would be nice.	7/13/2015 9:06 PM
24	we have old population we need sr housing for sure, but we really need young residents we need to cater to their needs and wants.	7/13/2015 9:00 PM
25	Landlords in this city charge skyrocketed, astronomical rents because they KNOW they will get it through DSS	7/13/2015 8:58 PM
26	Homes are affordable, but taxes don't make sense. A home that sells for \$250k pays \$9k in taxes, to cover the shortfalls. There are no benefits of living here for \$9k in taxes.	7/13/2015 7:08 PM
27	The Homeless Shelter only runs fall to spring, but there are people who are still homeless in the summer, so the shelter should be open all year round. Affordable, new condos/townhouses for young adults would be wonderful. I would move here in a heartbeat if I knew there were going to be affordable living options.	7/13/2015 4:20 PM

### Q18 What do you think are Amsterdam's priority Revitalization needs?

Answered: 177 Skipped: 10



	DO NOT NEED	LOW NEED	MEDIUM NEED	HIGH NEED	Total	Weighted Average
Increase Waterfront Access/Activities	9.36% 16	14.62% 25	28.07% 48	47.95% 82	171	3.15
Historic Preservation Incentives	8.14% 14	23.26% 40	26.74% 46	41.86% 72	172	3.02
Improved/Increased Code Enforcement	6.29% 11	7.43% 13	22.29% 39	64.00% 112	175	3.44
Prevent the Spread of Blighted Properties	0.57% 1	1.14% 2	8.57% 15	89.71% 157	175	3.87
Build an Attractive Downtown Core	5.14% 9	10.29% 18	26.29% 46	58.29% 102	175	3.38
Simplified Zoning/Planning Code/Procedures	4.07% 7	2.33% 4	32.56% 56	61.05% 105	172	3.51
Grow the Land Bank	11.90% 20	18.45% 31	26.19% 44	43.45% 73	168	3.01

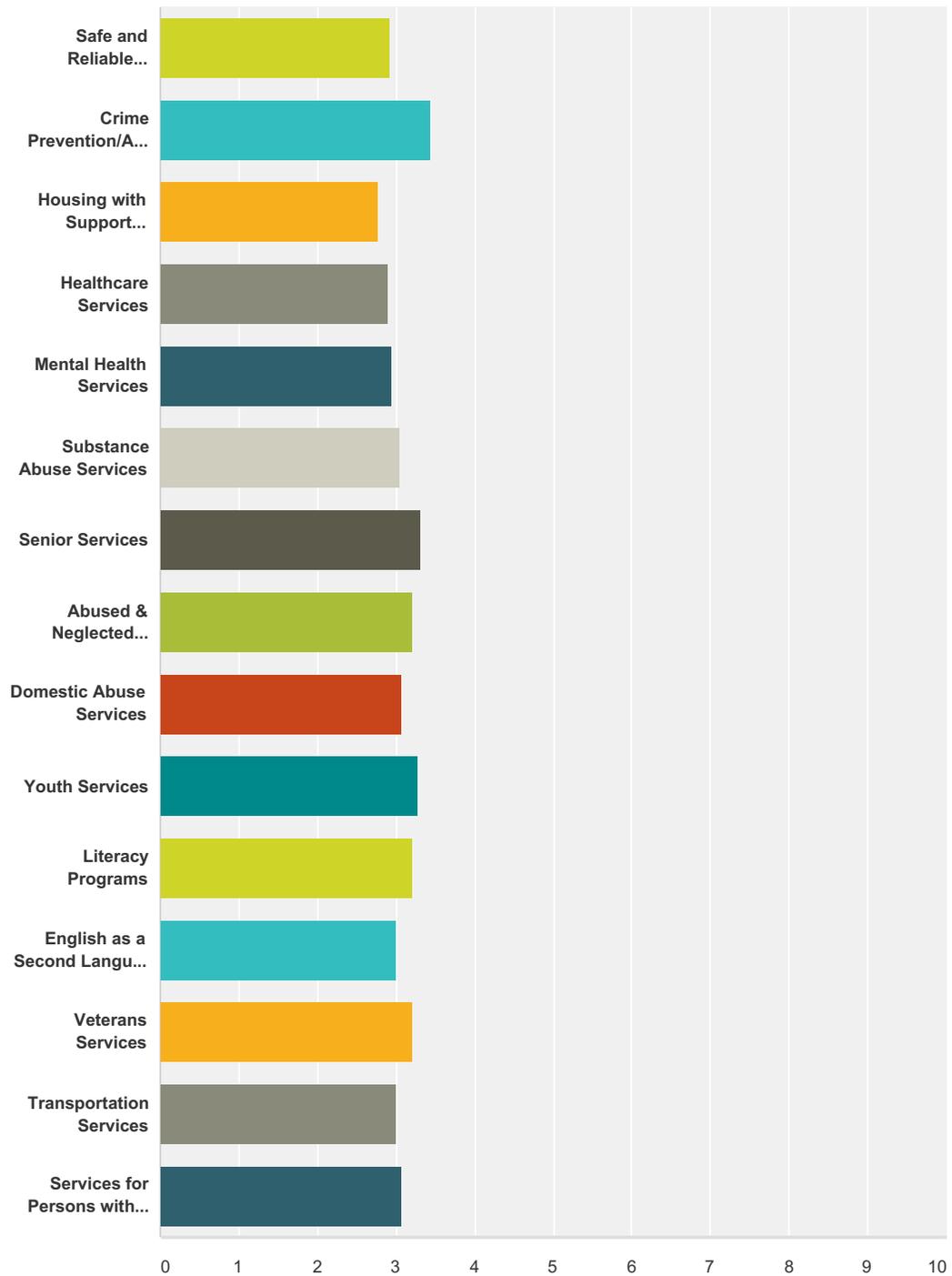
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Redevelop Old Mill Sites	<b>8.52%</b> 15	<b>14.77%</b> 26	<b>23.86%</b> 42	<b>52.84%</b> 93	176	3.21
East End Redevelopment	<b>6.94%</b> 12	<b>9.25%</b> 16	<b>21.39%</b> 37	<b>62.43%</b> 108	173	3.39
Develop Additional Cultural/Recreational Draws	<b>6.94%</b> 12	<b>22.54%</b> 39	<b>26.01%</b> 45	<b>44.51%</b> 77	173	3.08

#	Other (please specify)	Date
1	look at all the blight	10/7/2015 1:49 PM
2	Find a way to access the waterfront	10/7/2015 10:33 AM
3	bring back downtown, blight in east end	9/8/2015 4:58 PM
4	downtown trainstation, entertainment downtown	9/8/2015 4:42 PM
5	Improve the Schools...First thing buyers ask about	8/8/2015 2:12 PM
6	Clean up the East End. It is awful!	8/4/2015 11:51 AM
7	Utilize what we have, verse turning away business from Edison St, maybe encourage	8/3/2015 1:10 PM
8	Unless taxes are cut no one will want to buy here	7/30/2015 11:50 AM
9	Finally... a question with options that make sense.	7/29/2015 3:35 PM
10	Code Enforement has strayed from safety and is nonsensical	7/26/2015 11:33 PM
11	demolish blighted housing	7/18/2015 1:23 PM
12	THere should be events ALL YEAR LONG to attract visitors.	7/18/2015 1:17 PM
13	If you deal with the real problem which is that only lower class people live in the East End and Union Street and remove them through gentrification then places like downtown and river link will take care of themselves.	7/18/2015 7:06 AM
14	Youth and Community Centers	7/15/2015 10:13 AM
15	tare down the mills all areas not just the east end	7/15/2015 9:00 AM
16	develop a dog park, pls	7/14/2015 10:03 PM
17	all of the above, especially redeveopment of the east end ,it could be a complete turn around.This is where you would realize real ecomic difference.	7/13/2015 9:02 PM
18	It would be nice if people realize you can't run a city off grants alone. We have water, sights, shopping, transportation and a wonderful history. Its times for a new chapter, physically go out to manufacturing companies and see our city them. Show them we are eager to make long term business plans	7/13/2015 7:13 PM
19	new industries want one floor buildings...redevelop the entire city, not just the east end	7/13/2015 1:03 PM

### Q19 What Public Services are needed most by Amsterdam residents?

Answered: 176 Skipped: 11



	DO NOT NEED	LOW NEED	MEDIUM NEED	HIGH NEED	Total	Weighted Average
Safe and Reliable Childcare	5.85% 10	23.39% 40	43.27% 74	27.49% 47	171	2.92

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Crime Prevention/Awareness Programs	1.14% 2	10.86% 19	30.86% 54	57.14% 100	175	3.44
Housing with Support Services	13.95% 24	21.51% 37	36.63% 63	27.91% 48	172	2.78
Healthcare Services	9.36% 16	23.39% 40	33.92% 58	33.33% 57	171	2.91
Mental Health Services	7.56% 13	26.16% 45	30.23% 52	36.05% 62	172	2.95
Substance Abuse Services	5.92% 10	24.26% 41	28.40% 48	41.42% 70	169	3.05
Senior Services	3.55% 6	14.20% 24	28.99% 49	53.25% 90	169	3.32
Abused & Neglected Children Services	5.78% 10	15.61% 27	30.06% 52	48.55% 84	173	3.21
Domestic Abuse Services	5.78% 10	20.23% 35	35.26% 61	38.73% 67	173	3.07
Youth Services	5.88% 10	10.00% 17	34.71% 59	49.41% 84	170	3.28
Literacy Programs	5.29% 9	15.29% 26	31.76% 54	47.65% 81	170	3.22
English as a Second Language Programs	13.45% 23	15.20% 26	28.07% 48	43.27% 74	171	3.01
Veterans Services	4.07% 7	18.02% 31	30.81% 53	47.09% 81	172	3.21
Transportation Services	7.60% 13	21.64% 37	33.33% 57	37.43% 64	171	3.01
Services for Persons with Disabilities	5.39% 9	17.96% 30	40.72% 68	35.93% 60	167	3.07

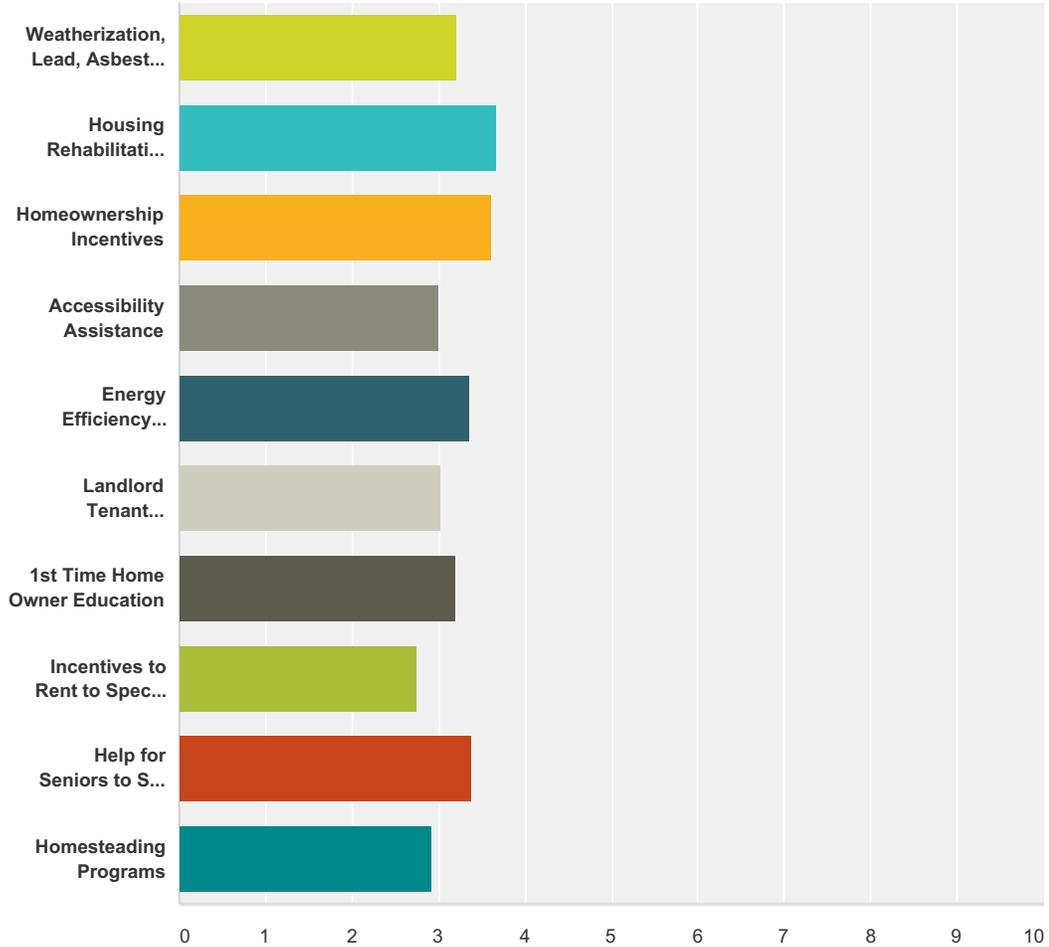
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1	senior services	10/7/2015 1:49 PM
2	others are already adequate	10/7/2015 1:41 PM
3	English should be 1st language	10/7/2015 1:02 PM
4	Too many dumb f**ks in Amsterdam	10/7/2015 12:17 PM
5	Sto associating public service with poverty we are not all poor (High)	10/7/2015 11:58 AM
6	Need More for Veterans and Seniors (High Need)	10/2/2015 2:27 PM
7	WI-FI in all buildings	8/8/2015 2:16 PM
8	There is not enough help for those with mental illness and substance abuse issues. St. Mary's is not enough.	8/4/2015 11:52 AM
9	There are enough properties that do not pay taxes (liberty, st marys, etc.). We need programs to help home owners maintain what they have. English as a second language is not required. My grandparents seem to have no issues learning English on their own.	8/3/2015 1:13 PM
10	anything marked 'low' or 'do not need' is because there's already enough of it here, and/or it encourages handicapping of human beings into needing someone to 'give them the fish' so to speak	7/29/2015 3:36 PM
11	Basic city maintenance(roads, sidewalks, cutting grass and removing run down properties)	7/26/2015 11:35 PM
12	english should be the 1st language	7/23/2015 10:53 PM
13	Housing/Healthcare services very abused by welfare	7/20/2015 11:34 AM
14	Liberty and St. Marys already offer great services for many of these needs.	7/18/2015 1:19 PM

