



**CITY OF MILAN  
CITY COUNCIL & PLANNING  
COMMISSION JOINT WORK SESSION  
AGENDA  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

**JANUARY 21, 2025  
6:00 P.M.**

**WORK SESSION  
MUNICIPAL BUILDING**

**CALL TO ORDER:**

**ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL MEMBERS:** Mayor Ed Kolar \_\_, Councilpersons Mary Kerkes \_\_, Josh Kofflin \_\_, Dave Snyder \_\_, Matthew Stafford \_\_, Christian Thompson \_\_, Shannon Dare Wayne \_\_.

**ROLL CALL OF PLANNING COMMISSION MEMBERS:**

James Lathan \_\_, Pat Brown \_\_, Drew Cummings \_\_, Mary Kerkes \_\_, Dan Budd \_\_, Joe Ryan \_\_, Russell Dotson \_\_, Harry Markham \_\_, Ann Gee \_\_,

**OTHER OFFICERS PRESENT:** City Administrator James Lancaster \_\_, City Clerk Lavonna Wenzel \_\_, City Attorney Steven Mann \_\_, Police Chief Donald Tillery \_\_, City Treasurer Sarah Finch \_\_, Building/Zoning Inspector Tom Toth \_\_, MIS & Communications Director Hanna Massouh \_\_, Community Engagement Director Jill Tewsley \_\_, Fire Chief Robert Stevens \_\_.

**AGENDA:**

- A. A joint City Council and Planning Commission Master Plan discussion.**
- B. Any matters that may legally come before council.**

**CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC COMMENTS:** (3-minute time limit per person)

- A. Residents:**
- B. Non-Residents:**

**PLANNING COMMISSION PUBLIC COMMENTS:** (3-minute time limit per person)

- A. Residents:**
- B. Non-Residents:**

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motion to adjourn work session at \_\_\_\_ P.M. by Councilperson \_\_\_\_ seconded by Councilperson \_\_\_\_.

All matters to be presented to Milan City Council for their review, consideration and/or action, must be submitted in writing no later than 4:00 p.m., the Wednesday preceding the date of the meeting (normally the first and third Tuesdays of each month).

**Special Notes:**

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147 Wabash, Milan, Michigan 48160  
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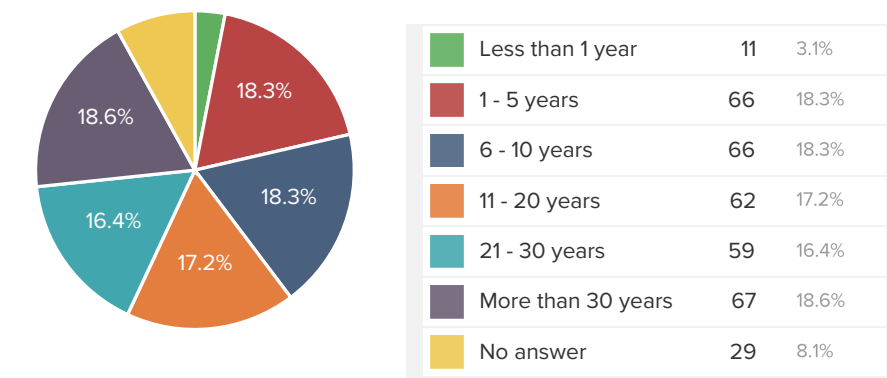
Question 1 — Multiple Choice

What is your relationship to the City of Milan? (select all that apply)

City of Milan resident	292	81.1%	
Business owner in City of Milan	23	6.4%	
Place of work is in the City of Milan	41	11.4%	
Student in Milan Area Schools District	11	3.1%	
Parent of student in Milan Area Schools District	78	21.7%	
Other	35	9.7%	

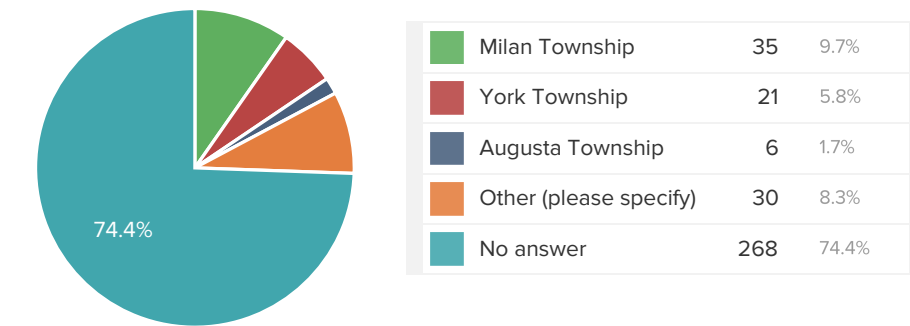
Question 2 — Multiple Choice

If you live in Milan, how long have you lived here?



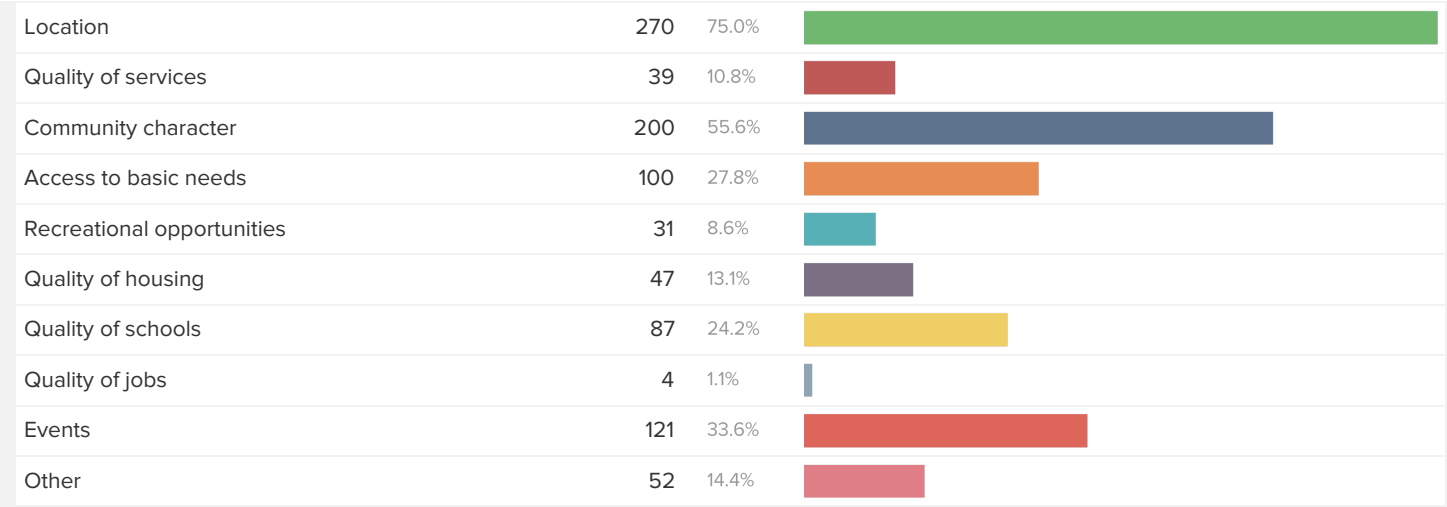
Question 3 — Multiple Choice

If you don't live in the City of Milan, where do you live?



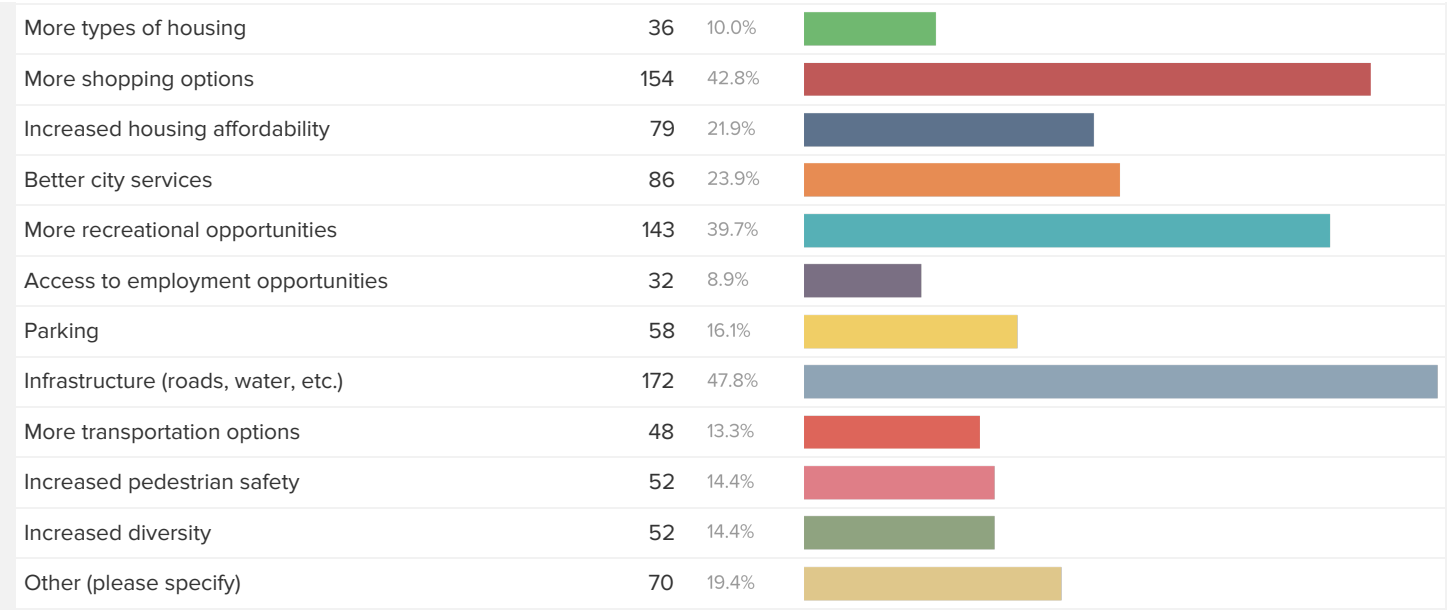
Question 4 — Multiple Choice

Which three things do you like best about Milan?



Question 5 — Multiple Choice

Which three things would you like to see changed in Milan?

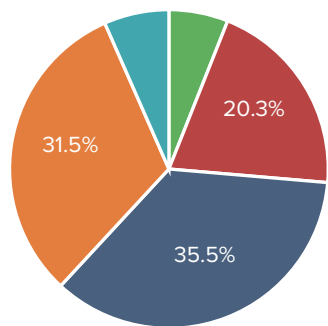


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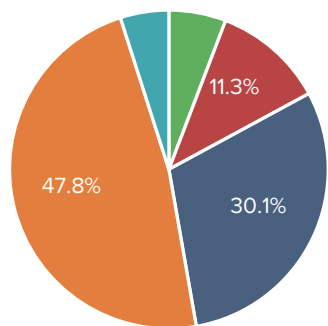
How important is it for the City of Milan to plan for housing for the following groups?

Housing for seniors



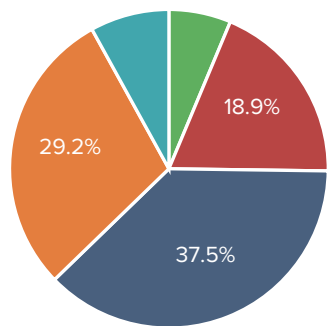
Not important	21	6.0%
Somewhat important	71	20.3%
Important	124	35.5%
Very important	110	31.5%
No opinion	23	6.6%

Housing for young families



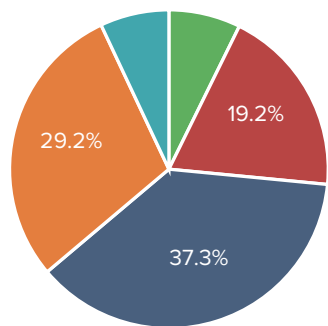
Not important	20	5.8%
Somewhat important	39	11.3%
Important	104	30.1%
Very important	165	47.8%
No opinion	17	4.9%

Housing for the disabled



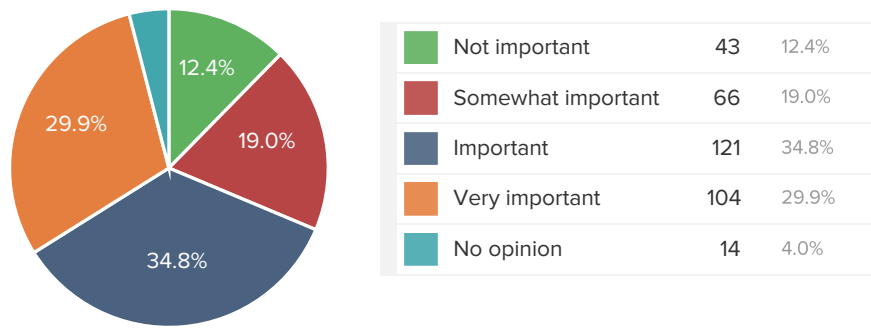
Not important	22	6.3%
Somewhat important	66	18.9%
Important	131	37.5%
Very important	102	29.2%
No opinion	28	8.0%

Housing for young adults

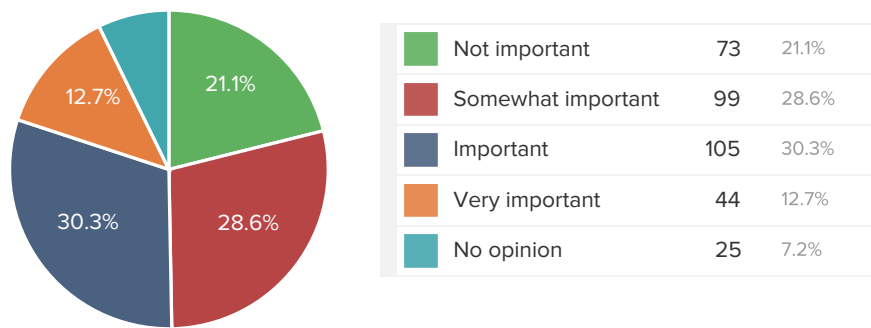


Not important	25	7.3%
Somewhat important	66	19.2%
Important	128	37.3%
Very important	100	29.2%
No opinion	24	7.0%

Housing for low to moderate income households



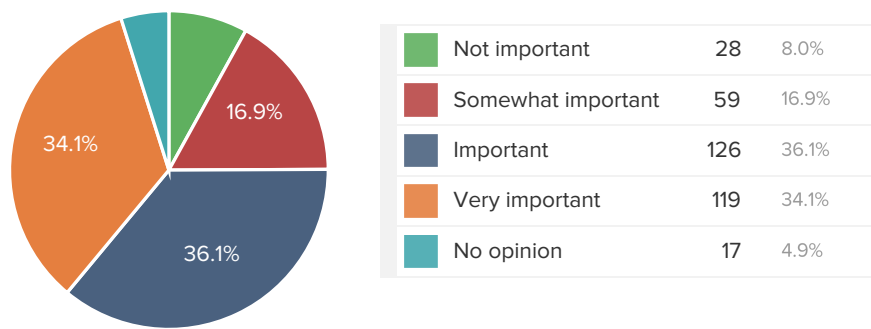
Housing for moderate to high income households



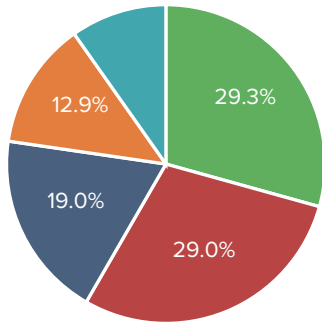
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Question 7 — Multi Choice Grid  
How important is it for the City of Milan to plan for the following types of new housing?

Single family houses

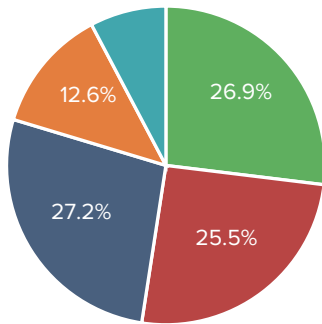


#### Accessory dwelling unit (smaller secondary dwelling unit such as an in-law suite)



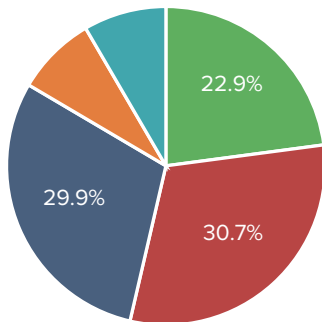
Not important	102	29.3%
Somewhat important	101	29.0%
Important	66	19.0%
Very important	45	12.9%
No opinion	34	9.8%

#### Small multiple family (duplex, triplex, quadplex)



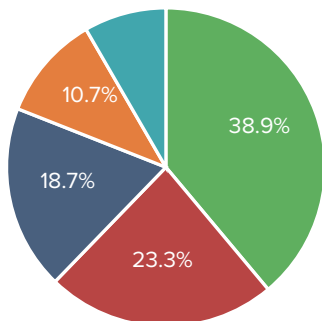
Not important	94	26.9%
Somewhat important	89	25.5%
Important	95	27.2%
Very important	44	12.6%
No opinion	27	7.7%

#### Townhouses



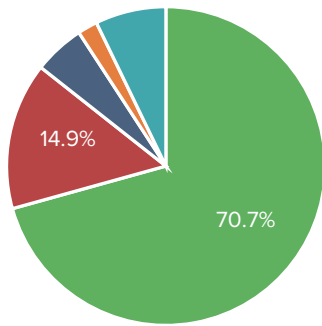
Not important	79	22.9%
Somewhat important	106	30.7%
Important	103	29.9%
Very important	28	8.1%
No opinion	29	8.4%

#### Multiple-family, less than four stories



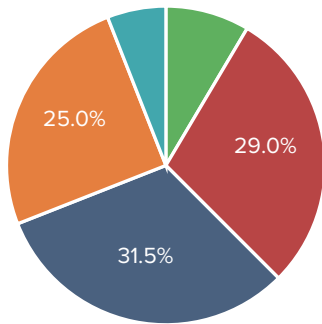
Not important	135	38.9%
Somewhat important	81	23.3%
Important	65	18.7%
Very important	37	10.7%
No opinion	29	8.4%

### Multiple-family, five stories or higher



Not important	246	70.7%
Somewhat important	52	14.9%
Important	18	5.2%
Very important	7	2.0%
No opinion	25	7.2%

### Senior housing developments



Not important	30	8.5%
Somewhat important	102	29.0%
Important	111	31.5%
Very important	88	25.0%
No opinion	21	6.0%

Question — Text Field

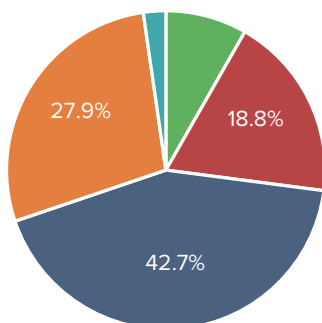
Please share any comments or thoughts on other types of housing that is important to you.

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Question 8 — Multi Choice Grid

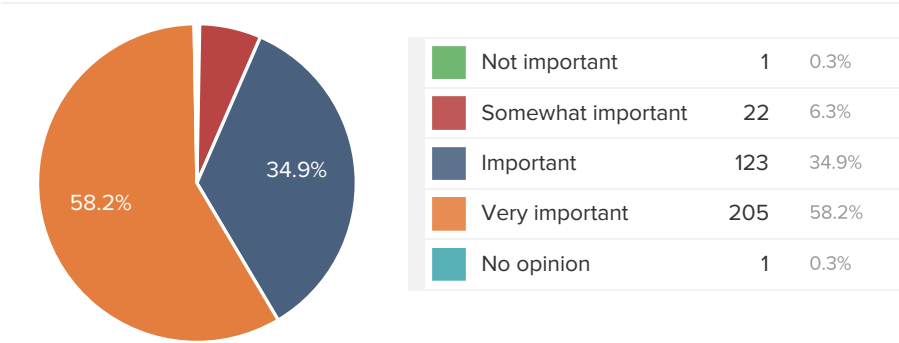
How important to you are the following issues related to accessibility and transportation?

