



SKIPPACK TOWNSHIP

# 2024 Resident Survey Results

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# The Goal of the Survey

- To engage with and hear from our residents on a variety of topics – your favorite things and what you would like to see going forward.
- Thank you to all who participated
  - We had just under 400 people complete the survey!
  - More surveys will be done in the future, driven by planning.
- Survey results will be used to inform Skippack Township planning.

# Some of the Demographic Data Collected

Years Lived in Skippack		Age range	
20+	156	18-24	1
10-20	101	25-34	23
5-10	60	35-44	83
0-5	62	45-54	105
<b>TTL</b>	<b>379</b>	55-64	86
		65+	81

# Additional Data

How you stay up to date on Township news	Participation in Community Events	Park utilized the most	Favorite part about living in Skippack*
Print Newsletter	Yes – 232	<b>Palmer - overwhelming</b>	Rural, quiet, small town feel
E- newsletter	No - 147	<b>Other mentions:</b>	The village shops & restaurants
Website		Lenape	Parks & Trails - walkability
Facebook		Church Rd	Open space
Text Alerts		Evansburg	The people, neighbors
Many replies included all of the above		Hallman	Other mentions: safe, location, sense of community, history
		“none or neither”	

\* These are things we want to protect and not lose in our plan

# *“What is the most important thing to consider in planning for Skippack Township’s future”*

Topic	Mentions	Sample of Comments
Open Space	74	<i>Preserve rural feel and natural beauty</i>
Development (over)	64	<i>Slow growth, limit high density housing, do not over-build.</i>
Financial, Taxes	26	<i>Keep taxes low, get most out of tax dollars. More business revenue</i>
Public Safety	24	<i>Speeding thru town. Sidewalks not wide enough.</i>
Traffic, Roads	23	<i>Close 73 for events. Make village safer for pedestrians. Overlooking roads within developments.</i>
Village, Businesses	21	<i>Keep downtown interesting,</i>
Parks, Recreation	19	<i>Skate park, dog park. Improve and upgrade Palmer</i>
Infrastructure	18	<i>Improve infrastructure to accommodate population growth</i>
Environment	14	<i>Protect the natural environment. Light and noise pollution. Clean up events, native plants, ban plastic bags.</i>

# Other Categories to Consider

Topic	Mentions	Comments
Sense of Community	9	<i>Greater engagement with fire, EMS, elected officials. Through more events – examples from other communities</i>
Population, Overcrowding	7	<i>See “development and open space” comments</i>
Services, Activities	6	<i>More activities for children. Kids camps. Senior programs. Family events. Trash contract, composting</i>
Planning	5	<i>Engage with and listen to residents</i>
Trails	5	<i>And sidewalks. Greater access for walkers and bicyclists</i>
History	4	<i>Preserve history</i>
Communication	2	<i>More functional website calendar</i>

# Events You Would Like to See

- **There is overwhelming support for 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade and fireworks**
- There is additional strong support for:
  - Easter Egg Hunt
  - Fall Festival
  - Concerts
  - Movie Night
- Other mentions:
  - Paper shred
  - Food, clothing school supply drives
  - Halloween parade
  - Community space for art projects
  - Carnival
  - Christmas display
  - Veterans Day event
  - Co-sponsor events with 4H
  - Open House to meet your local government
  - Fire Company – meet Santa
  - Restaurant week
  - Opportunities for people with disabilities
  - Environmental – native plants, recycling

# Next Steps

- Building the Comprehensive Plan will require additional resident input.
  - Some of these items we may need to drill down deeper into.
  - Additional surveys are likely