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15	Develop program oriented to the youth, they are the future. We have great medical facilities available already.	7/18/2015 10:44 AM
16	yeah. please build another methadone clinic on guy park so more low lives can come to our city. I bet you wouldn't put one on Stewart Street.	7/18/2015 7:08 AM
17	these are not programs for local government - local government should act as a partner with existing private organizations	7/16/2015 3:29 PM
18	More ways to include families with special needs children and make their lives more accessible, productive and happy	7/15/2015 9:09 PM
19	Hispanic Pride	7/15/2015 10:15 AM
20	Improve/Enhance Community Arts/ Music Programs .e.g Community Concerts etc.	7/14/2015 9:31 AM
21	reduce welfare recipicants	7/14/2015 8:50 AM
22	English as a first language	7/13/2015 9:28 PM
23	Crime, it doesn't help with fighting of 60 people being in the paper and news with no arrest. In most cities where the Chief makes \$100k they have arrest and lead by example. In addition allow public employees not to live within the community atleast the county shows. They have no vested interested in the City.	7/13/2015 7:18 PM
24	most english as a second language people i see, don't use english at all.....	7/13/2015 1:05 PM

## Q20 Which initiatives would best help Amsterdam Homeowners, Landlords, and Tenants?

Answered: 172 Skipped: 15



	DO NOT NEED	LOW NEED	MEDIUM NEED	HIGH NEED	Total	Weighted Average
Weatherization, Lead, Asbestos Assistance	4.09% 7	14.62% 25	37.43% 64	43.86% 75	171	3.21
Housing Rehabilitation Incentives/Grants	1.16% 2	4.07% 7	21.51% 37	73.26% 126	172	3.67
Homeownership Incentives	1.18% 2	6.51% 11	21.89% 37	70.41% 119	169	3.62
Accessibility Assistance	7.69% 13	19.53% 33	37.28% 63	35.50% 60	169	3.01
Energy Efficiency Programs	2.92% 5	12.87% 22	29.82% 51	54.39% 93	171	3.36
Landlord Tenant Association(s)	8.28% 14	20.12% 34	32.54% 55	39.05% 66	169	3.02
1st Time Home Owner Education	6.98% 12	13.95% 24	31.40% 54	47.67% 82	172	3.20

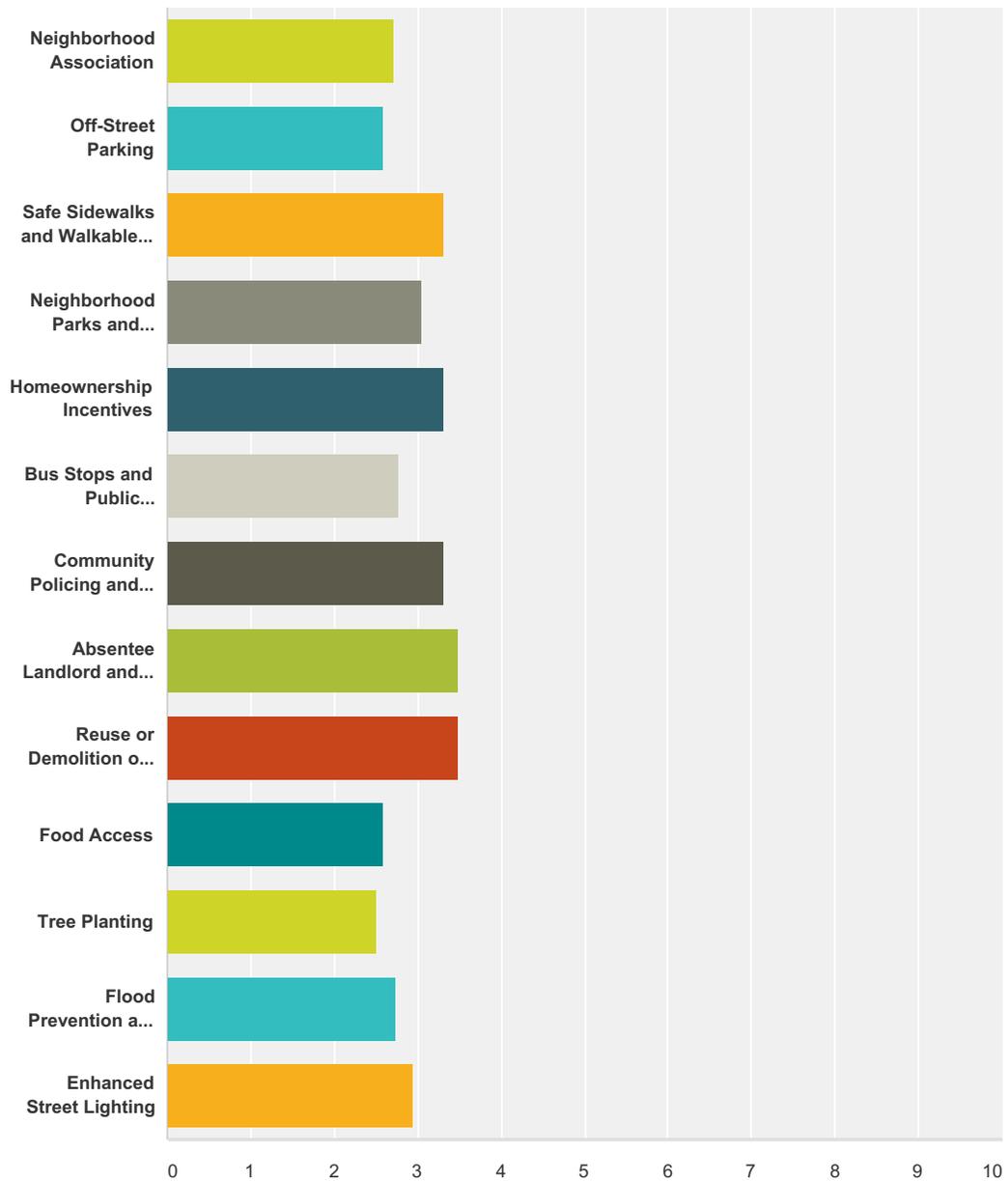
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Incentives to Rent to Special Needs Persons	<b>14.12%</b> 24	<b>23.53%</b> 40	<b>35.29%</b> 60	<b>27.06%</b> 46	170	2.75
Help for Seniors to Stay in Own Homes Longer	<b>2.91%</b> 5	<b>10.47%</b> 18	<b>32.56%</b> 56	<b>54.07%</b> 93	172	3.38
Homesteading Programs	<b>10.43%</b> 17	<b>22.70%</b> 37	<b>30.67%</b> 50	<b>36.20%</b> 59	163	2.93

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1	cheaper housing	10/7/2015 1:49 PM
2	Low taxes equals low rent	10/7/2015 12:18 PM
3	Attract homeowners who can actually afford their homes (high)	10/7/2015 12:00 PM
4	Cheaper rents ; Better Homes (high Need)	10/2/2015 2:28 PM
5	solar panels	9/8/2015 4:59 PM
6	Give 1st time home buyers a lottery ticket and place abandoned homes in lottery.....Qualify them through improvement loans from FHA explain how programs works for them and mentor them into saving for needed improvements. Then the property goes back on the Tax rolls to assist with budget of City	8/8/2015 2:20 PM
7	rehab grants should only be available for owner occupied homes	8/7/2015 12:38 PM
8	Incentive plan for current home owners would be nice.	8/3/2015 1:15 PM
9	and the education and guidance to get them to use these incentives and grants appropriately. not just however they want.	7/29/2015 3:37 PM
10	Improved code enforcement that works with homeowners, not against them.	7/26/2015 11:37 PM
11	Home ownership is the key to AMsterdam booming. New people need to be given the chance to own.	7/18/2015 1:20 PM
12	Selling at reasonable price abandon/ tax evading homes with support to the buyer on renovation or turning the property to an extended yard is the way to go.	7/18/2015 10:49 AM
13	give tax breaks to owner occupied two+ family homes	7/15/2015 10:23 PM
14	Lower taxes or tax incentives - reduce taxes if homes meet criteria, etc	7/15/2015 10:16 AM
15	no absentee landlord, slum lords, owner accountability	7/13/2015 10:04 PM
16	make it more attractive for people to buy and rehabilitate some of the housing here. Taxes and fees per unit are way to high. Cap these fees somehow. make it easier to do business here.	7/13/2015 9:07 PM
17	Allow current home owners get incentives for taking care of their homes	7/13/2015 7:21 PM
18	Lower residential property taxes	7/13/2015 4:11 PM

## Q21 Which initiatives would best help your neighborhood?

Answered: 174 Skipped: 13



	DO NOT NEED	LOW NEED	MEDIUM NEED	HIGH NEED	Total	Weighted Average
Neighborhood Association	12.87% 22	23.39% 40	43.86% 75	19.88% 34	171	2.71
Off-Street Parking	22.81% 39	21.64% 37	29.24% 50	26.32% 45	171	2.59
Safe Sidewalks and Walkable Streets	6.40% 11	13.95% 24	20.93% 36	58.72% 101	172	3.32
Neighborhood Parks and Greenspaces	10.53% 18	15.79% 27	31.58% 54	42.11% 72	171	3.05

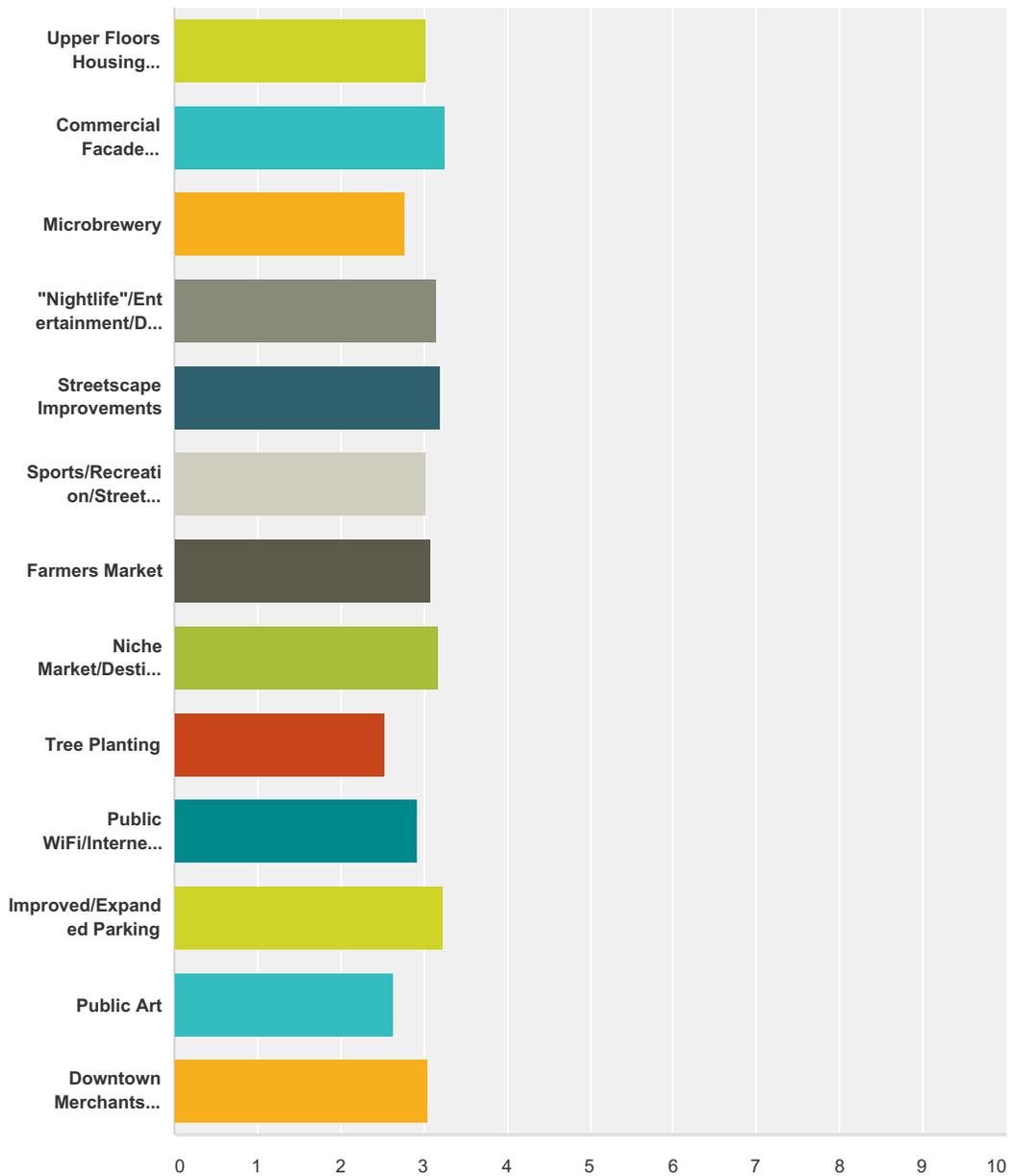
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Homeownership Incentives	<b>8.14%</b> 14	<b>9.30%</b> 16	<b>25.58%</b> 44	<b>56.98%</b> 98	172	3.31
Bus Stops and Public Transportation	<b>15.61%</b> 27	<b>26.59%</b> 46	<b>23.12%</b> 40	<b>34.68%</b> 60	173	2.77
Community Policing and Crime Prevention	<b>4.65%</b> 8	<b>11.63%</b> 20	<b>30.81%</b> 53	<b>52.91%</b> 91	172	3.32
Absentee Landlord and Slumlord Penalties	<b>9.83%</b> 17	<b>7.51%</b> 13	<b>6.94%</b> 12	<b>75.72%</b> 131	173	3.49
Reuse or Demolition of Vacant Properties	<b>10.53%</b> 18	<b>3.51%</b> 6	<b>12.87%</b> 22	<b>73.10%</b> 125	171	3.49
Food Access	<b>23.84%</b> 41	<b>22.67%</b> 39	<b>25.00%</b> 43	<b>28.49%</b> 49	172	2.58
Tree Planting	<b>23.39%</b> 40	<b>28.07%</b> 48	<b>22.22%</b> 38	<b>26.32%</b> 45	171	2.51
Flood Prevention and Drainage	<b>19.77%</b> 34	<b>18.60%</b> 32	<b>30.23%</b> 52	<b>31.40%</b> 54	172	2.73
Enhanced Street Lighting	<b>12.21%</b> 21	<b>20.93%</b> 36	<b>27.91%</b> 48	<b>38.95%</b> 67	172	2.94

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1	harmon field put back	10/7/2015 2:01 PM
2	police walking boat	10/7/2015 1:50 PM
3	Fix the Roads (No Rating)	10/7/2015 12:01 PM
4	Repair of potholes (High Needs)	10/7/2015 10:35 AM
5	Negotiate w/ phone company electric co and cable to bury all lines underground or else demand that they replace all bending poles with new ones to enhance the vision of the City.....It will serve us well and I doubt they want to replace with new upright poles all over the city...!!!	8/8/2015 2:24 PM
6	The police are limited but need to take back Amsterdam. When the paper publishes that there was fight with 45 people and no arrest four times this summer, thats not good. If the Chief who makes \$100000 can not make leadership decisions find someone who clean the streets up. Before they get worse.	8/3/2015 1:17 PM
7	Street repairs are slow and substandard currently.	7/26/2015 11:39 PM
8	Reuse or Demolition of Vacant Properties should be top priority, it will increase property value and encourage people to take care of their own property.	7/18/2015 10:54 AM
9	cleaning all flood water street grates	7/18/2015 10:38 AM
10	Straigten Road Signs and Replace Those Missing	7/17/2015 2:14 PM
11	Family oriented entertainment	7/15/2015 10:18 AM
12	I live outside of the city in the Town of Amsterdam	7/14/2015 9:32 PM
13	city needs to maintain city-owned vacant lots - don't tear it down and not maintain the empty space!	7/14/2015 5:37 PM
14	all of the above , normally this would already be in a cities plan. Amsterdam is so far behind its is scary. Demolition and absentee land lord issues would take priority.	7/13/2015 9:09 PM
15	repair the roads	7/13/2015 7:21 PM
16	The engineer came out and looked at our flood/ drainage issues last year and told us they couldn't do anything.	7/13/2015 4:12 PM