### Traffic and circulation

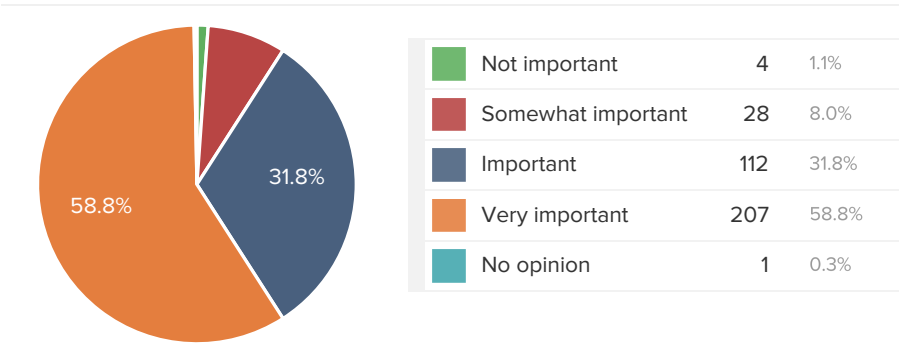


Not important	29	8.3%
Somewhat important	66	18.8%
Important	150	42.7%
Very important	98	27.9%
No opinion	8	2.3%

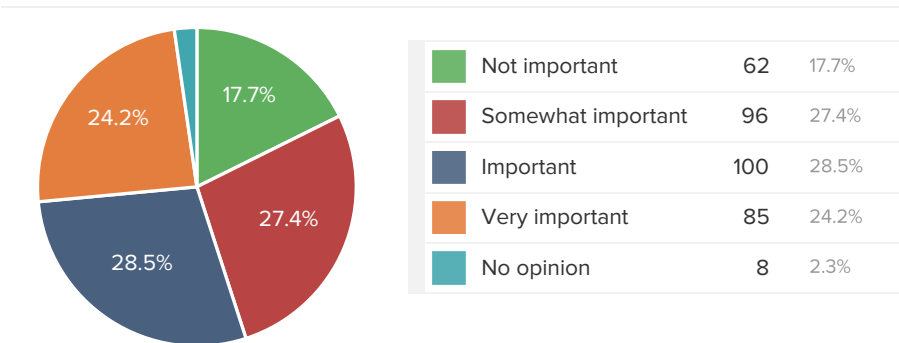
Quality of roads



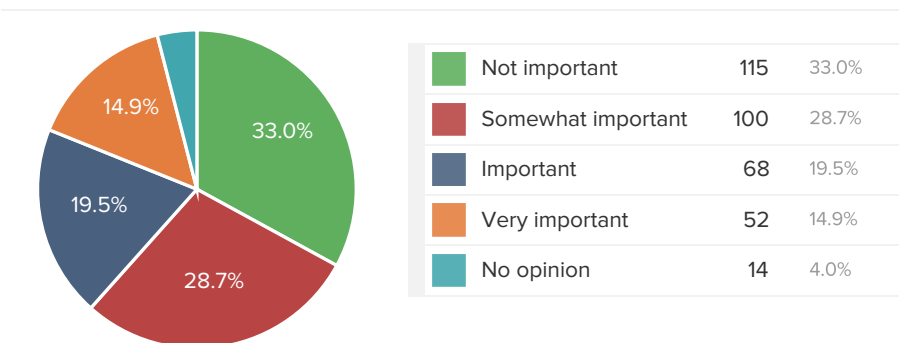
Quality of sidewalks



Access to bicycle lanes or paths for recreation

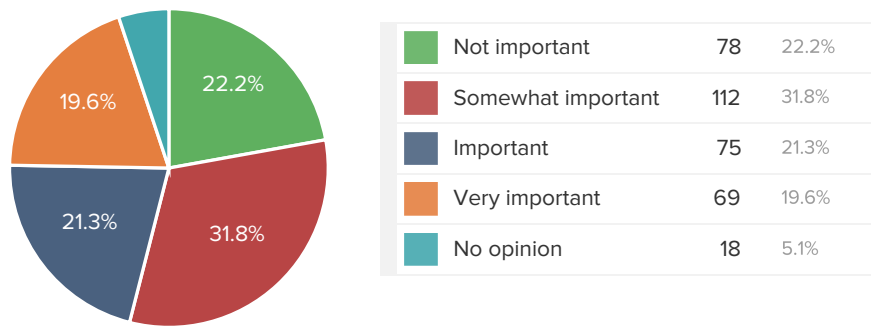


Access to bicycle lanes for commuting or daily travel





Access to public transit (e.g. bus, train, ride service)



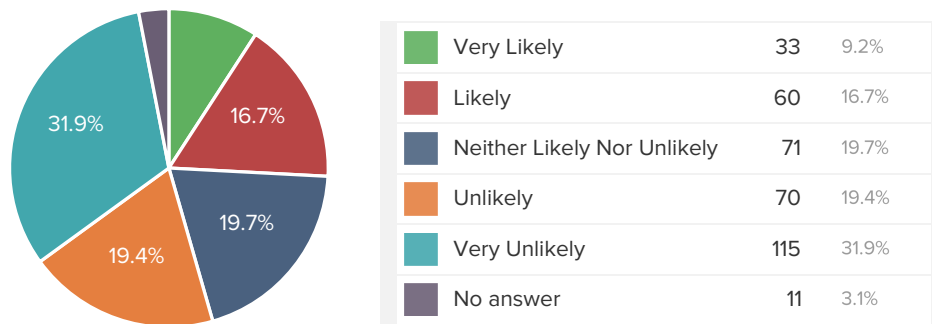
Question — Text Field

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Question 9 — Rating Scale

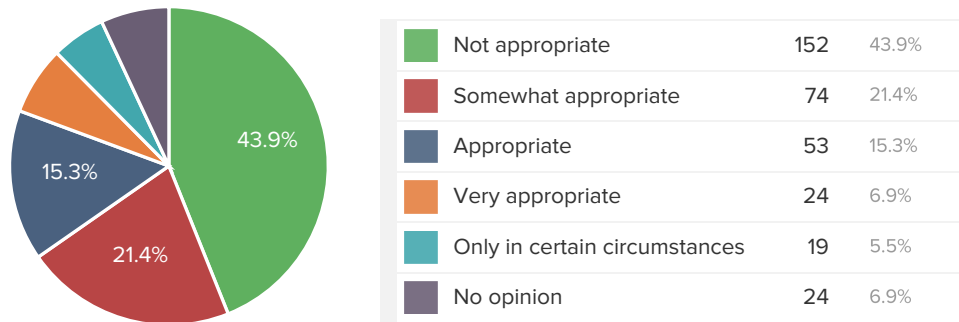
How likely are you to use public transit if it were available?



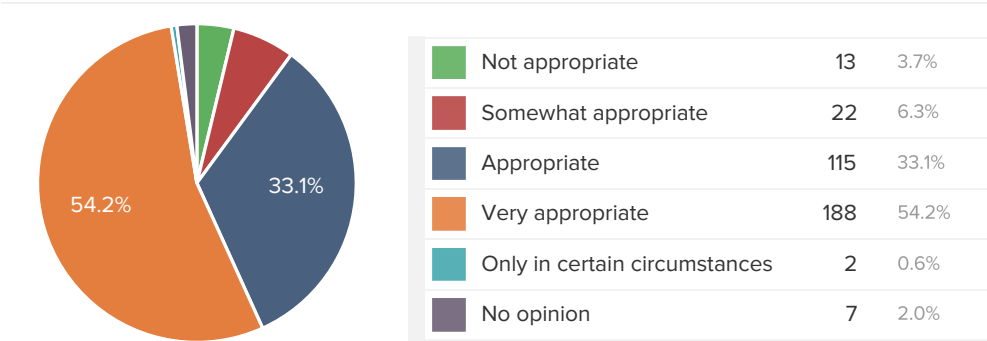
Question 10 — Multi Choice Grid

Which of the following land uses would be appropriate in the Downtown?

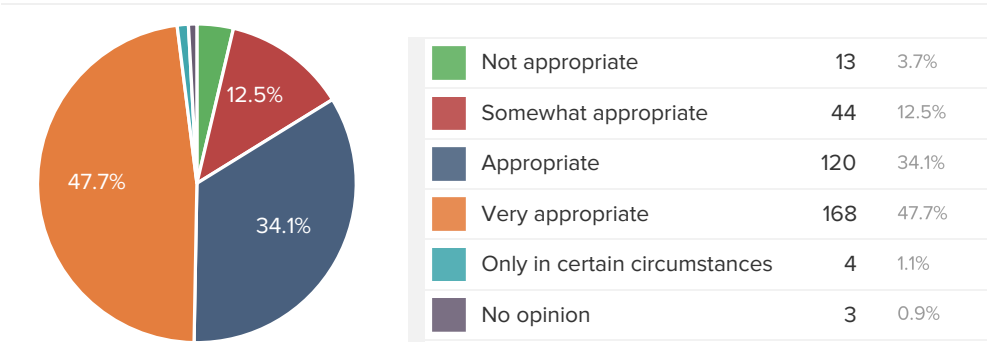
Multiple-family housing



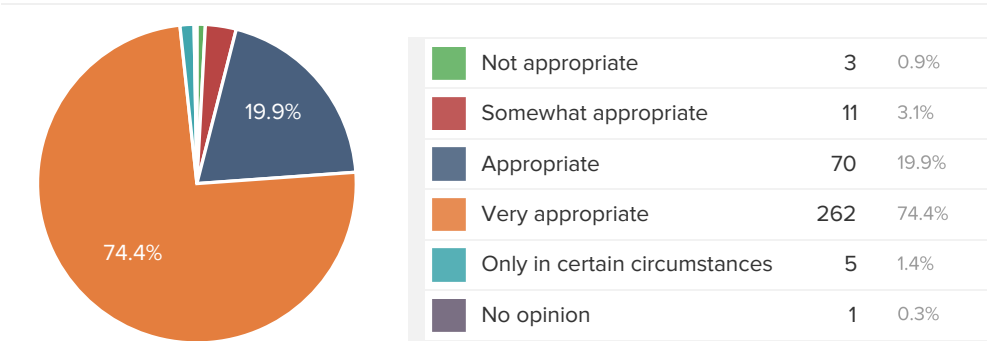
Neighborhood retail & services



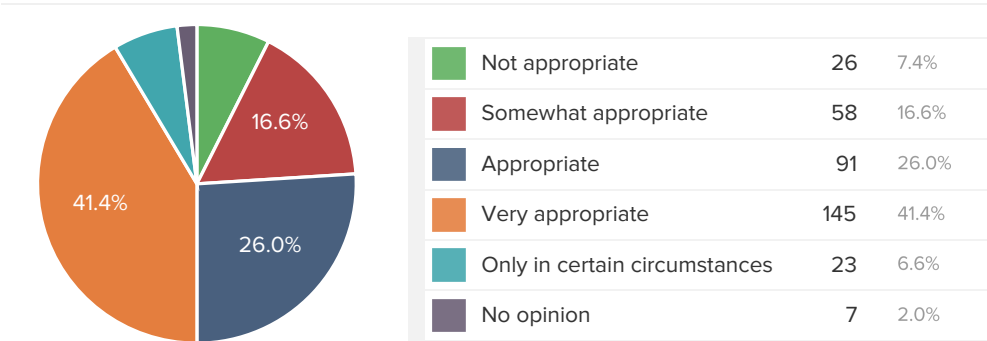
Specialty shops/boutiques



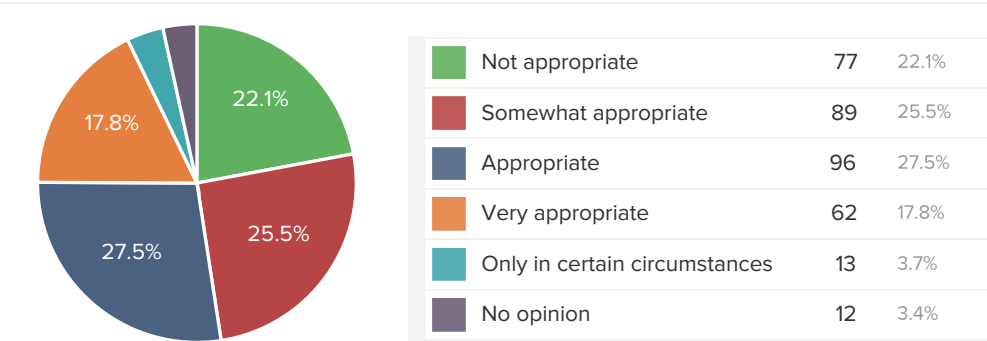
Restaurants



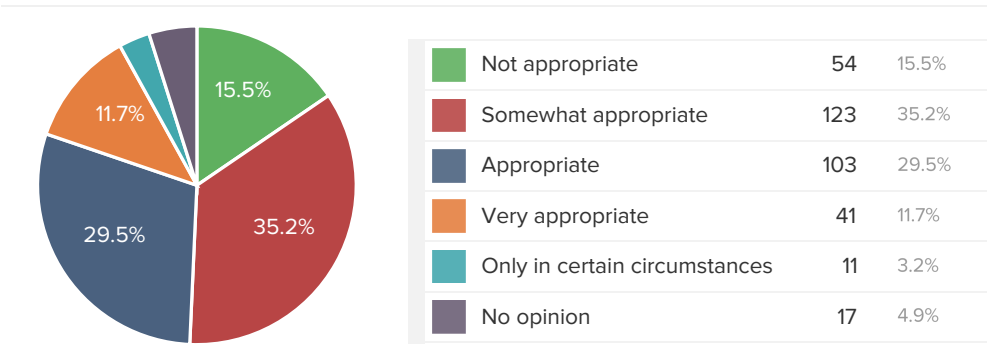
Entertainment venues (movie theaters, night clubs, etc.)



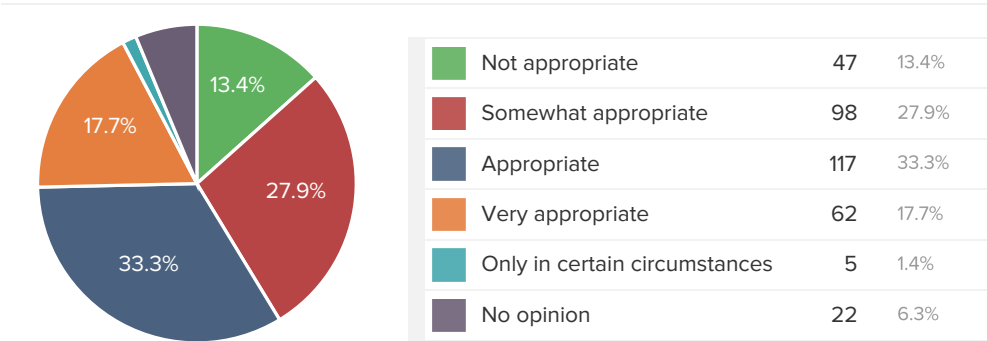
Institutional (governments, schools, churches)



Office



Mixed use (combination of residential and commercial or office)



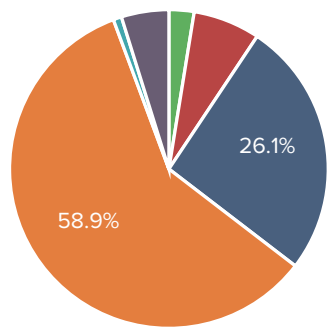
Question — Text Field

If you checked "only in certain circumstances," please specify:

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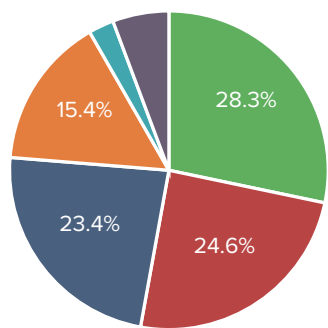
How important is it for the City of Milan to plan for the following new technology and infrastructure?

Broadband access



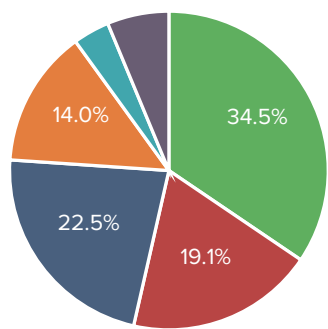
Not appropriate	9	2.5%
Somewhat appropriate	24	6.8%
Appropriate	92	26.1%
Very appropriate	208	58.9%
Only in certain circumstances	3	0.8%
No opinion	17	4.8%

Electric vehicle charging stations



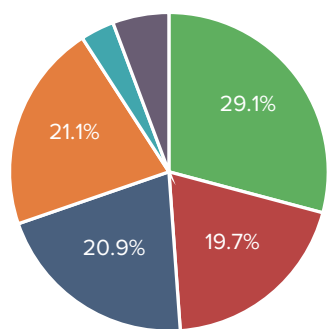
Not appropriate	99	28.3%
Somewhat appropriate	86	24.6%
Appropriate	82	23.4%
Very appropriate	54	15.4%
Only in certain circumstances	9	2.6%
No opinion	20	5.7%

Wind power (small to medium scale)



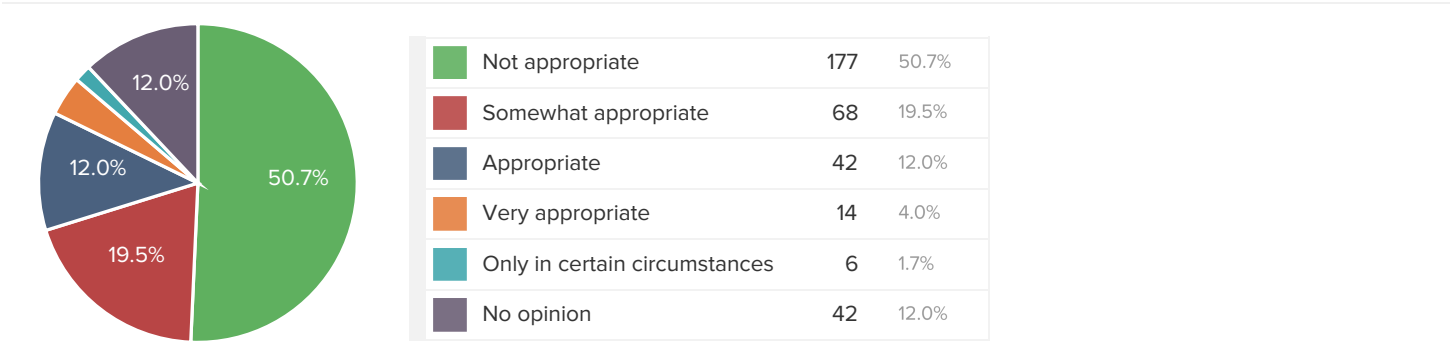
Not appropriate	121	34.5%
Somewhat appropriate	67	19.1%
Appropriate	79	22.5%
Very appropriate	49	14.0%
Only in certain circumstances	13	3.7%
No opinion	22	6.3%

Solar power (small to medium scale)

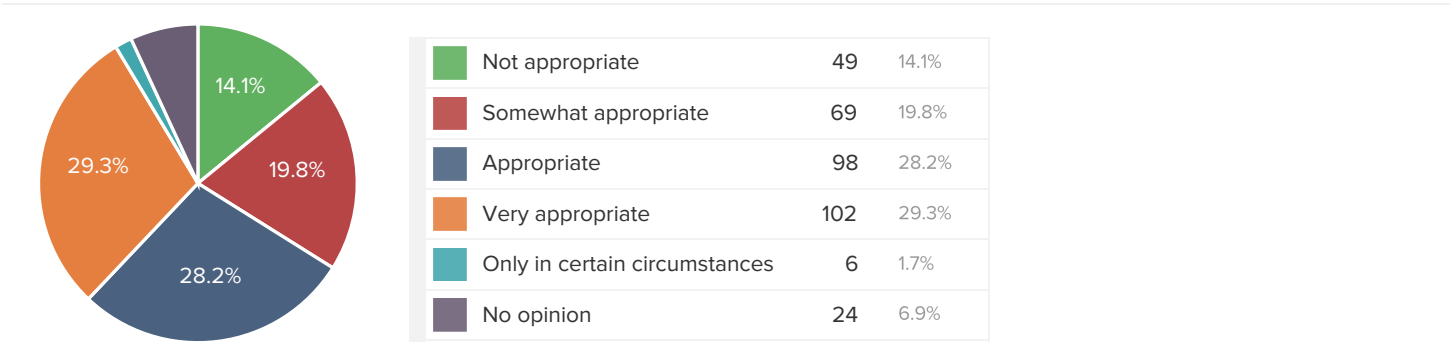


Not appropriate	102	29.1%
Somewhat appropriate	69	19.7%
Appropriate	73	20.9%
Very appropriate	74	21.1%
Only in certain circumstances	12	3.4%
No opinion	20	5.7%

Autonomous vehicle infrastructure



Green infrastructure for stormwater



Question — Text Field

If you checked "only in certain circumstances," please specify

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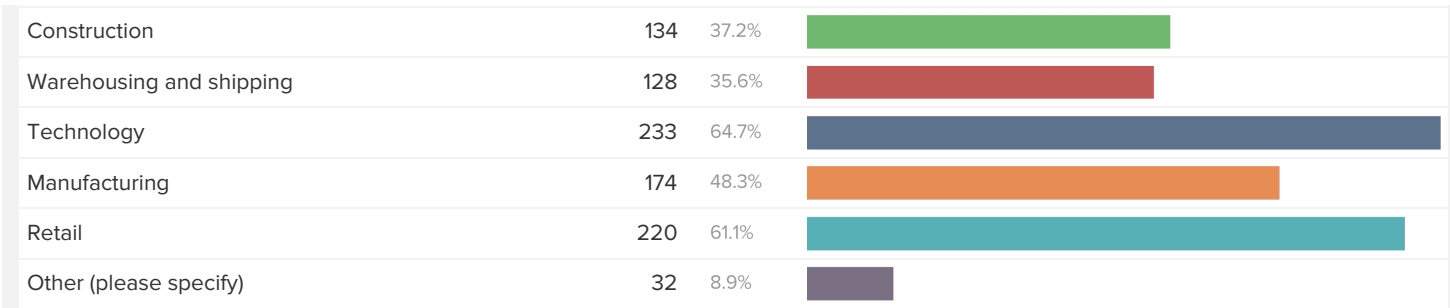
Question 12 — Text Field

What other new technology or infrastructure should the City of Milan plan for?