### Q22 Which initiatives would best help redevelop the Downtown area?

Answered: 172 Skipped: 15



	DO NOT NEED	LOW NEED	MEDIUM NEED	HIGH NEED	Total	Weighted Average
Upper Floors Housing Incentives	8.33% 14	19.64% 33	33.33% 56	38.69% 65	168	3.02
Commercial Facade Improvements	4.17% 7	11.90% 20	38.69% 65	45.24% 76	168	3.25
Microbrewery	14.20% 24	26.04% 44	28.40% 48	31.36% 53	169	2.77
"Nightlife"/Entertainment/Dining	6.55% 11	14.88% 25	34.52% 58	44.05% 74	168	3.16

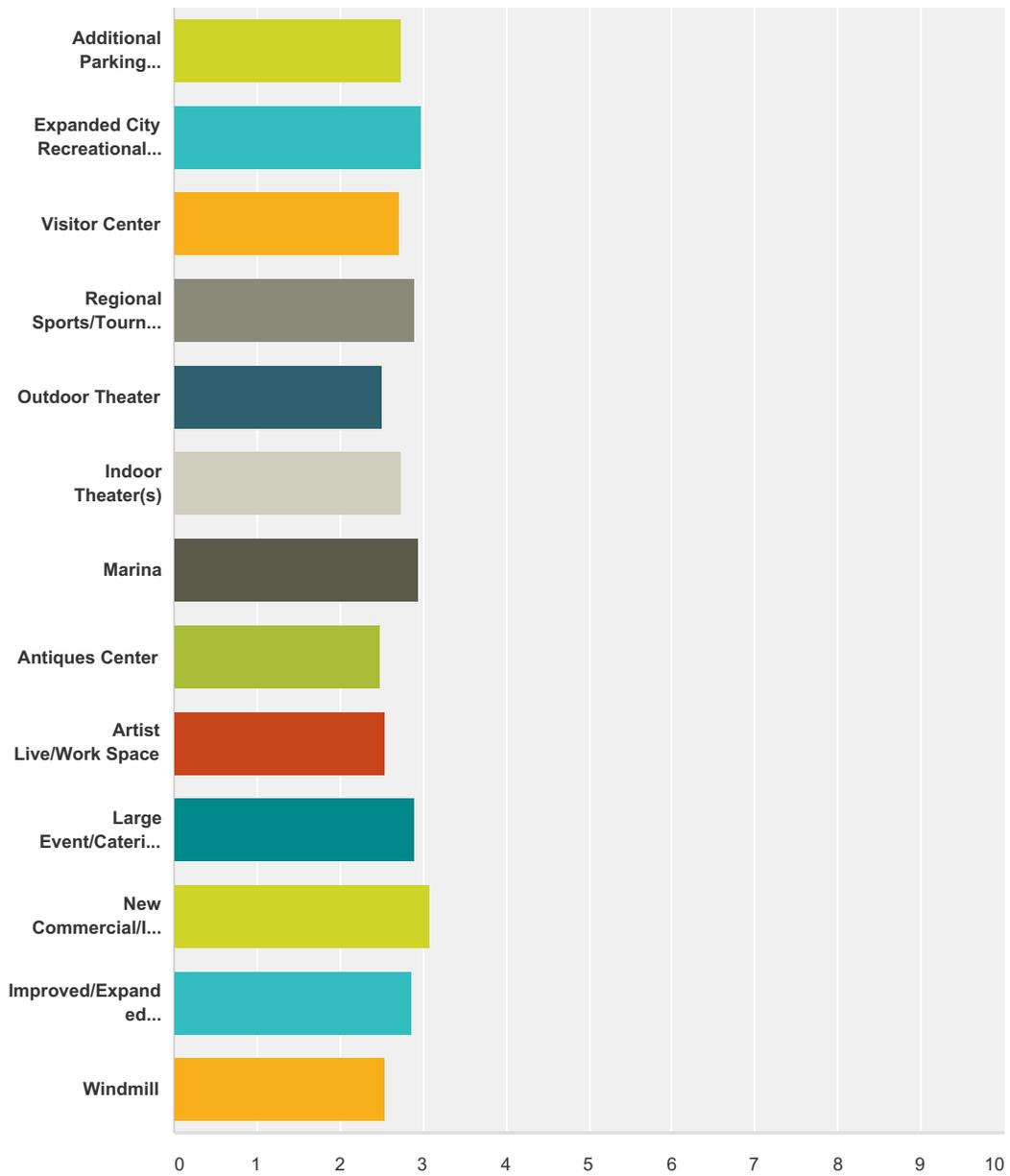
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Streetscape Improvements	<b>6.55%</b> 11	<b>13.10%</b> 22	<b>34.52%</b> 58	<b>45.83%</b> 77	168	3.20
Sports/Recreation/Street Events	<b>8.48%</b> 14	<b>18.79%</b> 31	<b>34.55%</b> 57	<b>38.18%</b> 63	165	3.02
Farmers Market	<b>7.74%</b> 13	<b>14.88%</b> 25	<b>38.69%</b> 65	<b>38.69%</b> 65	168	3.08
Niche Market/Destination Stores	<b>7.88%</b> 13	<b>12.73%</b> 21	<b>32.73%</b> 54	<b>46.67%</b> 77	165	3.18
Tree Planting	<b>17.47%</b> 29	<b>34.94%</b> 58	<b>25.90%</b> 43	<b>21.69%</b> 36	166	2.52
Public WiFi/Internet Service	<b>10.06%</b> 17	<b>23.08%</b> 39	<b>31.36%</b> 53	<b>35.50%</b> 60	169	2.92
Improved/Expanded Parking	<b>6.59%</b> 11	<b>10.18%</b> 17	<b>37.13%</b> 62	<b>46.11%</b> 77	167	3.23
Public Art	<b>18.67%</b> 31	<b>23.49%</b> 39	<b>32.53%</b> 54	<b>25.30%</b> 42	166	2.64
Downtown Merchants Association	<b>7.69%</b> 13	<b>17.75%</b> 30	<b>36.69%</b> 62	<b>37.87%</b> 64	169	3.05

#	Other (please specify)	Date
1	destroy mall	10/7/2015 2:11 PM
2	farmers market all year, downtown is a joke	10/7/2015 1:51 PM
3	bring back downtown movie theaters	9/8/2015 5:00 PM
4	trainstation downtown	9/8/2015 4:44 PM
5	If a space is vacant that could be store or storefront pass legislation that these tenants can not have unprofessional signage on windows/ It is so tacky...!!	8/8/2015 2:27 PM
6	I like the Mohawks, but the City should be getting a proper percentage for the use. Especially when people are charged for parking in a public park.	8/3/2015 1:19 PM
7	you've failed enough with the 'public art' initiative... let's just get shit cleaned up first and then we'll focus on going beyond that.	7/29/2015 3:39 PM
8	Better parking and advertising.	7/26/2015 11:41 PM
9	The mall in the middle of Main Street is a major obstacle, if Main Street was restored to its original configuration with the stores serving niche taste, farmer markets and professional offices on upper floors will resurrect Amsterdam as a city.	7/18/2015 11:01 AM
10	lower taxes for commercial property	7/18/2015 10:39 AM
11	let business owners run there own business without everyone else's two cents	7/18/2015 7:10 AM
12	Something for the youth to do...rollerskating, dancing, etc.	7/14/2015 12:01 PM
13	it seems you really have put some thought finally into this . all of the above would bring this city back to life.Talk is one thing getting results is what counts.	7/13/2015 9:11 PM

### Q23 Which of the following would most benefit Amsterdam?

Answered: 172 Skipped: 15



	DO NOT NEED	LOW NEED	MEDUIM NEED	HIGH NEED	Total	Weighted Average
Additional Parking Facilities	7.65% 13	34.12% 58	35.29% 60	22.94% 39	170	2.74
Expanded City Recreational Facility	12.50% 21	14.29% 24	35.12% 59	38.10% 64	168	2.99
Visitor Center	13.69% 23	24.40% 41	38.10% 64	23.81% 40	168	2.72
Regional Sports/Tournament Facility	11.90% 20	17.86% 30	38.10% 64	32.14% 54	168	2.90

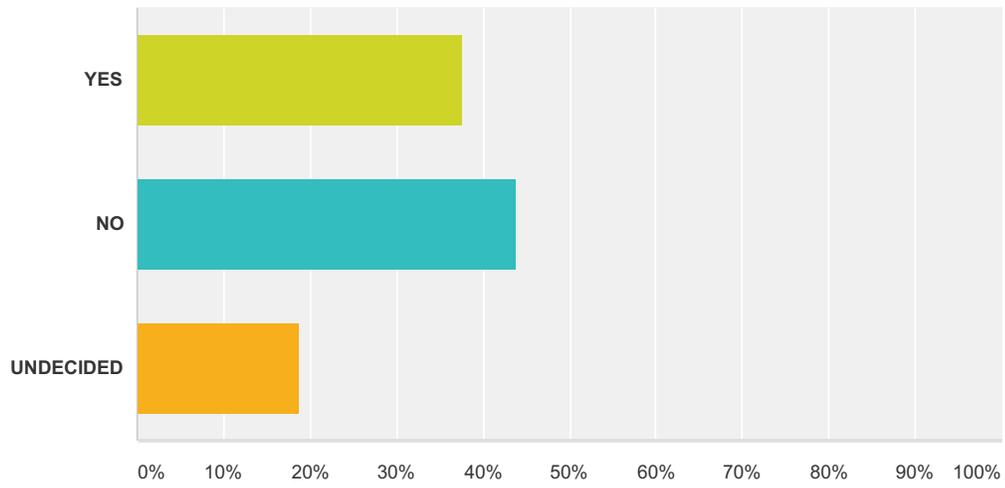
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Outdoor Theater	<b>14.88%</b> 25	<b>36.90%</b> 62	<b>31.55%</b> 53	<b>16.67%</b> 28	168	2.50
Indoor Theater(s)	<b>13.02%</b> 22	<b>22.49%</b> 38	<b>42.60%</b> 72	<b>21.89%</b> 37	169	2.73
Marina	<b>13.53%</b> 23	<b>15.88%</b> 27	<b>33.53%</b> 57	<b>37.06%</b> 63	170	2.94
Antiques Center	<b>19.28%</b> 32	<b>30.72%</b> 51	<b>31.93%</b> 53	<b>18.07%</b> 30	166	2.49
Artist Live/Work Space	<b>17.16%</b> 29	<b>31.95%</b> 54	<b>29.59%</b> 50	<b>21.30%</b> 36	169	2.55
Large Event/Catering Space	<b>14.79%</b> 25	<b>17.16%</b> 29	<b>31.36%</b> 53	<b>36.69%</b> 62	169	2.90
New Commercial/Industrial Space	<b>12.57%</b> 21	<b>11.38%</b> 19	<b>31.74%</b> 53	<b>44.31%</b> 74	167	3.08
Improved/Expanded Trails/nature Preserves	<b>11.83%</b> 20	<b>23.08%</b> 39	<b>33.73%</b> 57	<b>31.36%</b> 53	169	2.85
Windmill	<b>22.02%</b> 37	<b>28.57%</b> 48	<b>21.43%</b> 36	<b>27.98%</b> 47	168	2.55

#	Other (please specify)	Date
1	keep amsterdam small	10/7/2015 2:02 PM
2	I hope the commercial/ Industrial area comes with business	8/8/2015 2:29 PM
3	Minus the pollution issue currently on the river, utilize the water way to gain revenue. Down town could be alive again. The right shops, cafe's, etc.. will do it.	8/3/2015 1:21 PM
4	Now we're talking!	7/29/2015 3:40 PM
5	Casino, Race track, Aquarium, Fair grounds, Family fun center, Mall/shopping center	7/26/2015 11:44 PM
6	"the windmill" is gone let it go	7/23/2015 10:56 PM
7	business development	7/18/2015 1:32 PM
8	We need facilities that attract businesses. We should be more realistic and stop trying to make the city a tourist destination. Amsterdam should be a place with local jobs and a nice neighborhood to raise kids. In today's world where almost everybody has a car it is easy to visit Schenectady Proctor Theater, but cool artesian markets especially could motivate people to visit.	7/18/2015 11:12 AM
9	Family (City) Center	7/15/2015 10:20 AM
10	colossus instead of windmill	7/15/2015 1:13 AM
11	Mobile visitor center that goes to events and waterfront. Also a real, clean, hotel	7/13/2015 9:34 PM

### Q24 Do you plan on making Amsterdam your home after graduation?

Answered: 16 Skipped: 171



Answer Choices	Responses	
YES	37.50%	6
NO	43.75%	7
UNDECIDED	18.75%	3
<b>Total</b>		<b>16</b>

**Q25 If your answer to Question 24 was "YES," please explain why:**

Answered: 6 Skipped: 181

#	Responses	Date
1	its depressing	10/7/2015 2:03 PM
2	I have lived here for 38 years. Work in Scotia. The only reason I will leave if taxes and crime continue to grow.	8/3/2015 1:22 PM
3	(I asked one of my children, which is why I'm filling this part out.)	7/29/2015 3:42 PM
4	Family and a desire to help	7/16/2015 10:46 AM
5	My employment is here	7/13/2015 9:35 PM
6	Family	7/13/2015 9:33 PM

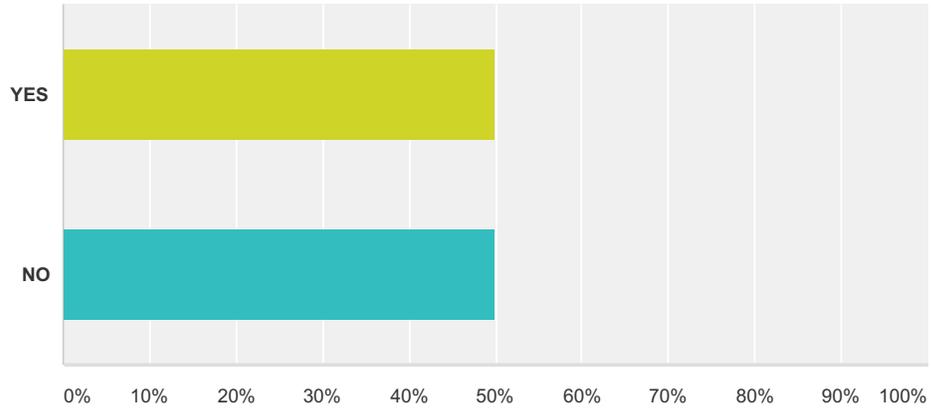
**Q26 If your response to Question 25 was "NO" or "UNDECIDED" what could change in the City of Amsterdam that would encourage you to stay?**