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Question 13 — Multiple Choice

What types of jobs should the City of Milan look to attract in the future? (Check all that apply)

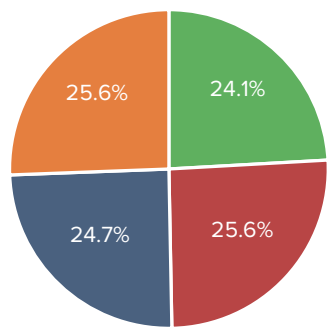


OTHER

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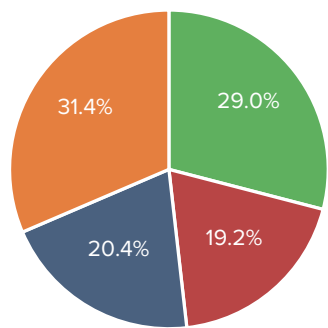
Would you support a millage for the following:

Streets and Roads



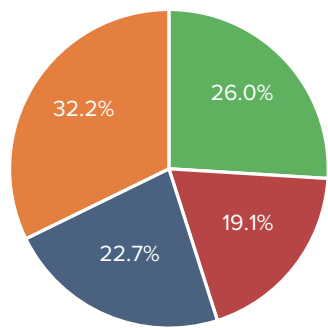
Yes, up to 0.25 mill	81	24.1%
Yes, up to 0.5 mill	86	25.6%
Yes, up to 1.0 mill	83	24.7%
I would not support paying a millage	86	25.6%

Public Safety



Yes, up to 0.25 mill	97	29.0%
Yes, up to 0.5 mill	64	19.2%
Yes, up to 1.0 mill	68	20.4%
I would not support paying a millage	105	31.4%

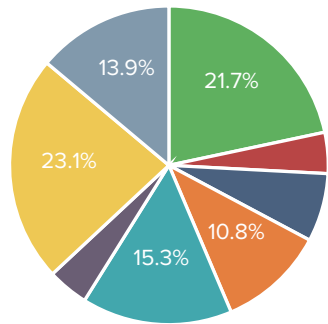
Parks and Recreation



Yes, up to 0.25 mill	87	26.0%
Yes, up to 0.5 mill	64	19.1%
Yes, up to 1.0 mill	76	22.7%
I would not support paying a millage	108	32.2%

Question 15 — Multiple Choice

Would support any of the three millages simultaneously? (Select one option)



<div></div>	I would only support one millage at a time and would prioritize a Streets & Roads millage	78	21.7%
<div></div>	I would only support one millage at a time and would prioritize a Public Safety millage	15	4.2%
<div></div>	I would only support one millage at a time and would prioritize a Parks & Recreation millage	25	6.9%
<div></div>	I would support two millages at a time and would prioritize the Streets and Roads and Public Safety millages	39	10.8%
<div></div>	I would support two millages at a time and would prioritize the Streets and Roads and Parks & Recreation millages	55	15.3%
<div></div>	I would support two millages at a time and would prioritize the Public Safety and Parks and Recreation millages	15	4.2%
<div></div>	I would support all three millages simultaneously	83	23.1%
<div></div>	No answer	50	13.9%

Question 16 — Text Field

What specific areas should be addressed as part of the Master Plan?

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Question 17 — Text Field

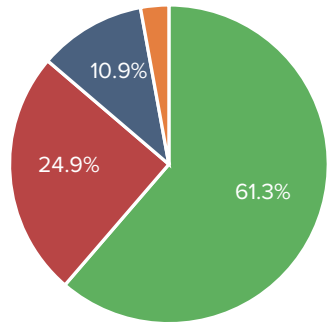
Is there anything else you like us to consider?

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Question 18 — Multi Choice Grid

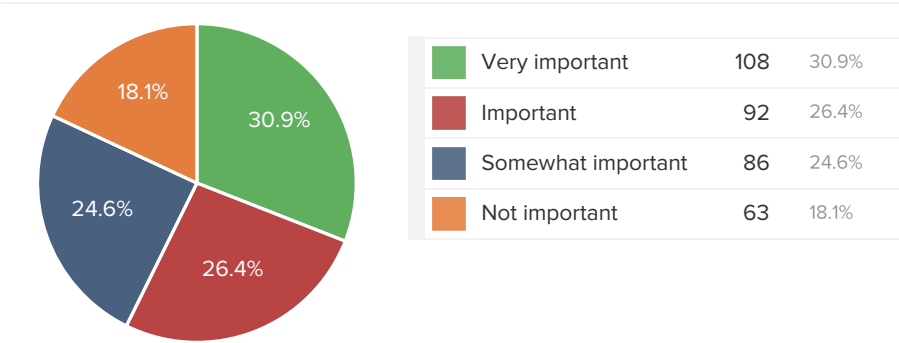
How important are the following to you and your family?

Maintaining existing parks and recreation facilities

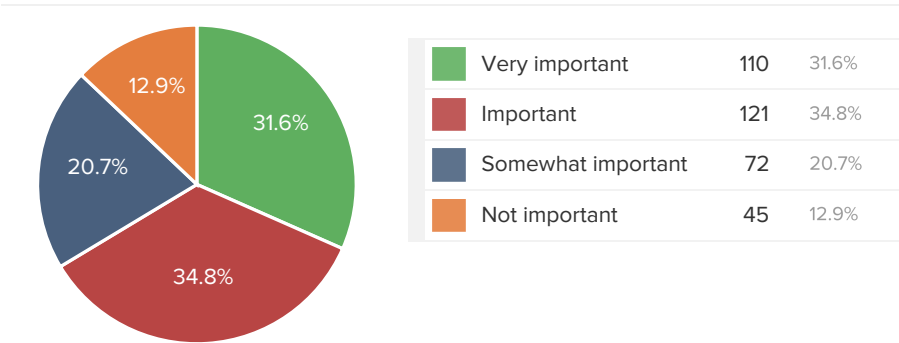


<div></div>	Very important	214	61.3%
<div></div>	Important	87	24.9%
<div></div>	Somewhat important	38	10.9%
<div></div>	Not important	10	2.9%

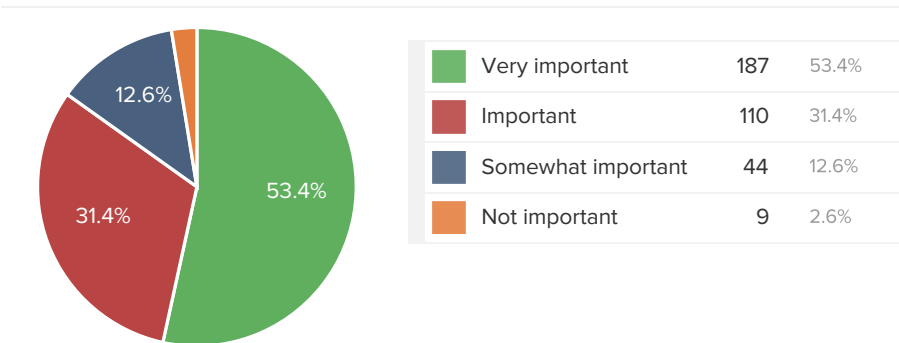
Acquiring and developing new parks and recreation facilities



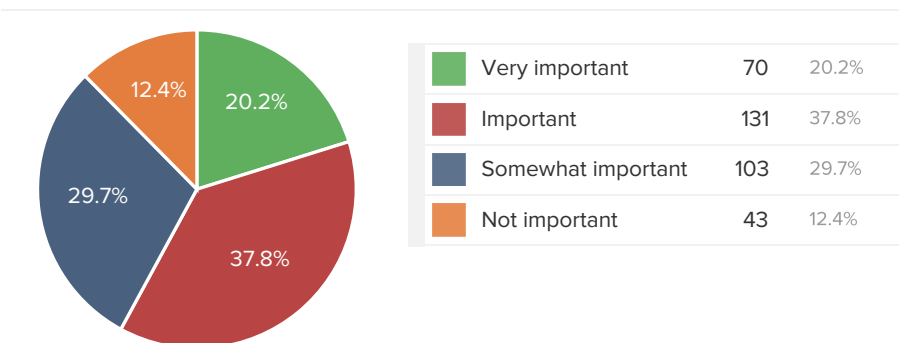
Access to active use facilities (e.g. soccer, football, baseball, tennis, etc.)



Protecting natural resources

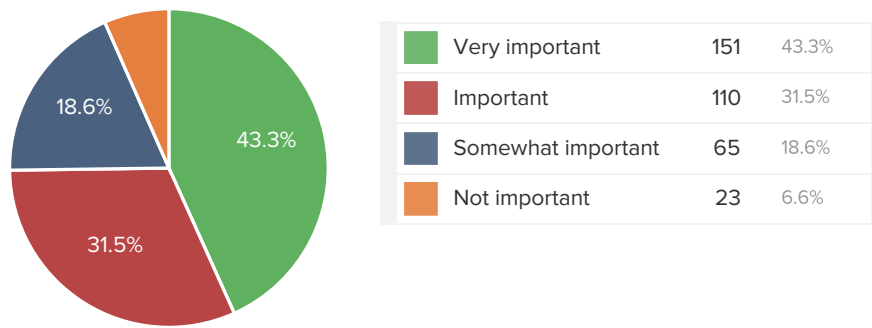


Access to picnic facilities

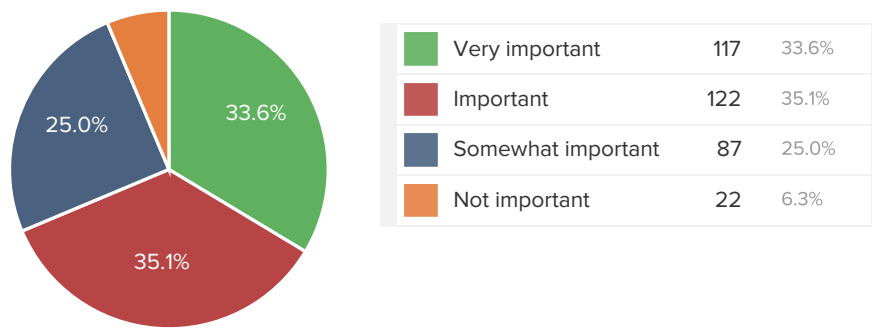




Access to paths and trails

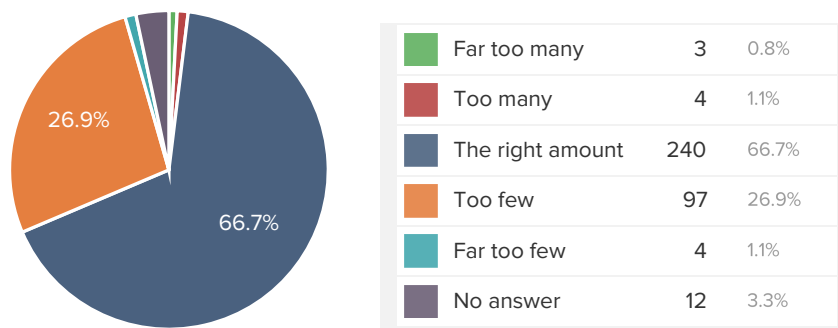


Access to recreation programming (e.g. special events, classes, sports leagues, etc.)



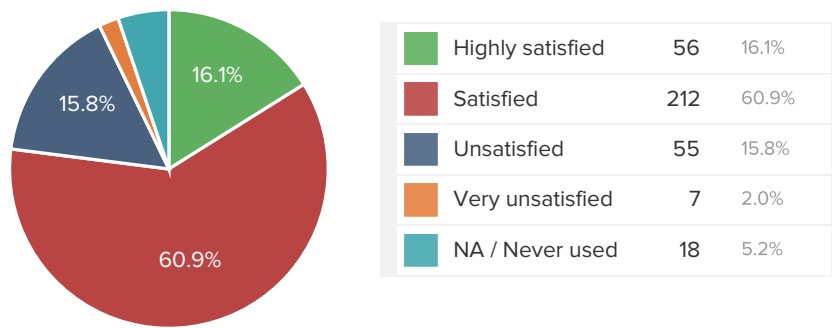
Question 19 — Multiple Choice

Does the City of Milan have too many, too few, or about the right number of parks? (check one option)

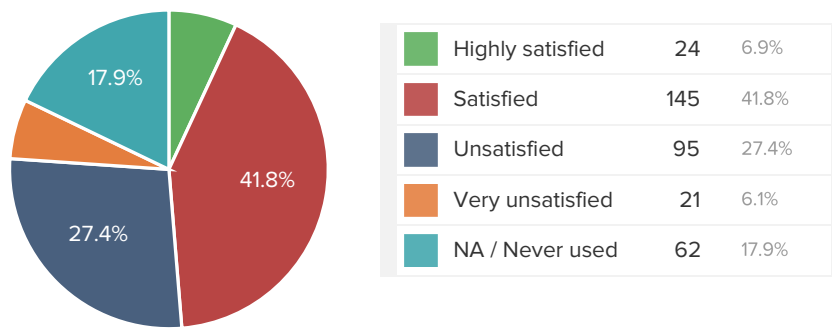


How satisfied are you with the existing recreational facilities in the City of Milan?

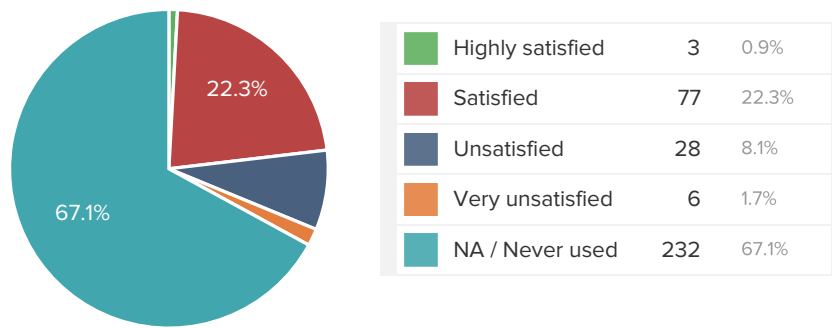
Wilson Park



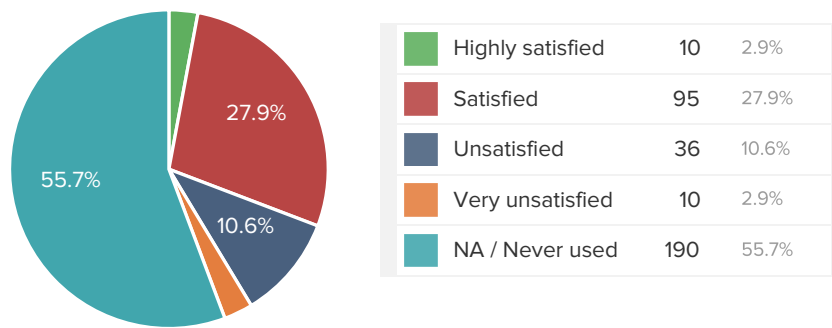
Nature Park



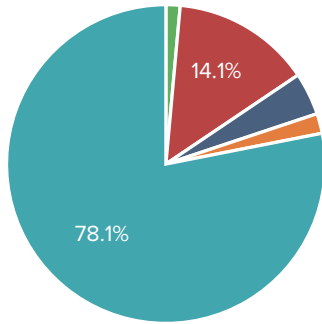
Vern Campbell Park Flying Fields



Vern Campbell Park Soccer Fields

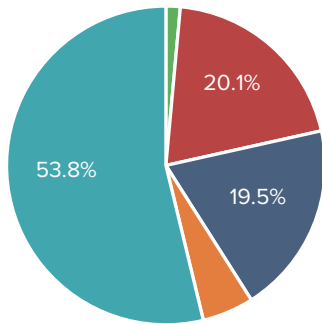


### Vern Campbell Park Horse Arena



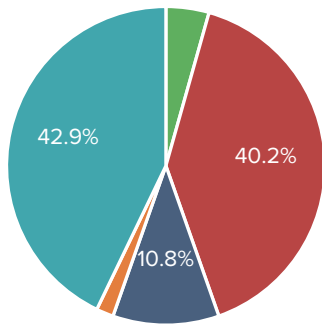
Highly satisfied	5	1.4%
Satisfied	49	14.1%
Unsatisfied	15	4.3%
Very unsatisfied	7	2.0%
NA / Never used	271	78.1%

### Gump Lake Park



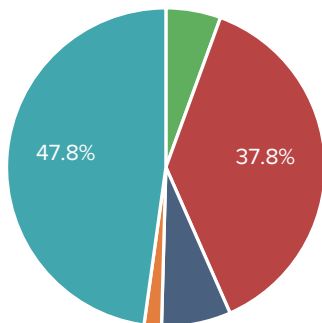
Highly satisfied	5	1.5%
Satisfied	69	20.1%
Unsatisfied	67	19.5%
Very unsatisfied	18	5.2%
NA / Never used	185	53.8%

### Milan Youth League Ball Fields



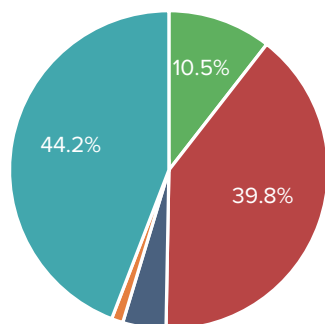
Highly satisfied	15	4.4%
Satisfied	138	40.2%
Unsatisfied	37	10.8%
Very unsatisfied	6	1.7%
NA / Never used	147	42.9%

### The Riverbank Center



Highly satisfied	19	5.6%
Satisfied	129	37.8%
Unsatisfied	24	7.0%
Very unsatisfied	6	1.8%
NA / Never used	163	47.8%

## Milan Seniors for Healthy Living



Highly satisfied	36	10.5%
Satisfied	136	39.8%
Unsatisfied	15	4.4%
Very unsatisfied	4	1.2%
NA / Never used	151	44.2%

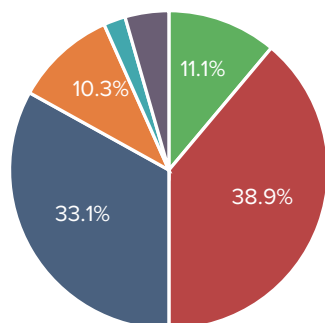
Question — Text Field

Please share any comments or thoughts

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Question 21 — Multiple Choice

Do existing facilities in the City of Milan meet your family's recreational needs?



Completely	40	11.1%
Adequately	140	38.9%
Somewhat	119	33.1%
Does not meet very well	37	10.3%
Does not meet at all	8	2.2%
No answer	16	4.4%

Question 22 — Text Field

What can the City of Milan do to better meet your recreation needs?

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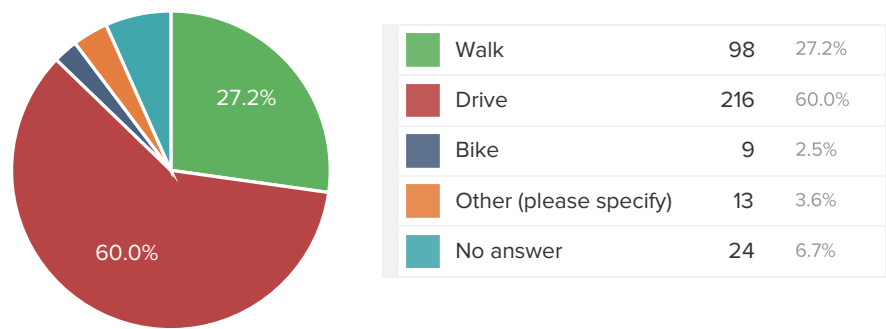
Question 23 — Text Field

Please list neighboring community, county, state, or other regional recreational facilities that you or your family visit.

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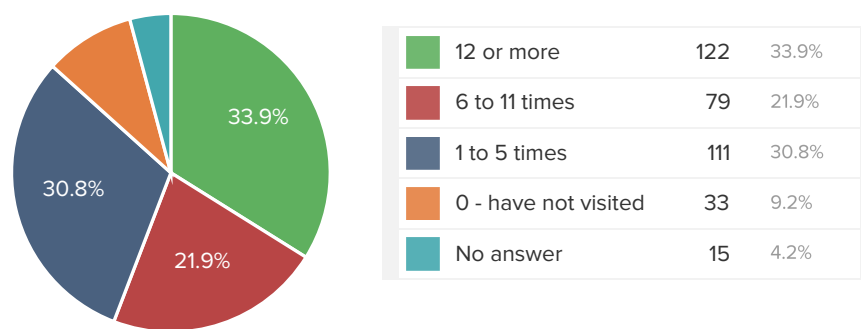
Question 24 — Multiple Choice

How do you typically travel to recreational facilities in the City of Milan? (choose one option)

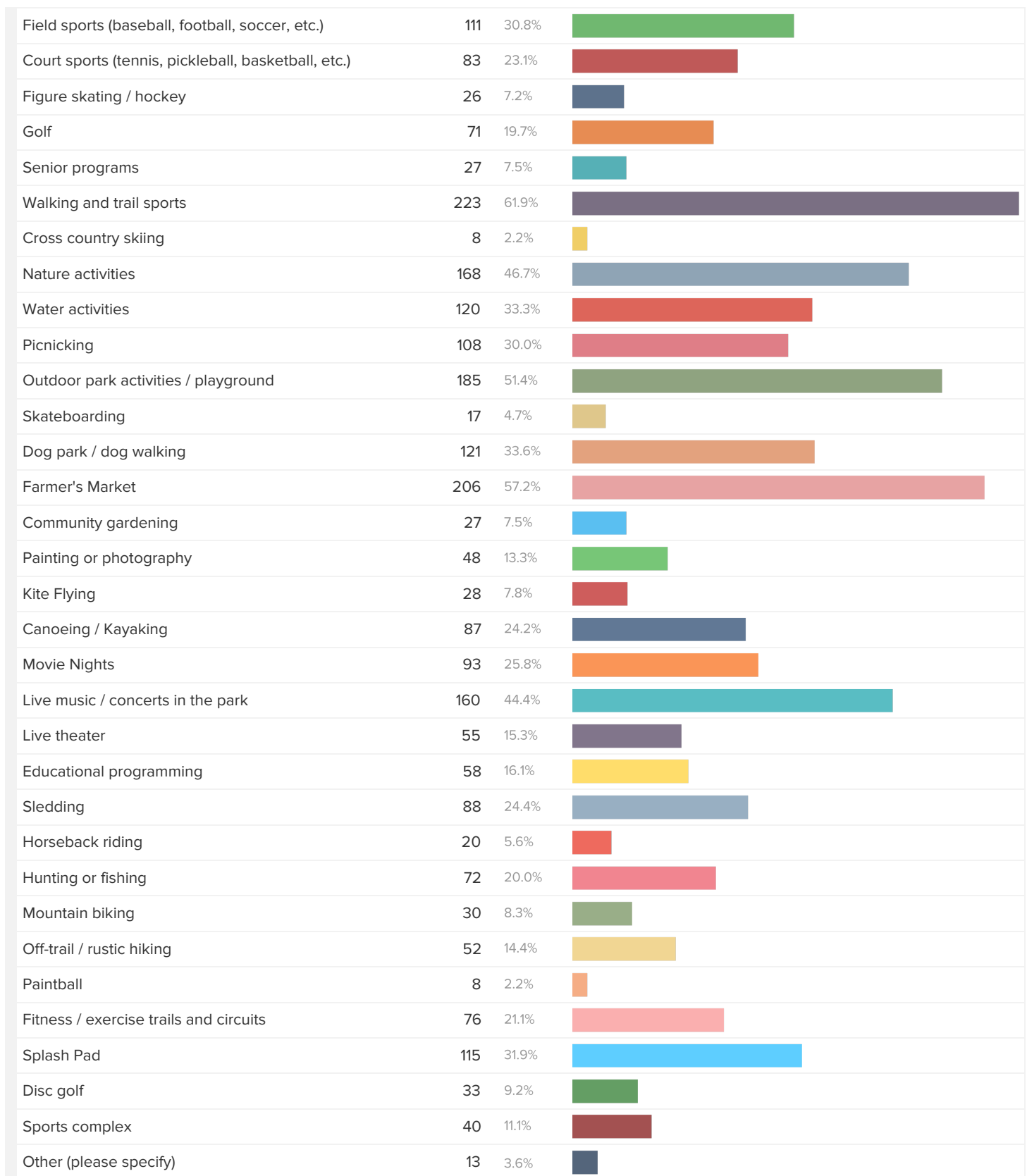


Question 25 — Multiple Choice

In the past 12 months, how many times have you visited City of Milan recreational facilities?



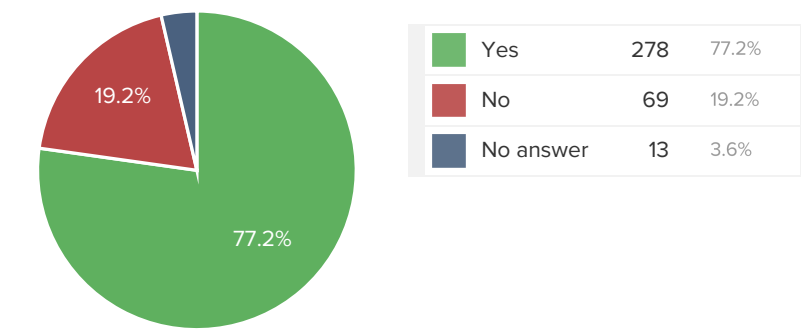
What types of activities do you or your family regularly participate in? (Check all that apply)



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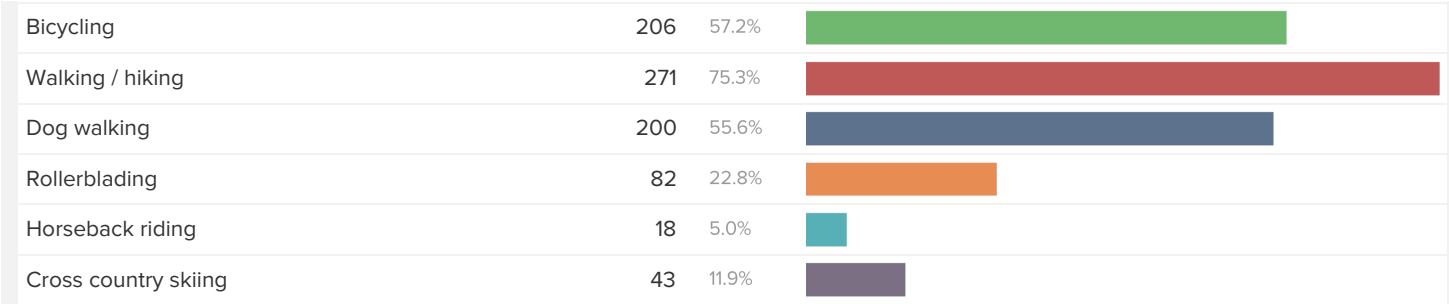
Question 27 — Yes / No

Would you like to see a trail system developed in the City of Milan?



Question 28 — Multiple Choice

If yes, what types of activities should be accommodated on the trail network? (check all that apply)



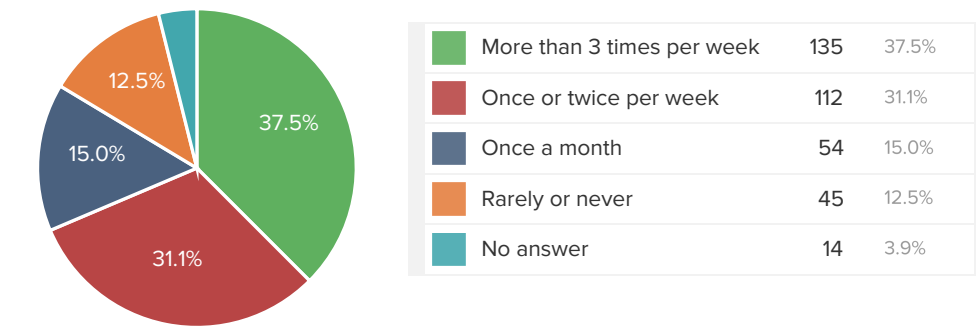
Question — Text Field

Are there any specific trail routes you would to see developed in the City of Milan?

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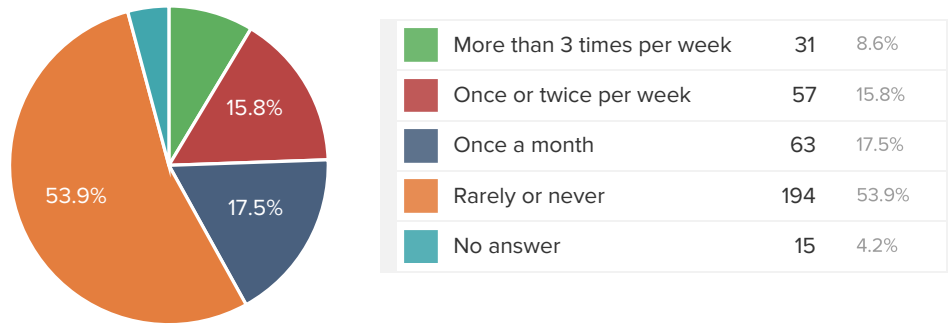
Question 29 — Multiple Choice

How frequently do you walk, run, or hike for exercise or recreation? (select one option)



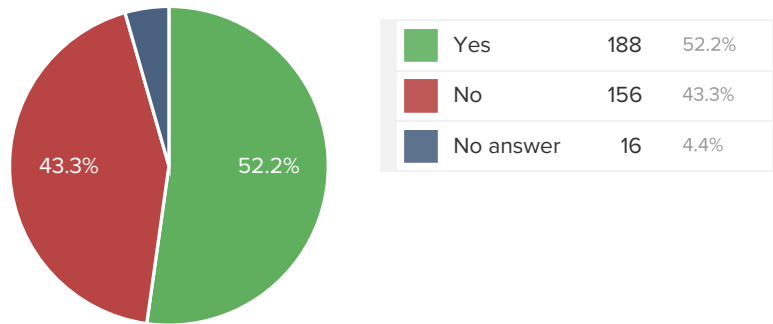
Question 30 — Multiple Choice

How frequently do you bicycle for exercise or recreation? (select one option)



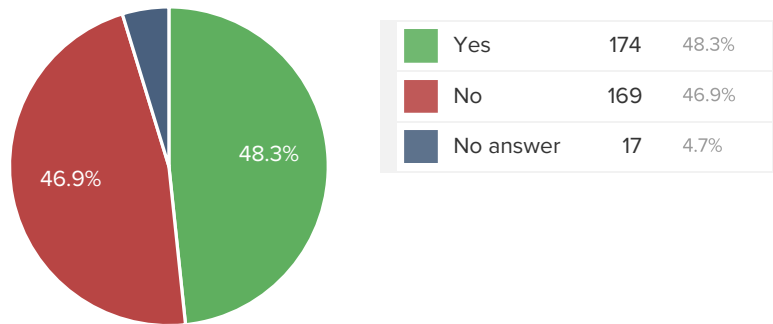
Question 31 — Yes / No

Do you use regional trails or trails in neighboring communities?



Question 32 — Yes / No

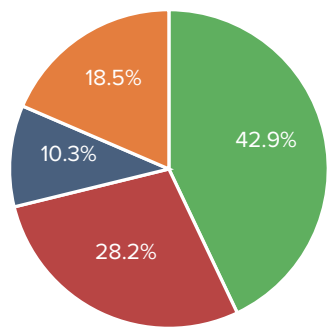
Do you take advantage of recreation programming provided by the City of Milan or neighboring communities?





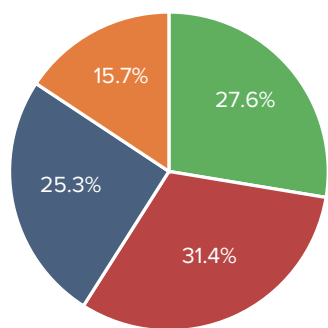
How important are the following recreation programs to you and your family?

Youth sports and fitness



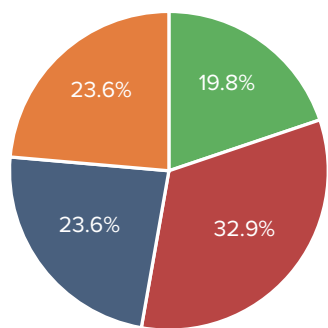
Very important	146	42.9%
Important	96	28.2%
Somewhat important	35	10.3%
Not important	63	18.5%

Adult sports and fitness



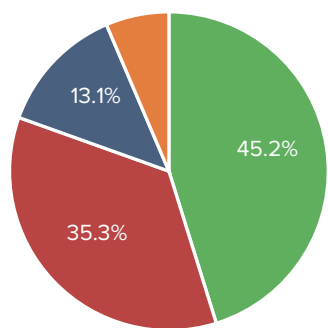
Very important	95	27.6%
Important	108	31.4%
Somewhat important	87	25.3%
Not important	54	15.7%

Senior (50+) programs and trips



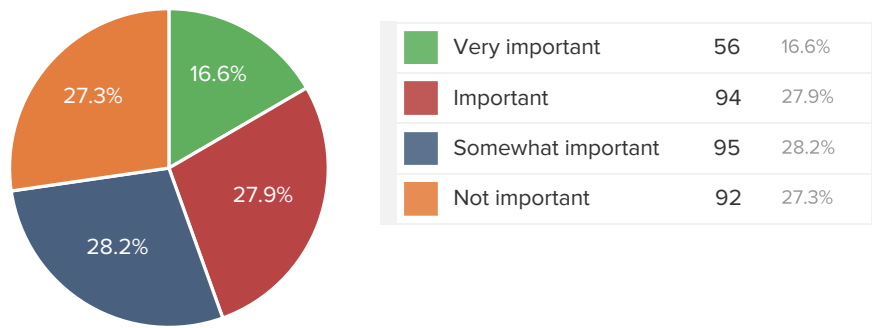
Very important	68	19.8%
Important	113	32.9%
Somewhat important	81	23.6%
Not important	81	23.6%

Special events and festivals

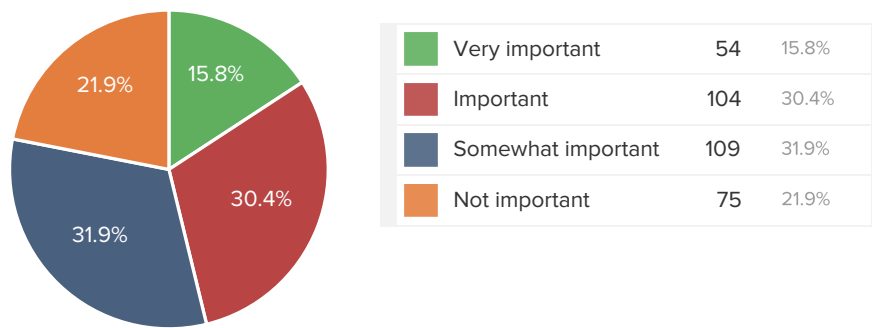


Very important	155	45.2%
Important	121	35.3%
Somewhat important	45	13.1%
Not important	22	6.4%

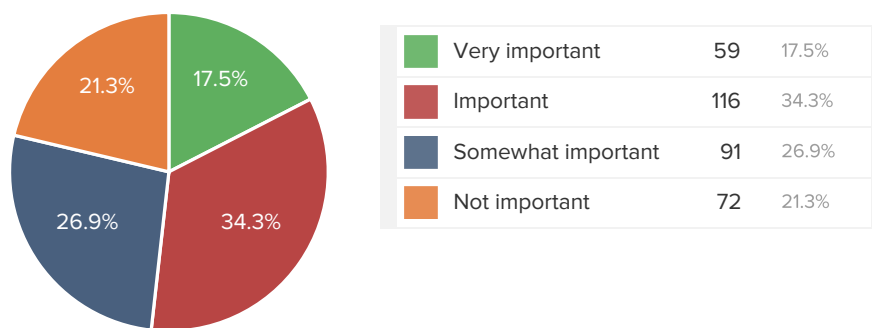
Summer camps



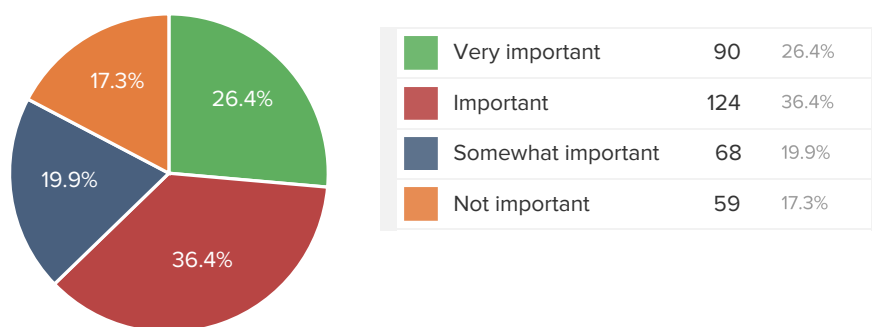
Skills workshops (e.g. computer education, accounting, etc.)



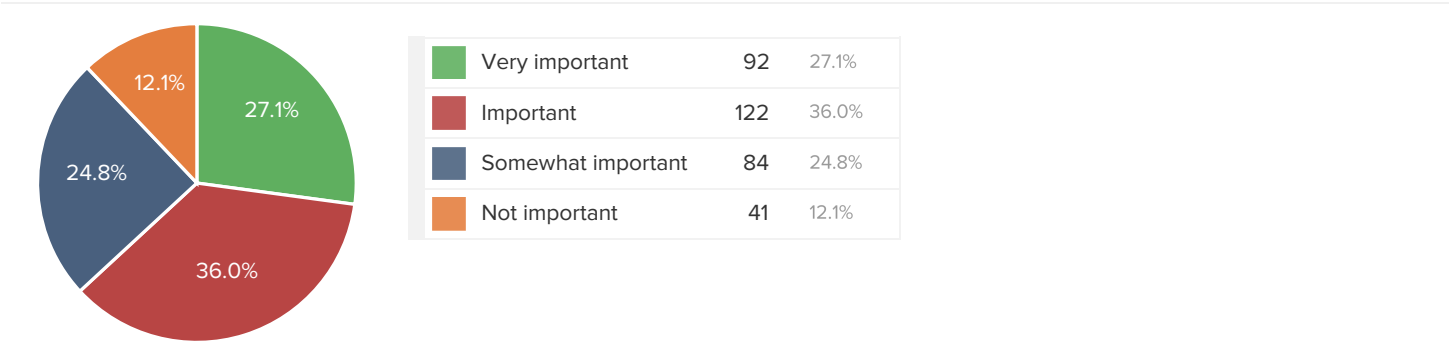
Nature education (e.g. stargazing, bird watching, plant identification, etc.)



Aquatics (e.g. swimming lessons, water exercise, etc.)



Arts (theater, dance, live music, etc.)