Answered: 11 Skipped: 176

#	Responses	Date
1	upsclae stores and small groceries in neighborhoods	10/7/2015 2:03 PM
2	here for rest of my life	10/7/2015 1:34 PM
3	Put [name redacted] in jail for looking at guys dinks in the shower	10/7/2015 12:21 PM
4	Economic growth and public school system overhaul	8/4/2015 3:05 PM
5	I'd need to know that there was a genuine opportunity for me to build something for myself here, both business wise and eventually family wise. Right now it's not safe for kids to be smart, it's not okay to have dreams. We just droll through our days, waiting for the bell to ring so we can get out of there and go home. - 14 year old female student	7/29/2015 3:42 PM
6	Business opportunities	7/26/2015 11:45 PM
7	theres no money and the schools suck	7/23/2015 10:58 PM
8	Knock down abandoned houses & turn the space in to a local park or playground	7/20/2015 12:52 PM
9	no jobs/future	7/15/2015 8:47 PM
10	it is not a nice place to live	7/15/2015 9:06 AM
11	I'd stay if I could find work.	7/13/2015 9:15 PM

**Q27 If offered tuition incentives at a local college, would you agree to live and work in Amsterdam for the next five years upon graduation?**

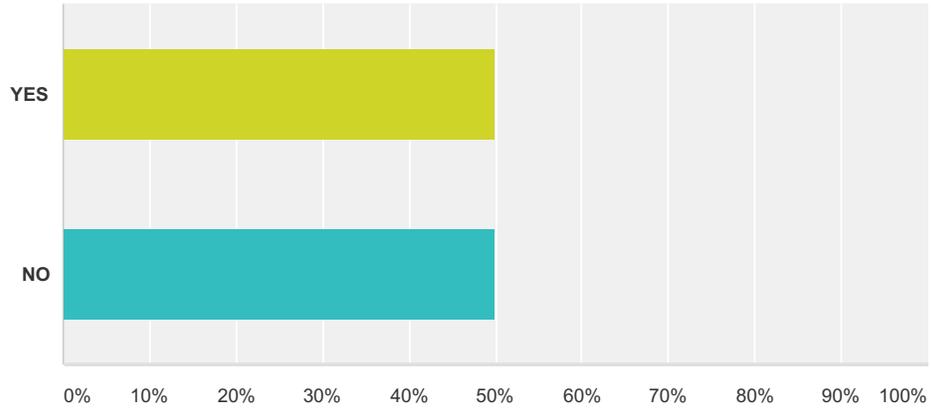
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Answer Choices	Responses	
YES	50.00%	7
NO	50.00%	7
<b>Total</b>		<b>14</b>

**Q28 Would you consider living in Amsterdam if there was a program to partially pay for your student loans in exchange for renting or owning a home in the City?**

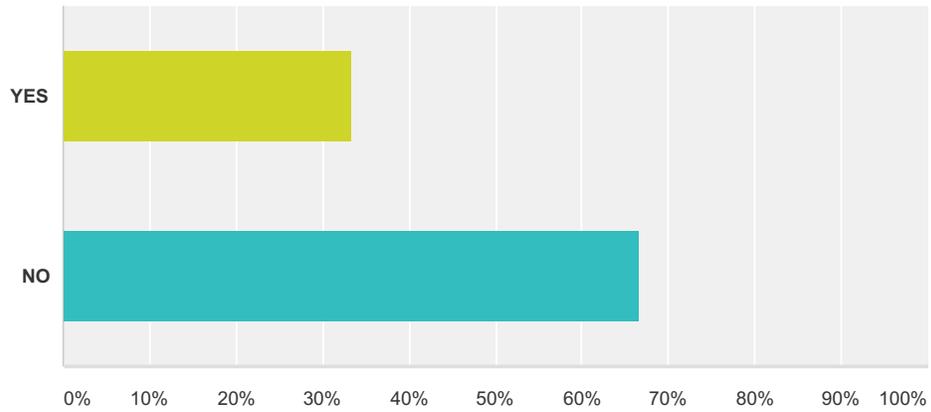
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Answer Choices	Responses	
YES	50.00%	7
NO	50.00%	7
<b>Total</b>		<b>14</b>

### Q29 Would childcare be a priority for you to work/study in Amsterdam?

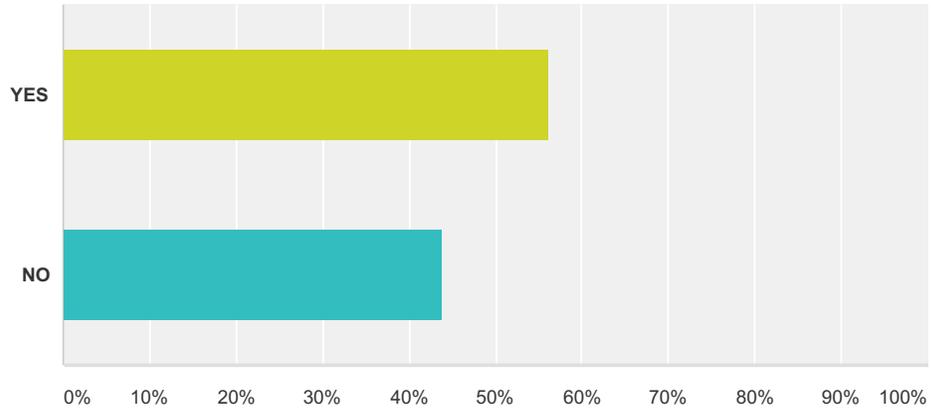
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Answer Choices	Responses	
YES	33.33%	5
NO	66.67%	10
<b>Total</b>		<b>15</b>

**Q30 If entrepreneurial/start-up assistance was available, would you be interested in starting a business in Amsterdam?**

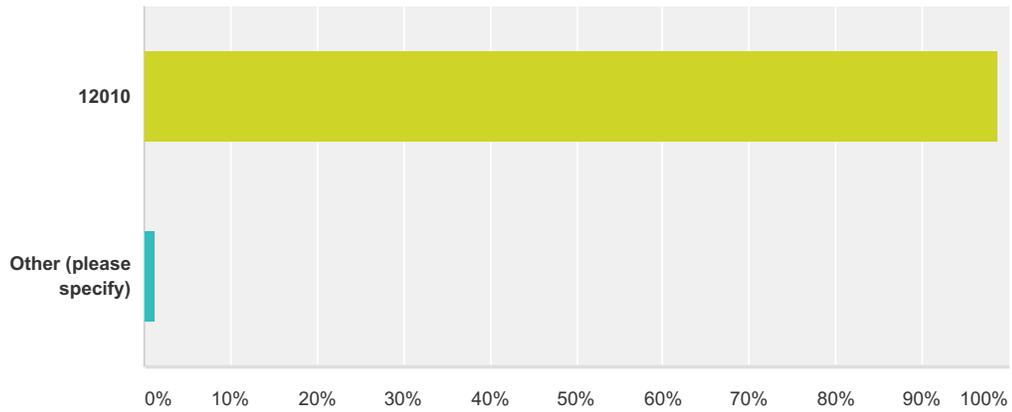
Answered: 16 Skipped: 171



Answer Choices	Responses	
YES	56.25%	9
NO	43.75%	7
<b>Total</b>		<b>16</b>

### Q31 What is your zip code?

Answered: 167 Skipped: 20

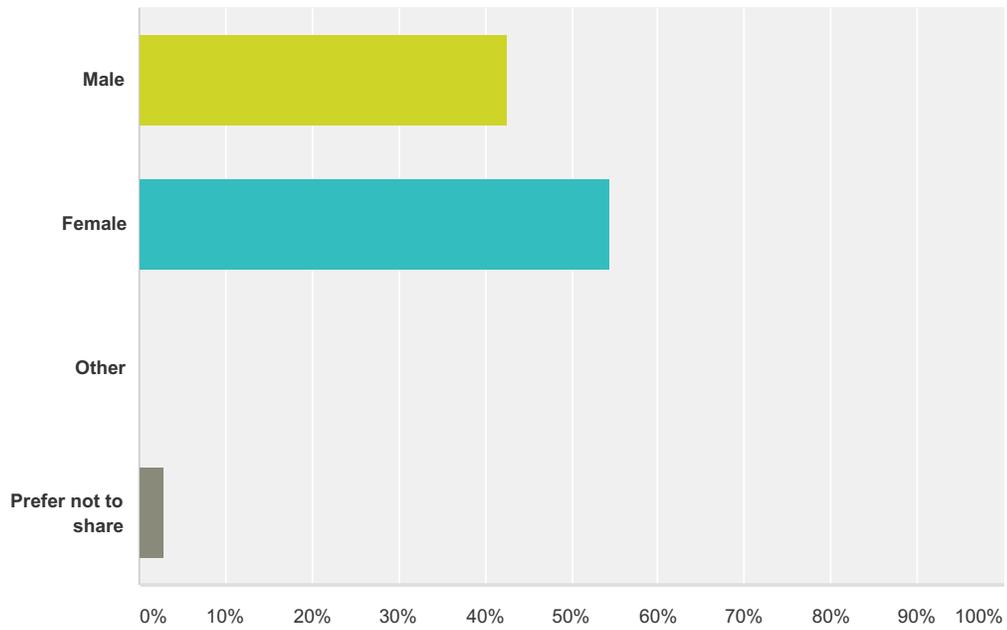


Answer Choices	Responses	Count
12010	98.80%	165
Other (please specify)	1.20%	2
<b>Total</b>		<b>167</b>

#	Other (please specify)	Date
1	12086	7/22/2015 10:46 AM
2	12302	7/13/2015 4:31 PM

### Q32 What is your gender? (Please check one)

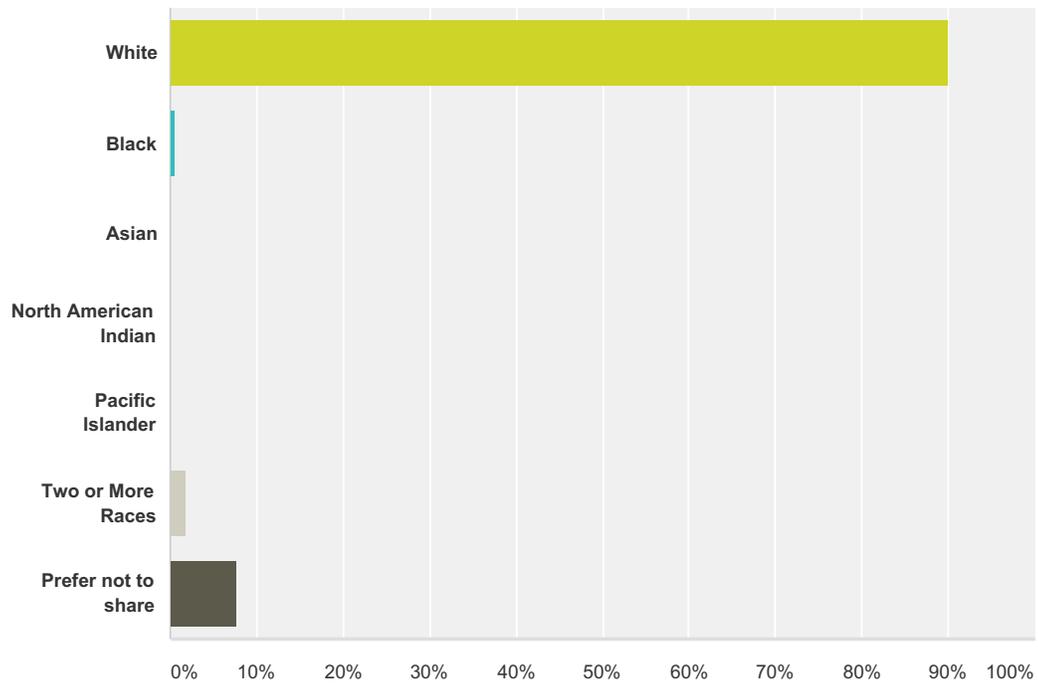
Answered: 169 Skipped: 18



Answer Choices	Responses	Count
Male	42.60%	72
Female	54.44%	92
Other	0.00%	0
Prefer not to share	2.96%	5
<b>Total</b>		<b>169</b>

### Q33 What is your Race/Ethnicity? (Please check one)

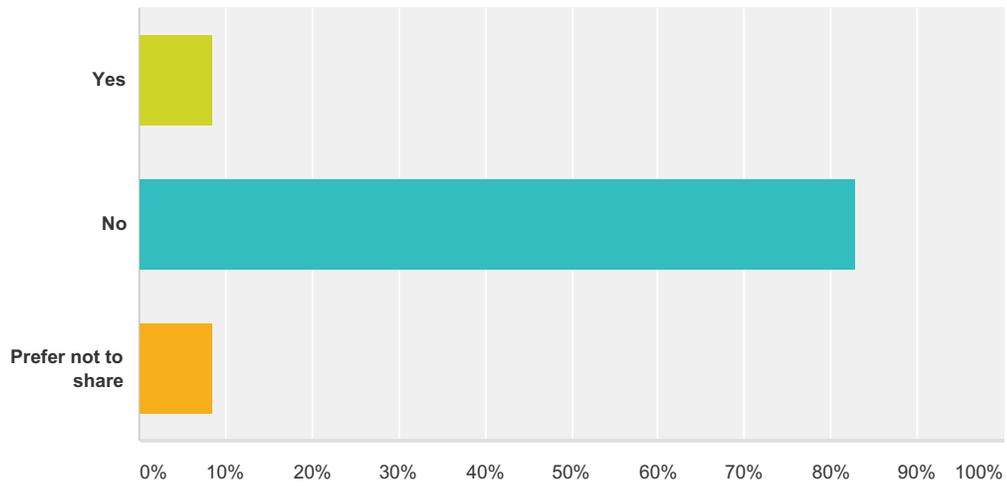
Answered: 169 Skipped: 18



Answer Choices	Responses	
White	89.94%	152
Black	0.59%	1
Asian	0.00%	0
North American Indian	0.00%	0
Pacific Islander	0.00%	0
Two or More Races	1.78%	3
Prefer not to share	7.69%	13
<b>Total</b>		<b>169</b>