Question 34 — Multiple Choice

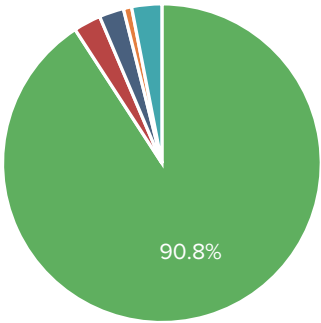
Which of the following recreational programs would you like to see more of? (Check all that apply)

Preschool programs	90	25.0%	
Teen programs	173	48.1%	
Adult programs	156	43.3%	
Programs for ages 50 & better	110	30.6%	
Youth sports programs (preschool age level)	80	22.2%	
Youth sports programs (elementary school level)	95	26.4%	
Youth sports programs (middle school level)	92	25.6%	
After-school programs	119	33.1%	
Homeschooler programs	44	12.2%	
Volleyball	43	11.9%	
Soccer	51	14.2%	
Football	34	9.4%	
Baseball	45	12.5%	
Basketball	44	12.2%	
Tennis	40	11.1%	
Pickleball	70	19.4%	
Exercise & fitness	101	28.1%	
Ice skating	40	11.1%	
Gymnastics	40	11.1%	
Dance	53	14.7%	
Theater	73	20.3%	
Music	88	24.4%	
Cooking	98	27.2%	
Art programs	82	22.8%	
Crafts	72	20.0%	
Gardening	84	23.3%	
Summer Camp	54	15.0%	

Swimming	97	26.9%	
Karate / martial arts	36	10.0%	
Skiing	15	4.2%	
Bowling	66	18.3%	
Travel and excursions	52	14.4%	
Special events	99	27.5%	
Therapeutic recreation	38	10.6%	
Golf	48	13.3%	
Fencing	12	3.3%	
Horseback riding	30	8.3%	
Language arts	20	5.6%	
Babysitting	33	9.2%	
Safety Classes	73	20.3%	
Photography	48	13.3%	

Question 35 — Multiple Choice

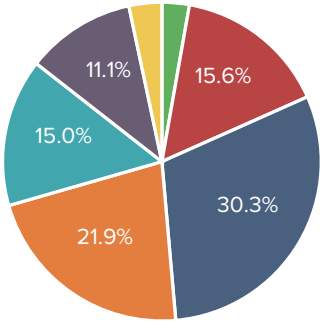
Please select the term that best describes your residence:



Single-family home	327	90.8%
Attached condominium or duplex	10	2.8%
Apartment	9	2.5%
Other (please specify)	3	0.8%
No answer	11	3.1%

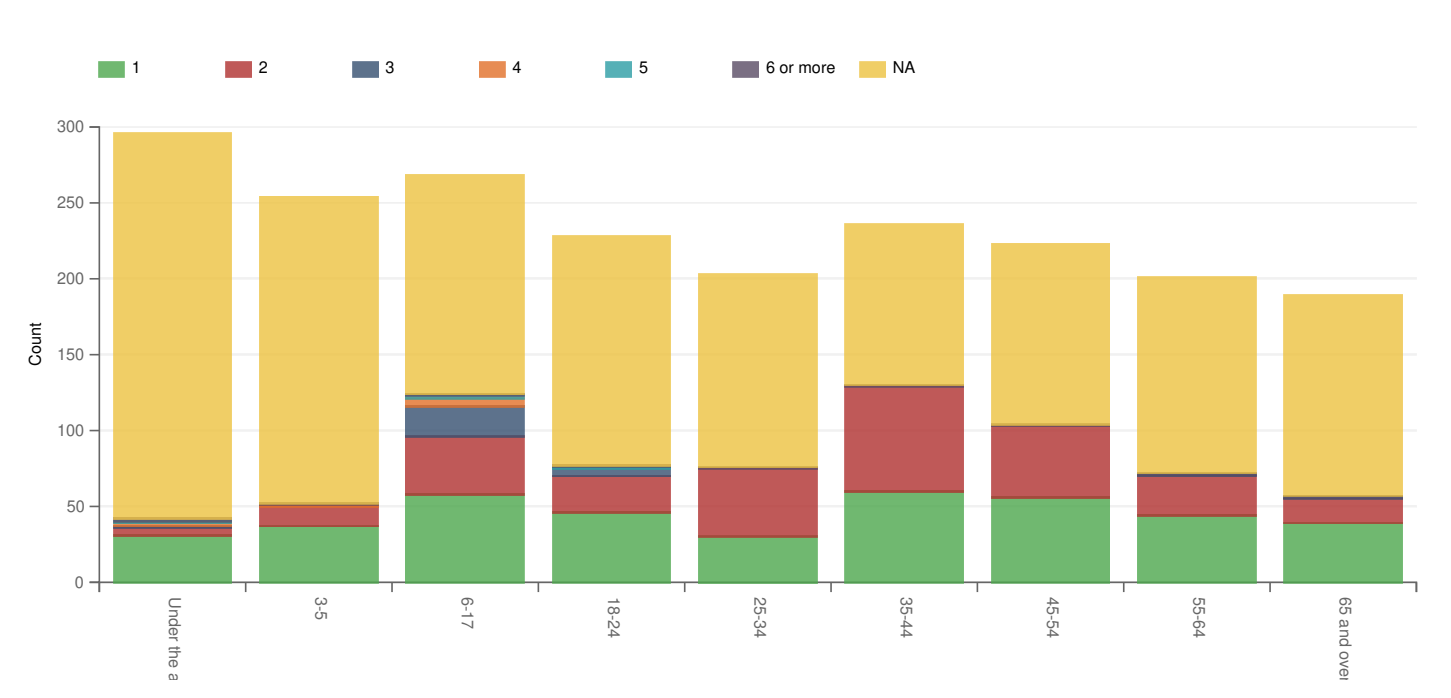
Question 36 — Multiple Choice

What is your age?



Under 25	10	2.8%
25-34	56	15.6%
35-44	109	30.3%
45-54	79	21.9%
55-64	54	15.0%
65 and over	40	11.1%
No answer	12	3.3%

Including yourself, how many people in your household are:



Is there anything else you would like to share / add?

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## 5. If other, specify:

### Three things you would like to see changed in Milan

A more conservative Republican administration. Not one that panders to special groups.
A new major supermarket to compete with Kroger, which is a low tier Kroger that is never stocked and is
Animal rescue options.
Beautification and business property clean up
Better city council. One that actually listens to residents.
Better events as they are poor quality
Better library. Bigger and not moldy.
Better restaurants
Better restaurants
Better schools
Better water
Better/Commercial Business less "nickknack" stores
Bicycle trails
BMX park, skate park at Nature Park
Civic education classes and/or discussions.
Decreased progressivism and more tolerance of conservative values
Diverse restaurant options
Fewer property tax millages
Filling empty store fronts and more restaurants.
Focus on the disabled
I would love to see a pool open up for young kids with a shallow end with lessons available
I'd love to see the conservative values for which we moved here in the first place, reflected and supported. Pushing personal agendas brings division, and we could definitely be brought together by celebrating our city instead of people's sexual orientation or other personal choices. I'd also like to
I'm picking Infrastructure twice. PLEASE!!!!????!!
Improved recreational opportunities. More is not always better. Paving the children's stone church sledding hill adds one recreational option but destroys an existing and frequently used resource. When so
Increased dinning options
Increased Food Options (non fast food)
Increased security in our schools. Metal detectors. Please raise our taxes for this.
Instead of shopping, we need interactive activities like an art studio, pottery class, paint & sip, cat cafe, etc. for better city services, we need yard waste and leaf removal to go longer into the season, leaves don't stop dropping until mid-December. And get out of Steven's trash removal, go back to Waste Management!! The best thing about this town is that small town feel while being super close to the big
less money spent on recreational less shopping
Less pizza places, more sit down options.
LESS TAXES AND AFFORDABLE SENIOR HOUSING
Less yuppies
Love to see the old JR and Campfire Restaurant being used.
Lower taxes

Lower taxes
Lower taxesâ€¦ridiculous
More attention to blight
More dining options
More Dining options
More dining options. Specifically dining indoors.
More diverse restaurants
More food and restaurant options
More Police
More quality restaurants
More restaurant options will bring more people downtown
More restaurants
More restaurants
More restaurants
More restaurants
More restaurants- not fast food
More shops downtown that add value
More sit down restaurants
More sit down restaurants
More things for teenage kids
More/better Restaurants and shopping
Nice restaurant where we can take out of town guests-something like JRs used to be.
Not really Anything
Properly staffed public safety. No reason we should have an on call fire department
Replace sidewalks
Restaurant
Restaurants
Restaurants
restaurants
Restaurants
Restaurants (good quality ones downtown), shopping or unique shops to bring people downtown.
Restaurants and eateries
save money
softened water
Sound barrier on the City of Milan sooting range
Sustainability
Things for kids and teens
WATER SUCKS

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## 6. Comments/Thoughts:

### How important is it for the City of Milan to plan housing for the following

A balanced community is stronger than a leaning one way or another.

Already offer alot of these

Although it is noble that many communities strive to add low-income housing, the logistics are very difficult. Transportation and infrastructure must be provided. Taxpayers are generally asked to pay for these services, but only after the housing is in place. Many associated costs are involved, which are often

Buy, sell and require to remodel older residential homes

Dont know that we need more housing

Every community needs the combination of civic will, financial backing and sensible developers who are committed to sensible starter housing, both rental and owner occupied.y sized, affordabl

Grants or programs to help younger home buyers/low income home buyers care for historical homes in the

Housing for ANYONE is IMPORANT!

I have parents that I would love to move here but it I hard to find affordable housing.

I know multiple young people living in Milan that are trying to find a place to live on their own, but canâ€™t afford it. It would be nice if they could find a way to stay in Milan that they could afford.

I moved to Milan to escape Ann Arbors out of control growth.

I think all of these are important. I don't think I can rank one above another.

I think cultivating housing opportunities for the types of demographics you wish to attract are important. IE young families and upper middle class individuals

I think itâ€™s important to attract young families to stabilize and increase school enrollment.

I think our community doesnâ€™t need to value all the â€œshiny & expensiveâ€ things. We value community, relationships, and preservation of a farmland community.

I think we are good on housing with all the vacant land development for housing

If you can afford a house, great, if not, no reason to make special housing for people who can not affird it.

Its sad to me that as families grow and need larger homes, they leave Milan. I am also concerned that the affordability of housing in Milan is going away

Keep Milan small. We do not need more subdivisions.

Larger communities nearby have housing options for other demographics, our small town can't provide everything to everyone and have it be of quality

Moderate to high housing will better support downtown and the city.

more real estate development

Need new homes

Our location makes this a desirable place to live. More housing for all would make this city grow.

Really been enjoying the shops down town, and the parks to take my little one

Roads!

Safety, safety, safety

Seems that once roads have been upgraded that they get dug up and patched rather soon there after.

Senior living facilities and options for disabled people was a huge thing I realized was missing when I needed to try to find a place for my dad to live. We ended up converting our home because the options that

Strengthen existing and do not add any more developments

Taxes are getting to high without services to show



That's not your job.
The American middle class thrives in Milan. With the dangers of inflation and rising prices that middle class is facing quite a bit of suffering. If Milan wants to continue to thrive with the middle class, the backbone of America, they need to provide housing and accommodation to that same class.
The city of milan doesn't need to focus on housing. Budd's has owned the property next to Uptown village for years and has a sign out saying that they will be building more housing, and has for years but nothing has been built!! uptown village even has more space towards the back of their neighborhood where nothing has been built in the last couple years. worry about a laundry mat before more housing. we
The city should only focus on making it easy to develop more single family homes. No large apartment
The continued growth and success of our schools depends on families being able to find and afford housing in our community. In our small city, our school district is a vital part of our community and is
There should be housing options available for everyone that wants to live here.
We are all important and everyone needs housing.
We desperately need to attract young families to Milan!
We don't need anymore apartment buildings in this community.
We need an assisted living facility/nursing home. Lifelong residents have to leave as they age.
We need housing to drive new families to Milan. Our schools and economy will depend on new families.
we need more options for housing that are financially affordable on lower to fixed incomes- our senior and disabled population need and deserve this as well as housing for young families that is more affordable to start off and build our city interests and schools is very important. we are working class city and need to keep working class financials in mind while still striving to create a quality environment that will keep
We need to have a good mix of housing for all income levels. I'm most concerned for seniors who have few options here that are affordable and AVAILABLE!
We use to be a tight knit community; we are not a mini Saline/Ann Arbor
Would like a pool haul
You need young families in order for the town to not die. Theyre typically lower to middle income. Theyre also prime employment age.You need some higher income to support local economy. You should always support your seniors, a survey of that demographic would be helpful.
Young single moms need more places to get help living here
Your rental ordinance is making it impossible for landlords to make a living.

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## 7. Comments/Thoughts:

### How important is it for the City of Milan to plan housing for the following types

AFFORDABLE housing
Affordable housing for any group is important, housing is too expensive and it puts many populations at risk
Close family relations are important. We should value our elderly care, while it is prevalent in Milan.
Currently, the water treatment plant could not support a new development at the west end of the city. New infrastructure would be required for any of these options.
Housing for disabled -- young and old
Housing that will support higher income and growing families.
I believe the value of our community in terms of housing is to make pathways to ownership, instead of creating more renting options
I do not want large multiple family complexes in Milan.
I don't think Milan (Main Street) is as place for large apartment buildings. I think the "small town" feel of downtown is important to maintain.
I don't want any big apartment and condo buildings that ruin the charm of our downtown area. I understand someone is planning a high price, high rise apt/condo where the Danube Inn was and that is simply
I prefer no high rise structures in Milan for any purpose.
I would love to be able to have a granny pod sm home on land for 90 yr old mother zoning
In laws should have housing. If not maybe a multi family home would be ideal.
It's a small town. That's what people want. Building 5 story apartment buildings turns us into Ann
Its important to open ordinances up to generational housing. Life is too expensive and communities need
Like services that help seniors stay in their home.
Milan has a considerable mix of aging people and young people. Rising housing costs are going to push both groups away. This can be avoided if we take care in the future for these groups.
Needs to be affordable - no matter the type
Not enough options for senior housing, apartments, Co-op, Condos
Nursing home or assisted living options
One thing I have always loved about Milan since I was a kid was the small town feel. The community is great. Don't add a bunch of housing and make Milan just like every where else
People who live downtown with dogs and don't have any yard. They all use the old Danube property and half of them don't clean up the poo. We don't need more apartments with no parking, no yard, and please do not allow 5+story . Gross.
Remember we are a small town.
Same
see above thoughts
Single family over huge houses
That's not your job.
The current housing developments are all house and no yard - we need more greenspace and less
There seems to be a lot of houses in Milan. Please do not ruin things with tons of new builds. Senior housing
We do not need anymore apartment buildings or subdivisions.
We don't need anymore apartment complexes

we have plenty of apartment housing options in town = we need to focus on helping encourage those owners to upkeep and make the options available affordable and safe while adding additional senior
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We need affordable housing of any type l
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We need fewer opportunities for developers and more opportunities for individual buyers
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We need more choices for senior low income living.
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We should not build higher than five stories. It would very much change the look of the city.
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## 8. Comments/Thoughts:

### How important are the following issues related to accessibility and

A connecting road from Gump lake to Allen Rd. To cut down on congestion in town and route around train
Bike lanes in this small town would be ridiculous. They cause more problems for both riders and drivers
city roads are abysmal. Fix them,
Commercial services for individual transportation exists.
Fix and maintain what we have before expanding
Future Planning to connected us to the B2B and/or bike routes to Saline/Ann Arbor.
Golf cart availability
having a community bus or transport service that functions at least Monday-Friday is needed for those who have otherwise no means to transport for like needs such as doctors or groceries
I believe Milan will explode in the near future. These things will drastically help it connect to aa and other suburbs, allowing for more businesses, housing, taxes, etc.
I don't know how important bike commuting is in Milan. I doubt many would use it for work and shopping.
I wish all of the crosswalks worked. I hate how we have them and they don't work. The one buy Kroger should work it's a route to school. I see kids there all the time.
Infrastructure
It would be great to have a bus or transit connection to Ann Arbor and maybe Adrian, Tecumseh
Milan could be very walkable but our crosswalks are not safe, sidewalks are a tripping hazard and inconsistent. The sidewalks end at very inconvenient times. The Kroger intersection comes to mind as
Milan has a great layout already in place for alternative means of transportation. They are, however, not being used to their maximum potential. I would personally like to see those avenues of transportation
Milan has numerous residents who are unable to drive due to no car or have disabilities or special needs
Milan is far too small for public transit to be feasible for funding. Would be wasteful.
Milan is very walkable which I love.
Milan needs public transit
More electric bikes are popping up. They need to be safer as the number of riders are increasing.
Need lit crosswalk at Dance Xplosion. Need ramps cut into some curbs- very hard for strollers and kids on wheels, those with mobility devices
Not in favor of adding traffic to our daily life
Our streets would need an overhaul to make room for bike lanes. Before that happens, the water systems on the side streets need to be addressed. Several side streets have no drainage and flood every time it
PLEASE do not put bike lanes on our roads. They are so unsafe for the cars AND the bikes!
Please do not waste money and space on bicycle lanes!!!
PLEASE extend the Platt Rd bicycle/pedestrian path south to Milan.
Priorities. Some of these things would be nice but until we get traffic and roads improved it would be ludicrous to focus money and energy on other modes
Public transit to nearby communities (Ann Arbor, Saline, etc) would be really useful. Public transit just within Milan itself would likely be less attractive to us.
Public transportation should be made a priority. Again life is expensive. Cars and insurance rates are awful. A quality transportation option the the Washtenaw, Monroe, and Lenawee County bus line would be
Residential neighborhood streets are terrible

Some of the sidewalks and roads are terrible and in dire need of repair
Something that gets to Meijers, Walmart , saline, ypsi, Dundee areas
Special needs people who are not seniors and do not drive could use a bus service, not to mention people who do not own cars or even need temporary transportation could use even a small public transportation
Specifically safe passage across County and Main streets from neighborhoods to Wilson Park. Multiple lighted crosswalks.
Sr Center should not be the only means of getting out of town when you are not able to drive
The sidewalk are horrible as a person who walks dogs daily and has kids who ride bikes/walk as a family we have had more falls then we should
There's no public transit, it affects seniors and those with disabilities.
This is your job.
This town doesn't have alternative transportation
This would only be needed if development of the area would happen
Truck traffic through downtown is noisy disruptive, and hard on the roads. An alternative truck route would improve quality of life. It would also benefit downtown businesses, as foot traffic would be safer and more
We are too small of a community to sustain an actual public transport program.
We do not need bike lanes like Ann Arbor.
We don't need bicycle paths we need walking paths.
We need a connection to the Ann Arbor Bus lines. Even just one or two busses going Chelsea and Dexter both have express lines. So many Milanites work at UMich Hospital! It would help our employment
Would love to see more nature trails and better advertisement of such trail options.

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**10. If you checked "Only in Certain Circumstances," please specify:  
Which of the following land uses would be appropriate in the downtown?**

All answers were tied to available parking
Depends on the type of entertainment venue
Foot traffic and businesses that are likely to bring in new customers repeatedly who will visit other nearby businesses as well
I don't go downtown.
I have heard about the potential development of the vacant lot on Main near the public parking lot into an apartment building. I have concerns about a building of that size and nature being built there. My concerns are around privacy for existing homeowners (new tenants having views looking down into yards/homes) and the loss of available parking downtown, which is already at a premium for Dance Explosion and
I think it's important to consider all viable options without losing the charm of a small community.
I think that such an entertainment venue could be an important anchor in the downtown, but I am thinking more Purple Rose than Cinemark 20.
Im all for having more shopping and entertainment but no bars
keep it classy and clean
Keep the small town charm. No chains, pot stores, adult entertainment, too many tattoo shops!
Keeping events like the fair downtown
Limit the amount
Multi family housing in the downtown area would be tricky to incorporate & still be useful & look good.
Night clubs arenâ€™t needed
No adult entertainment, and it would be better if movies was back downtown but other entertainment a little farther away from down town
No cannabis
No high rises
No noisy venues please!!!!!!!
Offices may take away building spaces that would be more suited for other types of commercial properties people may want in a downtown
Offices should not be downtown unless itâ€™s something that is beneficial to city and people.
Only if in certain circumstances: the original downtown buildings have the perfect example of what is appropriate, shop downstairs and apartment upstairs.
Only offices that have a lot of walk-in foot traffic But a limited number
Owner of a shop, should be able to live above in a apartment. Just not in the business space
Quality presentation and maintenance.
Things that benefit everyone, not just specific groups
Use abanded or empty buildings, such eye sores! Should not be able to sut vacant for years
We donâ€™t need anymore places that serve alcohol, but quality food would be amazing!
We still want to keep our small town home-town feeling.
Would like to see more restaurants
Would love to see Milan businesses expand beyond downtown area. Love the small town feel and local business owners and would like to keep it that way rather than big businesses/chain restaurants. Greta job with downtown area!

**11. If you checked "Only in Certain Circumstances," please specify:  
How important is it for the City of Milan to plan for the following new**

are autonomous vehicles really going to become a Thing? They keep failing in other places, so only if they seem to be a part of our future. Wind power only if it doesn't impact wildlife such as birds.
At this point, other than a few areas of the city where drains get clogged I haven't seen any flooding in the streets. As more solar field are installed, it is likely we will experience increased temperatures and less
Don't waste money on this stuff. If the market determines that there is a demand for this, businesses and individuals will pay to build it. Don't use my tax money on this.
For the city properties sure, but not city wide. Those are private luxuries that dont need to be incorporated into taxes. To easy to abuse the funds. Leave it private.
Get the basics down. The rest will come in time. There are way too many other issues for the city to be focusing on these things right now.
Green infrastructure for flooding.
I would need to know who benefits from it or who has access to use the power.
I would welcome availability of solar and wind power sources near the city that supplied a greater share of
If it adds to sustainability for the existing community
If it's actually effective and beneficial to all
It should be low on the priority list, at the moment
No opinion
No solar in farmland. Only in industrial
Not at the expense of the City taxpayers. Look for grants and developers to cover costs.
Solar and wind power could be great if it actually benefits the town and if it does not detract from aesthetics
Solar panels and wind turbines are so detrimental to our ecosystems. just do research on what they do with the turbines and solar panels when they break, and see how long they take to decompose in the groun. they end up being worse for our ecosystems and economies that it does help.
Stop wasting our farmland.
Wind power is a controversial topic, and may upset some residents
Wind/solar power without removing our farming land; if possible use the roofs of buildings/houses

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## 12.What other new technology or infrastructure should the City of Milan plan

A connecting road from Gump lake to Allen Rd. To cut down on congestion in town and route around train tracks.
Advanced Air Mobility and advanced drone technology. i.e. designated landing pads for commercial/residential.
Affordable housing for young families should be a priority.
Affordable internet
All Green energy sources
Another place for entertainment. Yes Tolan Square is nice, but the group that runs Tolan Square is poorly run.
Anything but wasting money on electrical vehicle charging stations
Anything that supports small businesses
Anything truly beneficial
Better crosswalks and similar devices that encourage walking/biking/skating
Better crosswalks, recycling in the downtown
Better water quality and supply.
Better water system
Bigger library facility or expansion of current one with more sitting. Perhaps include small rooms that can be used for multiple purposes such as meetings or as an incubator
Bike lanes
Broadband
Cable tv
Cameras for traffic and public spaces to combat crime, vandalism, etc.
Cameras, speed radars
Can we just stay our small down why do we have to compete with saline and Ann Arbor
Casino
City wide reverse osmosis system
City-wide WiFi, app to report city issues/pay utilities/taxes
Clean business, more outskirts place of employment so keep people working and close to milan
Clean water
Conditions of some streets are in need of immediate improvement.
Continued investment in water and roads long neglected.
DECENT RESIDENTIAL WATER SERVICES THAT ISNT SO HARD!!
End the comcast monoploy on broadband.
EV stations
Fiber
fiber
Fiber internet
Fiber optic
Fiber optic?
Fire hydrants in London Township and closer Fire station.
Fix the roads and current infrastructure first then move on from there
Fix the roads, water before worrying about others
Fix the water
Fix the water issues, didn't the city get a grant to do that?
Geothermal
Gigabit Internet - Fiber



Heated streets and sidewalks like Holland
Honestly we just need better/more regular parking areas downtown. If we can't do that, we shouldn't be putting time and resources toward more difficult/long-term issues.
How about quality roads and water with lower taxes and better schools to increase home values!! Stop focusing on the wrong things!
I can't think of anything at this time that hasn't been mentioned already.
I have no idea.
I think I have a lead water line coming into my house and I want to know what Milan is going to do about that for residents who still have them. Most of us can't afford to replace them and the city or state/Fed government should do so quickly.
idk
Improvement of municipal water.
Increased accessibility for deaf and blind persons.
Lake and River remediation and preservation
Lighting in the park.
Make the lake functional or get rid of it.
More family activities. Maybe small arcade, bowling alley, not necessarily bar type hang outs but something safe for teens
More shopping options
Multiple lighted cross walks across County and Main streets between neighborhoods and Wilson Park
Municipal power, and city wide wifi
Na
new technology ?
New water systems that delivers water than can be consumed and doesn't damage appliances
No others
None
none
Nothing! Take less of my tax money!
Our water is very hard and not all residents have the money available for a water softener, more options need to be explored to make drinkable water available to all Milan's residents. Many are currently drinking bottled water and many of us are frequently replacing appliances. This is incredibly wasteful. I would like to see Milan explore better options than just buy a water softener, it's not that expensive
Parking lot with mobile payments downtown
Pave Sanford rd and Arkona between Dexter and Platt
Pedestrian powered lighted cross signs to stop traffic
Power Grid
Reroute US23
Solar power for city buildings to lower costs and allow tax dollars to be allocated elsewhere would be good
Solar solar solar. It's the easiest fully function and safe alternative at this time. All government buildings should be set up.
Solar? Wind? bring it on! Must be used locally!
The roads and sidewalks should continue to be a main focus. The city should continue to work on beautification and recreational resources in the park like pickle ball courts.
Traffic cameras

Underground power lines
Underground wiring
Updated website and utility payment options. Working with York twp to pave the remainder of Arkona
Water and wastewater improvements and upgrades
Water system improvement
Waterlines and sewer needs to be upgraded. Everyone should have access to internet, etc
Working cross walks
Would love an affordable "YMCA" type option was a multi use type recreation facility.

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### 13. Other, please specify:

#### What types of jobs should the City of Milan look to attract in the future?

All of above
All of the above.
Any
Anything to improve the tax base
Cannabis with local tax towards infrastructure improvements exclusively. Limit quantity same as you
Casino
Education-I am a reading specialist commuting to Taylor every day and would love to work in my own
Expanded medical, healthier food restaurant like Panera, bowling or similiar
Farming. Get it back to what Milan used to be.
Farming. Preferably organic farming. Meat as well as vegetables.
healthcare
Invite everyone
Medical. Many people don't have access to medical services in milan (other than what IHA can offer. Limited medical therapies are available.
More small buisness and restaurants
none
Office jobs
Office/ business. Need a bank within city limits
Remote work compatibility (coffee shops/publicly available work spaces/wifi in parks) to help attract those who can live anywhere
Restaurant
Restaurant and dinning
Restaurant Serving Jobs
Restaurant/entertainment
Restaurants
Restaurants
Restaurants
Restaurants and entertainment
Resturants
Service
Service industry such as the talked about sports complex, this would bring in tourists and jobs.
Small mom & pop shops
Teaching. I think we need more teachers at our schools
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Waiters for a new restaurant
We already have empty manufacturing facilities and retail/food on Dexter corridor. We should be focused we need more commercial business to fill the vacant buildings we currently have which would provide employment opportunities for all sorts of options. We need to crack down on the "slum lords" who have commercial property that needs updated or renovations to make commercial businesses interested in

## 16. What specific areas should be addressed as part of the Master Plan?

Commercial growth

1. Library expansion
2. Downtown modernization
3. Small business incubator
4. More walking paths and activities

1. Sidewalks
2. Streets - not clear why there is a dashed passing line on Platt Rd in city limits? Also, need to make Platt / Main St intersection on North side 2 lanes - straight and turn right (to Kroger) - super confusing to non-locals which leads to near accidents and frustrations.

3. Consider advertising Milan in a different way - 1. Ford heritage / museum, 2. Play off of Milan, Italy and

1. WATER: Identify and replace lead water lines coming into homes. Soften the water before it gets to our houses. This hard water destroys so much inside our homes.

2. Plant quality trees in the city easement along Dexter Street and others where big silver maples are gone and the entry into town looks less attractive.

3. Resurfacing city streets in neighborhoods and fix Dexter Street which has been destroyed by big trucks detouring down it all the past summer/fall.

4. KEEP DOWNTOWN LIKE IT IS. I do not want to see tall apartment/condo complexes downtown. If we wanted to live in a canyon of concrete and brick, we would live in Ann Arbor. I hear Dan Snyder is plotting to build something tall down there and I am against it. I will vote for City Council accordingly.

A BETTER CITY WATER SYSTEM. More recreational options for Middle School and High School age children.

A bike trail that attaches the trail in Wilson Park to the trail at nature Park so that you can ride all the way to town on your bike. A 4-10mile loop would be nice.

A connecting road from Gump lake to Allen Rd. To cut down on congestion in town and route around train

Accessibility throughout the city limits. The current state of many of our sidewalks make them dangerous to impossible to navigate for wheelchair users or those with other mobility challenges. We should also consider upgrades and additional crosswalks with accessibility features (audio and tactile feedback).

I'm excited for the changes to Wilson Park, and would love to see a corresponding kayak launch on Ford Lake to pair with the one newly placed at Nature Park. It would also be amazing if Milan could get connected to the Platt Rd Greenway. This would obviously require work and partnership outside of the City

Additional commerce to generate jobs and additional tax base

Addressing empty storefronts downtown and attracting new business. Addressing lack of emergency services that directly service Milan - had to call 911 twice and fire/police were on call and it delayed

Affordable housing and creating jobs that can provide enough to live off of.

Affordable housing, public transportation

Affordable housing, transportation in and out of town, and job growth<sup>1</sup>

All streets, roads within the city.

All the city streets. Curbs and sidewalks. Street lights maintenance.

Another grocery store

Water improvement

Better restaurants

Area by the high school needs more development it's very unappealing to outside schools and those coming into town. They often don't have to drive through downtown to get to the high school and it gives
Around the schools should have more lighting and MORE visible stop signs.
Attracting long-term manufacturing, production, and technology businesses (mix of highly-skilled and production labor); developing an affordable housing initiative for blue-collar and lower-income workers
Better parks
Better recreation; no more weed shops, get rid of the trash we have in town. Make the City affordable again
Better staffed public safety departments
Better water & roads more retail, restaurants. Family places to go to! bowling, movie theater, arcade. Cameras at Park with better playground equipment & bathrooms.
Better water and better roads
Possibly making a road from Main St to Allen Rd via Gump Lake Rd as another access for residents in the
Blighted houses (uninhabited and literally falling apart) and empty storefronts downtown. Perhaps the city could consider some kind of ordinance requiring buildings actually be in use for whatever they're zoned for, with penalties for property owners who purposely leave buildings unoccupied for long periods of time. Real estate is at a premium in Milan and it hinders the city's growth when property owners hoard unused
Breaks for seniors on taxes and utilities.
Bring manufacturing back to enjoy First and other large vacant spaces.
Carpenter Rd/US23 overpass area and that entrance into Milan. I believe that it reflects poorly.
Church st and Michigan ave and tolan st
City revenue growth - to lower taxes
More housing, innovative business
Parks and Rec - needs the Rec part; both youth and adult
Water quality should be addressed - not just "this is it"
Let's innovate something here to become novel; put Milan on the map; plan for a much longer future - our own power powerplant, citywide internet paid through taxes - something novel that draws the outside
Cleaning up the lake to make it swimmable, improving the park with more amenities (dog park, additional benches, etc.), making the entire city pedestrian and bike friendly.
Continue to fully support small businesses in the downtown area and incorporating community event gathering and planning. ASAP Planning on getting the city of Milan connected to bike paths north to Saline-
Continue to prioritize the downtown with specialty shops and boutiques.
I would welcome the construction of small homes in the countryside outside of Milan, on large private pieces of land, not just in the city.
Continue various means of communication with citizens concerning news, events and civic education to promote a more widespread civic knowledge.
Create a community that provides the basic needs of housing, roads, water, etc with lower taxes. That will bring in residents that will increase the need for additional housing, create more foot traffic in downtown, raise enrollment in the school district, etc. that's all you should be focused on. The rest will fall into place.
Keep raising taxes, and we'll keep having this same conversations as things get more expensive and
Create a walking/biking community, star patterned, cover all corners and go from one side of town to the
Crosswalks painted on Main St at the parking lot by the banner and by the bakery to help slow down speeding traffic and help people cross from parking lots. (Like the ones on Wabash by the bridge)

Dexter and the large swath if land between the highway and Dexter.
Dexter Street and Marvin Street both really need improvement.
Downtown
Downtown Milan has a lot of potential for enticing new business. More events and various businesses would be great, like restaurants with event spaces, but business owners need an incentive and events (such as wine, women, and shopping or art fairs) can be one.
Downtown parking, improved roads and sidewalks, need to get more homes in Milan,
Economic development
Ensure crime remains low. But otherwise reduce government budget so you can take less of my tax money.
Expanded neighborhood retail. It would be nice to not have to drive into ypsilanti or ann arbor for shoes or
Far better entertainment with experienced planners. The people in place are inexperienced and repeatedly do the same thing over and over.
Filling in empty stores on carpenter. Ideally bringing in a meijer, Walmart or target because Kroger doesn't cut it. More park areas would be nice, somewhere to play tennis or a track to run. Obviously want to keep small town feel but also can add to help keep the charm but add profit to the town
First, Our safety in our schools. Please place metal detectors at one main entrance to protect our children. Secondly, our streets and sidewalks need to be redone.
Fixing the roads with the money you already get for that. Stop building when we have empty store fronts and empty buildings. Milan doesn't need growth or nobody will be able to afford it here. Keep it small and stop trying to make it the next saline. Being small is what makes Milan unique.
Fixing the sidewalks and roads. I've seen too many people get hurt just with taking the sidewalks. They are terrible!! Definitely tax dollars haven't gone to help keep them up to date.
Fixing the streets so they don't flood, repairing the sidewalks, creating a fund to help low-income citizens pay for costs incurred by Ordinance violations, improving the water quality, and improving the parks
Get more small businesses. Increase use and quality of parks and events downtown. Keep the community small and tight knit like we are.
Get rid of the rental ordinance for landlords
Get someone to make people clean up their property's and not have vehicles on the property that do not have plates.. help older people that can't get out an do snow before giving them a ticket we are ticketing the wrong people all the young people that move here from Ann Arbor get away with so much. But some old lady takes an extra day to get her snow or grass mowed and we give her ticket, master plan teacher the big city folks how to be kinda in a small town and friendly.. why change what we have to keep up with the
Helping Milan grow as a community for young families. Housing for young professionals
I don't know
I honestly don't know much about what a mileage is; take question 14 lightly and part of 15 - but I do think our streets & roads should be taken care of first.
I would have a very hard time encouraging anyone to vote on a millage increase, because of the situation the city has forced on my neighbors and myself concerning the shooting range on Sanford.

I wouldn't support the above mileages because those are not the issues that seem to be most pressing. Milan needs to be more walkable-our sidewalks are uneven and stop randomly. Our crosswalks are dangerous.
Milan housing needs to be affordable and we need affordable things for kids/teens to do.
idk
idk
If more housing is added downtown, plan for more parking. Even if a lot is not at capacity, if I drive by it and it looks full, I'm not pulling in. Make all parking areas easily known. Plan for trees to be added to Tolan square for comfort (like Ypsi. Honeylocust for example). Plan for more good restaurants (not just bars), other retail shops to bring in people, continue 3rd Thursday and all the wonderful programs the town does. Do not get rid of areas of character and old things like the old school/parking lot area by Life is Sweet.
If you are suggesting villages for public safety, we need to have our police department back to Milan as a base not Washington county. We have no direct contact with our officers and they need to be more public.
Infrastructure and housing to continue to grow and catch the rest of the young families priced out of Ann
Lake and river preservation and public use opportunities
Lines on the roads
Local roads need priority 20 to 40 we haven't.
Longer walking path around river from gump lake to wilson park. Cut through backyard of residence on
Lower taxes, not new ones, or mileages
Make Ford lake capable of use for kayaks/boating. A sportsman club of some sort would be nice too like
Make things more attractive and accessible to the lake. Fishing and boating.
many streets are in need of repair and replacement, as well as I am sure the underground infrastructure as well. Vacant commercial and residential properties need to be addressed. Additional parking in the downtown area as well is needed for the great continuation of events that are hosted in that area.
More activities for older kids. More restaurants but not big chain stores. The small town is the reason Milan
More activities to do downtown, another respectfully
More adult rec leagues. We should consider reducing the police budget. It's getting too large
More businesses, apartments, fixed roads and sewage systems.
More walkable, better crosswalks that are actually enforced
Affordable housing
Recycling, especially in the downtown business district
NA
National Business
Nature based updating to get people outside and/or recreation facility to encourage physical/mental
Need more options for grocery shopping and more entertainment
New fire station
Older streets on east side of town
Our taxes are high enough and our money isn't being used responsibly. More attention needs to be spent on the infrastructure of all of the city. Look at the roads.... Not just downtown. No more mills
Park to Park Accessibility.
Parking
Parking

Parking up town.
Parking! It's a big issue when events happen.
Parks and rec and attracting new business to downtown including Carpenter Road business corridor.
Pave Arkona Road !! It is only of the main through way in Milan and itâ€™s horrible. A dirt and gravel road with giant pot holes. Major use by developments
Pedestrian safety, especially enforced/visible crosswalks
More restaurant/entertainment options
Proper repair of roads
R0ads
Really the water supply is the highest priority for us. The solar panels are completely unnecessary and an extravagant waste of money in our area of the country.
Recreation area on Sanford road
Recreational opportunities for the community. I would really like to see the city have a recreation center similar to the city of Saline. I find the rec offerings in our community to be lacking and I go to other communities to participate in events. I would like to support my own city.
redevelop new area for industrial park
reduce property taxes
Removal of unnecessary street parking downtown in order to widen sidewalks and increase pedestrian safety/ add bike lanes. Downtown parking is already more than sufficient and underutilized.
remove large skulls from homes
Reroute US23, more housing to support downtown.
Road quality needs to be addressed ASAP. There are multiple roads that see lots of usage that are in horrible condition. Also, I would like to see more prioritization to sealing road cracks in newer paved roads BEFORE they become filled with potholes to prevent larger problems later on.
Road repair, truck routes around the downtown
Road, new construction (residential and retail), public safety
Roads
Roads (and maybe sidewalks)
Roads and blight are the top two areas that need improvement in my opinion. Lots of trashy looking properties detract from the overall look of the city. I donâ€™t see this when I go to Saline, Chelsea,
Roads and Parks
Roads and schools
ROADs ROADS ROADS ROADS ROADS
WATER quality water quality water quality
Roads
Water
Public Transportation
Roads!
Roads, sidewalks, public safery
Roads. Phillips, Lewis, Willana
Safety first



Some focus needs to be placed on supporting the Dexter Rd corridor. It is the first impression people get of our town, and what people see when they take a food/gas stop from driving the freeway. We need to draw them in.

Something for older teens in the area. Completion of the bike park, more courts for activities, etc

But that would also need to come with;

The need for a Parks n Rec safety officer and/or video feed.

It's something that is unfortunately needed to deter issues and destruction around public areas.

Sports complex mentioned in 15 year plan

Street and sidewalk repairs, water system

Streets/Roads support is unqualified. Public Safety support is unqualified. Parks and Rec support would require that the funds are spent in a manner that improves rather than degrades the use of existing

Taxes. They are ridiculous high and now you want to survey us on paying more millages? How about you look into seeing how money is already being spent.

The Allen Road subdivisions are culdesaced and when there is a train stopped (frequent occurrence) on the intersection of Allen and Wabash it becomes impossible to reach the neighborhood. This isn't just an annoyance but is a public safety issue due to emergency vehicles not being able to reach the neighborhood. My solution would be to connect Gump Lake Road to Allen as if there is a train stopped it tends to be stopped prior to cutting access to Gump Lake. A rework of the Allen/Wabash intersection could

The amount of businesses that are currently closed. There have been buildings sitting for years with nothing being done to them. An example is the one on dexter next to Go Mad.

The area of Dexter St. all of the focus is on our downtown area but you can see Dexter from 23 and it does not look appealing when driving past/through Milan. There are so many abandoned buildings throughout Milan but we still see places like Taco Bell and Dollar General being built from the ground up. JRs is an eye-sore and hopefully the city can find someone to fill that space. I am looking forward to Jars Cannabis to open to bring revenue to our town. The strip mall that houses the Coney Island, subway and Marcos really needs some work. The Citgo (?) gas station that sat vacant for years is finally reopened but looks like trash also needs some assistance. Downtown spaces are an appeal and the occupied spaces are great but too many sit empty. whoever allowed that smoke shop to open really needs to have their priorities realigned

The empty abandoned businesses along Dexter st. Our city looks embarrassing for those coming off 23.

Thank god we allowed the marijuana shop to move in as that may bring some life to the run down town.

The horrible water

The infrastructure needs upgraded, in the worst ways. Sidewalks are a hazard..all over milan ,and the roads..have you been on Lee st?