### Q34 Are you Hispanic or Latino? (Please check one)

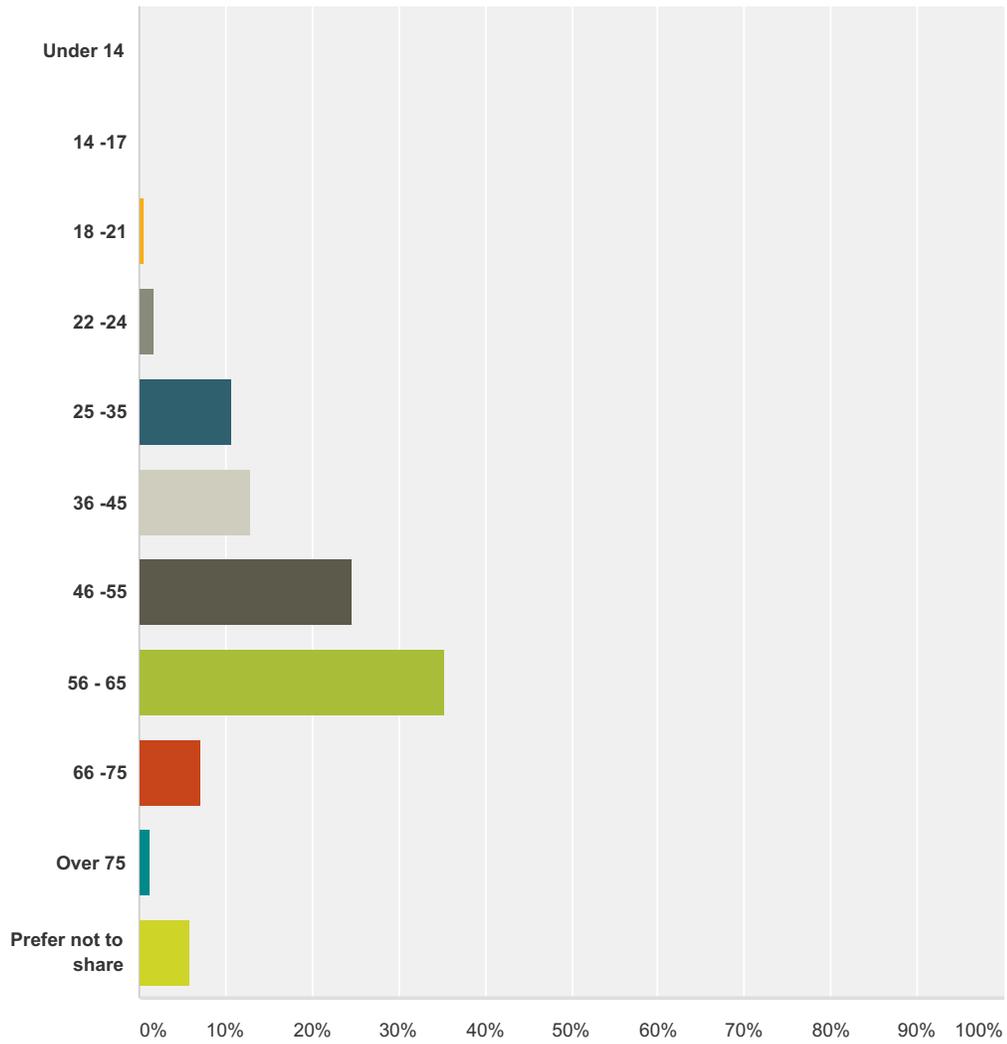
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Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	8.54%	14
No	82.93%	136
Prefer not to share	8.54%	14
<b>Total</b>		<b>164</b>

### Q35 What is your age?

Answered: 170 Skipped: 17



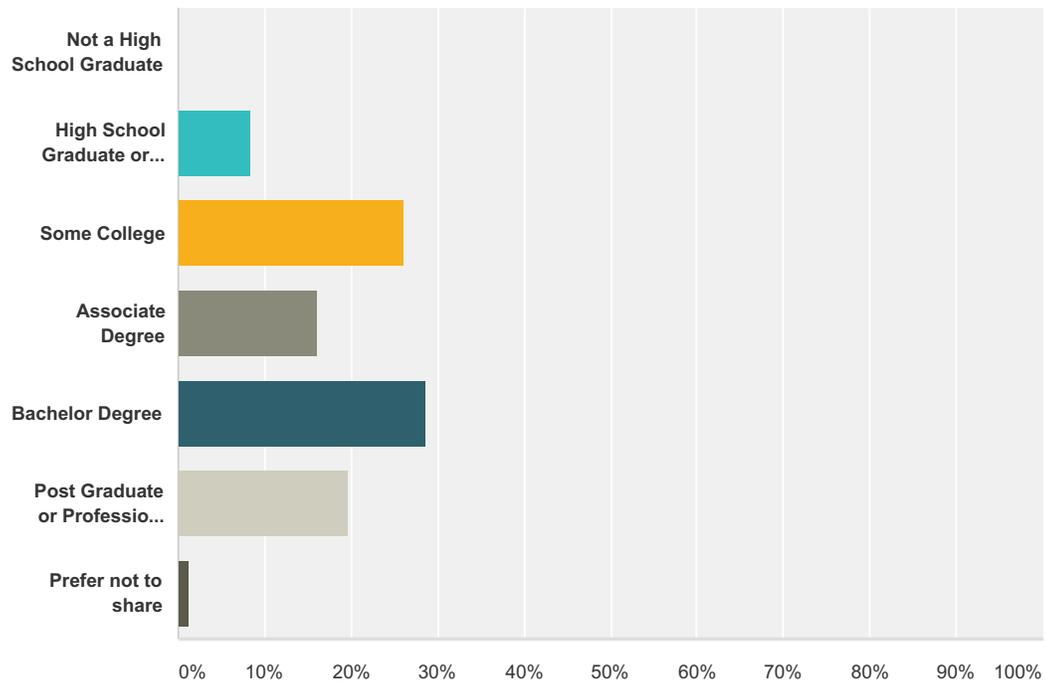
Answer Choices	Responses
Under 14	0.00% 0
14 -17	0.00% 0
18 -21	0.59% 1
22 -24	1.76% 3
25 -35	10.59% 18
36 -45	12.94% 22
46 -55	24.71% 42
56 - 65	35.29% 60
66 -75	7.06% 12
Over 75	1.18% 2

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Prefer not to share	5.88%	10
<b>Total</b>		<b>170</b>

### Q36 What is your highest education? (Please check one)

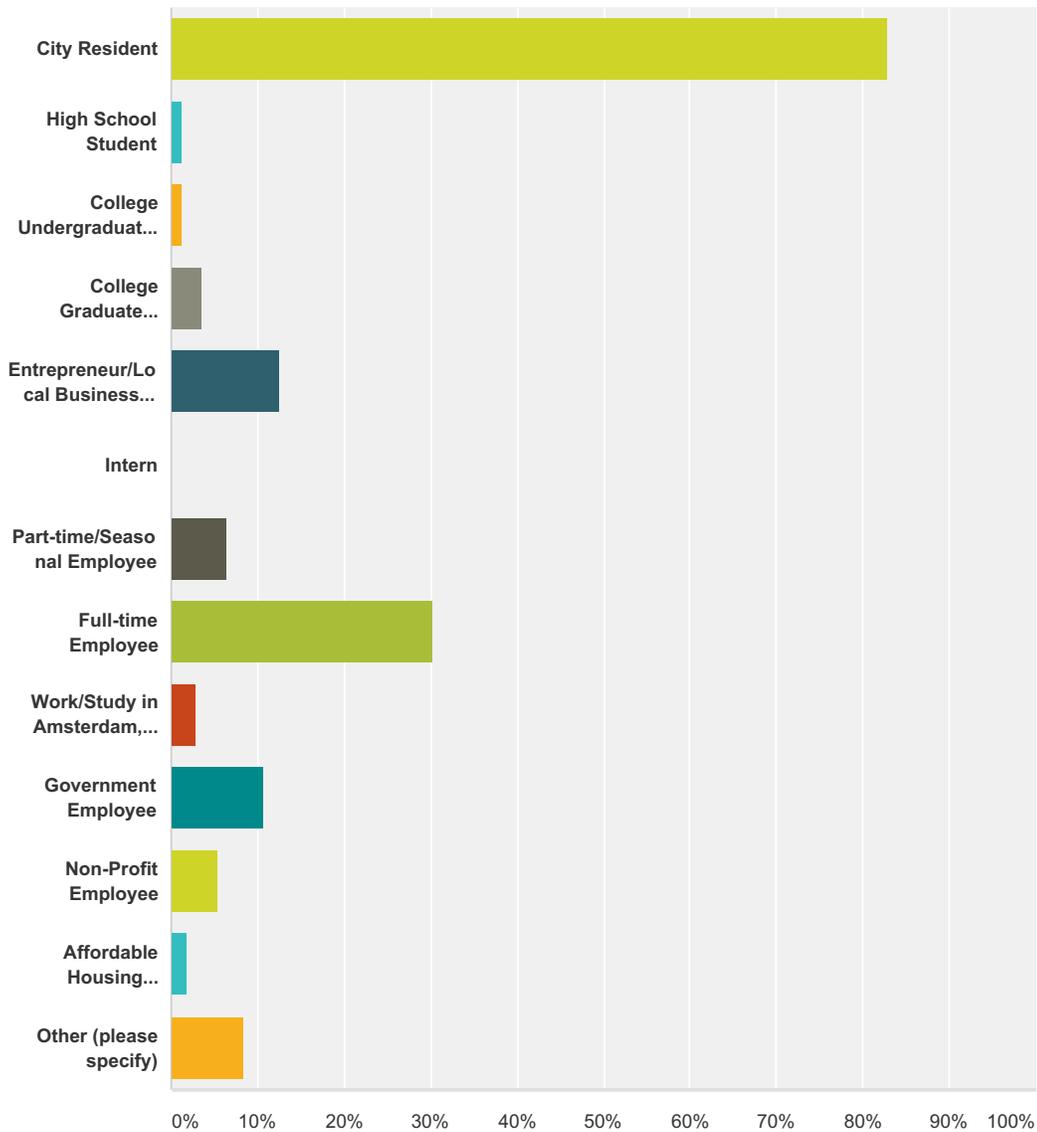
Answered: 168 Skipped: 19



Answer Choices	Responses
Not a High School Graduate	0.00% 0
High School Graduate or Equal	8.33% 14
Some College	26.19% 44
Associate Degree	16.07% 27
Bachelor Degree	28.57% 48
Post Graduate or Professional Degree	19.64% 33
Prefer not to share	1.19% 2
<b>Total</b>	<b>168</b>

**Q37 Which of the following represents you best? (Please check all that apply)**

Answered: 169 Skipped: 18



Answer Choices	Responses
City Resident	82.84% 140
High School Student	1.18% 2
College Undergraduate Student	1.18% 2
College Graduate Student	3.55% 6
Entrepreneur/Local Business Owner	12.43% 21
Intern	0.00% 0
Part-time/Seasonal Employee	6.51% 11

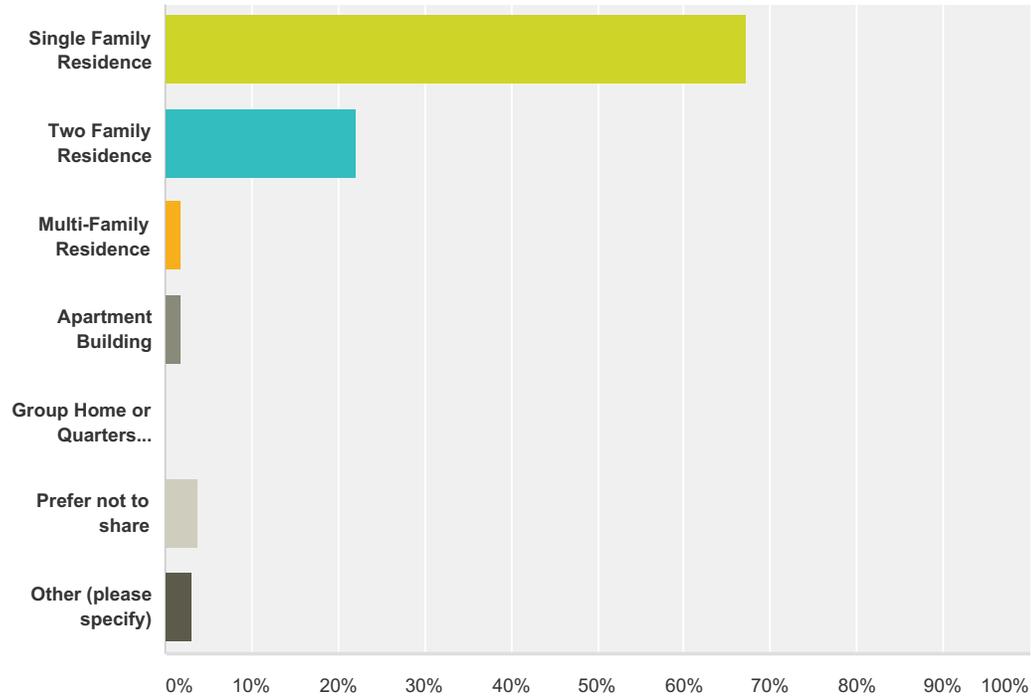
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Full-time Employee	<b>30.18%</b>	51
Work/Study in Amsterdam, Reside Outside the City	<b>2.96%</b>	5
Government Employee	<b>10.65%</b>	18
Non-Profit Employee	<b>5.33%</b>	9
Affordable Housing Provider	<b>1.78%</b>	3
Other (please specify)	<b>8.28%</b>	14
<b>Total Respondents: 169</b>		

#	Other (please specify)	Date
1	live with grandma	10/7/2015 2:04 PM
2	retired professional	10/7/2015 1:43 PM
3	school graduate	10/7/2015 1:35 PM
4	Retired	10/7/2015 12:40 PM
5	Former Resident	10/2/2015 1:45 PM
6	Self-employed and work from home. Only reason I'm here and not somewhere else is extended family.	7/29/2015 3:45 PM
7	retired	7/24/2015 3:10 PM
8	worker	7/23/2015 11:01 PM
9	Retired - Live in Town of Amsterdam	7/14/2015 9:35 PM
10	Livi in Town of Florida	7/14/2015 12:28 PM
11	retired	7/14/2015 9:13 AM
12	Retired	7/13/2015 9:27 PM
13	Reside in the Town of Amsterdam	7/13/2015 9:04 PM
14	I lived here for 26 years and recently moved to Glenville. I still work in Amsterdam.	7/13/2015 4:31 PM