<p>The master plan should look at proper custodianship and maintenance of the City's Assets.</p> <p>Resurface roads before they need to be replaced. Cut tree limbs before they cause power outages.</p> <p>Implement a solid asset management plan for the different departments within the city, sewer, water, roads, parks, etc. Before we consider adding or building - ask if we're taking care of what we currently have. Is our bedroom clean?</p> <p>The empty buildings in town - are there people that want to use them - but have been turned down?</p> <p>How do we lure a good restaurant into where JR's was? Dollar General was a step BACKWARDS - and perpetuates that Milan is a poor town with broke people. How do we support winners and not victims?</p>
The roads in town that are decaying
The roads.
The streets behind Main Street, 1st street on down to the Middle School, Patchwork is just not working anymore. I'm on W 2nd Street and it's crap.
The traffic pattern for semi trucks coming north on Wabash and turning east on main is a huge concern.
There is a lack of diversity in restaurants in Milan. I would like to see that addressed as well as adding and improving parks and recreation.
There should be greater connections between neighborhoods and the downtown/parks through trails for walking and cycling.
There should be greater used of underground utilities in the downtown (to hopefully make them more reliable).
We should improve water quality provided to residents.
<p>Tolan Square needs to be finished, canoe launch needs to be finished, bmx bike/skateboard track needs finished, the small pavilion needs to be replaced in the park, and we need public bathrooms in the park.</p> <p>The police station needs to go back to being what it used to be and open all the time and actually helpful to people in the city of milan if we call the nonemergency line, like it used to be. And we need a laundry mat!!</p>
Try to attract business to empty buildings
Vern Campbell Park, Dexter street businesses, working with York twp on paving remainder of Arkona, working with USPS to change north neighborhoods to city routes rather than rural. Website and utility
<p>Walkable sidewalks, controlled truck traffic, safe bike lanes.</p> <p>Higher density housing options, especially near downtown</p> <p>More affordable housing options for seniors, first time homebuyers</p>
Water and road improvements. These two areas affect the entire community, and must be handled by the government or municipality. The citizens of Milan can find recreational opportunities wherever they choose to. This is not something that must be provided by taxpayers.
Water quality should be addressed before anything else is added/increased
We all know Milan is small, consider how the space would best be untilded
We are taxed to high already. Quit spending our money on bs things. No more raises for city employees.
<p>We have villages for these. If you are talking about additional villages, no to more than one At a time.</p> <p>Between the county, schools and city, we get taxed to death, with additional request. Prove we can fix the</p>

We need our Police back. We need high quality and reliable roads. We need clean water, that doesn't destroy appliances. We need reliable electricity and Internet.
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We need to address that we have a city that has multiple ages of housing that are somewhat disconnected, two disconnected commercial areas, and a difficult to park in downtown.
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Well right now Milan refused most growth and now we must go and give our money to other cities neighboring us to have what we need
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You should turn JR's into a pool haul
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Zoning for more retail and restaurants
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## 17: Is there anything else you would like us to consider?

1. Allow public to use high school track for walking or running - no pets.

2. American Legion - add outdoor seating by lake and paddle boats - perfect for summertime.

Abolishing center for seniors. It's wasteful and poorly run.

Active future planning to repair our older residential street grids.

Adult league programming for parks and recreation. Skatepark for teens.

Allow Milan Township residents access to Milan Public Library. Library sits in Monroe County and gets books from Monroe County Library System and we pay taxes for Monroe County Library system

As far as businesses go, do EVERYTHING you can to get a grocery store to come to town. Kroger does not have to do anything to insure the best service for Milan residents, because they have a monopoly. If we had an Aldi's on the south end of town, imagine how many people from Saline, Dundee, and the townships would come into town.

As mentioned above, bringing in a meijer, target or Walmart would be a game changer

Attract a Meijer store. Our options for grocery shopping are the worst in the area. Kroger has no stock and high prices. They need some competition.

Better signage around downtown with more seating. Wildlife and fish added to Ford Lake for ecosystem with signage for education for the kids.

Bring back dispatch for police, quarterly billing for water, garbage, etc to stip the extra fees associated with monthly billing.

Consider getting an Aldi's store. The Kroger's store is a joke and we need more grocery stores as well. And decent restaurants. Jr's was a joke and food was trash. The past of the building on the corner of lee and dexter needs to be somehow re-used and brought into use. Its been vacant for years and probably should be condemned. Its too expensive to rehab and the current lease amount or it would have been already. The owner needs to somehow figure it out or have the city do it for him.

Continue to make the æslum lords comply with city standards and get ride of the ugly buildings and homes around town.

Don't fall in the trap of diversity means lower American values

Downtown, it is difficult as a pedestrian to cross over Main St, particularly at Ferman St.

Drinking fountains at Wilson park would be amazing. Wilson park is a great place for socialization especially for young children, and having a drinking fountain there would make things much easier.

E Main St (downtown) is rough and needs resurfacing. Something to slow traffic down people literally fly through there all day it's scary especially semis!

Faster removal of dead carcasses on the road side. Bulk pick up day. City garbage company.

Flashing red pedestrian sign and light at Marvin and county street

Ford lake area is untapped gem. Doing something to clean the area would bring outside attention in the way of recreation. I regularly visit other towns for their beautiful parks. Wilson park going toward Gump Lake could be improved as well. The basic layout is already there, just needs improvement.

From talking to others it sound and feels like the city if trying to fine and fee it way back to proprietary.

Get rid of the dispensary!!!! We don't need it. People all over the city are talking about it being a waste of space and they have to do laundry elsewhere now. Not everyone can get immediate travel outside the city to do so. I get the political powers that be only care about lining their pockets but this is an unnecessary business for Milan. This seemed like a great place to raise my family but we now we fear it could get worse.

Give the kids a bike or skate park for god sake not another bar! Bring back big boys. Take down the old campfire building itâ€™s an eye sore! Tell the city workers they are important and we appreciate them. They donâ€™t get enough creditâ€™!
Golf carts legally allowed on roads
gun range
Helping get the middle school pool back up and running as a community pool.
I think anything that is considered should keep the image of a small, charming town. Keep it clean by attracting the type of people that will follow the ordinances.
I think itâ€™s important to keep Milan affordable for the community, businesses coming in cannot expect people in Milan to pay Ann Arbor prices. I also think itâ€™s important that new business respects the already existing businesses. Rental space should be affordable for new businesses to thrive and grow.
I would like continued grant research and funding where ever possible.
Incentivize retail/restaurant owners to come downtown with their business. Bike lanes would be great on some of the roads like Platt and main. For more folks to go to the trails and parks, allow dogs. Also, corporations/companies will sometimes provide grants, it doesnâ€™t hurt to have a grant writer on staff to look for these.
Keep Milan as a small town.
Keep safety in mind especially for the schools. Ensure kids safety is first priority and also quality of education.
Keep the Fair and fireworks as it has always been. Keep the beer tent with the bands. Itâ€™s once a year . Stop trying to make it difficult for the fair to be in Milan with these permits and costs. It has never been an issue until this board that has been voted in.
Keep the fair lol. But also! Add more festivals in the park!
Keep the fair.
Keep the small town integrity.
Keeping in mind a place like Wilson park that is used for many gatherings and types of functions.
Kroger is awful, seeing the campfire building and decrepit property , and now a 2nd restaurant building empty doest tell travelers to stop in Milan. Big eye sores right in the heart of what people see traveling through our town. Start there!
Limiting certain businesses. We donâ€™t need more pizza, churches, or smoke shops.
Bring in restaurants that are open more regularly. Some options for breakfast that arenâ€™t a biker smoke filled pancake hut. More places to enjoy out on the town. Make more room for outdoor dining if possible.
Lower taxes, use money wisely, stop wasting it.
Lowering taxes or better yet that senior citizens pay NO taxes.
Milan needs more affordable housing, ( for multi family and senior)and more services for low income people.
More activites for the community. Pickleball courts and paved bicycle trails
More affordable housing and housing for the elderly. Close the marijuana shops. Bring in more restaurants and shops so that it is not necessary to go to Ann Arbor for errands each week. Build small homes. Many people are single and all the new houses are too big.
More bike/walking pathsadjacent to busy paved roads(Platt, Carpenter, Wabash, Moon etc)

More large stores!! More retail!
More money to police and fire so if something happens anywhere in our area we have the best of the best people and tools available to use to handle any situation
More restaurants, wish we had access to walk at the high school track inside or out
More streetlights in town would be helpful
More support for small businesses, loading zones, recycling, better lighting, and more patrols on main Street especially after school lets out. It's a damn raceway and children/seniors aren't safe. Get the semi trucks of Main Street, too many accidents!
N?A
Na
NA
need for more industrial development
No
no
no
No
No - thank you for doing this!
No new millages! Taxes are too high now!
No.
No.
Our downtown is becoming a bit of a destination to niche groups such as sewers/knitters. The downtown shops, restaurants and bakery have begun to draw interest. The addition of the splash pad to Wilson park has been the largest additional draw we have seen in the past several years. Additions associated to that draw, such as a rotation of food trucks in that area while the the pad is active, may have merit. No offense to the goji ball court, but it was added years ago. I walk by that court frequently and have only seen the court in use 1 time. All other visits have shown an empty court - time after time after time. New trends tempt us to follow, thinking that if we build it, 'they' will come, but spending money to do so is sometimes not the prudent thing to do. Please consider carefully before spending funds on another goji ball court. It may even be time to adapt and convert the goji ball court into something else.
Our town is plenty safe let's focus money towards fixing long used and neglected infrastructure.
Paving Arkona and changing the truck route.
Plan for maintenance and replacement of critical infrastructure, so there no sudden cost increases on tax/bill payers.
Please address "empty space eye sores" of the town and not just downtown area. Specifically JR's and old bakery/campfire building. Those areas are seen by many visitors and tourists stopping to get gas whom never make it to our beautiful downtown area. Great job with Main Street/downtown area!
Please Bring back movies in the park.
Please have fiscal responsibility. Not just spend willy nilly. Work within the budget.
Please look into crosswalks. They have grants that will help you purchase them. Safety is so important.
Please really consider something entertaining for the kids and teens to do in town

Possible consider a barrier fence along dexter street. With the speed limit increased to 30, people drive 35+, we avoid walking with our kids along this route as all it takes is for them to wreck on their bike or trip and fall into traffic. 2 dogs have even been hit and killed at the end of Hurd St. and Dexter. Some type of fence would be appreciated or reduce the speed limit back to 25 mph.
Put a crosswalk light at the old fire station crosswalk.
roads & water quality
Seasonal gatherings in the downtown Milan park would be great. For example having a beginning or ending of spring, summer, fall, and winter themed carnival or event to bring the community together and celebrate would create more revenue and make Milan the place to be.
So many city events are centered around alcohol consumption. We need events that include everyone, especially those who cannot/don't drink, or for those who don't want to be around drunk people
Some form of traffic calming through downtown. Similar to clock in depot town in Ypsilanti. Something that would tighten the lanes to force reckless drivers to slow their speed through downtown.
Some if the building, like the library, townhall and some businesses downtown are too moldy for me to going to. I avoid going downtown because of the potential for mold and lack of diversity.
Sound barriers for the shooting range on Sanford.
Stay focused.
Stop canceling all the things that have made Milan a home. Put it to community vote. If the community wants to change things they'll tell you. Too many people have personal vendettas and are wielding their power to create strife.
stop spending so much tax payer dollars way to much money is being wasted of crap we don't need..
Stop the petty BS between community members and be professional. You are not in those positions to advance your own personal agendas or vendettas. Grow up and be role models for others. That's what a true leader would do. You want to help low income families? Stop finding more ways to waste all our
Take less of my tax money! And absolutely don't implement any DEI initiatives.
Taxes. They are ridiculous high and now you want to survey us on paying more millages? How about you look into seeing how money is already being spent
Thank you for all your work to improve and modernize our community!
The city of Milan has some of the highest property taxes in the state once you factor in millages. It's insane that we just voted in 4 new ones (well, some people voted for them...) and there's somehow talk of additional ones? Families are not going to be able to afford their homes soon just because of how quickly our property taxes are going up. It's wild that the city officials don't see this.
This Public Safety millage? What is this going to BE actually? Will it provide additional funds buy more firepower for the police? If so, do we really think that will keep us safer or might that cause more fatalities, overall? If it's for police training (so that they would be aware of how to interact in cases of mental illness or domestic violence, then great).
up to one bulk trash item per week.
Us boomers need to be able to keep our parents safe and ability for non drivers to get to places to shop and business in those other cities, we need more places factories tech, jobs to grow milan
We really love living in Milan and the care that goes into creating such a welcoming community. The beautiful decorations along the street often make us feel so happy to live here. Just a few tweaks&#160;  thank you for allowing us this input!

Why is water so expensive when it is terrible

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## 20. Comments and Thoughts:

### How satisfied are you with the excisting recreational facilities in the City of

A skateboard park and outdoor rink for roller hockey would be nice
Access to public drinking fountains would be tremendously helpful and useful
Add habitat to Ford Lake for the eco system with signage for kids.
All purpose turf for athletics would be nice
All the parks need some renovation on certain structures. The flying field kind of sticks now that the city has allowed the shooting range to be built behind it. What has happened to the skating rink these last few years??
Baseball fields shouldâ€™ve NEVER been removed from Wilson or Nature Parks and the riverbank center should revert back to THE SENIOR CENTER!
Bathrooms at the nature park would be nice
Bathrooms other than porta potties would be nice at Wilson Park and everywhere
Bathrooms, including handicapped, may be a nice addition around town, or allowing people to use business bathrooms if downtown?
Clean restrooms at parks make the experience a lot more enjoyable:)
Dont get rid of fair
Finish the skate park for teens
Future planning to connect all parks in Milan by a paved or cement bike paths. Please get Sanford Road redone between Stony Creek and Milan-Oakville . Add Flush toilets in Wilson Park. Get that Zippy's car wash and Culver's in as soon as possible.
Get rid of the nasty geese that poop all over everything in and around town
Giving up parks property for a gun range was awful. You didnâ€™t survey the community, and you detracted from the experience at Vern Campbell and Field of Dreams.
Gunp Lake park should include a paved pathway from the river path to Main St.
Having a bike trail that went from the soccer fields and Laverne Campbell Park on the east side of town and looped all the way to nature Park and the trails of Kroger on the other side of town would be completely amazing
How about a city golf driving range???? Or par 3 course?
I canâ€™t understand how recreational ares can coexist with a shooting range that has NO sound protection
If we have the budget to keep these in TOP FORM - then great - if not - we have too Many.
Is Gump lake owned by the city? A nature trail with boardwalk and docks to see wildlife would be a pretty neat addition. Especially if it's "protected" and could draw in people from other communities.
It would be nice to have the path North of Wilson repaved.
Milan Seniors for Healthy Living should not be included in this category. We already pay a separate millage for that.
My kids are young and just getting into sports i would love to see milan continue to have options for young kids
Nature Park does not deserve its name, as it is not very natural, and rather an eyesore from the road.
Nature park is more younger kid appropriate, but gets neglectednfor upkeep, mulch, hanging tree branches

Nature Park is neglected. You're putting everything in Wilson Park instead of putting some things like for example splash pad should have went and Nature Park because that's designated towards younger children and a BMX park or skate park should have been put in Wilson Park. It feels like you're putting everything in Wilson Park so the fair will not be able to have room in the park
Nature Park needs an update of the playground equipment.
Nature park poor utilization of land, Wilson upgrades limit the big events if changes, some upgrades needed leaving space for car show and fair
Need hiking/biking trails around Campbell park
New horse fencing
No new funding for this! Be more efficient with existing funding!
Not even familiar with a couple of these but I love Wilson park for the path, trees and our daily walks
Permanent restrooms would be a nice addition to the parks. Maybe seating around the splash pad
Pleas just don't spend more of my tax money.
Please consider finding a natural and non-toxic way to keep pests under control at parks, specially the nature park which is getting out of control every summer
Repair and up keep need to be done on existing parks before purchasing or adding to the amount of parks in the city.
Riverbank center needs a LOT of maintenance and upgrades. I'm surprised that people pay the cost to rent when so any areas need improvement.
Set aside neighborhood areas for small city parks.
Soccer park is not well maintained
Support senior center!
The baseball fields could always use some help for our kids. Wilson park does not need anymore jungle gyms for the kids.
The Nature Park is a good space that needs investment to become more useful. The Gump Lake softball fields are not in good condition. The Vern. Campbell soccer fields are in fine condition, but need permanent bathrooms.
The parks are good. Could use more playground equipment and more things for older kids to do.
The river area is the attraction. It seems that aspect has the city's awareness.
The Riverbank Center is wonderful, but seems underutilized, particularly in the dark winter months. If it could be available in evenings or weekends here and there, a person could sit in front of the fireplace with companions about, during the toughest time to be senior who alone.
The Vern Parks are good fields and maintained well, but the roads getting to the parks are terrible. I'd rather not go because of Sanford road and parts of Arkona.
There could be more things added to all parks.
There is not enough parking at the soccer fields on Sanford or the baseball fields in town. The City does next to nothing for the Little League fields, the building needs repair and volunteers have to bring equipment in each year to try to get the fields ready to play. The Little League is on life support and the city couldn't seem to care less.
Too many prior programming has been discontinued by the new director and people are missing things that we used to have. The focus seems to be on things that are not all inclusive for all ages.

We are a soccer family, the fields are maintained well by MYSC however the city needs to mow more/better and add picnic tables.
We are just able to take care of what we have at best. Don't add until we can keep what we have well maintained. Example. The path that over looks wilson park and the wilson park paths are starting to crumble.
we have wonderful potential but things aren't kept up and have been allowed to deteriorate without any good plans to upgrade or fix (there's lots of talk but nothing ever happens)
We need more adult rec leagues
Would love to see a rec center for indoor sports (pickle ball). Can't really play outdoor sports in the winter.

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## 22. What can the City of Milan do to better meet your recreational needs?

1. Fix sidewalks or create walking or running trail.

1. Clean up the park and stop allowing dumping back by the baseball diamonds

2. Clean up the rivers so they flow nicely and can be used for canoeing or kayaking

3. Extend the border to border bike path from Ann Arbor. This would not only encourage people to come check out Milan (Iâ€™ve talked to many bikers who have said this) but would also enable us to bike farther distances.

These next 3 ideas would be nice but they are not as high priority as the above

4. Put in an indoor rollerskating rink :-)

5. Offer Community ed classes that are more affordable for dance and gymnastics for kids and teens

A community pool would be wonderful in the summer, but the biggest need is permanent, clean bathrooms in Wilson Park and Vern. A Campbell park. The Nature Park playground equipment is in need of updating, and the space could be better utilized for other recreational options. The banks of the river in Wilson Park

A dog park would be a great addition.

A YMCA

A) fix the play equipment at the NP

B) put some effort into the soccer fieldsâ€™, like make them flat? Mow the lawn more than once every 2 months, especially during the seasons.

Access to buildings down by city and update them for wedding and events.

Add a dog park. A bike park or skate park would be amazing for the kids and adults in the community.

Add a drinking fountain to Wilson park, better crosswalks around Milan, and more nature trails.

Add a gym with a pool

Allow dogs in some of the trail areas

Ann arbor for their parks and Saline for their rec center are doing it right

Bathroom facilities at Wilson Park would be great in the summer. Racquetball courts. Indoor community

Bathroom, vending machines

Bathrooms

Bathrooms in Wilson Park

Bathrooms, renovations of building structures in park, basketball courts needs repaved, and the parks

Better maintenance and cleanup at Wilson park

Better regular maintenance

Better/ more facilities geared towards young children.

Better/longer walking paths, away from homes/people, more exercise spots or interactive spots,

Bigger and more equipped library with meetings rooms and workspaces as well as more resources

Bike Trails

Bowling, billiards, arcade, a fun center for all ages!

Build an outdoor roller hockey rink and skateboard park.

Build new softball baseball complex on new property that doesnâ€™t flood that you can rent out for

Can we find a way to start connecting our city to the great bike path that is started in A2 along Platt? Can we do something to attract those cyclists to continue to our city, making it a destination point? I support the continue growth for multiple uses of Wilson Park. Fix the eyesore that is the useless new kayak launch. As a kayaker, I have not used it and still put in near the bridge, where there aren't any rocks and where is more accessible for disabilities. That platform thing makes no sense!!
Community rec center
Complete the renovations / improvements in Wilson Park.
Crosswalk by firebar and entrance to Wilson Park very hard to cross the street sometime, love flashing lights at crosswalks especially for summer. City probably already has events/recreation we haven't checked out yet so appreciate posted announcements.
develop more camping parks and community gardens
Dog park, cycling paths, swimmable lake
Drinking fountains
Ensuring that there are well cared-for green spaces and natural areas, with native plants/trees, and habitat for birds and other wildlife.
Expand the disc golf area. I haven't been to all of the parks, didn't know about a few until the list above, maybe there is room in one of them for a disc golf course?
Expand use of Campbell park for hiking and biking, maintain trails
Finish the projects that were started
Fix Sanford road or get the county to take care of it.
Flush toilets and hand washing in Wilson Park.
From the rendering I saw for upgrades to Wilson, they would help to meet more needs. Having areas for young teens to adults is needed. Right now it is focused on areas for children or parents with children with not much more than walking paths for everyone older than that.  Maybe canoe and kayak rental/launch at the nature park and concludes in Wilson Park. This would enable a larger subset of the community that do not have their own boats for this.
Get a YMCA to come in. - Adorable exercise access. - Family activities - New Jobs
handicap accessible
Have nature trails that allow for dogs - the one nature park is not dog friendly. And I'm not sure if there is a designated dog park - but that would be helpful too.
Having an agility park for dogs
Adding a community garden
Having some sort of adult sports league would be nice
Hosting adult education/recreation classes; right now, the closest offerings are through MCCC or Ann
I don't have any needs
I feel that people with disabilities are very restricted on being able to participate in most activities that are
I would love to have a canoe/kayak rental area.

I would love to see a dog park
I would really like to see the city have a recreation center similar to the city of Saline. I find the rec offerings in our community to be lacking and I go to other communities to participate in events. I would like to
I'd like to see more natural trails
idk
If you are going up grade parks move all recreational stuff like basketball courts , bmx, pickle ball, to nature park area make more community active park, and make Wilson leisure, activities, splash, gather park, events, make the nature area the spot that has trail from play to west side of main..
Increase/Connect trails for longer walking/ hiking opportunities.
Indoor sports
It would be nice if the dog and goose poop was dealt with. It would be downright lovely if there was never off lead dogs in the parks. It would be lovely if there was an fenced off training area for dogs somewhere in the park system. It would rock my world if there was ALWAYS a police officer on foot or on a bike in Wilson park during the park's open hours. Things happen there that should not happen and a well trained cop walking
Keep the parks clean from trash .
Keep up the maintenance on the parks. Gump lake has been run down for awhile now.
Maintain what we already have.
Make a REASONABLE plan to augment what we have (re:Wilson Park....cannot imagine all the crap slated to be added w the grant. Part of that park's charm is the wide open spaces)
Make stuff more updated
more affordable rental spaces for parties such as baby or bridal showers or small birthday celebrations- revitalization of the Community House would help in this matter as that building used to be rental for a
More areas to hike and bike, tennis courts, botanical garden, etc
More attention to CLEAN parks (empty trash), trails, and maintaining current equipment.
More bike/walking paths1
More entertainment for the teens and kids
More events for working age people, after normal working hours.
More info, better website, texts system, fb or instagram or X
More paved trails to bike on. The streets and sidewalks are not easy to bike on around here.
More programming for kids, especially the younger kids.
More spaces to host events/parties indoor/outdoor connected to the park, actual bathrooms. Similar things to what Westland did recently
More trails and pathways
More trails and walking paths
More trails for running/walking
More trails/outdoor events and YMCA type recreation building open for swimming/pickleball/basketball
More with little league brings the community together
Move forward with the sports complex mentioned in the 15 year plan sooner than 15 years.
N/a
N/A
If the parks are functional and clean, I'd say stop spending money on them. Except maybe the bathroom thing, which I know is already in the works.

Nature park needs the dirt removed and upkeep of current facilities. It has been unuseable for years thanks to our city board members who let it sit and deteriorate.
nothing
Nothing, getting out and using it all more is on me!
Nothing. Everything is fine as-is.
Outdoor grown up exercise playground. Or integrated with the kids.
Parks could use some updated equipment and clean up the goose poop.
Pave the trails in the park near Kroger
Pedestrian access to nature conserve from Kroger area.
Pedestrian crosswalk by Firebarn on both sides so the Park can be accessed from the North.
Personally, I would like to see pickle ball courts and ice rink during the winter. I would also like to see an extended bike path somewhere but not bike lanes as noted in the survey.
Pickleball dedicated courts. Not mixed use for tennis. See Adrian and Ypsi.
Pickleball or tennis courts
Pickleball quarts abd paved bicycle paths
Play area/park on south east side of town.
Playgrounds for young kids
Produce any Rec concepts.. this system is failing everyone in town
Provide family classes and activities that relate to all ages.
Public pool
Put nature park back to what it was. The river bank was ruined by the city. The millings put down are contaminating the river and weâ€™re not cleaned and processed as they should have been by law. Put the ball field back. Clean and tidy up the play ground. The current city council should be ashamed of what
Real bathrooms, hiking trails, safe crosswalks (better signage and enforcement, maybe a city ordinance where cars should stop as pedestrians are approaching the crosswalk, like Ann Arbor has)
Rec center, better walking paths
Recreation facilities. Pools and gym equipment. Like a large ymca.
Replace mulch at Nature park, fill in holes, trim branches that are broken and dangling over playground
Restrooms at parks, improved walkability, access to facilities for sports (l.e. open gym in the evenings available to the public).
We moved to Milan because it is one of the only affordable cities in Washtenaw County but we end up driving to Ann Arbor or Ypsilanti for most of our recreational needs. Milan sports are very limited and expensive. Many of the activities are poorly advertised. People kept telling us that Milan has a pool with swim lessons and it took us years to find the website and even then, it was not easy to navigate. It seems like Milan could do better making use of what we already have-using the senior center or schools for
Restrooms, Concession stand, expand the walking paths within Wilson Park
Skate park
Start leagues, help people form groups
Stop raising taxes
stop spending money for a while

Swim facilities in schools could be compensated for increased access hours
Dedicated bike lanes
Safer sidewalks with controlled truck:vehicle traffic
Swimming and places to walk your dog. Would also love weekly farmers market!
Teen events like flashlight tag, flashlight egg hunt.
Tennis courts!!
Tennis courts, pickle ball courts, updated playgrounds, more paths for walking/running
The upcoming updates to Wilson Park are going to be great for kids that are challenged with the new playground that is going in. I think we can do something more with the Nature Park to better utilize the space. I think that a dog park in the green space north of Main Street east of Greentree.
There is not enough parking, buildings in disrepair.
There needs to be a community pool separate from the school pool. Would love an indoor facility.
There should be a plan for a community recreation center (swimming, exercise, raquetball, indoor walking
Trail parks, dog parks,
Trails connecting the parks.
Until the "goose poop problem" is corrected all the "great wonderful improvements" in Wilson Park is for
Updates are needed.
Updates to facilities. Soccer Fields need better parking. All facilities need better restrooms. Sanford road
We are semi-old. More walky paths. More bikey paths.
We go to saline to use their pool, fitness center, etc.
We just need more things to do. There isn't anything for teens to do either. Except play basketball
We need affordable event space!! There are very few places to gather/host events in Milan, and it's concerning that city is starting to charge more for residents to use buildings that we already pay for with our taxes. Please lower rental fees and allow some spaces to continue to be free to all (like Tolan Square).
We need more dedicated program around recreation and sporting activities.
We often go to saline for rec and ed programs. I would love to see milan offer more rec and Ed programs to kids and young adults. Many of the programs are targeted to seniors or 'crafty' people.
We use Saline & Pittsfield's P&R services for a lot of classes and activities not offered here.
Would love to see a rec center for indoor sports (pickle ball). Can't really play outdoor sports in the
YMCA?
You cannot walk on the city sidewalks without constantly having to look down so you don't trip. We have little to no other trails to walk on in town.

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## 23. List neighboring community, county, state or other regional recreational facilities that you or your family visit.

242 community center, McDonalds and Chick-Fil-A indoor play areas

242 indoor play area. Move theaters bowling alleys

A lot, Brighton, recreational area, Gallup park, rolling Hills, multiple state parks west and north of here

Adrian YMCA, WCC Heath and Recreation Center. Walking and bike paths throughout Saline.

All collegiate sporting events. Varies lakes in the area. Golf courses

Ann Arbor

Ann Arbor & Saline

Ann arbor for their parks and Saline for their rec center

Ann arbor parks, metro parks

Ann arbor skate park. Dog park.

Ann Arbor Westland

Ann Arbor, Saline parks/trails and tennis courts

Ann Arbor, Tecumseh, Monroe, Lake Michigan

Ann Arbor, Ypsi, Saline, Canton, Westland

Ann Arborbarks, Saline, sterling state park, Dexter

Both rustic trail options in saline (walks with my dog)

Chelsea & Dexter

County Farm Park in Ann Arbor

Crosswinds Marsh

Crosswinds marsh

Dexter , saline, Pinckney

Dexter parks

Dexter, Chelsea, Howell, Holly, Fenton

Dog park listed above.

Draper-Houston Meadows, Pittsfield Preserve, Sandra Richardson Park

Draper-Houston Meadows, Various Huron-Clinton metroparks for biking, kayaking, and golfing.

Dundee

Dundee (wolverine park)

Dundee and Saline

Dundee park by the dam, several parks in Ann Arbor.

dundee, maybe

Gallup Park

Gallup, parker mill , lillie park

Hidden Lake Gardens, Tecumseh trails, all neighboring trails.

Huroc park, Oakwoods, Lake Erie metro park,

I visit parks in Ann Arbor sometimes, especially to skate and go to the Farmer's Market.

I would visit Senior Center more if there were more opportunities, like doing crafts, playing instruments, vocal choir, Play production an organize trips to concerts or events outside of Milan.

Legacy Center (Brighton), TOCA (Wixom), High Velocity (Canton), Wide World Sports (AA)

Lincoln Field House, Wide World of Sports, Legacy in Brighton, EMU Dome, Saline pool,

Lincoln new sports complex
Lower Huron Metropark
Matthei Botanical gardens. Hands On museum. Toledo zoo. Detroit zoo. Fuller pool.
MCCC, UMich NCRB
Mill Pond Park in Saline, Gallup Park in Ann Arbor
mill pond park, rolling hills, crosswinds marsh,
Mill pond park.
Monroe Munson Park
Monroe Skateland and bowling Ann Arbor Big Games
N/A
Na
Nature and Wilson parks
Nearby trails for hiking/walking
no
no
North eastern upper lower peninsula of Michigan
Parks and Hands On Museum in Ann Arbor
Rolling hills
Rolling Hills County Park, various Metroparks.
Rolling Hills park, Village of Blissfield pool, Toledo Metroparks (Oak Openings and Secor have wonderful playgrounds and trails), Independence Lake and occasionally the Huron Metropark system.
Rolling hills, Sandra Richardson park
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Saline and Dundee
Saline Ann Arbor and Dundee
Saline Community Center
Saline dundee
Saline or Dundee
Saline parks, Ann Arbor parks, metroparks
Saline rec
Saline rec and ed. Ann Arbor YMCA.
Saline Rec center
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Saline rec center
Saline Rec Center & High Velocity
Saline Rec Center, 242, Kensington Park, Sarah Richardson
Saline rec center, Ann Arbor outdoor pools
Saline rec center, huon parks
Saline Rec Center, Platt Rd Greenway, Argo or Gallup Park
Saline Rec Center, Rolling Hills, Huston Draper Preserve, Sandrah Richardson, Lilley Park
Saline Rec Center, YMCA (both Monroe and Ann Arbor), Ypsilanti Township Community Center
Saline, Ann Arbor, Washtenaw County
Saline, Dundee and Tecumseh
Saline, Dundee, Howell
Saline, dundee, toledo
Saline, MI for movies
Saline, Pittsfield
Saline, Tecumseh, Adrian and Pittsfield Parks
Saline, Washtenaw County
Saline, Ypsilanti
Saline. Ann Arbor. Ypsilanti Township.
Sandra Richardson and Gallop Park
Sandra Richardson park, legacy sports complex, Lincoln athletic building
Skate park and dog park in Saline
state parks occasionally
Station 300 bowling alley
Sterling State Park, Independence Lake
Stirling State Park (on Lake Erie), Kensington Metropark, Gallup Park
Swift Run dog park, various beaches
Tecumseh
Tecumseh, Ann Arbor, Dundee
Tecumseh, Ann Arbor, Ypsilanti, Toledo
Tennis courts
The Huron River Metropark, Gallup Park or the metro park up in Pinckney Dexter area. Tecumseh & Adrian also have a really nice bike trail we enjoy.
Toledo downtown river walk
Toledo Metroparks for walking and safe biking, many nearby towns for safe sidewalk walking
Various parks and nature trails in Ann Arbor, Saline, Dexter, Chelsea. Specifically kayak and canoe launch and rentals to utilize the areas for fishing and relaxation.
Walk at the Capitol quad in Lansing Mi. Visit parks such as Mathai Botanical Gardens , Nichols Arboretum, Gallup Park, Saline Rec Center
Wamplers Lake, Old Mill Pond Dundee, Red Mill Rec House Tecumseh
washenaw and oakland county parks
Washingtingnaw
We go to Jackson often to enjoy their parks and facilities

We go to rolling hills several times a week for the trails, three disc golf courses and water park in the summer. Also to the other parks that their pass gets you into for similar activities.
We go to Saline; they have an awesome play structure for kids. Go to Dundee, Saline, or A2 for Dinning.
We love parks, especially for exercise & birding, in Washtenaw/Monroe counties. Would consider kayaks
We often travel to go to other parks that have longer routes for biking and hiking. We also go to other places like Toledo or Adrian for indoor roller skating. We recently went to the ribbon and Toledo, which was an outdoor skating area that was very nice.
We visit alot of the parks in Ann Arbor to use their trails. We've also used Saline's and Sterling State park to
We visit anything we can
Wilson park
Wilson park
Wooden park in saline
Ymca
YMCA, Saline Rec
Ypsilanti

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**26. Other, please specify:****What types of activities do you or your family regularly participate?**

Beer/wine walks

Car Show, Summerset, Milan Fireworks, Carnival

Car shows

Community pool for organized senior PT or water aerobics.

Don't use

Milan community Fair Car shows

Milan fair and the car and bike shows

none

RC car tracks

Splash pad has been a HUGE hit

Swimming

The farmer's market was an amazing additive to the city community feel, and the event wasn't planned by city members too. it is definitely one of the greatest additives this town has had in years and I visited the market each month. I hope it will be two times a month this next year!

We dont play disc golf but see the disc golf course in use frequently, relative to other park activities.

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## 28. Are there any specific trail routes you would like to see developed in the

a bridge over Ford Lake to connect nature park and Wilson park.

A route our to the parks on the eastern edge of the city, on the other side of the bridge. We have to drive there, as there is no bike route.

Any trail connecting Milan would be better than the nothing one we have now

Anything that connects to another city heading north

Canâ€™t use them because I have dogs I like to go with

Connect Campbell park to the city with a bike path

Connect nature to wilson park. Create more trails with the land we have

Connecting the city's main parks and connecting neighborhoods to those parks.

Connectivity all over town, especially for fundamental businesses, expand to the south to Dundee and to the north to Saline/A2

Fix what you have before spending money to add more things the city won't be able to take care of.

Gump Lake

I love the paved trails around Wilson Park. It would be amazing if that were connected and expanded throughout the city, and ideally connected to the Platt Greenway eventually!

I say no only because Milan doesn't seem big enough to feasibly have a trail system, with its current layout

I want a trail to string together all of our recreational parks and stays away from the main streets in area in town for more of a nature feel

I would love to use the trails, but the amount of ticks is concerning. If there were paved trails, i would be more motivated to explore them.

Mentioned above. Ability to enter Preserve on foot without having to walk edge of highway.

Milan to Ann Arbor along Platt.

Mountain bike/hiking/running trail system

MTB trails

N/a

No

No idea how to do it, but a trail from the waste water treatment plant through to the Nature Park trails west of Kroger. Also, improve canoe and kayak access up and down the river/lake.

No ideas as long as it's accessible and safe

North to south

One inside the city that leads to another circuit(s) outside of town

Path from Milan to Saline which was discussed through York Township.

Path that connects from the path on Platt near Saline down to Milan

Problem with Milan itâ€™s land locked from poor growth over the years

Routes should be accessible in all parts of the city, not just one area.

See earlier comment

The area by the far baseball diamonds. It would be wonderful to have trails developed, and if trucks would stop dumping trash and concrete in the park.

The city canâ€™t keep up with what they have, why add to it!

The park near Kroger. Please pave the trails

Utilize back part of Wilson park going toward Gump Lake. Somehow connect Nature Park to Wilson Park.
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Wabash Rd, W Main St/Mooreville Rd,
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Wilson road to Main Street
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### 38. Is there anything else you would like to share / add?

A Target! Please! Even better fast food! Panera?! Chick fil a?!

All the community activites involve alcohol. We need more activite

At this point I donâ€™t trust the city of Milan to make the best decisions for the people they effect the most.

Canoe rentals for area streams/waterways would be great

City council and Mayor are doing a great job. Police could do better with foot patrols, stopping racing on Main Street, and truck traffic issues on Main Street

Continue to develop Milan into a town where young families want to come and stay, housing is the biggest fight and opportunity determines where we go basically.

Do not put bike ramps behind nature park. It is loud and ot fair to the existing residents. Put them at Wilson Park or elsewhere

Don't go woke.

Don't take so much of my tax money! I need money for diapers and groceries!

fix the roads. do something about the hard water. keep small town feel. stop trying to make us a baby A2

Focus on the priorities of community health impacts, not the loudest voices.

I completed this in 20 minutes.

I enjoy Milan and would like to see more for families without children to do

I like the direction the city is headed. The downtown is nice but parking is limited. I have heard of plans of another apartment complex right downtown, not that it isn't wanted or needed but then there needs to be a larger option for parking, somehow. Parking down at Wilson and walking up that hill to the downtown shops isn't great for the demographic a lot of the store fronts are for.

I lived and worked in Milan for approximately 20 years. I no longer own a home in Milan.

I sincerely appreciate the effort you are putting into getting the input from residents, student parents, and others with an interest in our community. With our historic downtown, the beautiful lake and river, and the now thriving surrounding neighborhoods, we are poised to move forward in a positive way!

I think all community programming is critical. I selected recreational resources and activities that are appropriate for me, although I think there needs to be a focus on activities for kids and younger families as well. When my kids were growing up in Milan we participated in baseball, summer camps, after school care, etc. These were critical resources and experiences that Milan had to offer over the years and should continue to offer to the young families in Milan.

I think Milan does a great job of making the city nice, welcoming, and fun. We pay very high taxes but we get good services when it snows and when there is a crisis like a wind/ice storm that downs lots of trees. I really appreciate it. I want the city to continue to grow and attract people and business, but I want the downtown to remain historic, and charming. I don't want it to become "little Ann Arbor" nor do I want it to sacrifice charm for whatever hideous commercial hellscape Dundee has become.

I think our city Leaders are doing a terrific job. Keep up the great work!! :)



I would kill for better and cleaner water tbh
Iâ€™d like to see more morning programming for adults, I work 2nd shift so I feel like I miss out on a lot of things
if we had a connecting bus to either downtown AA or Ypsi, it would probably eradicate most of the poverty in our City. People could get to jobs without having a car.
If your going to bring in new business, bring in ptoductive businesses. Worse mistake was allowing weed shops in milan. Way to condone drug use in a city that has enough drug problems. Remove woke board members, bring back common sense to the community.
It would be nice to encourage the businesses to have clear signage or at least uniform signage outside their businesses. Several trees have been cut down in the last few years along Dexter and Main Street. It would be nice to have those replaced and restore the tree line streets that are mentioned on the webpage.
I've been very turned off about the milan fair because of how the fair board has acted. They need to develop a fair ground or by the high school or something because it really disrupts Wilson park
Keep Milan Milan and quit letting the Ann Arbor influencers into our town.
Keep milan moving forward
Keep the fair, our family has traditions based on it
Library needs update! Would love study space, kids programs, nice library
Like Milan small, affordable
Like the outdoor music and owl activities, summer stuff, like fireworks, the shops in town are cute but donâ€™t do a lot of shopping there.. just novelty
like to contact economic development corp of michigan
Love it here. Don't feel a need to be more like Ann Arbor.
Na
No
no
no
No
NO DISPENSARY IN MILAN!!!
NO taxes for seniors
No!
No, but thank you for giving me the opportunity to share my thoughts for your team consideration
No.
nothing
Overall weâ€™re doing a great job!
Parks & Rec need representatives of all age groups to be there to help create programs
Partner with businesses, organizations, and individuals who already do the things you're want to do. Instead of trying to compete with them. We'll get more for our money

Please keep working hard at improving the city. We moved in 5 years ago and have seen improvement in some areas but other areas take a hit. No business should be left standing unattended for over 4 years. Makes our city look run down and not a place to live or visit. Downtown is great but then the city allows a half approved smoke shop to move in. We have to be better than that. Support our community, and fill these empty spaces to bring more money in to help pay for the improvements needed on our roads.
Please update public buildings so they're not moldy/musty.
Quit raising taxes!!!
Roads
Save our farmland from solar companies, no subdivisions , keep the fair and fireworks and keep Milan a small community.
Stop flying flags that are not a reflection of all residents, and when the mayor receives an email about issues, it would be great to have him follow up.
Taxes are too high and your rental ordinance is too strict!
Thank you
Thank you for doing this. Please make make the crosswalk safer, especially by the old fire barn.
Thank you for the time you are spending on our community and asking for feedback/ideas.
Thanks for the survey
There are a lot of things I'd like to see in Milan, but i think my immediate concern is the safety issues i encounter when walking from our home to Wilson Park (crossing main st).
Theres been a focus on downtown, that focus needs to shift to the carpenter road strip. There are two vaccent resturants and undeveloped land.
Too many incompetent people are in charge of the event structure. Higher level, better people should be in place.
We need more off road handicap parking. It's not safe to unload handicap on Main street. Therefore,we can't get to the downtown stores.
We need strict use if the land and not a hodgepodge of different styles if faÃ§ades. Something that complements the existing area not something that looks cheap and thrown up.
We use the Milan Public Library a ton and would like to see it expanded. The library does a great job with the space it has, but is too small for the size of the community.
Would love to see more things for the teenagers and young adults. There should be more for the teens to do outside around milan, especially if they donâ€™t have a license yet and can only bike or walk around milan

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