### Q38 If you reside in the City, what best describes your residence? (Please check one)

Answered: 162 Skipped: 25

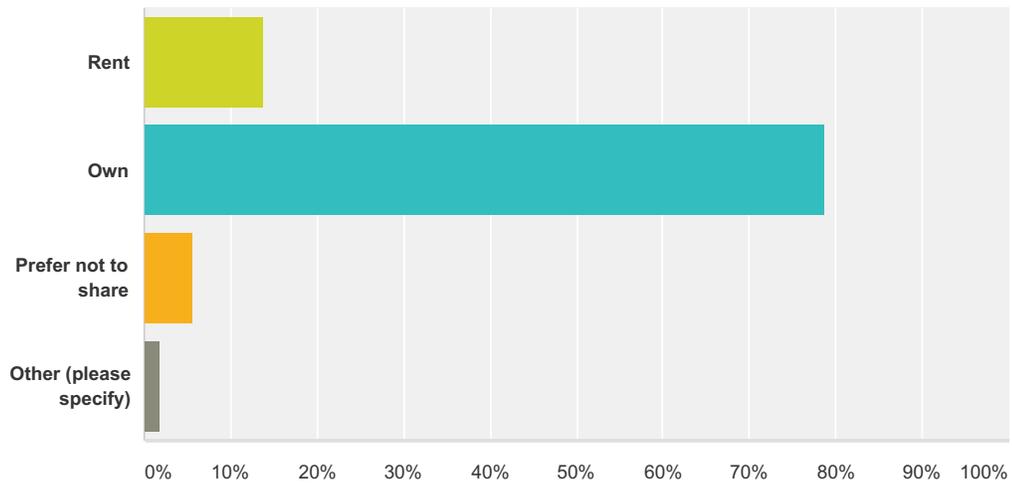


Answer Choices	Responses
Single Family Residence	67.28% 109
Two Family Residence	22.22% 36
Multi-Family Residence	1.85% 3
Apartment Building	1.85% 3
Group Home or Quarters (Nursing, Senior, etc.)	0.00% 0
Prefer not to share	3.70% 6
Other (please specify)	3.09% 5
<b>Total</b>	<b>162</b>

#	Other (please specify)	Date
1	Mixed commercial/residential	8/9/2015 5:35 PM
2	do not live own a two family which is up for sale	7/15/2015 9:10 AM
3	I work in Amsterdam, but live just outside of city limits	7/14/2015 10:16 PM
4	Live outside of city	7/14/2015 12:28 PM
5	Apartment in Schenectady County	7/13/2015 4:31 PM

### Q39 If you reside in the City do you rent or own your residence? (Please check one)

Answered: 159 Skipped: 28

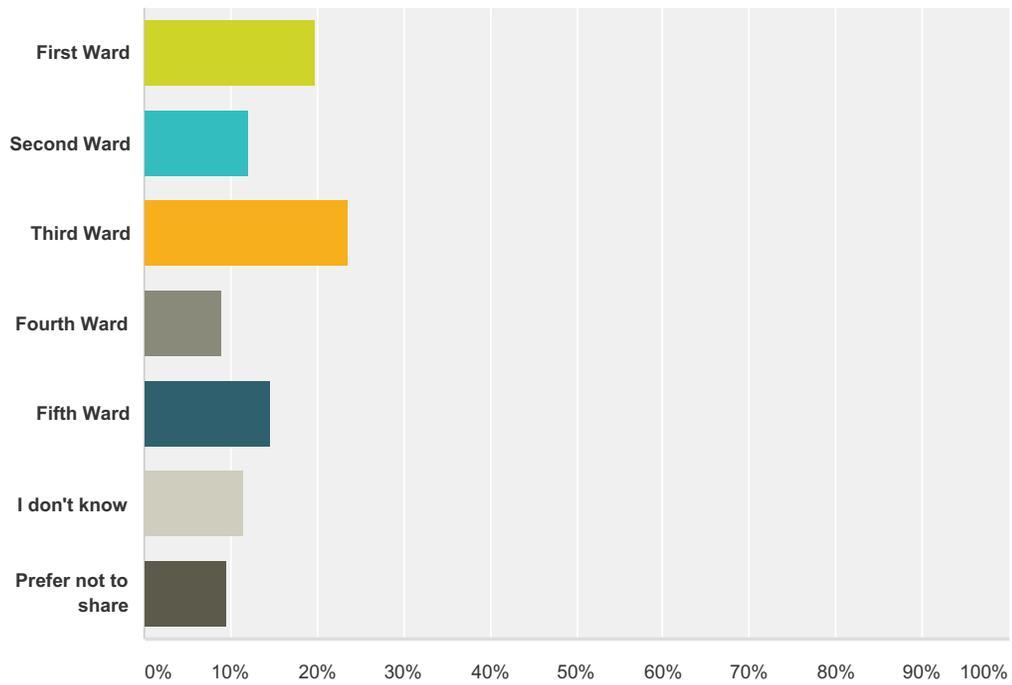


Answer Choices	Responses
Rent	13.84% 22
Own	78.62% 125
Prefer not to share	5.66% 9
Other (please specify)	1.89% 3
<b>Total</b>	<b>159</b>

#	Other (please specify)	Date
1	Living with parents	7/19/2015 5:17 PM
2	n/a	7/14/2015 10:16 PM
3	Live outside of city	7/14/2015 12:28 PM

**Q40 If you reside in the City, which ward do you live in? (Please check one)**

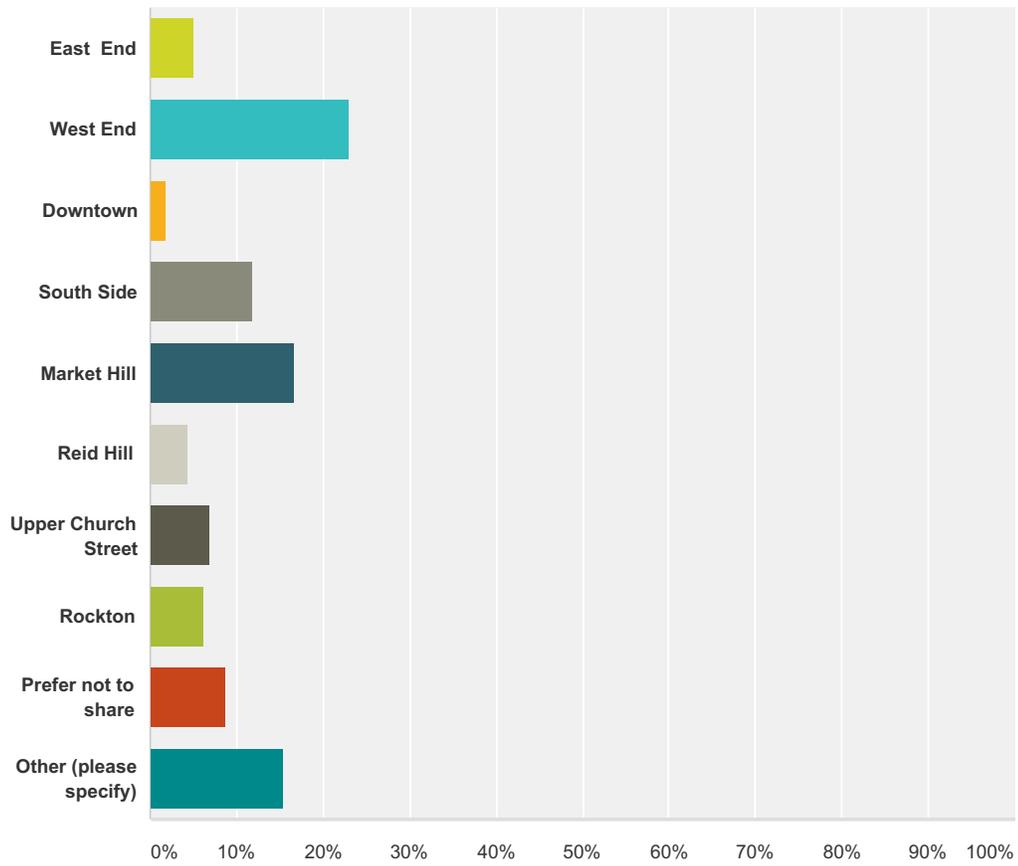
Answered: 157 Skipped: 30



Answer Choices	Responses
First Ward	19.75% 31
Second Ward	12.10% 19
Third Ward	23.57% 37
Fourth Ward	8.92% 14
Fifth Ward	14.65% 23
I don't know	11.46% 18
Prefer not to share	9.55% 15
<b>Total</b>	<b>157</b>

### Q41 What geographical area in Amsterdam do you live in? (Please check one)

Answered: 161 Skipped: 26



Answer Choices	Responses
East End	4.97% 8
West End	22.98% 37
Downtown	1.86% 3
South Side	11.80% 19
Market Hill	16.77% 27
Reid Hill	4.35% 7
Upper Church Street	6.83% 11
Rockton	6.21% 10
Prefer not to share	8.70% 14
Other (please specify)	15.53% 25
<b>Total</b>	<b>161</b>

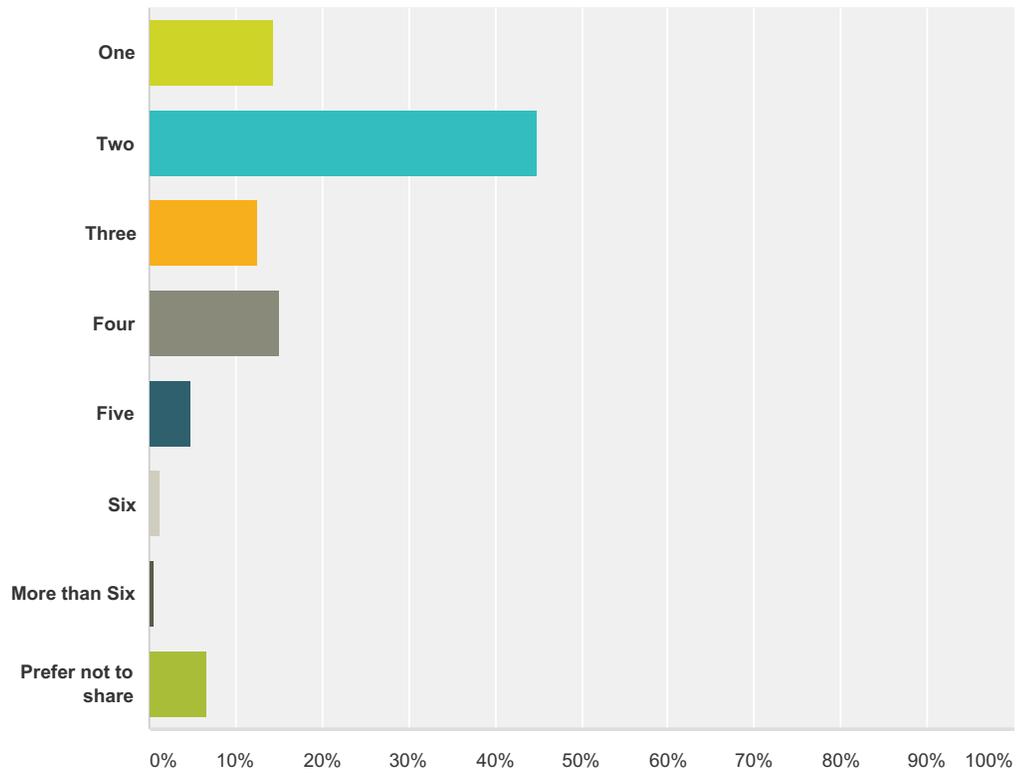
#	Other (please specify)	Date
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1	veterans field area	10/7/2015 2:21 PM
2	Locust Avenue	10/2/2015 12:40 PM
3	Regina Lane	9/8/2015 4:45 PM
4	By the golf course	8/3/2015 1:25 PM
5	don't know	7/28/2015 3:07 PM
6	Chapel Place	7/27/2015 1:01 PM
7	nope	7/23/2015 11:42 AM
8	Van Dyke	7/21/2015 12:25 PM
9	right off of the east end	7/20/2015 12:56 PM
10	on Mechanic st and garden St	7/16/2015 12:20 PM
11	Guy Park Ave	7/16/2015 11:57 AM
12	Locust	7/16/2015 9:24 AM
13	Stwarts - Guy Park Ave.	7/15/2015 9:27 PM
14	Henrietta Heights	7/15/2015 8:51 PM
15	Upper Northampton Road	7/15/2015 7:26 PM
16	Henrietta Heights	7/15/2015 9:50 AM
17	park hill	7/15/2015 9:10 AM
18	Town of Amsterdam	7/14/2015 9:35 PM
19	rockton	7/14/2015 10:02 AM
20	Oakland ave	7/13/2015 9:14 PM
21	Shuttleworth Park Area	7/13/2015 9:11 PM
22	Town	7/13/2015 9:04 PM
23	I used to live near Market Hill	7/13/2015 4:31 PM
24	rockton area	7/13/2015 1:11 PM
25	Rockton	7/13/2015 12:34 PM

### Q42 How many persons (including you) are in your household? (Please ceck one)

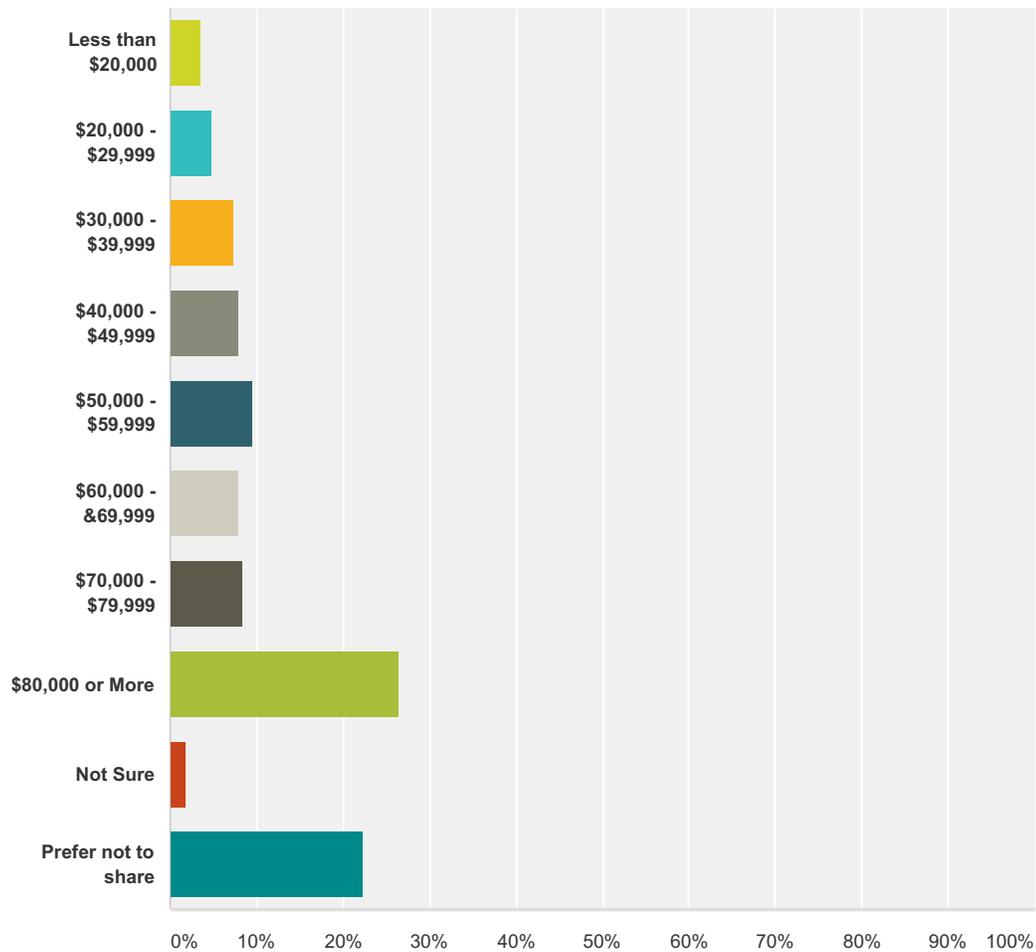
Answered: 167 Skipped: 20



Answer Choices	Responses	
One	14.37%	24
Two	44.91%	75
Three	12.57%	21
Four	14.97%	25
Five	4.79%	8
Six	1.20%	2
More than Six	0.60%	1
Prefer not to share	6.59%	11
<b>Total</b>		<b>167</b>

### Q43 What is your annual household income? (please check one)

Answered: 166 Skipped: 21

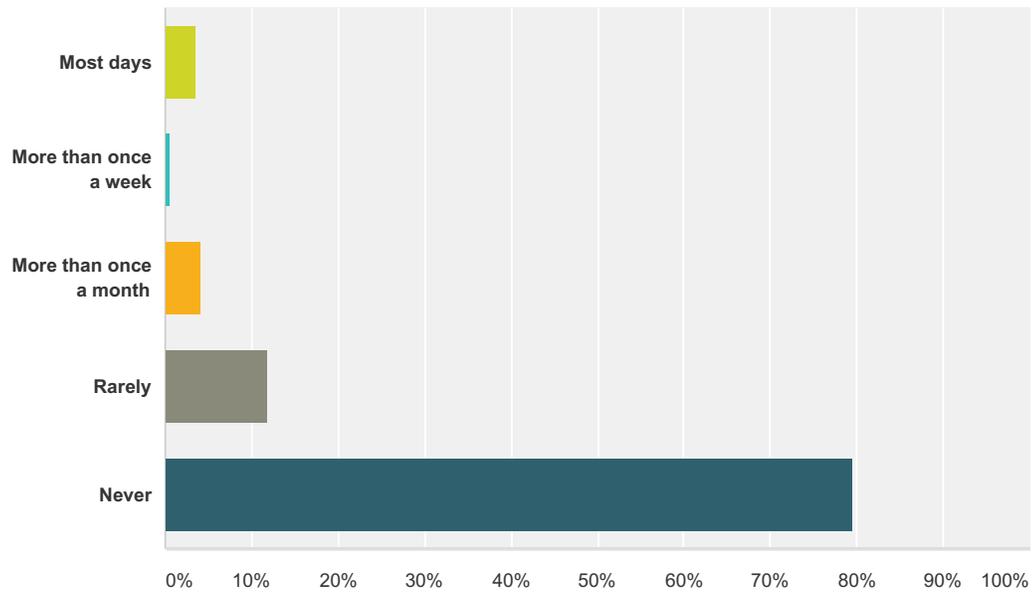


Answer Choices	Responses	
Less than \$20,000	3.61%	6
\$20,000 - \$29,999	4.82%	8
\$30,000 - \$39,999	7.23%	12
\$40,000 - \$49,999	7.83%	13
\$50,000 - \$59,999	9.64%	16
\$60,000 - &69,999	7.83%	13
\$70,000 - \$79,999	8.43%	14
\$80,000 or More	26.51%	44
Not Sure	1.81%	3
Prefer not to share	22.29%	37



### Q44 How often do you use public transportation? (Please check one)

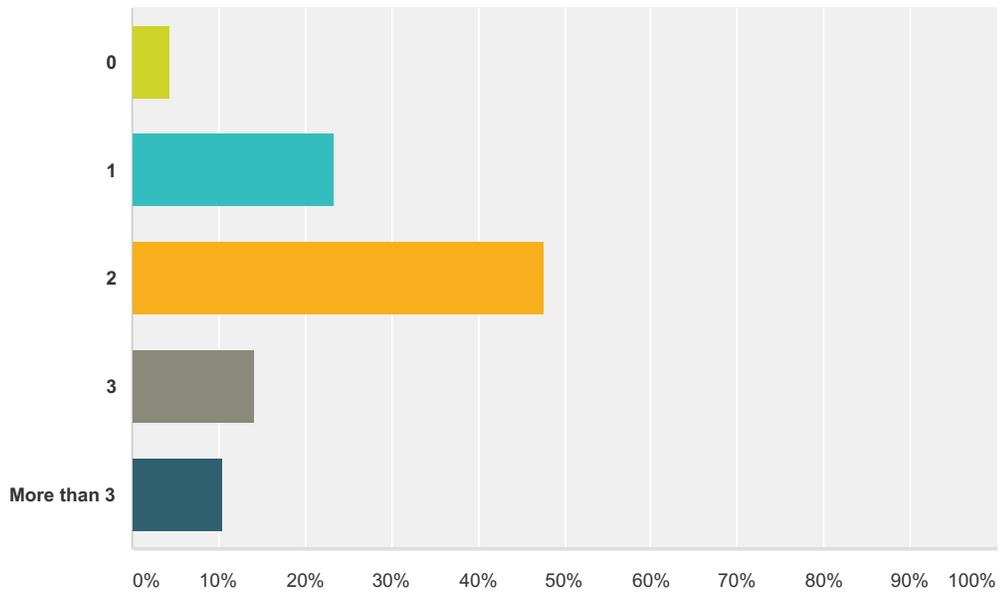
Answered: 167 Skipped: 20



Answer Choices	Responses	
Most days	3.59%	6
More than once a week	0.60%	1
More than once a month	4.19%	7
Rarely	11.98%	20
Never	79.64%	133
<b>Total</b>		<b>167</b>

### Q45 How many vehicles does your household have? (Please check one)

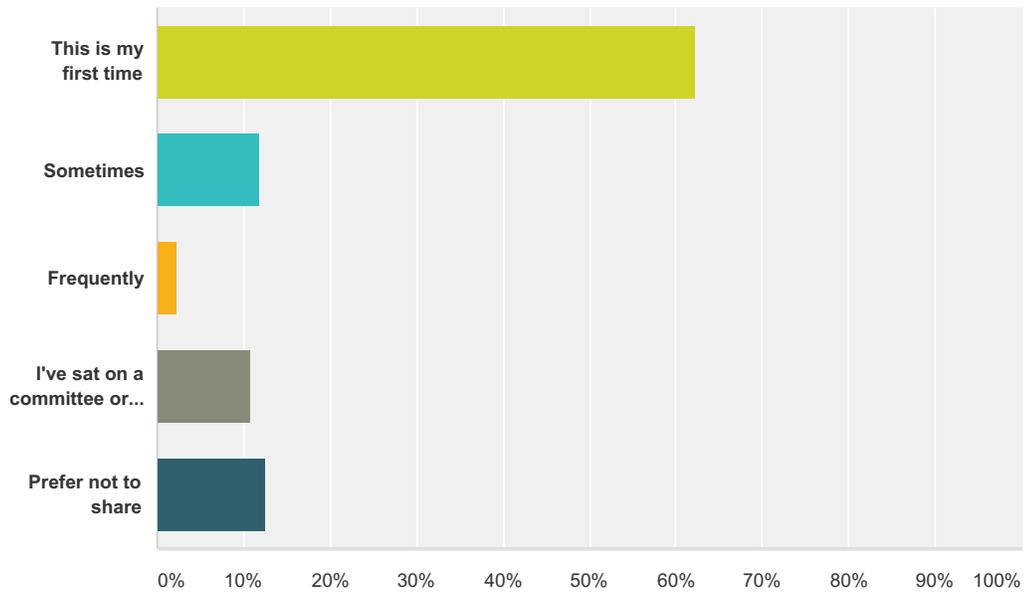
Answered: 162 Skipped: 25



Answer Choices	Responses
0	4.32% 7
1	23.46% 38
2	47.53% 77
3	14.20% 23
More than 3	10.49% 17
<b>Total</b>	<b>162</b>

### Q46 Have you participated in a local planning effort before? (Please check one)

Answered: 167 Skipped: 20



Answer Choices	Responses	Count
This is my first time	62.28%	104
Sometimes	11.98%	20
Frequently	2.40%	4
I've sat on a committee or board	10.78%	18
Prefer not to share	12.57%	21
<b>Total</b>		<b>167</b>

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## Q47 Additional Comments:

Answered: 67 Skipped: 120

#	Responses	Date
1	So many of the city's problems reside in the fact that the common council is completely disinterested in the city's actual problems. We need aldermen who are more interested in the responsibilities of their jobs than their own wishes. They also need to have and read all information before voting for everything that comes before them	10/7/2015 2:15 PM
2	Better stores. People in albania frown on us- when asked where do you live when you say Amsterdam. The answer is something you don't want to hear	10/7/2015 2:05 PM
3	City has been heading down hill for 7 years. People have large egos and are d****. New mayor, lawyers, and rec. dept. head	10/7/2015 1:53 PM
4	Repetive categories and topics. Some areas probably confusing	10/7/2015 1:44 PM
5	Promotion of shuttleworth and the mohawks. Less promotion of muni golf course. Sell golf course and get it on the tax roll. Better code enforcement	10/7/2015 1:36 PM
6	Amsterdam needs to improve our image and reality. Cooperation among city officials rather than opposition. School district administrators need to continue to improve instrution; open communication needs to be encouraged between city/school officials. Apathy and negitavism maybe our biggest hurdle to overcome. Hopefully, this will be the first step on the road to a better future.	10/7/2015 1:26 PM
7	Signature [redacted]	10/7/2015 1:07 PM
8	We definitely need the hotel to be refinished and open for business and other hotels to open. We also need to take down blighted buildings such as the ones on the west across rfrom the river that now are for sale. Also need to increase the Lnd Bank. Need more economic development such as the Chalmers Site.	10/7/2015 12:54 PM
9	I would like my 30 million in Cleveland notes please. Furthermore, I am aware tha I ??? the uprising. They lost so tell the Amsterdam cops and everyone else involved to get the f**k out	10/7/2015 12:25 PM
10	I think Amsterdam needs, above all, a chnge in attitude - we are not all poor, we are not all retirees, and we do not all wish for a city that supports those groups. We have a city full of viable factory/business space and potentially market value housing - but first we must make an honest effort to attract new business and Albany commuters to buy single family houses. This will raise the property values and tax base.	10/7/2015 12:09 PM
11	Is there any way the city could invest in wind, solar, or sustainable energy to lower costs to city and residents. Also expand and improve street lighting. Jobs for teens and (low income) training	10/7/2015 11:18 AM
12	More events like Spring Fling. More events at Arts Connection. More events at Bacn School for all ages.	10/7/2015 10:26 AM
13	Dysfunction of local city government is appalling. Lack of working together and often open hostility paints our beautiful city in a negative picture. I am hopeful the city and residents can overcome this by becoming involved and looking toward the future and not living in the past. I love my city, home and the Mohawk Valley. Let's move forward step-by-step.	10/5/2015 1:10 PM
14	Problems never addressed feel like a group of people need to do less talking and more of thier job.	10/2/2015 3:54 PM
15	Revitalize Down Town. Reduce Taxes.	10/2/2015 3:28 PM
16	City needs much done; need jobs, lower housing, better neighborhoods, for for seniors and veterans. Clean house at City Hall - and other jobs not needed. Also need to know balance of money city has, books kept up to date all money accounted for	10/2/2015 3:11 PM
17	The public areas in Amsterdam needto be mowed to keep weed free. There are a lot of city and state properties that look so bad because of the overgrown weeds.	10/2/2015 11:26 AM
18	Keep the public spaces mowed and grafiti covered on the bridge	9/8/2015 5:02 PM
19	Thank you for offering this opportunity to share input	9/8/2015 4:46 PM
20	The homes that are in bad shape need to come down.	9/8/2015 4:36 PM
21	I love Amsterdam but we have problems in our city. We need work to keep people here and attract new people. Decent paying jobs will go along way in helping people buy a home, and keep it maintained.	9/8/2015 4:23 PM

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22	There is so much potential in this city if we can work together. If welfare could become workfare with everyone pitching in for the good of the community Residents need to feel the passion of shared ownership and community to become involved and create the best "New Amsterdam" we can be by building on and enhancing the once beautiful historic rich place it was.	8/9/2015 5:37 PM
23	1. City accounts need to be balanced immediately. How can we create a budget without knowing the fund balance? 2. Common Council and Mayor must cease their constant bickering. Their behavior is a disservice to the citizens who elected them and prevents business from getting done. 3. Crime and drugs continue to rise. Not enough is being done to stop this trend. 4. The Mayor must take off her rose colored glasses and recognize the City's problems so that they can be addressed. She loves to pat herself on the back for minor accomplishments while neglecting major issues. 5. I have friends and coworkers who are amazed that I still live in Amsterdam. They see our city as crime infested, mismanaged, and unkept. We need to change their perception by developing laws for code enforcement, supporting our police department to fight crime, and stopping the political bickering. 6. Muni receives much attention and money, however it only serves a small percentage of the city's population. How about selling the course to provide tax dollars or at least selling a small portion of the property to a developer to build condos along the perimeter? Wallins Corners condos have been successful. 7. Stop the back door politics. Why does Time Warner Cable have an exclusivity to the City? Verizon FIOS is not allowed to come to Amsterdam? 8. Middle class homeowners find it difficult to pay such high property taxes. There is an ever increasing amount of homes in foreclosure. We need to develop a plan to maintain these properties before they destroy the neighborhood...which many have already. Not enough is being done to assist homeowners with the tax burden, however individuals on public assistance are given many benefits.	8/7/2015 1:42 PM
24	You can try to paint things and pretty things up, but in the end you still have a city that cannot balance the books and has 350 abandoned properties. The city also has a property tax/user fee problem that makes the city VERY unattractive to people looking to purchase property. The taxes on houses here are double that of the same size house in the Town of Amsterdam. As long as that continues, you will not get young people or movers to choose our city. Fix the infrastructure and the rest will follow. No one will move to a city that operates the way ours works.	8/6/2015 10:24 AM
25	It would be nice if Amsterdam could be a community again. Stop filling the paper with arguments and talk about the future. Our Comprehensive plan goals have never been met, why? Why would the Mayor want a Solar Farm in the Town of Amsterdam, when we could maybe use Edison St. Why would the city not allow for a zone variance for a corporation to build housing on Edison St, now the company went with the Town. If politicians work together and realize this community has alot to offer and talks positively works together, how far it will go? Our road was paved in 1981, has pot holes everywhere. Yet the average person up here pays \$6000 in taxes. I also believe its ok to hire and require civil service personnel to live within the county. Every other county including Fulton does this. It should be an honor to serve the community you live in. When a cop drives a Gov vehicle back and forth to Clifton Park daily, whats the cost to city after a 20 year career? Positive note, river link park is looking nice. The bridge will wonderful once complete. There is alot of talented people that call Amsterdam home, maybe use that talent.	8/3/2015 1:34 PM
26	I love Amsterdam because it is my home. I am proud to be here. I am not on public assistance, and as a taxpayer, my pockets are running out of funds. I am considering moving, which I thought I'd never do. What can you do to keep me here?	7/30/2015 8:45 PM
27	I really just hate that I sound so judgmental and uncompassionate, but damn... I'm sick of this city being nothing but a haven for more and more "badly bred" criminals, lazy people, and so on. I don't care if you're white, hispanic, chinese, or martian - you need to work for what you get in life. You need to stop teaching your children that handouts and drug dealing are the only way to make it in life. You need to stop looking to the government to feed, house, clothe, and entertain you. I'm sick of the lack of inspiration and motivation, and instead all the 'oh, let's do this to help the welfare kids/hispanic kids/poor families". Don't get me wrong - I've been on public assistance when I needed it. And only twice in my life... once for 3 months and once for two. I am too smart, too proud, and have too much respect for myself to let laziness and drugs control me. We need to teach that to not JUST the children, but everyone. You can't inspire them with murals. You can't inspire them with a bridge. You have to get in the trenches and work to get the right people, the right programs, and then HAND OVER CONTROL TO THEM (ahem, Mrs. Mayor) to let them do their thing. Bottom line? Clean it up. In every possible way you can. Eliminate the blight, the lazy, the pandering, the drugs. Then build. Grow. Teach. Inspire people to have a sense of pride. And not blue or red pride. But true pride in oneself. Then, and only then, can this city truly be deemed to have risen from the ashes to greatness.	7/29/2015 3:52 PM
28	This survey was not well designed. Answer choices were too limited and promoted specific agendas. This City desperately needs skilled executive and accounting leadership. It also needs a plan for addressing the alarming increases in city personnel, health and retirement costs versus the alarming decrease in property tax base.	7/27/2015 1:04 PM

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29	The city should work with the residents in all matters to include city maintenance(sidewalks, appearance, ext.) Code enforcement should be for safety and work with homeowners to ensure things are in good repair. Homes that are vacant need more code enforcement than homes that are occupied. Abandoned homes should be destroyed to maintain the cities appearance. Pouring money into the city will do nothing is basic maintenance is not completed first. Businesses are leaving the city because of taxes and unfair practices. You need a draw to the city that would bring people here to spend money at local businesses that will employ the neighborhood. Several people commute to work over 30 minutes away because there are no jobs here. Large businesses help but pay workers little. Several small businesses requiring skilled labor would be best.	7/27/2015 12:00 AM
30	the city needs jobs and not to have the welfare run the area	7/23/2015 11:03 PM
31	We need to get people off public assistance and into the job market. This will not happen just by creating jobs. The public assistance needs to not make for a comfortable life. As long as someone has rental assistance (I pay my own mortgage), free cell phone (I pay my own) cable (I don't have any form of cable) free food (SNAP, which I pay for so they can eat better than me) there is no incentive to get off the public teet. These programs should be short-term, emergency, transitional programs only, not a lifestyle.	7/23/2015 6:52 PM
32	Amsterdam needs to reinvent itself. Some of the projects happening like the "bridge" are exciting. People here just think about how it use to be and have to understand it needs to change to be a great place to live. Jobs are tough most people work outside the city. Affordable housing is great but cheap housing brings problems and people who don't take care of their properties. Perhaps there should be a reward to those who do and punishments to those who don't. I realize this would be hard to police but something different has to be done.	7/22/2015 7:11 PM
33	I think the city is on the right track and is becoming more attractive to people from out of the area. My neighbors just moved her from MA for a job in Ballston Spa. They loved the neighborhood and amenities nearby but their people they knew in the Capital Region tried to talk them out of looking here because it has a bad reputation (schools, crime, economically depressed). They came here anyway and love it. We need to get the word out about what we offer so that others relocating to the area consider Amsterdam.	7/21/2015 12:28 PM
34	Survey is irrelevant in part because it presumes that city government has a role where it simply does not. Some sets of questions are clearly designed to support an agenda.	7/20/2015 6:31 PM
35	As stated in the survey. I highly recommend knocking down all abandoned households which bring down the property values of home owners as well as an unwelcoming appeal to individuals from out of town. We need better road maintenance (to many UNFILLED potholes). A More inviting and welcoming entrance into the city from east main. More restrictions to persons sitting on sidewalks or walking the street while consuming alcohol in the presence of children or other individuals should Not be allowed. Providing the necessary recycling bin on every other street corner so that there is less trash in the streets/sidewalks. Create A Home Owners Association which requires Owners to follow guidelines to maintain a well kept property, business and neighborhood which in end result should create a better environment for the city and overall atmosphere; if one can not comply by such said guidelines should be fined. Amsterdam is like a black hole you either get sucked in and a forced to live in a hell hole because the city does nothing to improve the overall look of the city or they choose neglect certain areas which are a main focal point of the city resulting in your own people being ashamed to say they are from such place that is driving out youth to move away from a place where they grew up because they city is more focused on the need of individuals on assistance who should have no say rather then the working class who lives in the 2nd highest taxed county next to NYC be we individuals who WORK have to support those who choose not to! Our tax dollars should go to improving and making this city a more inviting place for individuals/family members visiting from out of town. Not bringing them to an area uninviting, neglected and isolating certain areas to be welcoming and others to look ghetto.	7/20/2015 1:25 PM
36	The City needs to focus on revitalizing the image of the city. Driving through many sections of the city looks and feels unsafe as a result of low/no class epidemic which is spreading through the city. Too many benefits with no responsibilities makes Amsterdam appeal to the low class. Amsterdam needs to focus on appealing to the middle class, not the low class.	7/20/2015 11:48 AM
37	If Amsterdam can start in the East end in making the area beautiful once again; this would give a positive image to the city. The city of Saratoga started in the east of the city and now is moving west. It worked for them it can work of Amsterdam. There is a lot of traffic leaving Amsterdam through the east end in the morning and returning in the evening. Look for rehab grants for the area, build a reasonable price supermarket and few start up business which would thrive because of the amount of traffic. Amsterdam can be saved but no the way it is now. We need to rebuild but lets not start with a train station, if Amtrak needs a new station let them build one. Lets not spend valuable tax dollars foolishly.	7/20/2015 8:14 AM
38	Why isn't the East end decorated in the summer and winter like the west end/downtown area? Who's idiotic idea was it to build a bridge across the river to nowhere? Was it to possibly increase the Altieri business on that side of the river? Get your acts together stop your bickering and help THE PEOPLE. Spent to coffers wisely!!!!	7/18/2015 9:02 PM
39	I have lived in this city more than 40 years. I am saddened and angered by the deterioration of a once beautiful city. Serious and well planned changes are needed asap.	7/18/2015 1:48 PM

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40	Amsterdam is a city that needs to find out who it is. It's elected officials NEED to reach out to the community, and really listen. There is a need for those who work, or live in the city, whether they rent, own or are visitors to community events, to HAVE A VOICE. If only a small voice is allowed to be heard, Amsterdam will NEVER thrive. Everyone has wonderful ideas, but if an overbearing city council or elected mayor doesn't allow for anyone ideas but their own to be heard Amsterdam will always be a "Ghost Town".	7/18/2015 1:30 PM
41	Let's focus Amsterdam development as a place for people to reside and raise kids, a safe place with great schools that have programs driven to develop our youth. Let's encourage small business to grow in Amsterdam to provide jobs to local but at the same time be inviting for those who work in Albany & Schenectady to make Amsterdam their home. Let get the infrastructure up to twenty first century standards if that require a small raise in taxes so it be but high taxes also encore people to move where they will get more service for their money or plainly where they save the money to invest on their self. The current poor political atmosphere were cooperation does not exist is not helping, there are those who don't want to pay taxes at all and those with unrealistic dreams, both sides have to wake up. We need to approach Amsterdam future in a realistic but optimistic manner.	7/18/2015 11:24 AM
42	All small cities have the same issues as Amsterdam. We need to promote what we have; Waterfront, thruway access , Rt. 30 ,RTJones golf course. Leave the past behind and focus on growth. The best is yet to come.	7/18/2015 11:09 AM
43	We must remember our glorious past and try to rebuild on it perhaps inviting new ethnic groups that will contribute to the revitalization of the city with new and exciting type of business.Thank you	7/18/2015 10:46 AM
44	The city needs money. Money comes from industry. People need jobs. Too many people not working. What is it about Amsterdam, that attracts people that don't want to work, and collect welfare. Put the welfare people to work.	7/18/2015 9:07 AM
45	Without jobs and industry, Amsterdam will continue to die. Forget the parks and trees and create incentives for industry to establish jobs and job training.	7/18/2015 5:29 AM
46	Need a vision. Spend money where getting most bang for our buck. Take every grant we can. Infrastructure investment is key to our success. Go after owners of blighted properties	7/16/2015 5:35 PM
47	Just wanted to clear up that I am not opposed to welfare helping those who really need it but, I see way too many people on the system that could get a job but don't because it is easier to be on Welfare than to work.	7/16/2015 11:58 AM
48	All police/fire/school/city employees need to live IN THE CITY PROPER.. They should be present and they should be supporting Amsterdam. If you own a home and live in it you need to get a tax credit. Property taxes are so high that seniors can not afford to do the necessary repairs on there homes. We need grants to help people in low income situations that own a home. Once you get a permit you need to only apply and pay once. The city is sucking money from the tax payers and not caring about houses not being taken care of. The city property at DPW is a disgrace. The weeds and the mess is just awful..We need industry. We need lower taxes. We need a better infrastructure. We need have better control over crime..	7/15/2015 10:38 PM
49	We need more street lights around Pine St. Guy Park Ave. Scared to walk in area at night very dark on street since the cleaners moved out and mill expanded. I used to walk to downtown area (cigar bar, post 701, River link park) at night, but it isn't what it was. Hardly any people and lots of rift raft about.	7/15/2015 9:34 PM
50	The school district needs better watch dogging on what they are doing.. especially in the special needs department. Also, it would be nice if during city events the music levels were not deafening so that residents with special needs could participate and feel part of he community. Special needs theater and movie nights would also be a nice way to integrate a very left out part of the community. Lastly... there are too many jobs that are requiring people to speak Spanish for employment. So people who do NOT speak the language and are qualified for the duties are getting over looked due to their inability to speak a second language. There should simply be a translator instead. Cutting out VALUABLE members of the workforce is not ok. A playground is desperately needed on the east end. Shuttleworth is over burdened and does NOT meet the needs of Special needs children. The safety issues are huge!!	7/15/2015 9:20 PM
51	This survey does not apply to all of Amsterdam or its major problems	7/15/2015 8:52 PM
52	In general, city residents need to start thinking forward and entertaining new ideas. Two of our biggest obstacles to achieving success in the quest to revise Amsterdam are negativity and unwillingness to accept that the past is the past.	7/15/2015 7:30 PM
53	I would like to participate in public planning activities. My email address is audreyegelston@gmail.com	7/15/2015 2:02 PM
54	I dont think the city leadership is aligned around a city vision, mission, core values and execution. I also believe the mayor is doing a good job and has vision nut doesn't appear to have alignment with the common council and other leadership. Perhaps outside help is available to teach leadership and leading change skills and facilitate alignment with the city's leaders as a starting point	7/15/2015 10:26 AM
55	take a ride on Milton ave an see all the run down houses there are they all should be torn down money from the state should have been used to tare these houses down insead spend money on a stupid walking bridge who is going to get stuck to maintaine it	7/15/2015 9:15 AM

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56	I manage Woodrow Wilson Townhomes. Altho I do not live in Amsterdam, I have answered this survey from the perspective of WWTS population, and the needs I perceive.	7/14/2015 10:19 PM
57	Who in God's name came up with these choices	7/14/2015 8:29 PM
58	vote for Villa	7/14/2015 7:56 PM
59	this city could very easily get back to the way it was if there was not a dictator type mayor that feels the only thing this cit needs is.....riverfront	7/14/2015 7:46 PM
60	When my husband and I moved up to Amsterdam from NYC about 32 years ago, we were awed by the beauty of the City. The people were so nice. The houses and buildings were beautiful and the Riverfront was once a mall. As the years have gone by we have seen the change for the worse and no one seems to be doing anything about it. Our children leave as soon as they are able because there is nothing in this City for them to do and/or enjoy.	7/14/2015 6:47 PM
61	Simplify the traffic pattern.	7/14/2015 12:30 PM
62	Hope this helps, we need to get input from everyone, not just those with the loudest voices.	7/14/2015 10:02 AM
63	A lifelong area resident, I am very eager for positive changes listed in this survey in Amsterdam. The vision for a successful Amsterdam requires many of the initiatives indicated in this survey. We need to stay the course.	7/14/2015 9:38 AM
64	I was born in Amsterdam and love this area. I live just outside city limits however have family that does live in the city. I pay attention to the goings on and am generally an optimist. Honestly the city needs to make employees do their jobs or get someone else to do it. The properties that are past saving must come down but in the immediate sense, the ones that are starting to crumble must be either foreclosed on and/or made to be stabilized NOW or else they will join the myriad of ones that need to come down. The city cannot afford to pay the way for welfare and continue to grow. It will not happen. Politics and the slamming door of an otherwise open door policy for those in "power" if you do not agree with them must stop. We are a caring community that comes together in need and certainly does not need dissention and bickering. It is counterproductive and WILL NOT WORK FOLKS. Thank you for the opportunity.	7/13/2015 9:45 PM
65	IT is finally refreshing for the city government to finally ask the general publics opinion. Most of care what happens to this city and until this survey I was convinced that this city has no future. I believe this city is located in a great area to attract business. Bottom line is we have a poor graduation rate, a poor image as a low income community with a high crime rate. like it or not that's what outsiders think of us and how can you disagree just drive down east main st. Until we confront this most basic economic issues we will not succeed. We need revenue and the last good home owners need property and school tax relief. I believe if the mayor and th council could finally act as professionals may some one would listen. I appreciate the chance to voice my concerns and hope you take them seriously. One last thing, I once heard an alderman say this city could never be as good as it once was, I was deeply troubled by that.This city as a remarkable past and we should always be trying to duplicate and surpass are great achievements. Good Luck God Bless Amsterdam	7/13/2015 9:27 PM
66	I sadly feel that no matter what the city does to better itself is just a waste of time and money...the crime and the attitudes of many of the people that live here will never let this city return to the greatness of years past..This was a caring city..Everyone had a job...Unfortunately the mall is privately owned and we can't tear that down...All in all anything that is done, will be too little too late.....	7/13/2015 1:16 PM
67	What is the Fund Balance ??????????????????????????????	7/13/2015 12:35 PM